WHEN YOU FINISH READING YOUR AFRO PASS IT ALONG TO A FRIEND

Modern Solomon's Temple Cost $335,000 To Build

BY ART CARTER

"This edifice is the culmination of the dream of many years ago — the dream of a man who had consecrated his life to the service of his fellowman and their spiritual guidance."

With these words, Judge Armond W. Scott launched the ribbon-cutting ceremony of the new $335,000 Temple of Freedom Under God, pastored by the Elder Lightfoot Solomon Michaux, Sunday.

Standing at the door of the brilliantly lighted, glass door chapel, with 1,500 persons lining both sides of the street in 30-degree weather, Judge Scott continued:

"All through these years his faithful and devoted wife has stood loyally by his side, comforting and consoling him when he was bowed down with the vicissitudes of his many responsibilities, and spurred him on to his great achievements, the fame and influence of which have spread not only throughout this broad land, but over the entire world."

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THE VETERAN jurist added, "This temple has been erected as a meeting place, not only for its members, but for the people of whatever race, color or creed, who have the desire to worship their Creator according to the dictates of their conscience."

On this note, Judge Scott presented the keys to the Temple to Mrs. Mary E. Michaux, wife of the Elder, who cut a large white ribbon to officially open the Temple.

Emanuel C. Wright, Philadelphia banker, spoke briefly, describing the Temple as "a landmark in the city of Washington" and praising Mrs. Michaux as "one of the great women of the 20th Century who has dedicated her life to the betterment of humanity."

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WITH THE doors opened, more than 1,200 jammed their way into the edifice. They quickly took all available seats in the main auditorium and two side balconies of the impressively colored blue and gold church.

Others overflowed into the small basement rooms where they could hear the dedication ceremony via loudspeaker, but could not see the dramatic program.

Here Elder Michaux combined oratory, music, dramatics, and pageantry with live lambs in an impressive three hour program.

Elder O. B. Rhodes of Pontiac, Mich., read the Scripture and the congregation, led by John Beecher of Philadelphia, sang "God Bless America." William Cherry presided.

Mrs. Annie L. Holmes of Baltimore sang "Jerusalem," and the presentation of the pageant, "The Building of the First Temple of God by Solomon and Its Dedication," followed.

WENDELL GREEN was particularly impressive as King Solomon, Elder James Taylor played the high priest; Nathan Taylor, John the Baptist, and Janice Williams, Christ.

The pageant was realistic with the appearance of the 24 elders of Israel, resplendent in gold and blue garments, and the presentation of seven live lambs for the sacrifice.

An electrical effect of a fire on the sacrificial altar and blood-letting scene which culminated the offer of the sacrifice for the sins of the people climaxed the pageant.

FOLLOWING THE pageant, the dedication program swung into the oratory stage, Chaplain John W. Bundrant prayed and Mary Rust spoke on "The Old and New Temple."

The new Temple replaces the old Church of God which was located on the same site at 2030 Georgia Ave., NW, just across the street from Griffith Stadium, scene of the Elder's annual baptism services.

Miss Rust of the Washington Church of God said the new temple was dedicated "to training of youths, building of character, and the beginning of hope for those who err."

She added that its building required "an abundance of wisdom, with discriminating understanding, and above all faith."

MRS. EIDTH GLOVER Philadelphia, bringing greetings from the seven Churches of God throughout the East, called the new Temple "a dream of many years, a pride and joy to all of us, and a monument in the nation's capital."

"It is the greatest achievement in the history of the Church of God," she added.

Miss Sarah E. Thomas, Washington, spoke on "Our Youth Speak," saying the Temple "will serve as an inspiration to further the interest in God's work." She said, "We shall strive to be epistles of those who do not read, and make a special tribute to Mrs. Michaux."

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CHAPLAIN WILLIAM ADAMS, former Departmental Commander of the American Legion, read telegrams from President Eisenhower, who told the church members, "You have accomplished much", and Dr. John F. B. Carruthers of California.

Dr. Carruthers was scheduled to be on the program, but illness prevented him from making the trip.

Between these parts of the program, John Beecher sang "I Trust in God." Mrs. Annie Putty rendered a solo, the Five Misses From Baltimore sang "Through These Oh God," and the Gospel Bearers from Philadelphia, sang "Crying in the Chapel."

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CLIMAXING THE long program, Dr. C. Herbert Marshall presented Elder Michaux, declaring that the dedication was really "a three-in-one meeting with all culminating in great rejoicing."

He described it as (1) a day of triumph over those who seek to retard the progress of Christ; (2) a transition of an ideal into reality, the fulfillment of the elder's dream, and (3) a day of thanksgiving for a firm, happy, Christian family with the leadership of the elder and the splendid example of followship by the Church of God members.

Dr. Marshall also lauded Elder Michaux for his ability to divorce himself from himself and get the job done."

ELDER MICHAUX called the occasion "the most encouraging thing that has ever happened in my life. I owe much to you who have come to show appreciation for what God has done through me."

Then the elder, in his usual platform style, praised Mrs. Michaux as "a good woman," telling his listeners "There is nothing better than the gift of a good woman."

Michaux declared "God knew it wasn't good to be without a woman," then said, "My advice to men who don't have a good woman is to stay with your mothers. If you do have a good woman, love her, cherish her and nourish her."

CONTINUING THE elder emphasized that the three most important things for men in the world are for them (1) to have God; (2) have a good woman, and (3) have good health.

"With these three you are rich," the elder added, and urged the men to remember "it isn't good to be alone."

Then the elder digressed long enough to introduce the Martin Brothers, John and Fred, who were builders of the temple. Maj. Ernest Brown, former District police chief, now 83 years old, and Bishop George Brunk of Denbigh, Va., who preached the dedication sermon later Sunday night.

AS A FINAL world, Elder Michaux reminded his listeners "You don't have to be a member of a church to do right, you can do right anywhere." He urged them to attend the 10-day revival services now under way at the new temple.

As concluding numbers on the program, Mrs. Michaux sang "Some Golden Daybreak" and the Jubilee Chorus, gaily garbed in new blue and gold robes, sang "Lift Up Ye Heads."

This ended the long dedication program, preceded by a brief response from Emanuel C. Wright, Philadelphia banker, who said, "The elder builds a spirit of brotherhood among all races."

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KEYS TO TEMPLE— Judge Armond W. Scott (left) presents keys to the new Temple of Freedom Under God at 2030 Georgia Ave., NW, to Elder and Mrs. Lightfoot Solomon Michaux at dedication ceremony Sunday.

Athletic associates laud Mr. Burr as teacher who 'practiced what he taught'

BY ART CARTER

University officials, faculty members and students, community leaders and athletic coaches from all parts of the country, Tuesday, gathered in the driving rain to pay final respects to John H. Burr.

Mr. Burr, known affectionately as "Johnny" to athletic associates, was buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

Interment followed an hour-long service at Howard University's Andrew Rankin Chapel, with Dr. Daniel Hill, dean of the Chapel, officiating.

Prior to the services, students, friends and scores of athletes he had coached during his long tenure of service at Howard viewed the body in the flag-draped casket in the chapel. Guards from the university ROTC unit stood on each end below the flower-laden stage.

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COACH OF four sports and producer of championship teams in all physical education instructor and head of the Department of Physical Education for 11 years, Mr. Burr had served Howard 35 years.

He died last Thursday, Jan. 10, after an illness that had kept him hospitalized for more than two weeks.

He was extolled by university officials and associates at the funeral services for his outstanding work, meritorious "service and gentlemanly qualities."

Thomas Hart, associate in the Department of Physical Education and varsity baseball coach, speaking on behalf of the Department, said due to Mr. Burr "as a friend willing" to help wherever help was needed, an authority on physical education who willingly gave advice when it was sought."

MR. HART also lauded Mr. Burr "as one who had brought distinction to Howard with his service on numerous physical education and community service committees, and "as a man of high character who practiced what he taught."

Mr. Burr coached basketball, baseball, swimming and track and field during his service at Howard, extending from 1921 to his death.

Mr. Hart recalled that the 1934 CIAA championship basketball team has been regarded as "one of the best coached teams produced in the CIAA."

A. KIGER SAVOY, former assistant superintendent of District public schools and one time associate of Mr. Burr's in athletic officiating, praised Mr. Burr as "a devoted husband and father" and "one who had a high regard for what is right."

Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson, president of Howard, speaking for the faculty and trustees of the university, called Mr. Burr "an esteemed gentleman who combined education with religion."

He praised his 35 years' work in "one of the great professions of all times." He said Mr. Burr "loved the human personality and took enthusiastic joy in helping personalities grow."

"He was a courteous gentleman who dealt with personalities in the highest respect," Dr. Johnson added.

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The Rev. A. F. Elmes, who gave the eulogy, praised Mr. Burr "above all his other good qualities for being a gentleman."

The minister pointed out that "stripped for basketball, swimming, track and field, the real personality is revealed, and physical education teachers have an especial opportunity to give these personalities guidance."

"Mr. Burr performed these tasks with devoted duty and high integrity," the Rev. Mr. Elmes said, "reminding the mourners that it takes "more than a mother and father to bring up a boy or a girl."

He also lauded Mr. Burr as "a good family man, servant to the community, and one who was associated with service that is not always reflected in the pay check."

"He always responded to do something for somebody else," the Rev. Mr. Elmes concluded.

The Howard University Choir, under direction of Dr. Warner Lawson, provided music for the services.

Mrs. Frances Kiner, 79, dies in Alabama

JASPER, Ala.—Funeral services were held here Friday for Mrs. Frances Kiner, 79, a long time resident of Walker County.

She is survived by a granddaughter, Mrs. M. Francis Mackay of Baltimore and a son, Clyde Shepherd of Jasper.

Child 'made faces' at man, got struck

"I am a quiet personality. This young lady came past and poked a stick in my face."

Charles Amos Hurley, 21, 1300 block Woodyear St., was explaining to Magistrate Linwood G. Koger Sr. how he came to be charged with striking a 10-year-old girl.

The child, Franzell Hunter, testified in Northwestern Police Court on Tuesday:

"I was skating down Woodyear St. He came up there and hit me."

The child admitted she and others "made faces" at Mr. Hurley.

MAGISTRATE KOGER warned the child she and her playmates should not "meddle" with Mr. Hurley.

"When you do," he said, "you probably take your own life in your own hands."

Magistrated Koger suspended a 60-day sentence and placed Mr. Hurley on probation for 18 months.

Hornets upset Morgan, 87-80

A surprising Delaware State College five devoted white Morgan her second defeat in eight Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association starts at the Hurt gym Thursday night. The score was 87-80.

Coach Bennie George's Hornets from Dover staged a late surge that erased a one-point halftime advantage of the Bears and pulled away at the end.

Although the visitors were unable to check the hot Morgan duo of Charley Brightful and Ron Garner, they produced some big scoring guns of their own in Clarence Jones, Eddie Nobles and Perry Dixon.

THE JONES-NOBLES-DIXON trio hit for a total of 55 points, the first two getting 20 apiece and Dixon gathering 15. However, the Brightful-Garner combination, as usual, they produced some big scoring guns of their own in Clarence Jones, Eddie Nobles, and Perry Dixon.

The defeat left the Bears of the season, and had them look Marse Hill with a 6-2 marks for ing to tonight's (Friday) game with Lincoln to get back on the winning trail.

Gentleman John H. Burr

An Editorial

The untimely death of John H. Burr robs Howard University and the Washington community of one of its most dedicated servants.

As a teacher, coach, athletic official, committee member and friend of youth, Mr. Burr's thirty-five years of outstanding performance was marked by high integrity and devotion to duty. In the field of physical education and athletic coaching, where personal relations are the closest, Mr. Burr won the respect of all—men, women and children alike.

He was a gentleman of the highest type. No better epitaph could be written in his behalf.

In his performance in the community, especially the Twelfth Street YMCA, his counsel and guidance was willingly given.

His contributions to the growth, development and administration of the Eastern Board of Officials and Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association, both of which he served as president, were numerous and meritorious.

Scores of men and women now working in the field of physical education owe some measure of their success to an extra bit of time, energy and guidance Mr. Burr provided.

The AFRO joins the Howard community and the thousands elsewhere in extending sympathy to his family to which he was so devoted.

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ACLU reviews '57 civil rights gains

NEW YORK — The United States urgently needs a security system that will not hamper technological progress in this age of guided missiles and earth satellites, the American Civil Liberties Union declared Monday.

The government can retain the full services of scientists, technicians, engineers and administrative executives for more rapid invention and development work only if it permits them to operate in a climate of freedom, it warned.

In its 1957 annual report reviewing civil liberties gains and losses in the areas of free expression and association, equality before the law and due process, the ACLU linked maintenance of civil liberties to ways of insuring that America will remain dominant in scientific fields.

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"OUR NATIONAL defense," asserted executive director Patrick M. Malin in an introduction to the report, "demands that a host of the most competent citizens the country possesses should be enlisted for the duration, in all parts and at all levels of our government.

"And they can't be got and kept if they feel they are being scrutinized as potential traitors."

Commenting on the first civil rights legislation passed by Congress in 80 years, the report noted that "for the first time in recent decades the Senate faced the moral and political reality of the filibuster" and rejected it.

The report reminded that on civil rights matters the Democrats usually are split and even when in accord, as last summer, are "unified on a low level."

In theory, it added, Republicans are more nearly united on civil rights but will do little about them, partly because the Democrats are split and because the GOP cannot secure enough additional colored votes in northern urban areas to compensate for the loss of white votes in the South.

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SO, THE union report said, while the 1957 Civil Rights Act is "a considerable step forward . . . in actual realization of the 15th Amendment," most progress in this field will continue to come through channels other than Federal legislation.

The use of Federal troops in the Little Rock school integration conflict, the union said, was necessary "to prevent mob action . . . uncontrollable, uncontrolled, or even stimulated by (state and local officials) from interfering with the long planned observance by school authorities of a court order."

But it says that the show of Federal force "will for years to come work terrible harm in the South, chiefly by hardening lines against the 'moderates,' those who are opposed to integration but acknowledge its inevitability and want it to come by law and order."

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INTEGRATION problems are not peculiar to the South, the report asserted, for "there are many metropolitan areas of the North where anti-colored discrimination and interracial tension are increasing.

"Accelerated migration to such areas, of both colored and whites, from a number of southern areas is complicating and complicated by — the already growing trouble between the suburbs and the central cities."

PEOPLE

TO ENDOW CHAIR

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The high contributions to American Baptist Theological Seminary here by the late Dr. James Clarence Miles have been permanently assured a place in the seminary's history by establishment of a "J. C. Miles Chair of Bible" by his family.

Combined endowment funds made, available by the pound family living here and by the seminary opens the new teaching opportunity. Seminary officials have announced plans to put the "J. C. Miles Chair of Bible" position into operation as soon as possible.

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VISITS W. VA. STATE

INSTITUTE, W. Va. — Dr. A. S. Arnold, assistant professor in the College of Commerce and a teacher of investments at Notre Dame University since September of the current year, was a recent visitor at West Virginia State College and the Institute Community.

The 35-year-old native of Lexington, Ky., was accompanied by his wife, the former Helen Smoot of Madison and their children, Dr. and Mrs. Arnold graduated from State in the class of 1947. They have two daughters, Alicia Louise, 4, and Adrienne Elaine, 8.

DR. A. S. ARNOLD

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ARMED FORCES PRO

NEW YORK — New adjutant of Armed Forces Press, Radio and Television Service in New York is Maj. Capt. Thomas J. Simmons. A veteran of over 16 years, he entered the Army during World War II and was commissioned a 2nd lieutenant in 1949 after having served as a non-commissioned officer for almost seven-years.

Captain Simmons holds the Bronze Star Medal and the Combat Infantryman's Badge. He has served in North Africa, Italy, Korea and Japan, as well as in the United States.

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CONCERT PIANIST

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — One of the most gifted of the younger pianists, Philippe Entremont, appeared at the Fisk University, Jan. 9, the second artist to be featured in the current Fisk University Concert Series.

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IN 'WHO'S WHO'

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Five upperclassmen at Benedict College have been named to the 1957-58 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

The five selected by the faculty-student committee to be included in the publication are Rosetta Austin, Charles Bruce Bailey Jr., Elizabeth Johnson, Edward Eugene Robinson and Lasker C. Watson.

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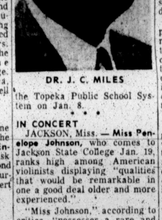
TO CONDUCT WORKSHOP

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — Dr. William G. Brooks of the department of education at Lincoln University (Mo.) left this week for Topeka, Kans., where he conducted a one-day workshop in secondary science for a capacity there.



DR. L. S. MILES

the Topeka Public School System on Jan. 8.

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IN CONCERT

JACKSON, Miss. — Miss Penelope Johnson, who comes to Jackson State College Jan. 19, ranks high among American violinists displaying "qualities that would be remarkable in one a good deal older and more experienced."

"Miss Johnson," according to critics, "possesses a rare and distinct sense for the violin which are felt in her phrasing. Her tone is accurate, steady and quite often of beautiful quality."

CHAIRMAN OF NURSES

HAMPTON, Va. — This week Mrs. Harriet E. Broward, formerly of the Youngstown Hospital Association, assumed the duties of chairman of the department of nursing at Hampton Institute.

For the two years prior to her joining the college faculty here, Mrs. Broward served as acting associate director and clinical instructor, Youngstown Hospital Association. She was the first colored nurse to serve in such capacity there.

Federal court weighs bus segregation law in Tenn.

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — A three-judge Federal District Court last week held a hearing to determine the validity of a Tennessee statute requiring separation of the races on city buses and streetcars.

The hearing was on a complaint filed in June of 1956 by O. Z. Evers, a postal employee, who alleged that on April 26, 1956, he and a companion were directed by the driver of a bus to vacate a seat they had taken in a section reserved for white passengers.

When they refused, the driver called a policeman who ordered them to move to the rear or get off the bus. They got off the bus.

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UPON REQUEST of Mr. Evers, H. T. Lockard, attorney and president of the Memphis NAACP, entered the case and on his behalf filed suit in Federal court seeking an injunction restraining the enforcement of the state's jim-crow law.

Representing Mr. Evers at the hearing were Mr. Lockard and Robert L. Carter, NAACP general counsel.

Mr. Evers, attorneys for the city moved to continue the hearing because the clerk of the court failed to notify the governor and the attorney general of the hearing. Attorneys for Mr. Evers produced copy of a letter showing that they notified the governor and attorney general on Dec. 31.

The three judges assigned to the case — John D. Martin of Cincinnati, William E. Miller of Nashville and Marion S. Boyd of Memphis — ruled that the hearing would go on and ordered the clerk to notify the governor and attorney general that the case would be heard on Jan. 11.

In the event they wished to present evidence on that day, the case would be reopened for them; if not, the record would be taken of the testimony of the Jan. 6 hearing.

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WINS TOP AWARD—Champion male crocheter Carlon W. Pryor; left, associate professor of biology at Florida A. and M. University, displays winning piece in 16th nationwide crochet contest of National Needlecraft Bureau, a crocheted bedspread. His awards included $500, plus a trip to NYC for him and mother. With him are Grand National Champion Mrs. F. A. Richardson of Homestead, Okla., and the teenage Girl Champion Nancy Lally of Woonsocket, R.I. Herbert B. Osmer of NNB made the presentations.

'Stubborn legal fight on -NAACP

NEW YORK — Southern legislative and judicial attacks on the NAACP indicate that it "must face and fight a series of legal maneuvers designed to so occupy the time of our lawyers that they will be unable to push ahead on the desegregation front."

That is what the association's general counsel, Robert L. Carter, told delegates in a speech prepared for delivery at the 49th annual meeting of the NAACP here Monday.

Because he had to be in Memphis for a court case challenging local bus segregation, Mr. Carter's report was read by Franklin H. Williams, NAACP West Coast regional secretary - counsel.

"But push ahead we must," his report asserted.

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"WHILE MUCH of the time and energy of our staff lawyers must be engaged in registration and voting campaigns implementing the Civil Rights Act, we must not pause in our effort to remove all vestiges of segregation and discrimination in our local communities.

"Each day's delay in the removal of color discrimination is a menace to the public welfare and the potential capacity of some colored youth for service is thereby lessened or destroyed."

NAACP branches, his report pointed out, "must seek with renewed fervor the removal of these barriers during the forth coming months. Where efforts to accomplish this without court action fails, the NAACP is under obligation to bring court action to require the authorities to abide by the law."

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THE REPORT recounted litigation in which the association was involved in 1957 in efforts to turn back the legislative and judicial attacks upon the organization. The ultimate decision in two cases, it said, will be particularly crucial.

The report cited the $100,000 contempt of court fine levied against the association in 1956 by an Alabama court for refusing to produce membership lists. This case is scheduled for argument before the U.S. Supreme Court next week.

"Of equal importance," the report asserted, "is a decision on the constitutionality of Virginia anti - NAACP laws aimed at barring lawyers from participating in NAACP cases and aiding colored people in vindicating their constitutional rights."

$10,793 donated at NAACP parley

NEW YORK — A total of $10,793 was contributed to the NAACP at its annual dinner and a meeting held here Jan. 5-6, respectively, by individuals, NAACP branches and other organizational groups.

Organizations other than NAACP branches making donations were: United Packing house Workers of America, $5,000; a group of Georgia teachers, $134; Joe Smalls of Des Moines, Ia., a vice president of the NAACP, $25; and Prob; o Thompson of New York, $24, he collected while on a Caribbean cruise.

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MAKING full $500 payment on a life membership were the local Packinghouse Workers of America; the Prince Hall Grand Lodge of the Masons, jurisdiction of Georgia, and John W. Dobbs of Atlanta, grand master of Georgia Masons. $300 payment on a life membership was made by the Embroidery Association of Winston-Salem, N.C.

Contributions to the Freedom Fund by NAACP units: were North Carolina State NAACP, $2,000; Fort Worth, Texas, branch, $500; Stamford, Conn., $400; Yonkers, N.Y., $400; New Haven, Conn., $300; Des Moines, Iowa, $100; Alhemimer, Ark., $100; and Akron, Ohio, youth council, $10.

IN QUEENS — Borough President James J. Crisona swears in J. Foster Phillips, right, of South Jamaica, as borough secretary as Pierce Whalen, left, deputy county clerk and leader of the Jamaica Democratic Club of the 11th A.D., and Noah Walter of Hollis, commissioner of state workmen's compensation, look on.

French dubbed 'world's most civilized people, gold diggers'

By CHATWOOD HALL
AFRO Special Writer
(Final article on Paris)

PARIS—The French people, like the Italians, are great wine drinkers.

And though the French government expresses concern over growing alcoholism, I never saw a drunk on the street or in a public place in Paris.

French children, I believe, are the best mannered in the world. They obey their parents and do not engage in any rowdyism. There is no evidence of juvenile delinquency as a problem here.

France is 97.5 per cent Catholic. (Italy is 99.6 per cent Catholic.) It can be surmised that the beneficial influence of the Catholic church has much to do with the general prevalence of well - behaved children in France and in Italy.

THERE ARE so many black men to be seen on Paris streets that they do not attract any attention at all from the French. The men of color are overwhelmingly students or immigrants from French colonies in Africa, from Madagascar, Haiti, Martinique, Guadeloupe and other places where the French language and French influence are dominant.

The large Algerian community in Paris is presenting a serious problem to the French government. Being French citizens, they are free to come into France and cannot be deported back to Algeria.

In their intracommunity feuds, the Algerians have killed a few hundred of fellow Algerians in Paris.

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THESE MURDERS have not disturbed the French authorities unduly. It seems the feeling is that one more dead anti-French Algerian was good riddance.

But the French police began to crack down when an Algerian submachinegunned the car in which French Sen. Henri Beigaud was riding on Boulevard Suchet. That made matters different and the French police began rounding up Algerians by the carloads.

Forty detectives were assigned to search one hotel alone for the would-be Algerian assassin of a French senator.

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THIS RECALLED that so long as rotored people in the South carve up and pump bullets into one another, the police are not much concerned. But when one cuts, shoots or murders, a white man, southern police become extremely active and energetic.

One of the busiest young men that I came across in Paris was capable Rudolph Aspray, who is doing cultural work with the American Embassy.

He was rushing through final preparations for the opening of a large new American cultural center in the Latin Quarter at 3 Rue du Dragon.

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WHILE EXPOUNDING on the merits of brunettes over blondes one day at Ollie Stewart's apartment, I made a remark that caused me to feel sheepish and Ollie triumphant a few days later.

"You know, Ollie, brunettes are far superior to blondes in all respects — in real beauty, attractiveness, bearing, constancy, sincerity and everything," I said. "Furthermore, it is said that blondes get dirty too quick."

Ollie withheld expressing his opinion. He invited me to lunch the next Sunday. He had three the most blonde French young woman I had ever seen.

"This is my best girl friend; we may get married soon," Ollie said upon introducing me. I never made any remarks about the merits of brunettes and demerits of blondes to Ollie again.

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THE FRENCH SEEM intensely to love Paris and to be proud of its beauty and splendor. And there must have been universal heart tugging when in 1940 they watched Hitler's jackbooted soldiers goosestepping down the Champs-Elysees.

If the French, I would say they are highly congenial and are the most civilized peoples in the world. But I personally prefer Rome and the Italians. There is too much gold-digging in Paris.

The Italians are far more amiable and openheartedly kind and jolly. Both are highly like able people, but in different ways and for different reasons.

Time runs out all too fast in Paris. There is so much to see and it takes more than one short visit and one deflated pocketbook to do it all.

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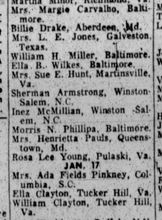
I HAD ARRIVED in Paris at night and was booked to leave at night.

One passenger at the airline ticket office was arguing for a seat by the window. This proved puzzling to the woman clerk. She wondered what he expected to see 20,000 feet up across the Atlantic except the moon and stars above and clouds below.

"All passengers on Flight 827 for New York please board the plane," the loudspeaker announced. Within a few minutes I was off to America for the first time in 25 years."



GETS PH.D. — Howard F. Robinson, associate professor of agricultural economics at A. and T. College, was recently awarded the Ph.D. degree at Ohio State University. A graduate of A. and T. in 1948, he holds M.S. degrees from University of Illinois. He formerly directed on-the-farm program for State of Georgia.

Pupils hate literature targets, letter reveals

ARLINGTON, Va.—Nine religious and community leaders have sent a letter to high school seniors here in an effort to counteract repeated mailings of hate literature on race relations designed to stir up strife and discord.

In their letter the leaders said much of the material previously sent to the pupils is "distorted" and represents "a dangerous approach to a problem which must be dealt with constructively."

They added:

"We have a deep concern for maintaining a good community in which we live together in mutual harmony and respect. We deplore the fact that certain groups, instead of promoting this spirit, tend to encourage attitudes of hatred and passion.

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"WE WANT to assure you that whenever you feel called upon, as an individual or a group leader, to stand up for human decency, fair play and respect for law, you will have strong support from thoughtful fellow citizens."

Signers of the letter are:

M. G. Buckingham, president of the Arlington Council of Churches; Theda O. Henle, president of the League of Women Voters; Lipman Redman, vice president of the National Conference of Christians and Jews;

The Rev. Louis C. Shearer, president of the Arlington Ministerial Association; Oliver L. Clifford, president of the Northern Virginia Deanery of the National Council of Catholic Women; Walter S. Quinn, president of Benjamin Cardoso Lodge, B'nai B'rith;

Mrs. Carl Moser, president of the Arlington Council of United Church Women; the Rev. Philip Farrell, moderator of the Northern Virginia Council of Catholic Women, and Malcolm E. Smith, president of the Community Council for Social Progress.

Urges U. S. Posters on New Vote Rights

WASHINGTON (NNPA) — "The United States Government should be as anxious to inform American citizens of their rights under the 1957 Civil Rights Act as it is to inform aliens about registration."

That was the thought expressed last week by Sen. Thomas C. Hennings Jr. Dem., Mo.), chairman of the Senate Judiciary Constitutional Rights subcommittee, in a letter to Attorney General William P. Rogers.

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IN THE PAST several weeks Senator Hennings said he has noted the various notices by the government to aliens to register their addresses, informing them of the procedure to be followed and the Federal offices to which they should go.

"Regarding American citizens," he said, "it seems to me that our government could at the very least employ similar means of notifying them about the procedures available to protect their sacred Federal voting rights and what Federal offices are open to them if these rights are violated."

IN HIS LETTER to the attorney general, Senator Hennings said, he suggested that the Justice Department prepare and have posted on bulletin boards in post offices and other Federal buildings throughout the country "easy-to-read" notices giving:

1. A summary of the provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1957, stating that it is unlawful for a private individual as well as an officer of the law to interfere with the right to vote in any Federal election.

2. Information that the U. S. attorney general is authorized to bring civil suits for injunctions to prevent threatened deprivations of the right to vote.

3. The address and telephone number of the nearest offices of the U.S. attorney and the FBI, where a citizen may file a complaint if he believes his Federal voting rights are being denied.

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DEBATE DURING congressional consideration of the civil rights bill last year convinced him, Senator Hennings said, "that practically everyone is agreed that there should be no unlawful interference with a citizen's right to participate in the elective process.

"The elective process," the Missouri senator declared, "is the surest means of preserving democracy and insuring a truly representative character in our national and local governments."

'Satellite racism keeps U.S. behind'

WASHINGTON (NNPA)—As long as the United States engages in a satellite race with Russia race with Soviet Russia on a racially segregated pattern, it will be a second - class power, Rep. Adam Clayton Powell, (Dem., of N.Y.) declared Monday.

In announcing that he intends to offer an anti - segregation amendment to the Eisenhower Administration proposed school program, Mr. Powell said:

"We can throw more satellites into the orbit than Russia; we can train more scientists than Russia, but as long as we do all this on the basis of a lily - white segregated pattern, we are finished as a first - class power.

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"MY CONSTANT trips through Asia, Africa and the Caribbean force me to the conclusion that America must become a second - class power as long as it tolerates the concept of a second-class citizenship."

The amendment Mr. Powell said he will offer would deny Federal funds for education to states which maintain segregated educational facilities.

The Harlem congressman said this country is facing three challenges—"sputnik, science and segregation.

"We cannot attempt to solve the problem of sputnik without the tragedy of losing Americans can know - how in science and technical training if we ignore the third 'S' of our national problem — segregation," he said.

Powell said a prediction he made three years ago has "become all too tragically true." His prediction was that within three years the United States will be a second - class technological power and Russia will have more scientists and engineers than this country.

In addition to the anti - segregation amendment to school legislation, Mr. Powell said he plans to introduce a bill to prohibit the Governor of a state from using the State National Guard without first notifying the chairman of the National Guard Bureau in the Pentagon.

He said he also would propose a bill to prohibit governors from using the National Guard to support citizens who are opposing Federal or state law.

At the opening session of the House Tuesday, Mr. Powell introduced bills to:

1. Make lynching and mob violence a Federal offense.

2. Protect the right of the blind to self - expression through organizations of the blind.

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2. PROVIDE for election of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Virgin Islands.

4. Prohibit race or religious discrimination in employment.

5. Eliminate discrimination and segregation in the National Guard and prohibit the use of the National Guard and the Air National Guard to aid or abet the violation of Federal law.

6. Prohibit the charging of a fee to view television in private homes and to outlaw the poll tax as a condition for voting in Federal elections.

Mr. Powell also said he will press for legislation to give the Attorney General the power that he does not now have, to move in areas of mob violence such as Little Rock.

"Our nation has suffered very drastically in not only Black Africa and Southern Asia," Powell said, "but in white Europe as a result of Little Rock. We cannot let this happen again.

"It might happen again this fall while Congress is not in session. Hence, the Attorney General, whether he asks for it or not, must have the power to move in areas of mob violence.

"Otherwise, a new Clinton, Tenn. or another Little Rock will be totally the responsibility of the executive arm of Government and another disastrous blow to American prestige."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Greetings to you who are observing birthdays between Jan. 15-21. It's a pleasure to say Happy Birthday to all of you who send cards and letters coming in to the AFRO at 628 N. Eutaw St., Baltimore 1, Md. Be sure to list the correct names, dates and cities of persons to be greeted.

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