Bishop Officiates at Rites for Rev. James M. Boston

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characteristics of a true Christian."

Similar tributes came from the Revs. Mr. Mear and L. L. Hamilton of New Jersey; Spencer Dobson, who also sang; Wayman Norris, T. C. Freeman, J. W. Jones, Joseph G. A. Hawkins, J. T. Bailey and H. E. Walden, all of whom lauded the Rev. Mr. Boston as "a father to young men in the ministry," a successful pastor" and "a real servant of God."

Willard W. Allen, grand master of the Masons, representing the citizenry, said, "The Rev. Mr. Boston aided community betterment by his exemplary life. He was a good representative of the AME Church."

235 Messages Received

Some 235 telegrams and messages of condolence from Maryland, Washington, California, Pennsylvania and Ohio, were acknowledged on behalf of the family by the Rev. I. M. Gray.

The scripture lessons were read by the Revs. John M. Gibson and J. A. Gray and a resolution from the Potomac District Minister's Meeting, by W. E. Spratley.

The Rev. W. P. Mitchell of Trinity AME Church, read the obituary.

Deceased A Former Teacher

The Rev. Mr. Boston was born in Maryland and educated in the schools of Shadyside. Entering the ministry at an early age, he served as assistant pastor at St. Moriah Church in Annapolis under the late Rev. W. P. Wortham.

He taught in Kent County, Md., schools and served his first pastoral appointment in 1907 at Cordown in Queen Anne County.

For five years he served at the Warton Circuit in Kent County, one year at Handy Church in Baltimore, one year at Pondtown, where he built and paid for a church; and five years at Grayson-ville, where he built a parsonage and paid off the church mortgage.

Survivors Listed

He was married three times. His first wife was the former Miss Alice Holland of West River, Md. They were the parents of a son, James A. Boston, now of Marcus Hook, Pa. His second wife was the former Miss Mamie Crook of Oklahoma.

They became the parents of Joseph W. Boston and Mrs. Anna B. Norris, both of whom are residing in Baltimore.

His third wife was Miss Bessie Grant, whom he married in 1919, while she was principal of a Rock Hall, Md., elementary school, and who survives him. Survivors also include two grandchildren, James O. Norris and Miss Dorris Norris.

Burial was in Mt. Auburn Cemetery.

Coming Events

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Speaker, Dr. Robert L. Jackson, member, Commission on City Plan.

Advent Corporate Communion of men and boys at St. James P.E. Church, 7 a.m.

Communion Breakfast at St. James P.E. Church, 8 a.m. Speaker, Retired Lt. Gen. John C. H. Lee.

Men's Service at St. James P.E. Church. Speaker, Bishop Brazil W. Harris, missionary bishop to Liberia.

Annual Choir Day at Allen AME Church, with program beginning 50 choirs, 3:30 p.m.

Service in which the Rev. Samuel M. Carter, choir and congregation of Town Neck Methodist Church will worship with members of Allen AME Church, 8 p.m.

Annual Ushers Day at Payne Memorial AME Church, 4 p.m. Speaker, the Rev. C. Baker Pearie.

MONDAY, NOV. 29

Exchange visit of the pastor, choir and congregation of Fulton Baptist Church to the New Shiloh Baptist Church, 8 p.m.

Musical program at Mount Baptist Church sponsored by the Missionary Circle, 8 p.m.

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Bishop Battles for His Salary

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AME Discipline, which provides that the General Conference shall not repeal or change the articles of religion nor establish any new rules of doctrine.

The General Conference shall not alter any rule of government, in effect, doing away with the episcopacy or general superintendency, and shall not do away with the privilege of trial by a committee of trial and an appeal, the bishop further cited.

His failure to leave for the Fifteenth Episcopal District in South Africa, to which he was assigned after his election to the episcopacy at the last General Conference, Bishop Gomes asserts, was due to his reassignment by the Bishops' Council within 30 days after his original assignment.

The Bishops' Council, he says, is the superior authority between meetings of the General Conference.

Suit's Legality Challenged

Another defense made by Bishop Gomes is that the Rev. Hall has failed to exhaust his remedies within the church, inasmuch as the church discipline makes the Bishops' Council "a judicial court to decide all questions of law in the interim of the General Conference."

He says it also gives the council supervisory authority over the episcopal district, and if a vacancy occurs in an episcopal district, the bishops are authorized to assign one of the number to the district or any part of it.

Dr. Jackson Files Answer

Dr. Jackson simply filed an answer for the sake of form. In it he states that the official actions of the last General Conference have not yet been communicated to him.

He says he is informed that the rules and regulations adopted at that conference are in the hands of the publication committee and will be published soon.

As to the allegations of the Rev. Mr. Hall, Dr. Jackson neither denied or affirmed most of them, except to admit that he is the church's financial secretary and that Bishop Gomes was elected at the last General Conference.

Bishop Held Ineligible

In the bill of complaint, the Rev. Mr. Hall contends that the assignment of Bishop Gomes to the Fifteenth Episcopal District of South Africa made him ineligible for any other assignment and he had first served in the foreign district to which he was assigned.

He was required to depart for that district within 90 days of his assignment, the minister argues, pointing to the resolution passed at the last General Conference.

The Bishops' Council, meeting in Atlantic City on June 23 to 25, violated the laws of the church by assigning Bishop Gomes to the Tenth Episcopal District of Texas, he alleges.

The Rev. Mr. Hall maintains that Dr. Jackson is without authority to pay Bishop Gomes any money as either bishop of the Fifteenth or Tenth Episcopal District.

Austin L. Fickling, an attorney, is representing Bishop Gomes. William C. Hueston, an attorney, is representing Dr. Jackson; and the law firm of Parker and Parker is representing the Rev. Mr. Hall.

Liquor License Commissioners states:

"No license holder shall sell or furnish alcoholic beverages to any person under twenty-one (21) years of age; and any license holder selling alcoholic beverages shall do so at his own risk and shall take full responsibility that the person to whom the sale is made is over the age of twenty-one (21)."

It has been reported that additional legislation is to be considered at the next session of the General Assembly in Annapolis to further tighten the alcohol control laws in an effort to stamp out drinking by juveniles.

Declares War on Transactions

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declared Magistrate Pitzpatrick. "I'm going to dismiss you with a warning. But I'm going to notify the proper authorities downtown of these money-mad businessmen who will sell a young man wine or whiskey without questioning his age."

Youth, 17, Drink Crazed

A few minutes later, Officer Jerome Glass brought Lester Goodman, 17, of 618 Bradley St., before the bar.

He was arrested shortly after 3 a.m. for smashing the show window of a grocery on lower Pennsylvania Ave.

Officer Glass said the boy admitted he had been drinking wine and that he had bought it himself in a store in the 900 block of Pennsylvania Ave.

Formally charged with the malicious destruction of property and attempted entry, the youth was held under $1500 bail to await grand jury action.

Disgusted and plainly exasperated at this, the second case disclosing a wine drinking by young misters, Magistrate Fitzpatrick told the youth:

"You are not the real guilty person. It is the shop owner who stoops low enough to sell a young person wine when he can plainly tell the customer is not of legal age.

"I am going to talk to Captain Emerson personally (chief of the vice squad) and see what he can do about this type of violation."

He added that in the meantime, officers were checking the situation in an effort to stop the practice before it gets out of hand.

Sales to Minors Probed

The two cases of Wednesday were the first ones in which arrested youth admitted making purchases of intoxicants themselves and named the stores.

In most previous cases, the offenders said they had asked older brothers, or friends, or chance acquaintances to buy wine for them.

Merchants selling liquor, wine or other alcoholic beverages to minors face the loss of their license. The first rule in the list of regulations issued by the Board of

GOVERNOR'S AID SOUGHT:

Lane Gets Ministers' Protest on Byrd Plan

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error to use his influence against acceptance of the proposal by the Legislature, the ministers said:

"We do not believe that Dr. Byrd is sincerely interested in the development of better educational facilities for colored students, because of his past record in the administration of Princess Anne College.

"It is obvious from past performance that this institution suffers tremendously in unequal facilities, in unjust distribution of Federal and State funds and in courses offered.

Fund Inequitably Shared

"In 1947, for example, the press reported that the University of Maryland received approximately $667,000 from the Federal Government, of which sum Princess Anne was to receive a share equal to the colored population ratio in Maryland.

"Instead of getting $115,000, the amount due according to population, Princess Anne received only $15,000; so we were cheated out of $100,000.

"Moreover, the agricultural experimental station at the university receives large annual appropriations. Princess Anne does not have an experimental station, but receives the bulletins and results of the experiments only.

"The students at Princess Anne, therefore, do not get the training in experimentation. These inequalities represent but a small part of the picture.

Standards Slump Feared

"We sincerely feel that Morgan State College will suffer academically; and that the splendid spirit among faculty and administrative officers would be greatly disturbed if placed under the University of Maryland."

The letter then quoted from the Marlbury Commission's report that "the present plan of organization of the University of Maryland results in what is technically known as too great a span of control in the president's office.

"In other words, too many people have to make direct contact with the president in order to get decisions on important matters."

Dual System Assailed

"So," the ministers pointed out, "if such a plan as this exists in the University of Maryland, it is easy to imagine what would happen to Morgan. Administration and faculty would be under direct dictation from Dr. Byrd on every matter pertaining to the school.

"It is regrettable in a democracy," the letter continues, "that a State finds it necessary to maintain a dual system of education based on racial segregation.

"But if segregation is maintained, we demand that the control of our schools of higher education be administered by those of our own racial group who are qualified in this field."

The letter was signed by the Revs. Kelly L. Jackson, president of the ministerial group; M. M. Jefferson Jr., secretary, and Joshua O. Williams, committee chairman.

Marriage 1-Night Affair, Wife Says

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riage was short-lived was Mrs. Mary Shields, who said that Booker Shields of New York City, left her seven months after their marriage on Christmas Day, 1944.

He admitted that he no longer loved her, she said. Roy S. Bond was attorney for the wife, who gave her address as 1054 Argyle Ave.

Also obtaining a divorce on grounds of desertion was Mrs. Dorothy Winston of 2835 Remington St., who was freed from Robert Winston of Philadelphia. Married in 1934, the couple separated in 1945. Her maiden name, Stewart, was restored.

Seven File Petitions

Filing petitions for divorces were:

Mrs. Lizzie Sanders vs. Mack D. Linwood Koger, attorney; Nicholas vs. Mrs. Marie C. Teodosio, Donald G. Murray, attorney; Mrs. Sarah Epps vs. George, Roy S. Bond, attorney;

Mrs. Lizzie Sanders vs. Mack D. M., Howard Payne, attorney; Mrs. Sarah V. Epps vs. George, Roy S. Bond, attorney; Richard vs. Mrs. Alice H. Powell, Mrs. Orilla Williams vs. Edward, Roy S. Bond, attorney.

Legislative Council Plans to List All Forms of Discrimination in Maryland

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mately forthcoming."

Present at the judicial committee hearing were:

Milton P. Brown, NAACP executive secretary; Sidney Hollander, Jr. of the Maryland Civil Liberties Committee, William Boucher 3rd of American for Democratic Action, and Cecil H. Scott, Urban League industrial secretary, who cited some discriminatory practices affecting colored people.

Further Hearing Requested

But because these persons were notified late about the hearing and had not even seen the resolution, they requested and were granted a further hearing which will allow them time to prepare a summary report on discrimination, with recommendations for remedial action by the General Assembly.

Mr. Scott pointed out that there are no colored representatives on the State Boards of Public Welfare, Hairdressers or Plumbers and that their operational procedures indicate that they are not always impartial in dealing with the public.

He also pointed out that there are segregated lists as to sex and color for applicants for State jobs and that no colored veteran has come up for veteran's preference for a semi-skilled or skilled profession in the State except for employment at a colored institution.

School Discrimination Aired

He also cited school laws which require certain standards of qualification for principals of white normal schools only and another law which provides for white Legislative scholarship students to attend the University of Maryland, but colored must attend Maryland-State College at Princess Anne.

Impressed with these instances and sympathetic to the fact that the delegation was unprepared to suggest improvement measures, the judicial committee granted the further hearing to be held within the next two weeks.

The interested organizations held a meeting at 1 p.m. today (Friday), to discuss and prepare material to be presented at the next hearing.

To correct the impression that he was trying to duck out on the issue or that there is an air of mystery about the resolution, Mr. Sklar explained his absence from the hearing by pointing out that he was notified of the hearing only that morning.

He said that the resolution was inspired by a radio commentator, who had complained about discrimination in some veterans organizations and State-aided institutions.

He said that the commentator's request for Legislative action came so late that "I felt it was a mistake to put it in a bill, but I brought up the subject in a resolution for the council to investigate and study the situation, which I think is worthy of a full hearing."

Three-Month Sentence

WASHINGTON

Arrested at Ninth and Greer Sts. on an intoxication charge on Saturday, Stanislaus A. Gerhard Jr., was sentenced to three months in the House of Correction last week, by Magistrate Thomas Costello.

Sex Teaching in Schools Approved by Area Parents

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partial and authoritative information on public issues."

A public forum will be held in the high school auditorium at 8 p.m. on the third Sunday of each month, he announced.

The Rev. C. Baker Pearl, pastor of Payne Memorial AME Church, will lead the discussion at the next meeting, which is scheduled for Dec. 19. "The Meaning of Christmas" will be the topic for discussion.

CONFERENCE DODGES ISSUE:

Former Bishop Sims's Status Still Muddled

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the Piedmont Conference on the advice of members of the Bishops' Council who decided this was his "home" conference.

The former head of the First Episcopal District had asked the council during a meeting in Atlantic City this summer to clear up once and for all his status in the church.

Decision Postponed

In granting his former colleague the privilege of addressing the Piedmont Conference as an elder, Bishop Reid announced he was acting in accordance with a ruling by Bishop Gregg.

The ruling was made by Bishop Gregg after the Rev. Mr. Sims was expelled from the bishopric by the Special General Conference at Little Rock, Ark. in November, 1946.

Bishop Reid said this had been his position all along, but he felt the council should officially assign the Rev. Mr. Sims to a conference. As things now stand, the Rev. Mr. Sims will remain an elder without a home conference until the Bishops' Council meets in February.

Urges Church Unity

At both the Piedmont and Atlanta conferences, the former prelate made a plea for unity, brotherhood and tolerance among members of the church.

Touching on his own rift with his former colleagues, the Rev. Mr. Sims said that actions and attitudes labeled rebellious might properly be considered as "another point of view."

In addition to Bishop Wright other prelates present at the Atlanta Conference included Bishops Fontaine, Clayborne, Wilkes and Bonner.

May Be Reinstated

The fact that the Rev. Mr. Sims was well received at the two conferences and the general attitude of most of the members of the Bishops' Council seem to indicate the unfrocked prelate will be given a chance to be active in the church.

The bitterness evident when the Rev. Mr. Sims (then bishop) was expelled at Little Rock and during the long legal battle he undertook to prevent his ouster appears to have faded considerably.

In a letter to Bishop Reid on Nov. 15, Bishop Gregg stated that "although no official action was taken on assignment (of Sims) to a specific conference . . . many of us took the position that it would be necessary for him to go before the Jurisdictional Conference and have his character passed as an elder."

Regarded as "Elder"

Bishop Gregg, who presided at the Jurisdictional Conference in Atlanta, said Bishop Reid announced he was acting in accordance with a ruling by Bishop Gregg.

"I made the ruling," Bishop Gregg wrote, "that this expulsion did not affect his eldership in the church and since that ruling was not questioned it would therefore stand.

"It is my opinion that, as on any other elder, he should pass on his character."

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Double Slaying Trial Delayed

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both white, on a deserted road near Glen Burnie on Sept. 17.

Confession Reported

He is said to have confessed the crimes to Henry C. Kriss, captain of detectives of Baltimore City.

According to police, Edwards became angered when he was nearly struck by a car in which the couple rode.

Late Wednesday, Anne Arundel County officials announced that an attorney will be appointed to represent Edwards before his murder case is set for trial.

According to this authority, Rufus Edwards, father of the accused, said the family is unable to afford counsel fees.

Illegally Searched Man Acquitted

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the place and described only one suspect, who was not Rea.

It was after this entrance that Rea was searched and was found to be carrying seven lottery slips, it was said.

Civil Rights Not Special Privileges, Goal of Race

"We are not asking for any special privileges; if anything, we want to do away with some of those special privileges so ungraciously accorded us," declared Elmer W. Henderson Tuesday in a Founders Day address at Morgan State College.

Mr. Henderson, a graduate of Morgan, is director of the American Council on Human Rights, an organization of fraternities and sororities.

He passed along the following suggestions to President Truman "to weaken the opposition."

Purge his cabinet and bureaus of persons whose declared aim is to sabotage the civil rights program; use his influence to prevent these persons from holding strategic chairmanships on Congressional committees; and to work toward the revision of the cloture rule to counteract the filibuster.

Growing Sense of Freedom

Mr. Henderson pointed to a growing sense of freedom in India and Africa as examples of "man's desire to throw off the yoke of oppression."

He declared that the American Council on Human Rights believes that passage of national legislation is important to the cause of bringing about civil rights for all.

Mr. Henderson continued, would include an anti-poll tax law; anti-lynch law; and a fair employment practices bill.

He called for the abolition of military segregation, establishment of equality of training in the armed forces, and the support of measures for slum clearance, public housing, increase in the minimum wage and wider coverage of social security benefits.

Advises Students

Finally, Mr. Henderson urged Morgan students to "take advantage of this educational opportunity you have here to be deserving of the opportunities that will be created if our program succeeds."

Greetings were extended to the assembly gathering by Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, president of Morgan. Music was by the college choir, directed by J. O. B. Moseley. The Rev. Howard Cornish, director of the Morgan Christian Center, gave the invocation.

Butler, Johnson Win Citations

Cracked $4,000 Auto Burglary Case Here

The arrest of two men for a $4,000 burglary was one of the cases for which Detective Sgt. James H. Butler and Detective Patrolman Lloyd Johnson were cited by Police Commissioner Robert R. Aldhouse, Tuesday.

Twenty-two other officers, all white, were commended during the ceremonies, held periodically throughout the year to honor officers for having performed meritorious services. Formerly only one ceremony was held.

The burglary occurred early in July when two men forced their way into a parked auto at Westwood Ave. and Carey St. Owners of the car, a white couple, were en route to Vatican City in Italy where they were given an audience before the Pope. They were visiting friends here.

Recovered Loss

Most of the loot taken from the car was recovered by the detectives. It included jewelry, heirlooms and clothing.

For several weeks, Detectives Butler and Johnson worked on the case until they received a tip concerning the location of a Cadillac and George W. Miles, 28, of the 200 block of N. Schroeder St., were arrested and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

5th Citation for Butler

The officer's citation, in the form of an orange and black ribbon, is the eighth for Sergeant Butler, who received his present rating on Jan. 25, 1947.

Detective Johnson has been in the detective bureau since his appointment in 1943 and has four citations.

Two of the white officers were cited for the arrest of Elmer Burroughs, 17, of the 1900 block of N. Mosher St., who was accused of criminally abusing five women. Burroughs was given a life term.

Two other officers were commended for the conviction of Richard Cox who was sentenced to be hanged for the murder of William Richmond, 26, of the 800 block of Druid Hill Ave.

Grand Jury Indicts Maas on 2 Charges

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been attacked by homemade bombs and the owner has been threatened with bodily harm, he reported.

Requests Jury Trial

The assault case against Mr. Maas was brought on Nov. 20, by Frederick Stein of 1017 Holliday St., who accused the attorney of hitting him and pulling his hair.

Requesting a jury trial after bringing counter charges against Stein, Mr. Maas was released on his own recognizance.

Witnesses in the deadly weapon case include several Southwestern District officers, Edgar Collison of 227 Davis Ave., Brooklyn, and Joseph W. Brown of 5611 Ready Ave.

Bail of $500 on each charge has been posted and Mr. Maas, on advice of his attorney, is declining to make any further public statements.

Firm Cancels Contract

Since the controversy about the house, the New York firm which owns the Paca-Pratt building where Mr. Maas kept offices as the building superintendent, informed Western District police that his contract with the concern has been terminated.

On Monday, the attorney was prevented from entering the building by a uniformed policeman; but on Wednesday, Capt. John Rollman said Mr. Maas can not be kept out of the building except by court order, and no officer is now stationed at the premises.

However, he pointed out, the neighborhood patrolmen are instructed to watch the building in case of any disturbance or "breach of the peace."

Mr. Maas set the house up for sale to the minority groups at the height of negotiations to build a church, which he opposed, on a lot next door to his home. Last week the zoning board approved plans for construction of the church.

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