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Legislation Against Mob Violence

Rev. Palmer Dies; Was Union Baptist Church Minister

Services for the Rev. Robert P. Palmer, former pastor and later assistant pastor at Union Baptist Church, were held last Saturday morning at Union Baptist Church with burial in Glendale Cemetery. The Rev. N. R. Olphin, pastor of Corinthian Baptist Church officiated.

The Rev. Mr. Palmer, 1020 Seventeenth street, died here Feb. 8 at Broadlawn General Hospital at the age of 90. He had been ill a week.

The Rev. Mr. Palmer was pastor of Union Baptist church when the present building was moved to McCormick street and stayed there until 1927 when he accepted a similar post in Battle Creek, Mich. He returned to Des Moines in 1953 to become assistant pastor of the church. Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Leona Webb, two sons, Kenneth and Edgar Palmer and four grandchildren, all of Des Moines.



REV. MR. PALMER

Rites Saturday at Corinthian for Mrs. Floyd Bailey

Services for Mrs. Myrtle Bailey, 60, of 935 Fifteenth street, will be held Saturday, 1:30 p.m., at the Corinthian Baptist Church, Ninth and School Streets. Burial will be in Glendale Cemetery.

Mrs. Bailey died Tuesday night, Feb. 14, at her home. She had returned that morning from the University of Iowa Hospital where she had been since January. Mrs. Bailey had been ill since November.

Born in Pickens, C. S., Mrs. Bailey had resided in Des Moines 40 years. She was a member of the Pastor's Aid and Usher Board of Corinthian church; and, the Lincoln Auxiliary No. 126.

Surviving are her husband, Floyd; mother, Mrs. Mary L. Baker of Des Moines; and other relatives.

The body is at the Estes & Son Funeral Home.

Capital Close-Up From Washington

BY CONSTANCE DANIEL

WASHINGTON — Many militant and nationally-listened-to supporters of integration, of both races, here, were greatly disturbed, last week, by the civil rights emoting reported from the West Coast. Objective observers of the political scene and its civil rights implications, who are supporting neither candidate, saw "childishness," and "frustrated flying off in all directions" in the widely announced switch of Stevenson buttons for Kefauver buttons, by a number of Negro delegates to a California State nominating convention.

Kefauver Repudiates "Huddle" Story

Although Mr. Kefauver's office stated to us, as we went to press, that, contrary to reports in the daily press, the Senator held no closed meeting with any group, while at the state convention at Fresno, and has made no statements privately that have not been made in public, he is reported from private sources as well as in the press as having done so. On the basis of public statements read to us from his office, we were unable to glean anything more positive than Mr. Kefauver's pledge that if elected he would support the Constitution and the Supreme Court decision, without suggesting how.

Stevenson Says "No Troops or Bayonets"

Mr. Stevenson, more specific, told

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Interracial Commission's Annual Program Sunday; Dr. Kerstetter to Speak

An open house and tea in observance of Brotherhood Week and better race relations will be given Sunday, Feb. 19, 3:30 p.m., at Wilkie House, Seventeenth and Crocker streets.

Sponsored by the Des Moines Interracial Commission, guest speaker will be Dr. William E. Kerstetter, president of Simpson College at Indianola. He will be presented by Paul Parker, secretary to Gov. Leo A. Hoegh.

Dr. Kerstetter, who has headed Simpson College since Feb., 1953, formerly was chairman of the department of philosophy and religion at Hamline University, St. Paul, Minn.

A World War II chaplain in the U. S. Army Air Force, Dr. Kerstetter is a lifetime fellow of the National Council on Religion in Higher Education.

Music will be by the St. Paul Men's Chorus.

Hostesses.

Chairman of the entertainment committee for the Commission will be Mrs. Joseph W. Wimberly who will be assisted by Miss Agnes Helmrich, president of the Commission.

Members of the entertainment committee are: Mesdames Frank



DR. WM. E. KERSTETTER

Jett, J. B. Morris, Luther T. Glanton, Jr., Misses Doris Morgan and Effie Wherry.

Other hostesses are: Mesdames Eustace Ware, W. L. Oliver, Leon Jones, F. J. Weertz, Bonnie Herndon, Wilmer Johnson and Miss Ruth Pritchard. Mesdames Norman R. Olphin and William M. Plymat will pour.

School Principal Resigns Hastily After Advising in Talks: 'Forget Integration'

Fort Gaines, Ga.—A young Negro school principal who counseled members of his race to "forget integration" for the time being has resigned and hastily left the community with his family.

In submitting his resignation, Harrison E. Lee of the Speight Negro School said pressure from Negroes in the community forced his decision. His wife, a teacher at a nearby school, also resigned.

Clay County Sheriff Chester Weston said he and other officers are investigating the circumstances of the resignation. School Supt. W. W. King said Lee, holder of a master's degree, had an "exceptional" record.

Threatened

Lee was last seen here Friday. Before leaving, he said he, his wife and family had been threatened after he made speeches in Morgan and Georgetown, Ga.

He was quoted as saying that members of his race had not learned the lesson of cooperation and "we still want that which we either do not

deserve or that which we are not ready for."

Lee Noted.

"I have noted from time to time," he said in the speeches, "that every time something happens to Negroes, it is stated that it is because of color. I say 99 or more per cent of what happens to Negroes as well as others is because of what he has done to warrant it."

He called on Negroes to "forget integration and remember that we as yet have not learned how to pool our resources and build even a recreation hall for our children."

Rose Bud Biggles Sentenced to Not More Than 25 Years

Rose Bud Biggles, 25, who was found guilty of robbery with aggravation last month by a district court jury, was sentenced Tuesday to a prison term not to exceed 25 years by District Judge Tom K. Murrow.

Biggles, who listed his address as 919 School Street, was convicted in connection with a \$50 holdup Dec. 9

Held on Intoxicated Driving Charge

Alfred O. Roper, 43, who gave his address as 1444 Buchanan street, was arrested on a charge of intoxicated driving about 8:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Patrolman Joe Goulden said he arrested Roper at E. Seventh and University avenue after following him across the University Avenue bridge. Goulden said Roper's car was swerving from side to side.

School Petitioners at Federally-Aided Hospital In Mississippi Are Fired

Clarksdale, Miss.—Two women who have been discharged from their jobs at the federally-aided local hospital here because they signed a school desegregation petition have sent affidavits describing their dismissal to the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

This was announced Feb. 9 by Aaron E. Henry, president of the Coahoma county NAACP branch. The hospital concerned—the Coahoma County Hospital—receives federal funds under the Hill-Burton Act.

NAACP affiliations also were cited as a cause for dismissal in the affidavits. One of the women belongs to the NAACP, as does the husband of the other woman.

Pressure

Both affidavits state: "In my dismissal the hospital administrator, Mr. Reed Hogan, had me to know that there was nothing about my work that he was dissatisfied with."

"He told me that because of my activity with the NAACP (or—"my husband's activity with the NAACP") and definitely because I signed a petition asking that the supreme law of the land be obeyed here in Clarks-

City Council to Hear FEP Measure Monday Morning

A Fair Employment Practice ordinance for the city of Des Moines which has enforcement provisions, will be heard in the city council Monday morning, Feb. 20. The public has been invited to attend.

NAACP Backs FEP Ordinance Hearing Monday

The Des Moines Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), will back the proposed Fair Employment Practice Ordinance to be read in public hearing by the city council Monday morning, February 20, and has urged the citizens of Des Moines to take an active interest in its support by being present at the City Hall located on East First Street between Locust and Grand Avenue.

The new Ordinance contains a penalty provision which makes it unlawful and punishable by a fine of up to \$100, or imprisonment not exceeding thirty days or both at the discretion of the sentencing judge, for employers to discriminate against hiring an individual because of his race, color, religious creed or nationality.

The Des Moines Branch of the NAACP will meet Feb. 21. The board meeting starts at 2 p.m. The regular meeting which is open to the public is at 8 p.m.

Ruth Spriggs Turner is press and publicity chairman.

Howard University Medical Student Kills Girl Friend

Washington, D. C.—A Howard University medical student stabbed his girl friend to death Sunday night in a college card room, then attempted suicide by injecting iodine into his veins.

Egbert Gunter, 32, from Kingston, Jamaica, British West Indies, said he killed Jeanette Bailey, 27, with a butcher knife after she slapped him during an argument. Miss Bailey was a Washington school teacher.

Police said Gunter took the iodine and then went to a hospital for treatment, where he told doctors what had happened.

Blank Hospital Records Librarian



MRS. MARGARET TURNER

When Blank Memorial Hospital's records room was reopened on Jan. 9, Mrs. Watson Turner, Jr., 825 Thirteenth street, was made supervising record librarian.

Mrs. Turner, the former Margaret Langford, granddaughter of Mrs. Bertha Dunn, has been with Iowa Methodist Hospital Medical Records Department intermittently for six years. During that time she was medical secretary in charge of the Pediatric Record Room. Blank is the children's hospital of Iowa Methodist.

The reopening of the record room will make available a competent Pediatric Records secretary closer to the area where the records are used. Mrs. Turner is well qualified by experience and interest to develop and provide improved Pediatric Medical Record Room service, the hospital officials said.

Rev. S. Gaines Indicted by Grand Jury for Murder

The Polk County grand jury Tuesday returned a first-degree murder indictment against the Rev. Seymour Gaines, 36, of 1173 Tenth street, pastor of Union Baptist Church.

The Rev. Mr. Gaines is accused of fatally shooting Johnnie Brown, 47, of 1213 Eighteenth street, at Tenth and Center streets on Jan. 15.

The tragedy took place about 12:30 a.m., in a parking lot across the street from the Metropolitan pharmacy, 1000 Center street, which the Rev. Mr. Gaines operated.

Mr. Brown was a grocer at the Phyllis Grocery Store, Seventeenth and School streets.

The minister when arrested told the police that Mr. Brown "had been threatening my life and came down here to kill me."

Hold Services For Mrs. Propps

Services for Mrs. Rosa Propps, 96, were held Monday at L. Fowler & Son Funeral Home. Burial was in Laurel Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Propps died Feb. 10 at Goodwin's Nursing Home, 512 S. E. Fifth street.

DIMES SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS WINNERS



Professional Education is an important part of the service program of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. Among the 1955-1956 winners of scholarships are: (left to right), Barbara Jeffries, Youngstown, Ohio, pre-doctoral Histology student at University of Chicago; Lewis L. White, Baton Rouge, La., pre-doctoral Zoology student, State University of Iowa; and Lilly Stafford, Dorchester, Mass., Physical Therapy student, Bouve Boston School.

More States, Districts Asked to Send Delegates To D.C. Parley Mar. 4-6

New York.—Anticipating a showdown fight for enactment of civil rights legislation in this session of the 84th Congress, the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights has issued a call for a national delegate assembly for civil rights in Washington, March 4-6, Roy Wilkins, chairman, announced.

Mr. Wilkins, who is also executive secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, heads the Leadership Conference composed of 50 national church, labor, fraternal, civic and minority group organizations. Arnold Aronson of the National Community Relations Advisory Council is secretary of the conference.

Wide Distribution

In making the announcement, Mr. Wilkins stressed the need for wide geographical distribution of delegates. "The influence of the assembly on the Congress," he pointed out, "will depend less upon the number of individual delegates in attendance

than upon the number of states and congressional districts represented."

The participating organizations were urged to send delegates from as many different congressional districts as possible. The conference anticipates an attendance of about 2,000 delegates. Registration for the assembly is scheduled for Sunday, March 4, at the Willard Hotel.

The opening session will be held that night in the Interdepartmental Auditorium. Monday and Tuesday, March 5 and 6, the delegates will

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Open Nashville Golf Courses to All

Nashville, Tenn.—Nashville's four city-owned golf courses were opened to Negro players on a non-segregated basis Tuesday for the first time. The city park board has permitted Negroes to use two of the four parks in the past on days when white players were barred.

Alabama's Miss Lucy Goes In Hiding; Students and Teachers Want Her Back

Birmingham, Ala.—Because of a terror campaign over her court fight, Miss Autherine Lucy, suspended Negro student of the University of Alabama, said Tuesday she was going into hiding to remain until Feb. 29 when the Federal court hears her motion to order the university to readmit her.

In Birmingham where she was residing at the home of her sister, she said the "phone rang every two minutes for nearly seven hours. You could tell that this was their way of threatening and trying to scare me."

Petitions Circulated

Petitions were circulated by a student-faculty group on the University of Alabama campus, at Tuscaloosa, Tuesday asking the university to allow Miss Lucy, the school's first Negro student, to return to classes without court action.

Miss Lucy, excluded from classes Feb. 6 after rioting broke out in pro-

test against ending segregation, has a petition in federal court in Birmingham, Ala., to require the university to allow her return.

The school's board of trustees said it excluded Miss Lucy from class as a safety measure. In her court petition, she charged that rioting was a "clever stratagem" to get her out of school.

The university is appealing to the United States Supreme Court, a lower court order prohibiting the school from barring any student because of race or color.

"Necessary"

The student-faculty petition reads: "We, the undersigned, believe in law as well as order. Regardless of our views on integration, we are united in believing that the reputation of the university as a law-abiding institution must be restored."

"Accordingly, it seems necessary

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Marshalltown's Frozen Child Leaves Hospital; No Amputation Necessary

Marshalltown, Ia.—Vicki Davis, 2, has recovered sufficiently from her Jan. 21 "ordeal by freezing" that she has been released from the hospital.

Blisters from the freezing will keep her off her feet for an additional time.

The child was taken from Evangelical Hospital over the weekend. She will be cared for by Mr. and Mrs. Mark Warren, friends of her parents, until she is able to go home to Milwaukee.

Despite being frozen "like a cake of ice," the girl did not have to undergo any amputation. Her feet are extremely tender from the large blisters, but she is no longer bandaged.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Davis, are expected this coming weekend for a visit.

Vicki and her grandmother, Mrs. Fred Davis, 48, were found unconscious and frozen in the cold Davis cottage on the sub-zero morning of Jan. 21. A police investigation in-

dicated that Mrs. Davis apparently fell with the child.

Carmen Johnson Granted Divorce

A divorce has been granted by District Judge Tom K. Murrow to Carmen Maxine Johnson from Adam Burton Johnson, Jr., owner of the O.K. Barber Shop, 1606 Sixth avenue. Mrs. Johnson was awarded custody of their daughter, Lucile Mae, 1, and Johnson was ordered to pay \$10 a week for child support.

Houston Curtis Shot in Shoulder

Houston Curtis, 44, of 1505 1/2 Michigan street, suffered a bullet wound in the shoulder about 9:30 p.m. Saturday at his residence. Police said they were holding Mrs. Orphee A. Williams, 65, of the same address for questioning.

Curtis was reported in good condition at Veterans Hospital.

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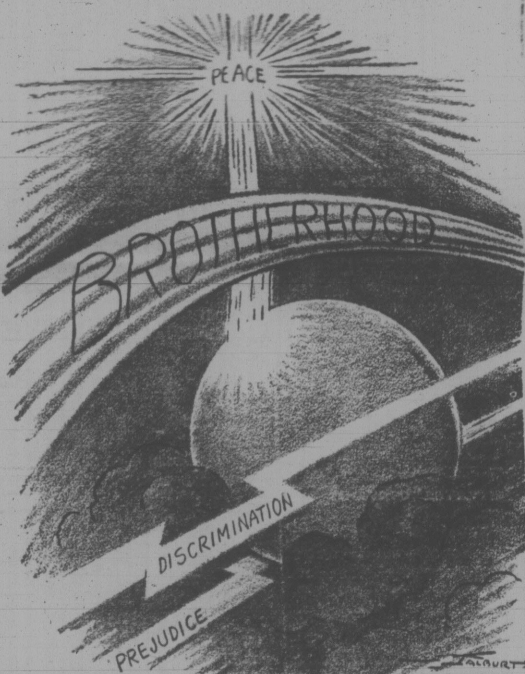
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Theme: 'Brotherhood For Peace and Freedom. Believe It! Live It! Support It!'

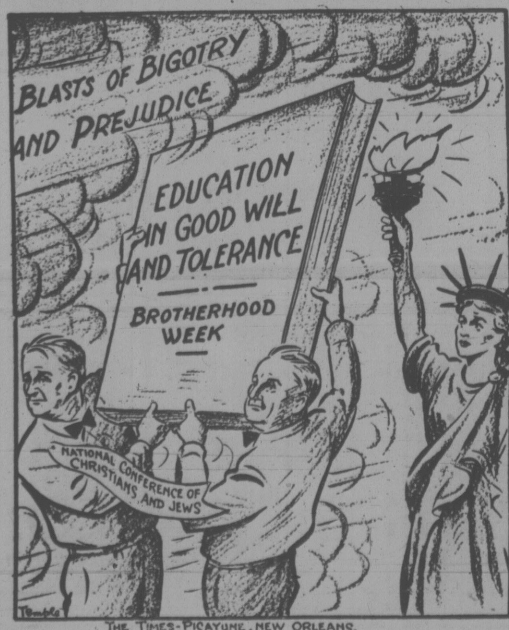
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SOMETIMES THE TORCH NEEDS A SHIELD

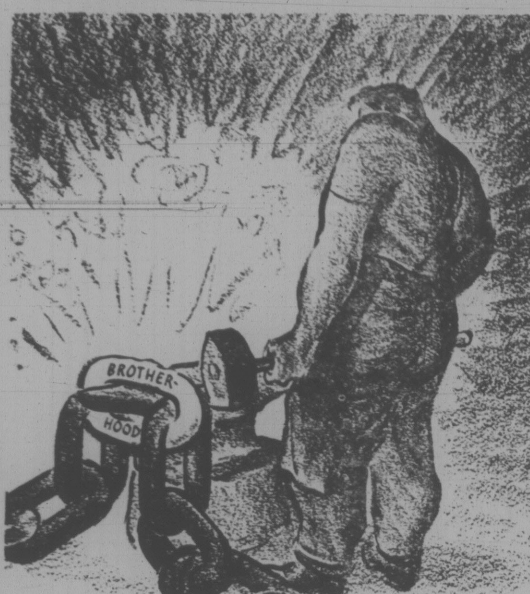


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Growth of an American Institution

On November 11, 1955, a building known as "The Building For Brotherhood" as dedicated in New York. It was a gift of the Ford Motor Co. Fund-to the National Conference of Christians and Jews, an organization that has labored since 1928 for the brotherhood of man under the Fatherhood of God. The dedication marked a significant milestone of progress in the fight to eliminate bigotry and prejudice from the American scene.

In the year 1934, some 300 communities in the United States shook off the doldrums of the then current depression long enough to observe something called Brotherhood Day. The observance caused only a ripple of response in the participating communities and it received virtually no national recognition. But to a group of men and women banded together in an organization known as the National Conference of Christians and Jews, that day in April 1934 was exciting and inspirational. And in Denver, Colorado, a Catholic priest, Monsignor Hugh McMenamin was seeing the fulfillment of an idea he had almost casually proposed to the National Conference, two years previously.

Those who worked to promote that first Brotherhood Day saw it become a full week's observance in 1940, and four years later, more than 2,000 communities, among which, for the first time every state was included, celebrated Brotherhood Week. Today, the annual observance has taken on all the character of an American institution with more than 10,000 communities participating. Since 1940, the Brotherhood Week dates have always been the full week that includes Washington's Birthday; this year February 19-26. The 1956 theme is "Brotherhood For Peace and Freedom. Believe It! Live It! Support It!"

Founding of the National Conference grew out of the presidential campaign of 1928, which was marred by a violent brand of bigotry directed against Al Smith and the Roman Catholic Church. Taking a leading role as founders were former Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes, former Secretary of War, Newton D. Baker and S. Parkes Cadman, past President of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. They were joined by Roger W. Straus, elected first Jewish National co-chairman, a post he has held without interruption for 25 years, and Dr. Everett R. Clinchy, president of the organization since its founding. In addition to Mr. Straus, the other current co-chairman is Mr. Benson Ford. President Dwight D. Eisenhower is the honorary national chairman for Brotherhood Week and Harvey S. Firestone, Jr., Chairman of Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. is National Chairman.

The National Conference does not seek a merger of religious bodies, nor does it seek to weaken the loyalties or modify the distinctive beliefs of any creed. It does seek to demonstrate that all creeds can work together to achieve the goals of brotherhood, and that all men and women of whatever religion, race or national origin can work together and live together in mutual respect for the very differences that make them individuals, with each giving to the other the rights and dignities that one claims for himself.

Abbreviated Statements From Prominent Citizens

There is wide-spread knowledge in the world of the imperfections of American democracy, of the anti-democratic racial and religious attitudes which weaken our unity and sap our strength. We know that there are these imperfections. We talk about them; we face them frankly. Indeed it is a part of our strength that, in the democratic framework of our society, we are entitled to point to our shortcomings. Yet it is unfortunate that they are there. Our enemies, of course, exaggerate; we couldn't expect them to do otherwise. But to our friends, and our friends are many, these imperfections are puzzling.

By Ralph Bunche

We have a saying in Asia that all men are brothers under the canopy of Heaven. The problem of peace in our harassed world boils down to one word: brotherhood. Peace cannot be built on hate; it cannot be founded on conflict among nations; it cannot be established by means of wars, hot or cold.

General Carlos P. Romulo

The period through which we are passing is one which needs some such concept as Brotherhood Week to allay interfaith friction and hostility. The American way is to allow all sides of every controversy to be heard, and to arrive fearlessly at honest conclusions, but without undermining the basic oneness of the nation.

The concept of brotherhood, so heavily stressed during Brotherhood Week, should be emphasized

throughout the entire year, to the end that we Americans may present a united front to any perils that may confront us from beyond the seas.

Virginia Dabney, Editor, Richmond (Va.) Times-Dispatch

Politics, race, creed, color or religion all are equal on the playing field. Sports is a common ground upon which men and women of all nationalities and many different backgrounds may meet.

Teamwork on the playing field is essential, and prejudice has no part there. When an athlete works closely with someone of a different race, religion or political belief toward a common goal, or competes against him in a spirit of good sportsmanship, he learns an unforgettable lesson.

The Olympic Games are an excellent example of how this works out. We don't tolerate discrimination. The only requirement is that an athlete must be an amateur who plays for the fun of it. We take anybody—our doors are open to all. It is ability that counts.

By Avery Brundage, President, International Olympic Committee

We talk about building bridges of brotherhood around the world in answer to the communist pretensions, and that's a splendid vision. But brotherhood begins on a man to man basis here at home and not a mass to mass basis across the oceans. Without that footing, it is idle talk and an empty vision.

Eric Johnston, President, Motion Picture Association of America

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Miss Mildred Cason Of Tennessee, Former WAC, House Guest

Miss Mildred Cason of Lebanon, Tenn., is house guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Franklin, 927 12th street. Miss Cason, a former member of the WAC was stationed at Fort Des Moines WAC Training center before going to Paris, France, as WAC in a postal unit.

Sherry L. Perry Has Birthday Party

Sherry Lee Perry celebrated her fourth birthday with a party at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Marietta Ayers, at 906 18th. Games were played and refreshments served. Sharing the party were: Charlene LaMar, Francine Lindley, Melany Paine, Stanley James, Mark Barnett, George and Glenda Briggs, Billy Johnson, Paul and Larry Morrison, Winifred and Pat Stewart, Ginger Miller, Bonnie Watkins, Mrs. Dorothy Morrison, Mrs. Velma Fraizer, Mrs. Ollie Mae Lindley, and her mother, Norma Jean Perry.

Buxton Club No. 1 Has Valentine Party

The Iowa Buxton Club No. 1 gave Valentine party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Ewing. Games were played and a buffet lunch was served.

Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Kinchlow, Mr. and Mrs. Colen Scales, Mr. and Mrs. John Danforth, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Spears, Mrs. Morris DeSleet, Mrs. Mattie Lawson, Mrs. Geraldine Stephenson, Mrs. Mildred Tymony, Mr. Sam Jordan, and Mrs. Mary Jackson, one of the members who has been shut-in for some time.



Personal Touch
By MARIE ROSS

Some persons here have expressed their sympathy for the Alabama coed, Miss Autherine Lucy, who is willing to be stoned and cursed while she stands up and battles in the courts for her right to attend her state university—for her rights to enjoy the privileges of being a first class citizen of these United States.

Whether much sympathy can be spared from up and around this part of the country, state and city—is a question to be pondered?

Groups will be getting together on Monday morning at the Des Moines City Council to hear a proposed Fair Employment Practice ordinance.

Anytime fair employment, "without regard to race, creed or color," has to be discussed, then little sympathy can be offered from this section to the Alabama coed.

As long as the Negro citizens here are not getting jobs in the ordinary avenues of public life—like motormen on the city's buses, taxicab drivers, or as salesgirls and waitress jobs in the five and dime stores, and at a host of other places, then, some sympathy needs to be sent up this way.

Many persons here have expressed an interest in the welfare of the Alabama coed who wants an education at her state university.

"Would you, if you were in her place, re-enter the University of Alabama after all of the protests and rioting?"

That question was asked by Mail Carrier George Robinson.

"Most certainly, I would," I told Robinson and then added: "With God as my protector, I wouldn't hesitate."

Then I remembered well some experiences I had at my own state university—K.U., at Lawrence, Kansas. Though far removed from Alabama, there was a similarity then in the racial policies of the two schools.

I had decided to study journalism, after having completed the necessary requirements at the university. Sent to the dean of the journalism department, he, in no uncertain terms, advised me to study something else.

Au Faite Club to Meet Tuesday

The Au Faite Club met Feb. 7 at the home of Mrs. Edna Wells. A pot luck was held and Valentine gifts were exchanged. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Emma Williamson, Feb. 21.

Jolly 'S' Club to Meet February 18

The Jolly "S" Club met with Mrs. Mildred Bayles last Friday evening. Mrs. Meta Redd, president, appointed Mrs. Aurelia Brown as program chairman for the ensuing year. Mrs. Brown named Mesdames Murlean Taylor, Dorothy Jones, Myrtle Miller and Mildred Bayles as her co-workers. Games were played and a delicious repast served by the hostess. The next meeting will be Feb. 18 at the home of Mrs. Katherine Bell of 4530 Cornell avenue.

Skylark Club Has Potluck

The Skylark Club met with Mrs. Norvaline Mash at 906 18th st. A pot luck was held Feb. 15 at the home of Mrs. Theresa Jefferson, 1542 Maple street. Reporter is Norma Jean Perry.

Elite Club to Meet Feb. 23

"Valentine motif was the theme used by Mrs. Albertha Grace, 1048 Eleventh street Thursday evening, Feb. 9, to entertain the bi-monthly meeting of the Elite Club. Hostess for the meeting Feb. 23, will be Mary L. Holmes, 955 Seventeenth street.

visited me that there was "nothing in journalism for Negroes to do, no papers would hire them;" and, that he had no "dealings with Negroes other than as servants."

I listened and looked at him and enrolled in the journalism department and he was one of my first instructors. He fought hard, verbally, even using dialect to put over anti-Negro jokes, but I listened. Then one day, I quietly told him that he should go on with the lesson because I would be coming back until he threw me out bodily. He didn't—and the classes went on normally.

In another course, we were studying Comparative Journalism. I told the instructor that he should include some Negro newspapers. He hadn't heard of any.

Then, I was writing a K.U. column for the Kansas City Call. Roy Wilkins, now executive secretary of the NAACP, was news editor of The Call. He collected me a pile of Negro newspapers that came to the Call office on exchange. I took the papers to my instructor and told him to "Look them over and see if there isn't a field for Negro journalists." The instructor learned so much that he invited Mr. Wilkins to come to K.U. to address journalism classes.

Well, by the end of four years, that same professor, who at first would have denied me journalism study, would stop to wish me well and offer his help in any matter that might come up.

Many Negro students went by that late dean to earn their degrees in journalism at K.U.

Should Miss Lucy go back? By all means! Yes!

Very proud of a plant blooming in her home now is Mrs. Georgia Goggins, 1067 Seventeenth street, whose dark red, amaryllis is attracting much attention from her friends. Frantic this week is Mrs. Alcyntta Miller, 1140 Fourteenth street, who has lost one of her mittens—a fine black suede glove, size eight.

An interesting letter arrived recently from Mrs. Gwendolyn Fowler, staff member of the Foreign Operations Administration for the government in Saigon, Viet Nam, who was participating a busy schedule with the opening of the Vietnamese New Year season on Feb. 12.

"I want to tell you of some foods and customs here," wrote the Des Moines resident, who has been in Viet Nam nearly a year.

About the American holidays, Mrs. Fowler revealed that Thanksgiving in Viet Nam is only observed by the American community—and—"we had the usual turkey . . . they grow turkeys here very easy but not as large as American.

"Christmas dinners are not too festive here because the Vietnamese, Chinese and Indians are waiting for their New Year which starts this year Feb. 12.

13-Month of Lunar Year

"It is called TET here and it is observed with undiminished enthusiasm. Actually, it is the 13-month of the Lunar year. In China at this time you pay your servants a full month's pay extra for the occasion.

"No one goes to bed but sits up to welcome in the New Year. They don ceremonial garments, greet each other with handshakes and kisses.

"After dinner, attended by all the generations, the children bow to their parents who give them lucky money

Seeking Title 'Sweetheart of St. Paul AME Church'



Contestants in the "Sweetheart of St. Paul AME Church" title are (left to right): Susan Wellington, Dorothy Poe, Charmaine Miller, Romana Dell Houston, Alberta Bates and Jacqueline Ratton. Not in picture are: Phyllis Carr and Gloria McCracken.

The young women are competing for prizes: first, complete outfit—

Imagination of Young Child Can Be Best Guided by Going on Interesting Trips

By MAY P. YOUTZ

"Well, Sarah, your stories never lose anything in the telling," laughingly remarked Sarah's friend, Mrs. Prentice. True, Sarah did embellish her stories, telling them in detail with great enthusiasm. She enjoyed life and was always welcome in any gathering, for other persons enjoyed her stories, too.

Parents are sometimes puzzled by the "tall" stories of their children. "Poor Uncle Jim, he broke his leg," said small Peggy. Upon inquiry, it was found that Uncle Jim had sprained his ankle. One could well understand that "sprain" and "break" might have meant much the same to three-year-old Peggy.

With the very young, highly imaginative child, fact and fancy may become interwoven. The child described the event as he thinks it should have been, rather than as it really happened. One small boy said his kitten talked to him in the night when everybody else was asleep. Examples come to anyone who has

in red envelopes to guarantee another year of life. They then burn sesame, fir and cypress to mark the end of the year.

"Firecrackers are shot off and they light ancestor lamps. I have four brass ones. The doors must be locked and sealed until the master of each house gets up at about 5 a.m., unlocks them, removes the seals and says a few good wishes for the New Year.

"They call this ceremony the opening of the Gate of Fortune. The master then burns incense at the door to welcome good spirits for the New Year. Women are not included in the ceremonies, until the third day and they go visiting from house to house.

"Food to the Dead"

"Food has a very important place during the ceremonies—food to the dead, to the living and everybody. No knives or cutting implements are used during the New Year, so the food must be prepared beforehand.

"If you receive a gift of food, a tion that the gift was too generous. small portion should be returned to the donor to be polite, the implication.

"New Year's Eve, I had dinner with the Chief Indian Counsel and Assistant Counsel General, a major, Indian doctor and their other guests. "The Consul took me to his altar in the upstairs. He had a picture of his mother, a bowl of flowers, some rice, fruit, perfume and money—money for prosperity; perfume to make life sweet. He said that when he awakens the New Year day that

Corinthian Senior Choir Has Shower

The senior choir of the Corinthian Baptist church held a baby shower Friday evening, Feb. 10, for their church organist, Mrs. Barbara Williams, who with her husband, Mr. Arsenia Williams, are parents of a baby boy.

The social and gift committees included Mesdames Hazel Gaither, E. A. Galtors, Katherine Shelton and Sadie Jackson.

suit, hat, gloves, shoe and purse; second, table radio; third, pair of shoes and purse to match.

The contest is being sponsored by the St. Paul AME Church Usher Board as its 1956 project. The contest will end March 11. (Frye Photo).

esting trips and saw not only new things but beautiful things as well.

All of us can recall charming examples of the early imaginings of our children. Exposing them to adequate stories, poetry and music on the level of their understanding will guide their developing imaginations.

Play equipment also helps, for the child loves to reproduce the world around him.

American Legion Auxiliary 126 Program Feb. 21

American Legion Auxiliary No. 126 met Feb. 7 at Wilkie House where visitors were Mrs. Roland Walter, national committeewoman and president of the American Legion Presidential Parlor; and Mrs. Richard B. Monk, Department of Iowa secretary and treasurer of the auxiliary.

Refreshments were served with Mesdames J. Birthright and J. Serean Dixon, pouring. Mrs. Dorothy Doyle spoke for Rev. C. Cummings Feb. 12 at the Carter Chapel in St. Paul during Sunday morning service.

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Evangelist Doyle Back from Minnesota

Evang. Mary Belle Doyle arrived home from a two-week visit in St. Paul, Minn., with sick relatives. Her

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Rose Morgan Hasn't Had Time to Sleep Since She Married Louis; Cole a 'First'

By DOLORES CALVIN

New York — CNC — Mrs. Rose Morgan-Lewis says she hasn't even had time to sleep — she's been going at such a terrific pace ever since her marriage to Joe Louis. Rose's been having the proverbial "ball" going along with hubby to TV shows for guest shots. She really surprised all on the "Masquerade Party" and showed real talent.

If this was all to her life, she would have nothing to complain about. But her own business — the Rose Morgan House of Beauty with its related cosmetic interests — can take up 12 hours a day. Where is there time to squeeze in all the other activities without sacrificing on something. So far it's just the sleep.

Nat Cole added another "first" this week to his long list of accomplishments. The "Nat King Cole Story" — a Universal produced short subject, became the first one ever to be held over in the history of Kansas City's Paramount Theater after the feature film had changed. Manager of the theater, Harold Lyon, said the short had definite box office appeal in that it appealed to most types of patrons. When it will leave, is anybody's guess.

"Carmen Jones" was 40th on the list of biggest money making films for 1955. The Dorothy Dandridge starrer earned the sum of \$2,500,000 and may go higher since it's still playing in a few parts of the country. This kind of record is impressive and surely will cause more race films to be produced with this kind of

'Night Flight' To Feature 'Jabberwock' By Deltas Mar. 28

By Bessye L. Greene.

Phi chapter of Delta Sigma Theta will present its annual spring "Jabberwock," Wednesday, March 28, 7:45 p.m., at the Des Moines Tech High School auditorium, Fifteenth and Center street.

Featuring as its theme, "Night Flight," talent from all over the city is rehearsing weekly, for "flights" to France, Italy, Haiti, Bagdad and parts of this country.

Among the performers will be: Larry Carter, a radio-TV star; Billy Wells, Jr., and Karen Borney, accordion players; Darryell Reed on electric guitar. Among the soloists will be: Hugh Semple, Edward Bayles, Larry Miller, Alberta Bates.

Eighteen dancers will be trained by Claudette Neal. Solo dancers who are students from Werblowsky Dance School, will include: Gwendolyn Davis, Lois Wilcots, Susan Book and Mary Gill.

brother, and granddaughter, Shirley Banner, are recovering. Evangelist Doyle spoke for Rev. C. Cummings Feb. 12 at the Carter Chapel in St. Paul during Sunday morning service.

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Hazel Scott charming in her piano accompanying commercial for a cleaner in New York City . . . Nellie Litcher can't seem to get away from the Castle Restaurant in Hollywood . . . Count Basie in fine fettle at Chicago's biggest jazz spot — "The Blue Note."

Eartha Kitt — who got her start in Paris, remember — will go back in a blaze of triumph starting April 9th when she will play at the Cafe de Paris. Eartha's engagement is set for two months' duration — lasting until June. After her, will follow either Judy Garland, Tony Martin or Marlene Dietrich. The Cafe takes only the greatest names in the business.

Juanita Hall — last seen on Broadway with Pearl Bailey in "House of Flowers" got a wonderful break in the show "The Happy Heart." With David Wayne in the lead, the play looks like a hit in its out-of-town circuit. It won't be to New York until the Fall.

Benny Green's five piece band doing dates in Philadelphia, Chicago and on the coast . . . Henry Armstrong — former fight champion with three titles — has started a divorce suit against his wife, Willa Mae. Henry's seeking control of all their community property valued at \$50,000. Somebody must not have told Henry that community property means to divide — with each part getting half in the Los Angeles courts.

Conflicting reports from Miami Beach on whether Sammy Davis, Jr. will marry Cordie King, Chicago model. Those who think so completely forgot her very much present husband . . . Lena Horne still "Queen" to the coast fans at the Ambassador Hotel in Hollywood . . .

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BROTHERHOOD MONTH

February is Brother month, as officially proclaimed by the National Conference of Christians and Jews; February 19 to 26 as Brotherhood week. The Sunday nearest Lincoln's birthday, which was February 12, was Race Relations Sunday.

These brotherhood observances grew out of a desire upon the part of church leaders in particular to do something constructive to offset the wave of prejudice which erupted following World War I and threatened to undermine the American way of life.

It is fortunate that men in high places saw the danger, joined up with the average citizens and gave of their time and money to foster these observances.

Of course, churches have been working at this problem for many years. Maybe they did their best in view of the fact that their support comes from all kinds of people in the form of donations and to take strong leadership in this controversial field maybe lessens their income.

But conditions have changed. Men have learned the hard way that people in other lands have the same aspirations, are dependent upon each other and that peace could not prevail unless each nation dealt with each other as brothers. We have learned that the same thing holds true with reference to races and creeds within this country; that brotherhood must not be a principle to practice at church on Sunday or one week in the year but also one of daily living in all matters with which we deal throughout the year.

Earlier, those engaged in this leadership of the brotherhood movement and hindered groups were not looked upon with favor by many people. Some were called professional agitators. But today, most communities boast one or more organizations working in this field which are looked upon as potent part of the city life.

Des Moines has been in the forefront among communities forking in the field which, to a great extent, accounts for the comparably fine relations which prevail today.

Brotherhood movements deserve to continue for they have made a fine contribution to the improvement in the recognition of human dignity of all people.

CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUE MUST BE FACED

Adlai Stevenson, who seems to be out in front for the Democratic nomination for president, finds himself considerably at variance on the issue of civil rights with two other contenders: Senator Kefauver and Governor Harriman. Certainly he is in a hot spot in his attempt to satisfy the southern wing of the party on the subject and is thus forced into corners not of his own choosing.

Sunday, he stated that civil rights should be taken out of party politics for politicians often did more harm than good.

As an ideal, we would agree. It would be an ideal situation for the church to do the job. But as a practical matter, neither would work. The church has talked about brotherhood since the time of Christ, but it has not gotten very far alone, for it is too loosely knit. In America, it was only after the passage of laws dealing with civil rights, has any substantial progress been made for it places the government officially on the favorable side of the question.

As Edward R. Murrow says, Mr. Stevenson wishes to make civil rights a non-partisan issue because he is in the hottest spot on the question. This, he says, is natural.

Undoubtedly civil rights will continue to be an issue until it is settled favorably giving minorities unquestioned rights as first class citizens. Those who oppose the program do so in order to maintain a first and second class citizenry in America.

Fortunately, the question is being given unlimited publicity which affords the people an opportunity to see and know what it is all about. So just as subjugated people are throwing off the yoke of paternalism throughout the world, minorities and their friends are doing likewise within the states.

Tennis Classes To Begin Last Phases

Last Saturday Phillip Tindrell began instructions in net play and conditioning exercises, for students of the Hilltop Tennis Classes.

When this session is over, then, Allen Ashby will teach lobs and court strategy. The classes meet at Willkie House. Esther Myers is secretary.

Read The Bystander

Leadership Conference

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visit their respective representatives and senators and attend a night session Monday at the Willard. The assembly will close Tuesday afternoon with a report session in the Interdepartmental Auditorium.

Citing the breakdown of "law and order in some parts of the South," the call charged that the "Constitution and the Supreme Court are being flouted openly. Citizens are being denied their constitutional rights and persecuted for demanding them. To permit these violations to continue is to sanction lawlessness and defiance of the Government of the United States."

Legislation

"It is essential," the call declared, "that Congress enact legislation in this session to safeguard the civil rights of American citizens and the processes of orderly government."

The conference seeks enactment of an eight-point legislative program including job equality through the establishment of an effective federal FEPC, withholding of federal funds from any institution which defies the constitutional prohibition against segregation in public facilities, making lynching and other race-inspired acts of violence federal offenses, abolition of the poll tax and protection of the rights to vote, establishment of a civil rights division in the Department of Justice with authority to protect civil rights in all sections of the country, creation of a permanent Federal Commission on Civil Rights, elimination of remaining segregation and other forms of discrimination in interstate travel, and provision for majority rule in the Senate and the House of Representatives.

Alabama Rioting

New York.—The mob action on the campus of the University of Alabama was cited by Roy Wilkins, NAACP executive secretary, as additional evidence of the urgent need for congressional legislation against mob violence and enactment of the Powell amendment to withhold federal funds from educational institutions which refuse to comply with the U. S. Supreme Court ban against segregation in public education.

Miss Lucy in Hiding

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that the exclusion of Miss Autherine Lucy from classes which resulted from mob violence should be terminative.

Attorney for Miss Lucy is Arthur D. Shores, a Birmingham Negro and a member of the legal advisory committee of the NAACP.

Mrs. Polly Myers Hudson, who applied for admittance in 1952 with Miss Lucy, was denied admittance to the university on the grounds of "conduct and marital status." She is seeking a divorce.

"While such a course would reflect the principles of justice and humanity, it is all the more necessary to protect the university against the loss of prestige which the success of mob rule makes inevitable.

"Therefore, in order to protect the interests which faculty, students, graduates and all citizens have invested in the good name of the University of Alabama, we believe that the university should return Miss Lucy to her classes on its own initiative."

Petitioners Fired

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The statements then go on to cite other racially discriminatory practices at the federally-aided hospital. Among these are less pay for Negro patients by courtesy titles, lack of staff and of quality and variety of food on the floor where Negro patients are housed.

Capital Close-Up

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the Fresno meeting that desegregation, which he favored, would have to be accomplished without "troops or bayonets."

"All with the Courts"—Harriman

New York's Governor Averell Harriman, whose activities within his own state are laudable, is to the best information of Democratic Headquarters, here, on record on the implementation of integration throughout the Nation, only on the matter of the Supreme Court decision, and that to the effect that subsequent action there, was "all in the hands of the courts."

Humphrey on Eisenhower.

Minnesota's Senator Hubert Humphrey, author of a flood of civil rights bills, but recently denounced as a "phony" in the current wave of

HEALTH FOR ALL

Counting Calories

How often we hear that abundant America is the best fed country in the world! Praise for the varied American diet is frequently expressed in terms of "calories"—we may hear, for example, that the people of less fortunate lands have only so many calories a day in their diet compared with the high calorie content of the average American diet.

In these days, when so many people are conscious of their weight, we hear about "counting calories." We take this to mean that people who are overweight should avoid rich foods. But the fact is that everybody, even those whose weight is normal, should be concerned with calories—not so much with counting them but with distinguishing between two different kinds of calories, for the kind of calories in our diet holds the key to good nutrition.

An important defect in the U. S.

diet is the large consumption of "empty" calories—a defect which has worsened by about 40 per cent in the last 40 years.

'Empty Calories'

What are "empty" calories? They are sources of body energy that provide virtually none of the minerals or vitamins essential for health. They are found primarily in sugar and cooking fats. If the intake of fats and sugar in our diet should be curtailed to cut down on "empty" calories, where do we find the "full" calories that do contain the minerals and vitamins we need? They are found in meat, eggs, and milk, starchy and watery vegetables, and fruit. For better nutrition we should eat more of these foods.

It would be ironic indeed if well-fed America should suffer from poor nutrition because we don't know what kind of calories to count!

SPORTS

BY ALLEN ASHBY

Well sir, they just passed by the Negroes in selecting this year's Golden Glove officials. After the struggle to gain recognition for the part Negroes played in the building up of the Gloves bouts, it looks as if the battle will have to be fought all over.

We sincerely hope it was an oversight on the part of the tournament officials. Maybe, they asked the boys and none was available. But we do hope that situation is corrected if the bouts go beyond this year.

We are not arguing for Negroes because we ought to have them on, but we know there are some competent officials among the boys, many of whom are experienced trainers and former Gloves winners. We have no quarrel with Dave Fidler as the team coach, but the best teams Dave ever had were developed with the assistance of Kid Eggle Tillman and George Bourland.

Well, we shall see what happens now. It is no secret that Dave Nemo has wanted to get his paws on the Golden Gloves set-up. And, now that the guy has it, let's see what he does with it.

Apparently the wave of rank boxing decisions has swept to the British Isles. After the decision that cost Kid Gavalan a bout that he won, we wonder if it safe to box anywhere unless one is in the syndicate.

It seems that the powers get set on a certain type of boxer or a certain guy and they just make him top guy no matter what. All he has to do is be on his feet at the end of the fight. No wonder boxing is dying out as a sport.

Basketball

We continue to shake our heads at the weekly basketball polls. Can't understand why Iowa doesn't ever break into the top twenty on some polls. Iowa State which has won

"sign-on-the-line" hysteria, has been warning his party for months that the Eisenhower Administration has produced effective civil rights action, and that the Democrats had better get busy with something better than buck-passing.

Gauntlets and Rioting

In the meantime the gauntlet is

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'Life is Perpetuated'

GREENSBORO, N. C. — Man's life is perpetuated only as long as it is lost in the life of another, Mrs. E. U. Robinson, of Gallatin, Tenn., told the Bennett College vespers audience Sunday.

wishing to join with other Republican women, here, were directed. It is the club to which we were directed by Mrs. Nora Kearns, then and now president of the National League of Republican Women.

After the District of Columbia League's last election of officers, we checked its office to see whether under the new president, Mrs. William Foster Burdick, there had been any change in the policy of excluding Negro women from membership. Mrs. Rethel Murphy, the League's secretary, said that there was no change—that the "colored women deserved their own organization."

As we go to press, the routinely acknowledged applications of a number of Republican women who are Negro are in the hand of D. C. League officials—and there will be more.

Irony Compounded

Compounding the irony of the exclusion, as the Lincoln Day-ers ate and exhorted (all Negroes present were there for the event, only, so far as the D. C. League was concerned—via tickets handed out to

The speaker, who is president of the Southern Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church and an ordained minister, spoke on "What Shall I Do With My Life?"

In relating the story of Ester and how she made herself ready to fulfill God's plan, Mrs. Robinson re-

ferred to the parallel in the life of Dr. David D. Jones who died last week after heading the institution for thirty years.

"He heard God's call to do a special task," she said, "and his work here will live on throughout the years."

perfunctory acknowledgment from Mrs. Burdick, has been ignored. No better day than Lincoln Day to put this on the line. From here out, this wash will be blowing in the breeze.

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