Earl Harrison In 1937 Case Was A Porter

Records Throw Light On Old Case Mentioned In Juvenile Court

WASHINGTON

Who is the Earl Harrison, who was accused of an assault 15 years ago by one Reuben Harrison.

Olivia Holmes's attorneys asked: Did you know that the defendant (Rev. Earl L. Harrison) had been arrested for assault?

Pastor Harrison's attorneys objected and the court sustained the objections.

The case is numbered 28626 in the files of the criminal division of Municipal Court.

This record noted that Reuben Harrison, age not given, of 1323 Q st., nw., had charged Earl Harrison, age and address not given, with assault on Sept. 7, 1937. The arresting officer was listed as R. V. Valentine of Precinct 2.

Nolle Prossed In December

On Sept. 9, according to the record, Earl Harrison pleaded not guilty and asked for a jury trial. The case was continued for assignment, with his bond being set at $500.

His attorneys were listed as J. K. Hughes and Bart Cline. Bondsmen were M. E. Buckley and Max Pomeranz.

On Dec. 7, 1937, the court record also showed, this case was nolle prossed before Judge Newman.

He Didn't Remember

R. W. Valentine, now a detective with the Metropolitan Police Department, said he had no recollection of it. J. K. Hughes could not be located.

The telephone book listed Max Pomeranz' business address as 406 Fifth st., nw., where an M. E. Buckley was also listed.

They Were All Dead

Bart Cline has been dead for years, another tenant in the building stated. He said that M. E. Buckley was also dead. So was Max Pomeranz and so was Judge Newman.

Reubin Harrison, was listed at 1323 Q st., nw.

The lady answering the door said she had lived there all her life and she had never heard of Reubin Harrison.

At precinct 2, where the arrest of Earl Harrison was originally entered, a lieutenant said that searching the records might take a little time, but he was willing to undertake it.

Records At Precinct 13

He talked with the officer in charge of records and disappointed that precinct 2 was established at New York ave. and Sixth st., nw., in 1938. Before that it was part of Precinct 13.

Any arrest records of 1937, therefore, would have to be sought at Precinct 13.

There was found the details of the booking of Earl Harrison on Sept. 7, 1937.

Booked At 12:40 p.m.

His arrest was noted opposite Number 4473 at 12:40 p.m. His address was given as 1624 Eighth st., nw., his age as 38. He was not white, he had been born in the U.S., his occupation was given from the court record regarding an "porter," he was married, and he could read and write. Other date from the arrest book checked with information obtained from the court record regarding the charge, the complaint of the arresting officer, and the disposition of the case.

Attempts to locate Earl Harrison, 1624 Eighth st., nw failed.

As in the 1300 block of Q st., nw. where Reuben Harrison was said to have lived, no help was gather from the matron who answered the door, although her manner was pleasant and cooperative.

She had—been living at the Eighth street address in 1937, she said but she had never heard of Earl Harrison and was certain he had never been a resident there.

Dr. Scurlock's Funeral Today

Served H.U. Medical School For 40 Years

WASHINGTON

Funeral services will be held at Calvary Episcopal Church, 1:30 p.m. Tuesday for Dr. Herbert Clay Scurlock, former professor and head of the department of physiological chemistry at Howard University School of Medicine.

Dr. Scurlock, who died Friday after a long illness, was born in Fayetteville, N.C., March 11, 1875. He was the eldest son of the late George C. and Nannie Scurlock.

After graduating from the public schools of that city he entered Livingstone College at Salisbury, N.C. where he received the A.B. degree.

He then entered the Howard University School of Medicine graduating in the class of 1900. He received his A.M. degree in Chemistry from Columbia University in 1915.

Became Full Professor

While studying at the Howard Medical School he was appointed student assistant in chemistry and so served until his graduation. In 1906 he was appointed as assistant in chemistry and lecturer in x-ray and electrotherapy.

In 1905 he was placed temporarily in charge of chemistry and physics in Howard University School of Arts and Sciences and later returned to the Howard University School of Medicine as full professor and head of the Department of Physiological Chemistry where he served until his retirement in 1940, after 40 years of service.

In 1903 he was elected a member of the American Chemical Society, and later became a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the National Geographic Society. He also was the author of several books and pamphlets in his favor'e field of chemistry.

Century Member

Dr. Scurlock was a member of Calvary Episcopal Church, The Medico-Chirugical Society, National Lodge F.A.M. No. 14 and the Chi Delta Mu Fraternity.

Dr. Scurlock is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mable S. Scurlock whom he married in 1907. Surviving also are five children, Mrs. Dorothea Dedmon, Mrs. Helen Brown, Herbert S. Scurlock, Mrs. Mabel E. Lewis of Wilmington Delaware and Mrs. Nina E. Mundy; one brother, Addison N. Scurlock and a sister Miss Mattie G. Scurlock.

Interment will be in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery.

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Reports Say Dr. McNeel In Reno, Nev.

Missing Bureau Unable To Verify Widespread Rumor

WASHINGTON

Reports that pharmacist, Dr. William H. McNeel, 40, who has been missing from D. C. since Aug. 19, was in Reno, Nev., could not be immediately verified by the AFRO on Monday.

Rumors that Dr. McNeel, proprietor of the Doctors' Pharmacy, was in Reno were current in the capital over the week end.

However, detectives at the Missing Persons Bureau said Monday afternoon that they had had no word to this effect.

Mother Helps Search

Mrs. G. E. McNeel of Pine Bluff, Ark., mother of the missing pharmacist, said that her son had been reported seen in several cities, but these reports had proved unfounded.

In Washington to help in investigating Dr. McNeel's disappearance, Mrs. McNeel declared that she had no further comment and deplored the publicity which had been given the case.

She said that after talking with several of her son's colleagues she had become convinced that he had been working very hard, was under a strain, and had probably gone away for a rest.

Last Seen Near Pharmacy

The pharmacist was last seen near his business establishment in the 1100 block of W St., nw., where he parked his car early in the afternoon of Aug. 18, leaving the keys in the car. He was last seen walking toward Florida ave., nw.

His wife, Mrs. Madeline McNeel, a teacher, was in New York with their son on a visit at the time and returned to the Capital the following day to find that her husband had disappeared.

After private investigation proved fruitless, Mrs. McNeel asked police to broadcast on Sept. 9 a lookout for her missing husband.

Believed Amnesia Victim

The lookout, which also was given over local radio and television stations, stated that Dr. McNeel was thought to be suffering from amnesia.

He was described as 6 ft. 2½ inches tall, weighing between 185-190 lbs., with mixed gray hair, brown eyes and a dark mustache, and wearing a gray gabardine suit; gray felt hat and black shoes.

Colored Voters Can Offset Republican Inroads—Long

By JAMES L. HICKS

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — Senator Russell B. Long of Louisiana said Thursday that if the colored vote in his state stays with the Democratic party, it can outweigh any inroads the Republicans might make among white voters providing the issues are not drawn along racial lines.

Long gave the answer in reply to a question by this reporter at the press conference held in the Leland Hotel here after he conferred with Governor Stevenson who agreed to make campaign speech in New Orleans Oct. 10.

Declaring this was a "difficult" question to discuss, Long said, "the colored vote is a substantial vote in my state but it would not offset a reaction by white voters against the colored vote in a hard drawn racial issue."

Asked to explain his statement, Long said the colored vote could outweigh any white Republican vote unless racial issues was introduced. But he said if the race question is raised, poor white people would hand together with other in a solid front to defeat the colored vote and nullify it.

Asked whether he felt the racial issue would be made part of the campaign in his state, Long said he see no reason for any "hard drawn fight" along racial lines.

Long added that he feels it is "beneficial" for colored people to vote Democratic in his state because Democrats support the position which will cause "better conditions" among "the little people of all races, white and black."

Long was asked if the civil rights issue is causing trouble in Louisiana. He said Republicans are causing trouble with this issue by pointing to a stand taken by Stevenson on it, but he said Republicans are careful not to point out that the Republican position on this issue is also unfavorable to the south.

He said southerners do not favor the civil rights program of either party and that he himself is against any changes in the senate rules which would end filibusters.

Governor Stevenson favors a change of Senate Rules to end filibusters.

Long said, "If you are going to change the rules you should first resolve the issues of civil rights."

The writer asked Long if he had a plan "to resolve the issues of civil rights."

Pressed for more details, Long said "closer cooperation" between the president and southern leadership in attacking the problem seems to be one way to bring about more "harmony." He said he believed Stevenson, if elected would offer such cooperation.

Gov. Adams Scoffs At Sparkman Talk On Rights

By RALPH MATTHEWS

NEW YORK — While General Eisenhower was "preparing to fly to Columbia, S.C., Tuesday to keep his rendezvous with Governor Jimmy Byrnes who has bolted the Democrats, Governor Sherman Adams (Rep., N.H.) fired a broadside at Senator Sparkman for his anti-civil rights record.

In his statement Governor Adams said:

"The Democrats are at it again —promising 'to work out' a civil rights program during the next four years, if returned to office. They have been promising such a program for the last 20 years. "This time the promise is being made, of all persons, by the Senator from Alabama, who in a speech last Friday in Oklahoma City, said:

"The thing that gave us trouble in 1948 was that President Truman sent to the Congress a civil rights package. Proposals wanted it enacted in exactly that form. The President said he had a mandate from the people. Nothing could be done.

"I think another Democratic administration can work it out."

James C. Hagerty, press secretary, announced Monday that the General will follow the lead of Governor Stevenson and Senator Sparkman and make public his personal finances as soon as he can compile his records.

Cincinnati Bank Gets U.S. Charter

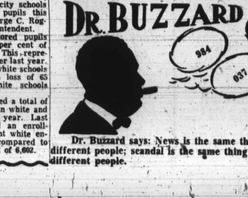
CINCINNATI, O.—Issuance of a certificate of eligibility to the Industrial Savings and Loan Commission by the Federal Home Loan Bank brought that Cincinnati institution to the last step in its plan to become the first with an all-colored board of directors to operate under a federal charter.

Horace Sudduth, president, announced this week that ratification by the company's stockholders is all that remains to bring this banking institution to the status of the large banks of the country.

Daytonian Held In 6 G Hotel Embezzlement

DETROIT — Lester Alexander McFall, 40, of Dayton, Ohio, was arrested here last week on an embezzlement charge, on the complaint of Owen D. McFall, prominent Dayton physician. Detroit police said they were informed that McFall embezzled $6,000 from the McFall Hotel, where he was employed between April 1952 and Sept. 1952.

Dr. Buzzard



Dr. Buzzard says: News is the same thing happening to different people; scandal is the same thing happening to indifferent people.

Harrison Ordered —

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singer, told the AFRO Monday that she was not on hand when the order was handed down. In fact, she did not know how much the pastor had been ordered to pay.

It is estimated that if Dr. Harrison pays a $10 a week support for the baby until she reaches 16, he will have paid about $7,800.

Milk Is Needed

Miss Holmes was disturbed when AFRO reporters talked with her Monday about obtaining milk for her child. She pointed out that even though the money might eventually be turned over to her, the baby still needed milk in the meantime. . .

When Judge Gallagher's denial of the new trial motion was handed down, it was reported that Dr. Harrison's attorneys had 10 days in which to file a notice of appeal and eight days to file an order in which they could point out the reasons for an appeal.

No Word On Appeal

However, at noon Monday, it was learned that the appeal note had not been filed.

The AFRO was advised it wasn't filed by the time the clerk's office closed Monday. Without filing of an intention to appeal, it is said, the avenue of appeal would be shut to the appellant.

In that case the original paternity decision would stand.

Harrison Like Nehemiah; Vows He'll Finish Work

WASHINGTON

As an overflow audience punctuated his sermon with frequent shouts of joy and encouragement, the Rev. Earl L. Harrison warmly asserted Sunday the he intends to "finish my job" at Shiloh Baptist Church.

Raising his sermon on the book of Nehemiah, chapters one and four, Dr. Harrison related in vivid detail the story of Nehemiah who refused to allow his enemies to stop him from building the walls of Jerusalem, because "it is the work of God."

"I am going to stay on the walls and continue to work until I will finish," the minister thundered as the audience shouted back its constant chorus of approval.

Filled To Capacity

When Dr. Harrison began his sermon, the church was nearly filled to capacity. By the time he finished every seat in the auditorium was occupied, and people stood along the walls listening intently.

As the pastor spoke in a loud and ringing voice, he frequently moved about the platform and used his hands to convey part of his emotion to his eager audience.

Every time that Dr. Harrison raised his voice, a fresh current of excitement seemed to arise in the audience and the muffled sound of "amens" echoed in the auditorium.

Dressed In Purple

At one point in the sermon, an elderly lady dressed in a purple jacket, got to her feet and began to shout that the pastor has "built a home run."

During his sermon Dr. Harrison mentioned how the enemies of Nehemiah had sought to prevent his building the wall, by sending messengers to arrange a conference with him.

However, Dr. Harrison said, Nehemiah did not stop in his work to parley with the messenger but made on him, because he believed in his work.

Would Not Run

Even when his own prophet suggested that he flee, Dr. Harrison said that Nehemiah refused.

"He would not hide. he would not run. I am not going to lay down my swords and my plows to work with one hand and fight with the other," the minister said. In reference to himself, Dr. Harrison said that he had reached the age to stand where

"I can't run any more. I am taking my own good time to God's kingdom."

Stevenson Stumps Indiana, Greeted By Enthusiastic Evansville Workers

By JAMES L. HICKS

STEVENSON CAMPAIGN PLANE (Evansville, Ind.—NNPA After completing his tour through the East, Governor Stevenson, began another swing through the west starting Friday at Evansville, Ind., a state the Republicans carried in 1948 by 13,000 votes.

Among those meeting Stevenson at Evansville was Robert Riley, chairman of the Vanderburgh County colored Democratic voters who is a deputy sheriff of the county.

Riley told the NNPA that there are approximately 8,000 colored voters of the 14,000 colored people of this county.

Lists Colored Dems Leaders

He listed colored officers of his organization as follows: Mrs. Maud Warren, vice chairman; Mrs. Ruth Calhoun, secretary; Chick Gillian, treasurer; Mrs. Margaret Sellee, financial secretary.

Stevenson's motorcade through the city was led by a colored deputy sheriff, Bevlie Willingham.

Shortly after his arrival at the airport, Stevenson led his migrcade into the International Harvester plant where he passed through the assembly lines of some 3,800 workers all members of the United Automobile workers union.

The Governor then went on to the Chrysler plant here and toured the plant in the company of Governor Stricker of Indiana.

There was no doubt about the enthusiasm of the factory workers for Stevenson. While there were few colored workers in evidence at the international plant, they turned out in numbers at the Chrysler plant.

To this reporter, who had just left the Eisenhower train, this was something new. At no time between Sept. 2 and Sept. 24 while this reporter was filed with Ike, did he visit a plant to talk with workers.

Roy Cheaney, president of Local 705 of the United Automobile Workers in the Chrysler plant said there were 2,300 workers in his plant and of that number more than 350 were colored workers.

95 Per Cent For Stevenson

Cheaney said: "Ninety five per cent of the workers here are for Stevenson and among the colored workers I think it's about 100 per cent."

There was a sharp contrast between the reception received by Stevenson in Indiana and that received by Eisenhower.

First, Stevenson did not attract the crowds that Ike drew and secondly his supporters appeared more non-professional than did Ike's.

Professionals Support Ike

For example, it was evident from following Ike that the signs and banners which greeted him had been printed and made in commercial market.

The signs which greeted Stevenson here, however, were strictly non-professional. Many of the signs were homemade and bore such slogans as "Hello Adlai" printed in black ink on paper or cardboard nailed to a stick.

Father Gets Year In Assault On Daughter

In what he described as "the nastiest case I have seen in a long time," Magistrate E. Everett Lane sentenced the 30-year-old father of two girls to a year in the House of Correction Sunday.

In testimony before him on William Janey, of the 1000 block W. Fayette st., the Northwestern magistrate concluded with "I'm only sorry that I can't give you life."

"Fright" Was Cause

Janey, an unemployed dockworker, who separated from his wife three weeks ago, was charged with assaulting his five-year-old daughter.

The accused man pleaded not guilty to the charge claiming that his wife was "trying to frame me."

The five-year-old girl, according to Magistrate Lane, gave a brilliant testimony in describing how her father assaulted her in her home in the 1900 block Herbert st., Wednesday.

Janey was arrested on Friday by Southwestern Policewoman Cornelia Smith after the girls mother took out a warrant.

Away from home at the time, the accused man learned that he had taken place through another daughter, age six, who witnessed the incident.

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