Brown Americans No Farm Lovers—Survey

N.C. Sociologist Sees Dixie Farms Deserted Entirely in Few Decades

RALEIGH, N.C. (ANP) — The common belief that colored Americans are rural residents of the South; that they prefer farm areas and are found in greater numbers there than are white Americans is false, according to a recent survey, "Negro Residence."

The survey, conducted by Dr. Selz C. Mayo, rural sociologist with the agricultural experiment station at State College here, reveals that in every major region of the U.S. the colored population in urban centers is higher than the white percentage.

Dr. Mayo emphasized that if the colored citizen of the South continues the migration to urban areas that he has followed for the past 123 years, within a few decades it is possible that he will have deserted the farm almost entirely.

Cites Migration to Cities

According to the survey, in 1940, 19.8 per cent of the total non-white population in this State was located in urban centers of 2,500 population and over. Only 26.3 per cent of the white population was in these towns and cities.

Since 1820, the sociologist says, Federal census figures indicate a large non-white urban population that has increased more rapidly, and always in a higher proportion, than has the white population in cities.

In 1820, the percentage of white population in urban centers was 14, the non-white, 3.1. By 1900, the non-white city population was 12.1 per cent, and the white, 8.8 per cent.

In 1910, the percentage of the white population in urban cities was 13.5 and non-white, 16.4; in 1920, white 18.8 and non-white 20.6; in 1930, white was 25.2 and non-white, 26.3.

Colored Percentage Greater

Dr. Mayo's research reveals also that the largest percentage of the colored urban population is located in North Carolina's five cities of 50,000 people and over. The same is true, he states, of the white population, but not in a comparable percentage.

For colored, the percentage is 40.3, whereas for the white population it is only 34.2.

The second highest ranking size city is 10,000 to 24,999. Here 24.9 per cent of the colored urban population is located, and 25.2 per cent is white. However, the towns of 2,500 to 9,999 population, the percentage of white far exceeds the percentage of colored.

National Figures Quoted

For the United States as a whole, Dr. Mayo points out, the percentage of the white population in cities is higher than the colored. These figures are 57.3 per cent for whites and 47.8 for colored.

In every major region in the United States, however, the percentage of the colored population in urban centers is higher than the white, he says, due to the fact that the majority of the colored population is located in the South where the predominant occupation remains farming.

Dr. Mayo has drawn the following conclusions from his survey:

First, the colored citizen is proportionately more urbanized than the white as measured by residence. Secondly, data for North Carolina shows that colored persons prefer to live in larger urban centers and are under-represented in the smaller towns and cities.

Keep Interest in Voting High, Leaders Urged

NAACP Intensifies Victory Vote Drive for 2-Month Push

Local ministers, civic, fraternal and club leaders are asked to include in every talk, mention of the NAACP Votes for Victory campaign to influence residents and 21-year-olds to register.

The appeal came this week from Mrs. Juanita Mitchell, campaign director, who also announced plans for an extensive drive during February and March to register an additional 5,000 persons before the deadline March 31.

Plans for the two-month campaign include a house-to-house canvass and other public demonstrations.

Support of the ministers having been one of the main factors in the success of a vote drive, Mrs. Mitchell is working on a campaign procedure, giving them important roles.

Dr. J. E. T. Camper, chairman of the Citizens' Committee for Justice, told the AFRO that his organization was backing the campaign wholeheartedly.

Mrs. Lillie M. Jackson, president of the Baltimore NAACP branch, said Thursday:

"Not until we use the ballot will we receive full citizenship rights," adding that her organization plans to conduct voting schools in every section of Baltimore to teach newly registered citizens how to operate the voting machines.

Persons eligible to register at Room 25, Court House Building, Calvert and Fayette Streets, are those reaching 21 years of age before November 4, 1944.

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Divorce Court Severs Ties for Nine Couples

"Testifying that his wife left him after he complained about her association with another man, John W. Marshall, letter carrier, of 1720 Barclay Street, won a divorce Wednesday from Mrs. Laura Marshall of Govans. Mr. Marshall, who was represented by U. Theodore Hayes, attorney, was among nine persons to whom divorces were granted in Circuit Court this week.

Mrs. Bessie L. Hardy, war worker, of 1422 Argyle Avenue, who won a divorce from William Hardy of 1100 Biggs Avenue, said her marriage lasted only two months because her husband assaulted her. Calvin Douglass was her attorney.

Another marriage which lasted only six months was liquidated when Mrs. Viola Copeland, beautician, of 1307 Upton Street, won a divorce from William Copeland whom she charged with desertion. Roy S. Bond was her attorney.

Others Given Decrees

Decrees were also granted to: Mrs. Monica Harris, dressmaker, of 1131 Harlem Avenue, from Warren Harris of Brooklyn, N.Y., Robert P. McGuinn, attorney; Mrs. Irene Smith, war worker, of 637 Ensor Street, from Samuel Smith, Roy S. Bond, attorney;

Pvt. Burman Lee, formerly of 1411 N. Central Avenue, now of Fort Washington, Md., from Mrs. Betsy E. Lee, E. Everett Lane, attorney; Mrs. Rachel Washington, aircraft riveter, of 1106 Laurens Street, from Joseph Washby, Roy S. Bond, attorney;

Mrs. Winifred Hopson of 652 W. Mosher Street from James Hopson and Judge V. Mull of 1803 E. Madison Street from Mrs. Reba Mull.

Eight File Petitions

Petitions for divorce were filed by the following eight persons:

Mrs. Vera Mosby vs. Webster, George W. Evans, attorney; Ruth Bethel vs. James Cosette Lee vs. Edward, Irene Baker vs. George, Randolph Thomas vs. Adele, Milton Burke vs. Marie, Charles Robinson vs. Irma, and Etta Blunt vs. John.

Buys $1,000 War Bond

Miss Bernice Phillips, 11B2 pupil at Dunbar High School, Baltimore, is shown being congratulated by Carrington E. Davis, principal, for securing a $1,000 bond during the current school war bond and stamp drive which since September has resulted in students' purchase of $3,253.30 worth of stamps. She has a brother, Pvt. Lee Phillips, Dunbar graduate, serving in the army. In the rear right is Mrs. Vivian Cook, vice principal. Miss Lorraine Lee is president of the war bond and stamp club and Mrs. Mattie Cannon, faculty member, supervisor.

Christmas Party Saturday for Afro Carrier-Salesmen

How to Get a Fireman's Job

Persons desiring jobs with the city fire department may still file applications daily at the city service commission, Room 107, City Hall, Fayette and Holliday Streets.

Chief requisite is a good physical condition, with the applicant being between 21 and 40 years of age and between 5 feet 6 inches and 6 feet 4 inches in height.

Equality of Opportunity

Carl J. Opper, head of the commission, told the AFRO several weeks ago that these applications will be received without discrimination.

H. Webster Smith, president of the board of fire commissioners which handles appointments, promised that jobs will be given on the basis of merit alone.

Mrs. M. Matthews Dies at Age of 71

Funeral services for Mrs. Martha Matthews, 71, who died Monday after a brief illness, were held at her home, 504 Roberts Street Thursday, and interment followed in Mt. Auburn Cemetery.

The Rev. A. J. Payne officiated at the service, assisted by the Rev. K. L. Jackson. Mrs. Lillian Parrott sang.

A native of Fluanna County, Va., Mrs. Matthews had lived in Baltimore since 1894, and was a member of Enon Baptist Church.

Many Survivors

Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Lillie Howard; three sons, Leo of Philadelphia, Bertram, and Maynon Matthews; a brother, Thomas Fields, and sixteen grandchildren, among whom are Ralph Matthews, Washington AFRO editor;

Mrs. Iradelle Williams, local teacher, Pvt. Dewitt Howard, Miss Doris Howard, Coppin student, and Misses Bertil and Betty Matthews; three stepchildren, the Rev. C. H. Matthews, Mrs. Anna Bond and Mrs. Eurith Banks.

Visits Out This Sunday at Cheltenham School

Visiting at the Cheltenham School for Boys has been suspended for this Sunday, Vance E. Thomas, superintendent, announced this week, regular visiting privilege is the current cold and influenza epidemic in the city. Mr. Thomas reports that the school has been successful so far in keeping cases there at a minimum and this action is designed to curb spread of colds.

Baltimore Girl Says Physician Kept 2 Homes

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Mrs. Baltimore."

Nights that the physician did not stay with her, he gave hospital duties as his excuse, the wife said.

Resignation Pending

Mr. Baltimore, a graduate of Lincoln University and Meharry

DR. CHARLES F. BALTIMORE

Medical School, served his internship at Mercy and has been chief resident physician there since 1942.

Later the recent episode at the hospital, he tendered his resignation, but the board has not acted on it as yet.

Mrs. Baltimore, who said she has not made a definite decision about a divorce, showed an AFRO reporter several letters from the mother of Miss Davis, now employed here in a defense plant, which she cited as evidence that the physician was known to be married. One of the letters cautioned the doctor about taking "Mary" to public places where he might run into his wife.

Had Secret Marriage

The Baltimores were married in July, 1941, in Wellsburg, W.Va., but kept the wedding a secret for a year. She is a native of Baltimore, finished Morgan State College and the University of Pittsburgh. His home is in in McKeesport, Pa.

Uncover 18,015 VD Cases in Baltimore During 1943

Syphilis, Unmentionable in Polite Society Leads with 14,714 Cases; TB Is 3d with 1948

"To expose the staggering extent of venereal disease in Baltimore," the health department announced this week that 18,015 cases were reported during 52 weeks of 1943 to outstrip by far every other communicable disease.

In the figures released this week by Dr. H. Maceo Williams, Druid Hill Health Center, 1313 Druid Hill Avenue, syphilis, with 14,714 cases, rated first, over four times as many cases as gonorrhea, second with 3,351 cases.

Tuberculosis, the most widely discussed and dreaded disease, third with 1,948 cases, is in no way comparable to the extent of venereal infection which has until lately been unmentionable in polite society.

V.D. Spread Alarming

The figures represent the increasing spread of social disease in Baltimore and the accompanying need for an educational campaign to preach the gospel of treatment to infected persons, the AFRO was told.

According to the director, the venereal disease problem is a challenge to the citizens of Baltimore.

Last year, over 17,000 persons died in this country from venereal disease, he said.

"When you consider that about 1,000 persons died from typhus fever, which is ranked as a deadly disease, then you get an idea as to the seriousness of this social disease problem," he pointed out.

According to Dr. Williams, the percentage of infection among those who continue treatment for syphilis is low, about 15 per cent of the number who begin.

Hope for Better Results

However, new efforts on the part of the health department and police in forcing infected persons to attend clinics for treatment are expected to raise that percentage.

To cope with the problem, free blood tests are given nightly at the Druid Hill Health Center, and on Wednesday mornings and Friday afternoons.

Other locations for free blood tests are the Municipal Building basement, Holliday and Lexington Street, and the Somerset Health Center, northwest corner of Centre and Orleans Street.

Especially are expectant mothers urged to take blood tests, the director related, pointing out that many cases of congenital syphilis are cured when treated before childbirth.

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Tells of Nazi Attack

By SIMEON BOOKER

BALTIMORE — How a pack of submarines trapped a large Allied convoy in an Asiatic port recently to destroy eighteen ships was told grippingly by Chief Steward Elliot Patterson, 28, of the Merchant Marine, to the AFRO in an exclusive interview.

An eye witness to the vivid attack, the chief steward arrived in this country recently to end an estimated 40,000-mile, round-the-world jaunt. His vessel is being repaired at a drydock here.

In his story to the AFRO, he revealed how the subs struck unexpectedly during the night, sending volleys of torpedoes into the fleet of merchant ships docked at the harbor.

According to the Merchant Marine officer, the subs stole among the ships and rammed torpedoes into all eighteen ships even before help could be sought. Many of the ships carried vital war supplies, Chief Steward Patterson revealed.

"It was a night of waste and destruction. We were powerless to fight back. All you could see were the brilliant flashes of fire and billowing explosions," he declared, adding: "I went around the ship to keep courage up, but we couldn't do much else."

Officer Patterson was in charge of a mixed crew of 35 men, he said.

Three days before the arrival of the convoy at the port, enemy surface craft showered shells on the ships en route, three exploding on his ship, Patterson said, destroying two empty oil stoves and a cargo hold as a preview to the main event.

ELLIOT PATTERSON

Storm Robs Him of Ship

Later, during the homeward jaunt, a slashing storm broke the steering gear of a ship in the reorganized convoy and, according to Officer Patterson, the ship was left behind.

At gibralta, over 900 Italian prisoners were loaded on ship to be brought here for interment. When the boat landed in America, it was the first time in 81 days that the 231 men had set foot on land.

Originally the ship set out for Australia with war materials in a convoy; then, the officer related, it sailed alone to Bombay, India, to join another convoy, despite hazardous risks.

Youngsters Man Guns

During alerts, youngsters on his ship excitedly manned the guns since his crew was trained to handle them, he said.

On his first trip across the Pacific, he declared, a Jap sub pack attacked the convoy. Guns blazing, escort vessels darting through the waters, the raid was beaten off with no loss to the convoy, but a bag of three Jap subs.

His second trip aided in the transportation of American troops, including colored units, to the South Pacific battle area. According to Officer Patterson, the ship soloed to escape the Japs' close watch on convoys.

Enlisting in the navy when he finished high school eleven years ago, Patterson was transferred to the merchant marine when war was declared. He is married and has two small children.

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Son of Baltimore Pair Gets Bars

William E. Griggs, son of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Griggs, of 2039 Division Street, was commissioned a second lieutenant at the 90th Signal Corps Officer Candidate School at Fort Monmouth, N.J., last week.

Lieutenant Griggs, a graduate of Lincoln University, served as an enlisted man on the Alcan Highway in Alaska before being sent to Fort Monmouth.

She's Not the One—Miss Dorothy Waters

Miss Dorothy Waters of 618 N Mount Street wants her friends to know that she is not the young woman recently arrested for larceny of money from a soldier.

The Miss Waters who figured in the larceny case lives at 721 N. Mount Street.

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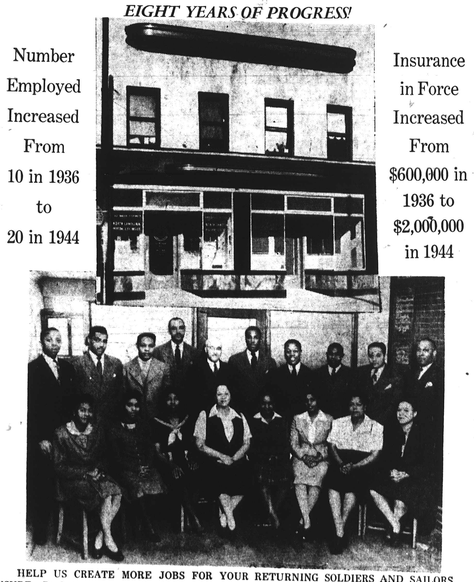

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Leaders Issue New Year's Plea for Interracial Unity

The Baltimore Urban League and some twenty-five prominent citizens of both races here jointly issued a New Year's message to the public this week, calling on all groups to work for interracial unity" as an aid to the war effort.

Pointing out that Baltimore is one of the major war production centers, the statement said, in part:

"Baltimore cannot afford to allow the peaceful relations which now obtain between the various elements of our community to be disrupted.

"As we enter upon this New Year, we invite all loyal citizens to unite with us individually and through their various organizations in taking all legitimate steps to prevent any such conflict and to reduce the tension between racial and civic groups which menaces the economic as well as the domestic and social welfare of our people.

Urges Community Action

"Let us together resolve to use every lawful effort to suppress any forces which make for division and strife in our midst and to pursue whatever course may be necessary to maintain our unity of effort and to promote the peace and welfare of all of our citizens."

Among the signers of the statement were:

Rev. Harry E. Andrews, white, 4305 Reisterstown Road; Rev. R. H. Baker, white, 3602 N. Charles Street; Bishop Alexander P. Shaw, 1200 Etting Street; J. Harvey Kerns, 2404 Pennsylvania Avenue; Dr. Lewis Leitner, 2000 Druid Hill Avenue; Mrs. Lillie M. Jackson, 2506 Dolphin Street; Dr. Ivan E. Dorsey, white, 1219 Roundhill Road; Mrs. Anna Rogers Hall, 1400 Eutaw Place.

Dr. D. O. W. Holmes; Morris Cohen, 1000 Eutaw Place; Mrs. Eli Cullinane, 1000 Eutaw; George H. Murphy, 1741 Druid Hill Avenue; Frank E. Jones, 1802 Druid Hill Avenue; Mrs. William Bauernschmidt, white, 1 Bolton Place; Rabbi Abraham Cronbach, white, 411 N. Charles Street; Dr. Frank E. Jones, 1802 Druid Hill Avenue; the Rev. John H. Day, white, 1404 Aisquith; Dr. Leo Sachs, white, 1 Mansion Place; Jr., white, 2028 Linden Avenue; Heights Avenue; L. Duke Avenue, white, 1114 Mercantile Building; Mrs. Anna D. Ward, white, 324 Equitable Building; Dr. Theodore R. B. Wilson, 115 Chadwick Avenue, Catonsville; Sidney Hollander, white, 1404 Mt. Royal Avenue; Miss Elias Forbush, white; the Rev. John J. Daly, white, and H. Milton Wagner.

Strikers Ask New College Prexy, Dean

SUMTER, S.C. — (ANP) — Morris College students struck here Tuesday in protest against a new president and dean, and asked why the school had been placed on probation by its accrediting association.

E. M. Bomar, president, around whom criticism had been centered because of alleged ill-kept records, handed President J. P. Garrick his resignation the following night.

State Board Letter

Students stated that the president, after requests for a conference with women students, read a letter from the State board of education and denounced the colored press, which allegedly exposed school conditions.

The letter reportedly stated that the college probation would be removed if a new dean and registrar were secured. James T. McCain is now serving as registrar.

Activities Scored

The president is reported to have remarked that Mr. McCain would have to be replaced because the State board objects to him since he is president of the local NAACP branch.

Conditions reported necessary for the removal of school probation were:

That the college employ a capable dean and registrar; that the registrar be given time to keep accurate records; that the college prove its graduates are meeting catalogue requirements; and that the school meet all State requirements for four-year schools.

Group Plans New Fight on Juvenile Crime

A fourteen-man committee, to determine the possibilities of checking juvenile delinquency by home improvement and better parental training, has been appointed by Judge Charles E. Moylan, chairman of the Baltimore Youth Commission.

Mrs. Maude E. Williams of the probation staff of the Division for Juvenile Causes, is a member of the committee.

Delinquent Homes

Judge Moylan explained that its work is not primarily to study the wartime breakdown in home and family relationships as a primary cause of juvenile delinquency, but to formulate active action against delinquent homes. Specifically, he suggested a conference with officials of the War Manpower Commission to see what can be done to relieve them from the overtime reward of idleness, he said.

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Post Circular Letter Riles Subscribers

WASHINGTON

A letter circulated throughout the Northwest section advising Washington Post subscribers not to pay subscriptions to any colored collectors created a tempest lover the week end.

In a statement to the AFRO, Mrs. Louis E. Hodge, wife of the signer of the letter, denied that her husband intended any affront to colored people.

"We have had a lot of trouble recently," she declared, "with larger boys taking the books from smaller boys and collecting the money, which is never turned in. To correct this, they decided to do all collecting through branch managers."

Says $13 Vanished During "Blessing" Act in Temple

A weird tale told in Criminal Court Tuesday of how $13 disappeared during a "blessing" ceremony at Universal Aquarian Spiritualist Temple brought a $100 fine for Princess A. W. Spates, ruler of the tempie, on a false pretense charge.

Mrs. Hester Williams of 1321 Myrtle Avenue told Judge Emory H. Niles that she gave $13 to Princess Spates to be blessed during a visit to the temple, but that the cash and the Bible in which it was placed disappeared when she closed her eyes to pray.

She then accused the princess of being a fortune-teller, and Policewoman Violet H. Whyte attempted to introduce an advertisement from a newspaper to bear out her assertion, but this was blocked by the defendant's attorney.

Freed on Theft Charge

J. Howard Payne, representing the princess, argued that his client had her religion and her church and was merely advertising them as such. He won her dismissal on an additional charge of taking the $13 by questioning the fact of its actual presence.

Jack Moore of 1409 Argyle Avenue, jointly accused in the case, was acquitteo when Michael F. Freedman, his attorney, produced evidence to show that he was merely an innocent visitor at the temple at the time.

White Supremacy to Emerge from War, Says Talmadge

PORTERDALE, Ga. (ANP)—White supremacy and Christian democracy will be the two greatest things "which will emerge from this terrible catastrophe," declared ex-Gov. Eugene Talmadge Friday at the annual dinner of the local Ku Klux Klan.

In the editorial column of the Atlanta Constitution, Ralph McGill attacked Talmadge's speech as "demagoguery" and interpreted it as a bid for election to the United States Senate to replace Senator George.

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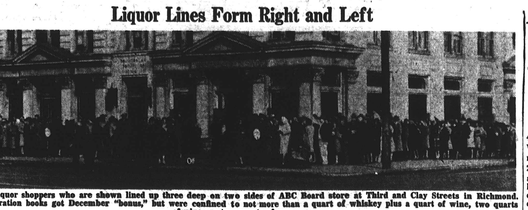

Christmas liquor shoppers who are shown lined up three deep on two sides of ABC Board store at Third and Clay Streets in Richmond. Holders of ration books got December "bonus," but were confined to not more than a quart of whiskey plus a quart of wine, two quarts of wine, or two quarts of rum.

New Policy for Cheltenham to Be Considered

State Welfare Board to Be Given Proposal at January Meeting

A new policy to govern classification, treatment, health, education and training of youths at Cheltenham School for Boys and other State institutions for delinquent children will be presented to the State Board of Public Welfare at its January meeting.

If approved, the new regulations will correct many of the conditions at Cheltenham which were criticised by Dwight H. Ferguson, white, director of the welfare department's new division on institutions after his visit to the school last week.

Sweeping Changes Urged

Pointing out that youths of various ages, types, abilities and mental attitudes are grouped together at the school, Mr. Ferguson on Tuesday emphasized the need for rules of admittance to the institution and additional facilities for children who do not belong there.

"Cheltenham now holds a mixture of youth," Mr. Ferguson said. "Some are hardboiled toughies; others fall in the category of neglected children, and still others are practically feeble-minded, who certainly have no business being there. The community needs other facilities for them."

For the best interests of the child and the service of the institution to him in preparing him to return to community life, Mr. Ferguson suggested a physical, mental and psychiatric examination of each child before his admittance to the school.

Favors Investigating Agency

Mr. Ferguson also expressed the need for an investigating agency and detention facilities to be utilized between the time the child is committed and actually enters the institution.

Pointing out how a detention center would serve, he described as "medieval" the practice of keeping a child in jail from the time he is committed until proper authorities arrive to take him to the institution.

Having noted the need for new housing, sanitary, school, kitchen and work facilities at Cheltenham, Mr. Ferguson said his office is now in the process of outlining some improvements which he hoped would not be relegated to the post-war period.

Current improvements at the institution, he said, include more complete medical attention and the provision of more adequate clothing and shoes for the boys.

Do You Have a Venereal Disease?

Symptoms

GONORRHEA—Discharge from sexual organs. Itching and burning pain in urine tract.

SYPHILIS—There are three stages. On infection, a sore develops at point of contact with germs. Later, skin rash breaks out over body. Finally, the disease begins to attack heart muscles, nerve systems, and brain.

Dangers

Gonorrhea, unless treated, infects the entire sex organs rendering seriously diseased persons childless. It causes blindness among newborn children.

Syphilis is a deadly disease, causing death after prolonged neglect. It requires careful and immediate treatment.

What to Do

Go to a reputable physician or clinic where laboratory examinations can be made for gonorrhea, a urine test; for syphilis, a blood test.

Challenge to Baltimore

Venereal disease can be eliminated within one generation. Help decrease the high rate. Spread the gospel of treatment.

Tell your friends how important it is to reduce venereal disease. Have them go to clinics or a doctor for examination.

Correspondent Lists Soldiers Met in Australian City

WITH U.S. TROOPS IN THE PACIFIC (ANP)—An ANP correspondent in Australia recently met the following service men:

Sgt. Paul Foote of Va.; Sgt. Robert Watkins, White Plains, N.Y.; Cpl. Andrew Chambers, Lynchburg, Va.; Sgt. Thomas P. Ray of Detroit.

NYC men contacted were Sgts. George H. Clark, Dave Clark, T/Sgt. Jimmie Claybourne, and Pvt. Clifford Lee. Chicago—T/Sgts. Wallace Williams, Vernon Smith, M/Sgt. Robert Blair, Officer Candidate Jimmie Woods, Leo T. Johnson, T/Sgts. Leon O. Hester, and Wesley Matlock.

Among others were Elmer Goodlee of El Dorado, Kan., and S/Sgt. Minest Jones of Birmingham.

Churches Care for 100 Troops on Week Ends

Plan Quarters for 25 Others; Applications Accepted at USO Club

Enon Baptist and Metropolitan Methodist churches have been housing approximately 100 service men on week ends during the past month, and Payne AME Church, now equipped to accommodate 25 soldiers, will begin sleeping the men next Saturday.

Under this 48-up, service men visiting in Baltimore over week ends may spend the night in the churches free.

Announcement of the accommodations has been made at all of the nearby camps, and placards have been distributed on Pennsylvania Avenue by members of steering committee in the churches.

Should Apply at USO

At a recent meeting with the Rev. Ben Wyland, white, liason officer of the Council of Churches, the Rev. A. J. Payne, F. P. King and C. Baker Pearle decided that application for sleeping quarters should be made out at the Gold Street USO building since there is no central registration booth available.

After spending the night, soldiers are sent to the USO for their breakfast. They are asked to be up, dressed, and ready to leave the church by 9:30 a.m., on Sunday.

400 Groups Receive Call to War on Racism in Jobs

Plan Campaign to Secure Transit Company, C.P. Posts; Telephone Classes to Reopen

A call was issued this week to 400 organizations by the Total War Employment Committee to meet at the Urban League office, 2404 Pennsylvania Avenue, January 4, to discuss discrimination here against employment of colored street car and telephone operator.

Plans for a "Total War Employment Week," tentatively set for February 14-21, include a mass parade, ending at the City Hall, sermons in churches throughout the city, and numerous street corner meetings.

Launched Drive Last Year

The committee first launched a drive a year ago to secure jobs for colored workers with the Baltimore Transit and C and P. Telephone, both of which have been declared war firms. Cases against both are pending before the President's Fair Employment Practice Committee (FEPC).

The committee will again sponsor classes during the coming year for those desiring to learn switchboard operation, the first being scheduled for January 5.

Last summer some 200 women took the course, receiving actual switchboard operation practice at the AFRO office, under guidance of Mrs. Susie Clark, AFRO telephone operator.

CHIEF PETTY OFFICER TALBOT VISITS FAMILY

Chief Petty Officer Amos Talbot spent Christmas at his home with his wife and daughter, Miss Margarie Talbot. Officer Talbot been transferred from the Naval Training Station at Norfolk to Bainbridge, Md.

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