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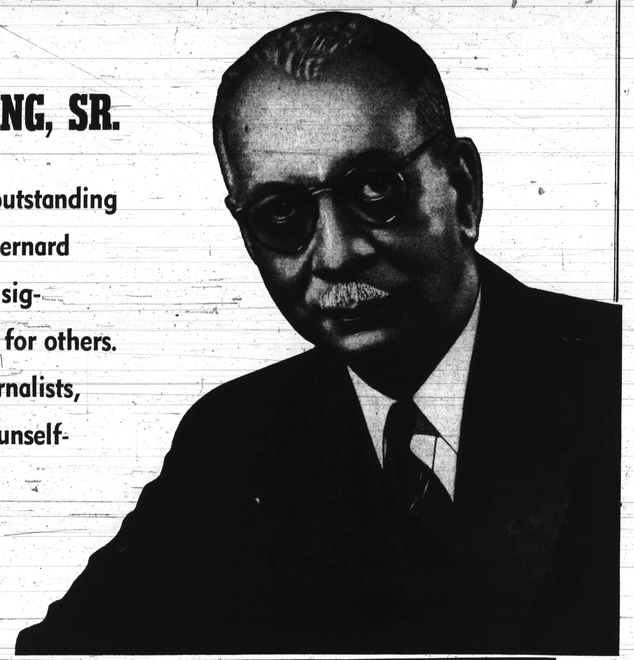
PLUMMER BERNARD YOUNG, SR.



Few men of any race have achieved such outstanding success in their chosen field as Plummer Bernard Young. Still less have used their success so significantly to provide an equal opportunity for others. In peace and in war, this dean of Negro journalists, has served his people and his country with unselfish devotion. He has been publicly recognized as an American in the truest and highest sense of the word.

IN THE BEGINNING

On a blustery, January day, over forty years ago, a young Negro left his home in North Carolina. He arrived in Norfolk, Virginia, with only six dollars in his pocket, but with a million dollar's worth of determination in his heart to better himself and his people.

To young P. B. Young, the newspaper world seemed to offer the best outlet for his twin ambitions. Soon we find him working diligently for the JOURNAL AND GUIDE of Norfolk, at a salary of twelve dollars per week. He soon proved himself an outstanding newsman, for within three years, at the age of twenty-six, Mr. Young was owner and publisher of the paper which had given him his start.

"ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT IS EXPECTED"

No finer tribute can be paid P. B. Young than a quotation from the Richmond TIMES-DISPATCH, December, 1939.

"This newspaper salutes at the end of each year a limited number of persons who have reflected credit upon the State through the display of courage, ability, intelligence, tenacity, generosity or unselfishness . . . . A place on the TIMES-DISPATCH Honor Roll goes only to those who achieve above and beyond what is expected of them. It is not sufficient to do a job well. It must be done superlatively well."

On that year's Virginia Honor Roll was the name of P. B.Young, Homer L. Ferguson, John D. Rockefeller Jr. and others.

HIS SERVICE IN WAR AND PEACE

Beyond the age of military duty, P. B. Young still served his country well. He was a member of Selective Service Board No. 1 and a member of the Defense Council of Norfolk, Virginia. His paper, the Norfolk JOURNAL AND GUIDE was commended by Elmer Davis, head of the Office of War Information and cited by General George A. Horkan, Commanding Officer at Camp Lee, Virginia, for its signal aid to the war effort. His paper's three war correspondents in African and European theatres were cited by the War Department for exceptionally noteworthy war reporting.

MEMBERSHIPS

First Vice-President of the Southern Regional Council, an interracial organization devoted to "equal opportunity for all peoples in the region."
Member of the Citizens Federal Committee on Education, of the United States Office of Education.
Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Howard University.
Member of the Board of Trustees of St. Paul's Polytechnic Institute.
Member of Virginia State Council on Social Hygiene.
Member of Public Opinion Commission on Rural Health and Medical Care of Virginia.
Member of Advisory Council of Virginia Economy.
Member of Advisory Committee for Norfolk Division, Virginia State College.
Honorary Vice-President, Negro Organization Society of Virginia.
Member of National Committee, National Urban League.
Member of the Board and Executive Committee of the Norfolk United Fund.

DEGREES

Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws from Shaw University, Virginia State College and Tuskegee Institute. Honorary degree, Doctor of Humane Letters, Virginia Union University.

AWARDS

Harmon Award, 1927, for "Distinguished Achievement in Business." His paper, the Journal and Guide, has twice in succession received Wendell Willkie Awards for "the best example of sound news reporting" in 1945, and "for the best example during 1946 of public service which contributes to the general welfare."

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They Made Merry at Valentine Party Given by Delta Sigma Theta

These persons were among the guests at a Valentine Party given by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority at Baltimore's Morgan Christian Center, Friday evening. The first photo shows Mr. and Mrs. Milton Branch, while in the second Mrs. Muriel Johnson, regional director of the sorority, and Mrs. Vivian Chamberlain, former president of the host chapter, are pictured in an informal moment during intermission. In the third photo, Mrs. Aurelia R. Bush, Mrs. Dudley Lee and Mrs. Bernice Monroe relax between dances.

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Social Happenings

MISS BERNICE WILKINS GIVEN NATAL PARTY

Miss Bernice Wilkins was honoree at a birthday party given on Friday evening by Mrs. Theresa Wood of 1617 Pennsylvania Ave.

Guests were:

Messrs. and Mesdames Lloyd Vennie, Lee Peterson, Nollie Wood, Isaac Whitehead;

Mesdames Maryella Davis, Eloise Williams, Laura Thomas, Christine Rice, Daisy Coles, Elaine Bloom;

Misses Virginia Lewis, Theresa Wood, Gloria Wood, Jean Wood, Jennie Tolson;

Tony Sylvester, Leon Carter, James Mason, Leroy Wood, Albert Wood, Lawson Henderson, James Tyson, Adam Betts, Jack Vennie, Rudolph Betts, and Charles Sheppard.

Social Workers in Executive Session

Attending the meeting of the executive committee of the Middle Atlantic Conference of Social Work, Saturday, at the Lucy Slowe Hall in Washington, were representatives from Baltimore:

Mrs. Virginia Guin, Mrs. Alice B. Arrington and Andrew Johnson; Philadelphia: Mrs. Roberta Stith, Mrs. Sarah Collins; Washington: Mrs. Viola Lee, Mrs. Ruth L. Dixon, Miss Lelia G. Scott; Norfolk: Thomas H. Shields; and Richmond: J. Milton Sampson.

J. Milton Sampson of the Richmond Roundtable is president of the Middle Atlantic Conference and presided at the meeting.

Plans were made for the annual conference which will be held in Richmond on April 30 and May 1.

HARRISONBURG GI ENDS COURSE AT FORT DIX

HARRISONBURG, Va. — Pvt. Lee Howard Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Howard, recently ended a 13-week course at Fort Dix and will leave soon on an assignment.

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Dance Guests

Miss Florence Dennis and Dr. and Mrs. George Pendleton enjoy a good laugh at Delta Sigma Theta Sorority's Valentine Dance at Morgan Christian Center in Baltimore, Friday evening.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Concerts Provided Scholarships for 18

Epsilon Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority drew a capacity audience to Enon Baptist Church Sunday afternoon, in the second in its '48 series of artists concerts.

Edward Matthews, baritone, was heard in a versatile program.

This year marks the eighth in which the chapter has presented the country's top artists to Baltimore audiences, thus serving the community in a double capacity. Funds collected in this manner have provided scholarships for 18 high school graduates.

Double Scholarships

So popular have the concerts become that patronage provided a doubling of the scholarships last year, when, instead of a single scholarship each to Douglass and Dunbar graduates, the chapter was able to give two to each school.

During the series, Baltimoreans have heard all but two ranking artists, Marian Anderson and Dorothy Maynor. Miss Maynor was scheduled to sing at one of the concerts but cancelled her date when she learned of the segregation policies in Baltimore.

Dixon Scheduled

At the concert to be presented in March the latter barrier will be lowered. Dean Dixon, famed composer and conductor, will be heard at the Polytechnic Institute by a mixed audience.

The series this year was arranged by a committee with Mrs. Mabel Fraby and Mrs. Edna Gray as co-chairmen, assisted by:

Sorors Elizabeth Allen, Emma Bright, Erma Davis, Eugenia Hardy, Constantia Jackson, Laura Jones, Beatrice Myers, Edythe Myers, Lillian Parrott, Mildred Seaborne, Charlotte Swann and Delliphine Warrington.

Social Calendar

Sunday
Stork Club, Tea, YWCA

Tuesday
Independent Royal Club, Mrs. Susie Claiborne, 1609 N. Monroe St.
Southern Stars Club, Mrs. Ada Ward, 1603 W. Franklin St.
Classic Crochet Club, Mrs. Arlithia Taylor, 1507 Division St.

Wednesday
Pink Ribbon Club, Mrs. Maggie Thorne, 547 Pace St.

Thursday
Beauty Club, Mrs. Evelyn Robinson, 765 W. Saratoga St.
Friendly Twelve Club, Mrs. Willie Barcus, 434 Arlington Ave.
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