Merchants View New Plan Of Lafayette Market Area

With hopes of coming to some agreement, the City Planning Commission is submitting its third reconstruction plan of the fire-ruined Lafayette market area to the stall-keepers and business men today (Tuesday) at 1:30 p.m.

On Wednesday, members of the commission and the Lafayette Market Disaster committee will meet with the Board of Estimates in an effort to decide the location of the new market.

Meanwhile, as the result of a drawing Monday afternoon, 36 stall-keepers will be open for business Saturday, May 23, in the temporary stalls to be set up on Laurens st. between Carey and Fremont ave.

New Plan

The reconstruction plan incorporates a portion of the proposal suggested by Dr. R. L. Jackson, member of the Planning Commission, at a combined meeting of the merchants and the commission last week. Dr. Jackson suggested that Laurens st. be widened, and that an elongated structure be built from the new proposed boundary of Laurens st. to the south side of Sewell st. Thus Sewell would be closed to become part of the building.

The east-west boundaries would be Pennsylvania and Fremont aves. which seems to be of great concern to the merchants.

However, they would prefer to have the market rebuilt on its old site, between Laurens and Sewell sts., extending from Pennsylvania ave. to Fremont ave.

Because Dr. Jackson's plan did not include a parking area which the planning commission feels is of primary importance in the location, the commission is suggesting the following proposal:

An "L" shaped building, omitting the skating arena and extending into Sewell st. Argyle ave. would be the east boundary.

The extension would give the market entrances from Fremont and Pennsylvania aves. Laurens st. would be widened to permit traffic.

119-Car Parking Lot

In front of the new building would be a 119-car parking lot which would be built on the site of the old market.

The two former plans, one which included the arena, provided for a 140-car parking area.

Properties to be purchased under the plan would cost approximately $70,000, Arthur McCoy, commission director said. Purchases to be made in the former plans ranged in price from $80,000 to $104,000.

City officials estimate the cost of the "L" shaped building to range between $200,000 and $300,000. The rectangular structures as proposed in former plans would have cost between $300,000 and $400,000.

If the merchants approve the plan, it will be brought up before the Board of Estimates, Wednesday afternoon for consideration.

Draw For Stalls

Last week, the board authorized temporary stalls to be set up on Laurens st., beginning May 16. However, only seven merchants opened up in view of the drawing for stalls, Monday.

Conducted by Milton A. Rigin,

Locusts Are Here

Pupil and Pest

Marcellus Kelley, 916 Whitmore ave., 11-year-old pupil at School No. 144, inspects some specimen of the 17-year locusts that invaded the suburbs on Thursday. By Monday, swarms of them had Liberty Heights housewives in a dither, and most of the children in the area hopping. Young Kelly, who is studying locusts in school and knows they are not harmful, was not afraid of them.

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NEW ARMY RECRUITS — Thirteen Baltimore men reported to Fort Meade for Army indoctrination last week. Left to right they are Pvts. James E. Carter, 1711 N. Carey st.; Edward G. Franklin, 1713 McKean ave.; Joseph L. Holmes, 1328 Woodyear st.; Thomas J. Howell, 2704 Baker st.; George Walker, 1726 E. Federal st.; Charles J. Wilson, 632 Gold st; George White, 1235 N. Broadway; Isaac Perez, 2929 W. North ave.; Thomas L. Meredith, 2004 Llewelyn ave.; William K. Maddox, 1627 N. Carey st.; Esquire Mace, 1819 Pulaski st.; James E. Lawson, 1534 E. Madison st.; and Jesse A. Lindsay of 453 Mansfield ct.

June 1 Is Deadline For Girls Entering Western High School

Parents interested in having their girls enroll for the "A" course at Western High School should apply at once to the NAACP office, 402 Dolphin st., near McCulloh st.

Applications will not be accepted after June 1.

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Man In Female Attire Jailed

George Gray of the 200 block Brunt st., was sentenced to 60 days in jail at Northwestern Sunday for creating a disturbance on a public street.

Attired in brown dress, green beret, and falsies, Gray was arrested near the 1200 block of Eutaw st., while attempting to flag down a passing male motorist.

Last Thursday in company with a companion Gray was fined $25 and costs at Northwestern for a similar offense.

At that hearing he told Magistrate E. Everett Lane, "You can send me to jail if I am caught doing this again."

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OPINION

Anybody can spend the money somebody else has saved.
— CALVIN COOLIDGE

UN Votes vs. Freedom

The New Times and Ethiopia News asks the question "Who are the friends of African freedom in the United Nations? And who are the enemies?"

To answer that question, the West African Student's Union in London prepared a document showing how various nations voted on resolutions which are of special interest to the progress and emancipation of Africa.

The issues voted on include:

1. A proposal to establish a commission to study the racial situation in South Africa.

2. Criticism of Great Britain for expelling 3,000 tribesmen from Tanganyika and taking lands against their will.

3. A resolution recommending 'joint talks between France, Great Britain and the people of Tugoland over settlement of a colonial problem.

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4. A resolution setting up certain provisions determining whether people of the territory have or have not attained full self-government.

5. A resolution requesting colonial powers to furnish information on the extent to which self-determination efforts are exercised in territories under their control.

Here is what the record shows:

On these and similar resolutions, the United States and its bloc of weaklings, not including Great Britain, South Africa, France, Norway, Sweden, etc., voted consistently "no."

The 20 Central and Latin American countries like Mexico, Argentina, Brazil, Haiti, Dominican Republic, Bolivia and Chile voted almost as consistently "yes."

Egypt, Ethiopia and Liberia voted "yes" each time.

The countries of Indonesia, Iran, Lebanon, Philippines, Syria, China and India voted consistently "yes."

Russia, Yugoslavia, Poland, Czechoslovakia and Germany voted "yes" on every question.

As a result of this poll, the Africans are convinced that the United Nations, because of U.S. leadership, is an organ for the protection of the colonial powers.

They believe the United Nations and the U.S. are simply stooges for South Africa, England, France, Belgium, Portugal and other countries which exploit and oppress peoples of African and Asiatic areas and want to continue to do so.

In some cases, the United States, because it controls small nations like Panama, Colombia, Nicaragua, Paraguay, and Uruguay, has been able to defeat these resolutions in favor of the interests of colored peoples.

The vote on these questions looks like a consistent lineup of the white nations against the colored nations with the Russian bloc always voting with the colored people.

This is unfortunate.

The record makes a hollow mockery of our pretensions of being the leader of the "free and democratic" world.

Taft's Odd Attitude

The proposal to amend the Taft-Hartley law to forbid both unions and employers from discriminating against workers on grounds of color, race or religion is a sound one.

The brainchild of Representative Adam Clayton Powell (D., N.Y.), it has been adopted by Senator Irving M. Ives (R., N.Y.) and 10 other members of the Senate Labor Committee.

Actually, only two members of that committee opposed it. They were Alabama's Senator Lister Hill and Ohio's Robert A. Taft.

Senator Hill's opposition was not unexpected. The amendment could be viewed as backdoor enactment of fair employment practices legislation which for political reasons all southerners feel duty bound to oppose.

The objection of Senator Taft is not so understandable. He contends the Ives Amendment would mean defeat for any changes in the Taft-Hartley act, no matter how desirable.

His reasoning is that a handful of filibustering southerners would succeed in blocking the legislation, no matter how large the senate's majority favoring passage.

He thus concedes defeat before the battle is joined.

This is in marked contrast to the militant and stubborn Senator Taft of two weeks ago.

Faced with a group of endless debaters fighting the off-shore oil bill, fearless Bob Taft kept tightening the parliamentary screws until he forced those engaged in the talkathon to surrender.

This was proof that no talking log jam can long withstand the pressure of a senate majority leader armed with a sense of duty and proper determination.

All of which makes Senator Taft's attitude on the Ives amendment all the more puzzling.

If he can so easily break one filibuster, what strange factor enters this situation which makes him shrink from the idea of breaking another?

They're Not So Dumb

Judging by Western standards, the Chinese have always seemed a little peculiar.

We have accused them of ways that are devious and full of tricks. Yet the Chinese invented gunpowder. They called it magic dust.

They invented the compass. They called it the magic needle.

They used the gunpowder in harmless firecrackers. We use it in pistols and heavy artillery with which to make war and kill people. So we thought they were stupid.

We ran over the Chinese for centuries, kicked them around in their own country, exploited their trade, and set ourselves up as the bosses of 400 million colored people in the great Chinese land mass of Asia.

In the last war, the Chinese learned how to use effectively the powder they had invented. Now they are giving us a tough time in Asia.

The result is that we are out now and the Chinese are our enemies. The Russians have become their allies.

The Navy has just brought in Chinese junk in Annapolis, Md., for study and secret tests. It is a 60-foot sailing vessel comparable to our yachts.

We give our sailing vessels a nice-sounding name, but they give theirs an ugly name, a "junk".

But to show you how smart the Chinese are, their junk can outsail any of our yachts its size.

Since it is constructed of camphor wood, it is not attacked by barnacles, worms and other marine animals or salt water.

Their boats last for 300 years, while our modern sailing boats after a comparatively few years, are generally unseaworthy.

Americans, who have studied the junk at Annapolis find that it stays on an even keel, does not roll, and does not plunge into the waves. Although it is a superior piece of sailing equipment.

More and more as we study them and their civilization, we are finding that they were not so dumb after all.

Ike Meets Governors

The governors of 45 States, Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands met with President Eisenhower in Washington the other day—but we have yet to hear any word from Ike on the subject of state FEPC's.

The sessions were closed to the press because, it was reported, the visitors got more than "just a routine briefing" and some of the information even out, possibly involving national security, had to be kept secret.

There is nothing secret about the discrimination which still plagues the job picture in the U.S. and, as we learned in World War II, this racial and religious bias in employment can have a pretty serious effect on national security.

The American Council on Human Rights pointed out to President Eisenhower on the eve of the conference that his meetings with the governors could provide an excellent opportunity for him to make good his campaign promises about FEPC.

He said during the campaign that he thought the question of fair employment practices could best be handled by the individual states and that he would use his "leadership" to get the legislation on state books.

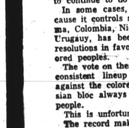
Apparently he still thinks so, for we have heard nothing from him about a federal law against job discrimination since he became president.

He could have at least made his position clear—both to the governors and to the nation—during the sessions in the Capital last week.

His failure to do so leaves us both disappointed and skeptical.

CAPITAL SPOTLIGHT

By Louis Lautier



Mr. Lautier

The late C. Lucien Skinner might have been one of the characters out of one of Damon Runyon's stories. He read Runyon's humor, newspaper man, and friend of Duke Ellington before Duke hit Broadway. After Duke became famous, whenever he played the Howard Theater, he was always good for a touch by Skinner.

During the Harding Administration, Skinner opened a "press club" (Logan Circle, home of the finances of the club came from members of the Harding Cabinet, like Postmaster General Harry S. New.

Skinner would go in to see a Cabinet member, tell him about his "press club," get an autographed photograph to adorn the clubhouse walls, and also get the Cabinet officer's personal check for $100 as a donation to the club.

After Calvin Coolidge succeeded Harding, through C. Bascom Slemp, who was Coolidge's secretary, Skinner got admitted to White House press conferences. (His activities actually included publishing a newspaper.)

Ousted From Conferences

At the time, I was doing free-lance newspaper work and got Perry Howard, the Republican National Committeeman for Mississippi, to intercede and get me admitted also to the Coolidge press conferences.

I have never found out whether the White House Correspondents Association, a social organization, took the initiative in getting rid of Skinner and me, or whether Slemp passed the matter to the association. But both of us were finally told that we could no longer attend the Coolidge press conference because the association would not admit us to membership.

Took "Easiest" Way Out

George Durno, International News Service correspondent, was the president of the White House Correspondents Association at the time. In talking with Durno, trying to straighten myself out, I got the impression that it had been determined that Skinner had to go and that the easiest way to get rid of him was to get rid of both of us.

From then until Franklin D. Roosevelt was President no colored reporter regularly attended White House press conferences. The National Newspaper Publishers Association got Harry McAlpin accredited. It appears that Steve Early, FDR's press secretary, decided to admit McAlpin, despite the refusal of the correspondents association to admit him to membership.

I succeeded McAlpin in late 1945 and made no effort to join the association. Then, one day in 1950, I was invited to join. I thought the invitation was a mistake but sent the joining fee.

In a few days there came my membership card. Later, I received a notice concerning the association's annual dinner. But, because of the Korean war, President Truman asked that the dinner be called off. The 1952 dinner also was called off at the request of the White House.

He Was Guest Of Honor

But the annual dinner was revived at the Hotel Statler the other night with President Eisenhower as the guest of honor. Carl Murphy, president of the AFRO-American newspapers, attended as my guest. Among the other guests were justices of the Supreme Court, Cabinet members, and members of Congress.

The professional entertainment included Bob Hope, Ethel Merman, Eileen O'Darr, a New Yorker dancer, who appeared in the Folies Bergere, and Oscar (Peppo) Cintelletta, 60-year-old colored cornetist, and his original New Orleans Tuxedo Dixieland Jazz Band.

Thus passed another color line without the roof of the Hotel Statler caving in.

Hodge-Podge

By Bob Matthews

Mr. Matthews

About thirty years ago, when a big fight was to be broadcast, all the neighbors gathered at the home of whoever happened to own a set.

Five years ago, the same situation confronted television set owners. Friends would drop in on the night of a big fight.

They would usually bring along a snack, or something to sip, and stick around until the station went off the air.

Happened to be embroiled in a heated session at the home of a friend when the so-called championship "fight" was scheduled last Friday night.

Just as the announcer was praising his razor blades, the doorbell rang and an excited neighbor poked his head in to ask:

"Picture (the blew, can we watch the fight on your set?"

After receiving an affirmative answer, did he run back home to get the others in his party — he did not.

Yelled "Okay" over his shoulder, and raced for the choicest seat in the house as six people trooped in.

History is a patient thing — keeps repeating itself and no one listens.

THOUGHTS OF THE FOUNDER

We cannot afford to neglect the things of most importance in our strivings after the higher and nobler life.

JOHN H. MURPHY Sr.
July 27, 1907

"SAINTS" ON THE MARCH

Chicago — I was delighted with Mr. Murphy's page one story on the White House Correspondents' dinner.

He should know that "When the Saints Come Marching In" is by no means the first spiritual adopted by Dixieland musicians.

In fact, there is some debate over whether or not this spirited number originated as a spiritual or a New Orleans gaudrille.

TOM BONNER

St. Louis, Mo. — The fact that a New Orleans band played a spiritual did not appear surprising to me. The fact that Mr. Murphy was a guest at this dinner did.

I was unaware that the White House Correspondents Association had any colored members. Was they invited by one of the white correspondents?

Editor's Note — Louis Lautier, President, National Newspaper Publishers' Association Washington bureau is a member. He invited Mr. Murphy, who is chairman of the NAACP.

BITTER AMERICAN WRITES

New York — Congratulations on the AFRO editorial, "The Communists Know" in the May 2 issue. However, it did not go far enough.

The circumstances surrounding the life and family of Pfc. Robert Stell of Baltimore, the first prisoner to be delivered to Freedom Village by the Communists, are not only a travesty upon racial justice but upon our so-called democracy.

That any citizen, be he black or white, should be compelled to return home from a war to two miserable rooms such as your editorial described, is a terrible stain upon the richest country in the world.

Pfc. Stell's color adds to his predicament, of course. But we must remember there are also many white soldiers who must return from fighting for an alleged free world, to a position of almost hopeless poverty and deprivation.

Our Congress can spend untold sums running down and persecuting people for their political beliefs. Millions can go for arms for the colonial owners to keep their colonial slaves in chains.

While our hard-earned taxes are being spent on the above items Congress has put out expenditures for low-cost housing for the Stells and the Cohens and the Kellys.

Our Congress has cut down on funds for hospitals, schools, recreation centers, day care centers for children of working mothers and school lunches for less fortunate children.

I ask, what price freedom? What kind of free world are we fighting for? No wonder there are millions revolting against living conditions and the McCarthys of the world. More power to them!

BITTER AMERICAN
MRS. DOROTHY FUNN

Bridgeport, Conn. — I was happy to see that the FBI is guarding Mrs. Dorothy Funn, the Brooklyn Teacher, who named her former Communists associates.

That was a brave and patriotic act she performed. She is to be commended, not condemned.

LOUIS MADISON

New York — I see nothing wrong in Mrs. Funn confessing that she had once belonged to the Communist party.

But I don't think it was very sporting of her to turn stool pigeon on the people she said were with her in that cell. I wonder how much she was paid for this turncoat trick?

OSCAR DAVIS

Philadelphia — There's one thing that puzzles me about Mrs. Funn's testimony before the House Un-American Activities Committee.

She says she became disillusioned with the Communists in 1943 and quit the party. Why did it take her 10 long years to confess her error?

(Mrs.) EVELYN WALKER

BALTIMORE FIRE COVERAGE

Jacksonville, Fla. — I want to congratulate Frank Phillips on the excellent picture he made of the Baltimore market fire which appeared in the May 16 AFRO. He did take a good one. Sure wish I had a camera was used to get such striking results.

BERNARD THOMPSON

Editor's Note — It was a Leica equipped with a special wide angle lens.

Brooklyn, N.Y. — Did you ever stop and think that the AFRO might be wasting Sam Lacy's talents keeping him buried on the sports page?

I just finished reading his beautifully - written story on the Baltimore market fire. He's a great reporter.

(Mrs.) CHARLEEN BOWLES

DR. JOHANNAN ANSWERS

New York — The May 2 AFRO carried a story by Chatwood Hall under the heading, "Ethiopian Denies Knowing Dr. Ben Joseph Johannan."

My father is an Ethiopian Jew. I am an Ethiopian in honor of my fatherland I do not claim to be an Ethiopian official.

I hold no hard feelings against the AFRO or Mr. Hall. I do not think he acted maliciously. He was just misinformed.

YOSEF B. JOHANNAN

FINDS US HELPFUL

Madison, Wis. — As a white person, I have found the AFRO very helpful to understanding the true facts of life in America today.

(Mrs.) MAGGIE KAILIN

JIMMY HICK'S "GAL"

Los Angeles — I can share Jimmy Hicks' grief over the theft of his portable typewriter.

I lost a camera which had accompanied me all over the world the same way. I don't believe any other camera, no matter how expensive, will ever replace it.

BILL RUSSELL

New York — Mr. Hicks should begin a thorough canvass of Harlem's pawnshops. I would bet he would find his missing typewriter.

(Mrs.) ETHEL SMITH

Newark, N.J. — If Jimmy's "gal" was responsible for the beautiful coverage jobs he did while in Korea and with the Stevenson and Eisenhower campaign tours, I can understand his grief on its loss.

RAYMOND MITCHELL

AFRO'S GOOD WORKS

Baltimore — Editors of the AFRO must get a lot of joy and satisfaction out of helping people.

You are to be congratulated on the part you took in obtaining a new home for the Stell family as well as finding homes in this country for those unfortunate German brown bables.

(Rev.) PAUL PERKINS

MATTHWILDA'S FAITH

Washington — J. W. Dobbs in Atlanta, says his daughter, Matthwilda will not adopt the Catholic faith of her new husband, Luis Rodrigues. What is she now?

DOROTHY MORMS.

Editor's Note — She was raised in the Congregational church.

PREJUDICE LIMITED

Richmond, Va. — The spread of education is weakening the dykes of prejudice. The question is no longer whether, but when colored Americans will be admitted to full-fledged citizenship?

The growth and strength of newspapers like the AFRO is being felt around the world. This has increased the world's respect for colored Americans.

The NAACP is the shock-troop in the fight for liberation.

These four factors have tended to severely limit southern prejudice.

(Dr.) GORDON B. HANCOCK

The Weather

North and Middle Atlantic States May 20, 21, 22—Rainy period
(May 20, 21, 22—unsettled)
(Pray May calendar here)

MAY 1953

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MOON'S PHASES
Last Quarter—May 6—7:21 a.m.
New Moon—May 13—8:08 a.m.
First Quarter—May 20—1:30 p.m.
Full Moon—May 28—6:09 p.m.

SUN RISES SUN SETS
Wed., May 20 5:44 a.m. 8:12 p.m.
Thurs., May 21 5:40 a.m. 8:13 p.m.
Fri., May 22 5:40 a.m. 8:14 p.m.
Sat., May 23 5:39 a.m. 8:15 p.m.
Sun., May 24 5:44 a.m. 8:16 p.m.
Mon., May 25 5:43 a.m. 8:16 p.m.
Tues., May 26 5:43 a.m. 8:11 p.m.

HOLIDAYS AND HOLY DAYS

May 21 — Shavuoth — Feast of Weeks—(Jewish) — Celebrates the giving of the Ten Commandments at Mt. Sinai and Israel's acceptance of the charge to be a priest people. Synagogue are Confirmed. Ruth is read and Torah Study. Festival of boys and girls takes place.

May 24—Whitsunday or Pentecost—(Protestant,—Catholic)—Commemorates descent of the holy Spirit upon the apostles, 50 days after the Resurrection. The first Christian baptism (3000) took place on Whitsunday (White Sunday), so called from the fact that solemn Baptism was administered on that day to the catechumens who have been being added to the white robed Per Catholics, the vigil of May 23 is a day of fast and abstinence.

My Favorite Quotation

You can do anything—Depending on how much you wish to sacrifice.—Original

(Submitted by Houston Jackson, Baltimore, Md.)

(Next week's quotation by the Rev. John Dillingham, Newark, N.J.)

'Hey, Aren't You Headed The Wrong Way?'

WHAT AFRO READERS SAY....

'I wholly disapprove of what you say but will defend to the death your right to say it.' — Voltaire on Helvetius

Voters' Vineyard

By James Hicks

CONNECTICUT PROVES 14 pt

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. — Some readers of this column will argue that a report on a murder trial has no place in a political column. This column has taken the position that everything one does today is tied up in some way with politics and therefore this column will dispute those readers on that point.

To help prove my point I am writing this week on a murder trial which I am presently covering here in Bridgeport.

Mr. Hicks

My argument is based on the premise that one of the things colored people are fighting for when they demand their equal rights is that they be given due process of law like all other American citizens.

We want the law to take its normal course of justice where we are involved just as it does when other people run afoul of the law. And we know that in many parts of the United States the law is not allowed to take its normal course when colored people are linked to certain types of crimes.

This case in Connecticut, I am happy to report, is being run under due process of law, despite the fact that it involves a colored man in one of the types of crimes in which we often find prejudice and double dealing with the law, and in all too many cases, some citizens take the law in their own hands.

A Look At The Case

Let's look at the murder case in Connecticut.

William Davis, 29-year-old handyman, has confessed that he stabbed, beat and strangled to death Mrs. Senada Evans a pretty strawberry blonde actress, in her swank Westport, Conn. home.

Davis further admits that he committed the crime at a time when Mrs. Evans' two-year-old son was in the house.

Davis told an all-white jury that he had sexual intercourse with Mrs. Evans on the second day she hired him. He said she gave him a key to her house on that day, and that after that he returned to the house at any hour he saw fit and that Mrs. Evans and he had made love at least eight times in the 30 days that he knew her before her death.

He told the court that prior to killing Mrs. Evans he slapped her because of "the insulted me" and that the fight that they had was like a "domestic quarrel."

During the trial Davis has called Mrs. Evans by her nickname, "Penny," and he told the court that that is the way he always addresses her.

Waving A Red Flag

Over and over again Davis has repeated to the court all of the things which many people will swear make white people see red. He spoke of lending money to Mrs Evans, of taking money from her, and of buying her when she did not give him money.

In short, Davis' testimony in many communities in America today would be like waving a red flag before a bull.

What is the reaction of the community in this fine New England town?

The reaction is NOTHING! And we are happy to report it.

The daily papers here are carrying every line of the lurid details of Davis' association with the former actress. It is widely read.

No Hostile Groups

Yet there are no hostile groups of whites in street corners whispering of violence. There are no night raiders. No one here wears a hood. And colored people go about their tasks daily, discussing the case with whites and among themselves and not showing the slightest concern that anyone might start trouble.

An official of the largest hotel in the city, where I am staying during the trial, discusses the case with me each night because he knows I was there to hear all the testimony. I've found as many white people supporting Davis as I have against him.

Why is this true? Why isn't Connecticut up in arms and excited because a colored man slept with a white woman? Because he admits killing her?

State Has Grown Up

I'll tell you why. Connecticut is a state that apparently has grown up enough in the American ideal to believe in due process of law. They have a law here to take care of people who commit crimes.

And they are big enough to let the law speak, and abide by its decision. They believe in the American law and they don't have one law for white people and another for colored.

Davis is being defended by two lawyers who are being paid by an anonymous white man in Fairfield. When the court learned of the lawyers' incompetence, the court appointed two experienced lawyers to work with them.

But Davis himself stood up in court and said he did not want the court appointed lawyers.

Let The Law Speak

At this point in the trial it looks as if Davis will be punished to the full extent of the law.

But if things continue to go as they are, I, for one, will be ready to admit that he certainly was given due process of law.

I wish I could. And I should be able to say the same thing about every other colored American who runs afoul of the law. But I can't.

This is one of the things we are fighting for — to let the law take its course.

NEWS IN TABLOID

By Cliff W. Mackay
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. . . And Speaking Of People

Mr. Mackay

N. C. WEBSTER, 51, former bursar, A. and T. College, faces a maximum sentence of 230 years in prison. He goes on trial June 1 at Greensboro, N.C., charged with embezzling $116,121.18 from the school's ROTC student military fees . . . Chicago Detective **Howard S. Cole**, one of the robbery squad, has been sentenced to six months for perjury . . . **Andre 'D'Orsey Dersey**, night club entertainer, is having wife troubles. Arrested in Philadelphia for non-support and desertion, he has been returned to Atlantic City for trial.

The 'loveliest colored girl in the world' to the British is Cleveland's **Isabelle Cooley**. She's currently on a coronation tour of England with the Theatre Guild troupe . . . **Diahn Adams** rated critics' raves when she made her spring debut with the New York City Ballet at City Center . . . **Harry Belafonte**, who co - stars with **Dorothy Dandridge** in "Bright Hope" gets a pat on the head from **Walter Winchell**, who says Belafonte's humility is his great attraction. Humble is one of the few things that Harry Belafonte is not. Score another victory for justice to the colored people in the right WW.

Joe Louis set for an European tour in July . . . **Cpl. James W. Bullock**, an exchanged POW, now a patient at the Camp Lejeune hospital, Jacksonville, N.C. . . . **Charles P. Howard Jr.**, Des Moines, has been elected chief justice of the Court of Industrial Relations, law school. He's also student governing body . . . **George A. Freeman**, 60, first colored teacher in Iowa State college since the late **George Washington Carver**, is dead. Burial was in military cemetery at Fort Leavenworth . . . First graduate of her race from Pennsylvania Hospital School of Nursing is **Barbara Smith**, who soon weds **Ed Bell**, University of Pennsylvania All-American.

You Might Like to Know—

That the best buys in vegetables this time of year are not fresh, but the packaged frozen kind . . . That a daily dose of orange juice brings no noticeable benefit to children. That's what research by the British health ministry discovered . . . That a record high number of 3,170,495 babies were born in American hospitals in 1952 . . . That the chicken world now has its Eisenhower and Stevenson in reverse. **Reuben Pfeifer of Warsaw, N.Y.**, reports one of his hens has suddenly grown a rooster comb, stopped laying eggs and began crowing and bustling around just like any masculine boss of the barnyard.

That the Southern Seminary, Columbia, S.C., only Lutheran school in the south, has declined its readiness to receive students of any race . . . That striking students of Elizabeth City (N.C.) State Teachers college, won all their demands from President **S. D. Williams** before returning to the classroom. Among the rights granted the right to representation on sports and disciplinary committees and any others which might affect the student body.

That **Davis Lee's** article praising segregation in the Methodist church and other Central and South American newspapers by the Rev. **Ralph E. Smith** . . . That religious leaders in Evanston, Ill., have called for the end of housing segregation and job discrimination in that community. A survey show the average annual wage of white workers to be $3,135; the colored worker, $569 . . . That **Harvey Matusow**, picked to compile a list of "communist thinkers in the entertainment field by Senator **Joe McCarthy**, has worked only as an ad clerk on the N.Y. Amsterdam News.

Some Quotes Of The Week

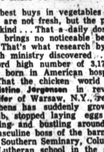
"It is not possible to make Asia believe that America will be fair in dealing with colored people in Asia and Africa if she continually fails to give clear and decisive justice to the colored people in her own midst."—Bishop W. J. WALIS of the AME Zion Church.

"**So long as the natives (Indo-Chinese) are held in bondage by the French, many of them cannot but look on the Communists as deliverers. Men do not take up arms to defend their chains.**"—CHICAGO TRIBUNE, speaking editorially.

Report From Europe

By Ollie Stewart

PARIS — Shortly after you read this, I will be hopping across the English Channel to bring you news and views of this year's Big Show. I'm referring to the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II, which will take place in London on June 2.



Mr. Stewart

I have never seen a Coronation, so I don't know what to expect. But I do know how the British feel about their royal rulers, especially when the Crown is placed upon a new head. And after reading for a year about how hard thousands of persons have worked to make this Big Show a success, I figure it ought to be quite a production.

My advice to you is to keep reading your favorite newspaper to get an eye-witness account of this much-publicized event. Maybe you don't care particularly. But don't let that keep you from picking up that AFRO. Remember, there will be lots of little people from all corners of the globe in that line of march.

The May Be Last Coronation

Some will be black. Some will be yellow, and others brown. And if I have any luck, I should be able to talk with, and photograph, a number of them. What they think and how they feel may well determine whether (as is indeed possible) this will be the last Coronation in the books.

I'll be in London several days before the big event — and I'll still be around for a while after it's over, to tie up all the loose ends for those of you who want the last word. But don't envy me. I don't expect to have a good time by any means. London will be crowded, prices will be high and service awful. And worst of all, on June 2 I must get up at five o'clock, and be in the procession area before six. Scotland Yard isn't fooling on this one, they're taking no chances. Everybody who has a place will be in it — on time — or they can forget the whole thing. If you're flying over to see for yourself, maybe I'll bump into you about five-thirty in the ayem . . . What a revolting thought!