More Civil Rights In 1960, Pollsters Predict

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DR. LEE LORCH
University professor

CHANNING TOBIAS
NAACP board chairman

CHARLES ANDERSON
United National Officer

HORACE M. BOND
Influential professor

Both parties will have rights planks

The year, 1960, will be marked by an increase in the exercise of civil rights in America, according to nine nationally known leaders and observers who comprised the AFRO-AMERICAN's board of predictors.

They are: Mrs. Sadie T. M. Alexander, Philadelphia attorney; Charles Anderson of Louisville, Ky., delegate to the United Nations; Dr. Horace M. Bond, Atlanta University professor; Dr. Lee Lorch, professor, the University of Alberta (Canada); George Meany, president, AFL-CIO; Dr. Benjamin Mays, president, Morehouse College; Samuel Pierce, Judge of the General Sessions Court, New York; the Rev. F. L. Shuttlesworth, president of the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights; and Dr. Channing Tobias, NAACP board chairman.

MOST OPTIMISTIC of the civil rights predictors was the Rev. Mr. Shuttlesworth, who said:

"They (colored persons and liberal whites) will become more united and exert greater force to keep moving toward integration."

He also predicted "Congress will be forced to pass some civil rights laws."

The Alabama leader was the only one to predict the definite passage of civil rights legislation. He was not alone, however, in saying that the fight for civil rights would continue.

Mrs. Alexander foresees the passage of a watered-down right-to-vote act.

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MR. ANDERSON stated: "I predict the continued fight in all areas for equality of citizenship rights."

He said, however, that "the colored citizen generally is too relaxed and, on a whole, we are not pushing our fight hard enough."

Judge Pierce leads off his predictions by saying there will be gains in education and desegregation without as much violence as previously.

He flatly states, however:

"There will be little or no federal civil rights legislation passed in 1960."

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MR. MEANY pledges the weight of labor will be solidly behind civil rights progress.

Dr. Lorch sees the colored citizens as being the most important determinant of whether there shall be civil rights.

They must, he said, organize, campaign, vote and demand candidates who really stand for civil rights.

If he do this," he says, "then we have a good chance of getting civil rights and the opportunity to live to enjoy them."

If not," he warns, "we'll get the same old nothing."

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SEVERAL OF the writers said that the civil rights issue will be a principal one in the coming presidential campaigns, Dr. Mays said.

Civil rights will be an issue in the campaign in both parties, Dr. Mays predicted. A Re-

If wrong, Mays will 'apologize'

DR. BENJAMIN E. MAYS
(Pres., Morehouse College)

Beginning here in Atlanta, I predict:

The state Legislature will not change the laws permitting the board of education of Atlanta to go forward with a program of desegregating the public schools.

The failure of the closing of public schools in Little Rock and the massive resistance in Virginia will hardly influence the Georgia Legislature.

In this prediction, I hope I am wrong but will be glad to apologize to the Georgia Legislature if the "Charter of the laws" opportunity to live to enjoy them."

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Science, Russian to be studied more

BY THE REV. F. L. SHUTTLESWORTH
President, the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights

Science and the Russian lan-

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

MARTIN LUTHER KING

King, Ike 'Men Of The Year'

MRS. CORETTA KING
Power behind throne

MRS. DAISY BATES
Little Rock's finest

DR. W. E. B. DUBOIS
Elder statesman

'Peace' is theme of 1959 balloting

No one person won a clear-cut nomination for "Man of the Year" honors from nine leaders participating in an AFRO poll. However, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and President Eisenhower each received two first-place votes to tie for the title.

Nominating Dr. King were Horace M. Bond and Mrs. Sadie T. M. Alexander. Mrs. Alexander said: "Martin Luther King pointed the way to a peaceful solution of America's greatest dilemma and imbued his fellow men with a renewed sense of their worth and dignity."

Dr. Bond's selection of Dr. King had him as a member of the "Four Whose Name Is 'Courage.'" The other three are Mrs. King and L.C. and Mrs. Daisy Bates.

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F. L. SHUTTLESWORTH, president of the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights, said:

"Despite the fact that Ike has vacillated so much on the race issue at home, I think

can for 1959 by reason of his efforts for world peace."

Mr. Anderson named A. Philip Randolph and Thurgood Marshall as "Men of the Year" among colored citizens.

DR. LEE LORCH, University of Alberta (Canada) professor, chose Dr. W. E. B. Dubois as "Man of the Year" for his early recognition of the rising importance of colored people of Africa and Asia.

Dr. Channing Tobias chose two former sports figures as men of the year for activities having nothing to do with sports. They are Jackie Robinson and Roy Campanella.

Dr. Tobias said: "Jackie Robinson, by taking on a radio broadcast on a prominent chain and a regular newspaper column is the leading character in America by reason of the distance from which he has come.

"(Roy) Campanella, for disclosing his courage in the face of difficulties, comes next."

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DT. PEARL BROWN SHOT AT ELKS HOME

WAITING AND HOPING that Mrs. Pearl Brown, local and nationally prominent Elk Daughter leader would come through successfully in operation to remove bullet on Thursday morning were (from left) Miss Ardelia E. Galmore, Mrs. Annie E. S. Wells, Mrs. Evelyn Travers, Mrs. Mazie Johnson, Mrs. Stevenson and Mrs. Helen Smith, all members of the Greater Southern Temple No. 30, headed by Mrs. Brown.

—AFRO Staff Photos by I. Henry Phillips

USUAL SERENITY of the Monumental Elks Home was shattered on Wednesday night when 32 revolver fired on third floor (Arrow) where Great Southern Temple No. 30 had just installed new officers.

—Elk leader shot

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Sgt. Furletti said investigators talked to a number of witnesses to the shooting, including Mrs. Margaret Neal, 2200 block Brookfield Ave., financial secretary; Mrs. Elizabeth Cole, 700 block Appleton St., sister of Mrs. Brown; Mrs. Mary McCready, 2200 block Aiken St., new assistant vice daughter ruler, and Miss Ardelia E. Galmore, 2300 block Harlem Ave.

Miss Galmore, a past daughter ruler of the temple, told the AFRO she was standing beside Mrs. Brown at the time of the shooting and related:

"I'm so thankful that I'm alive.

"We were standing around talking. All of a sudden we heard this shot. It sounded like a firecracker.

"She (Mrs. Brown) hollered out, 'I'm shot'.

"There was all that smoke.

"I looked up and saw a woman holding the gun. She looked bewildered.

"She said she picked it up, that it was a toy gun.

"I rushed over to her and she laid it on the stand. I covered it over with my handkerchief.

"I hadn't been to a meeting in four years but I decided I would start the new year out right.

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MRS. HELEN SMITH, of 1417 Druid St., also a past daughter ruler, said of Mrs. Lelia Brown, vice daughter ruler; Mrs. Ella Hudson, treasurer; Mrs. Thelma B. Bailey, recorder; Mrs. Bertha Johnson, chaplain; Mrs. Elvia Davis, escort.

Trustees are Mrs. Lillian Payne, Mrs. Florence Madden, Mrs. Cecelia Brown, Mrs. Majorie Brown and Mrs. Frances Stafford.

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MRS. VAUGHN WAS represented before Magistrate Aaron in Pine Street Police Court on Thursday morning by former Senator Harry A. Cole.

Mr. Cole reached the station at 8:40 a.m. and went directly to Cell 7 to talk with his client.

The hearing originally had been scheduled for 3 p.m. Thursday so none of the investigating officers was on hand for the morning session.

However, Mr. Cole arranged for bail to be made for his client.

Mrs. Vaughn, in a gray topcoat with a fur collar, did not testify or offer any plea at the bail-setting session. She wore a blue two-piece suit.

She listened solemnly as Mr. Cole sought to have her released under minimum bail.

At one point when Magistrate Aaron asked Mr. Cole if his client would prefer to remain in jail until the afternoon to see if a report from the hospital would favor a

—Mrs. Brown

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timore at a banquet in her honor.

In 1958, Mrs. Brown received the Emma V. Kelly Plaque as 1,500 delegates from 48 states assembled in Washington for the Achievement Award dinner held at the Willard Hotel.

The Kelly plaque is one of the highest of Elk awards, and is given in memory of the founder and Supreme Mother, the late Mrs. Emma V. Kelly.

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KNOWN AS A Baltimore civic and church worker, Mrs. Brown is a lifelong member of the John Wesley Methodist Church.

She is chairman of the trustee board and chairman of the Commission on Finance and Stewardship.

She is also a stewardess, a member of the Good Deed Club, the May Frances Circle, the Women's Society for Christian Service, the Wesleyan Service Guild and the senior choir.

The Rev. J. Lloyd Garrison, pastor of John Wesley, told the AFRO: "Mrs. Brown is one of our most valued members. She was one of the leaders as we moved into our new church.

"She has been a mainstay in the Methodist Church for many, many years."

Mrs. Brown is the wife of Elmer Brown longtime employee of a downtown firm.

He also is grand traveling deputy of the Elks and treasurer of the Spirit of Chesa-

Shifts made in housing management

The following management changes were announced by the Baltimore Housing Authority through Harry D. Weiss, director of management and made effective on Jan. 4:

Robert Ferguson, formerly manager at Gilmor Homes is now a relocation site manager.

David Faker, formerly manager of Westport Homes, is manager of the new Westport homes combination which includes a recent extension.

Bernard Mason, formerly McCulloh Homes manager, replaces Mr. Ferguson as manager at Gilmor Homes.

Charles Anderson, formerly at Central Management, replaces Mr. Mason at McCulloh Homes.