Beautician dies suddenly

PETERSBURG, Va.— Funeral services for Mrs. Alice R. Jackson, who died suddenly at her home on Pegram st., were held here this week at the Oak Street Methodist church where she was a member.

Mrs. Jackson, a beautician at the Nelson Beauty Shoppe, worked late Saturday night. Sunday morning she complained of a pain in her neck and a physician was called. She died how ever before the doctor could arrive.

Friends of the stricken woman said, as far as they knew, she had never complained of any sickness.

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AFRO-DISTRICT THEATRE CHRISTMAS PARTY—Some 900 joyous children jammed Booker T. theatre in Richmond Saturday for annual Christmas party sponsored by Richmond AFRO-AMERICAN and District Theatres, Inc. Mrs. Dorothy Jones (above) of social service bureau and volunteers, Mesdames Alma Brown and Thelma Carter, pass out bags of goodies to children.

DANCER BRINGS DOWN THE HOUSE — Here, Rufus Wells, editor-manager of the Richmond AFRO, holds the microphone for song and dance man Walter Barrett, show-stopper from the Nora Simpson school of dancing, who brought down the house with his antics.

EVEN THE MANAGER LIKES IT—John Vaughan, manager of the Booker T. theatre, looks on approvingly as "Santa Claus" (in the person of James W. O'Kelley) hands out gift toys provided by the newspaper, its advertisers and the sponsoring theatre for the small fry who attended the party. (Photos by Henderson).

Charlottesville man speaks in Baltimore

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — The Geri club met Thursday at the Carver Recreation center. Mrs. Victoria Murray, president, and Mrs. M. Gofney, chairman of program committee, presiding.

Devotionals were led by the Rev. I. A. J. Kennedy. Others on the program were Mrs. Virginia Edwards, Charles Spears, M. Mills, Marshal Garrett, Percy Cox, Mrs. Dora Walls, Mrs. M Boston and Mrs. Ida Farrar.

Mrs. M. B. Taylor and her second grade class offered Christmas music, after which there was a reading by Mrs. M. Watson.

Speaks In Baltimore

Robert W. Smith was one of the speakers for the Chesapeake chapter of the Organists Guild held in Baltimore, Dec. 28. Mr. Smith, organist of the University Baptist church, spoke on "The Organs of Charlottesville, Va."

He analyzed two of the oldest instruments, one in First Baptist church, at Seventh and Main and the other in Ebenezer church on Sixth st.

These two organs came to Charlottesville in 1867 and 1871, respectively, and were originally in the First Baptist churches downtown. They were constructed by the firms of John M. Otto and Hilborne Roosevelt.

Mrs. Pauline H. Garrett of W. Main st. entertained the Felicitas Bridge club at her residence, Tuesday. Members and guests present were:

Messrs. and Mesdames Goldsen Coles, James Baylor, James Carter, Mesdames Ethel Allen, Josephine Barbour, Ruth Coles, direction of H. L. Sharpe. A saxophone solo was offered by Miss Geraldine Jackson and Mr. Shegog and a trio by Lawrence Brown, Ralph Goffney and Otelia Jackson. Peachie Jackson, Constance Rangland, M. Pleasants, Bernice Permison, Birdie Poindexter and Miss Marian Wyatt.

The Burley high school band presented its annual concert at the school Tuesday, under the Roland Young.

Eugene Williams presented a donation to the NAACP from the band.

Visiting Mrs. Virginia Monroe of 10th street, nw, for the holiday are her daughter, Miss Carole Monroe of Virginia State college; and her son, William Monroe Jr., of Hampton Institute.

The annual Christmas program of Jefferson elementary school was given Thursday, featuring the Nativity scene and how Christmas is celebrated in other countries.

The committee in charge included Mrs. M. K. Clark, Miss J. G. Moss, Mrs. R. W. Coles, Mrs. O. U. Smith, J. T. Mason and Calvin Gago. At the program, the following pupils were given recognition for purchasing U. S. bonds this year:

Sherman White, Marion Lincoln, John Gordon (2), Charles Fowler, Peggy Ann Brown, Madlyn Anglin (2) and David Stroud. After the program, the faculty and guests of the school were entertained at the home of the principal, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Beaver of Ridge st.

Dr. G. F. Jackson of Lynchburg celebrated his birthday with his family at Maple Springs farm on Sunday. Others present were:

His parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Jackson; his wife, Mrs. Jackson and children, Cecelia, George F. Jr. and Jan Oliver; his aunt, Mrs. F. N. Jackson; Estella Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wright and Sgt. Elliott Jackson and Mrs. Gloria Washington and Bernadette.

Carolinians Are Guests

Mrs. J. J. Washington and daughter, Bernadette, of Greensburg, S.C., spent a few days visiting her parents, Dr. and Mr. J. A. Jackson of Fourth st.

The Charlottesville and the Lynchburg district employees of the Virginia Mutual Insurance company gave their annual Christmas party at Rest-Haven.

Women's Club Meets

Charlottesville met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Grace White, 1055 Grady ave.

Ulysses Beavers has returned to his home in Baltimore after visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harbour Beaver, his parents, and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jackson of Fourth st.

The Jefferson School PTA sponsored a social hour instead of its regular meeting. Movies Before the social period, B. T. Beaver, principal, carried the members on a tour of the building to see the Christmas decorations in each room.

Members of the committee are A. M. Davis, Mrs. Mary Harris, Mrs. Mary Dickerson, Mrs. Marave Stroud and Moses Mason.

The Thalian Art and Literary club met Friday at the home of Mrs. Annie White of Fifth st. for a Christmas program. Participants were Mesdames R. W. Coles, D. B. Johnson, B. T. Beaver, Gines, M. P. Stroud, P. R. Jackson, M. C. Greer, and Miss J. B. Wyatt.

The entertaining group also presented each member with a poinsettia and a program made as little bells. The members exchanged gifts "pollyanna" style.

Misses June Preston and Teresa Carter of Morgan State college are home for the holidays.

The Taylor Art and Literary club held its Christmas meeting at the home of Mrs. Mary Lewis of Ridge st. Thursday. The members exchanged gifts a song and Christmas carols.

Brother of Bluefield teacher dies in Ohio

BLUEFIELD, W. Va. — Mrs. Maybelle Smith Dunlap, director of home economics at Bluefield State college, recently received word that her brother, Dr. Charles Smith, had died suddenly at his home in Columbus, Ohio.

Mrs. Smith departed immediately to attend funeral services. The family home in Columbus is at 382 Woodland avenue.

RAIN WAS NO BAR—To the cornerstone laying exercises held recently at the site for the new Woodville school in Richmond, Va. From left to right, the program participants are: Samuel S. Sprigg, Isiah Christian, member, East End Lodge of Masons; James A. Johnson, the Rev. C. S. McCall, pastor, M. Tabor Baptist church; F. E. Brown, Woodville principal, and Mrs. Charles Davis, PTA president.

Cleric pleads for return to real Christmas spirit

Rev. Peter Crawford, pastor of First Baptist church, Lexington, Va., told a capacity audience at First Baptist church, Bute st., last that the world needs a new "option of Christmas in order to appreciate the prophecy of Isaiah concerning the birth of Christ.

He deplored the commercializing of Christmas, and said the onward rush of people to make a living and to secure the material things of life is blinding them to the real meaning of Christmas.

He made a strong plea for a return to the spirit of the first Christmas.

Introduced by A. D. Dinkins, superintendent of the church's Sunday school, the Rev. Crawford called for a sane and reverent celebration of Christmas and the reserving of time to meditate on things spiritual and on the ideals set forth by Jesus when he was on earth in the flesh.

Charlottesville man is mourned at rites

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Funeral services for James H. Lightfoot, who died the previous week, were held Sunday at Mt. Zion Baptist church, the Rev. E. L. Greer, pastor, assisted by the Rev. E. D. McCreary, pastor of Ebenezer church, officiating. Interment was in Lincoln memorial cemetery. J. F. Bell, mortician, in charge.

Survivors include six sons, James of NYC and Jerome of Cleveland, Joseph, Carl Herbert and Herman of this city; three daughters, Mesdames Helen Williams of Jersey City, N.J., Geneva Wright and Miss Louise Lightfoot of this city; Eighteen grandchildren, including Misses Delorea Jackson of Petersburg and Doris Lightfoot of Washington, and 15 great grandchildren.

Among others attending the rites were a sister-in-law, Mrs. Hattie Parker of Washington, and two brothers-in-law, Arthur Wells of Beaver Dam, Arbury Wells of Beaver Dam.

Northern Neck Baptist contributes to christianity

OOTOMAN, Va. — The Reverend Allie B. James moderator of the Northern Neck Baptist Association announced that the Association contributed $3,031.75 for the cause of Christianity during the year. This announcement was made at the close of the educational rally held at the Hartswell Baptist church here Sunday, Dec. 13.

Of this amount Virginia Union university in Richmond will receive $2,274.75 and $657 will go directly to the Negro College Fund which is helping to foster the cause of Christian Education in 38 colleges.

A breakdown of the contributions is as follows: The Northern Neck Baptist Association—$1,332.01; the Women's Missionary and Educational Convention, Mrs. Emma Roane, president—$570; the Northern-Neck - Berkley Baptist Ministers Conference, Lawrence A. Wynn, president—$238.33. The United Negro College Fund Drive under the chairmanship of the Reverend J. W. Holden—$657 alumni and friends—$153.35.

Appearing on the program at the rally were Mrs. J. M. Ellison who read a statement from the president of the University, Dr. Ellison. Address by Mr. John O. Peterson, a student at Virginia Union and S. H. Brown, director of Public Relations and Alumni Secretary. Music for the association was furnished by the Virginia Union Singers under the direction of Prof. William J. Goodwin.

The Reverend O. J. Parker is pastor of the host church.

Colerain school pupils present Christmas skit

COLERAIN, N.C. — The glee club and the fourth grade of Colerain school presented a Christmas pageant in the school auditorium prior to the beginning of the Christmas vacation. The sponsors were Mesdames G. W. Call and K. M. Morris.

The following persons took part in the production, "Million-Dollar Wedding," presented here recently:

Mesdames Mildred Jordan, L. White, D. Gaskins, Mary Walker, L. Branch, R. Riddle, C. C. Perry, W. Ruffin, L. Gaskins, Evora Gatling, L. Mebane, H. B. Raynor, G. T. Jordan, Rosetta Sessoms, Mable Walford, Christina Chambliee and Evelyn Powell.

Participate In Play

Also Mesdames W. Sessoms, Florentine Miller, K. M. Hayes, Corine Mitchell, M. Holly, G. W. Call, O. S. Law, Ora White, M. Stanley, C. White, Cleo Leary, Maggie Perry, Sarah Jordan, Elnora Outlaw and Z. D. Raynor.

Also Misses Mary Spruill, Daisy Outlaw, Hattie Raynor, Mabel Harrel, Doll Perry, Agnes Harrell, Bonnie Leary, Evora Speight, Shirley White, Juliette Riddick, Doris Holly, Hester Southward, Bettie Jenkins and M. McGhinee.

Revenues Received

A total of $1,960.00 was realized from the production.

The friendly club met recently at the home of the Rev. M. and Mrs. Law of Merry Hill. Entertainment was supplied by the chairmen of the entertainment committee, Mesdames G. W. Call and G. T. Jordan.

CITY DESK by RUFUS WELLS

What a difference a year makes. At little more than a year ago the Republicans rode into power on promises to "clean up the mess" in Washington but before 12 calendar months had passed, they had stirred up a bigger "mess" than the one they pledged to clean up.

It began early last month when Attorney General Brownell accused ex-President Harry Truman of "knowingly" promoting a spy, one Harry Dexter White, now deceased.

When the sensational charge made by Brownell in a Chicago political speech reached the public, the comedy of errors began with top Republicans vying with ranking Democrats for headline space.

Charges and counter charges filled the air, but the most astonishing development was the emergence of Senator Joseph McCarthy (whose thinly-veiled hand was visible behind the whole affair.)

Who Heads GOP?

As President Eisenhower (who as president should be titular head of the GOP) expressed the hope that the communists issue would be forgotten by the 1954 congressional elections, McCarthy asserted his authority—much to Ike's embarrassment.

In no uncertain terms, the spy-hunting Senator told the President and the nation that communists in government would be the major issue in 1954 and that the people should vote for or against Republicans on the basis of their belief that he, McCarthy, should or should not continue his work as chairman of the Senate's permanent investigating committee.

Instead of "cleaning up the mess" the Republicans have created a bigger "mess" by launching an unprecedented program of indictment by insinuation, or conviction by accusation.

DON'T TELL ME . . . In Washington merchants report the appearance of cards bearing the words: "Don't tell me your troubles. I voted for Stevenson."

REPORTERS ROW BY SAMUEL HOSKINS

WHAT'S WRONG WITH OUR SENSE OF VALUES?

The lady's voice was sweetly sarcastic.

"If I had known he needed money that badly, I would have given him $2 not to take the picture," she said.

The voice belonged to Mrs. Genevieve Reid, 49, wife of the Rev. Clayton Reid, assistant pastor of Abyssinian Baptist church, Marvine and Berk sts.

Her reference was to an AFRO photographer who had experienced considerable difficulty taking a picture of a lottery suspect last Monday a.m., at the 22rd police district court.

She Was The Defendant

Mrs. Reid was the defendant. She didn't want the picture taken. Neither did Tomlin Campbell, Republican leader of the 47th ward.

Standing on the rostrum behind Magistrate John F. Daly, the photographer took the picture before Campbell could do anything to stop him.

But the ward leader, fuming and obviously angry, ordered the cameraman to "Come down from there!"

Later he told the photographer that had he seen him soon enough he would have "had him stopped."

About The Arrest

Mrs. Reid was arrested after police accused her of beating a 12-year-old youth into a lottery "drop" to place two numbers bet for her.

"I dreamed them (511 and 711)" she said, "and just thought I would play them."

She added, referring to the lottery: "I asked the kid to take them across the street for me. I never dreamed the police would be there."

"So What?" Says Campbell

Also in reference to her having sent the youth to the lottery "drop," Campbell's retort was "So what?"

The ward leader, who admits he is interested in court in Mrs. Reid's behalf, told the AFRO photographer: "Jesus, don't put her picture in the paper."

He said his reasons were: She's a minister's wife. Her husband has been in the postal service 32 years. She is a church woman, a community leader and such a news story would be embarrassing to her.

He further said the case was not of news value as this kind of thing is customary, that if it were a news story the paper wanted "There are a lot of hoodlums you can write up."

The case apparently possessed great humor for Magistrate Daly, who dismissed the charges against Mrs. Reid.

Is It Really Funny?

Still laughing about it at 10:02 Monday morning, he told Assistant District Attorney Howard Criden and the court stenographer about the case of the minister's wife who sent a boy, 12, to place her numbers bets.

With much gusto he added: "Let the other reporters put that in the AFRO-American."

That's the story. Boiled down, it is composed of these tragic elements:.

1. A minister's wife, obviously a leader in the community, sees no wrong in sending a youngster of impressionable age into a numbers dive to place her bets.

2. Hailed into court, she expresses a willingness to bribe a photographer into not taking her picture.

Furthermore, she asks the editor of the paper to see that the story is "Accidentally misplaced."

3. A politician, who also is a leader in the community, compounds the act by taking a "So what" attitude toward it.

4. He admits going to court with the defendant, and although he denies having spoken to the judge in her behalf, tries to bribe newspaper representatives into suppressing story and picture.

5. The judge, a sworn defender of public morals and whose duty it is to uphold law and order, thinks the whole thing is funny — "funny as hell," a laughing matter, something to be joked about.

Our Tragic Harvest

What has happened to our sense of values?

Can we curb juvenile delinquency by contributing to and encouraging it?

Is it possible to foster respect for law and order when we openly and brazenly prostitute them, distort and warp it to fit our politics, or make it something to be laughed at?

Then is there any wonder that our youngsters are going off the beam and committing lawlessness spiraling to shocking proportions?

Hell, no.

Then isn't it logical to conclude that our society today, shaped and patterned by our leaders — civic, political and legal—is reaping the crime harvest it nurtured into existence?

But isn't it?

Christ only hope for world Rev. H. A. Parker declares

The only for the anxiety and uncertainty of the world today lies in Christ, the Rev. Hilton A. Parker, pastor of Little Street Methodist church, declared in a radio address Sunday.

Speaking over Station WANT on the Richmond Community hospital Christmas program, the Rev. Mr. Parker said:

"Amid our present anxiety and uncertainty the Christ of Bethlehem holds that guidance and wisdom to which we which in the long run we must come back again, if there is to be any hope, any balm for our wounded humanity, any light for those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.

Miss Alcelia Robinson, a pupil of Booker T. Washington Junior High school, was graduated first. Organ music was played by Miss Jeanette V. Branch, a student at Virginia Union university, and pianist for the university choir.

Miss Branch and Douglass Jones rendered an instrumental duet, "Silent Night." Through Station Announcer Tom Mitchell, the hospital administrator and staff extended holiday greetings to the listening audience.

Girl, 6, attacked in woods, mother tells police

The mother of a six-year-old Navy Hill pupil last week filed a complaint claiming that an unidentified man had attempted to attack her child in a wooded area near 5th and Hospital sts.

The report said the little girl was approached by the man in the hallway of the school at 4 p.m., Dec. 17. He told her out of the school and into the woods where he attempted to attack her. The report said he left her an hour later. The child managed to wander back to the street from which she lived where her father found her at 5:15.

She was taken to St. Philip hospital and examined. The examination revealed that she had not been harmed physically.

DETERMINED WOMEN LEAD THE WAY:

Poll tax burden is eased in Alabama

MONTGOMERY, Ala.— Sparked by women, Alabama took a long step toward removing the poll tax as a barrier to voting last week as a special referendum changed the state constitution to eliminate the requirement that all back poll taxes must be paid prior to voting.

Under the change, maximum poll taxes now will be only $3 instead of $36. Previously, a voter who had not paid any poll taxes was required to pay $1.50 for every preceding year since 1901 he or she had lived in the state.

The change will affect principally the number of women voters in the state. In many counties only about 20 per cent of the registered voters are women. Male voters will also be affected, though in lesser numbers, because those who were in the armed services are exempt from the poll tax.

Women Forced Action

Women gathered their forces in an organization called the Alabama Council for the Ratification of Amendment No. 1, which consisted of the League of Women Voters, the Amerian Association of University Women and other organizations.

Labor and the Young Democrats supported the group, while the professional politicians, backed by the Big Mules (Alabama's industrial interests), opposed it.

Incomplete returns from 1,719 out of 2,417 boxes showed 56,081 in favor of the constitutional amendment, with 39,629 against it. Heavy margins in the industrial centers, which ran in favor of the amendment by a ratio of four-to-one, helped swell the tide.

Step Toward Repeal

Passage of the amendment, according to observers, will help in the ultimate appeal of a vicious anti-union measure passed by the last session of the state legislature.

The bill, which prohibits virtually all forms of union security, was passed by a state senate loaded in favor of the rural areas. he 10 senators who voted against the measure represent about half the state's population or the same number of people as the 25 who voted for it.

Passage of the measure, which will vastly enlarge the number of people entitled to vote, was also seen as a good omen for the liberal candidates in next year's senatorial, congressional and gubernatorial elections.

FIRST ON UNIVERSITY FACULTY:

Louisville medical school appoints 2

LOUISVILLE— (ANP) — The University of Louisville medical school added a new first for integration in the South last week when it announced the appointment of two colored doctors to its faculty.

The two faculty members are Dr. Orville Ballard, resident physician at Waverly Hills tuberculosis sanatorium, and Dr. Grace M. James, acting instructor in the outpatient children's clinic at General hospital.

They are believed to be the firs' or their race to be appointed to the faculty of a white university in the South.

This action climaxes a trend toward racial integration in colleges in Kentucky ever since the state amended its Day Laws a few years back to allow students to attend these schools in keeping with a U.S. Supreme Court decision.

Nursing School Blazed Trail

It also follows on the heels of the opening of a white nursing school in Louisville to colored persons only a fortnight ago. Currently, colored person may attend most colleges in the state of Kentucky.

Under the old Day Law, colored persons and whites could not attend the same schools in the state and still do not attend the same public elementary and high schools in the state.

The University of Louisville board of trustees appointed Dr. Ballard and Dr. James to the faculty, naming them clinical instructors—Dr. Ballard in medicine and Dr. James in pediatrics. They actually took over their posts Dec. 1.

Receive No Salaries

Along with their white physicians appointed at the same time, the new faculty members will serve without salary. Technically, they are also on the staff of General hospital which is operated by the Medical School.

The only other local hospital with colored persons on the staff is the colored Red Cross hospital which also has some white doctors.

Ga. church hosts Methodist confab

ATLANTA, Ga. — Ariel Bowen Methodist church was host to 5 delegates at the first public relations seminar of the Methodist Church's Atlantic Coast area last week. The Rev. A. S. Dickerson is pastor.

The seminar was conducted by the commission on public relations and Methodist information of the Methodist church, in cooperation with the Atlantic Coast area, of which Bishop John W. E. Bowen Jr. is resident bishop.

The Rev. A. S. Dickerson, corrspondent for the area, Dr. Arthur West, Chicago, and Bishop Bowen planned the two day program. The Rev. Mr. Dickerson and Dr. West were among principal speakers.

Other Guest Speakers

Other speakers at the sessions were: O. B. Fanning, Nashville; the Rev. Dana Dawson, of Baltimore; W. M. Fowlkes of the Pittsburgh Courier; Dr. J. H. Summerville, director of public relations at Clark college;

Also Virgil W. Mattox, Paul E. Brown; Dr. Prince A. Taylor Jr., editor of the Central Christian Advocate, New Orleans; William Gordon of the Atlanta Daily World.

Also Miss Irene Long, formerly of the Methodist board of mission news department, and George Boswell, editorial assistant of the Atlanta Constitution.

NAACP regional conference slated

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — The second annual Southeast Regional conference of NAACP branches, youth councils and college chapters will convene in Birmingham, Ga., Feb. 26-28, 1954, it was announced here last wk.

Mrs. Ruby Hurley, Southeast Regional secretary said, "The conference will be designed for leadership training and will focus lively sessions on discussions and speakers on educational, legal and political action techniques."

NAACP groups in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee will be represented by delegates at the meeting.

Charge two youths with $605 theft

DETROIT — Two youths who allegedly stole $605 from the home of a friend were charged with breaking and entering, a warrant issued Monday by the prosecutor's office.

They are Joe H. Ballard, 19, of 122 Westminster, and Leon Johnson, 20, of 1365 Delmar, who police said stole the money Dec. 14 from the home of Charles Henry Dye, of 1468 Canton.

Police said they recovered $50 hidden in Ballard's home and also confiscated $15 from Louise Johnson, 18, of 9115 Delmar, an alleged girlfriend of Ballard. Ten dollars was confiscated from Johnson the officers said.

Seek group spokesmen in Tennessee counties

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (ANP) — The Democratic and Republican committee met last week and passed a resolution calling for greater colored participation in the political affairs of the state.

Lt. George E. Lee, old-line Republican, explained the resolution as follows: "It calls for the county committee of each of the four largest counties to have a chairman and two co-chairmen. One of the three must be a woman and another must be a colored person.

AFRICA'S BISHOP TO PRESIDE:

AMEZ bishops schedule 5-day Memphis conclave

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The Bishi church, including general officers, college presidents, and denominational editors, will meet in Warner Temple AMEZ church here Jan. 12 - 16.

The Rev. William C. Ardrey is pastor of the new $120,000 church.

Presiding over the sessions will be Bishops Daniel C. Poole of Gold Coast, West Africa, who is general chairman of the board of bishops a a recent meeting.

Senior Bishop William J. Walls of Chicago will be secretary, with Bishop Stephen G. Spottswood of Washington as host prelate.

During the session, the board will hear reports from chiefs of AMEZ departments. General officers are Bishop Walls; Paul F. Claude Spurgeon, general secretary - auditor; Richard W. Hogue, general manager of the publishing house; Dr. William H. Lovell, editor of the Star of Zion;

Dr. David H. Bradley, editor of the Quarterly Review; Dr. J. Van Calledge Jr., editor of the Church School Herald; the Rev. J. C. Hoggard, secretary of foreign missions; Dr. J. W. Kelcheberger, secretary of the department of Christian education; Dr. William J. Trent, president of Livingstone college;

Dr. James S. Seay, secretary - treasurer of home missions, pensions and relief; Daniel W. Andrews, secretary of church extension; Dr. W. S. Bryant, director of publicity and promotion; Emma Watson, executive secretary, and Mrs. Julia E. Sinai, treasurer of the woman's home and foreign missionary society.

In conjunction with the board meeting, the Ministers and Laymen's Council of the AMEZ church will also hold its annual business session.

Dr. Franklin Jackson, pastor of John Wesley AMEZ church, Memphis, and association president, will preside.

Liberal radio head honored

NEW YORK — A Philadelphia radio executive has received one of broadcasting's highest awards because of her fight against racial discrimination.

The award, announced in the current issue of McCall's Magazine, went to Dorothy Hart, radio station WHAT in Philadelphia. Miss Banks was one of three national winners in the third annual McCall's Gold Mike awards.

As manager of WHAT, Miss Banks operates her station the way she wants to, she said. For example, she hires her staff regardless of color.

NAPE president inspects changes

WASHINGTON — James B. Cobb, president of the National Association of Postal Employees, is in Cincinnati, Ohio, this week inspecting effects of national centralization of the Post Office Department ordered into effect recently.

Cincinnati is the first area to become operative under the new program. Without the new C. C. Jason accompanied Mr. Cobb.

While in Cincinnati, Mr. Cobb also attended the national conclave of the Omega Psi Phi fraternity and conferred with Eugene H. Burton, president of NAPE District Six. Mr. Burton lives in Cincinnati.

Polio volunteer honor March of Dimes prexy

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—Dr. J. G. Gallaway received a citation of appreciation to Basil O'Connor, president of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis during Mr. O'Connor's visit to Alabama state college last week.

The citation was given Mr. O'Connor for "outstanding leadership in health and welfare organization," and was voted to him by Mardi Gras of Dimes volunteers who attended a pre-game reception given in Tuskegee Institute last month.

AFL Dining Car union wins easy election

CHICAGO (ANP) — A National Railway board mediator and observers for two disputing unions last week signed a report showing that the AFL Joint Council of Dining Car Employees defeated the United Transport Service Employees 35 to one in a representation election among dining car employees of the Rock Island Railroad.

Although the election results are not yet official, Willard S. Townsend, UTSE president, said in the case of the vote, "We fight jim crow losing out to a union which is jim crow.

CANDY AND CAKES TOO—Sgt. A. W Smith, Mrs. Sarah Murphy and Capt. Arthur E. Wiggins, commanding officer, Washington Park Detachment, help children at Sarah Murphy orphanage to big Christmas dinner prepared for them by members of the detachment. Troops at Fort McPherson, Ga., home of Third Army headquarters, and at nearby Washington Park provided food, clothing, furnishings and toys for the children. The home, founded by Mrs. Murphy, is unsponsored and entirely dependent upon the general public for support.

WORK SHOP FOR MINISTERS — The above group participated recently in the workshop for ministers held at Tuskegee, Ala. under the auspices of the Chaplaincy service. Left to right first row: Mrs. W. E. Carson, Mrs. Naomi Blassingile, the Rev. Nathan Edwards, Dr. Marry V. Boone, Mrs. E. D. Morgan, Chaplain C. H. Pierson. Second row, Chaplain A. L. Thomas, Sr., the Revs. Raymond P. Harvey, C. D. Hutchinson, Mr. E. E. Neal, the Rev. Merrel D. Booker, Chaplain, H. J. C. Bowden. Third row, Chaplain K. D. S. Pogue, the Rev. Robert E. Dubose, Mr. Oscar R. Porter, Mr. J. F. Feast, Chaplain Daniel W. Wynn, the Revs. W. E. Carson, O. D. Slaughter, Mr. William H. Mason, Mr. Charles Trout, Dr. Benjamin Blassingille, the Rev. C. L. Moore and Mr. Harold P. Gray.

GEORGE W. CARVER FIRST:

Rural mag lists 2 'Men of Year' in agriculture

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Two distinguished leaders of rural progress have been named for 1953 "Men of the Year in Service to Agriculture" by the Progressive Farmer, a Southwide farm magazine.

They are John W. Mitchell, national leader of extension work and Dr. E. B. Evans, president of Prairie View agricultural college of Texas. The awards are announced in the January issue of The Progressive Farmer.

Dr. Clarence Poe, editor-in-chief of the magazine, salutes them as "captains of the forward march of agriculture in all southern states."

Began In Buggy

Mr. Mitchell is from North Carolina and Virginia. Thirty-six years ago he began work in the extension service as a buggy-driving emergency agricultural agent in two North Carolina counties. Since then he has worked his way up to county agent, district agent and now to national leadership.

Dr. Evans is a native of Missouri, born there in 1884. He received a degree as doctor of veterinary medicine from Iowa State college. He went to Prairie View as a professor of Veterinary medicine and established the veterinary department there.

He was made Texas state leader for all colored agricultural work in 1941. He was sent to Tuskegee institute in 1945 to plan, organize and build the school of veterinary medicine. He returned to Prairie View in 1946, became dean and a year later, president.

The Progressive Farmer has been making these southwide awards to "Men of the Year in Service to Agriculture" since 1936. Their honor roll now include 18 names. The late Dr. George W. Carver, a foremost agricultural scientist, was the first.

Pretty socialite, 22, still missing

DETROIT — The mysterious disappearance two weeks ago of pretty Mrs. Katherine Hurley Syphax, 22-year-old socialite, still had police baffled last week.

Police here admitted they have uncovered no clues as to the whereabouts of the ex-Wayne university student, who vanished while en route to her work as supervisor at the Michigan Bell Telephone Co.

Last Seen Dec. 10

Mrs. Syphax was last seen Dec. 10 on her way to work about 4:30 p.m. It was found, however, that she never reported for the 5 p.m. shift change.

An earlier clue, the discovery of her 1953 automobile on a parking lot near a railroad station, proved of little help in the investigation.

Wife of music critic is buried

NEW YORK (ANP)—Funeral services for Mrs. Effie Diton, 77-year-old wife of Carl Diton, Associated Negro Press music critic, were held Saturday, at St. Martin's Episcopal church here.

Mrs. Diton, well known as a social worker and business woman, died earlier in the week after an illness of two years.

She was one of the founders of the National Association of Business and Professional Women. She also was a member of the board of directors for 20 years of the National Association of colored Musicians, Inc.

Beside her husband, Mrs. Diton is survived by a sister.

Church dedicates 144 stained-glass windows

NEW YORK (ANP) — Bishop Frederick B. Newell of the New York area of the Methodist church dedicated 144 stained-glass windows Sunday at St. Mark Methodist church; Dr. Samuel H. Sweeney, pastor.

The congregation contributed $30,000 in eight months to produce the windows, including three installed in 1946 when the church was built, complete a picture story of the Bible from the creation through the life of Christ.

African court decrees death for 16 natives

NAIROBI, Kenya (ANP) — Some 16 Africans were sentenced to death here last week on murder charges growing out of a massacre in Lari last March.

Besides those sentenced, some 40 others were acquitted by Supreme court of Githunguiri. This was the total of the trials resulting from the Mau Mau massacre.

When the 16 are executed, it will bring to 41 the number of supposed members of the Mau Mau killed in connection with the massacre.

Doctorates go to 2 in Ohio

Mrs. Lewis, Ames Chapman graduate

WILBERFORCE, Ohio — Mrs. Vivian Floyd Lewis and Ames W. Chapman received on the staff of Central State college, received their Ph. D. degrees Dec. 18 from Ohio State university in the annual fall commencement.

Dr. Lewis is head of the women's health, recreation and physical education division at Central State. She has a B.A. degree from Wilberforce university and a M.A. degree from West Reserve university.

She is a member of the American Association of Health, Recreation and Physical Education; and the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority.

Dr. Chapman has a B.A. degree from Southern University and an M.A. degree from the University of Pittsburgh. He did graduate study done at Oxford University in England and the University of Paris.

He is chairman of the Central State college department of sociology and is a member of Alpha Kappa Delta and Kappa Alpha Psi fraternities.

NAACP Branch Re-Elects Prexy