Pearlie's Prattle

By PEARLIE COX HARRISON

A 'thank you' on post Thanksgiving Day...

WASHINGTON

Well, it's post-Thanksgiving time. Yesterday my table groaned 'neath the weight of stuffed turkey, baked ham, broiled oysters, raisin pie and pumpkin and such.

And today, tomorrow and on into next week, I'll be finding fast-dwindling parts of that turkey forming soup or hash or maybe potato-packed patties.

But 'twasn't the dinner that mostly occupied my fancy. 'Twas the thought that the day went by and this poor scribe didn't honor, even in the smallest way, the many kind friends, who, since December 1957, have been so wonderful to me.

Feeding me when often I wasn't hungry, driving me here or there, in big automobiles or small; remembering me, oh, so greatly on my birthday; and thinking of me on just any old day with a card or wire, or maybe, gift-wise.

So, here's belated thanks to you. And while my Thanksgiving prayer floats skyward, remember that a big plea in it will be that the kind things you did for me will somehow come back to you, many times multiplied.

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SCENE-STEALERS

Highlighting last week's social scene were two big events, both outgrowths of the City's interest in the field of Medicine.

Taking ladies first, of course, one affair was the reception given by the auxiliary to the Medico-Chirurgical Society, in honor of the Baltimore Doctors' Wives' Club.

And Whirl No. Two was the pretty Fall Prom sponsored by Alpha and Lambda Chapters of Chi Delta Mu Fraternity (doctors, dentists, pharmacists).

The scene of the Auxiliary's reception was the Liberian Embassy, 5307 Fulton St., NW.

Now Washington knows, of course, the charm as a hostess that Mrs. Mai Padmore, wife of the Liberian Ambassador, George A. Padmore, possesses. And Saturday last she not only spread wide the Embassy's welcome mat; showed a movie, "Rhythm of Liberia," and made a pretty speech, but she helped with the menu, making it extra-high-ranking, with that Liberian — styled item, "Chicken and Rice." And my, my! The guests that went back for second helpings!

The new head of the auxiliary is Mrs. Clarence D. Hinton. And the glamourous Vi Curtis, though in office but a brief while, has already stirred up enthusiasm a plenty.

As for the style parade, the pleasant November weather brought out so many ranch, Cerulean and other mink stoles, and even "hints of mink" on cuffs and collars of coats, the Embassy check - room could hardly hold 'em.

Seen here and there were New York's Mrs. Sylvester Carter, housefaust of Mrs. Padmore;

Mrs. Emerson Walden, national first vice president of the auxiliary;

Mrs. Douglass C. Sheppard, president of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Monumental City Medical Society;

Also from Baltimore, Mrs. Bernard C. Harris Jr., Maryland state president; Mrs. C. Manseil Lawrence, National Health chairman;

Among the Marylanders too were Mesdames John H. Holmes, McDonald M. Bando, Carson C. Johnson, Renold B. Lighton (and daughters, Ruth and Susie), Charles Campbell, George H. Pendleton, H. Garland Chissell Jr., Albert L. Forest, Percival C. Smith, Eugene Owens and others.

As for the Washington group, it's well that you hadn't a headache, a toe-ache, or a hurt in the tummy or head. For you might have had trouble getting help since the "worse halves" of the following ladies were mostly busy with household chores, or maybe baby-sitting:

Mesdames David Ewing, Roland B. Scott, K. Albert Harden, Clarence D. Hinton, Alvin Robinson, Ira E. Warf (she's the new director of advertising at the AFRO-AMERICAN);

Mesdames Burke Syphax, Wendell Lucas, Robert Mance, John F. Clark, William Nash, George A. Cooper, Harry Thomas, Jesse L. Williams, J. Sinclair Perry, Pinyon Cornish, H. C. Belden, Wilbur Jackson, W. Henry Greene, Claude Cowan, Merton Anderson, Charles Bland, R. Stewart Randall, T. Davis Wilkins, James C. Gray, Robert Deane, Cervera Little, Gilbert Batten, Samuel McCottry, Charles Clark, Stuart Johnson and Mrs. J's mother, Mrs. Florence Gordon.

Also among the Washington members, Mrs. John Hackney, wife of the late Dr. James Hackney;

Mrs. Leonora Freeman, wife of the late Dr. Henry Freeman—and Mrs. Lenore Drew and her daughter, Miss Beebs Drew, so like her famous Dad, the late Dr. Charles R. Drew.

AT THE Prom at the Presidential Arms where the town's doctors, dentists and pharmacists (members of Chi Delta Mu Fraternity) were hosts, the hours sped far too fast. For the temperature was right for dancing; and the rhythm; and the ladies—in long lace, silk or satin dresses looked ever so well.

'Twas night in the hall alright, but still 'twas oh, so bright. For, rivalling the light of the chandeliers were the jewels the ladies wore in their hair, on their ears, or throats or shoulders; on fingers and wrists and on shoeheels and toes.

Boasting the situation was Dr. W. Henry Greene (What an asset he is to this town's social life, along with nice wife, Gladys).

Seen here and there were Doctors and Mesdames Roland Groomes, Joseph Millender, William T. Grady, Mordecai W. Johnson, Jos. Arthur D. Carr, Isaiah Burton, Benjamin Scott, R. W. Mance, Coleridge Gill, Flavius Galiber, Alvin Robinson, both still-beaming as they talked of the guests they had recently, Bishop and Mrs. Howard E. Plummer (Mrs. Plummer is the president of the Chums, in convention here not many weeks ago.)

With Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Brazier (she a lovely in soft blue satin print), were Dr. and Mrs. George A. Gibson and others.

With Dr. R. Spurgeon Penn were Messrs. and Mesdames Russell Capott, Robert Carter, Harold P. Jewell, Jesse Lewis, Errol De Souza, William T. Washington and a nice-smiling, pink satin-clad lady named Lawrence Murphy.

Also at the Prom table were Mrs. Iris Brown, Melvin Lancaster and others.

And Dr. Jesse A. Kearney's guests were the glamourous Mary W. Young; also that popular sister-team, Mesdames Geneva Wade and Marie Morris.

On hand too were the Charmbliss es, she's Dr. Harriet Clark; With Dr. and Mrs. Milton Holmes were Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Evans from Baltimore.

Others seen here and there: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clark, also finding the night delightful were Attorneys and Mesdames James Leak, Henry H. Neeley.

Attorney and Mrs. Leroy McKinney had as their guests Dr. and Mrs. Ernest Love (he's here from Minneapolis and not only associate professor OB-GYN at Howard University, but connected also with D.C. General).

Principal Harry Robinson of Terrell Junior High School, and Mrs. Robinson were among the guests; also the S. Bruce Browns, she's Dr. Theresa;

Present too were the Earle Alfreds, she's the smart little scholarly am.

Mrs. Marion H. Jackson, general chairman of the 'Best Vet' convention the NCNW recently held in Washington was among the dancers; and Mrs. Viola Sullivan in pretty blue gown;

Businessman Thomas W. Parks, his best smile showing; a so-lovely Mary, Mrs. Warren Scott, helping to ornament the hall.

Dr. and Mrs. A — but who could list all those Chi Delta Mus.

What a Day for Debs

Down in Raleigh, N.C., I mean at the AKA's 21st annual Debutante Ball when 30 or more Debs will bow to Society Friday November 28 (tonight) at Memorial Auditorium.

Starting at 8:30 the Ball will go on till twelve, midnight.

Mostly from North Carolina, the Debs will be drawn from Pennsylvania, Missouri, Washington and also Alabama.

Among those from D.C. will be Miss Sandra Epps, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Epps, noted for their intense interest in educational, civic, religious and social circles;

Miss Margaret J. Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Millard Williams, both teachers; and Miss Sylvia Frances Snowden, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George Snowden, 6307 13th St., N.W.

Nor will Friday Night's Ball be all "Tiger"; it be a breakfast, a luncheon and numerous pre-dance affairs.

And the Debutantes won't miss the home atmosphere. Look at the sponsors for each lovely Deb. Dozens for some, many more for others. Here are a few of the many for Misses Epps, Snowden and Williams;

Dr. and Mrs. Garey M. Browne; Mesdames Jimmie Middleton, Josie Dishman, Irene Reid; Helen Mildred S. and Walter Williams; also Mrs. Vivian McBrier, and a score or more others for Debutante Margaret Williams.

For Sylvia Frances Snowden, Messrs. and Mesdames Lawrence Oxley, W. M. McLean, James Burns, W. H. Quarles; Dr. George Debnam; Misses Lilly and Lorraine DeBerry; Messrs. J. O. Snowden, Harvey Alexander; Mesdames Julia M. Harris, George Hilburn, Lee Smith, Frank Watson and too many more to name;

Among those sponsoring Miss Sandra Epps, Mr. and Mrs. Sanserie Abramson; Doctors and Mesdames Nelson Bugg, J. A. Boyer, Messrs. Victor Lawson, James Marshall; Mesdames Mildred S. Williams and Alice Walker;

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'Twas Cards for CCS

Friday last at 8 p.m. the large auditorium of NACW headquarters was crowded with Bridge and Whist players, also Canasta fans and Pinochle-lovers.

The CCS (Charitable, Cultural and Social) Club was the sponsor; their aim, help for the NAACP and other organizations.

Eugene Davidson, local head of the NAACP, received $100 from the CCS for the local Branch, and Mr. Davidson's heart was made gladder still by a gift of $50 toward a life membership in the NAACP on behalf of the Washington and Vicinity Federation of Women's Club.

Mrs. Gladys Pinkney, president of the CCS, made the presentation on behalf of her club; and Mrs. H. Corinne Lowery on behalf of that Federation.

About You and You

Christmas is coming. And so is the second annual "Boutique" sponsored by the NAFAD members (Lucenda Daniel, president: Frances Greenwald, Ida Anderson, Janice Garnett, Artie Bell, Thomsena Williams, Mattie Culpepper, Lois Alexander (she's the national president), Lucille Leslie, Ethel Watson.

There'll be a brief fashion show; also an exhibition, featuring fashion accessories, ceramics, and delicacies. The hour, Sunday, December 7 at 5 p.m. till 10 at the Kappa House.

Also on Sunday December 7, Carol Springs will appear in recital at Ebenezer Methodist Church. Sponsoring Miss Springs is the Rhoer Club of Sigma Gamma Rho.

Friday, December 5, will bring the Annual Shriners' Ball at the Armory.

Honor a plenty for Mrs. Iris King, Mayor of Kingston, Jamaica.

Saturday, November 29 from 3 to 5 p.m. at Crandall Hall, Howard University, for instance, the Howard University Faculty Wives; and Women's Groups from 15th Street Presbyterian Church, Lincoln Congregational Temple, Saint Mary's Episcopal Church, will entertain at a Tea in compliment to Mayor King.

Also on Saturday, November 29 at 8 p.m. at 1401 14th St. NW (second floor) Mayor Iris King will be the guest of honor at a reception given by the Caribbean American Inter-Cultural Organization.

Chairman of the reception committee is Mrs. Elaine Jenkins, wife of Lawyer Howard Jenkins.

Mrs. J. found out that her father, Dr. Russell Brown, secretary, AME Church Conference, would deliver the morning sermon at Metropolitan AME Church, Sunday last.

And what did she do but phone many of her friends, thus waking late sleepers so to help fill the big church. No matter how sleepy-eyed, Uncle scribe got a lot of earfuls. With Dr. Brown on a visit to the Jenkinses, in Mrs. Brown

Boosters' Club shows fashions

WASHINGTON

Under the sponsorship of the Boosters' Club of Metropolitan AME Church, a fashion show was presented by Mme. Mary Cardwell Dawson.

Eloise Richardson, the AFRO's Annapolis columnist, served as commentator. Louia Vaughn Jones and the Howard University String Ensemble, furnished the music.

Pearl Adams, Addie Garvin, Ida Collins Hall, Alvenette Jones, Miriam Lawray, Barbara Lee, Juanita Matthews, Anna W. Pitts, Audrey Rogers, Jeannette Dyson, Helene Dennis-ton and many others were among the models.

Johnnie Mae Freeman, and the Simmons Sisters also participated.

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AMONG THE Boosters are Mesdames Pansy Pughsley, Ora B. Kelly, Nettie Davis, Carrie Hawkins, Geneva Williams, Bessie Watson, Lillian Logan, Willi Ranzy Holland, Carolyn Anderson, Lottie Lewis, Frances Portis, Marrien Murphy, Mabel Spencer, Iola Childs, Lisberta Gennings, Ella Mae Gothard, Elma Sheppard, Dollie McClennon, Joshua Divers, Alverta Thornton, Carrie Gant, Lucille Dale, Minerva Dale, Queen David, Estella Webster, Alberta Speight, Suzanne Briscoe;

Misses Lillie Mae Ferguson, Alice Bigelow, Thelma Jackson, Pauline Alston, Grace Gray, Geraldine Edwards, Corinne Martin; the Rev. Rebecca Glover;

Messrs. Jesse Carter, Richard Whaley, Melvin Lancaster, Henry Spencer, James A. Squire, Frank Burgess;

Attorneys and Mesdames James H. Raby and Roy Garvin;

Messrs. and Mesdames Ferris White, Rufus Shepherd, Roland Valentine, Charles H. Williams, Herman La Saine, B. B. Jones, Wilbert Jones, Howard D. Young, Leroy Macon and Robert Owen.

'Of course, we're very proud of her'

NEWARK

Mrs. Constance O'Neil Garretson of 20 N. 16th St., East Orange, on Monday became the first of her race to be promoted to a managerial level at the Prudential Insurance Company of America here.

Mrs. Garretson, who has been with the insurance firm since 1951, was appointed a correspondence approver in the general actuarial division.

In her new position, Mrs. Garretson will be required to approve the work of approximately six persons under her supervision.

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"OF COURSE, we're very proud of her," her mother, Mrs. Ruth Jenkins of 167 Pierson St., told the AFRO.

Mrs. Garretson is a 1951 honor graduate of Howard University, where she majored in English literature. A native of Uniontown, Pa., she was graduated from the Uniontown Senior High School.

Mrs. Garretson is an active member of Union Baptist Church of Orange and is a member of the church's expansion committee.

THEY LED THE BAND—A homecoming without a band is not homecoming at all. So naturally when Bates High School held its recent Homecoming in Annapolis a band was on hand. Leading the music makers were these majorettes and drum major. Shown are: Betty Mitchell, Cassie Hawkins, Charles Blackstone, Ida Jones, Dianne Nick, Yvonne Oliver, Christine Hayes and Gertrude Hudson. Incidentally, Bates defeated William Jason 22-6 to make it a perfect day. The school closed the season with a 5-4 record.

Faculty at 104 holds meetings

Mrs. Maryann Torain presided at the Robert Brown Elliott School No. 104 faculty meeting dealing with "Curriculum Planning and Development in Education."

The following suggestions were offered to the classroom teacher:

1. Continuing study of the purposes of education from the standpoint of critically analyzing and evaluating all classroom teaching.

2. Working closely with administrators, lay people and children.

3. Contributing suggestions and ideas to, and sharing in the preparation of guide lines for instructional fields.

The participants were Mrs. Maxine Moore, Miss Clyde Perrell, John Rich, Earl Jones, Mrs. Catherine Winslow and Mrs. Gladys H. Derry, principal.

They concluded that comprehensiveness, cooperativeness, continuity, concreteness and democracy are guiding principles for the development of a modern curriculum.

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THE SECOND grade of Mrs. Vera Flint presented a program on farming to other primary classes.

Through models pictures, friezes, chart stories, booklets, poems, songs and a play they presented the activities of a farmer.

The importance of the farmer in our way of life was emphasized throughout by the pupils. They shared their experiences from excursions to the bakery, dairy, ice cream plant to the farm.

Participants were Sandra Adams, Valerie Amos, Theresa Burrell, Deborah Coates, Patricia Mack, Sadie McKnight, Ella Mae McFadden, Denise Wood, Patricia Taylor, Vivian Scott, Bernadette Redmond, Farley Avery, Michael Braxton, Floyd Waddy.

Charles Smith, Louis Simmons, Gregory Richardson, Kenneth Matthews, Howard Layton, Tyronne Kent, Cornell Brown, Morris Buchanan, Glen Daughton, Paul Eaddy, Wayne England, James Green, Robert Griffin, and Melvin Jones.

Lester B. Wallace is reporter for the school.

You register now so you can vote in '59 city elections

Are you a registered voter? If not, you can register NOW so you will be able to vote in the 1959 city elections.

The primary election in Baltimore when candidates for mayor, city council and other city offices will be nominated will be held on March 9, 1959.

The General Election will be May 5, 1959.

Who qualifies to register: Any resident who has become 21 years of age. Any new resident of the state who has resided here a year or will have been here a year by election time.

Where to register: At the Supervisors of Elections office, People's Court Building, Fayette and Gay Sts., daily 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturdays 9 a.m. to noon.

RETURNS TO D. C.—Mrs. Marguerite Belafonte, chairman of the Freedom Fund of the NAACP, child psychologist and fashion model, will again crown the Maryland Debutante Queen Friday (Nov. 29) at Continental Hotel in Washington.

Teacher weds Robert Smith at Jones Memorial Church

Saturday at 8 p.m. one of the largest weddings ever to take place in Jones Memorial Baptist Church, Miss Barbara Barnes, daughter of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth P. Barnes, was married to Robert Smith, son of Mrs. Evelyn Garey Smith of Baltimore.

Officiating were the Rev. Mr. Barnes, pastor, Roberts Memorial Methodist Church, Alexandria, Va., father of the bride, and the Rev. Mr. Stanford Harris, pastor of Jones Memorial.

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GIVEN IN marriage by her uncle, Dr. R. Percy Barnes, Howard University faculty member, the bride wore a charming three-piece creation of Chantilly lace and satin.

The long - sleeved, round-necked, Empire-styled, floor-length lace sheath was made over satin. The detachable, twelve - inch - wide cummerbund was fashioned of Alençon lace, over satin.

The chapel - length satin train (also detachable) had a deep frill at the top where it joined the bodice; and white satin roses decked the sides of the train from waistline to hem.

A brief veil with mist - thin embroidery was held in place by a pearl headpiece that can double as a collar when the bride is party-bound.

She carried a borrowed Bible topped with white roses and pearls interspersed.

Her jewels were pearls.

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AMONG attendants for Miss Barnes were Miss Amy Coleman, maid of honor. Her dress was of canary-colored taffeta, simply cut, with tight bodice and flared skirt. She wore a stunning bonnet that matched her dress, and carried a nosegay with sapphire tones predominating.

The bridesmaids (Misses Lois Tie Chase, Eunice Hithron, Peggy Crew, Adelia Hammond, Beatrice Pendleton and Peggy Kiah), wore sapphire taffeta fashioned like the maid of honor's dress.

They wore matching headpieces and gloves, all made by the bride's mother, Mrs. Barnes. She also made the canary - colored nosegays the bridesmaids carried.

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PAMELA BARNES, niece of the bride, and Valerie Barnes, cousin, served as flower girls; and the ring-bearer was Kenneth Barnes III, a nephew of the bride.

Mrs. Barnes, mother of the bride wore a beige and brown moire and complimented same with green accessories. Her corsage was of peppermint carnations.

Mrs. Evelyn Gary Smith, mother of the bridegroom, wore blue lace, a green accessories, and harmonizing corsage.

A reception followed at the home of the bride, 1947 H St., NE.

A fifty-pound cake graced the bride's table. And hundreds of well-wishers graced the popular couple.

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THE BEST MAN was Richard Murphy. The ushers were Kenneth and Barrington Barnes; brothers of the bride; Ralph Jordan, Lawrence Diggs, Henry Dixon and Shakespeare McEaddy.

The bride, of Ohio Wesleyan and Morgan College, is a home economics teacher. And the bridegroom, a Government worker, also attended Morgan College, and met his bride there. He is an ex-soldier.

The bride's dress, also that of her mother's, and those of the bridal, were made by Mrs. Catherine Pinkney.

50TH ANNIVERSARY TIME — Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Diggs, Lanham, Md., recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at ceremonies performed at Ebenezer Methodist Church by the Rev. William Hall, pastor. Matron of honor was Mrs. A. Murray; best man, Mr. Murray, both of whom were members of the original wedding party. Among groups attending were members of the Carsondale Civic Association.

Secretary weds mortician in double ring ceremony

WASHINGTON

Miss Julia M. Parker and Harold Marshall were married Saturday evening in a double-ring ceremony at John Wesley AME Zion Church, 14th and Corcoran St., NW.

The Rev. E. Franklin Jackson, pastor, performed the ceremony before about 300 persons.

The bride designed and made her own gown as well as those of her attendants. She wore white chantilly lace, rose point pattern, over satin with seed pearls and rhinestones sparkling about the sabrina neckline of Empire bodice.

Her waist-length finger tip veil was attached to a seed pearl crown and she carried stephanotis, roses and orchids.

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MRS. EULA L. STOKES, sister to the bride, was maid of honor. Her gown was a full skirted rose net over matching silk taffeta, floor length, accessories to match.

Miss Arlene McFerrin, bridesmaid, wore turquoise blue silk taffeta, floor length, cut circular, cut, teacher in the Sunday school at John Wesley AME Zion Church and vice-president of the Spottswood AMOTT Club of the church. She was assisted in making arrangements by Mrs. More D. Tolbert and Miss Betty Holton, president and secretary of the club.

Mr. Marshall is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John R. Marshal of Newport, Tenn. He is a Pentagon employee and a local mortician.

Edward Murphy Sr. was head usher and other ushers were Charles Marshall, brother of the bride, Oscar T. Sullivan and Julie D. Parker.

Hostesses were Mesdames Marie V. Hewitt, Dorothy Mann, Louise Dennis and Misses Lucille Skinner, Edith Anderson and Annie Dudley.

The couple left for a brief honeymoon in Boston and New York. They will make their home in Washington, D.C.

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OUT-OF-TOWN GUESTS included:

Sisters of the bride, Mesdames T. Williams, Juanita Cook and Daisy Acklin, Chicago, Ill.;

Mrs. Louis D. Johnson, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. Oscar Parker, Chicago; Mrs. Naomi Pierce, Memphis, Tenn.; Miss Odessa Moore, Mrs. Myrtle Sumler, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wilson of, New York City, the Rev. and Mrs. Thomas Parker, parents of the bride, Memphis, Tenn.;

Also, Mesdames Frances Tyson, Louise Raglan, Kate Allen and daughter Audrey of Newport, Tenn., sisters of the bridegroom;

Miss Odessa E. Moore, Tarry Town, N.Y.; Miss Naomi S. Cooper; Miss Clara Snowden, Miss Vesta Inuman, Mr. and Mrs. Alpha Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jones, Mrs. Mary M. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. James F. Roseman, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Smith, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Johnson, Miss Helen Gipson;

'SWAN SONG:' TARGET DATE ABOUT DEC. 5

NORFOLK—The possible collapse of Virginia's "massive resistance" laws sometime after Dec. 5 was indicated Wednesday as a three-judge federal panel ended hearings in a suit brought by a group of white parents to challenge the closing of six city schools.

The panel which heard the suit which seeks to end the lockout affecting 10,000 white pupils and 17 colored pupils assigned to the schools consists of Chief Judge Simon Sobeloff of the U.S. Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit Judge Clement F. Haynesworth Jr., and District Judge Walter E. Hoffman.

The court did not issue an immediate opinion on the case, but gave lawyers on both sides until Dec. 1 to file briefs and another five days for replies.

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SHARP QUESTIONING from the bench, however, seemed to indicate agreement by the court with the contention of the plaintiffs' lawyes that the law under which Virginia's Governor J. Lindsay Almond took over and closed the schools was "patently unconstitutional" and a "naked device" for evading federal court desegregation rulings.

Lawyers for the plaintiffs were Edmund D. Campbell of Arlington and Archie Boswell of Norfolk, who argued that the constitutional rights of the pupils whose schools have been closed since Sept. 27 are being deprived of equal protection of the laws in violation of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution.

Among witnesses who testified were three of the city's school officials and a teacher from one of the closed schools, who said that the future of the city's school system and its pupils would be disastrously affected if the schools are not reopened in the near future.

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J. J. BREWBAKER, superintendent of Norfolk schools, declared that failure to open the schools by Monday would make it impossible for the pupils to get in the 180 days of instruction which are required by school accrediting agencies.

Had they opened last Monday, he said, it would have been necessary for them to go to school on Saturdays and some holidays in order to complete the semester's instruction before expiration of the teachers' contracts on June 30.

Mr. Brewbaker said also that the closing of the schools had wrought a "very demoralizing effect upon the city's teachers" and would have an awful effect upon the entire system if it continues.

Tutoring groups now operating in the city fell "far short" of the desirable caliber of instruction, he added, especially in vocational studies, laboratory science and in non-academic offerings.

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E. L. LAMBERT, assistant superintendent of schools, said that between 2,500 and 3,000 of the pupils from the closed schools are not receiving any type of instruction. The remainder are attending the tutoring groups or have transferred out of the system.

The impact of the closing upon the system's teachers was brought out by Paul Schweitzer, chairman of the city school board, who said that "teachers by the dozen" are asking him if they should not seek jobs elsewhere next year.

Others, he said, have already left the Norfolk system and still more are becoming increasingly concerned about their professional future.

Mrs. Mary B. Johnson, a teacher at Granby High and a past president of the Norfolk Education Association who has taught in Norfolk schools for 35 years, said that many of the teachers feel that the system is "falling to pieces" and that "irreparable damage is being done and will be done" if the schools remain closed.

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THE STATE, which had lost out in its contention that the challenge of the school closing law was a suit against the state which should be decided by the state Supreme Court in a case now pending instead of the Federal panel, was represented by Special Attorney Walter E. Rogers of Richmond.

Virginia Attorney General Albertus Harrison drew a caustic comment from Chief Judge Sobeloff when he said that "the governor and his administration are working day and night to solve this problem." "What problem?" queried Judge Sobeloff. "the order of this court?"

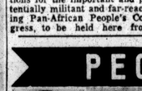
Spottswood G. Robinson and Oliver Hill, who were scheduled to represent plaintiffs in the NAACP-sponsored test of the massive resistance laws in the State Supreme Court slated to begin on Monday, were seated behind the plaintiffs' lawyers in Wednesday's trial.

The Afro-American

BALTIMORE, MD., NOVEMBER 29, 1958

BANQUET GUESTS — Shown at the New Jersey table at the Equal Opportunity Day dinner of the National Urban League, (left to right) the state's first lady, Mrs. Robert B. Meyner, wife of the governor; Mrs. E. Frederic Morrow of Washington, and Mrs. Julius Thomas of New York City.

PEOPLE



Dr. Butler Mr. Sawyer

THOMPSON TALKS MUSIC

CHARLOTTE, N.C.—L. Everette Butler, thompson, associate professor of music at West Virginia State College, Institute, was presented in a recital-lecture on the Contemporary American Music" at Johnson C. Smith University on Monday.

'59 AYANTEE EDITOR

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Milton L. Martin of East Orange, N.J., a senior at A. and T. College, recently was named editor of the "1959 Ayantee," and college yearbook. Martin is a sociology major and a Korean veteran.

JOHNSON AT FAMU

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Dr. William R. Johnson, former teacher at Prairie View (Texas) State College, has been named professor of chemistry at Florida A. and M. University. He is a native of Raleigh, N.C.

N.J. RIGHTS CHAIRMAN

TRENTON, N.J. — State Sen. John A. Waddington (Salem County) has been named chairman of the New Jersey Advisory Committee on Civil Rights, established in conjunction with the Federal Civil Rights law.

AMEZ SESSIONS SET

SANFORD, N.C. — The Central North Carolina Conference of the AME Church opens at Fair Promise Church on Wednesday, with Bishop R. L. Jones presiding. Dr. J. W. Eichelberger, secretary of Christian Education, President S. E. Duncan of Livingstone College will also appear on the program.

WORLD CONVENTION

NEW YORK — Bishop W. J. Walls, senior prelate of the AMEZ Church, was one of the participants on the program of the recent World Convention on Christian Education in Tokyo, Japan.

DACONS AWARDED DEGREE

CHICAGO — The American Divinity School has awarded Dr. W. S. Dacons, of Washington, director of the Church Evangelism of the AMEZ Church, a doctor of humanities degree in recognition of work in the field of evangelism.

OMEGAS HEAR MOULTRIE

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. — H. Carl Moultrie of Washington, executive secretary of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, was the Achievement Week speaker for the fraternity program at Fayetteville State Teachers College last Sunday.

DINNER SPEAKER

WEST CHESTER, Pa. — Ralph W. Kent, youngest member of the West Chester County Bar, was the guest speaker at the dinner meeting of the Pioneer Club at Dutch Cupboard last Tuesday evening.

MINISTER HONORED

ST. LOUIS — Dr. Thomas E. Huntley, pastor of Central Baptist Church, has been listed in the 1958 edition of Marquis' "Who's Who in the Midwest." Dr. Huntley won international acclaim with his book, "As I Saw It."

MEN'S DAY SPEAKER

ATLANTA — Dr. C. V. Troup, president of Fort Valley State College, was the principal speaker at annual Men's Day service at Friendship Baptist Church Sunday. He spoke on "America's Third Emancipation."

CLUB FOUNDER SPEAKS

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—Miss Lucille Glymp, instructor at Douglass High School and founder of Les Filles Des Charmes, last week addressed the Edward Waters College student body at a program sponsored by the club.

EXAMPLE OF AMITY

The Bahai plan to eliminate racial and religious prejudice has caught fire in every corner of the globe. There are 1,600 areas in the U.S. and 240 countries and territories of the world are joining hands for the oneness of mankind.

Montgomery, Ala.-born, Chicago-reared and educated New Yorker Frank Sawyer, publicist-industrialist is one of nine members of the governing body of the New York group.

GLORIASTENE THOMPSON WINS WALTER WHITE SCHOLARSHIP

MISS Gloriastene Thompson of Benton, La., has been awarded the Walter F. White Scholarship at Atlanta University.

The $500 grant is given by the National Alumni Association of Atlanta University to a student who is working toward the master's degree in sociology and who is interested in a career in the field of race relations.

The annual scholarship was founded in memory of the late Executive Secretary of the NAACP, an alumnus of the university.

MISS THOMPSON

HOUSING HEAD — Charles Hall recently was appointed chairman of the Carteret, N.J., Housing Authority, marking the first time a Negro person has been named to such a post in the state.

Ghana seen to be tourist paradise

ACCRA, Ghana — The rapidly mounting travel to West Africa on the part of Europeans, Asians and Americans, the latter including both white and colored, is a harbinger of the certain development of this area as a paradise for tourists.

All of the fears which used to be associated with the continent are vanishing.

One can live about as comfortably in any of a dozen different hotels in the various countries in West Africa as in the Hotel Astor in New York, the Palmer House in Chicago or the Statler in Washington.

Electricity, refrigeration and air cooling are transforming many phases of life here. Practically all of the diseases which used to deter travellers have been brought under control. Malaria is still a threat, but mosquites are being conquered at least along the coast and the new wonder anti - malarial drugs which need to be taken only once a week, are real safeguards, physicians say.

Dillard University gets science grant

NEW ORLEANS — Dillard University has been designated by the National Science Foundation for the second consecutive year to conduct a summer institute for high school teachers of science.

According to President Albert W. Dent, the university has been awarded a grant of $38,300 in support of the program, an increase of $10,000 over last year's appropriation.

Dr. Leonard E. Riley Jr., chairman of the division of the natural sciences, has been named institute director. He said that the six-week program will begin on June 15.

Preparations are complete for Pan-African Congress

By CHATWOOD HALL

ACCRA, Ghana — Preparations for the important and potentially militant and far-reaching Pan-African People's Congress, to be held here from Dec. 5-12, are now in their final stages.

Prime Minister Nkrumah is sponsoring the gathering, together with Nigerian Prime Minister Azikiwe.

Unlike the Conference of Independent African States, held in Accra earlier this year on official government level, the coming congress will be of an unofficial though no less important nature.

It will be attended by representatives of political parties, trade unions, cooperative unions and youth and women's organizations from all parts of Africa.

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This unrestricted and unofficial nature of the coming meeting will add to its freedom of expression, criticism and specific and direct approach to the problems both on and off its agenda.

It already is known that European colonial powers and the United States are deeply interested in the coming deliberations, and the foreign press is expected to be well represented.

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He leaves hospital, only to go to jail in vengeance plot

NEW YORK — Apparently Richard Diggs believes in "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth."

After spending some six months in a hospital recuperating from bullet wounds, Diggs finally caught up with Julius Weir and fired four shots at him, wounding the 55-year-old Harlem tavern manager slightly in the arm.

According to a police investigation, Diggs was seeking revenge against Weir who shot him on New Year's Day of 1958.

Alabama arrests are protested

NEW YORK — The American Civil Liberties Union last week called local and state officials of Alabama to "act against "shocking violations of due process of law" in the treatment accorded colored clergymen in Birmingham.

Patrick Malin, ACLU executive secretary, referred to jailing of three Montgomery, Ala., ministers arrested at the home of the Rev. F. L. Shuttlesworth, and accused of attempting to incite violations of city bus segregration laws.

The Union made its protests in telegrams to Gov. James E. Fohson of Alabama, Birmingham Mayor J. W. Morgan, Attorney General William Rogers and editors of two Birmingham papers.

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MR. MALIN, in his telegram to Attorney General Rogers, called on the Justice Department to probe the incidents and demand that investigators make a prompt report.

Governor Folsom was called on to make a strong public statement condemning "this illegal and unconstitutional action," saying:

"The failure to respect due process of law in one area can only lead to disrespect in other areas, with the nation as a whole the ultimate loser."

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IN WIRES to the Birmingham mayor and local editors, Malin added that the invasion of personal security can only aggravate tensions and should be met by swift local action by responsible citizens in the community.

Warning that violations of law in one area breed disrespect in other areas, the ACLU cited the recent bombing of Jewish synagogues.

One Birmingham newspaper, while disagreeing with the campaign against local bus segregation, did score