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Dr. Bourne Is Morgan Founders Day Orator

Morgan State College observed its 85th Founder's Day on Nov. 24, with a distinguished alumna, Dr. I. Simon Bourne, assistant pediatrician at Freedmen's Hospital, Washington, delivering the address.

"From its beginning on South Saratoga Street until the present, Morgan has been dedicated to training students for service to others," said Dr. Bourne in an assembly program in the Hurt Gymnasium.

A native of Frederick, Md., Dr. Bourne, who is also a faculty member at Howard University, and a diplomat of the American Board of Pediatrics, was graduated from Morgan College in 1937.

Traces History

Dr. Bourne traced the history of Morgan from its founding in 1867 as the Centenary Biblical Institute of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Baltimore, to its expansion into Morgan College in 1890, up to its change to Morgan State College in 1939.

Physical expansion, Dr. Bourne said, has got Morgan in step with new a modern college should look but she called the symbol for which Morgan stands more important. She urged students to accept the challenge of "standing on the threshold of a new world and to "prepare for that world now."

"I believe it is through institutions like Morgan that this advancement toward a better world comes," she declared.

Introduced By Dr. Carr

Dr. James D. Carr, Baltimore, Md., physician, and a 1929 graduate of Morgan, introduced Dr. Bourne. Two other alumni appeared on the program, the Rev. Mr. Howard L. Corwin, director of the Morgan Christian Center, who gave the invocation, and the Rev. Mr. Leonard C. Anderson, dean of men, who gave the benediction.

Louis Gordon and Harry Thompson, students, sang, accompanied by Mrs. Frances B. Hill, a Morgan alumna and Music Department faculty member. Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, college president, presided.

Mystery Fire Damages 2 Druid Hill Apartments

A fire of undetermined origin completely destroyed one apartment, and damaged a second in an adjoining building in the 1100 block of Druid Hill Ave., Sunday.

The fire, which broke out in the third floor apartment of Mrs. Bessie Cox, destroyed two rooms. The building is owned by Mrs. Laura Wheatley of Los Angeles, Calif.

In the adjoining building, 1124 Druid, the third floor apartment of Mrs. Martha Williams was partially damaged.

Civic Groups Send Aid To Crownsville

Several new groups of leaders in the cultural and civic life of Maryland, are taking an interest in Crownsville State Hospital, according to Mrs. Dorothy Rogers, coordinator of volunteer activities.

Among these are the Frontiers Club of Annapolis, and Norwood Brown, who recently presented a television set to patients in the maximum security building at Crownsville.

Another group is the Philomathians. A committee of three members, Mrs. Carl Murphy, Miss Ruth Burgess, and Mrs. Maria D. Jenkins, visited the hospital recently and gave a radio to patients in addition to clothing, cards, games, pocketbooks, drawing supplies and writing paper.

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In Korea

Cpl. Harold Washington, son of Mrs. Devonia Washington, 17 Cherry pl., Cumberland, Md., has arrived in Korea. A former hotel employee, Cpl. Washington enlisted on Jan. 8, 1950 and took his basic training at Fort Lewis, Washington. He is assigned to the 30th Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Battery A.

Christmas Gifts Sought For Patients At Henryton Hospital

Gifts of toilet articles for patients confined at Henryton Hospital are being sought by officials of the Maryland Tuberculosis Association.

Clubs, organizations and individuals interested in helping make Christmas merry for the hospital's patients are urged to contact the Association office deliver their gifts directly to the hospital.

That's what Mrs. Bonnie D. Pleasant, librarian at Schools No. 116-118A, seems to be saying as she reads the story of "Hansel and Gretel" to first grades standing around her. Picture are Eula Gill, Brenda Cooper, Clarence Bennett, Grover Washington, Iva Jamison, Sherman Bias, Sallie Adams, Burline Dantzler, Maxine Williams, Esther Evans, Joyce Henry, Barbara Witherspoon, Beverly White, Raymond Johnson, Mary King, Gertrude Smith, Herman Patterson, Gilda Jackson, John Bowman, Norma McCullough, Nathaniel Pritchett, Dorothy Bolden, Larry Thompson, Lois Washington, Henry Johnson, Nathaniel Henderson, and Cathell Jackson. Mrs. Muriel Carter is class teacher.

State Selective Service Employees Commended

A certificate of commendation for Selective Service employees of Maryland for their outstanding achievement in the payroll savings bond program, was issued Friday by Selective Service Director Louis B. Hershey.

Employees of the State Selective Services system have maintained a participation in excess of 50 percent since October 1950.

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OPINION

It is of the utmost importance to determine wither we are going.
—CALVIN COOLIDGE

FEPC Sound Plan

An insight into what can be expected of the new congress was supplied by two members of the senate last week.

William E. Jenner, a Republican, of Indiana, who will take over as chairman of the powerful rules committee, served notice that if he has anything to do with it, no civil rights legislation will get by his desk.

He pledged there would be no change in the senate cloture rule. This Rule 22 under which southern senators are able to filibuster such legislation to death, is satisfactory, Mr. Jenner insists.

At almost the same time, Hubert H. Humphrey, a Democrat, of Minnesota, announced that he had no intention of softpedaling demands for civil rights legislation.

The fight for federal fair employment legislation will most certainly be pressed, the Minnesotan declared.

To emphasize his determination, the subcommittee which he heads released an important report.

Prepared by Dr. Monroe Berger of Princeton University, the report disclosed how state FEPC laws have opened many opportunities for workers previously barred because of race, color, religion or national origin.

Dr. Berger found that FEP commissions with enforcement powers in seven states and two cities, since 1945, have handled about 5,000 cases. In only six of these did the agency find it impossible to settle a case by conciliation.

In five of these six cases the agency went so far as to issue cease and desist orders. Only a few of these rulings have been challenged in the courts. Not a single ruling has been reversed.

This report clearly indicates that Senator Humphrey and other supporters of legislation in this field are on sound ground in pressing for a federal FEPC with enforcement powers.

If so much can be accomplished in making full utilization of all of our manpower by seven states, imagine the tremendous result possible under a nation-wide law.

True, President-elect Eisenhower has expressed preferences for FEPC on the state level. But there is no indication that he would veto such legislation if congress acted.

During the campaign, Republicans made much of the fact that no civil rights legislation had been enacted during the 20-year regime of the Democrats.

By inference, they were saying that if they were given a chance, action would be the result. In fact, a group of congressmen had by Senator Irving Ives of New York went so far as to personally guarantee effective legislation in this field if the Republicans won.

The Republicans did win. The question yet to be answered is whether the Jenners or the Ives will be in control. On that answer rests the chance for civil rights bills in the 83rd congress.

A Waste Of Time

Southern railroads and bus companies are whistling in the dark.

They would lead many to believe that recent court decisions in the William Chance and J. B. Sweatt cases will have no effect on their segregation rules and practices.

The Chance decision ordered the Atlantic Coast Line railroad to abandon enforcement of its regulation that colored passengers must ride in segregated coaches.

The Williams decision did the same thing in the case of the Carolina Coach company, a bus line.

"The decision does not affect us in any way," said officials of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway. "The decision makes no change in the existing law and necessitates no change in the present practices," echoes management of the Southern railway.

The Trailways Bus Lines, of which the Carolina Coach company is a subsidiary, has also announced that it has no intention of abandoning its practice of seating colored passengers in the rear.

Meanwhile, R. C. Hoffman, president of the Carolina Coach company, indicates officials of several bus companies are planning a conference on the question of racial segregation on interstate runs.

All of this is just so much waste of time. And operators of railroads and buses full well know it. The U.S. Supreme Court has made up its mind that it's time for jim-crow travel to cease.

A delaying game such as these officials are playing will serve no useful purpose. Thurgood Marshall, special counsel for the NAACP, has announced that he will take legal action against all railroads and bus lines which persist in segregating interstate passengers.

If operators of these lines stubbornly force a showdown, we place our money on Mr. Marshall to emerge the victor.

One More Howler

Another calamity howler has joined Governors Byrnes of South Carolina and Herman Talmadge of Georgia

Virginia's Attorney General J. Lindsay Almond Jr. has raised his voice in concert with those who predict all sorts of dire things if the Supreme Court rules against segregation in the public school system in Virginia than a court decision outlawing segregation of students," he mourned, warning solemnly, "It would wither and die."

That's so much hogwash and Mr. Almond knows it.

These modern day forecasters of doom are rightful heirs to the weeping towels left by earlier prophets who solemnly warned that the United States would disintegrate should slavery be abolished.

None are left who would now argue the slaveholders were right and the abolitionists wrong.

Our guess is that the public school systems in the 17 states and the District of Columbia where segregation is now enforced, would be strengthened, not weakened by the abolition of this evil.

The simple fact that a single school system is far more effective and economical clearly supports this contention.

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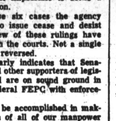
NEWS IN TABLOID

By Cliff W. Mackay
Editor, AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers

A Plan For Party Suicide

AN EXCELLENT PLAN to keep the Republicans in power for the next 20 years has been suggested. The gamble is that this idea comes not from Senator Robert Taff, but from a Democrat, Senator Burnet Maybank of South Carolina. Maybank's plan is simple. He would sidestep Adlai Stevenson as the logical head of the party.



Mr. Mackay

His argument is that he can do the job of party caretaker as well as the combined hands of Byrd, Byrnes and Russell. When this trio of Democrats finished re-shaping the liberal philosophy of the democratic party into a form to the image of their reactionary thinking, the Republicans would be assured of continuous victory for the next generation.

There could be method to this madness. After all, it was Senator Harry Byrd, proud owner of the best Republican machine ever put together in the south, who defeated Adlai Stevenson. Senator Byrnes made the supreme effort, but was thwarted by 20,000 Negro voters in his attempt to swing South Carolina to the Republicans. Senator Russell was the boss of the Dixiecrat Democratic conclave. We don't believe himself to help the party win. You have a feeling that throughout the campaign, he sat with his fingers crossed, wishing for a GOP victory.

These are the three Republicans in Democratic disguise to whom Maybank would entrust the future of the party. His reasoning is crystal clear. He argues that the only states Stevenson won were in the South. Therefore to southernizm should go the task of holding the party together. But the gentleman from South Carolina overlooks an important political fact.

Kentucky, South Carolina, Arkansas and Louisiana could well have ended up in the Republican column. In each case, it was the overwhelming vote of loyal colored Democrats which kept this from happening. Had they been warned that they were actually voting for Byrd, Byrnes and Russell, these voters would have cast their ballots for Eisenhower —or gone fishing.

Dixie Tail Would Wag Dog

To follow Maybank's suggestion would be having the tail wagging the Democratic dog. He and other southern conservatives have long been out of step with the national party. They are far more comfortable with the Republicans and often vote in Congress with them. It will be a happy day for all concerned when they take the final step by announcing to the world that they are now full-fledged members of the GOP.

Governor Stevenson, unknown nationally three months before the election, was able to fling up an impressive total of 26,500,000 votes, five million more than were ever cast for a defeated candidate. He was able to do this because he spoke the language, not of the Dixiecrats, but of the great masses of people. And in defeat, he endeared himself to millions of Americans as the man who would rather be right than president.

Without question, he has earned the right to be spokesman for the majority of Democrats. To deprive him of this right would be to cryptically sound the death knell of the great party of Roosevelt and Truman.

. . . And Speaking Of People

Drs. W. E. B. DuBois and Ambrose Caliver should have red faces. Words they wrote in years past are now being used by South Carolina to support its plea for segregated schools. They are contained in a brief filed before the Supreme Court by John W. Davis, representing Gov. Byrnes . . . President-elect Eisenhower's ignorance of domestic matters was based in the UN where he met Dr. Ralph Bunche. How in the hell can Ike afford to let you do that?" the asked when Bunche told him he was a UN employee. Obviously, Eisenhower was unaware that Bunche 18 months before had rejected a job as assistant Secretary of State because of Jim crow in Washington. Ike's tribute is being interpreted as meaning that he definitely has plans for the chairman of the UN Trusteeship division.

Mrs. Dorothy Mae Stevens, Chicago's famed "frozen women" has now become an evangelist . . . The humanitarian country club home which Mattie McDaniel never occupied is up for sale in Los Angeles. . . . New Orleans has its first colored policemen in 50 years. They are George Dalmas and Ernest Raphael Morgan. Mr. Morgan, young Detroit lawyer, is embarrassed. On the eve of his appointment, announcement to Imogene Fellbrace, another young woman, Joyce Rosser, charged that he was the father of her unborn child. He denied the accusation.

It was a clever stunt but it didn't work. Wilfred Collymore, NYC, sought to get rid of his wife, Gwendolyn, by having her deported to her native Barbados. He claimed her real reason for marrying him was to enter the U.S. as the wife of an American citizen. Judge Symonette wouldn't play ball. He ruled that Collymore had failed to prove his case . . . Merle McCurdy, native of Hartford, Conn., has been named assistant prosecutor in Cleveland . . . Mrs. Madeline McNeal has asked police to halt their search for her missing husband, Dr. William H. McNeal, the Washington pharmacist.

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Extending A Helping Hand

WHAT AFRO READERS SAY . . .

BIRDS AND A JUDGE

Knoxville, Tenn.—Judge Wilkins in upholding segregation at the Nashville golf course said red birds, black birds and white birds never flock together.

He missed the point. White birds do not deny black birds the use of God's sky. They do not set aside one tree in which only white birds are to build their nests and restrict black birds to another.

EMORY AIKEN

South Boston, Va.—Judge Wilkins should see how my chickens get along together. My Rhode Island reds don't draw a color line on my Plymouth rocks or leghorns. They all eat, drink and roost together. It looks like chickens have more sense than some federal judges.

(Mrs.) SELMA GARDNER

Chicago—Judge Robert Wilkin, a native of Ohio, interprets the law like a Dixiecrat. I often wonder why northerners when they go south, become worse than most southerners.

W. S. BOYD

Nashville, Tenn. — When God's feathered creatures begin assigning certain air lanes for white birds and others for black birds, I can appreciate Judge Wilkin stupid analogy.

CHARLES C. HIGGS

JOE LOUIS' EXLOVES

New York—I wonder how many AFRO readers noticed that two of Joe Louis's old girl friends were having husband trouble last week.

Ruby Dallas Young was separated from her husband, John Jere. And down by Washington Natalie Harper, reportedly at one time engaged to Joe, was divorced by Milton Harper.

SAMUEL HARRISON

APPLAUSE FOR HARTFORD

Hartford, Conn. — I'm bursting with pride over the way my town handled the Paul Robeson concert. As a taxpayer, I'll have to help pay that $4,000 the police cost, but I consider it money well spent in upholding the principle of free speech.

LOUIS SCOTT

New York—I was heartened by the way officials of Hartford slapped down the super patriots and Winchells, by standing firm on their decision to allow Robeson to sing.

JIMMY CUMMINGS

Boston, Mass.—Hurrah for Hartford! That's one city in these hysteria - ridden United States where the officials have their feet on the ground.

BRUCE MORRIS

Philadelphia—What a town! I think the Freedoms Foundation should give Hartford the 1952 Americanism Award. The defense of Paul Robeson's right to be heard did more to safeguard our democracy than all of the McCarthys, Winchells and Jenners put together.

HAROLD GIBSON

MORE ON PEARL BAILEY

Washington — According to the AFRO, Pearl Bailey was nervous as she went through the wedding ceremony with her new husband, Louis Bellson Jr.

How in the world can a woman who has been married three times be either excited or nervous over getting married again? Those rehearsals should keep her as calm as a professional.

(Mrs.) CATHERINE MORGAN

Pittsburgh — Pearl's mother talks like a woman with sense. She says it was "just another marriage between two people in love." Like her, I don't see the reason for all the excitement.

HORTENSE ELLIOTT

Winston-Salem, N.C. — It looks to me as if Louis Bellson got the best of the deal. After all, he's just a drummer while Pearl is a star in her own right.

His father should be proud that Junior was able to grab off a woman making $100,000 a year, no matter what color she is.

HUBERT HOFFMAN

ON RUSSELL BUNDY

Stamford Conn.—If Russell Bundy had been home with his wife and daughter instead of cavorting with those two white women, he would be alive today.

This should serve as a lesson to other husbands who neglect their families while they gay-cat with other women.

(Mrs.) ERNESTINE HALL

Philadelphia—I think the State of Virginia should give that white woman the electric chair. After all she didn't have to kill Russell Bundy just because she found him with another woman. It is a plain case of murder.

JOSEPHINE GREEN

Lynchburg, Va. — Russell Bundy got what he deserved. He was too greedy. He had one blonde but he wasn't satisfied. He had to get smart and play one against the other. Nothing is more deadly than a female scorned. Color does not matter.

LEROY MANSON

Tarboro, N.C.—I waste no tears on Russell Bundy. He deserved what he got. My sympathy goes out to his wife and daughter.

(Mrs) ESTHER DOUGHTON

Salisbury, Md. — I sure would have enjoyed watching the reddened faces of the police, the doctor and that undertaker in Fredericksburg upon their belated discovery that Russell Bundy was not white.

HORACE THOMPSON

MORE ON EDITORIAL

New York — I have just read your "Appeal to Prejudice" editorial answer to Virginius Dabney's comments.

I wish to congratulate you highly upon your analysis of this article and upon your obvious ability to uncover a number of misconceptions and entanglements on such a controversial and important subject.

C. B. POWELL
President and Editor,
N.Y. Amsterdam News

Richmond, Va. — You've got a lot of nerve trying to debate with a southern scholar like Virginius Dabney. His ancestors were ruling nations while yours were ignorant slaves.

MARTIN DANIELS

NEWCOMER TO U.S.

Brooklyn, N.Y.—I am 20 years old, comparatively newcomer to America. I have become a faithful reader of the AFRO and believe it to be a pace-setter of good international relationships between peoples of all race groups.

I would like to correspond with AFRO readers, with whom I could exchange ideas and beliefs. My address is 1520 Sterling place, Brooklyn 13, N.Y.

CAROLINA BARNETE

THE HARRY T. MOORES

Brooklyn, N.Y.—Mrs. Moore remember the Harry T. Moores of Florida, who are martyrs if there ever were any.

I propose that on Dec. 25 each year, at 11 a.m. all colored Americans bow their heads in silent prayer for two meditative minutes.

In this way we can show our unity in a way that everybody knows, but we can not increase our purposefulness as a group in the long, torturous fight for freedom.

ALMA T. WHITTAKER

SOMETHING SALVAGED

Baltimore—Two news items in the Nov. 22 AFRO were of more than passing interest. I refer to the appearance in Hartford of Paul Robeson and the unbridled attack upon Josephine Baker by Adam Clayton Powell.

The State of Connecticut will be rewarded historically for its contribution to the freedom and dignity of all men. All Powell has said is of minor importance, compared with the enormity of Miss Baker's charges.

A cynic may feel that in the long-term battle for world freedom, there can be tried to give an ear more than two items cancel each other out, but in this correspondent's opinion, something has been salvaged for the forces of liberty.

CLEM VENTURE

FOR HICKS, MACKAY

Detroit — Now that the election is over, I want to congratulate Mr. Hicks and Mr. Mackay for the stand they took in supporting the Democratic party.

They are two of the best journalists in the country and the AFRO is unquestionably the greatest of our newspapers.

I don't see how anyone could support a man who said in front he was in favor of segregation in schools and on jobs.

J. M. B. ALLEN

THEN AND NOW

Washington— George Schuyler, who is now knocking Josephine Baker, once wrote in his column: "If I were a young man, I would wipe the dust from my feet on the Statue of Liberty and clear out."

Now he's just angry with Miss Baker because she took his advice. What a difference a few years make.

J. H. JENKINS

JESUS' BIRTHDAY?

Wilmington, Del. — Christ Jesus was born on October 1, not December 25. When will Christians wake up to this fact that can be found in the New Testament?

(Chief) JULIAN DeCOSTA
The Christian Indian

MOON'S PHASES

Full Moon—December 1—7:41 a.m.
Last Quarter—December 8—8:32 a.m.
New Moon—December 15—2:11 a.m.
First Quarter—December 23—4:51 p.m.
Full Moon—December 31—6:08 a.m.

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Wed., Dec. 3	7:26 a.m.	4:32 p.m.
Thurs., Dec. 4	7:26 a.m.	4:32 p.m.
Fri., Dec. 5	7:27 a.m.	4:32 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 6	7:27 a.m.	4:32 p.m.
Sun., Dec. 7	7:28 a.m.	4:32 p.m.
Mon., Dec. 8	7:29 a.m.	4:32 p.m.
Tues., Dec. 9	7:30 a.m.	4:32 p.m.

HOLIDAYS AND HOLY DAYS

December 8—Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Holy Days of Obligation, the privileged, bestowed on Mary Dabney, His ancestors were rulers of nations while yours were ignorant slaves.

MARTIN DANIELS

My Favorite Quotation

Build not your castles in the sky where the wind may cause them to fly. The things which you do on earth will be remembered by the man in the bye and bye.—Anonymous.

Submitted by Kelsey S. Brown, Newark, N.J.
(Next week's quotation by Mrs. Leore Moss, E. Orange, N.J.)

Capital Spotlight

By Louis Lautier

WASHINGTON

What's the matter with colored women in public life? Are there only a few available for high government office when the Republicans take over on January 20?

The American Association of University Women, which includes colored women among its members, made public the other day a list of eighteen women whose names it submitted to President - elect Dwight D. Eisenhower for his "serious consideration" in making appointments to high Government office. None is colored.

Mr. Lautier

A day or two later, General Eisenhower announced the appointment of Ovets Culp Hobby, 47-year-old Houston (Texas) publisher, Democrat, and head of the WACs during World War II, as Federal Security Administrator, and Ivy Baker Priest, also 47, of Utah assistant GOP national chairman in charge of the Women's Division, who worked closely with Ike during the campaign, as Treasurer of the United States.

Hedgeman Faces Ouster

In addition to three "Assistant Federal Security Administrators," Oscar Ewing has three "Assistants to the Administrator." Ann Hedgeman is one of the Assistants to the Administrator. None of the six assistant positions is covered by civil service. Comes January 20 and all six of these assistants will go.

How about Roberta Church, daughter of the late Robert R. Church, to fill one of these six positions? She's well qualified by education and training, and recently she showed her dad's flair for politics when she went from Chicago to Memphis and got herself elected to the Republican State Central Committee of Tennessee.

Casual inquiries from a source which ought to know outstanding colored Republican women available for high government office brought these suggestions:

Jane Spaulding, Charleston (W. Va.) widow of a physician, sponsor of several social welfare projects, and worker in the interest of coal miners in West Virginia.

Mrs. Spaulding, whose doctor son is the mate of Marva Louis, attended the triennial convention of the Council of Women of the World in Greece in 1951. She has worked closely with the Council of Women of United Nations.

Ruth Mueller, executive secretary of the National Council of Negro Women, who worked during the campaign with the Women's Division of the Republican National Committee.

She's a native of Mississippi, the daughter of Mississippi teachers, taught school in Mississippi, and was a Jeanes supervisor in Emanuel County (Georgia), worked in the YWCA in Philly and Brooklyn, was director of the Hope Day Nursery in New York, and supervised the Youth Board program for the Protestant Council of New York.

Vivian Parker, Cleveland (Ohio), the mate of Gus Parker, ex - Cleveland councilman and prominent lawyer . . . Leona Pouncey, Kansas City (Missouri) lawyer and personable individual . . . Cassandra Maxwell, an Atlanta lawyer, who formerly lived in Columbia (South Carolina).

Bertha Diggs, formerly of Buffalo, now a resident of Brooklyn, who is a secretary in the New York State Labor Department . . . Fay Jackson, a Los Angeles newspaperwoman, could also be appointed.

VOTERS' VINEYARD

By James L. Hicks

WITHOUT ATTEMPTING to comment on the other people whom General Eisenhower has tapped to play on his first team, this reporter would like to say that in the appointment of Jim Hagerty as press secretary at the White House, all reporters, no matter what their color or creed, can be assured of a fair shake from Jim in the handling of news stories.

Mr. Hicks

Hagerty, a native of Plattsburg, N.Y., and former press secretary to Governor Tom Dewey, is probably the best known and best liked press secretary who realizes that the problems of each reporter and his editor in getting out their paper may vary in all kinds of ways and he has worked with as many reporters that he knows most of their problems and how to get around them.

Thus Jim never allows the afternoon papers to get the jump on the morning papers when it a morning paper story. And the same is true in handling the afternoon papers when the story is for afternoon release.

Helps All Reporters

But Hagerty goes further than this. He's been around the business long enough to know the special problems of the weekly papers and other papers, and he will work with the reporter on the smallest weekly to help him get out a story the same as he will with an AP correspondent.

To a reporter who rode both presidential campaign trains as I did during the election campaign, Hagerty as press secretary to Eisenhower, presented a sharp contrast to Bill Flanagan as press secretary to Governor Stevenson.

Both had been newspapermen before becoming press secretaries, but the difference between Hagerty and Flanagan was about as great as the difference between the New York Times for whom Hagerty once worked, and the Illinois paper that Flanagan worked for. At the moment I can't recall the name of the paper.

Colored Reporters Ignored

Time and time again I saw him walk into the press room and hand out a press release to white reporters and pass up a colored reporter. When you asked for a release he would give you one.

Hagerty simply passed them out as he came to the newsmen and if the New York Times was at the end of the line and the releases were running out when Hagerty reached a colored reporter, he would hand the last release to the colored reporter and say, "I'll have some more in a minute. That's as far as these will go."

One example will serve to show what Flanagan thought of the colored press. One night we were sitting in the Claypool Hotel in Indianapolis or the Statler in St. Louis (I can't remember which there were so many hotels during the campaign). For some reason or other, Governor Stevenson decided at two o'clock in the morning to make his income tax statement public.

Flanagan, as press secretary, got on the phone and called the rooms of every press reporter in the press group. But he did not call me. I was sitting in the three colored reporters' rooms with the door wide open. I knew what was the last night on which I could file a story for the National edition of the AFRO and I had stayed up my typewriter after writing every word I could.

He passed out the press release of Governor Stevenson's income tax statement. He passed me by. I walked up and asked for one. He gave it to me.

Contained Gilbert's Name

The release which he did not feel I would be interested in contained the names of all the people who had made contributions to Governor's controversial Campaign fund. I looked for and found the fourth name on the list was — well you read the story as I wrote it that same night—the fourth name on the list was Truman K. Gibson, former civilian aide to the Secretary of War.

I could say more about Flanagan and the treatment he tried to give me at New Orleans when I quit the Stevenson press train—but I started out to write about Jim Hagerty and it's a pleasure to know that despite the fact that I was a Stevenson man, I will not have to truckle to a knucklehead like Flanagan if and when I go to the White House on a news story.

Hodge-Podge

By Bob Matthews

ABOUT 15 OR SO years ago, most children were exposed to a regular Saturday ritual called "dancing class."

Mr. Matthews

Suppose the classes are still in vogue, but at least the little boys don't have to squeeze into collars and wear velvet pants.

Every one seemed to enjoy these Saturday affrays, except the participants. The parents would sit discreetly on the side lines, hissing ominous warnings if Junior showed the slightest reluctance in going through his paces.

Poor Junior was forced to march over to one of the little girls, (usually one he despised) bow politely, and slur:

"May I have the pleasure of this dance?"

The girl had to accept (or face disinherritance); whereupon they gritted their teeth and walked in cadence around the floor—keeping an exact six inches between them.

No Longer An Ordeal

As the years passed, dancing class took on a different aspect —it was no longer an ordeal.

During his middle-teens, Junior looked forward to dancing class and took pride in his ability to execute all the latest steps.

Any time a new dance craze hit town, he couldn't rest until he had mastered all its intricacies.

Finally, Junior grew up, married and raised a family—history repeats itself.

Again, Junior is forced to squeeze himself into a highly-starched collar—this time formal attire.

There's a difference, however—can't get Junior near the ballroom floor this time. He spends the entire evening sitting on a bar stool talking about the way he used to dance.

His reason "—well, just never cared for dancing."

Report From Europe

By Ollie Stewart

PARIS—Frank Yerby, who deserted the United States last July and said this week that he intends "to live in France until the Stalin runs me out," does not believe that starving in an attic helps to produce great works of art.

Mr. Stewart

On the contrary, Yerby feels a full stomach is the best asset a writer or painter can have. Practicing what he preaches, Frank leased a villa at Nice, on the French Riviera, and has been living very well indeed. Recently, however, he sent his three children in school in Switzerland and moved into an apartment. He and his wife are reported to be separated.

Author of seven popular novels that have grossed $ 500,000 sales, and have been translated into 14 different languages—including Japanese—Frank paid close to $100,000 in income tax last year, and the government came back for more.

New Doing Research

Two of his books have been made into movies, and Hollywood is dickering at the moment for the author's controversial Campaign fund. I looked for and found the fourth name on the list was — well you read the story as I wrote it that same night—the fourth name on the list was Truman K. Gibson, former civilian aide to the Secretary of War.

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Yerby says he will certainly stay in Europe until his children finish their schooling in Switzerland, although he plans to visit the USA every year so as to see his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus G. Yerby, who live in Detroit. His sister, Mrs. E. W. Boddie, also lives in Detroit. One brother, Alonzo, a doctor, was recently stationed in Germany; and another brother, Paul, a pharmacist, lives in Chicago.

Lipstick

By Lulu Garrett

Sabina and I were talking about