Says Husband Donated Time Plus Food, Too!

Not only did Willie Farr give his time and attention to a woman friend, but the family groceries, also, Mrs. Louise Farr charged in her testimony for a divorce.

But when he bought a fruit cake on Christmas Eve, 1951, and took that to his friend, too, that ended the union, she said.

The woman who won top favors was Miss Mildred Lomax, the wife said.

Mrs. Farr pointed out that she did everything she could think of to keep her family intact, even to having him arrested when he told her point blank that he was going to see Miss Lomax.

Witness for the wife was Mrs. Violet H. Whyte, policewoman, who described Mr. Farr as "hopeless", and said that he had been sent to prison for striking his wife. Upon his release, said the policewoman, Mr. Farr headed straight back to a Wilson Court address where Miss Lomax and her sister live.

Mrs. Young Freed

A divorce, on grounds of voluntary separation, ended the marriage of Mrs. Mary E. Young of 2740 Bookert Drive and William H. Young of 273 Pennsylvania ave. Roy S. Bond was attorney for the wife.

Mrs. Carolyn Thomas of 2226 Madison ave., also divorced George R. Thomas, who, she said, deserted her in Oct. 1950. They were married in 1944 and are parents of three sons.

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3 Persons Die Over Week End

Three Marylanders died in two drownings and an automobile accidents over the week-end.

Sunday, Thomas Hadrick, 47, Easton, drowned while swimming in 10 ft. of water near Kent Narrows. The man's body was found floating in the water by a group of swimmers who hauled him to shore and tried artificial respiration without success.

Saturday, Aaron Jackson, 600 block Houser st., was helping other railway employees secure rigging on a ship docked at a Port Covington pier when a cable slipped.

The cable first hit two other men, glanced off, then hit Jackson knocking him in the water. He was pronounced dead from drowning at South Baltimore General Hospital.

Saturday night, Edward M. Cooper, 51, Rising Sun, was killed instantly when his car left the road on Route 276, near Port Deposit. The auto, which was considerably damaged, hit three trees before finally coming to rest on a fourth.

2 Servicemen Killed In Korea

Two Baltimoreans were reported killed on Korea battlefronts this week by the Department of Defense.

They were:

Pfc. WILLIAM M. ROBERTS, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Roberts of 611 Roundview rd., Cherry Hill.

Pfc. JAMES W. GLADDEN, son of Mrs. Catherine Benson of 1907 E. Oliver st.

Pfc. Roberts, 22, was reported killed on July 8, only a few days after he wrote telling his family that his unit with the 1st Marine Division was scheduled to move up to the front lines.

Marine Volunteer

A volunteer, he had been in the service for about two years. He went overseas in January following service at Parris Island, S.C. and Camp Pendleton, Calif.

A brother, Cpl. James D. Roberts, 20, is home until July 23 on emergency furlough from Fort Campbell, Ky. because of the family tragedy.

Pfc. Roberts was a former pupil at Douglass high school and an attendant at St. Veronica Catholic Church. Besides his parents and brother, he is survived by two sisters, Marlene and Mary L. Roberts.

Died On Holiday

Pfc. Gladden is reported to have died on July 4 from wounds suffered previously.

A former pupil of Dunbar high school, he had been in the Army about a year, and overseas about six months. He served formerly at Camp Pickett, Va.

MAIN SPEAKER — The Rev. Charles Dinkins, pastor of the First Baptist church, Nashville, Tenn., second from left, gave the feature address at the recent 27th annual session of the Sunday School and Baptist Training Union convention of Maryland. Pictured with him are, left to right: Daniel Jones, first vice president of the organization; Mrs. Eliza Costin, activities director and J. Haywood Harrison, delegate from Faith Baptist church.

BTU DELEGATES — Representing the Fulton Baptist Church Sunday School, these girls were delegates to the recent 27th annual session of the Sunday School and Baptist Training Union Convention of Maryland.

PAYSON ST. BUILDING

Michael Fox, auctioneer, sold last week for William C. Rogers, trustee, 438 N. Payson st., subject to a ground rent of $96 and improved by a two-story brick dwelling with a store front to Alvin Snyder and Bernard Myerson for $5,500.

MS. TALIAFERRO IMPROVING AT HOSPITAL

Mrs. Molly Thomas Taliaferro is improving at Johns Hopkins hospital where she underwent an operation last week. She was able to sit up out of bed on Monday.

Bank Robbery Suspect Is Hospitalized

One Of Trio Held In 15 Grand Heist Suffering Paralysis

Gilbert Littles, one of a trio of bank desperadoes arrested in Frederick, Md., July 10 after a $15,000 holdup of the Libertytown, Md., bank is in University hospital.

Littles, 37, of Harrisburg, Pa., was admitted to the hospital Thursday morning, "paralyzed on the left side and barely able to talk above a whisper," a hospital source said.

It was reported that Littles told doctors he was kicked in the side, under the chin, hit over the head with a flashlight, and thrown down some steps while handcuffed sometime after his capture.

Under 24-Hour Guard

Under 24-hour guard, his condition is reported as "fair."

Arrested with Littles when their car crashed in a one-way street at the end of a 10-mile, 90-mile-an-hour chase were Lonier Archer, 34, of Steelton, Pa., and Frank Allen, 40, white, of Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Littles is believed to have fired two shots at pursuing state troopers during the chase.

Escaped Death In January

Littles barely escaped death during an operation for a bullet wound in the neck in January, after being shot in Pennsylvania.

Deputy Sheriff Robert Kincaid, guarding Littles at the hospital Monday, described the January shooting as "a friendly argument." Asked about the circumstances surrounding Littles' present inquires, Deputy Kincaid said:

"They weren't so friendly."

It was also revealed Monday that a brother of Littles died in a fire last week. The brother's name and the place of the incident were not known by officials.

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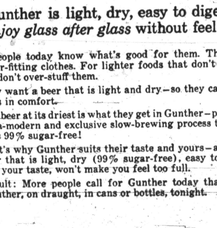

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BTU PREXY — Mrs. Mabel Gee, who was re-elected president of the Sunday School and Baptist Training Union which held its 27th annual session here recently.

TV Sets, Earphones Needed At Henryton

Having conducted a similar project on behalf of City Hospitals patients, Mrs. Mabel Watkins is now soliciting TV sets and accessories for Henryton hospital patients.

Cooperating with Mrs. Dorothy Hebron, social worker at the hospital, Mrs. Watkins has issued an appeal for earphones and jacks for the individual TV sets which the patients already have.

Clothing Needed

Another TV set is needed for the men's lounge; and cartons of toothpaste and children's clothing are also among the patients' needs.

Mrs. Watkins, who lives at 5612 Chickadee ct., Holabird, is willing to arrange pick-up service for any of these articles. She may be reached by telephone at PE 2-3637.

11 Soldiers En Route Home From Far East

Eleven Baltimoreans are among 2,679 soldiers en route home from the Far East. Their service ship is expected to dock in Seattle, Wash. today (Tuesday).

The group includes:

Pfc. LESLIE H. CHAMP, 1434 Argyle ave.

Pfc. THADDEUS B. CROCKER, 1425 W. Franklin st.

Pfc. HARRY STANLEY, 1420 Mosher st.

Pfc. HENRY W. HENSON, 2715 W. Mosher st.

M/Sgt. JAMES R. INGRAM, 1048 Argyle ave.

Cpl. JOSEPH PALMER, 1712 Druid Hill ave.

Pfc. ROBERT PERKINS, 1206 Edythe st.

Pfc. MORGAN A. TONEY, 919 N. Washington st.

Pfc. CHARLIE L. TURNER, 235 N. Gilmor st.

M/Sgt. GEORGE E. VANN, 1428 W. Lafayette ave.

Cpl. LEVI WOOD, 563 W. Mosher st.

They will be granted furloughs before further army assignment.

Women Friends Cut Each Other 'For Fun'

Two Northeast Baltimore women, who started swinging at each other with paring knives "just for the fun of it," were committed to Johns Hopkins Hospital wounds and later fined $50 and costs each at Northeastern police court.

Police were called to "take care" of Siren Knighton of the 1800 block E. Madison st., and Helen Chamberlain of the 1800 block Ashland ave., after a friend put in a call for "help."

The two women admitted that they were not mad at each other. A male friend, however, thought that they were playing "too rough."

Crownsville Escapees Caught In 40 Minutes

Crownsville hospital guards apprehended two young patients last week within 40 minutes after police had been notified of their escape.

George Benjamin, 15 and Donald Brown, 19, were picked up at 6:02 p.m. Police had received the report at 5:23 p.m.

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Awareness that we can no longer afford the wasteful luxury of racial discrimination is becoming more widespread every day.

Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, Texas-born secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, just recently estimated that denial of equal opportunity costs America 30 billions of dollars each year.

Another southern-born convert to the economic necessity of fair employment was heard from last week.

He is Harry L. Golden, editor of the Carolina Israelite. He was addressing the North Carolina Editorial Writers conference in Charlotte.

Millions of tax dollars paid out to educate North Carolina children are being lost to his state, Mr. Golden lamented.

Out of every ten colored engineers trained at state expense, only two remain in North Carolina, he said.

"Unless we are prepared to fit colored citizens into the white work-structure of North Carolina, and expanded vocational program will only add that much more wealth to the economy of South Bend, Ind. and Camden, N.J."

The editors were told that of the few highly trained colored North Carolinians who do remain at home, most of them are forced to find jobs in some lesser-paying field, because of the doors closed to them.

Of course, this is not news to us. We have been making this argument all along in our continuing fight for passage of state and federal FEPC legislation.

The principal roadblocks have been thrown by congressmen from Mr. Golden's part of the country.

It is certainly cheering news to learn that the gospel is finally beginning to spread — attracting such useful new disciples as the gentlemen from North Carolina and the lady from Texas.

Where Was Dr. Imes?

Dr. G. Lake Imes, in a letter to the AFRO last week, insists that S. J. Phillips did not make a speech justifying and defending segregation.

It seems that Dr. Imes, who is vice-president of Booker T. Washington Birthplace Memorial, was the principal speaker on that occasion.

The occasion was the dedication of the new highway named after Tuskegee's founder.

But in the same mail with Dr. Imes' letter came from Mr. Phillips a mimeographed release of Mr. Phillips' speech.

Among other things Mr. Phillips said, according to Mr. Phillips:

"The circumstance of the segregation system has been of overall benefit to the Negro.

"The economic progress of the Negro as achieved, and as presently enjoyed, is due in large measure, if not in practical entirety, to the pattern of segregation.

"The considerations should also recognize certain customs and habits through which economic advantages accrue to the masses of Negroes under the segregation system."

Need more of the sickening discourse be repeated.

If this isn't a defense and justification of segregation, the English language simply doesn't mean what it says.

Perhaps Dr. Imes couldn't hear because of the thunderous applause of white Virginians.

Or it could be he arrived a bit too late to hear this latest dangerous bid to make the front pages of every daily in Dixie.

Report From Europe

By Ollie Stewart

How Not To Be A Tourist

PARIS — The care and feeding of tourists is a subject that has become of not waking hours for the past five years—not to mention having disturbed my slumbers for more nights than I care to think about.

Thus I feel qualified to offer a few words on "How to be a Good Tourist — or "How to Use Friends and Upset People."

First of all, when you're all set to go abroad, be sure you write everybody you know in Europe, particularly in Paris. Tell them all the same thing.

Mr. Stewart

Tell them that you will arrive on such-and-such a date and they must be sure to meet you. But don't give them the date of your boat or airline unless you're using or even-the station at which you will arrive.

Let them guess a little bit. That will be loads of fun for them. After all there are only about seven train stations in Paris; and only about ten airlines that use the two main Paris airports. And a half day on the phone should net them enough information to conclude as follows:

May Need Sleeping Bag

"Well, they'll either come in at St. Lazare or the Montparnasse station. If they're first class, they'll arrive at 7:50 p.m., but if they're third-class they'll get in around 10. If the train isn't late. Guess I' better take my sleeping bag and be ready to make a night of it."

And when you write people that they had better be there to meet you or you'll just die, don't worry about a little thing like the fact that these people may have a job and have to keep regular office hours.

Or a dinner to cook, or children to put to bed, or a husband or wife to relax with. After all, what do their plans matter? Folks who live in Europe have nothing else to do but mark the calendar and sit and wait until you arrive.

This trip is costing you a lot of money—and if anybody's go the kind of dinky little old job that keeps him from hanging around the station all day to meet you, then he or she ought to darn well change their jobs.

Talk, Talk, Talk

Oh, and when you arrive at your Paris hotel or somebody's home, be sure to add to your popularity by monopolizing the conversation. Stress the fact that so many people came to the boat to see you off that only half of them could get into your cabin.

And don't forget to mention all the nice people you met on the ship (they wouldn't speak to you where they came from) and how terribly friendly they were and you're having dinner with a couple tomorrow night.

Yeah. And when you ask a friend what you should see in Paris, don't give them a chance to get a word in edgewise until AFTER you've recited your must-see-list (headed by the Folies Bergere) — which of a native if he gave it to you would end Champs Elysées thrown in.

Funny Little Cars'

At the first opportunity, don't (I repeat, don't) fail to say something out loud about the "funny little cars the French ride around in." After all, you're spending enough money to pay for some freedom of speech. And if the French haven't worked up to turning out fiskfiais, shame on 'em.

And don't let anybody kid you about these Europeans. You heard it before you came over — and now you know. They're just plain lazy. Why, if they didn't close up two hours for lunch, and didn't spend the rest of the day jabbering at sidewalk tables, they'd have enough money to pay their bills. They wouldn't be yapping for a handout in Washington every two or three months.

And they're so slow. Got no system for getting things done. Stubborn too. Why, even though America gives them money and knows how they like it, they keep dragging their feet, etc., etc.

So you wanna be a regular tourist? Just follow the simple directions given above.

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". . . No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States . . ."

—14TH AMENDMENT, U. S. CONSTITUTION.

OPINION

"He buries gold who hides the truth." —PYTHAGORAS.

An Accurate Prophecy

The Republicans were swept into office last November with but few specific promises in the field of civil rights.

President Eisenhower spoke in general terms of his abhorrence of second-class citizenship, but made only two pledges:

1. To rid the nation's capital of the "last vestige of segregation" and

2. To exercise leadership in a conference with state governors urging enactment of fair employment practice laws in the various legislatures.

The watered down Republican platform did assure voters that "we will prove our good faith by:"

1. Appointing qualified persons, without distinction of race, religion or national origin, to responsible positions in the government.

2. Federal action toward the elimination of lynching.

3. Federal action toward the elimination of poll taxes as a prerequisite to voting.

4. Appropriate action to end segregation in the District of Columbia...

5. Enacting federal legislation to further just and equitable treatment in the area of discriminatory employment practices.

But in making up their calendar of "must" legislation, the Republican leadership calloudly turned thumbs down on all of these platform promises.

The only item given any consideration (and it was placed at the bottom of the list) was a bill to increase the number of commissioners for the District of Columbia from three to five.

Presumably this act was to allow the president to appoint a colored member to this body as the first step in his pledge to "wipe out the last vestige of segregation" in the capital.

The first session of the 83rd Congress is now rushing towards adjournment. There is no indication that any of the civil rights pledges will be given consideration.

Moreover, the Republicans didn't even bother to go through the motions of holding committee hearings on any one of the scores of civil rights bills now before congress.

All of this proposed legislation has been kept safely pigeon - holed in the desks of various committee chairmen.

Not a whisper has come down from the White House in an effort to get action on any of these proposals.

A conspiracy of silence hangs like a heavy cloud over the whole issue.

"We deplore the duplicity and insincerity of the party in power in racial and religious matters. . . . they have not kept nor do they intend to keep their promises," wrote the Republican platform framers last July.

Viewed a year later, it would appear that they more than knew what they were talking about.

Make Them Pay

The decision of Jim Tugerson to fight back is as cheerful a bit of news as we've heard this week.

Tugerson, with his twin brother, Leander, you may remember, had signed contracts to pitch this year for the Hot Springs (Ark.) Bathers.

The Bathers belong to the 50-year old Class C Cotton States League which includes four teams in Mississippi.

The Mississippi teams kicked, so the Tugersons were farmed out to Knoxville in the Class D Mountain States League.

Jim made such an excellent showing at Knoxville, he was recalled on May 23 to help the floundering Hot Springs Bathers in a game with the Jackson, Miss., team.

Before Tugerson could pitch the first ball, Cotton States League President Al Harrison ordered the game forfeited to Jackson.

Because the team insisted on keeping the two pitchers, the Hot Springs Bathers was ousted from the league. Minor League President George Trautman ordered it reinstated.

But the Tugersons were still not permitted to pitch. So Jim hired a lawyer and has filed a $50,000 suit in the U.S. District Court at Hot Springs.

He accuses Haraway and the eight clubs in the league of depriving him of a livelihood.

Moreover, he charges that he was barred from playing with the Bathers because of his race, thus denying him his rights as a citizen.

In the seven years since Branch Rickey signed Jackie Robinson, the color line in baseball is slowly, but surely being erased.

This is especially so in the minor leagues all over the nation.

The presence of colored players on teams in Texas, Oklahoma, Virginia, North Carolina and even Georgia is no longer a novelty.

Tim Tugerson's suit is therefore timely.

If President Al Haraway and the Cotton States League insist on keeping this desert of discrimination amid the green outfields of America's greatest pastime, they should be made to pay for the privilege.

The Reports Of My Death Are Premature!

NEWS ITEM—Remnants of the old Ku Klux Klan organizations gathered at Columbus, Ga., to form the new United Ku Klux Klan.

WHAT AFRO READERS SAY . . . his score

'I wholly disapprove of what you say but will defend to the death your right to say it.' — Voltaire on Helvetius

TRIBUTE TO LAWYERS

Atlanta — I was thrilled by James Hicks' front page tribute to our civil rights lawyers in the July 18 AFRO. They are really on the firing line and deserve our full support.

RAYMOND HERNDON

Washington — NAACP lawyers in the deep south deserve every word of praise accorded them by Mr. Hicks. I was just sorry he didn't call some names of these unsung heroes.

(Mrs.) DORIS GORDON

Editor's Note — Arthur Shores, Birmingham; A. T. Walden, Atlanta; Donald Murray, Baltimore; J. R. Booker, Little Rock; Oliver Hill, Richmond; F. S. K. Whittaker, Houston; J. Marcus Burrell, Newark; John B. Culbertson, Greenville, S.C., to name a few.

Roanoke, Va. — Hurray for Jimmy Hicks' long overdue tribute to our fighting lawyers! We have one here in the person of Reuben E. Lawson.

PEGGY CAMPBELL

FIRST APPOINTMENT

New York — Why play up on the front page President Eisenhower's appointment of General B. O. Davis to the American Battle Monuments Commission?

Didn't the AFRO do this with his tongue in its cheek? After all the job is purely honorary and offers no compensation.

Editor's Note — The story was carried on page one because AFRO editors considered it front page news.

Providence, R.I. — I hope Eisenhower's appointment of General Davis will bush up the AFRO's persistent yapping that he hasn't named any colored persons to high-level jobs.

BILL STEWART

Philadelphia — Surely the Republicans are not foolish enough to believe the naming of General Davis fulfills their promise to make appointments without regard to race.

President Eisenhower has appointed hundreds of party faithful as well as Dixiecrats to high-paid jobs. Our only appointee is named to a position that pays no salary. How Ironic!

MARGARET HAYES

MRS. PAUL ROBESON

Hartford, Conn. — I think the AFRO performed a useful service in printing a detailed story of Mrs. Paul Robeson's appearance before the McCarthy committee.

The sketchy account given in the daily newspapers didn't show how this courageous woman stood up and slugged it out with the nation's No. 1 book burner.

JESSE ROBINSON

Chicago — Three cheers for Eslanda! She refused to be cowed by the mighty McCarthy. She non plussed him so, he had to admit she was "very charming" and "very intelligent."

(Mrs.) ROSE MITCHELL

DR. YERGAN DISSENTS

Ossing, N.Y. — Editorials in an old and respected newspaper like the AFRO should be factual, considered and thereby reliable.

I regret that the AFRO editorial, "A Sad Situation" on my Africa interview and published in the May 5 edition, considerably lacks this quality.

The AFRO says: "Dr. Yergan strangely concludes the report of his visit by adding tribute to unjust racial laws are to be discouraged."

I assure you that I hold no such views and nowhere in my interview nor in anything else I have written or said have I supported such a conclusion as you indicate.

Again you say of me that he "boldly voices the fantastic belief that three centuries-old oppression of Africans is to be free criticism."

The AFRO's own editorial contradicts that statement, for quite a few criticisms which I make of South African governing policy are cited.

What I suggested is the need for an informed and constructive approach to situations in Africa. Is it not reasonable to hold that such an approach is necessary?

There is no continent today about which so little is known and about which so many misstatements are made as is true of Africa.

The AFRO is an important newspaper and it owes it to its readers to present facts and fair comment.

No service is rendered Africa or AFRO readers when there is distortion of what a speaker has said or when something he has not argued for is attributed to him.

I like to think that the AFRO may be counted upon to be fair.

(Dr.) MAX YERGAN

LAUTIER LAMBASTED

Birmingham, Ala. — I have read Louis Lautier's articles on Haiti with profound disgust. He obviously knows nothing about the subject.

He writes: "Apparently when the State Department submitted her name (Mrs. Jessie Vann) to the Haitian government and asked whether she was acceptable, a negative reply came back."

He uses the word "apparently" because he knows his statement cannot be proven. It is the most brazen form of distortion to which any journalist has ever resorted.

No nation has shown as much sympathy to colored Americans as Haiti. Haiti is one of the few countries where a colored person can be a citizen on equal terms with the white citizens.

Haiti does not intend to impose a voluntary form of segregation on herself. Mr. Lautier admits Haiti has had a long line of colored ambassadors from America.

Doesn't he think it is time now for some colored American diplomats to be sent to some European countries? No. Mr. Lautier chose the wrong target. He should have directed his blast at his own State Department, not Haiti.

ST. JUSTE ZAMOR

AFRO COMMENDED

New York — I must commend the AFRO for the full coverage given the appearance of Prof. Doxey Wilkerson before the McCarthy committee.

Not much of the proceedings were reported in other newspapers. I think our people ought to be aware of what McCarthy is doing to stifle freedom in our country.

Where will it end? Unless we protest, it will not end until every voice speaking out for freedom and equality is hushed.

CAROLYN BEAL

NAACP COVERAGE

New York—I have been deeply moved by the wide coverage given the NAACP convention in St. Louis. Therefore, on the eve of my departure to Europe, I feel that personally, and in behalf of the board, I should express appreciation.

Jimmy Hicks did a grand job which we feel will be productive of good results, particularly the stress put upon the "Fighting Fund for Freedom."

With continued cooperation on the part of our newspapers, I have all confidence that we will reach our goal.

(Dr.) CHANNING H. TOBIAS

ENJOYED AFRO TOUR

Nashville, Tenn. — I wish to express my heartfelt thanks for the fine reception given the National Association of Ministers' Wives during their recent session in Baltimore.

We enjoyed the experience of seeing your great plant. A majority of us are regular readers of the AFRO. We truly appreciate the very fine publicity given our meeting in your publication.

We also thank the AFRO for the gavel which was presented to our president, Mrs. Elizabeth Bouey.

(Mrs.) J. T. RIDLEY

INVITING DISASTER

Richmond, Va. — The vagaries of the color question in America breed politicians who exploit prejudices for their own political personal gain.

Our congress is filled with politicians where statesmen ought to hold forth. They have opposed civil rights with their counter states rights. They have muddied the political waters in a way that is inviting disaster.

Aside from our finance the nations regard us with envy and suspicion. Our moral standing is below zero.

Why? We are cursed with a generation of politicians in congress who are so caught up in conjoined by the color question that straight thinking is out of the question.

(Dr.) GORDON B. HANCOCK

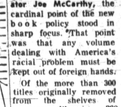
Voters' Vineyard

By James Hicks

Sees Mr. Phillips Being Very Lonely

THERE IS A saying that the evil that men do lives after them and the good is often buried with their bones. How about Booker T. Washington?

Shall we as a race say, "So let it be with Booker T.," and go on suffering the rest of our lives for some evil that Booker T. Washington did?



Mr. Hicks

If for one am not for it.

Certain noble people in these United States have pointed to the mantle and speeches of Booker Washington and said he advocated segregation of the races as the salvation of the colored man.

They then turn to you and me and say "If you would be a true-ly great man like Booker Washington you should advocate the same thing for your people."

Refuses To Follow

In short these noble people are pointing to Booker T. Washington and saying to me "Do like he did if you wish to keep up with the Joneses."

But I happen to belong to an increasingly large number of colored people in America today who have declined to try to keep up with the Joneses until they find out just where the Joneses are going!

And when I find that the Joneses are riding the new road to increased segregation I immediately make a sharp turn, whether it be left or right and get back on the Freedom Road.

I am not a student enough of Booker T. Washington to comment on how much good is resulting with his bones today, nor am I prepared to state just how much evil he did in strengthening segregation in this nation.

They didn't teach me much about Booker T. in school and I've never bothered to explore him beyond my classroom.

But certain students of Mr. Washington claim that he advocated segregation and to that I say like Mark Anthony, "if it were so it was a grievous fault and grievously have Mr. Washington and all the rest of us paid for it."

I can't see a single thing that we actually bought with the segregation which Mr. Washington is supposed to have advocated and for one, I can see no reasons than just plain good business principles — it's high time that colored people stop paying in blood, sweat and tears for a product which slowly sucks away their very life blood.

Buying segregation is like buying dope, or bad whisky—what you buy will eventually kill you.

Now come S. J. Phillips, who is widely quoted as making a strangely concludes the resistance of Africans and Indians to unjust racial laws are to be discouraged."

I assure you that I hold no such views and nowhere in my interview nor in anything else I have written or said have I supported such a conclusion as you indicate.

Again you say of me that he "boldly voices the fantastic belief that three centuries-old oppression of Africans is to be free criticism."

The AFRO's own editorial contradicts that statement, for quite a few criticisms which I make of South African governing policy are cited.

What I suggested is the need for an informed and constructive approach to situations in Africa. Is it not reasonable to hold that such an approach is necessary?

There is no continent today about which so little is known and about which so many misstatements are made as is true of Africa.

The AFRO is an important newspaper and it owes it to its readers to present facts and fair comment.

No service is rendered Africa or AFRO readers when there is distortion of what a speaker has said or when something he has not argued for is attributed to him.

I like to think that the AFRO may be counted upon to be fair.

(Dr.) MAX YERGAN

LAUTIER LAMBASTED

Birmingham, Ala. — I have read Louis Lautier's articles on Haiti with profound disgust. He obviously knows nothing about the subject.

He writes: "Apparently when the State Department submitted her name (Mrs. Jessie Vann) to the Haitian government and asked whether she was acceptable, a negative reply came back."

He uses the word "apparently" because he knows his statement cannot be proven. It is the most brazen form of distortion to which any journalist has ever resorted.

No nation has shown as much sympathy to colored Americans as Haiti. Haiti is one of the few countries where a colored person can be a citizen on equal terms with the white citizens.

Haiti does not intend to impose a voluntary form of segregation on herself. Mr. Lautier admits Haiti has had a long line of colored ambassadors from America.

Doesn't he think it is time now for some colored American diplomats to be sent to some European countries? No. Mr. Lautier chose the wrong target. He should have directed his blast at his own State Department, not Haiti.

ST. JUSTE ZAMOR

AFRO COMMENDED

New York — I must commend the AFRO for the full coverage given the appearance of Prof. Doxey Wilkerson before the McCarthy committee.

Not much of the proceedings were reported in other newspapers. I think our people ought to be aware of what McCarthy is doing to stifle freedom in our country.

Where will it end? Unless we protest, it will not end until every voice speaking out for freedom and equality is hushed.

CAROLYN BEAL

NAACP COVERAGE

New York—I have been deeply moved by the wide coverage given the NAACP convention in St. Louis. Therefore, on the eve of my departure to Europe, I feel that personally, and in behalf of the board, I should express appreciation.

Jimmy Hicks did a grand job which we feel will be productive of good results, particularly the stress put upon the "Fighting Fund for Freedom."

With continued cooperation on the part of our newspapers, I have all confidence that we will reach our goal.

(Dr.) CHANNING H. TOBIAS

ENJOYED AFRO TOUR

Nashville, Tenn. — I wish to express my heartfelt thanks for the fine reception given the National Association of Ministers' Wives during their recent session in Baltimore.

We enjoyed the experience of seeing your great plant. A majority of us are regular readers of the AFRO. We truly appreciate the very fine publicity given our meeting in your publication.

We also thank the AFRO for the gavel which was presented to our president, Mrs. Elizabeth Bouey.

(Mrs.) J. T. RIDLEY

INVITING DISASTER

Richmond, Va. — The vagaries of the color question in America breed politicians who exploit prejudices for their own political personal gain.

Our congress is filled with politicians where statesmen ought to hold forth. They have opposed civil rights with their counter states rights. They have muddied the political waters in a way that is inviting disaster.

Aside from our finance the nations regard us with envy and suspicion. Our moral standing is below zero.

Why? We are cursed with a generation of politicians in congress who are so caught up in conjoined by the color question that straight thinking is out of the question.

(Dr.) GORDON B. HANCOCK

NEWS IN TABLOID

By Cliff W. Mackey

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Race Problem Confidential

ASSERTIONS THAT the State Department's book-burning bonfire has simmered out are not quite true. When the smoke had cleared from the blaze started by **Senator Joe McCarthy**, the cardinal point of the new overseas book policy stood in sharp focus. That point was that any volume dealing with America's racial problem must be kept out of foreign hands.

Mr. Mackey

Of the more than 300 titles originally removed from the shelves of overseas libraries, 280 had been put back. Of the 20 still bundled up for shipment back to America, three-fourths of them touched on the second-class status of colored Americans in the so-called land of the free and home of the brave.

Here are a few of the books which the State Department has decided are not "safe" for the people of Europe, Africa or Asia to read:

"Races of Mankind" by **Gene Weltfish** and **Ruth Benedict** — offers scientific proof there is no superior race.

"Freedom Road" by **Howard Fast** — details how impoverished whites and freedmen worked together with dignity to build a pattern of equality and freedom for all during Reconstruction.

"Deep Are The Roots" by **Arnaud D'Usseau Jr.,** and **James Gow** — a stinging indictment of racial prejudice and discrimination.

"A Documentary History of the Negro People in the United States" by **Herbert Aptheker** — two-volume historical proof that colored people led the fight to end slavery.

"Special Problems of Negro Education" by **Doxey Wilkerson** — documents how colored children are cheated under segregated school systems.

"African Journey" and "Paul Robeson, Negro" by **Eslanda Robeson** — beautiful writing by a brilliant woman.

"Society and Medical Progress" by **Bernard J. Stern** — describes how discrimination deprives colored Americans of adequate medical care.

Avail yourselves of the opportunity now denied patrons of our overseas libraries. If you haven't read these books, you had better hurry to your library or book store. With local book burners certain to get in the act, there's no guarantee they will be available in this country long.

. . . And Speaking Of People

Dr. Dorothy L. Brown became chief resident surgeon at Hubbard hospital, Nashville, the woman first in the country . . . Critics compared **Mattiwilda Dobbs** to Lily Pons on her debut at London's Glyndebourne. **Cecil Smith** of the London Daily Express asks, "Will she break Metropolitan Opera's 70-year old color ban? . . . **June Eckstine** and **Billy** are no longer Mr. and Mrs. Their divorce was made final by a California court last week.

Father Divine turned down a $35,000 offer to speak for **Bishop E. D. Crockett** in Atlanta. Says he won't appear before an audience which has paid to hear him . . . It's **Captain Robert Cheeks** now. The Hoboken, N.J., fireman was promoted after seven years with the fire department . . . **Dr. Thomas Brewery,** Columbus, Ga., crusader, is planning an all-out attack on Jim Crow in the cradle of Fort Benning.

Republicans are after the scalp of Democratic Senator **Dennis Chavez** of New Mexico, because he refused to permit to slip **Pat Hurley,** longtime foe of civil legislation, into his seat. With the aid of Dixiecrats, they have appropriated $187,000 for an "investigation" designed to do just that. . . . **Cesar Chavez . . . The Rev. Joseph Simonson,** 49, white, of Glen Cove, L.I., has been named ambassador to Ethiopia by President **Eisenhower . . . Wally Triplet,** ex-Penn State grid great, sells insurance when he's not carrying the pigskin for the Chicago Cardinals pro football team . . . South Africa's oldest resident died Tuesday at the age of 126. She's **Mrs. Rebecca Jacobs.** Surviving are 14 grandchildren.

CAPITAL SPOTLIGHT

By Louis Lautier

Overlooked By Ike Again

ONE OF THE diplomatic posts which could have been easily given to a colored republican is the ambassadorship to Ethiopia. But President Eisenhower appointed Joseph Simonson, a native of Minnesota, now living in Glen Cove, New York, to that post.