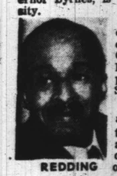
Book Review

By J. SAUNDERS REDDIN

Rough Steps On My Stairway, by C. L. Spellman, Ph.D. Exposition Press, 386 Fourth Avenue, New York, 273 pp. $3.50.

Rough Steps On My Stairway is the second book in six months to come from the pen of a faculty member at South Carolina A & M College, which, incidentally, prodded by Governor Byrnes, is trying to become a university.



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Within days of the publication of **Negro Higher Education in the State of South Carolina**, its author, Lewis K. McMillan became ex-professor at South Carolina State.

He was fired out of hand and presumably for telling the truth as he saw it and as it has been confirmed by other more disinterested observors. This will not happen to Professor Spellman.

Professor Spellman chooses to see a different kind of truth—or perhaps it is simply another aspect of the same truth experienced in a different place.

Ex-professor McMillan chose to be analytical, and this was exactly the right way to handle his material.

Professor Spellman (no kin to Cardinal Spellman) chooses to be personal and impressionistic, with the result that he unconsciously throws into burning relief the truth of the inefficiency, the gold-bricking and the downright asininity in so much of "Negro" education that ex-professor McMillan called again to our attention.

And with the further result that sometimes the reader is moved to tragic brooding, sometimes to defensive irritation, but generally to a comic laugh that Professor Spellman did not at all inte to provoke.

But who ca elp laughing when, instead of saying that e was acting dean, he tells us that he wa "acting as dean"?

Or who can eep his risible muscles from quivering whe he says, speaking of reprimanding a coa for cussing, "I discussed the matter with th coach in a man-to-man, off-the-record ma er in a way which I hoped would help hi see himself in perspective in our organizatio ? Either Professor Spellman is a very subtl omedian or . . .

As a matte of fact, you just can't tell about negro ducators" who write autobiographies thes days. You don't know what gets in them, whether there's anything in them except hildish and tragic sense of the need for e ression which the often frustrating work o the "educator" does not afford.

And you wis hey'd learn the uses of the English langu s and lay off such things as "the earnings a complete pay envelope" and "I saw s e of the problems the college faces in ooperation with the entire program of th education in a state."

I'm not being icayune, but how does a pay envelope, co lete or otherwise, earn money? And uldn't the word be "cooperating"?

But Professor spellman has had a full life, and it has int sted him. In the hope that it might inter others—and, indeed, in the absolute belief at it would (since he seems to have paid fo he publication of his book)—he has written ough Steps On My Stairway, from Elizabeth ity to Hampton to Texas to South Carolina & M College.

Across The Bridge Table

With ROBERT MATTHEW

Both Sides Vulnerable
North Dealer

NORTH
♠ Q 9
♥ A K Q 8 4 3
♦ J 10 5
♣ K 2

WEST
♠ J 7 6
♥ 9 5
♦ Q 7 6 3 2
♣ Q 5 4

EAST
♠ K 10 8
♥ 10 7 2
♦ 8 4
♣ 10 9 8 7 3

SOUTH
♠ A 5 4 3 2
♥ J 6
♦ A K 9
♣ A J 6

The Bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 ♥	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	4 ♣	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	6 ♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening Lead: Six of Diamonds.

It's amazing how quickly one can forget the old bridge systems. Watched a match recently where a couple employing the old honor trick system of bidding was pitted against a pair using the modern point-count method.

The most prominent feature noted in the bidding of the honor-trick pair was the great number of "wrong contracts" and missed slams.

When this week's hand was played, I couldn't resist copying it down and passing it on to a pair using the point-count method of bidding to note the differences.

The bidding as shown below is that of the honor-trick system players.

North	East	South	West
1 ♥	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	3 NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

The point-c nt players went to work as shown in the l s above. North, with 15 high-card points p perly bid one heart, south with 17 high- d point jumping to two no trump.

A rebid of l arts by North, and South immediately plu d into the Gerber four-club convention. I ermining that the partnership held all r aces, he hopped right up to a slam try hearts.

The diamon ead cinched the contract for declarer, wh need lose only one spade trick. He to the first diamond with the jack in the o n hand, extracted trumps in three rounds a conceded the spade loser.

Legal Adviser

By ROBERT WATTS
Baltimore Attorney

These questions are based on the laws of Maryland. In some cases, these laws are similar to those of other states.

I was hurt while working on my job. With whom do I make a claim for money?

A. You should file a claim with the State Industrial Accident Commission. There are special printed forms. See an attorney and he will get the forms and handle the case for you.

I was injured on my job and I am permanently disabled. How much money am I entitled to?

A. The amounts of money one is entitled to are set by statute.

In case of total disability, adjuged to be permanent, 66 ⅔ per cent of your average weekly wages shall be paid to you while you are disabled.

Said amount cannot exceed $32 per week and cannot be less than $15 per week. You can't collect over $10,000.

I lost my leg while working on my job. How much am I entitled to?

A. You are entitled to 66 2/3 per cent of your weekly wage for a period of 212 weeks.

My husband was killed while working on his job. What is the most money I can get from the Accident Commission?

A. The maximum you can get is $10,000.

My husband was killed on the job because the company was negligent and they tell me I can only collect $10,000. What can I do to get more?

A. You can consult an attorney and he will advise you that you can sue in the courts for any amount.

He should be relied on to advise you.

My husband is in the penitentiary and was injured while working on the state roads. Is he entitled to any money?

A. Yes, You should see an attorney and he will have your husband file a claim with the State Industrial Accident Commission.

I was involved in a disturbing of the peace case back in early 1952 and was not prosecuted. Now I am being threatened with prosecution. Since so much time has passed, can I be prosecuted?

ANS.: No. Under the law there can be no prosecution for any misdemeanor not involving confinement in the penitentiary unless brought within one year.

I have been called for jury duty and want to know who is exempt.

ANS.: Any person under 25 years of age, all person over 70, and delegates, coroners, constables while in office, and all schoolmasters, physicians, and pharmacists are exempt.

Poetry

This is th poem written recently by Carl Sandb g, the great American poet, on the ccasion of his 75th birthday.

The poem ollows:

There is o one horse on the earth and his n e is All Horses.
There is o one bird in the air and his name s All Wings.
There is o one fish in the sea and his name s All Fins.
There is o y one man in the world and his n me is All Men.
There is on one woman in the world and her ame is All Women.
There is o y one child in the world and the hild's name is All Children.
There is o one Maker in the World and His hildren cover the earth and the are named All God's Children.

Scholarships

Wan a scholarship? Going to college next year?

The AFRO continues a list of colleges and universities in many parts of the country which have scholarships available to graduates of high schools.

NURSERY TRAINING SCHOOL OF BOSTON, Boston, Mass. Address inquiries to the school. Six scholarships totaling $1,350 are available.

OAKLAND CITY COLLEGE, Oakland City, Ind. Address inquiries to the college. Thirty-seven scholarships totaling $4,214 are available.

OBERLIN COLLEGE, Oberlin, Ohio. Address inquiries to the college. Five hundred and eighty seven scholarships totaling $103,522 are available.

OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE, Los Angeles, Calif. Address inquiries to the secretary of the Committee on Scholarships and Student Aid, 1600 Campus rd., Los Angeles, 41, Calif.

OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY, Ada, O. Address inquiries to the university. Eighty scholarships totaling $7,895 are available.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, Columbus, O. Address inquiries to the university. Four hundred and eighty-seven scholarships totaling $68,233 are available.

OHIO UNIVERSITY, Athens, O. Address inquiries to the scholarship committee. A limited number of general scholarships are available ranging in value from $45 to $200. A few scholarships available in limited fields (music, art).

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, Delaware, O. Address inquiries to the university. Five hundred and ninety-seven scholarships totaling $101,914 are available.

OREGON COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, Monmouth, Ore. Address inquiries to the college. Three hundred and nineteen scholarships totaling $34,963 are available.

LOS ANGELES CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC AND ARTS, Los Angeles, Calif. Address inquiries to the conservatory. Thirty-four scholarships totaling $14,000 are available.

LOUIS COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, Rockport, Ill. Address inquiries to the college. Fifty-four scholarships totaling $40,115 are available.

LOYOLA COLLEGE, Baltimore, Md. Address inquiries to the college. Thirty-eight scholarships totaling $9,100 are available.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY OF LOS ANGELES, Los Angeles, Calif. Address inquiries to the Committee on Scholarships.

About 16 scholarships awarded annually, ranging from $45 to $450.

LYCOMBING COLLEGE, Williamsport, Pa. Address inquiries to the college. Forty-six scholarships totaling $4,813 are available.

LYONS TOWNSHIP JUNIOR COLLEGE, La Grange, Ill. Address inquiries to the college. Twenty-eight scholarships totaling $2,750.

NOTRE DAME COLLEGE, South Euclid, O. Address inquiries to the college. Seventeen scholarships totaling $5,805 are available.

NORWICH UNIVERSITY, Northfield, Vt. Address inquiries to the college. Two hundred and sixteen scholarships totaling $28,700 are available.

New Books ...

New Books published by the New American Library of World Literature, Inc., 501 Madison Avenue, New York 22.

WIVES AND HUSBANDS by David Duncan, life and love in an artist's colony, original publisher World Publishing Co., price 25 cents.

TO END THE NIGHT by Alex Gaby, he had to find the secret of his wife's past, original publisher David McKay Co., Inc., price 25 cents.

I TAKE THIS WOMAN by Georges Simenon, a powerful revelation of the secrets of a marriage, original publisher Prentice-Hall, Inc., price 25 cents.

BUGLE'S WAKE by Curt Brandon, Indian warfare on the Texas frontier!, original publisher E. P. Dutton & Co., Inc., price 25 cents.

TRIGGER VENGEANCE by B. M. Bower, a frontier cowboy tangles with an outlaw gang!, original publisher Little, Brown and Co., price 25 cents.

AN AMERICAN DREAM GIRL by James T. Farrell, original publisher Vanguard Press, Inc., price 25 cents.

DEATH IN THE FIFTH POSITION by Edgar Box, murder at the ballet, original publisher E. P. Dutton & Co., Inc., price 25 cents.

GROWING UP IN NEW GUINEA by Margaret Mead, a revealing study of a primitive culture, original publisher William Morrow & Co., price 35 cents.

SUBMARINE by Commander Edward L. Beach, U.S.N., a thrilling true account of war beneath the sea, original publisher Henry Holt & Co., price 35 cents.

SARTORIS by William Faulkner, a novel of a proud and passionate family, original publisher Harcourt, Brace & Co., Inc., price 35 cents.

INVISIBLE MAN by Ralph Ellison, original publisher Random House, Inc., price 50 cents.

Words Worth Quoting

It is twice as hard to crush a half-truth as a whole lie.

—AUSTIN O'MALLEY.

It is easier to cling to a false belief which you have become accustomed to than to embrace, or even listen to, a truth you have never heard before.

Children have more need of models than of critics.

Many a man expects to be buried from the church who does nothing about keeping it open till he gets there.

There is no verbal vitamin more potent than praise.

—FREDERICK B. HARRIS.

The right to be let alone is indeed the beginning of all freedom.

—WILLIAM O. DOUGLAS.

People are best governed when least governed.

—THOMAS JEFFERSON.

Some people use Christianity like a bus; they ride on it only when it is going their way.

Don't worry about your station in life; somebody will be sure to tell you where to get off.

Don't let your pride become inflated —you may have to swallow it some day.

—HENRY W. NEWTON.

Those who hope for no other life are dead even in this.

—JOHANN VON GOETHE.

Ours is an age which is proud of machines that think and suspicious of any man who tries to.

—HOWARD M. JONES.

Think all you speak but speak not all you think.

—PATRICK DELANEY.

There are husbands and wives who deliberately report instances of casual flirtations for the fun of making their mates jealous and excited. Some women are faithful wives, physically, but are teasers.

Unfaithful By Instinct

From the book
'Marital Infidelity'
By Dr. Frank A. Caprio

Chapter Seven

"Let him who is without sin among you eas the first stone."

Those who have never been physically unfaithful to a married partner feel that this phrase applies to them: they feel that they have the right to condemn the man or woman who yields to an actual infidelity.

Yet the husband or wife who takes this stand may have enacted an infidelity equivalent a hundred times, in dreams, in fantasy lovemaking with a movie star or a neighbor's attractive spouse.

These moments when a husband or wife unconsciously expresses desire for another woman or another man are what we call instances of "Psychic Infidelity." Psychic infidelity is so common to all of us that we need to recognize it for what it is, and know how much importance to attach to it.

Psychic infidelity stems from our deepest instinct: the instinct to be polygamous, to enjoy freedom and variety.

Not Born Faithful

As civilized people, we have developed a code of ethics that includes faithfulness to our married partners. Unfortunately, nature has not made it easy for us.

We are not born with the innate instinct to be faithful to one mate. We are born with the instinct to be free of bonds. Polygamy, according to the historians, preceded monogamy.

Normally, we break free from even the closest relationships to parents and family. When a man or woman maintains too close a tie with the family, it is usually out of fear.

The normal tendency is to be independent, to strike out on our own, to pull free of family control and dominance. Excess dependency engenders guilt feelings.

Everyone feels a certain amount of rebellion against authority, whether it be parental, political or military. We feel the same rebellion against ties of duty that bind us in marriage.

Fidelity is largely a matter of self-discipline. We have to remind ourselves to be faithful. We have to distinguish the temporary physical attraction from the real bond of mutual love and endeavor.

We have to remind ourselves that we can't have everything, and that the grass is not always as green as it looks in the other fellow's back yard.

Potentially Unfaithful

Because of our inner desire to be free agents, as people, as citizens, as husbands or wives, we are all susceptible to the desire for adventure, for experiment, for free choice.

We all have potentialities for being unfaithful. This tendency to be unfaithful comes out in our dreams and is often unconsciously revealed in our conversation and behavior during the course of everyday life.

Psychic infidelity does not carry out the dream or the unconscious desire to the conscious level. When a man chooses the empty seat next to a pretty woman on the bus, it is not because he intends to be physically unfaithful to his wife.

When a wife sighs over the baritone on television, she has no intention of going to the studio and trying to meet him.

A great deal of unnecessary jealousy arises from ignorance of the role of psychic infidelity in human nature. The wife quarrels with her husband for taking a second look at a pretty girl. The husband resents it if his wife exclaims over the movie hero's wavy hair and rippling biceps.

No issue should be made of these mild expressions of psychic infidelity. Both men and women should realize that moments of extramarital attraction are normal outlets for the most part, and are not dangerous or harmful at this level.

Trying to eliminate them entirely only increases the desire. Keeping them under control gives them their natural function as a safety valve for repressed longings.

Imagining romantic situations constitutes an outlet for the yearnings we all have for variety and romantic adventure. Like everything else, psychic infidelity needs to be reasonably handled or it can result in serious trouble.

Create Jealousy

There are husbands and wives who deliberately report instances of casual flirtation for the fun of making their mates jealous and excited. Some women are faithful wives, physically, but they are teasers.

They like to arouse their men, skirt the edge of infidelity without actually yielding, then tell their husbands about the adventure.

Husbands do the same thing. They will not be unfaithful to their wives on a business trip, but will come home with a glowing account of the hours they spent with the pretty woman they met in the dining car or bar.

Using these little forays into psychic infidelity, to goad a wife or a husband may ruin the marriage with jealousy and quarrels and suspicions. Even when a flirtatious encounter is innocent, playing it up hurts the married partner.

It can have even more serious consequences when suspicions arise that can't be disproved. We need to know our mates and act accordingly. If we have a good marriage, but the husband or wife is more than normally thin-skinned, or suspicious, we must not talk about even mild flirtations.

A husband or wife who is not endowed with a strong self-confidence will suspect the worse, and brood to the point where the physical relationship as well as the emotional is spoiled by jealousy and tension.

A man of my acquaintance, unworldly, idealistic and single-mindedly faithful himself, became victim of a situation in which his wife's psychic infidelity was used to torment him.

Experienced Woman

This man had reached middle age before he married. He fell in love with a divorcee who was highly experienced with men, accustomed to their admiration and used to a round of good times with different men friends.

The husband in this case—we will call him Albert—assumed that his wife would settle down as soon as they were married. He pictured a marriage in which they would work together and take their good times together, with mutual friends. He was strict about her meeting former men friends, having lunch or cocktails with them.

Albert's wife rebelled. She could not give up her past. She wanted to live in two worlds; in the romantic adventures of her past, and the secure respectability of her present marriage. She wanted the marriage, but she was too spoiled to give up the bachelor-girl privileges.

She insisted that she was going to see one particular man, a former admirer, for old times' sake. Her husband tried to forbid it. He knew he would suffer jealousy imagining scenes between the two.

"It isn't that I don't trust you," he told her. "I'm just being practical. It isn't right for you to want to go out with him alone, and be seen with him around town."

His wife finally agreed to give up seeing the former beau alone—but she invited him to dinner every two weeks. She told her husband triumphantly, "You can't object to my having him here, with you right in the same room with us."

Became Tormented

The strain on her husband grew unbearable. Every hour he sat opposite the other man at his own table in his own house, he was tormented by speculation about his wife's past relations with this man. He was angered and humiliated to the point where he began to drink heavily and to suffer acute indigestion.

Finally he could not stand it any longer. "I won't have this man in our home again. Why should we have to take this former friend of yours into our lives?"

In retaliation, she goaded him in innumerable ways, until he couldn't feel easy for a single hour of the day, wondering what she was up to. There were stormy scenes. During their quarrels, he would shout abuse and even slap her in a jealous rage.

Finally, he came to me for help. He was in a maze of confusion. Did he or didn't he have the right to object to her continuing to see her former men friends?

I told him he was right to object. I explained that his wife's attachment to the men from her past was unhealthy for marriage. It was more than friendship. It was psychic infidelity, and there was no guarantee that it would stop there.

In cases of this kind, it is safer for a man or woman to forfeit a relationship carried over from the past. Even if, as she claimed, the former admirer was now only a "friend," once she found he was threatening the safety of her marriage, she should give him up if she really loved her husband.

I explained his wife's motivation to him. Unconsciously, she revealed her sense of insecurity in her need for constant male admiration. She wanted daily evidence of her husband's jealousy to prove herself desirable.

Had To Learn

Albert had to learn the A B C's of handling a situation he had been badly mismanaging. First of all, he had to remember never to get angry with her and shout. Every time she baited him into losing his temper, he justified her complaints and put himself in a bad light. He had to learn not to show that he was jealous or upset over what she did.

After Albert had calmed down and learned to avoid abuse and quarrels, he had a quiet talk with his wife. He explained to her that his background was conservative and that he wanted a wife in whom he could have faith.

"If you can show me that I'm wrong in the stand I am taking, I'll concede. If I'm right, admit it, and we can try to save our marriage."

He told her he had gone to a psychiatrist to find out if as a husband he was abnormally jealous.

"The psychiatrist assured me that this relationship between you and your former admirer is unhealthy. When I married you, I took it for granted that it would end. This is a test of love. If you feel compelled to go on seeing these men, I'm willing to set you free.

"I can't take this situation. If you feel that both the psychiatrist and I are wrong, you select anyone you wish, and ask him what he thinks of your having dates with former admirers."

The wife refused to take the question to anyone. This confirmed her fear that she might be proved to be in the wrong.

Albert did not quarrel over her refusal. He spoke to her so nicely, and continued to treat her so fairly, that she finally agreed to give up seeing the other man.

In time, she settled for the pleasures of a harmonious marriage and devoted her energy to entertaining their mutual friends.

In showing the husband how to deal with his wife's psychic infidelity, I emphasized that whether the wife is responsible or not, the husband must handle the disagreement reasonably.

The same holds true for a wife whose husband causes her jealousy. No one is convinced by abuse and quarreling, even if the anger seems well justified.

About The Author

Dr. Frank S. Caprio is a practicing psychiatrist in Washington but his fame extends from the capital around the world.

His clinical writings in medical journals have received the highest acclaim. His books, delving into our emotional and physical problems with the files of his own cases for source material, include "Sexual Deviations" and "The Power of Sex."

"Marital Infidelity," is the doctor's latest book, published recently by Citadel Press. It will appear in full in your AFRO Magazine.

COMING Chapters

- CAUSES AND CONSEQUENCES—The problem of infidelity.
- THE CHILDREN—Innocent Sufferers.
- THE TRIANGLE-STALEMATE – Primary cause for divorce

STREET SCENE — Berlin houses stand in precise uniformity along this street.

America's Chicken Capital . . . .

According to the 1940 census, Berlin, Md. has 1,435 residents, of whom slightly more than 400 are colored. Although several years have elapsed since that census, the population is just about the same.

Located just eight miles from famed Atlantic ocean resort—Ocean City—Berlin has gained a nation-wide reputation as the chicken capital of the country.

The average colored resident of Berlin works in one of the town's chicken processing plants, helping to dress select Maryland chickens for market.

Wealthy Poultry Breeder

A colored poultry farmer, Isaac Crippins, has erected a block-long structure as his chicken house, where he constantly keeps more than 15,000 chickens fattening for market. He is reputed to be the wealthiest man in town.

According to J. William McKay, executive manager of the town's largest poultry plant, the Acme Poultry Corp., more than 12 milion chickens a year are processed through Berlin

In dollars and cents, the business reaches a staggering total of more than $10 million.

AP Christopher, genial mayor of Berlin, Md., laughs when queried about Berlin being the "chicken capital of the world." Between chuckles, he admits: "Well, I've heard that from a lot of people and seen it a lot of times in papers and magazines.

"All I know is the chicken business is a good booming business in Berlin. When you get a chicken from down here you can bet your bottom dollar it will melt in your mouth—and you can quote me on that."

Although located on the not-too-liberal Eastern Shore of Maryland, the two races live rather harmoniously in Berlin. As one attractive school teacher pointed out, "in some ways the town is even more liberal than its big sister—Batimore.

Few Color Bars

The teacher was referring to the many stores in downtown Baltimore that do not cater to colored patrons. In Berlin, stores on the town's main street are open to all customers.

Berlin boasts many comfortable homes and the residents living in them—with one exception—enjoy all the advantages of modern living. The exception is television, the townspeople get very poor reception from far-away television stations, so few own television sets.

One of the prettiest homes is that of Mrs. Lisa Powell, prominent Berlin widow whose husband died several years ago. Equally as attractive is the modern frame bungalow of Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Jones.

Has Jodern Kitchen

Mrs. Jones' kitchen is a housewife's dream. A teacher the Berlin elementary school, she has co ived to get every modern labor saving dev e invented for her kitchen.

The ele entary school, the only school in town, has almost 400 pupils and 11 teachers. The incipal, Kelly Wilson, recently enlisted of the pupils to construct a trim, whi lattice fence around the grass lawn bord ing the school.

One of the most historic churches in Maryland, St. Paul Methodist church, in Berlin, is also one of the largest and oldest churches between the town and Wilmington. The church has genuine stain glass windows, imported from Europe when the church was built shortly after the turn of the century.

Home Of War Baby

Berlin was recently catapulted into national prominence when two residents, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Taylor, adopted a cute little German war aby through the auspices of the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers.

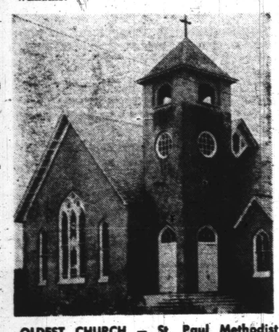
Coincidentally living in a town named after the Germ capital, little Renata Taylor has quickly a pted herself to the easy pace of this quiet wn.

Encouraged by the Taylors' success with Renata, other childless couples in Berlin are making plans to adopt a similar war baby.

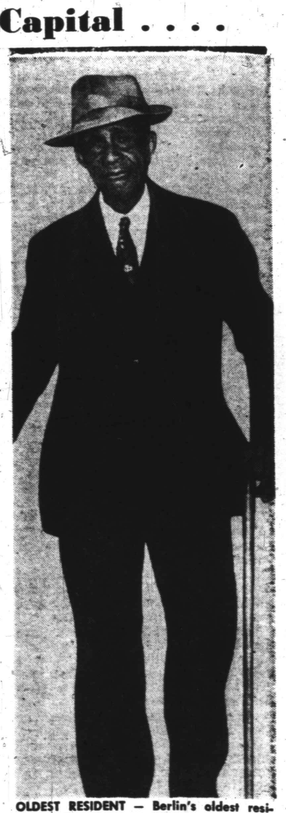
In addition to Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, other residents in Berlin boasting attractive homes are:

Isaac Crippins, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Showell, Mr. and Mrs. James Waters, Mr. and Mrs. Arlester Barrow, and Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Williams.

REFUGE — Renata Taylor, er man war baby, lives here with her new parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Taylor.



OLDEST CHURCH — St. Paul Methodist Church, in Berlin, is the "oldest and biggest church between Berlin and Wilmington, Del. The Rev. Willard G. Brown is pastor.



OLDEST RESIDENT — Berlin's oldest resident is Don Showell, 95, who still boasts of being able to hold a regular job if "only my eyes would have held out."

TOWN SCHOOL — The lattice fence surrounding the Berlin Elementary School was built by school pupils led by Russell Whaley and under the direction of Kelly Wilson, school principal.

TOP INDUSTRY — Berlin, Md., is reputed to be the chicken capital of the world. This block long structure houses more than 15,000 chickens owned by Isaac Crippin, said to be the wealthiest man in town.

Seven Wonders Of The World

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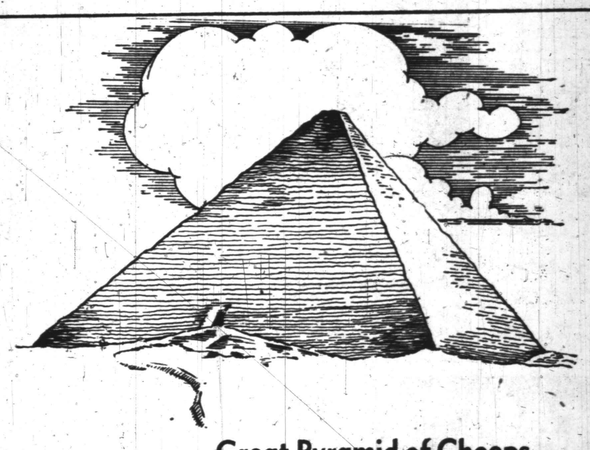
Your AFRO Magazine sent out an inquiry to various societies, institutions and individuals asking them to list what could be considered the "Seven Wonders Of The Modern World." Watch next week's issue for their replies.

Colossus of Rhodes

This Grecian statue of Apollo, God of the Sun, was built of 60,000 pounds of bronze, standing 105 feet high overlooking the harbor of Rhoades. (The Statue of Liberty is 151 feet high.)

Inside was a special staircase from feet to head. In the eyes were burning beams as a guide to ships.



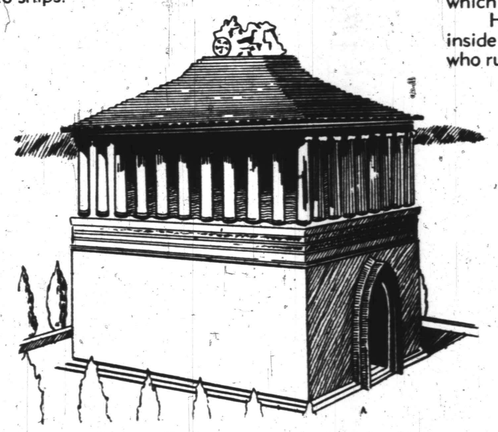
Great Pyramid of Cheops

The Great Pyramid, erected by Egyptian Pharoah Cheops not far from Memphis to be his tomb and is the only one of the seven wonders which still survives.

481 feet high, it is the largest of the pyramids, made of 2,300,000 stones, each weighing 2½ tons. It took 100,000 men 20 years to build it, and contains 85 million cubic feet of masonry.

The outer skin of the pyramid was polished limestone, some traces of which still remain today.

Here is a veritable mountain with a maze of rooms and chambers inside which at one time contained the fabulous treasures of a Pharoah who ruled Egypt for 60 years.



Tomb of King Mausolus

140-foot-high tomb of King Mausolus in what is known now as Budrum, Turkey, in Asia Minor, erected by his wife in 353 B.C., the most splendid memorial ever built. So we call all tombs today Mausoleums.

The base of the tomb was solid, the inner walls adorned with sculptured figures. Above were 30 Ionic columns of golden white marble supporting a pyramid roof of twenty-four steps. At the top rested a gilded bronze chariot drawn by four horses.

Pharos of Alexandria

The father of the lighthouses. Pharos means lighthouse. Erected 285 B.C.-247 B.C. by Sostratus for Ptolemy the Pharoah. It was a veritable skyscraper, 30 stories or 600 feet high, at a time when most buildings were only one or two stories high.

On the summit was a huge mirror behind a brazier in which a continuous fire which could be seen far out to sea.

In 1375 it was completely destroyed by an earthquake.