List Of D.C. Anti-Segregation Measures Being Prepared

Truman To Receive NAACP's Proposals

WASHINGTON

The local chapter of the NAACP is drawing up a list of specific proposals dealing with the problem of segregation and discrimination in Washington, to be submitted to President Truman.

Officials of the branch said that the proposals are in answer to a statement made by the President that he would act on bias in the District, if he had the power.

The decision to offer him concrete proposals, was made Monday night at the first meeting of the new executive committee, as a committee was named to draw up the actual plans.

Members of this committee include: Walter Shine, Frank D. Reeves, Tilford Dudley, Vernice Spraggs and Roy Garvin.

The executive committee adopted the following program for the branch.

1. To secure the appointment of a qualified Commissioner to the District of Columbia, whose appointment will not represent a continuation of the present policy of the systematic exclusion of a large segment of the population in the making of such appointments, thereby demonstrating a basic adherence to the public policy of the United States against discrimination because of race or color.

2. To secure the promulgation of a FEPC edict by the Board of Commissioners for the District of Columbia government.

3. To sponsor suitable legislation with enforcement power for a FEPC Statute for the District of Columbia.

4. To formulate plans, procedures and techniques for elimination of every vestige of segregation in the Nation's Capital for presentation to the incoming Republic Administration headed by General Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Civil Liberties

5. To set up suitable machinery and procedures for safe guarding the civil liberties and general welfare of all the people of the District of Columbia.

6. To formulate specific measures which President Truman may take here and now to eliminate segregation in the District of Columbia.

7. To cooperate with the Medico-Chirurgical Society in their campaign, to eliminate segregation and discrimination from voluntary hospitals of the District of Columbia.

Sgt. Stewart On Korean Line

WASHINGTON

Sgt. A phonso R. Stewart, husband of Mrs. Shirley M. Stewart of 1125 65th ave., nw, recently completed eight months in Korea with the Seventh Infantry Division.

A graduate of Howard University, Sergeant served as supply sergeant in Battery D, 13th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Automatic weapons Battalion. He entered the Army in April, 1951.

Another serviceman in the news is Herbert Mallette, husband of Mrs. Nancy Mallette of 1127 Euclid st., nw, who was promoted to sergeant first class while serving in Korea with the Third Infantry Division.

With 7th Infantry

Sergeant Malette arrived in Korea last June, and is a squad leader in the Seventh Infantry Regiment's Company L.

Cpt. Wejay S. Bundara, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Burns, 2215 Madison ave., Baltimore, Md., is serving in Germany with the First Infantry Division.

A member, of Headquarters Company, 26th Regiment, he has been in the Army since 1950. Captain Bundara attended Howard University. His wife, Mamie, is living with him in Germany.

Shriners Give Out Holiday Goodies

Members of Jerusalem Temple No. 4 of the Shriners brought cheer to hundreds of children at a Christmas party on Christmas Eve at the Masonic Temple. One of the Nobles, dressed as Santa distributes stockings filled with holiday goodies.

They Celebrated Birthdays On Christmas Day

These three youngsters feel Santa Claus was trying to economize when he delivered them to their parents Christmas Day, nine years ago. "We don't know whether he is bringing us birthday presents or Christmas gifts," they moaned. Left to right are William Lewis Jr., 1914 N. Monroe st., Carol Spencer, 2021 Druid Hill ave. and Joseph Nixon, 2316 McCulloh st.

Truman Plays Santa To Thousands Of Federal Prisoners And Army Skaters

Large Number Of Colored Among Violators With Rights Restored

WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, D.C. (NNPA)—As a Christmas gift to thousands of federal law violators and peacetime deserters from the United States armed forces, President Truman issued two proclamations restoring their civil rights.

A large number of colored men will be affected by the two proclamations since a high proportion of service men who had been convicted of federal offenses prior to their service in the armed forces and of persons who have been court-martialed for desertion is colored.

The White House said the proclamations will not permit the release from prison of anyone serving a term for desertion, but they will restore their federal citizenship, including their right to vote if the states follow the lead of the Federal Government.

The two proclamations, issued on Christmas Eve, grant a full pardon to all persons (a) who were convicted of violation of any federal law, except the laws governing the armed forces and who served in the armed forces for at least a year since June 25, 1950, and (b) who were convicted of desertion from the armed forces between the end of World War II August 14, 1945, and June 25, 1950, when the Korean war began.

The defense department said 8,940 deserters might be affected, including 6,500 in the Army and former Army Air Corps, 2,000 in the Navy and Marines, 400 in the Air Force, and 40 in the Coast Guard.

Actual restoration of voting rights is left to the states because the Federal Government does not hold any elections and does not directly control the right to vote.

President Truman also promoted Philleo Nash, 43, from staff adviser on minority group problems to the rank of administrative assistant in the post held by the late David K. Niles, who had resigned in 1951.

Nash was accused by Senator Joseph R. McCarthy, Republican, of Wisconsin, of having joined the Communist party and having associated with Communists, according to loyalty board files. Nash denied the charges and Mr. Truman defended his aide at a press conference and denounced McCarthy as "pathological" and a "character assassin."

The promotion, announced by the White House as "one of the major Christmas gifts" of President Truman, means a salary increase from $11,000 to $15,000 a year during the remaining few weeks of the Truman administration.

Cranberry Producer

Nash, a large cranberry producer, has been on the White House staff since 1941, coming originally as an assistant to Niles, who handled religious and racial minority matters for President Roosevelt and Mr. Truman.

He was born in Wisconsin and was graduated from the University of Wisconsin. He holds a doctor of philosophy degree in anthropology from the University of Chicago.

Nash taught for four years at the University of Toronto before coming to Washington in 1941 as a special assistant in the Office of War Information. Later he was assigned to the White House.

Dr. Evans In Middle East

PRAIRIE VIEW, Tex.—Dr. Edward B. Evans, president of Prairie View State College, is in the Middle East on a special mission for Point 4 program and the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization.

Dr. E. B. Evans

A leading authority on livestock diseases, he is visiting Egypt, Ethiopia, and Pakistan to study rinderpest control problems and recommend what additional facilities and programs are needed in those countries for an intensified anti-rinderpest campaign.

Dr. Evans is evaluating the rinderpest control work now going on and will recommend what further steps should be taken and what contribution should be made by FAO, Point 4 and co-operating governments.

He is also looking into the desirability of establishing facilities for the production of rinderpest serum.

Most Destructive Disease

Rinderpest is one of the most destructive of all cattle diseases. It is widespread in the Middle East and Asia. The livestock industry throughout the world is interested in seeing that the disease is kept within present areas of infection and gradually eliminated in those areas.

Dr. Evans, president of Prairie View since 1946, has been associated with that institution since 1919, when he began the work of establishing the Department of Veterinary Science at the college, where he has achieved international fame in the field of veterinary science.

Bishop Hatcher Leaves For Africa Jan. 21

NEW ORLEANS, La. — (ANP) — Bishop and Mrs. E. C. Hatcher of the AME Church at last have received clearance to sail to Africa where he will preside over that district of the church.

The couple will sail from here Jan. 21 for Monrovia, Liberia, where he will go to superintend the AME Church in the provinces of Liberia, Nigeria, the Gold Coast and Sierra Leone.

Another AME bishop, Frederick D. Jordan, still is waiting on clearance. He too is going to Africa. Both were elected to the bishopric at the 38th Quadrennial of the AME church.

Thurgood Marshall To Be Given Testimonial Dinner

Thurgood Marshall, a native son of Baltimore who has attained eminence in the field of civil rights, will be honored at a testimonial dinner sponsored by the Monumental City Bar Association at the Morgan State College Refectory on Feb. 12.

Among those invited to attend the dinner are Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, Federal Judge William H. Hastie, Dr. Mordecai Johnson, president of Howard University; Dr. Ralph Bunche, Jackie Robinson, and Joe Louis.

Plans for the occasion have been in the making since June. Among those on the honorary sponsoring committee are Dr. Martin Jenkins, president of Morgan State College; and Dr. Dwight O. W. Holmes, president - emeritus.

Chairman of the committee for arrangments is Linwood G. Koger, president of the Monumental City Bar Association.

The guest of honor, who has been spoken of as the "greatest civil rights lawyer in the country," began his legal career in Baltimore.

Mr. Marshall is a graduate of Douglass High School; has his academic degree from Lincoln University of Pennsylvania, and is a graduate of the Howard University Law School. His mother is a teacher in the Baltimore public schools.

YMCA Names New Board Chairman

The Board of Managers of the Druid Hill YMCA, elected Truly Hatchett, Friday, as board chairman and Dr. Miles W. Conner, as vice-chairman for the year 1953.

Mr. Hatchett was elected to succeed J. A. B. Callis who served in that capacity for ten years. Dr. Conner succeeds Milton A. Dugger.

Other elected representatives included Harold A. Seaborne, who was re-elected secretary of the board; and Houston R. Jackson, assistant superintendent of schools, to serve on the Metropolitan Board of Directors of the Baltimore YMCA.

Mr. Callis and W. Douglass Johnson were re-elected to serve a two-year term as branch lay representatives to the Central Atlantic Area Council.

Say Scotland Yard To Investigate Cambia

GAMBIA (ANP) — It has been announced that members of Scotland Yard would arrive here to investigate alleged widespread frauds in the government. Their nature has not been disclosed.

The governor of Gambia is white but Africans hold some high posts in this colony.

SEES SON INITIATED

CHARLESTON, S.C. — Arthur J. Clement Jr., who was attending the school case hearings before the United States Supreme Court in Washington, also attended the ritual at which his son, Howard, was received into the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

Coming Your Way

In The AFRO Magazine

- ARE THE REDS HAPPY IN MOSCOW?—A true-to-life picture of living conditions inside the Communists' biggest city.
- AFRO ROVING PHOTOGRAPHER visits Roxboro, N.C., and CHARLOTTE COURT HOUSE, Va. Watch for these picture pages.
- FOLLIES BERGERE—Backstage at Paris' most famed showplace. Chorus girls galore!
- FURNITURE PREVIEW—Homemakers will enjoy this picture feature showing the most modern of modern furniture and appliances.
- ALL ABOUT BREAST CANCER—How to guard against this disease and what to do to cure it.
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INSIDE: The Case Of The Perfect Pastor

AFRO MAGAZINE SECTION

Tom Day—Cabinet Maker

Sixty merchants got the legislature to pass a special act to admit his wife to North Carolina. The Presbyterian Church agreed to drop its color line in exchange for a set of mahogany pews.

By LYDIA T. BROWN

By SPECIAL ACT of the North Carolina legislature in 1927, the law forbidding entrance of Free colored people into the State was amended to admit Mrs. Thomas Day of Milton.

Also the Milton Presbyterian Church (white) by vote of the deacons, altered its rules to permit the Day family to sit on the first floor rather than in the gallery.

Tom Day was the best cabinet maker in Milton. His furniture was eagerly sought after by the richest people.

Unless he could bring his lovely young wife from Virginia to Milton he threatened to quit the town.

Friends Petitioned State

Sixty friends and merchants who became alarmed at the prospect came to his defense and went posto haste to Raleigh and petitioned for an amendment to the Act of 1927 which would enable a freed colored person to enter the state.

For the right to sit on the first floor of the Presbyterian Church, Day agreed to turn out a set of mahogany pews.

Today, several fine old Day pieces are still a part of the main auditorium, and Day furniture fetches the highest prices wherever they are recognized.

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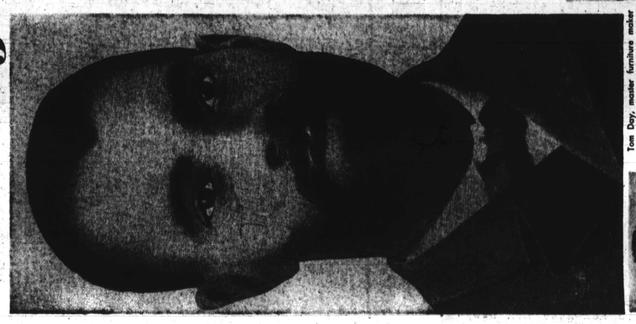
This is the white Presbyterian church in Milton, N.C., that agreed to let colored parishioner Tom Day worship with the white people when he built the original pews seen below. Day's wife was admitted in 1951.



These are the original pews built by Tom Day for a white church in Milton, N.C., over 125 years ago. He was permitted to attend that church as a result, his first colored man ever to break that state's strict color code.

Tom Day, master furniture maker of Milton, N.C., who defied that town's color line to make a living. Inside his Commissioner's license was admitted to North Carolina by a special act of the state legislature.

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- ARE THE REDS HAPPY IN MOSCOW? — A true-to-life picture of living conditions inside the Communists' biggest city.
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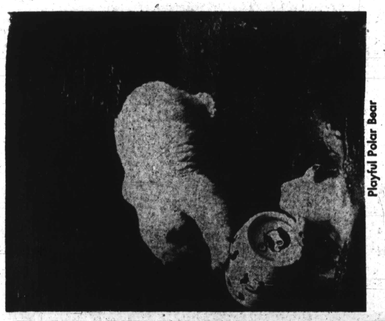


Playful Polar Bear

When Old Friends Meet

Kid's Kolumn

By RUTH ROBINSON

How To Make A Bean Bag

There are many ways to make a Bean Bag. Here I will tell you how to make one, two interesting games to play, with Bean Bags.

Bean Bag Game

Game No. 1. Bean Bag Game Bag. Take two pieces of heavy cloth about 7" x 7". Stitch the pieces together on three sides with strong thread. Turn inside out. Fill it half with sand or beans and sew up the fourth side. Bean Bag is ready to play.

Bean Bag Shuffle Board

Chalk an outline of a shuffleboard on the floor or inside or outside on the sidewalk.

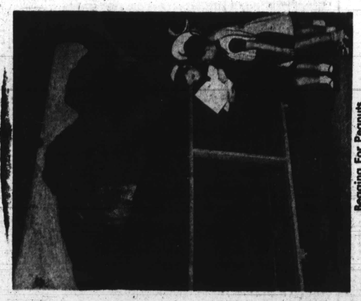
Players line up behind a throwing line about 10 feet from the shuffleboard. Each player throws the bean bag toward the shuffleboard, and scores whatever number the bean bag rests on. Next player throws Bean Bag.

Bean Bag Golf

For this game you will need nine cards of deep plate, marking each one with a number. They may be marked on plate out with a number marked on the paper. Place the plates in a circle, or in a straight line. Throw at the golf course. From behind a line, one each player takes turns throwing the bean bag. Player with most points wins game. Bean Bag Golf is a whole, lowest score wins the game.

Game No. 2. Bean Bag Game. Take a strong cloth and wash and get away the bowls when you are through with these games.

Begging For Peanuts



Chic 'Chimp' (Monkey's Uncle)

Zoo's Who

The polar bear, one of them shown at top of this page, is known to zoologists as Thalarctos maritimus. They are very powerful swimmers, probably because in the Arctic where they live, you have to keep moving to keep from freezing.

The polar bear cats seals, walruses, fish and birds. The walruses, fish and birds give birth to their young in a chamber in the snow.

Chimpanzees are smarter than plain old monkeys. They are the monkeys' uncles and are a highly developed form of the species.

The young fella shown on this page is modeling the latest thing in monkey suits and is bright enough to know how to take it off and put it on. Horse meeting his bride, is the middle of things here. On one side is "Kingly" a prize race horse and on Brown's shoulder is "Junior," the stable's mickey mouse. They are fast friends.