NORMA 'VERY EXCITED' OVER ELECTION AS MAYOR

FRIENDLY ARMS—After a narrow brush with possible death, these youngsters are being comforted by Mrs. Mabel Jennings, of Baltimore. Bernard 4, and Petey Barrett, 3, were dropped from a second floor window at their home at 213 E. Lanvale St., during a fire Wednesday night. They were caught by several men in the crowd at the blaze.

'If she had just held on . . .'

BALTIMORE

"If she had just held on one minute longer, she would have been alive right now."

With a voice choked by emotion, a neighbor gave this account of the death of Mrs. Mary Williams late Wednesday afternoon in a fire at 212 E. Lafayette Ave.

The 55-year-old matron died when she lost her grip as she hung suspended from a window sill and fell to the pavement three floors below.

The fall came as Mrs. Williams was attempting to flee from a fire in the three-story building.

A few seconds after she lost her grip and plunged to her death, firemen succeeded in getting a ladder and attempting a rescue.

Only seconds separated Mrs. Williams from death.

MAKING an effort to control herself, another neighbor, Mrs. Mary Joyner, 207 E. Lafayette Ave., said of the incident:

"She was dangling like a piece of string from her window for about 15 minutes."

Mrs. Joyner, looking out of her window at the crowd, that gathered to watch the macabre scene, said:

"Just as the firemen were putting up the ladder, she let go. I guess she couldn't hold on any longer. I couldn't watch it; I had to turn away."

According to Fire Chief Months, George Klein, Mrs. Williams had apparently panicked and gone out the window when she saw her third floor front apartment clouded by dense billows of smoke from the fire climbing up from the cellar.

As her body hit the pavement, Mrs. Mabel Jennings, 65, of 207 E. Lafayette Ave., said:

"You could hear her bones crack. It was 'horrible.'"

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IRONICALLY, Mrs. Williams' apartment was not touched by fire. Only smoke penetrated into her home.

The fire, believed to have started shortly after five o'clock in the basement, raged through, the house demolishing the front and center parts of the first and second floors.

While residents escaped from the burning building and found relatives and friends, some 15 fire trucks and engines arrived first at the alarm fire.

When she saw it was too late to escape by the stairs, another tenant of the burning house, Mrs. Marion Barrett, ran to the second floor front window and screamed to the crowd below that she was dropping her children from the window.

Several men formed a circle and caught each of Mrs. Barrett's three children, Bernard, 4; Petey, 3, and Buster, 7 months.

Faubus is damaging to prestige

WASHINGTON (NNPA) — The international prestige of the United States is greatly impaired by the closing of public schools in Little Rock and by actions of Gov. Orval E. Faubus of Arkansas, Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell declared Wednesday.

Mr. Mitchell shared the platform with Julius A. Thomas, director of industrial relations of the National Urban League, at a luncheon in observance of Equal Opportunity Day at the Willard Hotel.

The League annually designates Nov. 19 as Equal Opportunity Day to focus attention throughout the United States on positive efforts upon the principle of equal opportunity for all, commemorating the anniversary of President Lincoln's famous Gettysburg Address.

AT THE beginning of his remarks, Mr. Mitchell took a slap at the disfranchisement of residents of the District of Columbia.

Civil rights, whether it be the right to vote, go to school, or hold a job, he said, are enjoyed by all citizens of the United States, except those in the District of Columbia.

"I understand you can't vote," he told the luncheon audience.

The Labor Secretary called civil rights "more than a legal issue." He said it is a "moral issue" which has both domestic and international implications.

"We must recognize that we cannot assume the leadership in the world that we like to think we assume until we gain the respect of the world with relation to the equality of man and how we handle it here," Mr. Mitchell said, adding:

"WE MUST recognize in this country that our international prestige, our international relationships, particularly with lesser developed countries of the world, is impaired by the incidents of Little Rock — greatly impaired by a man by the name of Faubus."

Mr. Mitchell said he wished that people who "seem to get support" segregation in this country could see what the rest of the world is like, referring to the fact that 70 percent of the world's population is colored.

"They could see how difficult it is here in America to explain our inexplicable position with respect to 10,000,000 people who just enjoy equal rights with the rest of us."

CALLING racial discrimination a "serious economic problem," Mr. Mitchell said:

"Certainly if we are going to achieve the standard of living we must achieve in this country, if we are going to maintain our national defense, then we must afford to see every man can the fullest potential of which he is capable.

"We do otherwise if we waste one of our most precious natural resources, which is, our manpower, and the contributions that manpower can make to our defense and our standard of living."

DISPUTED HAIR-DO—Miss Mary A. Carter of 1409 Georgia Ave. shows the hair styling that caused her to lose her job as elevator operator at a downtown dress shop. Miss Carter said the dress shop manager told her to cut her hair or give up the job. Miss Carter decided to quit $20 a week job.

ACLU hits refusal to transfer airman

NEW YORK — The Air Force's refusal to transfer a sergeant from the Little Rock Air Base after his six-year-old daughter was required to attend an off-base segregated school was criticized today by the American Civil Liberties Union as contrary to "the national policy of integration."

The airman, Technical Sgt. James R. Dallas, made the request after officials at the Air Base had decided that because of Congressional instruction a new federally-financed elementary school for airmen's children must follow a segregated pattern.

The ACLU had registered a strong protest that this action was contrary to the school desegregation decisions of the U. S. Supreme Court.

An official of the Department of Defense informed the Union that the Air Force did not concur with the segregated school plan but under the law passed by Congress providing funds to local communities to handle the schooling of military personnel children, the new school must be operated in accordance with the local segregation law.

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IN A LETTER to Secretary of the Air Force James H. Douglas scoring the decision in the Dallas case, ACLU executive director Patrick Murphy Malin said the "Air Force's action, in effect, condones the local practice of segregated education by compelling the airman to send his child to a segregated school.

"In view of the Armed Forces' repeated protestation of successful integration and Assistant Secretary (of Defense) Finucane's statement that the Little Rock incident should not be construed as 'approval or indication of agreement with the school board's decision,' we believe the Air Force's decision directly contravenes the spirit of the national policy of integration.

"It seems to us," Malin wrote, "that if the Air Force believes in the principle of non-discrimination, it could offer no better evidence of this belief than to remove Sgt. Dallas and any other colored airman who requested it from the scene of discrimination, a scene made more painful because it affects their children.

"While we are not expert on military personnel policy, we believe that an accommodation could be made in such cases.

"To refuse the request for transfer can only be interpreted as enforcing a practice which the Supreme Court has found to be unconstitutional and a large majority of Americans regard as antithetical to the American ideal of equality for all," the ACLU letter said.

Liberals to seek revise of Rule 22

NEW YORK — Liberal Democrats have just concluded a two day closed-door conference on the need for changing Senate Rule 22, the AFRO learned late Wednesday.

The conference was held in New York and was sparked by G. Mennen Williams, governor of Michigan; Averell Harriman, the defeated governor of New York, and party leaders Carmine Desapio and Thomas Finletter.

During an AFRO interview with Governor Williams at the Waldorf, the Governor said:

"Liberal Democrats are convinced that there will be a meaningful change in Rule 22 at the beginning of the next session of Congress."

Asked to elaborate, Governor Williams said that he has been in conference with the above mentioned New York Democrats and that they have all agreed on a two-stage program to bring about the rule change.

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FIRST, according to Williams, the liberal Democrats will concentrate on control of the Dec. 7 meeting of the Democratic Advisory Committee in Washington.

The Liberals hope to capture the spirit of the meeting and make change in Rule 22 a part of the Democratic program for the coming Congressional year.

Should this move to capture the Advisory Committee bear fruit, the liberal Democrats will move onto the Senate floor on the first day of the new session and force the issue in the name of the party rather than in the name of a few liberal spokesman.

Governor Williams made it clear that he and his liberal colleagues are flatly opposed to the compromise position now being taken by Texas Senator Lyndon Johnson, Majority Leader in the Senate.

"Johnson has indicated he wishes to join fellow Texan Sam Rayburn of the House and revert to the 1949 rule which allows cloture upon the vote of two thirds of the members present and voting.

Williams represents the view that, after two weeks of debate, cloture can be invoked by a simple majority vote.

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THE SIGNIFICANCE of this meeting here in New York is Williams himself. Williams admits he has been in a two day conference with Harriman, Finletter and Desapio.

MISS NORMA TUCKER
Elected Mayor of Baltimore

Carver High girl is elected Mayor

BALTIMORE

"It is quite an honor that has come to me, and I am very, very excited over it."

Miss Norma Tucker, a 16-year-old senior and business student at Carver Vocational-Technical High School, was speaking Saturday of her election as honorary mayor of Baltimore.

Miss Tucker was elected at a pre-legislative conference of the Baltimore Model Youth City Council Friday at City Hall.

She will serve as "mayor" when the Youth City Council holds its sessions January 27 and 28.

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DAVID APPLEFIELD, 17, of Gardenville Manor Dr., a City College senior, was elected to serve as president of the City Council for this session.

Michael Beckwith, 17, 4800 block Briar Cliff Rd., a senior at Edmondson High School, was elected to serve as city comptroller.

The three were elected from a field of six candidates which included John Neal, 18, Southern High School; Wilbert Williams, 17, 1040 Aisquith St., and Laurence Dunbar High School, and William Krastel, 17, Mergenthaler Vocational-Technical High School.

The conference Friday was designed to set up these "officials," as the Baltimore Youth and French colonies warranted a special session of the General Assembly.

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DEEPLY MOVED and personally disturbed by the criticism, Miss Anderson asked for the floor. Her request was granted and Miss Anderson issued her bombshell.

She said:

"There is no one in this room more interested in the fate of the people we are discussing than I. Like many of the representatives, I am full and rounded an instructed delegation. We are here to carry out what is the imperative need to keep outspace from becoming a province of any one nation, he stated.

It is known that the Texas Senator has circulated a proposal among his fellow senators in the hope that it will head off a fight to end the filibuster.

The issue is this: Rule 22 of the United States Senate requires unlimited debate on any subject. Through this leave Southerners have, for several decades, talked to death effective civil rights bill.

Now, the liberals of the Senate—both Republican and Democrat—have banded together to break the archaic Senate rule.

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SENATORS PAUL DOUGLAS, (D-Ill.) Kenneth Keating, (R-N.Y.); Hubert Humphrey, (D-Minn.); Jacob Javits, (R-N.Y.), and Clifford Case, (R-N.J.), have drawn up and circulated a proposal that will reach the floor of the Senate on the first day of business.

The issue will flare when it comes time to organize the upper house and will be debated under the issue of whether the rules of the body should be changed.

These liberal bi-partisans have made an estimate of some of the 13 Democratic Senators-elect and feel sure they now have a majority for the liberal cause. They seek to amend the Senate rule so as to shut off debate after a "full and reasonable time."

The proposal would allow two weeks of discussion before any move is made, then the Senate could shut off debate after each Senator has a full additional hour to say his piece.

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SENATOR JOHNSON has also made a survey and knows that the liberals are on the verge of victory.

To stave off this victory and at the same time keen his party in some favor with colored voters, Johnson has proposed that the present rule, which provides for cloture only upon a positive vote by two thirds of the members of the Senate, be changed to say that cloture can be invoked upon a positive vote of two thirds of the members present and voting.

Douglas and Humphrey have quickly pointed out that the Johnson proposal would be of no effect.

Research shows that all of the Senators are always on the floor during these critical votes and that the rule change would not be a favor to liberalism. The net effect would be to keep things as they are.

Johnson refuses comment on civil rights commission

By LOUIS LOMAX

UNITED NATIONS—Senate Leader Lyndon Johnson refused to say whether his failure to list civil rights action as a part of his program for the coming Congress was deliberate or an oversight.

Instead Senator Johnson said that "This is the time for all Americans to work together for the common good. A Civil Rights Commission is now working on this problem and we should let it be at that for the time being."

The reply came Tuesday during a press conference at United Nations headquarters where Johnson has come to state the American position on outer space.

This correspondent posed the question: Johnson, Senate majority leader, flushed with anger when pressed for an answer.

The conference followed Johnson's efforts to counsel the world on the rightness of international control of outer space, while at the same time he is pushing a compromise on the pending battle to end the filibuster in the United States Senate.

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JOHNSON CAME here to tell the world that the foreign policy debate of the last election, more or less, was politics. Americans—Republicans and Democrats—are united as regards the Russian menace and

THINKING OUT LOUD

RECALLS HARLEM BAREFOOT PROPHET; MEETS ONE IN D.C.

By Ralph Matthews

A GOOD many years ago one of the most colorful characters around Harlem, even long before the rise of Father Divine, used to be a towering white-robed bewhiskered man known as the barefoot prophet.

That was because even on the coldest day he paraded the snow-covered streets in his barefeet, soliciting alms and giving out blessings in the form of "tips" on the numbers.

The superstitious believed he was gifted with some seventh sense which gave him insight into the future, and they would seek him out en route to rendezvous with their digits brokers, believing that to refuse him a dime or two would bring down upon their heads some awful vengeance.

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THE BELIEF was also current that he amassed great wealth which belied his austere and horrible appearance and many a young hoodlum conspired to waylay him and discover the secret hiding place of his cash only to receive a sound thrashing with his shepherd's stave which landed several in the emergency ward of Harlem Hospital with fractured ribs and other contusions and abrasions which increased their respect for men of God and led them lead more honest lives.

Just what faith, if any, he represented I do not know, but the belief was current that he possessed some supernatural powers which made him immune to the elements and by consequence he was destined to live forever.

This myth was shattered, however, when after his usual tour of the haunts along Lenox and Seventh Avenues his encrusted feet played him false amid the snowbanks and he was brought low by pneumonia and he gave up the ghost.

HIS DEMISE was eventually discovered by the newsboys playing fraternity and a great hue and clamor arose demanding that such a noble character be given a decent burial and many willing hands were devoted to the task of ransacking and dismantling his shabby quarters in the hope of unearthing his hidden treasure.

But when this proved unavailing all interest in his funeral, ration abated and his mortal remains were finally carted off to Potter's Field somewhere on Staten Island with none but the gravediggers to note his passing. If the oft expressed prediction that "the Barefoot Prophet would rise again" ever materialized I have heard no official wind of it.

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I RECALL this simply as a preface to the observation that since that time I have had very little contact with latter day prophets and had assumed prophecy was a lost art.

Imagine my surprise and great exhuberance when I discovered very recently that a gentleman whom I had been seeing almost daily right in the vicinity of my office was so endowed. He is the Rev. John W. Dennis, who has given me a copy of his book "God Speaks" in which he disclosed that most of the historic events of the past several years were revealed to him through visions in the skies.

His treatise contains letters to and from such world leaders as the late Franklin D. Roosevelt, Governor Marvin Griffin of Georgia; Governor Almond of Virginia and others.

Little letter to Governor Almond is especially timely in face of the present turmoil over integration. So due to limited space I prefer to quote this to the exclusion of his earlier references in which God revealed the coming of World War I and World War II, the Korean War and other great catrophes which have plagued mankind since he became conscious of his gift of prophecy at the age of 16. The letter reads:

"Honorable Governor Almond
Governor's Office
Richmond, Virginia

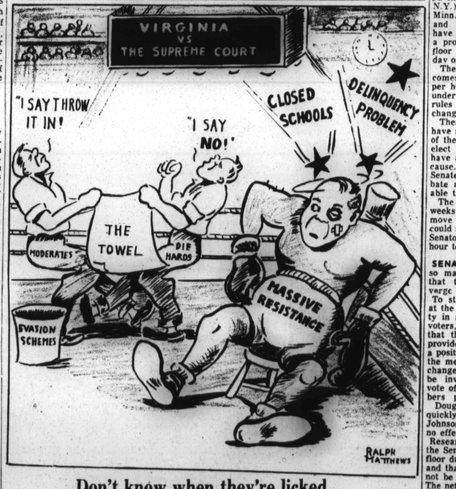
"Dear Sir:

"I am urged and directed by Almighty God to write you concerning the state of affairs in the State of Virginia, (my native state). The Lord has given the state signs and wonders and warnings that He is wary of the manner and attitude of the State. He has sent floods and droughts, and other plagues, and they have gone unheeded. His word, as contained in the Bible, has gone unheeded.

"He has put signs in the sky both day and night, such as the emblem of the Columbians, the cross of the K.K.K., the German Swastika, and on November 21st, 1953, at 6 o'clock P.M., He covered the State with blood-red clouds, and was in the center he word, Confederate, in capital letters, all of which show that the State is under indictment in Heaven, and I am instructed to urge you to read the second chapter of James, the Bible, you vaguely promised with the word, flexible, to ameliorate conditions, but since have adopted other and stronger measures. Should it please Your Honor to read the Scriptures herein mentioned, I hope the Scriptures and this letter will show things in their true light.

"With every good wish for your health and administration, I am humbly God's Servant,

JOHN W. DENNIS"



Don't know when they're licked

DIDN'T LIKE HIS SERMON, POLICE JAIL PASTOR

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Marian Gags On UN Africa Speech

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Football To Fisticuffs

Thieves Loot Church Poor Box Of $28,000

UN Africa talk galls Anderson

By LOUIS LOMAX

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y.—American Delegate Marian Anderson was thrown the United Nations Assembly into a tizzy by admitting, from the assembly platform, that she has been forced to advance proposals she, as an individual, finds disagreeable.

The startling shock came late Tuesday afternoon the enlightened contralto was stating the American position during the debate on the proposal for "independence for the Cameroons and several other British and French colonies warranted a special session of the General Assembly.

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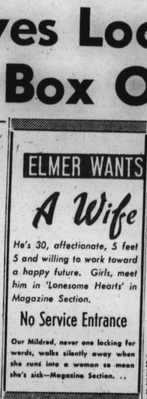

ELMER WANTS
A Wife
He's 30, affectionate, 5 feet 5 and willing to work toward a happy future. Girls, meet him in 'Lonesome Hearts' in Magazine Section.

No Service Entrance

Our Mildred, never one lacking for words, walks silently away when she runs into a woman so mean she's sick—Magazine Section.

Detectives arrest 3, find money

NEW YORK — There is no honor among thieves, two suspects in a $28,000 robbery of a Harlem church learned last week.

Shortly after the pastor discovered the theft of between $25,000 and $28,000 from the Bethel Holy Church, poor box, Manhattan police arrested three men in connection with the crime.

All three men, whose identities were withheld pending further investigation, reportedly confessed.

THERE WERE several oddities in the case.

First, the Rev. James Bell told police that the church strongbox which had been contained only about $11,000. Later he changed his story and reported the figure in excess of $25,000.

Secondly, two men, identified as accomplices, appeared "very upset" on learning the amount of money involved, indicating that they were led to believe that the strongbox contained only a few hundred dollars.

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THE FIRST suspect was arrested at about 11 a.m. on Wednesday. He had $20 on $16.000 in his pockets and $8,000 at home.

Police said he confessed to the robbery and identified his two accomplices. They were later arrested at their homes.

The suspect with all the cash said he had "bought a few things and I know that I have robbed last night." He said he entered the church, according to police, with a key belonging to his mother, an official of the church.

Cashier loses job

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—Mrs. Mae Crooks, cashier at the Gerwin General Depot here, was fired on Wednesday for asking a colored paratrooper to sit on an all-white "chou" line in the cafeteria.

"She was wrong as can be," said Col. William D. Buchanan, the commanding officer. He added that voluntary segregation had been practiced but colored personnel knew they could eat where they pleased.

Pupils of closed Little Rock school 'adopted' by woman

LITTLE ROCK — Two colored seniors at Horace Mann High School, one of Little Rock's schools closed by the edict of Governor Faubus in his fight against integration, have been "adopted" by Mrs. Howard Lewis Aller, a white resident of Lakeville, Conn., and a close friend of Mrs. Daisy Bates, president of the Arkansas NAACP.

The pupils both 17-year-old girls, are Essie B. Knowles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Knowles, and Carolyn Porter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Porter.

They will live in Mrs. Aller's home as members of her family and will attend an integrated school.

Killers get life terms plus 55 yrs.

BALTIMORE

Two self-confessed killers, who took a stranger on a "one-way ride," last week sentenced to life in the Maryland Penitentiary and an additional 55 years.

Judge Reuben Oppenheimer imposed the sentences Friday in Criminal Court on Lester Rory, 30, 2100 block N. Pulaski St., and John R. Banks, 24, 1300 block N. Fulton Ave.

The only hope for eventual freedom for the two men lies in a parole but these are usually not granted on a life sentence until 15 years have been served, and where there is a definite sentence, until one-third of the time has been served.

Thus, at best, the two slayers can not expect to be free again for 33 years at least.

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THE VICTIM in the shotgun murder was Leroy Mc Eveen, an unemployed construction worker.

Mr. McEiveen's body was found in a muddy gravel pit in the Cherry Hill section with his body riddled by two blasts from a shotgun.

Banks and Roy were arrested two nights later wearing clothes

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I hope they send him to the chair'

BROOKLYN, N.Y. — "I'll testify against him. . . It's his fault, his fault. I hope they send him to the electric chair."

These were the words of Mrs. Daniel Taylor of Woodside, Long Island, a German war bride, as she charged her second husband, a blond man, with the murder of her 13-year-old daughter by a colored soldier.

The sensational charges were made to police officials and this reporter as the distraught Mrs. Taylor described the sequence of events which led to her daughter's death last Saturday.

According to Mrs. Taylor, her daughter, Margret, was in her bedroom on the sixth floor of the family's Long Island home and was being chastised by her stepfather.

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La FAITHIA ELLIOTT
. . . dancer's dreams come true

Baltimore dancer appearing abroad

In Barcelona, Spain, a young dancer is learning that dreams really do come true.

Spain has long been famed for the wonderful dancers she has produced but the heroine of our story is strictly a product of the U.S.A.—Baltimore, Md., to be exact.

She is La Faithia Elliott, young, attractive, talented and ambitious, a combination hard to beat in anyone's league.

Only 23-years-old, La Faithia has been dancing professionally for about four years and in that time she has graduated from the small clubs to the international circuit.

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HER MOTHER, Mrs. Ann Doty, 2007 Druid Hill St., has been elected president of the Baltimore State Conference of Colored Parent-Teacher Associations.

Fight breaks out at Virginia State

All players join affray; Morgan winner by 20 to 6

By SAM LACY

PETERSBURG, Va. — Fistic fireworks erupted here Thursday afternoon as Morgan State College defeated Virginia State, 20-6, in the traditional Thanksgiving Day battle between the two schools.

So suddenly did the disturbance break out that nobody could say how it started or by whom it was provoked. But before it was over, just about every one of the players on the two squads was involved in one way or another.

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NO SERIOUS damage was done, although one Morgan player required treatment of a cut under his left eye and an unidentified woman spectator was knocked down and trampled upon in the melee.

The fight, which quickly turned into a free-for-all, followed a second half touchdown scored her third touchdown minutes before the final gun. Two Virginia State men broke through to block the conversion attempt by quarterback Jack Dennis and all three went sprawling in the turf.

Before anyone could determine what was happening, individual fights were breaking out all over the field. Both benches emptied and players poured onto the gridiron.

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FOR SEVERAL minutes, the stage was occupied by kicking and fist-swinging athletes, many of whom had little attention to the pleas of game officials and coaches. Fully ten minutes were spent in the effort to clear the field and restore order.

The repeated requests of the public address announcer to the "Star Spangled Banner," went unheeded. The bandsmen were too engrossed in the unscheduled action on the field to respond.

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ONCE ORDER was restored, referee Reggie Watts called for the kickoff by Morgan, the Bears having scored earlier in previous touchdown. But no sooner had the ball been taken by a Trojan receiver, than the signal was given to end the contest.

Despite the fact that only moments before, they were at the throats of each other, the opposing players shook hands at game's end and retired to their dressing rooms as though nothing had happened.

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SHORTLY BEFORE the general fight broke out, State's quarterback, Dewayne Jeter, had been ejected from the game for unsportsmanly conduct. Referee Watts motioned him to the sideline for slugging a Morgan tackler.

Kicked beneath the eye in the later scuffle was George Forrest, a junior end from Leonardtown, Md. The 195-pound Morgan wingman was placed in an Army station wagon and escort-

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Police jail pastor for preaching

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—"Dear white brethren, when you get to Heaven, we'll be there."

A few days after the Rev. Calvin W. Woods made this statement to the pupils of Peace Baptist Church, he was arrested, jailed for eight hours and released on $500 bond pending his trial.

He is charged with urging a boycott. The Rev. Mr. Woods, pastor of East End Baptist Church, denies the charge. He says that he merely preached a sermon against segregation.

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"I URGE individuals," he said, "to comply with what is just. I told them that they should protest racial segregation because it is unjust.

"But whatever they do, they should keep in mind that the word of God should be the chief foundation and cornerstone."

He said that he preached against segregation on Nov. 2. However, on Saturday, Nov. 15, he spoke at a mass meeting at which he directed the "dear white brethren" statement to two detectives in the audience.

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THE DETECTIVES, part of a squad of men assigned to spy on gatherings of colored persons, were identified as O. W. Lewis and L. T. Laney.

They were assigned by Police Commissioner Eugene Bull Connor who has been attempting to forestall a city bus boycott similar to the one in Montgomery.

The police department said that the Rev. Mr. Wood was arrested on the complaint of "members of his church" who said that he was urging a boycott.

ALSO LAST week, John H. Kelly, 38, was fined $1,000 and sentenced to six months in jail on a charge of distributing boy-

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Jury Wanted To Go

Dr. Perry convicted after judge overrules majority

Special to the AFRO

ALBEMARLE, N.C. — "I feel a little despondent 'because the people selected as jurors in the county don't have enough conscience to uphold justice.

"But, the decision will be appealed to the North Carolina Supreme Court."

Dr. Albert E. Perry, vice president of the Union County NAACP, spoke in that manner Saturday afternoon following his retrial conviction on charges of performing an abortion on a white woman.

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A STANLEY COUNTY Superior Court jury, presided over by Judge Hubert Olive, returned a guilty verdict against the physician after deliberating more than four hours.

Dr. Perry was sentenced to not more than three nor less than two years in prison.

His attorneys, Taylor, Mitchell, Raleigh and Cobb Funderburk gave immediate notice of an appeal to the state's highest court. Dr. Perry was freed on $3,000 bail pending appeal.

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"THE TRIAL WAS conducted well," Dr. Perry told the AFRO, during a jail interview.

"But I think the jury would have hung if it had not been influenced by the judge."

The physician, who became the target of Ku Klux Klan gunfire when he advocated integration in the town's only swimming pool, said the jury deliberated four hours without rendering a verdict. He declared:

"After the long deliberation, the judge asked the jury if it wanted to stay or continue deliberation to the next day.

"Nine jurors voted to come back the next day and three voted to stay. The judge sent the jurors back in to continue deliberation despite the fact

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Billy to Clinton

ASHEVILLE, N.C. — Billy Graham said here last week that he has accepted an invitation to conduct a revival on the grounds of the bombed Clinton (Tenn.) High School on Dec. 14.

The evangelist said that his entire troupe will take part, adding that so far as he is concerned, the whole purpose of the meeting will be to preach the Gospel.

Flash News In Brief

The Happiest News Of The Week

LAKEVILLE, Conn. — Two students thrown out of class by Gov. Faubus' closing of Little Rock high schools have been "temporarily adopted" by Mrs. Howard Lewis Aller, a wealthy white woman here. They are Essie B. Knowles and Carolyn Porter, both 17, who were "A" students at Horace Mann High School, Little Rock. They now attend an integrated private school near here.

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SEYMOUR, Ind. — Bethel AME, this community's only colored church served Thanksgiving dinners to 300 transient visitors. The custom was started in 1949, after white residents gave $6,000 toward repairing the church. White townsmen added the small congregation in preparing and serving the dinner.

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JOHANNESBURG, S. Africa —African women, aided by Asian and white women, outwitted police, who had warned that arrests would follow any procession or demonstration connected with last week's planned presentation of protest letters by Mayor Ian Mate. The women arrived at City Hall in twos and threes and handed their letters to white and African women receptionists. The day of women required six hours, left no incidents and avoided any breach of the law.

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ATLANTA—When the annual Interfraternity Conference convenes here on Dec. 7, there will be no representatives from Temple University. Edward Eichman, dean of men, has announced. The move is in protest of the disclosure that colored delegates would be barred from restaurants, hotels and other public places.

NEW YORK — Citations for activities in behalf of equal opportunity in housing were presented last week to Jackie Robinson, Harry Brandt and Alfred J. Barrow in a ceremony conducted at Gracie Mansion. Mayor Wagner congratulated the State Commission on Discrimination in Housing on "Ten years of service to our state and city." The three honored men are members of the Commission.

They Said It: "Quote And Unquote"

JEKYLL ISLAND, Ga. — "Segregation isn't give people a chance to find out how they could get along" — MAURICE BUDDICK, rescued Nova Scotia miner, declining offer of a job in Georgia after being segregated from his fellow miners by their racial boss, Gov. Marvin Griffin.

ALEXANDER, Ark. — "Regardless of how you may feel, I am the governor for all the people of the state and I want to do good for all people" — Gov. ORVAL FAUBUS speaking at the dedication of a new vocational rehabilitation building of the McRae Memorial Sanatorium for colored tubercular patients.

BOSTON — "I have no pa-

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Atlanta race bars cause Temple U to shun frat parley

PHILADELPHIA — Temple University's interfraternity council decided last week against sending delegates to the annual national interfraternity conference to be held Dec. 4-6 at Atlanta because of racial discrimination.

When the council, which represents Temple's 12 fraternities, learned that colored delegates would be barred from restaurants, hotel lobbies and other public places, it cancelled plans for the sending of two delegates, although neither was to have been colored.

Edward Eichman, assistant dean of men, also announced that he would not attend the conference and that the university shared his position