'Till Dead; We Must Think About Living'

Marshall's advice to New York audience

PORT CHESTER, N. Y. — The murderers of Emmett Till, the Rev. George Lee and Lamar Smith are part of a gigantic brainwashing operation designed to make colored people "voluntarily" give up their rights, Thurgood Marshall told 200 guests at the dinner meeting of the New York State Conference of the NAACP here Saturday.

"We did not pay much attention to the killing of the Rev. Mr. Lee and Mr. Smith," said the NAACP's special counsel, "until Emmett Till was murdered. Now our anger is aroused. But Till is dead. We must think about the living. We must think about the reasons behind these murders.

"The White Citizens Councils grew up after the Supreme Court decision to change people's minds about the justness of those decisions.

Southerners are just as law abiding as any persons if their minds aren't changed to make them otherwise.

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"AND THIS is the job that the councils, made up of the 'best people' — bank presidents, mayors, Chamber of Commerce leaders — have cut out for themselves," Mr. Marshall said.

"Many of us were shocked by the acquittal of the murder suspects. You knew that was going to happen before it happened.

"The people of Mississippi can do without our tears. But our senators and representatives and the leaders of our political organizations must be told over and over again that Congress must pass more civil rights and antilynch laws.

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"WE CAN CALL on the Attorney General and the Department of Justice to get the facts about the denial of civil rights to the colored people of the South.

"We've got to use political pressure to see that there are no more murders and put an end to the reign of terror in the South. We don't go for one man or one party but we go for principle.

"The Democratic Party in Mississippi is just as responsible as the murderers of Emmett Till; its officials have done nothing to prevent such murders or to punish them. Neither has the Republican administration in Washington.

"Since President Eisenhower's minions we have learned that the affairs of government are running smoothly anyway because there is a well trained and coordinated team to keep things going.

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"BUT BEFORE the President got sick he didn't open his mouth about the state of affairs of Mississippi and neither has the team.

"If we can't do anything about what's happening in the South today, we ought to close up shop . . . and that goes for the United States Senate.

"Notify your political parties in New York State that you want to see justice done.

"Go to your congressman and to the political leader of your club and tell each of them that you will hold him responsible if no civil rights legislation is passed and if the reign of terror is not ended," Mr. Marshall told his audience, which included Mayor Anthony Cioffre (R.) of Port Chester, and Town Supervisor Anthony Posilipo (D.) of Rye.

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"IN MISSISSIPPI today every phone call from our national office is tapped. There's plenty of listening in on our phones in New York, too.

"As for boycotts," Mr. Marshall said, "They are a double edged sword. We are not going to advocate boycotts at this point but we're certainly going to give the people the facts and let them make up their own minds about what they want to do. He who boycotts can be boycotted.

"But don't worry about us in the South. Most of the people who are afraid have already left. And the rest are a pretty tough bunch.

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"EVEN SOME of the sincere people in the South think we're pushing too fast on the desegregation issue. It will do no good to put it off. The longer it's postponed, the harder it will be.

"We have waited as long as we are going to wait. You're going to see cases filed in every state where there isn't one now . . . including Mississippi. They can kill us, but they're going to have mixed schools and mixed voting. Our NAACP is a lot stronger than we think.

"There are 30 areas in Oklahoma desegregated now. They saved $20,000 in one area by closing a colored school. Kansas, Arkansas, they have saved $3,000 since September by closing a colored school. Kansas City has done the best job of desegregating."

AJC correspondents reported that Europe's condemnation of the Till case "came from all sections of public opinion and from all political directions.

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"THE COMMENTS varied in tone and intensity," the report said, noting that headlines contained such words as "scandalous," "monstrous," and "abominable."

"Some limited their condemnation to the section of the South where the trial took place. Others blamed the entire South for its segregation policies and the atmosphere of racial hatred which could produce such a trial.

"Many others, on the basis of the trial and the verdict, raised sharp doubts about the sincerity of the United States in proclaiming itself as a defender of human rights and of oppressed people throughout the world."

The report indicated that the principal damage to the United States was done where many European commentators used the Till trial as an occasion to point to the United States that it is in no position to teach other nations how to conduct their relations with people under their jurisdiction."

Foreign papers call Till trial 'Scandalous, monstrous, abominable'

WASHINGTON (NNPA)—The survey of public opinion in six European and North African countries on the Till case, made by the Paris office of the American Jewish Committee and released this week, revealed the following comments:

A typical expression of the first reaction in Europe that such a trivial beginning as wolf-whistling at a woman should have such tragic results was the short inscription under a series of pictures in the Parisian Illustrated weekly, Radar. Under the headline, "Lynched for having admired a white woman," this paper said:

"It is impossible to believe, but, alas, like many other exceptional crimes, this one is authentic. At Sumner, Mississippi, a young colored boy whistled in admiration at the young white woman.

"In Europe, this is a homage which provokes a smile. Here it was the equivalent of a death sentence. The husband of Mrs. Bryant, and his half-brother, Milam, kidnapped Emmett and after inhuman tortures threw him into the river.

"The twelve jurors, all white, acquitted them. This shows that racial prejudice is still very strong in the U. S., primarily in the South."

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ANOTHER PARISIAN weekly, "Aux Ecoutes," summed up the trial and its background in even stronger terms:

"Never was there a more abominable travesty of the truth.

"Imagine this jury, which in spite of overwhelming proof acquits the two monsters, proving thereby that it consisted of men who are worth no more than the accused. And the judge who permits that the two criminals to hold on their knees two children who are being taught to hate the colored men."

"And this press which relegates Negro journalists to a place from where they cannot see anything. And this country where no wave of indignation emerged after the acquittal."

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THE MOST prominent Parisian afternoon paper characterized the trial more moderately (Le Monde):

"What was ignoble was the impudence of the defense, which in its desire to prove that the case was produced in order to defile the customs of the South, doubled the testimony of the young mother of Till . . . The white order continues to reign in Mississippi."

The news about the verdict was featured by the entire press and the most frequent words in the headlines were "Scandalous," "Monstrous" and "Abominable."

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Many commentators pointed out that while the Supreme Court decision and the policies of the federal administration aim to abolish racial barriers, the facts of life as illustrated by the Mississippi trial tell another and more poignant story.

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SAID "LE PHARE" of Brussels, Belgium:

"The southern states have refused to take account of the Supreme Court decision and all those who supported it were the object of such pressures that they have changed their attitudes. Employees who applied the decision lost their positions, merchants have seen their clients disappear."

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"There is still in certain corners of the great democracy a racist dogma; and as anti-Semitism was a state dogma under Hitler and the confession trials under Stalin.

'Racism like Hitlerism is still spreading its poison over the world."

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"LA GUISTIZIA of Rome, the daily newspaper of the right-wing Socialist party of Italy, the leader of which, Mr. Saragat, is Vice Prime Minister, commented:

"It is only too clear and evident that as long as such cases call world attention to the painful and at the same time ignoble scar of racism, still so alive in the U.S., we cannot but reserve judgment on North American civilization."

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OBVIOUSLY, THE Communist press used this trial to launch general attacks against the United States and its "hypocrisy" in the attempt to lead the free world in the struggle against oppression.

Said "Daas Freies Volk" of Dusseldorf:

"The life of a colored person in Mississippi is not worth a whistle. This verdict is again a sign of American democracy."

"L'Humanite," the Communist daily of Paris, ran a series of articles in the same vein, and did not omit to refer to the Julius and Rosenberg trials. It said:

"The two brutes of Mississippi whose guilt was not questioned by any Yankee newspaper, were acquitted on 'benefit of doubt' but neither the innocent Rosenbergs nor Willie McGee benefitted from such a doubt. . . .

"And this civilization still pretends to be superior. It is this superior in crime."

Till lynching shows 6 countries, America unfit to lead world

WASHINGTON (NNPA)—American prestige abroad was so seriously damaged by the Till case that Federal legislation is urgently needed to strengthen the powers of the Justice Department to deal with civil Rights violations, congressional leaders were told this week in a report by the American Jewish Committee.

Made public by Irving M. Engle, AJC president, and former Federal Judge Simon H. Rifkind, the executive board chairman, the report features a survey of public reaction in six countries of Europe and North America to the acquittal of two men accused of the grisly murder in Mississippi of Emmett Louis Till, a 14-year-old Chicago boy.

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European condemnation, the AJC reported, was "swift, violent and universal" and came from liberal and conservative elements rather than from Communists or Communist - front groups.

Prepared for the AJC's national executive board, which held a two-day session Saturday and Sunday in New York City, copies of the report were sent to the Senate Judiciary Committee, Senator Hartley M. Kilgore, of West Virginia, chairman, and the House Judiciary Committee, Representative Emanuel Celler New York, chairman.

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THE THREE CHIEF recommendations of the AJC report are:

1. Strengthening of existing federal law to make attacks against an individual because of his race, color or religion a violation of Federal civil rights statutes.

2. Raising the civil rights section of the Justice Department to a division with an assistant attorney general in charge with powers to investigate and prosecute all civil rights offenses.

3. Increasing FBI personnel to the extent necessary to investigate all complaints of violation of civil rights under Federal law and giving them the necessary training and instruction to handle civil rights cases.

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CITING THE extensive survey of press and opinion leaders conducted by AJC correspondents in France, Belgium, Italy, Switzerland, Germany and Tunisia, the AJC told Congressional leaders:

"Only a speedy implementation of these three civil rights recommendations can deal effectively with any recurrence of a Till case, which did such enormous damage to American prestige abroad.

In Some European quarters, the Till case temporarily offset the favorable impact created by the U.S. Supreme Court's desegregation decision and by previous

DENIED PULPIT—Father Gerald Lewis was not allowed to preach to the congregation at the St. Cecelia Mission at Jesuit Bend, Louisiana, on Sunday, Oct. 2. Operations of the mission were suspended by Archbishop Joseph Francis Rummell, New Orleans, until the parishioners express a willingness to accept "what-ever priest the church finds possible to send them."

Suspension of services in La. parish commended

NEW YORK

Ecclesiastical and lay leaders throughout the nation have hailed Archbishop Joseph Frances Rummel's action in suspending religious services at three Louisiana churches after members of the parish refused to allow a colored priest to celebrate holy mass in the parish.

Upon notification that the right to administer mass at the Mission of St. Cecelia was denied to the Rev. Gerald Lewis, a member of the faculty of St. Augustine Seminary, early this month, Archbishop Rummel suspended services at St. Cecelia and limited services to one mass each at the Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Help at Belle Chasse and St. Joseph's Mission at Myrtle Grove.

The suspension will remain in effect, the archbishop said, until such time as the members of the community say they are ready to accept any priest who happens to be available.

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LAST WEEK L'Osservatore Romano, the Vatican newspaper, called the Louisiana parishioners' race prejudice "sacrilegious," and praised the archbishop's action.

In a letter to Pope Pius XII, dispatched on Oct. 19, Dr. Charles H. Tobias, NAACP board chairman, commended the Vatican's stand and declared, "the Roman Catholic Church in this country has played a vital role in the desegregation of schools and churches.

"To those of us who have long been engaged in this struggle," the letter said, "the support of the Vatican is most heartening, for when the head of the Roman Catholic Church speaks out, the Christian community the world over cannot remain indifferent."

THE STAND of Archbishop Joseph Francis Rummell of New Orleans against "racism in the Catholic Church and our Country" was praised by A. Philip Randolph, president of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters.

In a telegram to the archbishop, Mr. Randolph said:

"No more vital, telling and effective blow has yet been struck against the evils of racial discrimination and segregation in our land than was struck by you."

Equal Job Opportunity parley held

WASHINGTON

The National Conference on Equal Job Opportunity, called by President Eisenhower last June, ended its two day session here Saturday, with more than 65 leading industrialists of this nation.

Vice President Richard M. Nixon, chairman of the committee, presided. Addresses were delivered by Secretary of Commerce Sinclair Weeks, Deputy Attorney General William Rogers, Robertson Jr. and Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell, vice president of the committee.

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FRED LAZARUS JR., president of Federated Department Stores and a member of the committee, looked ahead to a panel discussion on "Successful experience in developing an equal job opportunity in industry."

Mr. Mitchell pointed out that the main equal employment practices problem is discrimination against workers in connection with grading and training programs. Discrimination in hiring is no longer a major problem, he said.

Liberia to compete in '56 Olympic Games

MONROVIA, Liberia — For the first time in its history, the Republic of Liberia will send a team of track and field athletes to the 1956 Olympic Games to be held at Melbourne in Australia.

The decision was arrived at after Liberia was recently admitted to the World Olympic Games Committee.

'Not worried,' says Miss. congressman

GULFPORT, Miss. — The murder of young Emmitt Till was called a "shame and disgrace against all decency and Christianity" by Rep. William Colmer (Dem., Miss.), last week.

However, Congressman Colmer said that he is not worried about the threats of Rep. Adam Clayton Powell (Dem., NY) and Rep. Charles C. Diggs (Dem., Mich.) to prevent the seating of Mississippi representatives and senators at the next session of Congress.

He called Mississippi a "whipping boy" of the press, do-gooders and politicans.

2 tots die in fire as grandma picks cotton

UTICA, Miss. (ANP) — Two little children were locked in alone in a farm house on Highway 18, were burned to death last week while their grandmother was out in the field picking cotton.

The dead youngster, Emmett 4, and Debra Paige, 1, were living with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Paige Sr. while their mother and father, Dallas and Mozella Paige, are in California.

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Little Things

By JESSE H. WALKER

Things are rough. In Sparrows Point now, you can't even find a numbers writer since the numbers raid netting John Irvin Adams and his slaying later.

And the dice games that once were quite the thing in Baltimore County are things of the past.

What's more, in Baltimore City, where investigations are also running rampant, numbers writers are now working the lobster shift, nigh time to the unlitated.

Things are rough all over, but just how long it'll last is one for the bookies. Hah!

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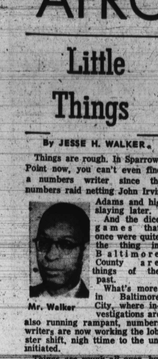
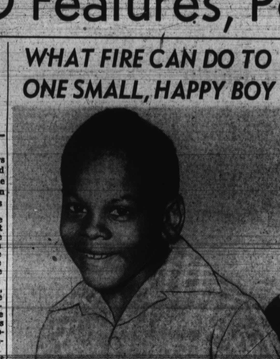


Mr. Walker

WHAT FIRE CAN DO TO ONE SMALL, HAPPY BOY



HOME SWEET HOME—Home after spending 10 months in two hospitals for treatment of burns received when fire destroyed his home last month, George Davis for the first time plays with a toy pistol that was given to him as a Christmas present last year.

IMPROVING—This is what eight skin graft operations has done for George Davis 7. The youth was burned over most of his body last December when fire destroyed his home at 36 W. West St., and claimed the lives of five sisters.

After eight operations and ten months, confinement in two hospitals, a seven-year-old boy who last year saw his five sisters burn to death—a week before Christmas, is home to stay.

Markwad from head to toe with scars from a fire which destroyed his home, George David Jr., of 134 W. Cross St., considers himself lucky to be alive.

For weeks following the disaster, the spunky little boy knew nothing about the death of his sisters, Mildred, 9; Rosetta, 6; Wilhemina, 4; Palestina, 2; and Lola, 1.

In one of the biggest funerals ever witnessed in South Baltimore, services for the five sisters were conducted at one time.

The children were trapped in a bedroom when a fire that started in a store beneath their second floor apartment at 36 W. West St., gutted the entire building.

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GEORGE, THE sole survivor was rescued by his father who had stepped out of the house to buy a package of cigarettes when the fire started.

The mother, Mrs. Ruth Davis, was attending a neighborhood theatre.

A patient at South Baltimore General Hospital for five months, he was transferred to a local children's hospital for completion of six in a series of eight operations.

The first two operations were performed at South Baltimore General.

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GEORGE CARRIES visible scars on his head and neck. Others are on his chest, arms, legs and back.

His parents say plastic surgery is "out of the question because its too expensive."

Mr. Davis is a longshoreman. Mrs. Davis is expecting her seventh child.

Playing with toys that were to have been given him last Christmas, George idles away the day in his new home playing cowboy and watching western movies on television.

He is scheduled to return to the hospital for a checkup in six months and then he will enroll in school.

Observe these rules and avoid Halloween mishaps

Halloween, traditionally a day of fun for the children, may be a day of danger unless certain safety precautions are taken, the Home Accident Prevention Unit of the State Department of Health has warned.

If not, flammable costumes made of loosely woven fabric is one of the most necessary safety measures, the unit emphasizes.

Dip the costume in a solution of 2 ounces of borax and 2 ounces of boric acid to a gallon of water. Wring by hand; hang to dry. Ironing does not affect the flame - resistance, but the treatment must be repeated after each laundering.

A WORD OF caution. Don't expect too much from the term "flame-proof." If you hold a match to flameproofed fabric, it will burn. But it will not continue to burn when you take the match away.

Jack O'Lanterns will be safe if, instead of candles, flashlights are used to light them. Use the type of flashlight which remains lighted when the top is unscrewed. Remove the top and stand the light on its base inside the pumpkin. A cardboard collar fitted into the pulp will help keep the light upright.

A final safety tip. If you are giving a Halloween party—or any party—be sure all paper decorations are flameproof, and do not decorate with lighted candles.

Keep your children safe!

'OYEZ'

● New bailiff sings out in U.S. court

"Oyez, Oyez, the honorable court is now in session!"

Down through the years those words have signalled the beginning of sessions in the courts throughout the length and breadth of America.

Thousands of witnesses and litigants who have heard them uttered by countless bailiffs in the immemorial courtrooms of the land have taken their seats and grown silent out of respect for the majesty of the law which they indicate.

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FEW HOWEVER, have given second thought to the bailiffs themselves, these quiet, anonymous men whose ritual utterances mark the start and end of each court session.

In the court of Judge R. Dorsey Watkins, U. S. District Court, the bailiff is Edward Jerome Holland, Jr., appointed to his job only two weeks ago.

"The job is really wonderful," Mr. Holland said. "and it's a pleasure to work with Judge Watkins and the rest of the people in the court.

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"WATCHING THE trials as they go on, I sometimes find myself wishing that I or one of my boys had studied the law. I'm a civil police we only had three colored policemen and Policewoman Violet Kimball Stanley. I'm proud of this job.

"Through his fairness we had more to apply and be appointed and we were doing alright until the last un-limented Colonel Ober appeared on the scene.

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AND WHEN Chief Atkinson was appointing colored officers in the city, the pressure was on him not only in the department but outside in political circles to slow down.

It was during Chief Atkinson's administration that Sgt. J. Hiram Butler was promoted to his present position in the department and I believe if Chief Atkinson had remained head of the department Sergeant Butler would be one even higher than he is today.

After Chief Atkinson retired from the Baltimore City police department the then Governor Lane appointed Colonel Ober as head of the department.

And after the appointment Governor Lane was heard to observe that he had made a mistake.

TWO WEEKS ago Judge R. Dorsey Watkins appointed Edward Jerome Holland as bailiff in his federal court here in Baltimore.

Colored bailiffs are nothing new in federal courts but they are still unique in Baltimore courts.

It would sit well with us and everyone if the Supreme Bench would let us see a colored bailiff in the courthouse.

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WITH TALK about a new FEPC measure now going the rounds it is well to point out here that the good work last year was in the forefront of the battle and never got the credit he was due was Joe Neal, the CIO steelworkers official.

Joe also should have credit for the successful fight for a new Lafayette Market.

A six traffic czar Henry Barnes could and should tackle is the situation on Rutter Ave. between North and Windsor Aves.

Right now cars park on both sides of the streets in the 1900 and 2000 blocks and two cars can not pass at the same time.

These blocks should be one way. But who's to demand it?

EDWARD JEROME HOLLAND

affairs of the Catonsville Parent-Teacher Association.

"You get a mighty different view of the courtroom from beside the judge's bench," he said.

Fifth grader in Lucky Pix

Peggy Sue Newman, 10 - year old fifth grade pupil at Cooper Elementary School No. 132, is $5 richer this week.

Last week Peggy and her classmates visited the AFRO plant to see how a newspaper is published. A photo of the class appeared in last Friday's AFRO and a circle was around Peggy's head.

That meant that Peggy was the winner of the Lucky Pictures prize for that edition and eligible for a $5 prize.

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PEGGY IS the only daughter of Annie and Rebecca Newman who live at 1611 Balmor Ct. Her father is a silk spotter in a dry cleaning plant.

Peggy was born in Memphis, Tenn. but has lived in Baltimore since 1947.

She saw her photo in the paper and rushed to show it to her parents who are regular readers of the AFRO, both Tuesdays and Fridays.

In each edition of the AFRO a Lucky Photo is published with a head encircled. If the person encircled comes to the AFRO with a copy of the paper in which he or she appeared, there's that $5 awaiting.

A health check today can prevent unhappiness later

It may be a long time. Right now, you may not be thinking of the years ahead. You're still going at 50.

You can't do everything you could at 25, but you certainly aren't ready to be put on the shelf.

"On the shelf," useless and dependent — that's the way too many of us think of old age. But that's only one kind of old age. And it's the kind that can be avoided if you start planning now.

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IF YOU want to be thoroughly alive as long as you live, start a campaign to improve and keep your health. The old "citizh de time saves nine" was never truer.

Your happiness at 70 depends on the stitches you take now. If you don't already have the habit, begin now the practice of getting a physical check-up at least once a year.

A number of the diseases that make dependent invalids of old folks start quietly without any outward sign that something is wrong inside.

Only a doctor with his scientific tests can spot them. And almost every kind of sickness responds best to treatment in its early stages.

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TUBERCULOSIS IS one such disease. It's tragic to see an older person bedridden or partially incapacitated by TB. He might be up and about and living a full life if his disease had been discovered earlier.

Today about 50 million Americans have TB germs in their systems. Of course, infection with TB germs need not mean disease. If the body is strong enough to fight the germs to a standstill.

But if the body ever weakens, those germs may cause disease.

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"YOU SHOULD know whether or not you have been infected with the germs that cause TB. Your doctor can make the simple test that will tell you for sure.

A "positive reaction" is nothing to worry about, but it is a warning that you must keep your body in the best possible health to prevent the infection from becoming disease.

A chest X-ray as often as the doctor advises will make sure that TB is discovered early if it should break out.

"To be sure that your later years are not shadowed by preventable illness and dependency, take full advantage of modern medical science. Get the physical check-up habit.

Social Security office anxious to help you plan your future

By WILLIAM H. THOMAS

I believe that it was Paul who said something along this line in one of his Epistles:

"When I was a child, I spake as a child, I thought as a child," and so on, "but when I became a man I put away childish things."

The Apostle knew from experience that all of us do go through changes as we spend our years here on earth.

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PERSONS WHO took time enough to make plans for those changes found that the changes were accomplished more smoothly and with less trouble than did those who merely drifted into changed conditions and surroundings.

Retirement means that a change is just around the corner. Will you and your family find retirement a shock?

Today about 50 million Americans have TB germs in their systems. Of course, infection with TB germs need not mean disease. If the body is strong enough to fight the germs to a standstill.

Probably the foremost thought in anyone's mind when he first thinks about retirement, is "How much cash income will I have when that day rolls around, and what will be my living expenses?

WHETHER YOUR future retirement is next year or 10 or 20 years in the future, now would be a good time to sit down and start your plans.

Plans, you know, can and should be flexible rather than rigid, but we should set our goals up rather clearly.

First, as a floor for your future retirement, how about Social Security? Do you know how much it will be?

Do you know how to go about getting it started? Do you know anyone besides yourself might be due some benefits on your Social security record?

Your Social Security office will answer these questions for you.

In addition, you will have to get answers to many other questions such as, Will there be a company pension?

Will your home be paid for by retirement time? How much will there be in the way of savings or investments?

The man or woman who plans for retirement and is ready for the change that retirement

Poet's Nook

'TOO TIGHT'

They say
"Too-Tight" saw the killers
On their big night of killing.
They say
He saw young Emmett die
On that dreadful night
In the barn.
Did the cold killers
Want him to keep silent
And hide out.
Or did they promise a reprisal
In exchange for his tongue?

"Too-Tight" stood by
And saw the killers
On their big night of killing.
They say
Freedom screamed
And courage trembled
Within him.
If this is true
"Too-Tight" should speak
And not stand by
Shaking in the shadow
Of Truth.

They say
"Too-Tight" saw the killers
On their big night of killing.
—But did he?

RICHARD WEEKS

SATURDAY, OCT. 29

PHILADELPHIA

Chowans' Hollowess late at the Lincoln Colonnade. Disgusted Millionaires' beaux arts cabaret.

College Alumnae Club luncheon at the Hotel Burlington at 12;30 p.m.

—POLITICS—

Democratic Viewpoint

BY LLOYAL RANDOLPH

The political repercussions from the slaying of John Irvin Adams in Baltimore County seem to be far and wide.

But the man through these last few weeks who seemingly has been catching if has been Police Chief Hamilton F. Atkinson, head of the county police, who has been given a black eye by many a person.

But events so far have shown Mr. Randolph that Chief Atkinson knew he was talking about all the time and called his shots in the Adams slaying.

And as of now, he has made both Baltimore City's Police Commissioner James M. Hepbron and State Police head Col. Elmer F. Munshower look silly.

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THROUGH THE years—Chief Atkinson has been called upon to come through the department and become police commissioner in Baltimore.

I know him to be a fearless fellow. When he was head of the city police we only had three colored policemen and Policewoman Violet Kimball Stanley. I'm proud of this job.

Through his fairness we had more to apply and be appointed and we were doing alright until the last un-limented Colonel Ober appeared on the scene.

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AND WHEN Chief Atkinson was appointing colored officers in the city, the pressure was on him not only in the department but outside in political circles to slow down.

It was during Chief Atkinson's administration that Sgt. J. Hiram Butler was promoted to his present position in the department and I believe if Chief Atkinson had remained head of the department Sergeant Butler would be one even higher than he is today.

After Chief Atkinson retired from the Baltimore City police department the then Governor Lane appointed Colonel Ober as head of the department.

And after the appointment Governor Lane was heard to observe that he had made a mistake.

TWO WEEKS ago Judge R. Dorsey Watkins appointed Edward Jerome Holland as bailiff in his federal court here in Baltimore.

Colored bailiffs are nothing new in federal courts but they are still unique in Baltimore courts.

It would sit well with us and everyone if the Supreme Bench would let us see a colored bailiff in the courthouse.

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WITH TALK about a new FEPC measure now going the rounds it is well to point out here that good work last year was in the forefront of the battle and never got the credit he was due was Joe Neal, the CIO steelworkers official.

Joe also should have credit for the successful fight for a new Lafayette Market.

A six traffic czar Henry Barnes could and should tackle is the situation on Rutter Ave. between North and Windsor Aves.

Right now cars park on both sides of the streets in the 1900 and 2000 blocks and two cars can not pass at the same time.

These blocks should be one way. But who's to demand it?

Federal service exams scheduled

The U.S. Civil Service Commission has announced that applications are now being accepted for its new Federal Service Entrance Examination. The examination will be used for filling positions paying from $3,670 to $4,525 a year in a wide variety of occupations.

The Federal Service Entrance Examination is open to college seniors and graduates regardless of their field of major study, and to college-trained people who have had equivalent experience.

The first written test will be held December 10, for those who apply by November 18.

Additional written tests will be given every few months since the examination will be open for receipt of applications until further notice.

Further information and application forms may be obtained from the Civil Service Board at the Post Office.

Awarded $12,500

Horse trainer Raymond Booker, 1200 block Argyle Ave., whose leg was amputated following an accident, April 17, 1954, in which the horse he was riding ran onto a fence, was awarded $12,500 compensation, Thursday, at a hearing before the State Industrial Accident Commission.

Mr. Booker, through his attorney Amos I. Meyers, filed the claim against Henry S. Clark, Glendon, Md., owner of the horse.

Republican Viewpoint

By HARRY A. COLE

November 1, will mark the end of a year since the political thinking of Baltimoreans was shocked. It had been done!

The voters of this city and State had turned out to re-elect Governor McKeldin and to make the General Assembly, so far as the Fourth Legislative District was concerned, a truly representative body.

They elected Mr. Cole a State Senator and two members to the House of Delegates.

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THE OLD adage that it can't be done was destroyed. To many it seemed unbelievable.

It was too good to be true.

A bitter contest for the State Senate seat followed but despite the charges was overcome-energy right prevailed and I was seated.

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THIS FEAT had its repercussions. It caused the Pollack's machine to regroup its forces and to make its first major political concession in 20 years.

Now they recognized the first signs of an enlightened electorate. They had to do something on their ticket and carry him in their areas as well as in his district. This tactic led not only to the election of the first City Councilman, (a well qualified and able man,) in over 25 years, but insured this candidate's leading the ticket.

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THIS IS a clear example of what a sincere interest in good government, evidenced by voting, can do.

It can make your would-be enemies fear your might to the extent that they offer you something to keep from losing everything.

Of course, in the writer's opinion, the clearest note of civic duty and intelligent people who have had equivalent experience.

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Another Democratic Viewpoint

By ROBERT B. WATTS

Rule 39 of the Commission of Personnel has been revised so that now when the head of a State, county, or city agencies, he cannot specify race.

Heretofore, whenever a request was made, it was done by sex and race. Now it is prohibited to mention race.

It is hoped that this new rule will be followed and that as a result we will be able to see more colored workers in State positions.

To call permission to interview the prospective applicants, at which time the identity of the party will be known, but it is hoped that the intent and spirit of the new rule will cause most State Officials to hire without regard to race.

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WE WILL NOT be able to pass judgment on this new rule until after it has been in effect for awhile. If, systematically, colored persons are still denied employment, then the rule is be circumvented and we can find out why.

Certainly many colored workers are qualified for most of the jobs.

I am certain the State will benefit from this new hiring policy for better trained personnel will be available to the state agencies.

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THIS BRINGS to the mind a trip I took to Detroit to visit a friend who is an attorney there and whose father-in-law was the chief clerk of the Wayne County Circuit Court.

Wayne County is the second largest county in the U.S. and Victor Hicks was the chief clerk.

Mr. Hicks took me all over the courthouse where I saw in every office colored and white clerks taking deeds, filing papers, etc.

The attorney representing the City of Detroit in civil matters was a colored man who was chief of the section.

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WE SAW colored girls working as typist, clerks and stenographers.

The chief auditor was colored and I was told that every dime spent by the County had to be approved by him.

I was very impressed by all of this for in Baltimore we can't find a colored face in the Courthouse or City Hall or the Municipal building except the janitor and the elevator man.

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A COUPLE of weeks ago I went into the Central payroll division in the Municipal building where I saw rows of clerks and not one colored person.

These people were working on the payrolls for City employees, many of whom are colored.

This condition is one that could be given the immediate attention of all Democrats, for the responsibility rests with the Democrats.

We have had control for years and in every election we complain about it but to date we have failed to do anything about it.

The Republicans have made a step in this direction with the change in Rule 39.

We Democrats forced a "Rule 39" for the City of Baltimore.

Coming Events

OCTOBER 28

Two of the teams from local schools square off at Easterwood Park in a football clash. Dunbar against Carver. The time is 3 p.m.

OCTOBER 29

Homecoming Day at Morgan State College as the Bears tangle with the grid squad from A. and T. College Game time is 2 p.m.

Kappa Alpha Psi's Kabaret Party at Coliseum.

OCTOBER 30

Mrs. Mamie Bradley, mother of Mississippi lynch victim Emmett Till, will be the speaker at Bethel AME Church this afternoon at 3 p.m. Everyone is invited to hear her. Sponsored by the NAACP.

Tenth anniversary services of the Robert H. Brooks Post No. 185 of the American Legion at Gospel Tabernacle Baptist Church, 1200 block W. Saratoga St., 7:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER 1

The Atomic Flashes of Pride of Baltimore Lodge No. 713 of the Elks hold a supper and a drawing tonight at 620 DOLPHIN St.

NOVEMBER 6-12.

American Education Week.

NOVEMBER 13

Benefit cocktail Party sponsored by Kappa Chapter, Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Sphinx Club, 5 to 9 p.m.

NOVEMBER 14

Bishop McKeldin speaks at the anniversary dinner of the Turner Station YMCA AT Solters Point High School at 6 p.m.

Gloria Lockerman to be honored.