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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Hope for the best; be ready for the worst; take with calmness what God sends.

OLD ADAGE

Little Things

By JESSE H. WALKER

Since there's nothing wrong with a question getting a column off to a beginning, isn't it ironic that five congressmen had to get shot to knock Joe McCarthy off the nation's front pages?

SPORTS TIP — Don't forget the basketball game Wednesday night at the Coliseum when the Bullets meet Syracuse. Game is sponsored by the local Frontiers chapter.

Mr. Walker

Towering Ray Felix and Coach Clair Bee of the Bullets are to be honored at halftime.

BACKGROUND — A local daily jumped the gun with a premature story on a proposed FEPC bill for Baltimore. Story is believed to have been inspired by a councilman seeking to work up sentiment against the measure.

If such was the case, the paper furthered the councilman's cause by coming out a few days later with an editorial against the bill.

But (and this is important), the councilman who allegedly knifed the proponents of the bill is from Baltimore's predominantly colored 4th District.

What gives?

COLLECTOR'S ITEM — A Baltimore matron reports a recent experience she had with a collector from Sears Roebuck.

Seems there were words when the matron called the collector that she always paid her bill by mail. One word led to another and the matron finally brought everything (she thought) to an abrupt conclusion by closing the door.

She swears she then heard the collector call her a "black bastard."

Naturally she hit the ceiling and notified the company. Officials apologized profusely and even had the collector call the matron by phone to do so, too.

It was then the collector pointed out that the matron's hearing was not up to par.

"I didn't call you a 'black bastard,'" he's quoted as saying. "I called you a 'black buzzard'."

The matron, now taking treatment for high blood pressure, says if her husband had been present then the collector would now be taking treatment for pressure on the brain — caused by the forceful application of a blunt instrument against his skull.

POLITICS — Now 'tis said that all was not as unanimous as reports were told in the "election" of a colored member to the non-vacant position of vice - chairman on the Republican City Committee.

In fact, it's claimed that one gentleman went to the meeting with the idea he would be selected only to find everybody voting against him except the two proxies he carried in his own pocket.

And was the defeated gentleman so angry afterward? He stomped out and spread the word around town that he was tricked?

INTERRACIAL STORY—John Mackey, from Frederick, Md. youth who allegedly sent threatening notes to a white family and critically stabbed a police officer, goes on trial today Friday).

All Frederick is waiting to see if the trial brings out just why the letters were written.

TRANSPORTATION BIT — You really want to know what those yellow BTC coupes are doing flitting all around-town?

A BTC official says they cruise around to keep the service operating as closely to schedule as possible and to check up on the operators.

That's nice to know but it didn't keep me any warmer Thursday morning while freezing on a corner and waiting on a No. 19 trolley.

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History repeats itself

History, it has often been stated, repeats itself. This week we observed a striking example of the veracity of this statement.

History repeated itself twice this week when two stories of knife attacks, earlier attributed to a colored knife-wielder, were repudiated by the police.

It was only a year ago when Baltimore was in the midst of an alleged "crime wave" that a night club singer reported she was brutally attacked by a "burly colored man."

Thanks to an alert police captain her story was doubted and quickly proven to be false.

But the damage already had been done by the enthusiasm with which the daily newspapers reported the singer's first report to police.

That was front-page, headline news. And the city trembled in fear of the "burly colored man" who attacked the singer.

The stories of her lying and the repudiation of them, however, did not receive such prominence in their display, except in the AFRO-AMERICAN.

Now once again we have, not one but two, instances of a similar occasion.

And once again we find the stories of the alleged knifings by a "knife-wielding" colored man gaining front-page prominence, while the stories telling how false such stories were, were buried inside the newspapers.

Again it was alert police work which debunked each false tale.

But what remains? An impression with the majority of the city's population still believing that a colored man is roaming through Baltimore slashing white persons with a knife indiscriminately.

Such an impression certainly does nothing toward insuring good race relations. It is also an underhanded slap at all members of the colored population of the city.

In New York state it is a criminal offense to make a false report to the police. In Maryland no such law exists.

For their own protection the colored citizens of this state should immediately start working toward seeing that such a law is enacted by the state legislature.

For they should realize by now that otherwise they receive no fair treatment in the reporting of the news in the daily newspapers.

Nationalist spirit sounds a warning

Horror and indignation fill the minds of every American at the outrage in Congress on Monday afternoon.

Certainly only the sterenest methods must be employed in dealing with the culprits who, in addition to wounding five Congressmen, dared to endanger the lives of hundreds of other persons on the floor and in the gallery of the House chamber.

The fanatical fury of the gunloting quartet is said to prevail among a very small group of Puerto Rican Nationalists.

But the strength and fierceness of their sentiment is shown in the fact that Monday's bloody demonstration marked the second time the Nationalists chose ruthless and violent means to dramatize the cause of Puerto Rican independence.

Undeterred and unsoftened by President Truman's mercy toward the Nationalist gunman in the 1950 assassination attempt at Blair House, the fanatics who sprayed the House chamber with bullets were calm and defiant when apprehended.

They expected to die for their cause, if we can believe the written statement found in Lolita Lebron's purse and the evidence of her one-ticket from New York to Washington.

This brings the sobering thought that the spirit of nationalism and the will to be free can be stifled among men and women determined to rid themselves of what they consider oppression.

Gov. Luis Munoz Marin undoubtedly believed he expressed the prevailing sentiment of his people when he spoke with indignation of the "savage and unbelievable lunacy" of the episode in Congress on Monday.

But the fact of the Puerto Rican nationalist movement remains.

It remains like the Mau Mau movement in Africa—or like the secret plotting of the sepoys remained in India until the fateful day when it erupted in the fire and murder of the Bengal mutiny against the British, about a century ago.

Then, wild and bloody outbursts, totally incomprehensible to saner minds, follow their own mad logic in a volcanic kind of outpouring of pent-up resentment and rage—directed, as was Monday's shooting, not so much at any one individual as at a whole scheme of things, a whole system of real or fancied wrongs.

There is a solemn and horrible warning for the 20th century in the increasing clamor of people all over the earth to be free from any domination except that which they themselves choose to exert among themselves.

May the U.S. be wise and just in its dealings with this issue—an issue which could lend a sinister and fateful twist to the words of one of this country's own great patriots:

"Give me liberty or give me death!"

The situation in our schools

Last week the AFRO published a story describing how gangs of teen-age boys are harassing teachers and pupils in a local junior high school.

In other issues similar stories have described like situations in a local high school.

School officials admit there is a problem not only in colored schools but throughout the city.

They attribute it to the rising incidence of juvenile delinquency which is a nationwide problem and has grown to such proportions that congress has held hearings on it.

At the moment a New York newspaper is running a series describing how ordinary school discipline has broken down because of unruly juveniles.

The problem in New York has reached such serious proportions that the City Council is considering an investigation.

Baltimore's problem has not reached such shameful heights but the potential is present. And it bears watching.

The situation is one which should not be minimized and the proper time to combat it is now, before it gets out of hand.

Gangs of hoodlums who hang around the schools and who infence should be dispersed by the police. It should be the duty of the school authorities to notify the police when such gangs are noticed.

And, as has been the case recently in one school, when these young hoodlums invade the school property they should be arrested.

Possibly more juvenile officers are needed to patrol the schools. Certainly the sight of a uniform would curb the terroristic - like attitudes of some of our presentday youngsters.

In the series on the New York schools much mention is made of how teachers are afraid in many instances to enforce disciplinc because of fear of retaliation by juvenile gangs.

And again, we say, such is not the case in Baltimore. But there have been reports of teachers being threatened when they have admonished these outside hoodlums.

In one New York school we find that the mothers of the pupils have organized their own patrol at the school's doors in order to protect their children. These mothers, operating on two-hour shifts, guard each entrance of the school during class sessions.

Possibly such an arrangement would place an insurmountable strain on Baltimore's mothers. But it is an idea worth considering.

The measures we need to take here to protect our children and their teachers may not have to be as drastic as those taken in New York. But unless we do step in right now while our problems are minor ones, they can become too big.

Words to live by

By Robert T. Newbold Jr.

If enough Christians face up to their responsibility in race relations, we would make a giant step toward solving most of the problems in that area.

Two reasons why this has not been done are: first, the church has not made clear what the Christian's responsibility is. Second, more emphasis has been placed upon denominational pronouncements than individual practices.

What is the Christian's responsibility?

To begin with, the Christian should be sure that he and the racial group with which he is identified, is free from the faults and sins he is quick to condemn in others.

We are often in a hurry to reveal the faults of others and slow to admit our own.

What is true of individuals is also true of races.

This practice, however, is not new. It was the way of the Pharisees in the past.

Behold! the Pharisees are still with us. They join company to critical people pointing out the faults of whites, but seldom stopping to put their own under examination.

They stand among the whites hurling their diatribes at the faulty spots among colored people, but seldom seeing their own.

Jesus did not go about finding fault. Instead, He went about trying to left man beyond his faults.

So these those who claim to be His followers need look upon their own racial group in order that they may be first sure it is free from the faults and sins they so bitterly condemn in others.

Christians also need to look beyond man-made labels and see God-created human beings. They need to move beyond such labels as white, black, rich and poor, intelligent and illiterate, radical and conservative, and see men made for fellowship with God.

During the time when Jesus walked in the flesh among men there were labels also: Jew, Gentile, Samaritan, Pharisee, were a few of them. But Jesus kept pulling the labels off. But Jesus kept pulling the labels off. He wants us to do the same.

In dealing with people of other racial groups the Christian should also remember that his first loyalty is to God and not to custom, tradition or a racial group.

He should always seek to be free from Provincialism. He should be blind to color, looking instead upon character.

He should respect the rights of the minority even though he be identified with the majority. "This is a big order," you say. Of course it is.

But the Christian life calls each disciple to face big orders which he cannot fill alone. It is only with divine aid that he can fulfill this responsibility.

Finally, before the Christian can succeed in fulfilling his responsibility in the larger area of race-relations he must face it in the smaller areas.

He relationships with family, friends and members of his own race often serve as the matrix of the relationships in the larger areas.

It is then in the smaller areas where the Christian needs to begin applying the three above-mentioned suggestions.

Are you a Christian? If you are then these suggestions comprise the core of your responsibility.

If You Ask Me

By B. M. Phillips

STANDING ROOM TO HEAR DR. BUTCHER

Most Presbyterian congregations are small. There are not over 17,000 communicants in the entire city of Baltimore. Conservative, liberal Presbyterians like small church families.

Mrs. Phillips

Madison Ave. Presbyterian church is no exception. It has 319 members, can comfortably seat 350 in its attractive auditorium.

But this past Sunday morning found 370 crowded into the auditorium. Fifty temporary chairs placed in the adjoining session room were likewise occupied.

In addition, 35 other persons stood in the rear and on the porch of the church.

One longtime member said it was the largest crowd he had seen in 20 years. He should know. He rarely misses a Sunday morning service.

This over - capacity audience was out to hear dynamic Dr. Margaret Just Butcher of Washington, who was guest speaker for the annual woman's day service.

Dr. Butcher, you know, is the young and attractive professor of English at Howard university and the outspoken member of the Washington Board of Education.

Small and trim, Dr. Butcher has a quiet voice and a charming manner, looks more like a college student than a professor.

It is only when she begins to talk that you know you are listening to a well - trained matron who knows her business.

Her small voice barely carried to the rear of the church auditorium, but the congregation hung on her every word.

One matron nearly had a stroke when a restless child in a noisy movement drowned the words of the speaker.

Dr. Butcher, who is "Maggie" to her friends, brought a prepared manuscript, but discarded it as she waxed into the interesting and important subject of school integration.

She said that we as a group must not get waylaid by side show issues and must remember that the only question before us today is the one before the Supreme Court, which is asked to decide that segregation is morally wrong and integration is the Christian way.

DHS GIRLS SING BEAUTIFULLY

Sunday, by the way, marked the first time I've attended a morning worship service at Madison Ave. Presbyterian since I was a child. Then the church was located downtown on Madison street, between Park ave. and Cathedral st.

It was a treat to hear Dr. Butcher. Extra added attraction was singing by the 100-voice all-girl chorus from Douglass High school.

The girls made a pretty picture in their white blouses and dark skirts, and they sang beautifully.

It was a pleasure to watch comely Mrs. Marian Smith as she directed their singing. She has trained them well. Particularly outstanding were their a cappella numbers.

As I sat there watching them I couldn't help but think that here was a group which would do any school proud.

In an integrated school setup, they would be as much in demand as they are now.

Only, under integration, the group would include white youngsters with musical talent such as they have.

The entire Sunday service, by the way, was carried out by the church women.

Mrs. Sadie Bryant presided. Mrs. Elsie Sessoms, a member of the church; Mrs. Mildred Atkinson of the Council of Churches; and the YWCA's Estelle Thomas read the scriptures and said the prayers.

Mrs. Lillian Perrett, who is always a good speaker, introduced Dr. Butcher, Miss Almyris Miller was at the organ. Mrs. Mary Oliver and members of her woman's day committee, deserve applause for arranging an interesting and inspiring service.

Flowers and ferns decorated the church auditorium and the reception room, where visitors were invited for coffee and cookies.

Sudden thought: — Wonder why men literally desert the church when women conduct the services. Only a handful of men were out Sunday.

The pastor, the Rev. Reginald Daniels, seemed lost.

But I guess if the men had come, there would have been no place to put them.

CAN'T JUMP IN SAME RIVER TWICE

Have you made the discovery that things which seemed beautiful to you as a child turned out not to be so beautiful when you saw them again as an adult?

An old Baltimorean told this week of such an experience.

As a child, he visited his grandmother's house in the country. He remembered the farm as a place of beauty.

The grass was green and well - kept, the honey locust trees pretty and fragrant.

He vividly recalls the whole farm was so restful he took a long nap whenever he visited there.

But he had not seen the old farm since he became an adult.

Last summer, he did. But what a disappointment.

The grass was scraggly and unkempt.

The flowers were puny and dried up.

The locust trees had not been pruned of dead wood for years.

There was no beauty there. Time had made the difference.

Maybe it was just the same as it was when he was a child. He just saw it through different eyes.

Thus, as the philosopher says, "you can never jump in the same river twice."

Do you can an never recapture in later life the beauty and glamour of your youth which exists now only in your dreams.

Maybe it was just the same as I saw the reservoir for what it is. A lake and nothing more.

But when I travel in that area now, I see the reservoir for what it is. A lake and nothing more.

THIS AND THAT OF MANY THINGS

Elijah William (Pop) Bailey, the Regent Theatre doorman, died Wednesday—a cancer victim.

Co-workers remember him as a real friend, a man who was refined, calm, never moved to anger; a man who was deeply religious, he preached and lived the Golden Rule.

Everyone went to him for advice. He was never too busy to help others, says Mrs. Henry Hornstein, wife of the Regent owner.

"No 15 men I know could equal him. He was tops," says Buddy Newton, Regent manager.

Isn't that a fine tribute from your co-workers and friends!

Last summer, energetic Earl Koger was our only representative to appear before the Public Service Commissioner to protest bus lines on North ave.

Other members of the area neighborhood association were too busy.

It's a different story today. Guess some of the residents think now they'd taken the time.

They're annoyed by busses parked in front of their new homes on Ruxton ave. and Preaubury st.

In another section of northwest Baltimore, residents failed to organize, but are now up in arms because a taxi firm and tavern are planned almost in their front yards.

Moral: If you are not a member of a neighborhood group or protective association, organize or join one today.

Don't wait for the nuisance to walk in the front door before you get busy.

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Only through neighborhood groups should watch carefully—tendency for some tavern and club owners to change over from white to colored patronage without posting notices on the premises.

Urban League membership drive for 1,000 is over the top. Credit is due Catherine Adams and her co-workers.

Stuart Turner and Harrison Puller headed one team and Mrs. Christine Williams and Mrs. Frances Johnson headed the other. Proof that team work pays off

If mothers of war veterans organize a pin-cover unit, they are defeating the very purpose for which their boys fought and died in Korea and Europe.

This is the day for integration, not segregation.

Our soldiers fought side by side in the last wars and will fight in mixed units if there is another war. People at home should work together for peace.

Talk that colored people prefer or work best "in their own groups" is hogwash.

Did you ever sing Dulcie's "Seven Last Words of Christ?"

If you did, you probably sang, "He is death guilty, take Him; let us crucify Him;" and "Verily, verily, ye shall be this day with Me in paradise."

But words which accompany a recorded version show all these years we should have been singing, "Thou shall be, verily, this day with Me in paradise," and "He is death guilty, death He doth merit."

THOUGHT OF WEEK

These words are from "An Opportunity for Flower Lovers," a small pamphlet distributed by Forest Mary Burns:—

There is no woman who can place

A bowl of flowers on a shelf

Without an inward, upward urge

To be more beautiful herself.

—SUNSET GARDEN CLUB

Speak Your Piece

Our readers write about losing keys

Dear AFRO:

The story of the AFRO's return of keys to a man who left them in your office two weeks before suggests:

First, finders of bunches of keys should look at once to see if there are identifying tags.

Second, every man who has keys on a bunch should keep important duplicate keys in his pocketbook and other duplicates at home.

Third, no person ought to carry identifying tags on his key chain. Keys, when lost, may fall into the hands of crooks who know immediately that they can open the door to your car, garage, or home.

I put no identifying marks on my key ring. When keys are lost, they stay lost.

WILLARD JAMES
BALTIMORE

What kind of a place is the AFRO when it takes two weeks to locate the owner of a bunch of keys, on which also is the license number of his automobile tag?

(Mrs.) MARY M. RANDALL
WASHINGTON

I carry duplicate keys to my home, desk, and car in my pocket book, other duplicates at home.

T. S. RUTHERFORD
PHILADELPHIA

The average locksmith makes duplicate keys by machine while you wait. There is no excuse for the average person not having two or three sets of keys. They cost only 20 cents each.

BAIN LIVINGSTONE
Raleigh, N.C.

(Editor's Note: We admit we were a little slow.)

If the lost keys carried an automobile license, why couldn't the efficient (?) AFRO have returned the keys the same day or the next day, at most?

Mrs. ESTHER P. HAYNES
Cambridge, Md.

(Editor's Note: We were a little dumb, chum.)

A man who puts identifying marks on a bunch of keys invites thieves. There ought to be a law against it.

P. M. HUMPHREY
RICHMOND

Annoyed by men

Dear AFRO:

I would like to see some of your reporters help to catch these suspects in that assault case.

I also would like to see something done about the white men who go around annoying ladies of race early in the morning or late at night.

Here are a few of the corners you can not stand on in peace: Howard and Baltimore, Caroline and Baltimore, Fairmount and Wolfe and Baltimore and Wolfe sts.

(Mrs.) K. WHITBY

Thanks from Mr. Cole

Dear AFRO:

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for having selected me for the 1954 AFRO Honor Roll.

I deem it a distinct honor. It is certainly an inspiration to do whatever I might to merit your confidence and good faith.

HARRY A. COLE

Hodge-Podge

—By R. Matthews—

Every one seems to be squawking about the high price of coffee these days. If things keep up, we might become a nation of tea drinkers.

Guess it makes the meat producers happy. They've been taking a beating when it comes to talk of high prices. Not that the price of meat has come down so much.

Didn't realize fully just how outrageous things had become in the food line until I ventured into a restaurant for lunch one day.

Ordered a medium-sized lunch, meat, vegetables, salad and tea and was actually amazed at the price of the check—60 cents.

This is a good deal, said I to me; beats those cold meat sandwiches I've been eating, all holy.

One of the vegetables happened to be potatoes. (All right, already, yo I shouldn't be eating potatoes at my weight). Anyway, I had used the minute pat of butter (or margarine, I still can't tell) on the delicious rolls I was served with the meal.

Summoned one of the pleasant waitresses and requested an additional pat of butter margarine. Quick as a flash it arrived, nicely enconced on a paper doily.

Brother! this was it — such service. Had just about convinced myself that eating lunch out should be a regular habit of mine—then it happened

Picked up my check which was placed face down on the table and discovered to my horror that that extra pat of butter cost exactly 10 cents! Imagine!

Have now gone back to cold bologna sandwiches.

Incidentally, found out that this blankety-blank restaurant also charges 30 cents for a glass of orange juice. I'd be afraid to order coffee—probably would have to buy it on the installment plan.

Reporters' Report To The People

Sightseeing

By JAMES D. WILLIAMS

Reports of trouble at a state-owned institution for girls are currently being heard about town. Latest blow - off at the school came early this week when three of the girls attacked one of the matrons and took her keys.

Sources close to the school blame much of the trouble on a few "tough girls" who influence the rest of the inmates. Incidentally the school has a population of less than 40 girls and an adult staff of over 40.

Provident hospital started operating its new elevator this week. The new hospital addition is scheduled to open within a few weeks and should be a pretty thing to behold. Different pastel shades will be used on each floor making it almost a pleasure to be ill.

Sponsor Ticket Sale

The Frontiers club is sponsoring the sale of tickets for the Wednesday night basketball game of the Bullets at the Coliseum. The tickets are moving rather slowly but Frontiersmen expect business to perk up before the date of the game.

Another first was chalked up by Dr. Furman Templeton of the Urban League last Friday, when he was appointed to the board of directors of the Maryland Society on Alcoholism.

Dr. Templeton, one of the town's most polished speakers, appeared Thursday as guest speaker at a meeting of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance on the subject of alcoholism.

He is also scheduled to be one of the panelists on the subject "Why Human Rights" during the AFL - CIO sponsored human rights meeting on Saturday.

Still Investigating Fire

Kenny Bass of Gamby's is out of the hospital after a stay of a few days. Police are still investigating the Morgan Park fire. Latest topic along the Avenue concerns the new development in the Emily Friday murder case.

Officials at Northwestern police station are justly proud of scoring four arrests in four homicide cases in recent weeks. The youth council of the National Council of Women is planning a lavish fashion show March 28. Best musical item in a long spell is the wonderful, wonderful 16-piece-band that will be playing at a Washington night club.

Tidbits

By SHIRLEY KYLE

When a middle-aged Northwest Baltimore couple decided to tie the knot, 'tis assured it will be a perfect union.

At present, however, he keeps getting entangled with the law, disturbing the peace and all, and she's running him a close second.

Seems they have a little difficulty with that dark red beverage — wine.

Better Days Coming

But better days are coming, at least that's what they told Magistrate E. Everett Lane for the umpteenth time at Northwestern this week.

Both charged with disturbing the peace, they promised to settle down and get married, just as soon as things get better, that is.

Right now, they have to find a way to divorce themselves from that beverage.

Judge Lane found them guilty but suspended the sentence.

TRIALS WITH HAIR-CUTS

Girls, never, never, NEVER, leave a beauty shop, after having your hair cut, without having it set too. Unless you have time to fix it yourself before facing the public.

Had mine cut early one morning just before going to work. Gayly told the beautician, "I'll set it myself when I get home tonight." And spent a miserable day at the office.

Her - Said

"Looks like you got caught in a hair-raid!" one co-worker tried out.

Another chimed, "Naw, she got her hair caught in the door. ... see how uneven it is?"

But the worse insult came from a reporter who sneered, "Looks like bird feathers. You ought to take a walk in the park. Betcha the birds nestle right up to you."

The next day, however after a night of sleeping in pin curls, it was a different story. —Now they say, "Dig that crazy hair cut." I wonder.

Lonesomania

By BUDDY LONESOME

INNOCUOUS TRIVIA

Then there's the high school principal who sent a letter to the Northwestern police captain thanking him for cleaning up the hoodlums hanging around the DUNBAR high school—which is in the Northeastern district.

Then there's the man given three years in jail this week for passing 140 bogus checks. His family seems to think the term was pretty stiff. He could have gotten at least 140 years.

Then there's the AFRO reporter who went to the breakfast at the Chinuk Amuno synagogue, Dr. Mordecai Johnson was the speaker and the food was delightful.

Seems she was having a fine time until everyone reached for a hymnal and burst into song. The hymn was almost over before he realized Hebrew hymnals begin at the back cover.

Widow Had $5

Then there's the woman who told Magistrate Everett Lane a sad story. Seems her husband died last September and she was left $3,000. She told Magistrate Lane she only had $5 left and wanted his advice.

Said she had been giving money to all her friends who came around. One man asked for money to buy a car and she gave him $800.

Another "friend" asked for $50 and got $250 from the bank with her bankbook.

The poor woman couldn't read so she didn't know her real state of affairs until a bank official informed her.

Lands Back In Jail

Then there's the woman who was released from jail, Monday. She got in a fight with her boyfriend and landed back in jail the same night.

Told Magistrate Lane the same boyfriend was the cause of her going to jail before. Said she was "protecting" him then.

Then there's the drunk — there's always a drunk — who was caught in this week's torrential downpour. When a policeman asked him why he didn't get out of the rain, the lush answered: "My bedroom roof leaks."

Noteworthy

By HERBERT MANGRUM

Since the advent of television I have become somewhat of an avid wrestling fan. But for the life of me I can't understand why.

I am aware that many bouts are not on the up and up. Even the wrestlers will admit that.

Still, at least once each week I find myself tuning in a channel where the nation's No. 1 farce is to be shown. Maybe a good psychiatrist has an answer for it. I don't.

Honest Bouts Boresome

I do know this, however. An honest match can bore the average fan to death. Take the case of a recent bout between Lou Thesz and Antonio Rocca.

When the two gladiators staged a match which ended in a draw, the fans howled in agony to high heaven. About the same thing happened here Tuesday when Rocca and Schmidt pulled the same caper.

Public reaction has shown that honest match packs about as much kick as a marble tournament.

To Be Or Not To Be

So, what's to be done. As wrestling fans we complain if the bout is not honest, but complain more if the match is on the up and up and turns out to be dull. I give up.

Visited a Jewish Synagogue Sunday for the first time. Was impressed with the manner in which they conduct their gatherings.

Howard's prexy Dr. Mordecai Johnson was the speaker at the Chinuk Amuno Synagogue on Eutaw pl. He told his audience a few things I know they will remember for a long time.

For one thing he let his audience know that the struggle of the Jewish people is not, too different from that of the colored man.

There's one thing I like about Dr. Johnson as a speaker, he pulls no punches. Have only heard him twice, but both times he delivered addresses that I will long remember.

Sob Sister

By RUTH JENKINS

NEWS ITEM: In Gadsden, Ala., Miles Johnson was hailed into court for refusing to send his two youngsters to school.

If you did, you probably sang, "He is death guilty, take Him; let us crucify Him;" and "Verily, verily, ye shall be this day with Me in paradise."

But words which accompany a recorded version show all these years we should have been singing, "Thou shall be, verily, this day with Me in paradise," and "He is death guilty, death He doth merit."

THOUGHT OF WEEK

These words are from "An Opportunity for Flower Lovers," a small pamphlet distributed by Forest Mary Burns:—

There is no woman who can place

A bowl of flowers on a shelf

Without an inward, upward urge

To be more beautiful herself.

—SUNSET GARDEN CLUB

LEAGUE CONSULTANT

Dr. Forrester B. Washington, retiring director of the Atlanta School of Social Work, has joined the National Urban League staff as consultant on program development.

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