Stewards Are Navy's Disgrace, - Says Hicks

Wash Women's Undies, Baby Sit

Jacksonville Station Kow Tows to Jim Crow; Violates Truman Order

By JAMES L. HICKS
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JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — The Navy's Air Training Station here presents a "split personality" of integration in which the Navy is trying desperately to conform to the President's directive ominite-gration on the one hand, while trying equally as desperately to appease the bigotry of the white South on the other.

The effort in both directions is so great, and the net results so confusing, that even the most trained observer will find it difficult to make a fair estimate of the progress of integration here.

The only safe conclusion that can be drawn is that what is being done is not being done in accordance with the eminently fair pro-

Roy Lee Kinard, 12-year-old "wonder boy evangelist" of Portland, Ore., will conduct a revival at Mt. Calvary Pentecostal Faith Church, 1204 Eustaw Pl., July 15 to 22. He will be accompanied by his three singing sisters, who are 8, 9, and 10 years of age. Young Kinard has spoken to large audiences in California, Nebraska, Wisconsin, and Canada.

gram laid down by the Department of the Navy in Washington.

Directive Violated

For while colored personnel of the Navy here are trained, housed and messed without regard to their race in accordance with the prescribed directive.

These same men are daily forced to walk pass signs in the command officer's headquarters building which plainly designate toilet facilities in headquarters as "White Ladies Rest Room" "Colored Men's Head" and "White Men's Head" Head is the term used by the Navy to indicate toilets.

This of course is in direct violation of the President's directive which ordered all facilities on military reservations opened to all personnel.

In addition, while colored personnel swim and participate in athletic programs along with white personnel, they are barred from attendance at dances in the base's swank lounges which feature big name bands, and segregated for such entertainment to a Jim-crow colored service club known as the "804" Club from which white men are barred.

Navy Unity, Civilian Separate

And again, while colored seamen are permitted to try for, and often win berths on the base's athletic teams, colored varsity member of such teams are left at the base if an opposing white civilian team. objects to their playing against them.

In short, at Jacksonville, the Navy in 1951, is attempting to follow a pattern called for by Booker Washington in his Atlanta speech in 1895 — a pattern calling for unity as complete as the palm of the hand in all things "Navy," but as separate as the five fingers in all things "civilian".

The tragedy of the whole thing is that where the efforts of more than 5,000 civilians must dovetail with thousands of Navy men in order to get a job done, there can be no such separation and any attempts at it can only result in confusion and frustration.

First Shock

On my way in to see the commanding officer of the base, my first shock came as I passed, not one, but three signs, on toilets designating them as "colored" and "white". This is as the main floor of the headquarters building and the signs stand in letters about six inches high for all to see.

Inside headquarters I asked Commander P. F. Bedell, executive officer of the base, to comment on the signs. His answer was plain. It was a concession to the white civilians on the base. He said nothing about a concession to President Truman's directive.

There are no colored officers stationed at the base and since the commander stressed the point that naval personnel were not discriminated against, I asked him what would happen if a colored officer were assigned to the base.

Would Work Out Something

What toilet would he use? The one marked "Colored Men" which is used by colored civilians? Or the one marked "White Men" which is used by white naval officers and white civilians?

The commander said if a colored officer were assigned here he is certain that something would be "worked out" to the satisfaction of all.

He then told me that previously a complaint had been received from colored citizens of Jacksonville because colored maids working in the headquarters building were forced to leave the building and go to another building when they wanted to use a toilet.

There were no toilets for colored women at the base headquarters.

Maid's Head

The commander said they had recognized this as "discriminatory" and had set up a "Maid's Head" on the first floor for use by the maids. He said this was working out to "the satisfaction of all concerned."

We then talked about the 804 Club —a jim-crow establishment pure and simple. Commander Bedell said the club had been established for the recreation of enlisted personnel before the integration program set in.

When the program started, he said, some of the colored Chief Petty Officers were called in and told that they could make their choice: Tehy could either attend the dances held for whites or they could continue to have dances in their own club. They were told, however, that they could not have both.

Prefer Jim-Crow Club

According to the commander, and this is otherwise unverified by the chiefs, the chiefs told him that they would prefer to keep their jim-crow club.

The base now pays the salary of a colored woman to work out a program for the club and provides $50 each month for her to sponsor a dance for the colored men.

The club is virtually hidden among trees on the base, is located behind the family quarters of white officers. I was told that it was widely used, but when I visited it on Friday night and remained for more than an hour, only eigh men visited it.

This represents the civilian-Navy side of the base. On the pure military side I found integration working.

The men are, in the main, assigned to the Steward's branch on the base and as a result most of them are shining officers shoes, making beds in the bachelor officers quarters and serving as bellhops, waiters and orderlies.

But a few others with more ability, (and certainly more pride) are integrated into units according to their skill, ability and intelligence with full opportunity to take tests and go higher.

The Disgrace Branch

There are no Waves on this base and no colored officers. I did not bother to interview many of the men in the steward's branch. This branch of the Navy is rapidly approaching a disgrace both to the Navy and to the colored men who serve in it.

With the exception of a chief steward, a steward in the Navy is about the most degrading job in any military service the writer has ever seen.

There seems to be nothing a steward is not required to do from washing the underwear of the wife of his commanding officer to serving as a baby sitter. This is not merely common to Jacksonville—it happens wherever stewards are found.

Those Making the Grade

And rarely if ever does one find anyone in the steward's branch but Filipinos and colored men. White men just won't take the job except as chiefs.

Among the non-steward personnel who are making the grade in the Navy here is Seamen 1st class Roy Settles, 415 S. 23 rd St., St. Paul, Ill., a vet of nine years in the Navy, a middleweight boxer, who on July 10 took a test to become a Bosun Mate Third Class, one of the more important operational jobs in the Navy.

I found Settles teaching a class of whites in the handling of cargo and the care of ships and doing a good job of it. His wife is the former Mary A. Brandon of Washington.

He is a member of the staff of Fleet Air Wing 11 composed of squadrons and support units for the fleet. He plans to make a career of the Navy.

Storekeeper From Smoky City

Also among the rated men I found W. J. Hall, a storekeeper, serving in the procurement section of one of the base units.

Hall is eligible for a higher rate, but he told me he is getting out of the Navy as soon as possible to take over the operation of his father's night club in Pittsburgh.

His father, James Hall, operates the Celebrity Club in Pittsburgh and Hall lives at 31 Miller Pl.

Hall did not state that he was getting out because of dissatisfaction with the Navy. Instead, he said that the Navy offered great opportunities for colored men today — a statement in which this writer concurs. But selfrespecting colored people will never be satisfied with the dual policy found here.

With Patrol Squadron

Robert H. White Jr., of Woodlane Road, Mt. Holly, N.J., is a member of the VP 741, a patrol squadron here and is apparently integrated so far as his military service is concerned.

Serving in the main galley (main mess hall) on the base is G. A. Holmes of 324 F Daniel Jenkins Project, Charleston, S.C., who has the rating of a commissary man second class.

Also thre is William D. Dickinson, a baker third class of 905 W. Franklin St. Wytheville, Va., and Mitchell E. Lewis, a cook third class of 1014 Ohio St., Atlantic City. These men are all rated, like their work, and are integrated according to the jobs they perform.

There is one colored seaman serving as a base policeman. The latter recently arrested a white man for a traffic violation and the white people complained, but a Marine officer who is concerned with the security of the base, solidly backed up the colored policeman.

There is little comparison with the condition of colored personnel in the Navy at Jacksonville to that of the integrated life which they enjoy at Pensacola, Fla., which is also a part of the Navy's Air Training Command.

In Our Churches

Fifteen Baltimoreans are attending the 13th annual convention of the Bible Church School and Young People's Holy Association of the United Holy Church of America, which began July 10 in Buffalo, N.Y.

They are: Grover McCrae, Sr., district superintendent; Grover McCrae Jr., Misses Florence Durham, Hazel Jones, Evelyn Scott, Gloria McCrae, Mesdames Alberta Lofton, Mattie Baily, Floria G. Forbes, Ida McCrae, Ruth Shields, Financial secretary; Hattie Morris, and Raymond Brooks, Arthur Lofton.

Services will be held in the St. John Baptist Church, Sycamore and Spruce Sts., the Rev. Burnie C. McCarley, pastor.

Leadenhall Baptist

The Leadenhall Baptist Church, Leadenhall near Cross St., will commemorate annual Leadenhall Day at the First Baptist Church, Fairchild Rd., Sunday July 21 at 3 p.m.

The Rev. Thomas B. Davis, pastor, and congregation will worship at Perkins Square, Baptist Church Tuesday July 17, at 8:30 p.m. The senior choir, men's choir, and gospel chorus have been requested to participate.

The Senior Missionary Society will sponsor a baby contest, Sunday July 29 at 3 p.m.

Missionary Day will be held sunday, July 15 at the Union Bethel AME Church of Randallstown. Special programs are arranged for the 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. The Rev. W. N. Edwards is pastor.

A Founder's Day program will be held at the Star of Bethlehem AME Church, Ridgeley St. and Harmon Ave., July 29, at 3:30 p.m. George W. E. Hill chairman and the Rev. William R. Chew, pastor.

The Daily Vacation Church School of Sharp St. Methodist Church, Dolphin and Etting Sts., will celebrate its Golden Anniversary with a community bake sale, Saturday July 14, 10 a.m. at the church.

The committee has planned a birthday gift for all patrons. The Rev. Mrs. Ceicy McIntyre is chairman, Mrs. Myrtle superintendent and the Rev. Joshua O. Williams, minister.

Union Baptist Queen

Miss Cora Pankey was crowned queen for 1951 at the Union Baptist Church of Sparrow's Point Queen's rally last Friday. She made a record report of $289. The total receipts for the rally was $1,040.

The Rev. Carlton O. Cooke, pastor of the Union Baptist Church, invites the public to the commemoration of his first anniversary as pastor, Sunday July 15. Services will be all day.

The Rev. Dr. Charles E. Boddie, minister of the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church of Rochester, N.Y., will be guest minister all day at the New Shiloh Baptist Church, Lanvale St. and Fremont Ave. He will speak at the Baptist Ministers Conference, Monday. The Rev. J. Timothy Boddie, brother of Charles, is pastor.

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9:30 A. M.—CHURCH SCHOOL.
11:00 A. M.—SERMON, WORSHIP—Dr. L. B. West, Charlotte, N.C., preaching.
6:7:15 P. M.—OPEN AIR SERVICES IN MADISON SQUARE.
8:00 P. M.—CLOSING EXERCISES OF THE DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL.
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MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
CAROLINE AND PRESTON STREETS
9:30 A. M.—CHURCH SCHOOL.
10:30 A. M.—PRAYER AND PRAISE SERVICE.
11:00 A. M.—SERMON BY THE PASTOR.
3:30 P. M.—WE WORSHIP AT MOUNT SINAI.
6:30 P. M.—BAPTIST TRAINING UNION.
8:00 P. M.—PROGRAM SPONSORED BY THE WOMEN.
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11:00 A. M.—MORNING WORSHIP—PREACHING.
3:00 P. M.—ANNUAL COMMUNION SERVICE WITH FOUNTAIN BAPTIST CHURCH. Rev. Dennis Barrow, Pastor; Choir and Congregation.
6:00 P. M.—BAPTIST TRAINING UNION.
8:00 P. M.—PROGRAM BY SENIOR CHOIR No. 1.
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Metropolitan Methodist Church
LANVALE ST. and CARROLLTON AVE.
10:45 A. M.—Junior Church
11:00 A. M.—SERMON: Divine Manifestations.
1:30 P. M.—Church School.
7:15 P. M.—Preaching Service on the Church Lawn.
Sermon: REV. JOHN C. DYSON.
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Perkins Square Baptist Church
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REV. WARD D. TERRY, Pastor

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9:30 A. M.—SUNDAY SCHOOL.
10:30 A. M.—OPEN HEART SERVICE.
11:00 A. M.—SERMON by the Pastor, Subj.: "SUGGESTIONS FOR SOUL WINNING."
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Racial signs are posted all over the base. Authorities refused to dignify toilet sign for colored women with "women" or "ladies"; put up one reading, "Maid's Head."
On the purely military side, Integration works well, although colored seamen get the purely menial jobs. Steward's branch of service is the real disgrace. Here the men wash women's clothes, baby sit and care mere domestic servants. Jacksonville is a sharp contrast to Pensacola, Fla., where full racial integration is the order.

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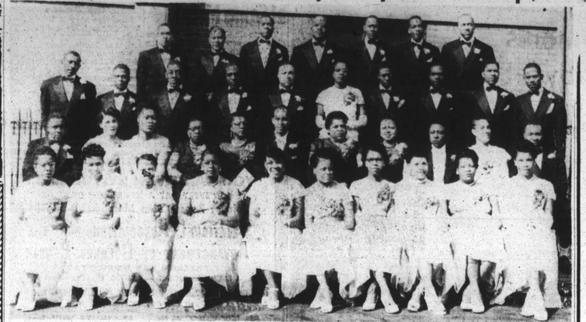

Photographed at the graduating exercises of the Apex Beauty and Barber School, Baltimore, recently, was this class of beauticians and barbers. First row, front left to right are: Mrs. Prince, Miss Merle Johnson, Mrs. Marian Brooks, Mrs. Everett Hodge, Mrs. Catherine Greene, Mrs. Dorris Abrams, Mrs. Lucille Lambert, Mrs. Nettie Sands, Mrs. Mary J. Davis and Mrs. Freda Cooper; second row, left to right: Warren Walls, Miss Clearist Smith, Miss Theresa McBride, students; Mrs. Pearl S. Dupree, Mrs. Mary B. Ames, Ezekiel Jenkins, Mrs. Ethel Page, faculty members; Mrs. Katherine Miller, student teacher; Thomas L. Edwards, faculty member; Mrs. Emma Kelley and Garland Smith, students; third row, left to right: James Opher, Carl Johnson, William Diggs, Rogers Roberts, Dalfield Jordan, Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, William Sidberry, Wendell Carter, Willie Johnson, Eugene Floyd; fourth row, left to right: James Jones, James Parham, Lee Douglas, Charles Snead, Charles Barksdale, Alvin Moore, William Davis.

Motorman Found Guilty

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son died at City Hospital a month later, of injuries sustained in the crash.

Appeal Is Filed

The motorman, Joseph H. Schaefer, through his attorney, John Granson Turnbull, appealed the verdict to the Circuit court at Towson.

It was the first time in recent years that a transit company motorman had been held responsible for a fatal accidgt in Baltimore County.

The death of the well-known couple aroused considerable feeling in the Turner Station area, and brought to six the number of persons to die in accidents at the street car crossing at Main St. and Sollers Point Road.

As a result of the feeling caused by the accident, the transit company requested, and was granted a change of venue. The case was heard in Edgemere Police Court before Magistrate David W. Worner, instead of at the Dundalk court.

Mrs. Juanita Mitchell, Baltimore attorney, represented the Anderson family at the hearing. Joseph Newell, assistant State's attorney, prosecuted.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson were driving to the store they operated on the opposite side of the tracks when the accident occurred.

Seven Witnesses Heard

Witnesses testifying at the hearing were: David Riddick, Turner Station businessman; Aaron Nebitt; Miss Cora Pankey of 1308 E. Chase St., a passenger on the street car; Nelson Graves, Edward W. Trotman, Lewis Fears, and Louis Howell.

The Andersons are survived by five children, Mrs. Helena Monroe and Mrs. Thomasina Dixon of New York City; Mrs. Marion Bell, Mrs. Vivian Lewis, and Pvt. John Anderson Jr., of Camp Breckenbridge, Ky.

Magistrate Worner found the motorman guilty of criminal negligence.

ENDS INFANTRY TRAINING

FORT JACKSON, S.C.—Pvt. Lonnie Reed, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Williams, Route 3, Marion, S.C., has successfully completed his 14 weeks infantry training.

Apex College Graduates 33

"The Priceless Training" was the theme of the commencement address given to the 33 graduates of both the beauty and barber departments of the Apex Beauty School, Sunday afternoon, by the Rev. A. R. Powell.

The Rev. Mr. Powell, pastor of Trinity AME Church, urged the group to find, a definite purpose in life and then learn to master the situation in order to achieve that purpose.

The audience of more than 500 persons was enthusiastic in their praise of the program, which was highlighted by the presentation of Red Cross awards for more than 250 hours of voluntary work given to the inmates of Crownsville Sanatorium by graduates and the directress of the school, Mrs. Ethel Page. The awards were presented Page. The awards were presented by Mrs. Willie Valentine, representative of the Red Cross.

Among those receiving awards were:

Misses Merle Johnson, Theressa McBride, Clearist Smith, Mrs. Catherine Greene and Mrs. Lucille Lambert.

Miss Merle Johnson came from Nassau, Bahamas, B.W.I., to train in the American way of beauty culture. It was interesting to watch the sons and daughters of many of the graduates congratulating their parents on having received their diplomas.

Wear Pastel Frocks

The graduating class was beautifully uniformed, but not in the traditional cap and gown attire. The women wore sheer dresses in pastel shades while the male members wore tuxedos.

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