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These are members of the Baltimore Boys' Choir, now in its 14th concert year. From left front row are Helen Maria Armstrong, soloist; and William Meredith H. Birche Jr., founder and conductor; second row, Charlie Lee, William Fisher, Louis Jones, James Taylor, Dale Young, Elmer Yorkman, Darrell Talley, Lawrence Jones, Edward Cox, and Charlton Simmons; third row, James McDonald, Joseph Pinkney, Vernon Smith, Walter Sample, Thomas Taylor, Russell Weams, Joseph Curtis, Carlyle Gundy, and James Dow; Fourth row, Glenwood Warren, Landers Beal, Leroy McCardell, Jerome Brisbow, Jonathan Oliver, Frank McKay, Henry Stokes, David McMillian, and Elliot Harrington; Fifth row, Mrs. Estellena B. Showes, chaperone; Robert Minton, Ronald Jeter, Arnold Moore, Elijah Skinner, James Balis, John Johnson, Mrs. Vivian Fisher, chaperone; sixth row, Louis Oliver, Jerome McCardell, Jerome Wicks, Leonard Scott, Kenneth Hamlin, and William Land. Not shown are Richard G. Richardson Jr., Earl Chainey, William Brown, William Boston and Roosevelt Connor.

Boys' Choir in 14th year

The Baltimore Boys' Choir will open its 14th concert season at the Salisbury High School in Salisbury, Md., to be followed by a tour of the Eastern Seaboard.

Soloists scheduled to appear with the group include George I. Bryan, baritone; LeRoy O. Dorsey, basso; Mme. Bertha Powell, contralto; and Lilli Nelson, Pauline Rush Stewart (debut performance), Edna Kess Mitchell, and Helen Maria Armstrong, sopranos.

The choir is composed of some 70 youths ranging in age from 10 over to 21 years. Of this number, 40 travel on tour. William Meredith H. Birche Jr., is founder and conductor of the non-commercial organization.

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FOR THE COMING season, the choir will present as a new feature, the "Cubanas," an outgrowth of experimenting with Latin American rythms.

This unit will accompany choral patterns of mambo, rhumba, samba, bolero and beguine.

Included in the "Cubanas" are Louis Oliver, African drums; Kenneth Hamlin, congo drums; James Balis, bass; Jerome McCardell, bongos; Richard G. Richardson Jr., orchestra bells and tymbalis; and Mr. Birche, pianoforte and organ console.

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Along The Avenue

A deep bow goes this week to Askew Gatewood, owner of the CLUB CASINO, for his magnificent gesture in support of the membership drive of the local chapter of the NAACP.

All the profits from this coming Tuesday night's business at the CASINO will be given to the NAACP and this corner believes Gatewood has come up with an unselfish idea that deserves the support of the community.

In sacrificing a night's profits to support the NAACP, Gatewood has demonstrated a sense of civic responsibility that stamps him as a man who believes in the NAACP and is willing to sacrifice profits from his own pockets to support the organization. What more can you ask from a man?

This week's suggestion is that Baltimorians help to make the night a tremendous success by paying a visit to the CASINO, where you are always assured of receiving the best in refreshments and live entertainment.

The column sincerely hopes that other club owners will follow Gatewood in supporting the NAACP.

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MUSIC AT the CLUB CASINO is being offered this week by the ever popular Johnny Sparrow and His Bows and Arrows, and what can you say about Johnny, except that he jumps, George, from start to finish.

This will be Johnny's second week at the club, proof that the customers have liked what they have heard.

The Barmaids' Social Club sponsored a Bermuda Ball on Monday night at the Coliseum and over 600 persons turned out to make this, the clubs' second affair, a rousing triumph.

There were a number of fabulous outfits worn by the ladies and George, it made a poor fellow's heart beat faster to see so much feminine loveliness concentrated in one place at one time.

Top prize was won by Jessie Darhes from the UPTOWN CLUB; second prize went to the charming Nina Brewington from the RED FOX LOUNGE, and third place was won by Doris Reed from the CLUB CASINO.

The second-prize winner wore a lovely red satin outfit that was the "most." Miss Brewington, a Dunbar graduate, has been at the RED FOX for several weeks, and is quite thrilled over winning second prize.

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FROM Dorothy Brown, the charming business manager of the club, we learned that other officers are: Naomi Tucker, president; Sammy Starks, vice president; Mamie Powell, secretary, and Juanita Whitfield, treasurer.

Following the ball, there was a whale of a party at RICTOR'S RED FOX LOUNGE, where Wee Bea Booze, Elaine Middleton and Lou Bennett and the Hammondtones are in the entertainment spotlight.

This is one of the best shows to play at the Red FOX with Bea Booze singing the blues, Elaine taking care of the ballads, and Lou and his boys making with background music and solo spots.

Bea was never in greater voice and, George, when she takes off on "What A Dream I Had," "Hot Nuts," and "See, See Rider," the walls rock in rhythm. Bea is great with the blues and in perfect contrast is the attractive Elaine Middleton who sends everyone with "Little Things Mean A Lot."

Naturally Lou is out of this world. This man can play any type of music known to man, and play it all good. Here is a wonderful show and best of all there is no cover or minimum, and the drinks are reasonable.

Visiting the popular club on Tuesday were Phil Mason, Henfrom Harrisburg, Pa. said they ry Corbin and Gilbert Walker had a ball.

THE CLUB ORLEANS springs back into the entertainment limelight this week with the unveiling of the Sonny Stanton group tonight (Friday).

The column hasn't had the chance to hear the group, but advance reports would have it known that the outfit as something to offer the public.

Friend George Nasor at the CLUB AMBASSADOR reports that the SEVEN TILTERS will wind up an extended engagement at the club this week end after doing a wonderful job in entertaining the happy customers.

A visit to the AMBASSADOR is always certain to produce a pleasant evening and on Sunday there is a jam session that runs from 6 to 8 p.m. and produces some of the most uninhibited music on record.

Steve Morris, the assistant manager at the ROYAL THEATRE, is back on the job after spending a few days at the Ft. Howard Hospital. Steve has lost several pounds and looks like a new man, but with the same friendly smile.

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THE COLUMN also understands that Rajah Raboid did quite a job at the theatre this week with a mind reading act that has plenty of drama, color and suspense.

Eddie Bonnemere is at the COMEDY CLUB this week, and George, what sounds the man can play! The former high school music teacher, is backed by bongo players and a snare drummer. Using only the piano for the melodic line, Eddie produces some highly listenable music.

Here is one of the greatest

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Catholics setting pace in school integration

NEW YORK — Children traipsing back to classes south of the Mason-Sixon Line last week found it was the Catholic schools that were straightening the path toward racial integration.

The list of states where white and colored youngsters were sitting side by side in Catholic schools read almost like a roll-call of a Southern political caucus:

Arizona, Arkansas, Delaware, District of Columbia, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, New Mexico, North carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia ...

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NOT ALL OF the Catholic schools in all those states were integrated, to be sure—in some areas it was only an initial step. But news service survey showed that in virtually every case, the Catholic school systems were well ahead of the civil educators in the integration picture.

The Supreme Court, in a historic decision last May 17, ruled that race segregation in the public schools is unconstitional.

The survey found that in many instances where the public schools were just beginning to move toward desegregation, or were even dragging their hells, the parochial schools had been successfully integrated for years.

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IN ALMOST all of the South except the border states and the District of Columbia, public school children still had to go their own way—whites to their schools, colored pupils to separate ones.

Meanwhile, state and local education authorities, for the most part, were waiting for the court to hand down its instructions as to just how and when the segregation ban must be put into effect.

The survey showed there were some areas in the Deep South, where the pressure of long-standing social custom cautioned those responsible for Catholic education to withhold action until the high court outlined its program and public opinion has become more used to the idea.

But even in the "wait-and-see" dioceses, the general pattern was for the church to press for calm and quick acceptance of the fact that school segregation is now unconstitutional.

And in some, it was understood, race barriers were actually being swept away, but without any public announcement—the idea being that the less fanfare, the more effective the change would be.

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THE SUPREME COURT decision is legally binding only on the public schools.

The general reaction of the church has been that it clears the way legally for the church to make her benefits equally available to all races.

For this reason, the survey of the Catholic position on integration involved only the areas where segregation had previously been enforced by law—17 States and the District of Columbia—and the four States where segregation was provided by local option.

It was made by means of a questionnaire sent to Catholic school superintendents in each of 39 ecclesiastical jurisdictions in the 22 civil jurisdictions.

Of the 39, replies were received from 24 superintendents.

Integrated In 1949

Here are some of the highlights of the survey findings:

While public school children of both races in the nation's capital were attending classes together for the first time—and on a limited basis, at that—integration was no novelty to the Catholic school pupils.

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UNDER THE leadership of Archbishop Patrick A. O'Boyle of Washington, the parochial and archdiocesan schools of the capital and its Maryland suburbs had been enrolling youngsters without regard to race since 1949.

St. Louis, Mo., followed a similar policy of integrating its facilities on a gradual approach with completion slated for next September, and a good number of other Missouri school districts are following suit.

But the Catholic schools were completely integrated by Archbishop Joseph E. Ritter of St. Louis in 1947 after mixed groups had been attending parochial grammar schools for years.

Catholic schools in the Diocese of St. Joseph made a similar policy effective in 1948; and the Kansas City diocese rounded out integration of Catholic education in the whole state the following year.

Revolutionary Picture

If the picture in the District of Columbia and Missouri was old hat, in many areas of the old South it was virtually revolutionary. In Virginia colored students were attending three previously "white" Catholic high schools in Richmond and one in Roanoke, as well as grammar schools in Roanoke, the tide-water area, and the northern counties near Washington.

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BISHOP PETER L. IRETON of Richmond had announced prior to the Supreme Court ruling that colored pupils would be welcomed in the Richmond Catholic high schools.

In North Carolina, another bastion of the old Confederacy, the five diocesan and parochial high schools were instructed by Bishop Vincent S. Waters of Raleigh to accept all Catholic high school students "no matter to what race they belong."

Within two days after Bishop Waters' announcement, it was made known that Belmont Abbey College, the only Catholic college in the state, had also ended racial segregation.

Its sister institution, Sacred Heart Academy—a junior college for girls — has admitted three colored students.

Bishop Albert L. Fletcher of Little Rock set forth the goal for the Church in Arkansas a month ago in a pastoral letter: "No Catholic student is refused admission to a Catholic school on account of race or color."

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IN OKLAHOMA, Bishop Eugene J. McGuinness of Oklahoma City and Tulsa ordered last month that all Catholic schools in the State were to admit all qualified students — no discrimination, no favoritism.

Thus when Oklahoma City Catholic High enrolled 10 colored students the secular press noted that it "shattered all Oklahoma precedent." The public schools stood pat with separate facilities.

The public schools of Texas also stuck to segregation. But in the San Antonio area, there had been some mixed schools for several years.

Archbishop Robert E. Lucey of San Antonio announced last April that complete integration was mandatory on all educational levels. In some other Texas dioceses — including Amarillo, Dallas, Fort Worth and Corpus Christi—there was at least partial integration.

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THE SCHOOL superintendent in one diocese which is officially maintaining dual facilities said that children known to be colored had been attending so-called white parochial schools "for years." He said, however, that there were not many such instances.

Following the Supreme Court's anti - segregation decision, the Catholic Committee of the South reprinted a portion of the statement made by the bishops of the South at the 1953 CCS meeting.

"There is no denying that there are certain practices and behavior patterns in the South, as in other parts of the country, which are alien to Christian principles and ideals," the bishops said.

"The eradication of these practices and patterns was, and is to be, the task that must be undertaken before it is too late...

"We sincerely hope that the day will come when the ideal of Christian brotherhood will displace from our southern scene all traces of the blight of racism. Let us Catholics, true to our convictions, set the pattern."

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HERE, THEN, is what Catholic institutions are doing to "set the pattern":

WASHINGTON, D.C.: "system here is integrated" on all levels. Public schools to complete integration by next fall.

ALABAMA: Listed as having no educational integration, but with colored nuns admitted to summer school sessions at Spring Hill College. Public schools segregated.

ARIZONA: One of the "local option" states. There has always been Catholic educational integration. Public high school facilities in Phoenix now integrated.

ARKANSAS: Bishop Fletcher announced in August that colored Catholics were to be admitted to "white" schools where there were no schools for them. Public schools integrating this fall in Fayetteville.

DELAWARE: All Catholic schools now accepting colored students. Breakdown of segregation was initiated in 1950 when Salesianum High in Wilmington enrolled five boys. Sole remaining all-colored school to be closed. Public schools now following Catholic example on gradual basis.

FLORIDA: No integration in either the public or Catholic school systems.

GEORGIA: Educational segregation. State officials adamant against allowing court decision to go into effect.

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KANSAS: State law permits segregation in 12 cities. Catholic schools now all open. Public schools in Topeka abandoned segregation principle prior to court ruling; others presumably are in the process.

KENTUCKY: Law prohibiting integration on primary and secondary levels — even in private schools — still on books. School superintendent for archdiocese of Louisville notes five Catholic elementary and high schools integrated now and says "each school is now acting quietly and naturally on its own."

LOUISIANA: Loyola University integrated; colored students accepted at both New Orleans archdiocesan seminaries since 1950. College of the Sacred Heart (for women), at Grand Coteau in the Diocese of Lafayette, began admitting colored students last year.

Archbishop Joseph F. Rummel of New Orleans led a heated but unsuccessful fight against the effort of the Louisiana Legislature to circumvent the Supreme Court decision last July.

MARYLAND: Prince Georges and Montgomery County Catholic schools, in Washington archdiocese, integrated, as are Eastern Shore schools in the Diocese of Wilmington.

Prior to the court ruling, all the Maryland Catholic colleges and seminaries had accepted colored students. Baltimore city ended segregation in the public schools this fall.

MISSISSIPPI: Educational segregation, although St. Augustine's Seminary at Bay St. Louis is integrated on the faculty and student levels, the State Governor has been drawing up plans to try to circumvent the Supreme Court's decree of unconstitutionality.

MISSOURI: Integration on all Catholic educational levels. A small but organized group of laymen threatened to bring civil suit against Archbishop Ritter when he ordered integration of the Catholic high schools in 1947, but submitted peaceably when he reminded them of the Canon Law provision for excommunication in such cases.

NEW MEXICO: One of the four local option states. The Archdiocese of Santa Fe and the Diocese of Gallup have "always accepted the few colored pupils applying."

Public schools taking steps toward integration with little fuss, except in the town of Hobbs, where a non-conformist Baptist pastor led an unsuccessful move to have segregation enforced.

NORTH CAROLINA: Integration mandatory in the five parochial high schools of the Diocese of Raleigh, and asked, but not ordered, in the elementary schools.

Two colleges—one of them having a 12-year preparatory school—in the Belmont Abbacy Nullius (Gaston County) accepting colored pupils. North Carolina public schools maintaining segregated system.

OKLAHOMA: Colored students admitted to all Catholic Schools this fall, with the five schools already in operation for the colored remaining open. Public schools keeping separate facilities.

SOUTH CAROLINA: Separate Catholic institutions on all educational levels.

TENNESSEE: Catholic schools in Nashville integrated this fall. Those in other parts of the state, like the public schools, are maintaining segregated facilities this year.

TEXAS: Archbishop Robert E. Lucey of San Antonio, culminating a decade-long drive against the "sin of racial segregation," made integration mandatory on all levels of Catholic education.

VIRGINIA: Integration in the Catholic high schools of Richmond announced two weeks prior to the Supreme Court ruling.

With the opening of the school year, six to eight elementary schools in the northern counties near Washington were integrated, as were two elementary and one high school in Roanoke, four high schools in the Richmond area and one elementary school in the peninsula between the York and James Rivers.

The public school pattern of segregation was continued throughout the state.

WEST VIRGINIA: The Diocese of Wheeling began integrating on all levels several years ago, and the policy has proved "completely successful."

Full integration was put into effect in public schools in a half dozen counties, and desegregation was started in some other parts of the state this fall.

WYOMING: One of the local option states. Actually, no locality ever invoked segregaton. The school superintendent of the Diocese of Cheyenne noted that all Catholic schools were integrated and that he'd "never heard of the (segregation) issue being raised."

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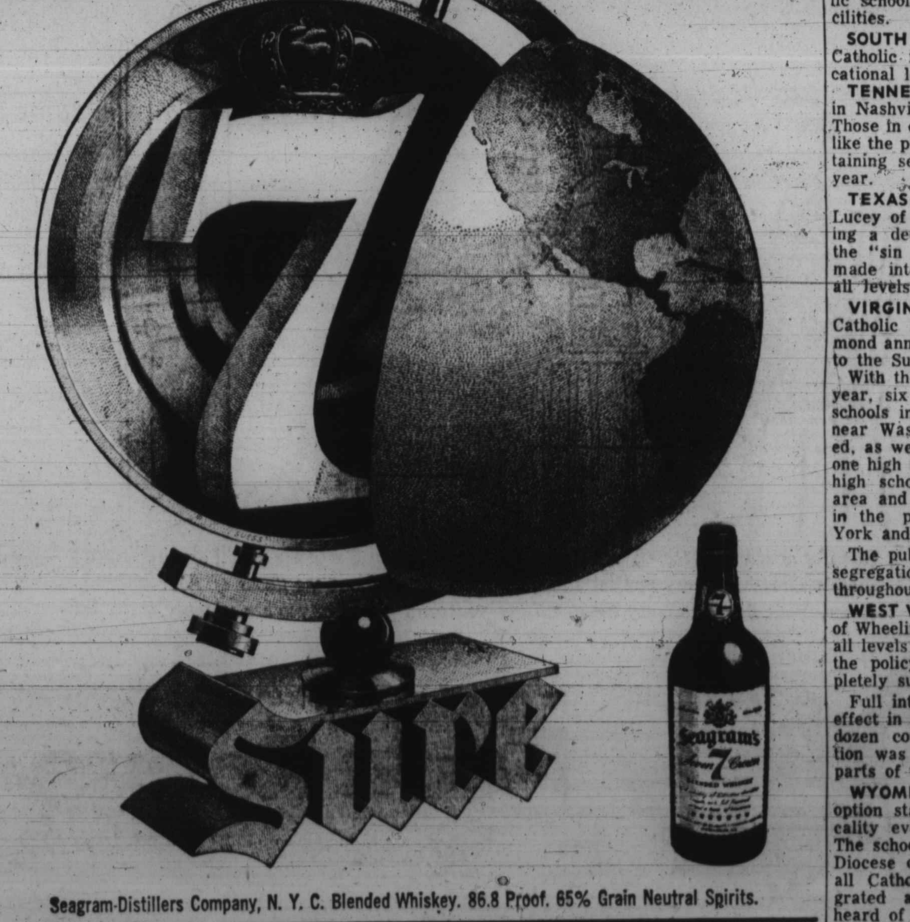

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No color bar in Del. Catholic schools

WILMINGTON, Del. — There are no barriers of race creed or color in Catholic schools, according to a notice sent out by the Most Reverend Edmund J. FitzMaurice, Catholic Bishop of Wilmington.

The announcement was part of a solicitation of funds for a new Salesianium High School.

The Bishop's announcements reported that out of 20,000 children in Wilmington schools, first to 12th grade, approximately 7,300 are being educated in Catholic schools.

It costs the Wilmington taxpayers $237.50 a year, per pupil in the public school system. Salesianium tuition is $80 per year (unchanged in 52 years).

The Bishop's report says the Catholic system of education is the only system of education in the whole world today that is and ever must be completely anti-communistic.

Presbyterians study mixing

2 on special body mapping program

NEW YORK — The seven-member committee on segregated synods and presbyteries in the Presbyterian Church will meet Oct. 13 in Chicago to consider implementation of the recommendation of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S., last May, in Detroit, which favored the removal of any form of racial division that may exist in the denomination.

The study group includes two colored ministers: the Revs. Milton A. Galamison, pastor of Sileam Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn, N.Y., and Herbert R. Pinkney, moderator of the Blue Ridge and Canadian Synold, Nashville, Tenn.

Following the decree of the General Assembly, the moderator appointed this group on consultation with the stated clerk. They are to consider the advisability of integrating all synods and presbyteries in the same geographic locations which are now organized along racial or cultural lines.

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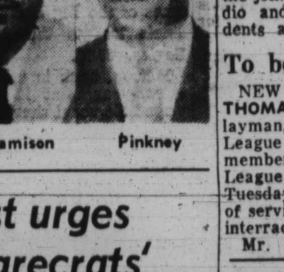
THEY WILL also study ways and means of desegregating all Presbyterian schools where bans now exist. The report of the committee will be made at the 167th General Assembly in May, 1955.

Four colored synods in the South, which grew up from the Reconstruction Days, will be specifically involved in the deliberations.

They are the Blue Ridge and Canadian Synod — Oklahoma, Arkansas, Alabama, Tennessee and Mississippi; the Atlantic — Georgia and South Carolina; the Catawba — North Carolina and Virginia and the Florida.

The general church went on record as opposing these separate synods and presbyteries.



Galamison Pinkney

Post urges 'segrecrats' banishment

NEW YORK — The Jesse Palmer Post of the American Legion, through its commander, John D. Silvera, this week threw its support to desegregation of the Milford, Del., schools by sending a telegram to the commander of the Milford post urging the Delaware post to resist anti-integration elements.

Group demands early freedom for Jamaica

KINGSTON, Jamaica (ANP) On the eve of prorogation of the Jamaica legislature, a parliamentary committee has called upon Great Britan to grant the island full selfgovernment immediately after the December elections.

The parlimentary self-government committee is composed of members of the Jamaica Labor Party, People's National party and the leader of the National Labor party.

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BIG TOWN By JAMES HICKS

By JAMES L. HICKS

INSTITUTE, W. Va. — This is the time for colored people to put something on the altar of freedom beside their knees.

I'm speaking of church people at the moment, but in the language of Harlem, where I live it is the equivalent of saying "put something on the bar besides your elbow."

I see by the AFRO that the Lincoln Thanksgiving pilgrimage sponsored by the Fraternal Council of Churches has been held in Washington and that it is now over. I'm glad.

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IT'S GOOD RIDDANCE to bad affairs and I hope that we have had the last pilgrimage anywhere to thank God or anybody else for the freedom which we don't yet have.

As near as I can determine, this pilgrimage idea was the brainchild of the Rev. William H. Jernagin, 84-year-old pastor of Mt. Carmel Baptist Church in Washington and a recognized leader in Baptist circles.

The idea of the pilgrimage was to give thanksgiving to God for the Supreme Court's decision outlawing segregation in the schools. I have a great deal of respect for Dr. Jernagin and I have written more than once of this.

But in spite of my respect for Dr. Jernagin, I now arise to say that, in my humble opinion, Dr. Jernagin's pilgrimage was the wrong effort, in the wrong direction, at the wrong time.

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THERE IS a saying that prayer "is all right in a prayer meeting, but it's not worth much in a bear meeting." If you heard it another way you can substitute your own words.

What I'm trying to say here is that my race would do well to realize that at the moment we are mixed up in a "bear meeting" rather than in a prayer meeting and that you don't whip a bear by falling down on your knees and praying.

Don't get me wrong now. I am not—I repeat, I am not advocating that we lighten up on our prayers to the Almighty. I am not suggesting that we pray less. This is indeed a time for more prayer.

But what I am saying is that I don't think this is the time to waste our energy and resources in a big demonstration to publicize to the world that we know how and do pray.

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IF WE ARE going to thank the good God for the Supreme Court decision — and I most certainly did — why is it necessary that we stage a "March on Washington" and hold a big rally to do so? Couldn't we just each get down on our knees at home and thank God?

We have thousands of churches; I think too many churches. But couldn't we meet in our churches in our hometowns and thank the good Lord? Why in the name of all that's good must we jump in aplane, board a bus, or hop a train and go all the way to Washington to thank God?

The same God who looks down on the Supreme Court and the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C., smiles down on me out here now in Charleston, W. Va.

Why then is it necessary for me to go all the way to Washington to thank him for something he did. I say it is not necessary.

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IT TAKES MONEY to go from Chicago to Washington, or from St. Louis to Washington, or from Alexandria, Va., to Washington for that matter.

Yet all summer long I sat in pressrooms around the nation covering conventions and watched the Rev. Mr. Jernagin show up at the conventions and urge people from Los Angeles, Texas, St. Louis and Chicago and other places come to Washington in a mighty throng to thank God for the Supreme Court's decision.

But at no time did I hear Dr. Jernagin make a direct appeal to his large audiences to join the NAACP or to make sure that they registered to vote when they got back to their hometowns. But the NAACP and the ballot are our principal weapons in a "bear fight" with the forces of segregation.

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WE ALL NEED prayer. It's the most wonderful thing in the world and it has helped to bring us this far.

But even this biblically illiterate columnist can suggest to Dr. Jernagin the quotation that "God helps those who help themselves."

And I submit that God is not going to strike open the doors of the white schools in Charleston, S.C., just because 5,000 of us fall on our knees and pray at Lincoln's tomb in Washington.

The good Lord wants us to help ourselves a little more than that.

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BRYANT BOWLES of the National Association for the Advancement of White People is running himself ragged all over the nation organizing meetings against integration. When he gets 5,000 bigots together at a meeting, they don't fall down on their knees and pray.

No sir! They raise money at $5 a head to "keep black folks in their place." I suppose Bowles prays as often as I do — But I've never seen a press release stating that he was leading 5,000 whites to General Robert E. Lee's tomb for prayer.

Mr. Bowles and his followers realize that they are in a "Bear Meeting." It would be well if we as a race would realize it, too. Amen!!

PEOPLE

P.O. pioneer retires

CHICAGO — **J. WESLEY JONES,** first colored person to be named head of a U.S. Post Office sub-station and famed choral direction, retired Sept. 31, according to an earlier announcement.

Mr. Jones made post office history on Oct. 19, 1950, when he was appointed superintendent of the Hyde Park postal station, one of the nation's largest. The station serves more than 150,000 daily and has 220 employees.

Touring in Africa

MONROVIA, Liberia — A well known Los Angeles manufacturer of ceramics recently visited Liberia for approximately one month.

He is **TONY HILL,** who is interested in exploring the commercial possibilities in West Africa. He further plans to visit the Gold Coast and Nigeria and perhaps the Belgian Congo.

Receives degree

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — **NATHANIEL M. ROBINSON,** an honor graduate of Fisk University and veteran of World War II, received the bachelor of medicine degree from Marquette University and became the first colored person to be so honored in the history of the university.

Civic worker retires

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.— The manager of the local Community Center announced his retirement from the position recently. He is **AUGUST B. TURNER,** known widely for his human relations work.

Mr. Turner, who was listed in the colored Who's Who for 1950, is dean of religious education of the Tri-State Baptist Convention. He is a graduate of Prairie View State College and Colordao University.

Honor for Tubman

WASHINGTON — During his forthcoming visit to the United States as the guest of President Eisenhower, **PRESIDENT WILLIAM V. S. TUBMAN** of Liberia will be the guest of honor at a luncheon at the Hotel Sheraton-Carlton, Oct. 19, to be given by the joint committee of Press, Radio and Television Correspondents and News Photographers.

To be honored

NEW YORK — **MACEO A. THOMAS,** prominent Catholic layman, businessman and Urban League board member and 13 members of the Bronx Urban League branch, will be honored Tuesday for a total of 100 years of service as volunteers with the interracial agency.

Mr. Thomas, former recipient of the Papal Award and a founder of the Catholic Interracial Council, has been a member of the board of directors of the Urban League of Greater New York for more than a quarter of a century.

Assistant librarian

ALBANY, Ga. — A new assistant librarian, **MRS. BERTHA McADAMS CAMPBELL,** has been appointed to work at Albany State College.

A graduate of Clark College with a bachelor of arts degree and having earned a bachelor of library science degree from Atlanta University, Mrs. Campbell previously worked at Albany State in almost the same capacity.

Officer commissioned

CHARLOTTE COURT HOUSE, Va. — **LT. NELSON L. BARNETT,** former master sergeant and airman instructor of the Air Force ROTC at A. and T. College, was recently commissioned as an officer in the Air Force. He entered officer candidate school last April.

NFA award winner

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala. —**CICERO MOORE,** Route 2, Tuskegee, was recently declared the national winner of the New Farmers of America H. O. Sargent Award and was presented a check for $250 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation Inc.

The H. O. Sargent Award is given annually to the most successful young farmer who is a former student of vocational agriculture. Mr. Moore is married and the father of three children. His father is Harvey Moore.

*Two sectional awards presented to **LAWRENCE CARTER** of Zachary, La., and **ELVIN T. ARTIS** of Franklin, Va. Both received awards of $125.

Talladega visitor

TALLADEGA, Ala. — **MAJ. EARL CLAIBORNE,** graduate of Talladega College and Howard University Medical School, now stationed at Parks Air Force Base in California, recently visited Talladega College.

Major Claiborne, originally of Charleston, S.C., was recently notified by his specialty board of his success in the first half of an examination for certification in dermatology.

The major and his wife, and their sons, Keith and Ronald, returned to Oakland, Calif., following their visit to the Talladega campus and to Charleston, S.C.

'Aida' with Muriel Rahn in Pittsburgh

RETURNS TO JAMAICA

KINGSTON, Jamaica — Dr. Rudolph Stevens, a physician,

PITTSBURGH — The National Negro Opera Company Foundation, Inc., will present Aida at the Syria Mosque here on Oct. 9. In the title role will be Muriel Rahn.

Robert McFerrin will take the part of "Amonasro"; Jackson Smith, "Ramphis"; Catherine C. Gardner, "high priestess"; Napoleon Reed, "Rhadames"; Eleanor Tobin, "Ameris"; William Summerfield, "king"; and Walter B. Jackson, "messenger."

Aida is being presented by the foundation, with national headquarters in Washington, in conjunction with its Pittsburg guild Mrs. Mary C. Dawson is founder-director of the organization, formerly of Toledo and St. Louis, has returned to Jamaica, BWI to practice.

GOP endorses J. Max Bond

WASHINGTON (NNPA)— The Republican National Committee has cleared J. Max Bond of Louisville, Ky., for appointment as chief educationist in Afghanistan under the technical cooperation learned Friday.

Mr. Bond presently is president of the University of Liberia at Monrovia. He has not yet resigned from that position.

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HIS APPOINTMENT to the Aghanistan postion was endorsed by Sen. John Sherman Cooper, Rep., Ky., who is being opposed for re-election by former vice president Alben W. Barkley.

Other endorsements were given Mr. Bond by Mrs. Stanley D. Pace, Republican National Committeewoman for Kentucky and Val. J. Washington, assistant to the chairman of the Republican National Committee.

SAMMY WON'T CHANGE FORMAT, TV SHOW OFF

NEW YORK—It has been reported that Sammy Davis Jr. will not be seen on a network TV show, this fall, due to his refusal to change the format of the show to please potential sponsors.

He will make guest appear-

WILKINS TO SPEAK

SAN FRANCISCO — The West Coast regional conference of the NAACP will have Roy Wilkins, national administrator from the New York office, as the principal speaker and discussion leader when it meets Oct. 15-17 at Asilomar, Calif., near Camel.

NEWS FROM HOME

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GUEST MINISTER

SPARTANBURG, S. C. — The Rev. Jowl L. King of Lansing, Mich., was the morning speaker at Silver Hill Methodist Church recently. A former pastor in this city, the Rev. Mr. King was accompanied by his wife, who was a local school teacher.

SOLDIER VISITS

SPARTANBURG, S. C.—Sgt. James C. Brundage, who recently returned from Korea, has been visiting in this city, the guest of Miss Flora Mae Fielder of E. Park Ave.

NAVYMAN HOME

CHARLOTTE, N. C. — Willie Sigler Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Sigler of N. Myers St., here, is spending ten days at home with his parents. He is stationed with the Navy in San Diego, Calif.

AT YWCA MEETING

WINSTON—SALEM, N. C. — Mrs. Laura K. Fox, executive director of the Patterson Ave. YWCA, attended a five-day meeting of the nominating committee of the National Board, YWCA, which opened last Thursday in New York City.

WORKSHOP SPEAKER

WINSTON - SALEM, N.C. — James E. Parker, director of audio-visual aids, and D. Eric Moore, dean of the library school at North Carolina College, spoke last week at Carver School during the second workshop for librarians and teachers.

WEEK-END GUESTS

WILMINGTON, N.C. — Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Hayes of Raleigh were the weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Tompson here recently. They attended a concert of the women's auxiliary of Community Hospital while here.