WHEN YOU FINISH READING YOUR AFRO PASS IT ALONG TO A FRIEND

JAMAICA'S INDEPENDENCE

468 years of Colonial rule ends August 6 for picturesque island country

KINGSTON, Jamaica (ANP) — A long and stormy path toward nationhood will come to an end for Jamaica on August 6, when the island country will gain its independence from Britain.

Picturesque Jamaica, ruled for 161 years by Spain and then by Britain for 307 more years, was the largest and most valuable member of the British West Indies.

Pulling out of what was slated to become an independent West Indian Federation in September, 1961, Jamaica decided to make the trek to independence alone.

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THE FEDERATION, established by Britain January 3, 1958, had been promised independence by May, 1962. But Jamaica's decision, representing more than half the population of the shaky federation, left the future of the other nine islands in doubt.

The British Colonial Office announced October 5, 1961, that Jamaica would be granted independence early in 1962 and that Britain would sponsor the island country as a full member of the British Commonwealth.

Sir Alexander Bustamante, 78, as the new premier, hopes that Jamaica will be accepted into the United Nations and the Organization of American States.

Busta, leader of the Jamaica Labor Party, defeated cousin Norman W. Manley who heads the People's National Party, as a result of his party's victory in the April elections. He is now premier of the colony and will be premier of the new nation.

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SERVING AS PREMIER will not be a new role for Bustamante, whose real name is William Alexander Clarke. He ruled Jamaica politics for ten years, serving as prime minister from 1944 to 1954. Replacing him as Jamaica's political leader was Manley, the same man whom he has now replaced in office.

Manley and Bustamante did not start as political enemies. Indeed, it was Manley, educated at Oxford, who gave his cousin his boost to Jamaican fame. It is a curious twist of history that Manley should topple Busta and even more ironic that Bustamante would be returned to the premiership.

Bustamante, who has a ruddy tan complexion, was born in Jamaica to an Irish father and a mulatto mother who was mostly Arawak Indian. Formerly a member of the PNP, Busta broke away in 1940, alleging that party leaders had tried to snatch control of his Bustamante Industrial Trade Union while he was serving a 15-month jail sentence on charges of agitating for a shipping strike.

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BEFORE THE YEAR was out Busta was in jail without bail on a sedition charge. Cousin Manley appealed to the Supreme Court and got him out. Manley held Busta's labor movement together while his cousin was in jail. But when Bustamante did get out, he and Manley, a Socialist, formed to PNP.

Bustamante's entry into political power came with universal suffrage. As prime minister he became the "bulwark against Communism" as well as the hope of the conservatives against the so-called leftist policies of Manley.

Manley, while heading the party bearing the Socialist label, is not considered as a follower of the Communist line. He has been regarded as a liberal politician.

Bustamante has demonstrated positive qualities of leadership. A former streetcar operator, money-lender, minor police official and hospital attendant in the United States, he went to Cuba at the age of 19 and also worked in Canada.

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HIS DOMAIN has 1.6 million people, mostly colored, in an area smaller than Connecticut. An estimated 18 per cent of the workers are unemployed but economic growth is keeping ahead of population.

According to a bank survey, the advance of Jamaica's economy has been exceeded in the last decade only in Japan and Puerto Rico. Experts brought some $170 million last year, but heavy imports of essentials left an unfavorable trade gap of $13 million. These figures, however, do not include tourism, which is believed to bring the island country $30 million annually.

The main exports are aluminum ore and sugar. The country's rum is drunk around the world, and its cigars are becoming better known as the Cuban supply dwindles.

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BUSTAMANTE HAS never attempted to hide his regard for the United States. Back in 1951, as a spokesman for the West Indian trade delegation in a London conference with the British government, he warned the West Indies might switch allegiance from Britain to the U.S. unless they received a better economic deal.

Now, as the door of independence opens, Busta makes this statement:

"We are pro-Americans. If by being pro-Americans, we are vetoed in the UN that's our decision. We will accept. it.

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"We are anti-Communist because we are. If the United States were pro-Communist, we would still be anti-Communist."

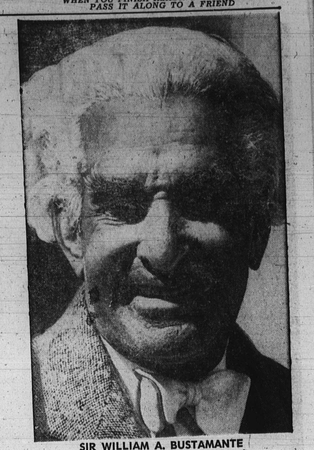
He made these comments in connection with his recent encounter with the Russians. About two months ago, Bustamante forbade Russian sailors to come ashore when two Russian ships put in at Kingston. The premier says Moscow may be mad at him over the incident. There is the possibility that the Soviets might veto Jamaica's entry into the United Nations.

Jamaica

Jamaica was discovered by Christopher Columbus in 1494, and ruled by Spain until captured by the English in 1655. The island figures largely in the history of the buccaneers of the West Indies before and during the time of Sir Henry Morgan, once its governor.

Port Royal, old haunt of the pirate, at the entrance of the harbor, frequently has been the victim of earthquakes. Attached to Jamaica for administrative purposes are the Turks and Caicos Islands (pop. 6,600) and the Cayman Islands (pop. 9,374).

Montego Bay is a fashionable resort. The majority of the 200,000 annual tourists are Americans.



SIR WILLIAM A. BUSTAMANTE
As premier of independent Jamaica, he plans to seek UN membership

Va. artists open show to Jackson

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. — Artist A. B. Jackson Jr. was invited to exhibit his work in the Tidewater Arts Festival this weekend and assured he could participate next year in the Boardwalk Art Show which sparked a row by banning him this year.

Robert D. Randolph, president of Tidewater Arts Council, Inc., announced Friday that the invitation had been extended to the artist. Jackson is an art professor at the Norfolk Division of Virginia State College.

A controversy has been raging for several weeks since Professor Jackson was refused entry into the Boardwalk Art Show, which opened Thursday and will continue until Monday. Several exhibitors dropped out in protest, nearly closing the show.

THE VIRGINIA Beach Art Association, sponsors of the Boardwalk Show, met this week to vote on future integration. Only 45 of its 275 members showed up and the vote was postponed until fall.

However, a metropolitan Washington newspaper last Sunday quoted Virginia Beach city manager W. Russell Hatchett as saying the 1963 Boardwalk Show would be open to Mr. Jackson and other race members.

"I'm sure next year's show will be integrated," Hatchett is quoted as saying. "It has never been the feeling of the . . . city government that anyone should be denied the chance to show his work because of race, color, or creed."

Employed as porter, Alfred A. Woodson works up to teller

ST. LOUIS — Alfred A. Woodson, who came to Security Trust Co. as a porter in 1946, has been promoted to teller by the downtown bank.

Described as a hard worker, Woodson was promoted the following year to a messenger. He subsequently became supervisor of messengers and later supervisor of the mailroom.

He was supervisor of the mailroom until February when he was offered the chance to be a teller trainee.

Lincoln's home a national shrine

LINCOLN CITY, Ind. — (ANP) — The farm where Abraham Lincoln spent his early years was dedicated here last week as a national memorial.

The memorial covers about 140 acres of the state park site. The shrine will include the memorial building, the Nancy Hanks memorial, burial place of Lincoln's mother — and the cabin site of the Lincoln family.

IN DETROIT, Robert B. Blackwell, Republican candidate for Congress in the 13th District, appears assured of party nomination in the August 7 primary election. The 40-year-old Howard University graduate will oppose Congressman Charles Diggs if the latter wins the Democratic nomination.

African students in U.S. for tour

BOSTON (NNPA) — Ten student leaders from the University of Dakar in Senegal arrived here July 17 for an introduction seminar at Boston University before starting on a cross - country tour.

They are Adien Diop, 30; Miss Fatou Sow, 21; Pierre Basse, 23; Aristide Mensah, 30; Miss Marie Claude Roset, 23; and Abdou Salam N'Diaye, 36, all from Senegal;

Marius Theodule Francisco, 24, and Pierre Hehomey, 24, are from Dahomey, while Iro Mayaki, 24, is from Niger and Gilbert Iboudo, 24, is from Upper Volta.

Nkrumah gives U.S. 40 ft. fishing boat

NEW YORK — A 40 - foot canoe, representative of the 5,000 boats used by Ghana fishermen, arrived here last week from Accra as a gift to the people of the United States from President Kwame Nkrumah.

The canoe will be on permanent display at the (Conn.) Mystic Marine Museum where formal presentation ceremonies will be held later this month. Ambassador W. Q. M. Halm will make the presentation.

60,000 HIRED HANDS

WASHINGTON — The Department of Agriculture reported last week that an estimated 60,000 more hired workers were employed on southern farms during the last full week of May than in 1961, primarily due to dry weather.

Wilburn takes over as chief of police in Portsmouth, O.

PORTSMOUTH, Ohio — (ANP) — Though it may or may not be on a long-term basis, Lt. Ted Wilburn is once again acting police chief of this city.

One of two colored lieutenants on the force, Wilburn has been named acting chief until an appeal by ousted Chief Robert M. Edwards is acted upon by the Civil Service Commission.

Wilburn is "mum" publicly on his chances of becoming permanent chief in view of the uncertainty of Edwards' status. His role as acting chief could end suddenly if the commission restores Edwards to duty.

ON THE OTHER hand it could continue several months if an anticipated court battle develops. Wilburn has been acting chief for several short terms when Edwards was on vacation or out of town on business.

He was in command of the police force of this city of 33,000 for 45 days in May and June while Chief Edwards was under suspension.

City manager George Meholick put Wilburn back in charge after dismissing the chief following Edward's indictment on five counts of bribery June 2. If Edwards is ousted, a civil service examination will be given to all lieutenants.

One county official familiar with city police department expressed a belief Wilburn would be a "tough man to beat" in an examination. Another former city employee termed him "always a gentleman and highly efficient."

Va. GI in Korea cast US ballot

By CONRAD CLARK

SEOUL, Korea — A GI from Franklin, Va., last week became the first soldier to cast his absentee ballot this year at 7th Log Hq, here in Seoul.

PFC Nathan Vincent received his ballot on June 15th from his Command Voting Officer, 1st Lt J. E. Crouch, for mailing to his home state.

A few weeks ago, the soldier read about "voting by absentee ballot in the 7th Log's weekly. "The Pipeline" and being aware of his responsibility to vote for the candidates of his choice, he inquired about absentee voting.

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CONTACTING HIS Voting Officer, he was furnished the Federal Post Card Application, which he immediately mailed to the Voting Commission office in Virginia.

Soon after he had received the proper forms from Virginia, he marked his ballot and returned it to his Voting Officer for witnessing, and then mailed it back to his home state.

Vincent was not only the first soldier to cast his absentee vote, but it also marked the first year that he has voted.

Uganda to get freedom from Britain October 9

LONDON — The Minnesota - sized central African state of Uganda was assured of freedom on Oct. 9, as final constitutional talks with British officials were concluded here last week.

Thus Uganda, a British-ruled country in the green heart of Africa, will become the African continent's 33rd independent nation. It joins a string of 29 African nations that have become self governing since Ghana became independent five years ago.

As Uganda's march toward freedom received a definite date for culmination, the discussion in high British quarters turned also to Kenya and Zanzibar, two neighboring British protectorates for which no independence dates have been set.

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A COUNTRY of about 94,000 square miles, Uganda lies astride the equator in the heart of East Africa. The main town, Kampala, is nearly 900 miles from the coast.

At the 1959 census there were just over 6½ million people of whom all except about 70,000 Asians and 10,000 Europeans were Africans.

Uganda is predominantly an agricultural country in which the majority of families meet their needs by the cultivation of food crops for use or exchange and cash crops for export. Unlike West Africa, there are still comparatively few Uganda Africans in trade though the number is steadily increasing.

It has been noted here that the main political issue will be where the power will rest in an independent Uganda. Parties have tended to break up and regroup to such an extent that issues have become confused. This was pointed up in the fact that the 17 - day conference here ended without an agreed solution on the future of the six "lost counties."

The six counties are tribal areas that were placed under the control of Buganda by the British in 1900 as a reward for Buganda's loyalty to the British government. Buganda, a colonial kingdom under British control, is to become a federated state of Uganda, with its own parliament. Buganda has had full internal self - government since the general election last spring.

EMPLOYE TRAINING

WASHINGTON (NNPA) — One out of every five industrial establishments in the United States is sponsoring apprenticeship and other employe training programs, the Labor Department's Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training reported Wednesday.

PEOPLE

PAINESVILLE, Ohio — Among those who served on the faculty of the National YWCA summer school which closed at Lake Erie College Tuesday was Dr. Edward S. Lewis, executive secretary of the Greater New York Urban League.

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WASHINGTON — Ghana's ambassador to the U.S., William M. Q. Halm, was named an honorary fellow of American University Friday. He is scheduled to return home soon to become governor - general of the National Bank of Ghana.

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FORT VALLEY, Ga. — A 1955 graduate of Fort Valley State College, Ernest Corker, has joined the faculty of his alma mater as assistant professor of animal husbandry. He recently received a doctor of veterinary medicine degree at Tuskegee (Ala.) Institute. The Climax native also will engage in private practice here.

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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Samuel E. Russell, associate professor of industrial education, is the author of an article in "Photography in the School," published recently by Eastman Kodak Co., a second article on photography will appear in "School Shop" later this year.

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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — A certificate of achievement was awarded M/Sgt. George A. Wilder, a Washington, N.C., native prior to his leaving the Florida A. and M. University ROTC staff for assignment in Korea.

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TUSKEGEE, Ala. — Dr. John B. Embanks, philosophy professor at Tuskegee Institute, has been granted the status of post-doctoral visiting scholar for the summer at Harvard University.

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LOCKBOURNE, A F B, Ohio — Among members of the Tufts University Air Force ROTC unit in summer training at Lockbourne Air Force Base is Cadet Thomas C. Poole, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Poole of Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

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TUSKEGEE, Ala. — Dr. Daniel W. Wynn, Tuskegee Institute chaplain, is among the 50 clergymen and educators who left Monday for a 30-day tour of Israel under the sponsorship of the Interfaith Committee on Israel.

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TUSKEGEE, Ala. — A 1951 graduate of Tuskegee Institute, Nathaniel Stringer, is director of missles for the State of Michigan in Detroit. He heads eight supervisors and a team of 80 in guarding the city against nuclear attack.

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TUSKEGEE, Ala. — "The Development of Desegregation Law" was the title of a paper presented by Dr. Paul L. Puryear of Tuskegee Institute's division of social science at Fisk University's 19th Race Relations Institute.

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WASHINGTON — A recent Savannah State College graduate, Richard M. Coger, has become the first student under British control, is to become a federated state of Uganda, with its own parliament. Buganda had full internal self - government since the general election last spring.

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Rights unit backs Redd in NY feud

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (NNPA) — A businessman and his family of three, rebuffed for months in their quest for better living quarters, may now move into the all-white Rye Colony apartments, the State Commission for Human Rights said Friday.

Paul Redd took his plea to SCAD under the state's anti-discrimination laws when the Colony development, located in Rye, turned him down last March. The commission ended its two-day hearing July 13.

Atty. Paul Zuber, Harlem's crusading school integrationist, represented Mr. Redd in the proceedings.

British aide warns growth in racialism may be fatal to UN

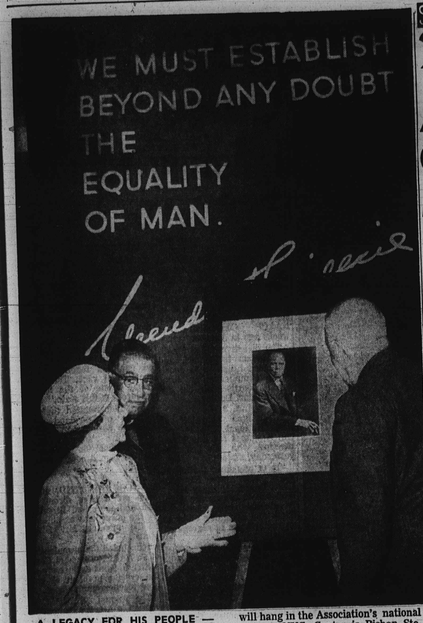
LONDON — In a thinly veiled warning to some newly independent African and Asian states, Britain's Foreign Secretary Lord Home said Friday that racialism and "hot - headed" nationalism may lead to the death of the United Nations.

The British statesman said these two influences are being aggravated by Communist powers who are sowing a "tide of malice" in the UN with the sole purpose of reaping a questionable harvest of power.

"A small minority (in the Assembly) subscribe to what they know to be a view quite dangerous," he said, "and ally themselves with the Communists to do us maximum harm."

NEHRU DISAVOWS

NEW DELHI — Speaking last week at a reception held by the chairman of the Legislative Council in Srinagar, Prime Minister Jawharlal Nehru reiterated that India would not enter into military alliances with any country.



A LEGACY FOR HIS PEOPLE — Mrs. James Weldon Johnson presents a photo of her late husband, who became the NAACP's first colored executive secretary in August, 1920. Mr. Johnson was also noted for literary classics such as "God's Trombones," a book of sermons in the style of the old-time colored preacher. The photo will hang in the Association's national office in NYC. Center is Bishop Stephen G. Spottswood, chairman of the NAACP board of directors and Arthur B. Spingarn, NAACP president and close friend of Mr. Johnson. "God's Trombones" is dedicated to Mr. Spingarn.

SCHOOL ROUNDUP

21-Year-Old Coed Seeks Admission To 'Ole Miss'

Court again halts Meredith's entry

GREENVILLE, Miss. — Miss Jackson State College coed, Miss Alfanette Marie Bracy, applied for admission to the University of Mississippi last week, adding momentum to the already tumbling wall of segregation at the ily - white school.

The 21-year-old majorette enrollment would extend the crack made in the school's segregation policy last month by James Meredith. A federal court ordered him admitted to the college in September.

Miss Bracy, a second semester junior and physical education major at Jackson State, said she forwarded her application to the school July 7, but has not heard from officials yet.

School authorities have refused to comment on her application. Meredith's case which was tied up in court for more than a year was further delayed July 21 when court ordered his admission stayed 30 days while the state appeals for a review.

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IN ANOTHER desegregation attempt, the Clemson College Board of Trustees announced Thursday it will fight the suit of Harvey Gantt of Charleston, S. C. He filed a plea July 9 seeking admittance as the school's first colored student.

Gantt's suit, filed in U. S. District Court in Greenville, asks that Clemson be enjoined from refusing admittance to anyone because of race, and asks further that the injunction be made permanent.

Following the board's statement, a deputy marshal from the Greenville district office, announced he had served "summonses and motion for preliminary injunction" papers of three Clemson officials, including its president.

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MEANWHILE in New Orleans, the 5th U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals indicated Thursday, it would permit a full trial on its merits of a suit that seeks to have Tulane University admit two colored coeds.

U. S. District Judge Frank Ellis ordered the full trial revoking the summary desegregation order issued by his predecessor, Judge J. Skelly Wright.

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FEDERAL JUDGE Thomas Michie approved school integration plans proposed by two Virginia cities this week. Winchester will mix grades one and nine this fall and follow by integrating a grade a-year thereafter.

In Roanoke, the judge initially approved plans calling for complete integration of the county system within six years and immediate desegregation of two grades in

Case." In that case, decided some years ago, the United States Court of Appeals held that the State of Virginia could not operate Seashore State Park, located in Princess Anne County, in a segregated manner. The State of Virginia thereupon closed that park which was the largest and most beautiful park in Virginia.

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THESE TWO cases are the first of this kind to be filed in a State Court in Virginia directly attacking the constitutionality of this State Segregation Law.

These cases are being handled by Attorney Martin A. Martin, chief counsel for the Richmond Citizens Advisory Committee and chairman of the legal staff of the Virginia State Conference NAACP.

Mr. Martin is a life member of the NAACP; past president of the Old Dominion Bar Association, and past president of the Richmond chapter of the Old Dominion Bar Association.

He is a member of the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States, Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia, the Interstate Commerce Commission, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, United State Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit and various other Federal District Courts.

He was formerly an attorney in the Criminal Division of the United States Department of Justice. He came to Richmond, Va., in 1945 and formed a law firm with Oliver W. Hill, now assistant to Commissioner of Intergovernmental Relations, Federal Housing Administration, and Spottswood W. Robinson, III, now dean of the Howard University School of Law and a member of the Civil Rights Commission.

Mr. Martin has continued his practice in Richmond ever since 1945.

Discrimination 'one of greatest crimes'

NEW YORK — Robert M. Hutchins, president of the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, attacked several current American problems in a statement published by his organization.

Calling racial discrimination "one of the greatest crimes that any people has ever committed," he said:

"The colored man in America is not a part of the American society. The American colored man is discriminated against in every conceivable way.

"His housing is execrable. His compensation is lower for the same work. He is regarded as socially undesirable. This is a tremendous source of permanent dishonor in the United States."

He said further that ". . . The American colored man is not influential enough to do anything to affect the general policies of the United States even with regard to himself, and he has developed, quite naturally, such a narrow view of what he wants that he is not effective in changing the mores of the people.

"What the American colored man says in effect is, I want what you have. What he ought to be saying is, you shouldn't want what you have."

D.C. residents unite to develop community

WASHINGTON — Last week marked the formation of the Negro Community Council of the National Capital Area. The organization includes civic leaders, ministers, business men, public officials, housewives, professional men, union leaders and government workers.

Officers are: George Fleming, president; James A. Washington, vice president; Mrs. Mildred W. Pitt, secretary; Peter S. Ridley, treasurer, and the Rev. John Satterwhite, chaplain and sergeant-at-arms.

Mr. Fleming said: "The objectives of the Council are to develop a greater awareness of the influential and constructive role of a unified colored group for advancing its own well-being, thereby contributing significantly to the welfare of the total community and to see ways and means for fully realizing this potential."

He said the organization will aid instead of attempt to supplant, duplicate or complete with existing organizations.

The NCCNCA is expected to concern itself with all community problems, particularly housing, employment, education, welfare, urban renewal and aspects of discrimination.

CORE in workshop on job, housing ills

COLUMBUS, Ohio — CORE's second Annual Employment-Housing Institute opened here July 14 with a score of participants from cities across the nation.

The Workshop will last until July 28. Norman Hill, director of the Institute said: "The Workshop is directed to the problem of where to live and securing the means to live. Increasingly, CORE is emphasizing the upgrading of non-whites into executive and professional jobs."

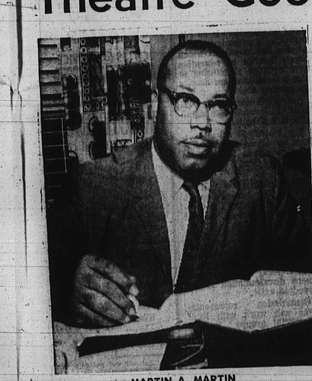
Tosses out suit against NAACP

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — Circuit Court Judge Theodore Cabot last week dismissed a suit brought by this city against the NAACP branch and its officers for its efforts to integrate a segregated public beach.

Judge Cabot rejected the city's contention that the Association and its officers were using the beach for wade-ins in order to create a public disturbance, thus endangering "the right of all to peaceful and equal use of the public beach."

At the same time the magistrate issued an injunction against two white men, members of the Florida States Rights, Inc., a segregationist group, restraining their use of the beach.

Fight To Open Park, Theatre Goes On



MARTIN A. MARTIN
Battles for Virginians' rights

Appeals to State court filed

RICHMOND — J. Rupert Picott, executive secretary of the Virginia Teachers Association, the Rev. Irvin Etligan, pastor, All Souls Presbyterian Church, Winfred Mundle, District manager of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company and other prominent citizens of Richmond, Va., last week appealed to the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia their suit against the City of Richmond, to abolish segregation in the Mosque, a city-owned theatre.

Also by Felix J. Brown, Richmond physician, the Rev. C. L. Evans of Virginia Union University, H. H. Scott, grand secretary, Right Worthy Grand Council — Independent Order of St. Luke, and others appealed their suit against the City of Richmond, which was filed to abolish segregation at Parker Field, the city-owned baseball field in Richmond.

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THESE SUITS were filed last year by a group of prominent business and professional people in Richmond to abolish segregation at these city - owned facilities.

The City of Richmond and the representatives of these facilities claimed that they were forced to require segregation at these facilities because of the Virginia Segregation Law which requires segregation of the races in all places of public assembly. The suits were instituted to have these segregation laws declared unconstitutional.

After lengthy hearings in court lasting almost a year, the court finally entered an order holding that this segregation law was constitutional and did not violate the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

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THE PLAINTIFFS state that this segregation law, particularly where it is claimed to apply to publicly owned facilities such as the Mosque and Parker Field, is clearly unconstitutional, and cited cases from Wilmington, Delaware, Atlanta, Georgia and Baltimore, Maryland. They also claim that this question had definitely been decided by the United States Court of Appeals in Richmond, in the "Seashore Park" case.

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A SUIT by 41 persons seeking desegregation of Bessemer, Ala. public housing and recreation systems will be heard on its merits in federal court in Birmingham, Ala. July 19.

Teaching staffs in some schools in Prince Georges County, Md., will be integrated beginning in the fall, county school officials announced. This will mark the first departure from the county's practice of assigning colored teachers only to colored schools.

In Plainfield, N. J., the executive committee of the Plainfield NAACP branch unanimously opposed as "completely unacceptable" the open enrollment plan proposed by the Plainfield Board of Education at its regular meeting on July 17.

The board's proposal came as a result of NAACP requests to end segregated education in the Plainfield schools. At the Association's urging in June, 1961, a Lay Citizens Advisory Committee was established and Dr. Max Wolff was engaged to act as consultant to examine existing segregation and formulate recommendations by June, 1962.

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MEETING WITH Miss June Shagaloff, the NAACP, committee voted to reject the plan promptly, following its adoption by the Board of Education.

The plan for open enrollment set aside two alternate recommendations made by the committee: rezoning of the existing school districts or reorganization of the schools under the "Princeton Plan."

The NAACP charged that the board had ignored the recommendations of the school - sponsored study and the work of the citizens' committee. Miss Shagaloff stated: "It has chosen instead to substitute not only the least effective desegregation plan but one which is no more than a carefully hedged, minimal transfer plan which fails to meet the Board's educational and legal responsibilities to end existing segregation."

In protesting the action of the school board the NAACP said: "If the board fails to adopt a meaningful desegregation plan, the NAACP will seek redress through the Commissioner of Education and, if necessary, the courts. We will also seek to engage in other forms of direct action to assure for all of Plainfield, non - segregated, equal education opportunities."

GREENSBORO, N. C. — The public information director at A. and T. College, Ellis F. Corbett, attended the annual Summer Institute for College and University Development Officers at the University of Pittsburgh last week.

Dr. Edward Brice gets high-level HEW post

WASHINGTON— Dr. Edward Brice, regarded as one of the brilliant stars of the Kennedy Administration, last week was promoted to permanent director of the Adult Education Branch of the U.S. Office of Education.

This makes him the first to receive such a high civil service administrative post in the department of Health, Education and Welfare.

A specialist in fundamental and literacy education, Dr. Brice, a former college professor, had headed the agency since last January, as acting director.

He succeeded Dr. Ambrose Caliver, who died suddenly on Jan. 29. The branch, which operated as a section under Dr. Caliver, was completely reorganized and raised to branch status last April 1.

The much-traveled Dr. Brice was described in a statement last week as being "one of the most brilliant stars of the New Frontier." Quiet, able and dedicated, he is quoted as saying that his mission in life is "to help others," and is particularly noted for making himself available, despite a heavy work load.

His duties include membership on the grievance panel for the entire HEW Department, and carries him to many distant lands for international educational meetings. Next September he will represent the United States at the First World Literacy Conference in Rome.

Dr. Brice was graduated from Tuskegee institute with a B.S. degree in 1938. He also holds the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Pennsylvania.

Augusta pastor's funeral rites held

AUGUSTA, Ga. — The Rev. William M. Robinson, prominent Augusta minister, died July 12 at the University Hospital following a long illness. At the time of his death he was pastor of Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Augusta, and two churches in South Carolina. He was vice moderator of the First Shiloh Association.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Voncial Robinson; one daughter, Mrs. Geneva Brown; one sister, Mrs. Mary Smith; three brothers, Josh and Jessie Robinson, and John Anderson; one son - in - law, Deacon Johnnie Brown and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday at Mt. Olive Baptist Church. The Revs. L. W. Westbrook and J. D. Williams officiated.

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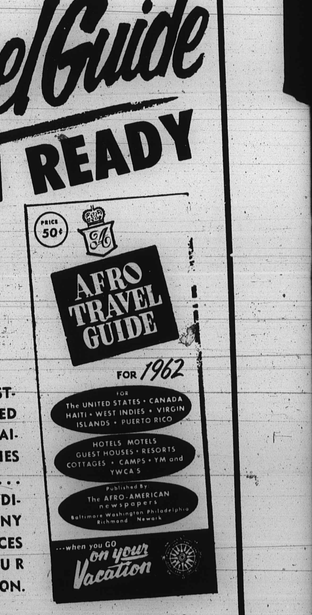

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SCHOOLS FOR SCHOOL-LESS CHILDREN

TEACHERS ANSWER VIRGINIA DILEMMA

FARMVILLE, Va. — With meager tools, poorly housed and with voluntary — though highly trained — teachers, a unique educational program for school-less children is underway here.

Its success is based on two factors —a desire for learning on the part of the excluded children and a reliance on unselfish willingness to fulfill a need on the part of the volunteers.

It is deliberately unpublicized — a testimonial to the altruistic impulses of those who operate it.

It is a living rebuke to the inhumanity and cruelty of those who oppose public school integration here.

Prince Edward County, where, this unique educational program is underway, closed its public schools in 1959 in the face of court-ordered integration. White students have been attending a school operated by a private foundation; colored generally have been without formal education.

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THESE "FORGOTTEN" children are now being taught each day by persons like Jean Bennett, Wellesly College graduate and a bride of only a few weeks.

A student at Harvard's graduate school of education, she shares a weatherbeaten, ramshackle old church in a remote corner of Prince Edward County with 18 children and two other volunteer teachers.

She is "principal" of the one-room, stopgap school being conducted in the Old Triumph Church Building in Prince Edward's Darlington Heights section.

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THE SUMMER PROGRAM involves a dozen centers like the one in the old Triumph church building. Three are directed by college students, the others run by the Virginia Teachers Association. The latter group, all colored, has barred the press this summer as it did last year.

"We are trying to do a job," said Dr. J. Rupert Picott of the VTA "and while we appreciate the value of publicity, what we're trying to do here is some stopgap teaching and we want to have no interruptions. It's something we're doing out of conscience, and at best it's something we regret having to do.

"This is some of the best teaching that's being done in the state of Virginia" he added with confident pride. "These children need to know somebody cares."

Morale is as much a factor in the program as is education itself.

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"WE'RE DOING WHAT we can in the span of time we have," says the Rev. L. F. Griffith, pastor, First Baptist Church in Farmville and president of the Prince Edward County Christian Association, which is sponsoring the two teaching programs.

"This thing has reached the point of no return," he said. "Time has hardened both sides in their positions.

"We're teaching some children to read who couldn't and there's also the morale factor. But this program can't be construed to be a substitute for schools."

A Farmville girl, Phyllistine Ward, who attends Bennett College in North Carolina, is working with two boys on more advanced reading.

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SOME SMALL CHILDREN are using crayons, supervised by a high school girl who attended school in Norfolk during the last year.

"It's hard to evaluate how much they've lost," says Ruth Turner, an Ohio girl attending Harvard's graduate school in education. "You can see progress with the very young ones in getting accustomed to how to act in schools. For the older ones, it's hard to get an over-all view. For them, this is entirely a remedial program."

The pupils' weaknesses show up particulary in writing skills, said Yale Law School graduate Richard Zorn, whose 11-16-year-old group includes pupils from the fourth to the eighth grade levels.

Sandra Bjerre of Cambridge, Mass. who enters Wesleyan University's graduate school of teaching this fall, has 7-12-year olds, all at about the second grade level.

Their parents should be praised for the work they've done," she said. "Everybody's been taught some at home." But she added:

"They've all been taught something different."