RITES TO BE HELD IN MISS.:

Slate Consecration Of Gold Coast Bishop-Elect

BAY ST. LOUIS, Miss. — The consecration of the Most Rev. Joseph O. Bowers, bishop-elect of Accra, Gold Coast, Africa, will take place on April 22.

The Church of Our Lady in Bay St. Louis, of which the Rt. Rev. Monsignor Andrew Canon Gmelch is pastor, will be the scene of the ceremony.

His eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman, archbishop of New York will be consecrator.

Their excellencies, the Most Rev. Richard O. Gerow, bishop of Natchez and the Most Rev. Adolph A. Noser, vicar apostolic of Alexiahafen, New Guinea, will be the co-consecrators.

Archbishop To Preach

The preacher for this historic event will be the Most Rev. Joseph F. Rummel, archbishop of New Orleans. The Rt. Rev. Monsignor Gustav J. Schultheis will be master of ceremonies.

Other major and minor officers of the mass and ceremony will be members of the Society of the Divine Word of which the bishop-elect is a member.

The banquet for the clergy will follow the consecration ceremony and will take place at St. Augustine's Seminary in Bay St. Louis of which Bishop - Elect Bowers is an alumnus.

Reception Planned

It is hoped that the Most Rev. William D. O'Brien, auxiliary bishop of Chicago and president of the Catholic Church extension society will be the toastmaster.

(For a number of years, Bishop O'Brien has been ordaining prelate of the missionary priests of the Society of the Divine Word ordained in Techny, Ill.)

Following the banquet, the newly-consecrated bishop will receive at a civic reception for the laity at 4:30 p.m. in the parlors of the seminary.

His excellency will remain in this country for a time, taking care of business relative to his see before returning to Africa. While in this country his official residence is St. Augustine's Seminary, Bay St. Louis, Miss.

Tops At Harvard

Norman R. Dixon is the highest ranking student in the graduate school of education at Harvard University, with a straight A average for the first semester. Mr. Dixon is on leave from his position as associate professor of education, Bethune-Cookman College, Daytona Beach, Fla., to study towards the doctor's degree in education and psychology.

Field Agent Leaves Job

Campbell Retires; Worked 47 Years

TUSKEGEE, Ala. — Having reached the compulsory retirement age, T. M. Campbell, U.S. Department of Agriculture field agent, with headquarters at Tuskegee Institute, retired on February 28 after a long and distinguished career as an extension worker.

He was first appointed as a collaborator with the Department in November 1906 in the capacity of a local agent in Macon County, Ala., under the direct supervision of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp.

His first assignment was to be in charge of the "Jesup Wagon," an extension-type school on wheels, to carry education in agriculture to the homes of the farm families in his area.

In 8 States

From this simple beginning nearly 47 years ago Mr. Campbell continued to dedicate himself to extension work and rounded out a most productive career in the capacity of field agent for the government office in eight southern states.

Speaking of the many reforms which have taken place in extension work since he started, Mr. Campbell had the following to say in his final report to his superiors:

"I am confident that the reforms could not have been possible without the guidance and direction of the Southern Directors and their staffs; the far-sighted and constant cooperation of institutions like Tuskegee Institute in Alabama, Hampton Institute in Virginia and the 17 colored Land-Grant Colleges in the Southern and border states, along with the financial support and goodwill of a multitude of public spirited citizens, white and colored, including private business organizations and philanthropic foundations."

Stay Eviction At N.Y. Project

NEW YORK (ANP) — The scheduled eviction of the Edward Strickland family from Knickerbocker Village was temporarily halted by a stay granted by Municipal Court Justice Mitchell D. Schweizer in the Bronx court.

The execution of the eviction warrant was delayed until April 30. Strickland said he had not been able to find other living quarters for his wife and the 14-month-old daughter who have been living in a three room apartment.

The Strickland apartment was allegedly sublet from another tenant without permission of the owners. Last July a suit to prevent the eviction was dismissed in the State Supreme court. The Stricklands were the first colored family to reside in the project.

Blount Wins Third Freedoms Award

WESTCHESTER, Pa. — George W. Blount of this city, for the third consecutive year, has been cited by the Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge, Pa., for his articles on the American Way of Life.

Mr. Blount

In 1950, he was cited for articles on "Freedom to Use of Brains, Brawn and Skills at a Profit"; in 1951, for the article on "Americans All— If We Were United;" and in 1952, for "Fighting for Our Freedoms and Civil Rights."

Mr. Blount was awarded the George Washington honor medal and $100 for his 1952 article.

Foreign Service Aide, Wife Off To Greece

TULSA, Okla. (ANP — Titus D. Triplett, a U.S. foreign service aide with 12 years' experience, recently visited relatives here en route to Athens, Greece, where he will work for two years. He was accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Irene Triplett.

Civil Rights Award Goes To Mr. Truman

NEW YORK — Former president Truman has been named winner of the 1952 Stephen Wise $1,000 award of the American Jewish Congress for outstanding leadership in the extension of civil rights.

THUG FROM SOVIET ZONE:

German Who Assaulted Soldier Gets 5 Years

FRANKFURT, Germany — Five years of confinement was the bitter price paid by 20-year-old Soviet-Zone refugee, Wolfgang Seegebart for robbery and assault in a U.S. district court here last week with colored Pfc. Matthew F. Jeremias, 26, the victim, present to give evidence.

The Pittsburgh - born service man happened to meet Seegebart in front of a Frankfurt bar last Christmas evening and invited the youthful German for a drink inside.

A few hours later Jeremias left for a down - town hotel accompanied by the Berlin refugee who, upon arrival, started a fight with the German receptionist resulting in severe cuts and bruises on both sides.

Pfc. Jeremias kept out of the argument and headed for another restaurant but was joined by Seegebart a few minutes later on Frankfurt's main street.

As they were walking past the German court building Seegebart suddenly knocked down the soldier and took off his wristwatch, valuable rings and a wallet containing $30 in cash.

Then Seegebart started kicking Jeremias in the face until the victim lost consciousness. Later the service man was found by German pedestrians who rushed him to a hospital.

U.S. officials told reporters after the trial that there is an increasing average of four slimmer cases tried each week since December, 1952 in the Frankfurt area.

Serious Problem

The so-called bahnhof boys" (See: "Germans Lure Girls;" AFRO MAGAZINE SECTION Dec. 27, 1952) loitering around railway stations compose a serious problem that cannot be solved as easily as may be expected by people who don't know the circumstances, U.S. military agencies in Germany agree.

It was said that the increasing number of unemployed Soviet - Zone refugees play a major role beyond control of German police.

Probe Of Hospital Bias To Be Made

NEW YORK (ANP)—A seven-man committee has been named by the NAACP to investigate charges of discrimination at Fordham Hospital, growing out of the deaths of several children at that institution.

The independent committee was named in response to a suggestion by Dr. Marcus Kogel, commissioner of hospitals, it was announced.

Another committee, composed of residents of a housing project in which the victims' parents lived, previously protested, but Dr. Kogel castigated the group, saying, in his opinion they were unkualified to pass on the medical admission procedures of the hospital under fire.

A thorough investigation is promised and an early report anticipated.

Gold Coast Approves Volta River Project

ACCRA, GOLD COAST (ANP) —The Gold Coast Legislative Assembly has given a mandate to the government here to carry on the preliminary negotiations in connection with the Volta River project, on a motion by Prime Minister Kwame Nkrumah.

Earlier, there had been a wave of criticism, in the local press and public platforms asking the government to reject the United Kingdom white paper on the project unconditionally based on the fear that the project will ultimately pass into the hands of "foreign capitalists."

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Group Worker

Alexander Weems, graduate of Central State College, Wilberforce, was recently appointed as Group Worker with the Zanesville, O. Community Center. He is native of Chicago.

Man, 104, Denied Registration Blank, By Judge

ST. LOUIS (ANP) — Albert Johnson, one of St. Louis' venerable citizens, claimed to be 104 years old in an affidavit for a court order to permit him to vote in last Friday's primary election.

Johnson told Circuit Judge Ivan L. Holt he had never voted since 1913. Judge Holt refused to issue an order which would have added the aged man's name to the voting list because no emergency existed.

He also ruled that since Johnson had not attempted to vote in the last 40 years he had not indicated a desire to register in compliance with the law.

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Why Dr. Patterson Leaves Tuskegee

New Post Pays About Half Present $20,000 Job

Why did Dr. Frederick D. Patterson resign as president of Tuskegee (Ala.) Institute?

Whom will trustees name as his successor April 11?

What is the new job Dr. Patterson will take in New York?

Heretofore Tuskegee's presidency has been considered a life-time job.

Booker T. Washington held it for 34 years (1881-1915). His successor, Robert R. Moton, 20 years (1915-35), and Dr. Patterson, 18 years (1935-53).

The job pays $12,000, housefood, upkeep, and entertainment expense, the probable equivalent of $20,000.

At the age of 52, Dr. Patterson leaves Tuskegee to become director of the Phelps-Stokes Fund in New York at a salary said to be $6,500.

Excellent Record

Friends explain that Dr. Patterson has an excellent record at Tuskegee, increased its budget from one to three million dollars.

He expanded the veterinary hospital, commercial dietician, woman's hospital, polio, and maternal care programs.

The United Negro College Fund was his idea.

The next step in the school's program is expansion of training for jobs. This is an area at some point between a school and engineering and the work being done in land grant colleges.

Job Finished

Friends say Dr. Patterson has made his contribution to Tuskegee and both he and trustees feel the new work should be placed on younger shoulders.

Actually, he has been 25 years at the school, seven years as teacher, 18 years as president.

He spends 70 per cent of his time on the road raising money and living out of a suit case.

He sees his family too little, especially his son of 12.

Planned For Some Time

He has been thinking of making a change for a long time. If he is going to do it, they say, he should, while he has 13 active years to devote to his new work.

He leaves Tuskegee, one trustee said, with the "finest good wishes of all trustees and everybody else."

At Phelps-Stokes, he will have a chance to continue many of the things he is doing at Tuskegee.

Successors

Probable successors include Dr. Luther H. Foster Jr., Tuskegee business manager; Dr. Irving A. Derbingny, dean and vice-president; Dr. Robert C. Weaver, director of John H. Whitney Foundation.

Others are Dr. Laurence Foster, dean of Lincoln U. (Pa.), Dr. Alphonse Heningburg of Queens College, NYC, who was the alumni's choice to succeed Dr. Moton in 1935.

Also mentioned are Dr. Alonzo G. Moron, president of Hampton and Dr. Robert P. Daniel, president of Virginia State college.

Dr. Moron is now at Hampton and a spokesman said he is too busy to consider a change.

What College Heads Say

Commenting on the Patterson resignation, one educator said: "Patterson has done a beautiful job at Tuskegee. Perhaps he wants to move on to something else while he is young enough to move."

Another said, "The closing years of a college president are not usually as productive as his earlier years. He'll have fewer headaches at Phelps-Stokes."

Still another added this: "Any college president who had spent 25 years in Alabama am gets a chance to work in New York deems to make a change."

"I came from Mississippi to a northern school years ago," a college president told the AFRO. "I was making $4,000 in Mississippi . . . new job paid only $2,500."

Dr. Patterson isn't leaving because of pressure from the state of Alabama, the AFRO was told. The state appropriation is $500,000 a year, and state white trustees work as hard for the school as any of the northern trustees."

Phelps-Stokes

Some data on Phelps-Stokes Fund:

Phelps - Stokes Fund (1911): original endowment $936,000; 101 Park ave., N.Y. 17, N.Y.

The Fund has devoted its major attention to education of colored people and race relations in the U.S. and Africa, and the improvement of housing conditions in New York City.

It has sponsored the University Commission on Race Relations; the Commission on Interracial Co-operation; the Committee on Colored Americans in Defense Industries; The Committee on Africa, the War, and Peace Aims; and various interracial institutes.

The Fund is now especially concerned with advancing projects in the interest of improving training of colored ministers, in promoting mutually sympathetic race relations through education, and in the work of advancing education in Liberia.

Armed Forces Integrated Policies Drawing Praise

NEW YORK (ANP)—How well has integration in the Armed Forces worked out?

That is the question which colored and white officers and airmen at Mitchell Air Base discussed last week. The consensus was that what was looked upon as a social experiment some four years ago, today is "just what the doctor ordered" for the Armed Forces.

Those officers and airmen praised integration as having worked well in all phases, with probably the weakest aspect being recreation. Here the two groups have found difficulty in adjusting to one another.

At Mitchel, colored noncommissioned officers and airmen are at home in the same messes as the whites. Their bunks in the barracks are side by side. They compete for responsible jobs entirely on the basis of equality.

77 Tan Officers

There are 27 colored officers and 448 colored airmen among Mitchel's military complement of 8,000. Many of them hold key positions.

Maj. W. A. Banks, commanding officer of the Motor Vehicle Squadron, was cited as the base's outstanding example of a colored officer doing a good job. His squadron includes 300 to 400 officers and airmen in the motor pool and motor vehicle maintenance units.

Colored officers at the base were high in their praise of integration at Mitchel. One of them, Maj. Oscar J. Chapman, former president of Delaware State college, offered a comparison of conditions at Mitchel with those at Maxwell Air Force Base at Montgomery, Ala., where he had spent seven months before being assigned to Mitchel.

"I went out of my way looking for segregation, but could find it in no form whatsoever at either base," he said.

Others who lauded integration at the base included Maj. Wesley E. Scott, surgeon at the base; 1st Lt. F. Jane Cotton, colored WAF, and Sgt. George Campbell.

Sgt. Campbell, however, was disappointed over recreation offered both groups at the base. He said:

Like Different Music

"Recreation is the part that hasn't worked out for most of us. We like to dance to a certain type of music and the white people like to dance to another type," he said.

The New York Times, in an editorial, also praised the manner in which integration has worked in the Armed Forces. Among other things, the editorial said:

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Va. State Set For Dedication

PETERSBURG, Va.—Dr. William J. Faulkner, Dean, Memorial Church, Fisk University, will deliver the dedicatory address at ceremonies dedicating three new buildings at Virginia State college on Sunday, March 22 at 4 p.m.

Buildings to be dedicated are the Branch Hall, a residence hall for women named in the memory of Miss Mary E. Branch, a prominent dean at the college from 1905-1927; Memorial Hospital named in memory of the college's honored dead in World Wars I and II;

And the John M. Gandy Hall—the Home Economics Building named in memory of Dr. John M. Gandy who was the institution's third president (1914-1942) and first president emeritus (1942-1947).

Dr. Robert P. Daniel, college president, will deliver the acts of dedication. Acknowledging for the buildings will be Mrs. Valieta H. Bell, dean of women, Dr. Charles H. Townes, medical director and Dr. Mary E. V. Hunter, director, school of home economics.

Supreme Court Upholds State Laws Protecting Citizen's Rights To Work

Plumbers Union Had Picketed Richmond, Va. School In Dispute Over Non-Union Workers

By LOUIS LAUTIER

WASHINGTON (NNPA)—One of the basic freedoms, never fully enjoyed by colored people in this country, is the right to work. This right has been circumscribed ever since Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation.

Added to the burden of unadulterated racial prejudice which has kept colored persons out of employment, there also has been the union shop and the closed shop. Labor unions have denied colored workers membership because of race or color, and have then forbidden their employment in closed shops or their retention on jobs in union shops because they were not members of the union.

But a recent decision of the U.S. Supreme Court offers some hope. It gives notice that state laws protecting the right of persons to work, patterned after the Virginia Right to Work Statute, are constitutional.

8-2 Decision

By an 8 to 2 decision, the court held that the Commonwealth of Virginia, consistently with the Federal Constitution, may enjoin peaceful picketing when it is carried on for purposes in conflict with the Virginia Right to Work Statute.

That statute declared it "to be the public policy of Virginia that the right of persons to work shall not be denied or abridged on account of membership or non-membership in any labor union or labor organization."

It prohibited any union shop or closed shop agreement between any employer and any labor union. It provided that no person shall be required by an employer or a labor union to join or refrain from joining any labor organization as a condition of employment or continuation of employment.

Carver School Dispute

Graham Brothers had a contract with the City of Richmond to build the George Washington Carver School. It made contracts with the necessary subcontractors, some of whom employed only union labor, while others employed non - union as well as union labor.

When the members Union failed to persuade the contractor to lay off non-union labor on the job, the project was picketed to make the job 100 per cent union. The picket carried signs reading: "This Is Not a Union Job. Richmond Trades Council."

As a result of the picketing, union members refused to work on the project and the job "slowed to a standstill." In addition to a non-union plumber, only six or seven laborers, who presumably were colored and whose status as union men was not clear, did not quit the job.

Graham Brothers applied to the courts for an injunction, alleging that the objectives of the Plumbers Union "were to prevent non-union employees from working on the project." The union was enjoined, and the Va. Supreme Court of Appeals refused to hear an appeal. Because of the importance of the issue in the administration of labor law, the U.S. Supreme Court agreed to review the case.

"However innocent the picketing appeared while in progress, the Virginia courts found that it demonstrated a purpose on the part of petitioners that was in conflict with the Right to Work Statute," said Justice Harold Burton, speaking for the majority of the court. Justices Hugo Black and William O. Douglas dissented.

JACKSON TO DEDICATE $500,000 BUILDINGS

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Baptist Minister New BU Professor

Dr. Thurman Leaves California To Make A First In Boston

BOSTON — President Harold C. Case of Boston University announced this week that starting in September the university, in accordance with its charter-stated policy, will embark upon an enlarged campus-wide program of religion for all students, faculty and staff involving the appointment of new faculty members and the division of present responsibilities within a cooperative ministry.

One development in this extended group ministry is the appointment of Dr. Howard Thurman, Baptist clergyman, currently pastor of the Fellowship Church in San Francisco, Calif., where he is leader of a successful and thriving congregation composed of colored, caucasian and oriental parishoners.

Dr. Thurman has been appointed by the Boston University Trustees as University Preacher and Professor of Spiritual Disciplines and Resources in the University's school of theology. He is the first colored full time professor at the school.

Six Man Board

Headed by Dr. Thurman, the six-man University Board of Preachers will be composed of the president of the University, Prof. Edwin P. Booth, professor of historical theology; Dr. Allan Knight Chalmers, professor of preaching and applied Christianity; Dr. Littell, professor of religion in higher education; and Dean Walter G. Muelder of the school of theology.

Dr. Thurman, who has been granted an "indefinite leave" by his San Francisco congregation, is widely recognized as one of this country's outstanding preachers, President Case said. Under his direction, Boston University and San Francisco's Fellowship church will build an East-West Coast transcontinental relationship for graduates of the University's school of theology who wish to interne there.

Each summer he will return to the Bay Area in a program to maintain the effectiveness of cooperative leadership on the Atlantic and the Pacific, with orientation here as students, and a start there in their chosen profession of preaching as graduates.

DR. THURMAN

1932, where he served as professor of Christian theology and dean of the chapel. In 1946 he moved to San Francisco to organize Fellowship church.

Morehouse Graduate

A graduate of Morehouse College, Colgate-Rochester Divinity school and a student in the Oberlin Graduate School of Theology and Haverford College, Dr. Thurman, 54, was ordained a Baptist minister in 1925 at the age of 26.

He served as pastor in Oberlin O., for two years prior to joining his alma mater's faculty in 1928 as college pastor and professor of philosophy at Morehouse College and Spelman College in Atlanta, Ga.

On June 12, 1932, he married the former Sue Bailey. He went to Howard University also in

$90,000 Raised For Wilberforce

WILBERFORCE, Ohio — The AME Church showed its determination to maintain Wilberforce University as a first class four-year college this week when five supporting Districts announced that $90,000 had been raised for the first half of the school year.

In making the announcement during the March 11th Founders Day observance, Bishop A. J. Allen, chairman of the Board of Trustees, commented that the church is showing its ability to carry a supporting load and now feels justified in asking friends to assist in a program of expansion for the 99-year-old institution.

The Founders Week observances which began on Sunday, March 8, were concluded on March 10 and 11 with a formal convocation and a Third District Educational Rally. Hundreds of the church membership, alumni and friends gathered for the exercise.

GREEKS TO MEET

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.—Lincoln University (Mo.) has been selected as the site for the annual midwestern provincial meeting of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity April 3 and 4.

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