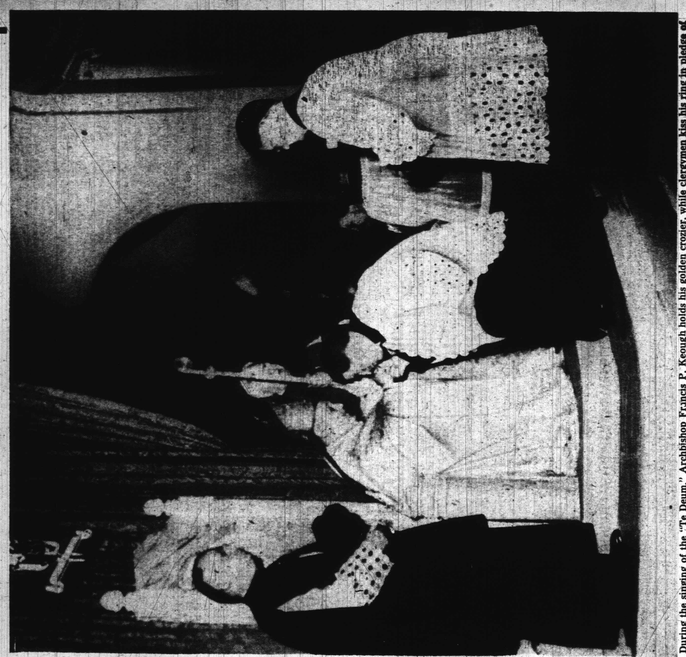
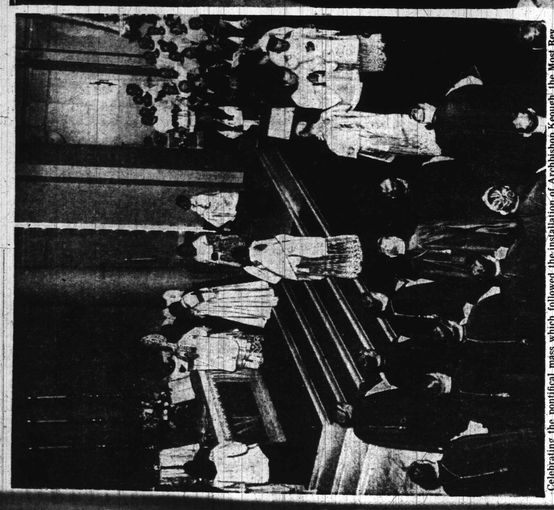
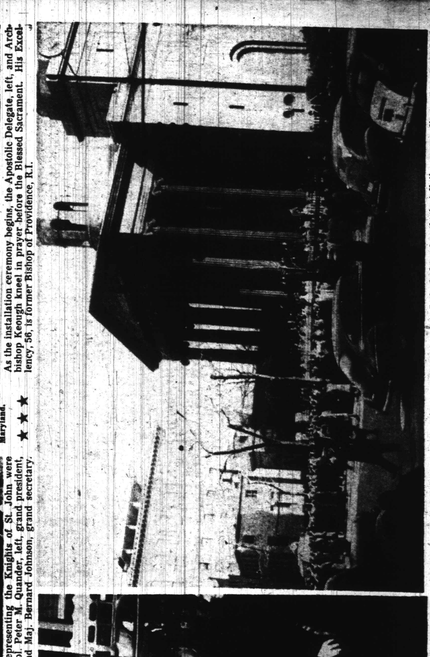
# AFRO Camera Records Installation of Baltimore's New Archbishop





Celebrating the pontifical mass which followed the installation of Archbishop Keough, the Most Rev. Amleto G. Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate, blesses the mixture of wine and water at the altar.

During the singing of the "Te Deum," Archbishop Francis P. Keough holds his golden crozier, while deacon kiss his ring in pledge of obedience. The new marble throne was provided for his predecessor, Archbishop Michael J. Curley, who did not live to occupy it.



Fr. Charles Ball, S.S.J., only colored priest in the procession, is indicated by arrow. He's at St. Joseph Chapel in Glenarden, Maryland.

As the Installation ceremony begins, the Apostolic Delegate, left, and Archbishop Keough kneel in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. His Excellency, 56, is former Bishop of Providence, R.I.

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Men, women and children of both races made up the thousands of spectators who stood outside the Cathedral grounds to watch the pontifical procession (top) and listen intently to services through loud speakers (bottom).

Representing the Knights of St. John were Col. Peter R. Quander, left, grand president, and Maj. Bernard Johnson, grand secretary.

Among the 1000 persons who witnessed the service was this representative of the Oblate Sisters of Providence, the oldest order of colored nuns in the country. She is followed by Mayor and Mrs. Thomas D'Alessandro.

Thousands of spectators lined the streets surrounding the Cathedral to view the installation proceedings. The Cathedral, a minor basilica, is the seat of the premier see of the Catholic Church in this country.

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# EDITORIAL PAGE

## Speedway Debate Waxes Warm

The controversy over plans for speedways which would send traffic ripping through Druid Hill Ave. and McCulloh St. is waxing so warm that many revealing facts are being smoked out.

It is said that the first interest in the speedways is that of one of the downtown department stores which discriminates most vigorously against colored people.

Exercising its power and influence to get its customers through the colored section quickly, this department store's head sent along a request to the Community Council, through the Department of Public Works, to the Commission on City Plan and thence to the Police Department, from which it emerged as an ordinance to ban parking and to permit a 35-mile speed limit on the two thoroughfares.

With the speeding automobiles come also the bright lights which residents say will make it impossible for them to open their shutters and pull up their shades in hopes of getting a breath of fresh air in the hot summer time.

Opponents of the speedways declare that the traffic department is making the present proposals without any efficient long-range city plan.

They consider this a stopgap measure, which was adopted in the abrupt manner that the city cut off that part of Druid Hill Park where the colored playground is located in order to run an expensive and doubtfully effective throughway from Madison Ave. to Auchentroly Ter.

There is a feeling among some city groups that the colored people on Druid Hill Ave. and McCulloh St. are asleep and that the Police Department can put over on them anything it wants to, without getting a vigorous protest.

If, as a matter of fact, the colored people do not want the speedways and make it known definitely enough to the authorities of the City Council, they won't have to take them.

If the speedway program is a makeshift, hit-and-miss proposition which will not bring the relief designed, but merely inconvenience residents, the City Council and mayor should be made to and will be able to see that as well as anybody else.

Significantly, the protestants point out that the speedway program violates the fundamental principle of city planning, which dictates that such high-speed arteries skirt the residential sections, rather than plow through them.

On Monday, a meeting will be held in the City Council chamber at which police and traffic officials will discuss the speedway plans with Furman Templeton's Committee, which is an outgrowth of a group of vocal Druid Hill Ave. and McCulloh St. residents.

Other residents should make their opinions known to this committee, to their councilman, to all councilmen and to the mayor.

A letter in the mails will do the job.

## The SUN's 'Twilight Zone'

The Baltimore Sun, which is frequently wrong on the race question and has been for 50 years, was discussing courage last week.

The Sun said that it takes courage to speak out against the constantly mounting demands of the labor leaders now seeking to launch us on another round in the inflationary spiral; and it takes courage to speak out against the most potent and ultimately the most threatening of all the pressure groups, the Federal workers.

It had no words of praise for President Truman. It did not commend him for daring to speak out for the civil rights of all citizens. Not the Sun.

The Sun twisted its respect for courage around. It commended the courage of the Dixie governors who are pointing out the "folly of trying to force on Southerners, by Federal action, a revolutionary change in their relationship with the colored people in their midst."

A few days later, in speaking of racial disarmination, The Sun observed "the tendency toward the obliteration of the sharp lines of distinction and *the creation of some sort of twilight zone in which colored persons make headway.*"

The italics are ours; and we direct attention to this part of the statement for the reason that while this is probably one of the most sensible observations the Sun has made on interracial matters, it amounts to nothing.

The Sun, by this statement, proposes that a tenth of the nation's population should live in a "zone" of semi-light, of nearcitizenship, of half wakefulness.

Civil rights and minorities do not seem to matter greatly to the Baltimore Sun, nor does it pause to consider fundamental morality and the Constitution.

Its prime interest seems to be preservation of the status quo in the South, which means a colored minority without its Constitutional rights.

The Sun, in this manner, would favor anti-kidnaping but not antilynching legislation. Its reasoning is obvious. Friends and relatives of the Sun might be kidnaped, but there is no present likelihood of their being lynched.

## Some Colored Men Did It

After losing $35 in a pin ball machine, a penitent white husband went home last week and told his wife he had been robbed by two colored men. He even told the story to police officers but they got the truth out of him. They are to be commended.

The man was set free with a warning; but persons in the community who know that such falsehoods are too often told to cover up personal sins sincerely wish there were some more adequate punishment than the scornful condemnation we evoke when we say "Humph."

THE TUG OF WAR IS ON

## Artist Has Angry Pen

Fighting for racial equality with an angry pen, Mrs. Anne Seadenkopf, wife of a Baltimore artist, constantly denounces city, State and national officials who express prejudicial viewpoints.

Her most recent blasts were directed against Mr. James O. Eastland, who is conducting a tirade against Walter White, national NAACP executive secretary, and Robert Garrett, president of the Board of Recreation and Parks, which refuses to allow interracial teams to play in the city athletic leagues.

In her letter to Senator Eastland, Mrs. Seadenkopf cautioned:

"Racial conflict in the United States is welcome propaganda to some countries, which are therefore not persuaded to accept us as a pattern.

**Issue Called Childish**

"It is childish and ridiculous that an issue should be made regarding the complexion of colored citizens inasmuch as the white man's sexual indulgence is responsible for both blood relationship to colored persons and their various complexions.

"You should realize that social equality is an individual matter to be decided by two or more persons, not by two or more races. Practicing the Golden Rule will solve many problems, especially race problems," she concluded.

**Not Racial Hatter**

Mr. Garrett was challenged to explain why he introduced the subject of race in an issue involving qualifications in athletics.

"No intelligent person can honestly accept the idea that race prejudice is natural and inevitable or that it is something innate in the child, either colored or white," Mrs. Seadenkopf wrote in her letter to him.

"It is a vicious thing, acquired and cultivated only by prejudiced whites," she continued.

"The colored person should not be excluded from any free and normal contest of democracy. He should always be free to participate in all kinds of sports and recreation, just the same as any American citizen," her letter concluded.

Small opportunities are often the beginning of great opportunities.—Demosthenes.

Religion tends to speak the language of the heart, which is the language of friends, lovers, children and parents.—E. S. Ames.

## Baltimore NAACP Wins Award of $100

### Branch Does More Than Wage War Against Discrimination

The Baltimore Branch of the NAACP was honored for its many achievements last year by winning the Thalheimer Award of $100, presented at the national convention in Washington for outstanding work.

And what is the NAACP? It is the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Its purpose is to gain complete political, educational and economic equality for minority groups.

It performs this service through community organizations which provide legal counsel or refers to the proper agencies for assistance in cases in which persons are found to be suffering from a denial of their civil rights.

**Promotes Race Relations**

The NAACP is usually thought of in terms of fighting discrimination, but its work includes also an educational program in citizenship privileges and responsibilities, encouragement in community improvement, campaigns for and promotion of better race relations.

For instance, these are some of the activities which the NAACP cited among its outstanding achievements of the year:

The annual program sponsored by the Youth Council, a presentation of children from the four local high schools, talented in piano, voice and violin, which attracted an audience of 2,000 persons;

The annual intercollegiate oratorical and vocal contest, among students from Morgan State and Virginia State Colleges, Howard and Lincoln Universities and Hampton Institute;

All-season picketing of Ford's Theatre in protest of its discriminatory seating policy, which has resulted in reducing the patronage by half and has inspired a number of white citizens to join the organization.

**Complaints Investigated**

When a case of police brutality, personal attack, institutional affront or any similar violation of civil rights is reported to the NAACP, workers first make a complete record of the complaint.

Investigation follows by getting the other side of the story from the person, agency or institution accused in the case. If no corrective action is taken when all evidence has been gathered and presented to the accused party, legal action is then initiated.

Among these cases are suits to have the municipal golf courses opened to all citizens, and to have the Maryland Art Institute, which receives city funds, drop its ban against colored students.

Another successful legal battle prevented zoning of the colored district in Towson from reverting to commercial.

The NAACP also spearheaded community support of workers in Pennsylvania Avenue stores who were on strike for six months. They are now receiving increased wages, vacations with pay, sick leave and better working conditions.

**Fights for Employment**

Other employment opportunity campaigns are being continued for platform operators and conductors with the transit company; telephone operators with the telephone company; and for licensed plumber and electricians.

In the educational field, the NAACP backed the Baltimore County School Board of Education on its selection of a new site for a high school over the protest of white neighbors.

It also challenged the local School and Park Boards on selection of Harlem Square for the new Carver Vocational School, because the area is congested and the site is below the standard minimum acreage requirement.

Always alert to instances of injustice, discrimination and of advantage being taken of the little man, the NAACP, with an adult membership 13,000-strong, is constantly working to remove the barriers which limit citizens in the "pursuit of happiness" promised by the U.S. Constitution.

**Officers Listed**

The local NAACP office, at 402 Dolphin St., has Mrs. Lillie M. Jackson as president, and Milton F. Brown, executive secretary.

Other officers include:

Mrs. Augusta T. Chissell, Mrs. Sarah P. Diggs, Mrs. Mayme F. Griffin, the Revs. J. R. Butler, Frank J. Frye, H. O. Graham and E. W. Wilson, vice presidents.

Miss Edna Hopkins, secretary; Wilbur O. Stewart, treasurer; Dr. W. O. Bryson Jr., auditor and Joshua E. Maxwell, auditor emeritus.



# Pencil Shavings

By Peyton Gray

### The City Council and Oil Stoves

The continued loss of lives and mounting property damage and the deepening public interest have finally goaded the members of City Council into taking corrective and protective action. An amendment has been tacked on to the present Fire Code proposing that owners of dwellings be responsible for the installation of permanent-type heating apparatus.

The measure is now in a Council sub-committee where it may die unless the demands of the public bring it to life. It is expected that a series of conferences and hearings will be held while the bill is in committee. Now is the time for action. Politicians well know that many a bill designed to favor a certain group or especially-concerned interests can be killed quietly while in committee.

**Now is the time for all civic groups to take the necessary steps to save the lives of scores of Baltimoreans of all ages and race and hues all winter. Now is the time to act before lobbyists representing the wealthy realty interests act to save landlords money.**

*Most of the sub-standard hovels in Baltimore's side streets and small alleys rarely heard of by many of us depend solely on portable kerosene stoves as the only means of providing heat and for cooking purposes. For years landlords have been reaping harvests through charging exhorbitant rents for homes in which they provide only a roof and four walls. In many cases these are rotten and falling down.*

A true picture of present housing conditions was brought to light recently through the work of the Housing Court and the investigations conducted by the 16 city policemen assigned to sanitation details. Scores of real estate agents were forced to make repairs they had intentionally ignored, simply because they were satisfied with their own pleasant and comfortable surroundings.

But return to the oil stove situation, the city ordinance banning the use of portable kerosene stoves becomes effective on June 21. True, the weather will be warm then. Artificial heating won't be necessary and many residents will be able to cook on two-burner gas ranges or over sterno canned heat appliances.

**As was pointed out in these columns previously, how shall hundreds meet death next winter, by fire or by freezing?**

What steps are being taken to provide safe and practical substitute heating? How are oil stoves to be replaced?

*All Baltimoreans must DEMAND that the members of the City Council pass legislation adequately protecting the less fortunate from the chilly winds of winter as well as sparing the lives of the thousands who, so far, are depending on coke heat for warmth. The members of the City Council must be flooded with letters, telegrams, phone calls to the very homes of the members, and the sessions of the council must be swamped with delegates; NOW IS THE TIME.*

### The Baltimore Transit Company Again

The Baltimore Transit Company added a number of supervisors to its staff in an effort to provide Baltimoreans with a better and more efficient service.

A hopeful passenger after waiting on a No. 21 trackless trolley for 15 minutes on a sunny afternoon this week remarked, "During the bad weather the company blamed the poor service on icicles slipping off the ice-covered overhead power lines. Now I guess they'll say the wires are too dry and slippery to hold the poles. Any alibi at all."

### For Better Service We Can All Help

Passengers, themselves, can help some to get better service. Unfolding transfers before handing them to conductors, using both sides of a double door instead of lining up like cattle, moving to the rear of vehicles where one can generally find a vacant seat are ways they can help.

**Newcomers should be instructed against rushing into a crowded streetcar or bus with an armful of papers, while tired hungry workers, paying their fare, are anxious to get home. Carrying large bundles should carry them in their laps, thereby makin, room for another each customer. The same should apply to parents who permit young children to occupy a seat near a window while a paying customer stands swinging on a strap.**

The seats on the trackless trolleys are narrow to begin with, and why many passengers insist on spreading out to occupy at least two-thirds of the space is beyond me. Seems to me it is one manifestation of thoughtfulness to your fellow traveler to pull one's feet in from the mid-aisles, squeeze in close and pin your arms closely to your sides. By observing these suggestions, I believe, you will get more out of car riding that isn't too good at its best.

### Where Was The Mayor?

Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro makes a habit of attending all the major political events staged by Lloyal Randolph. His absence from the Eastern Regional Conference last week raised questions in the minds of many persons present. They accepted the "previous engagement" explanation presented by a secretary on Saturday, but they were really amazed when their Tommy failed to show up on Sunday also.

*A day or two later, the secret was out. The Mayor was reluctant to face Randolph after accepting the appointee of Jack Pollock, fading white Fourth District leader, to the City Solicitor's office. Through growing strength, Randolph's faction is about to take over control of the district, and its members feel that appointments within the area should be made through them.*

**That is the way it should be. For years certain white politicians in Northwest Baltimore have been able to rule with an iron hand. They have been getting votes by merely handing out a few paltry dollars on election day or by permitting one or two racketeers to operate gambling dens and houses of ill repute.**

This is a new day in Democratic politics in Baltimore. The members of the party are younger in age, younger and more progressive in ideas and demand representation of their own choice. It is advisable for Mayor D'Alesandro to take heed of the bids and wishes of the Democratic Club. Its members helped tremendously in getting where he is and can do him much good or harm in future political endeavors.

## Birthdays This Week

The AFRO extends greetings to all persons who celebrate birthdays next week.

Felicitations to:

Feb. 29 — Marse Calloway, 2016 Madison Ave., and Mrs. Irene Shivers, 1330 N. Eden St.

March 1 — Christine Campbell, 1031 Druid Hill Ave., and Mr. Murphy Jr., 2002 West Saratoga Ave.

Mar. 4 — Alexander Collins, 1819 Miller St.; Richard Cummings, Miss Jeanne Barrett, 2131 Druid Hill Ave., Mrs. Emma Thomas, 1609 E. Madison St., Miss Mary Lucas, 932 St. Paul St.

Mar. 5 — Mrs. Nellie Williams, 1541 Fredericks Ave.; and Mrs. Vine, 1604 Druid Hill Ave.

Mar. 6 — Miss Minona Anne Williams, 1908 Madison Ave.; and Mrs. Virgie Gaines, 1232 N. Caroline St.

## Look and Learn

By A. C. GORDON

1. What is considered the first great American novel?

2. How many times a minute does the average human heart beat?

3. What city has been visited by more pilgrims than any other city in the world?

4. Who wrote, "A woman is only a woman, but a good cigar is a smoke?"

**Answers**

1. Hawthorne's "Scarlet Letter." 2. Seventy-two times. 3. Jerusalem. 4. Rudyard Kipling.

The greatest punishment is to despise by your neighbors, the world and members of your family.—E. W. Howe.



# Scratch Pad

Death and Victory
Trials and Money
Boogie-Woogie Time

By Mae Morris

The late George Evans was one of those people referred to around the Courthouse as "a swell guy."

Attorneys and judges alike looked upon the dapper little lawyer with a great deal of respect whenever he appeared at the trial table, and they were shocked to learn of his death.

Interestingly enough, he never knew that he won his last case. Mr. Evans died on a Sunday. That following Thursday the Court of Appeals handed down its decision on behalf of the pastor whom he represented in a church dispute.

A Courts of Appeals decision is one of those things lawyers don't win too often in a lifetime of practice.

**Cheap Sickup**

Several members of the bar are complaining that clients are broke and business is bad. Well, I always says that a recent potential client offered only a $10 fee defense in a "stickup" case. The answer had to be: "Sorry, no can do."

**At the same time, the word is apparently getting around to prisoners waiting trial that more and more court-appointed lawyers are winning acquittals these days.**

Result is that a guy charged with something serious no longer looks anxious as a "State lawyer," but is willing and even anxious to take his chances with one.

Soooo—the lawyers who used to be in Criminal Court daily are searching about for civil court prospects.

**Packing Up**

**Linwood Koger moves out of the assistant city solicitor's office on March 15. But, is it? Well, if you can shut that desk and chair jammed against tiers of records, an "office."**

Maybe the "power that be" can find something a little less cramped and a little more akin to the offices of the other about the forces that bring depression, big points and war. One has the colored speaker at the top and the white speaker. Both advertisements are for the same rally.

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## Sob Sister

By Ruth Jenkins

This is just by way of preparing new husbands to stand up under the jolt of Easter outfit bills which will be arriving soon.

Visiting the home of a friend yesterday, I was surprised to find the husband in unconscious state in the hall with a piece of paper in his hand and a large box alongside.

I frantically called this information on his behalf and he descended joyously down the stairs, exclaiming, "Oh, goody, my new hat has arrived."

## Etiquette

By ROBERTA LEE

**Would it be proper when having a christening to make it an elaborate affair?**

This is seldom done nowadays. When a man and woman are to be married, and both are living in a distant city, should the announcements be sent from that city, or from the home of the bride?

Wedding announcements should be sent from the home of the bride's nearest relative.

# Women Are Shockproof the week Stuff Across the City Desk

By Vincent Tubbs

This book called "Sex Behaviour of the Male" or some such that's floating around is causing quite some chatter in the uninhibited intellectual circles—so much so that the male of the species is hard put to be patient about the promised sequel "Sex Behaviour of the Female."

They don't really have to wait, however, for John E. Gibson has given them at least one mouth shutter-upper in his psychological report on the female of the species in which he says

*"Although the average woman falls in love as many times as the average man does, she is much more likely to marry without love than he is." Chief reasons given for the loveless marriages are "to gain economic security, to bear children, to gain social position, and dread of spinsterhood."*

These few words, brother, are something to put in your pipe and smoke over.

**Who Takes A Shock Best? How About Suicide?**

Further, Mr. Gibson says that women are more shockproof than men. Three times as many men commit suicide as women. Female intelligence is directed so much toward the business of living itself that women are able to maintain their mental and emotional balance under conditions which would drive a man to the nearest psychiatrist or off the railing of Brooklyn bridge.

**Further, it is pointed out that tests indicate women find repetition much less monotonous than men . . . a great many actually enjoy it. A woman, for example, can sit ninety-odd hairdresser hours on end whereas the average male would be bored silly in nine at all.**

However, with all this in their favor, the conclusions of leading psychological studies is that men definitely excel when it comes to cold logical thinking. They are also better at making quick decisions, can assess a situation more objectively and are less likely to have their judgment affected by emotional drives and sentimental prejudices.

*Woman does not possess man's objective aggressiveness, and her intellectual activity is directed toward a far greater pattern: She tends to live in her own personal world where things and events must be highly personalized to have real meaning to her.*

Tell 'em that, fellows. That'll get 'em off you

**Stuff Out of the Mailbag Onto the City Desk**

The mailbag was loaded all week. A note from Maryland Penitentiary declares that there is no name calling there, men of all colors and creeds eat together, play and sleep together and it's pointed out that "if it can happen here it ought to could happen anywhere."

Letters from Johns Hopkins University (third year medical class) and Loyola University (scholastic press tourney, tell me that speeches at Johns Hopkins created real interest."

**A Loyola student who had plenty information at hand before he ever saw me passed the opinion that colored Americans can claim no cultural background unless they're willing to accept that which is Africa's . . . just like Swedish-Americans, French-Americans, and all the others who are hyphenated in one way or the other, claim the art, music, literature and customs of the lands from which their forefathers came.**

The Morgan Players are presenting "Out of the Frying Pan," a comedy March 14. Iris Bosivell of Brooklyn and Harry Monroe of Philly have starring roles. Marian Page Wall and Arthur Clifton Lamb are co-directors.

*"I'm sad that Governor Lane has refused an invitation to speak at the Urban League's annual dinner next month because those examples suggested that he discuss the proposed regional schools for colored persons that the Governors' Committee which he heads is trying to sell.*

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**The Sausage Has Sage from the Sunshine State**

The producers of Crayion Sausage, about which all we tried it are raving, have signed Lee Sakew Lorenz, Lou Bryant, Hazel Brogden, Rose Williams, A. T. Robuck, Dorothy Johnson, Harold Benton, Anna Alford, Billy Oxidine, Esther Ingram, Junky Wood, Money Monroe Sam Gaffney, Eddie Brown, Emma Barnes, Bessie Barnes Estelle Younger, Ray Davis, Clarice Younger, Madeline Day, Teddy Trent and some more.

**These Are Too Good Not to Pass Around**

A New York hotel whose clientele includes many salesmen and buyers from other cities, keeps a record of the business houses represented among the guests. A breezy lady buyer from the West, after filling in her name and address on the registration card, seemed to be bought up short by the query, "Firm?" She nibbled her pen a moment, then wrote "Not very," and headed straight for the bar.

**A man was drinking a glass of beer at a bar when another came in and ordered a coke. He drank the coke, walked up one wall of the room, across the ceiling, down the outer wall—and then went right out through the closed door. The beer drinker was amazed, so the bartender said: "What a peculiar fellow!"**

**The bartender nodded. "Yes, isn't he? He never says good night"**