GAY NORTHEASTERNERS IN ACTION — Meeting here last weekend for the first time since 1957, the Gay Northeasterners contributed a total of $2,500 to worthy causes. This included $1000 for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference to use in its fight in Birmingham, Ala. Photo left shows Mrs. Carl Murphy of Baltimore, wife of the chairman of the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers; Mrs. Ruth Lighston and Mrs. Connie Procope. In center photo Mrs. Marcella Peterson and Mrs. Beatrice Boyd Mair, national president. Third photo, Dr. Ruth Wright Hayre of Philadelphia Chapter makes donations to Mrs. Edith Hurley for the Student Welfare Council and to Dr. E. Luther Cunningham for Mercy-Douglass Hospital.

Gay Northeasterners' conclave marked by gifts of $2,500 — $1,000 to Birmingham

By BERNICE SHELTON

PHILADELPHIA

Climaxing their annual conclave here, the popular Gay Northeasterners donated a total of $2,500 to worthy causes, including $1,000 to the organization leading the civil rights fight in Birmingham, Ala.

The money to the Birmingham group, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference which is headed by the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., was the result of emergency action by the Northeasterners.

Meeting here for the first time since 1957, the conclave was held at the Sheraton Hotel. Delegates from chapters throughout the country attended.

At the luncheon on Saturday afternoon approximately 120 members and officers were in attendance.

The Philadelphia Chapter presented $1 [illegible]0 to three worthy causes, equally distributed.

With Dr. Ruth Wright Hayre, principal of William Penn High School, and member of the local chapter, making the presentations to the NAACP, the Student Welfare Council, and the Mercy-Douglass Hospital.

Accepting for the Mercy-Douglass was the Rev. E. Luther Cunningham, and for the Student Welfare Council, Mrs. Edith Murdah Hurley, retired school teacher.

Presiding at the luncheon was Mrs. John Procope, president, of the Philadelphia Chapter, who came to the local group from the Baltimore Chapter.

She is the wife of the administrative executive director of Mercy - Douglass Hospital, and a local school teacher.

Mrs. Procope announced that Gulf Oil Refining Company awarded the Gay Northeasterners $300 for the luncheon entertainment.

The luncheon program was organized and executed by Mrs. Cogley Jones Sr., likewise a Philadelphia teacher.

National President is Mrs. Beatrice Boyd Mair.

At the beginning of the luncheon delegates gathered in the Constitution Room to meet friends from chapters and to exchange greetings.

Mrs. Louise Syphax Hopkins of Wilmington, Del., formerly of the Washington, D.C., contingent, and wife of Wilmington's "Buster" Hopkins, was publicity director.

Others seen were Mary Lee White and Hilda Mosely Higgins, of Baltimore, Md. Mrs. Emma Bright, Baltimore principal; Waltye Anderson Doles, from that city; Lenore Eggleston, New Jersey;

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OTHERS WERE LaVerne West, Washington, D.C.; Maxine Eckstein Whedbee (sister of Billy Eckstein and former Aileen Eckstein) of Pittsburgh, Pa. Bernice Calloway Monroe, Baltimore, Md., wife of Dr. Clarence Monroe;

Lenore Drew, Harriet DeMond, Otwina DeMond, Bertha Bolden, Grace Drew, Elaine Grymes, Evelyn Green, Aileen Davis, Frankie Dean, Rosa Hueston, acting recording secretary; Freda Wormley, Ruth Whitted and Lenore Drew—all of the Capital; Mavis Davis (Mrs. John A.); Anita Hunter Caffey, Edna Hazelwood Harris, her sister - in-law, Ethel Harris Tate;

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THELMA SPANGLER, national treasurer of the 'Gays', Lois Smallwood, Alene Brown, Mary Davis, Barbara Loquen, Vivienne Scott Melville (sister of the founder - and - former member - of the original Gay Northeasterners, Agatha Scott Davis, wife of West Point's alumnus, Brig. General Benjamin O. Davis, Jr., and Edith Scott Jackson, another sister of the New Haven, Conn. Scott sisters; Thelma Smith, Lushia Taylor, Lerlaine Levister.

Jennette Philyaw, national financial secretary; Sally Parks, Loise Moore, Beryl Williams, all of New York City;

Also from Boston, Mass., Helen Coates, Celestine Dorch, Reba Ferguson, Harriet Fuller, Myrtle Henderson, national vice president; Alice McCoy, Marjorie Philibert.

From Detroit, came Elizabeth Banton, Eve Collins, Ball Early, Lucy Belle Wheatley Morris, Marcella Peterson, Margaret Smith, Margaet Thomas, and Marion Turner Stubbs Thomas, co - founder of this expanding organization; from Indianapolis, that chapter's president, Lottie Batties, Manona Martin, and Osma Spurlock.

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OTHERS FROM the Pittsburgh Chapter were Mary McEnheimer, Mary Abbie Session, Jayne Shelton, Julia Gaynes McGarity.

From Baltimore contingent were Mesdames Jeannette Christmas, Constantia Wharton Jackson, Elizabeth Jenkins, Helen Lee, Ruth Lightson, Lillian O'Daniel, Lillian Murphy, wife of Carl Murphy, AFRO - AMERICAN Board chairman; Mae Downs Allen Peck, Elizabeth Walker and Dukye Woode.

The Chicago Chapter delegates included Madeline Johnson, B. Mae Jones, Evelyn Spencer and Elizabeth Walker.

Baltimorean, the former Hilda Moseley, who has a son and daughter — the former Ivan — A freshman at Rutgers, were present. Lynn Higgins, a teacher in her hometown school systerm; Mae Downs Peck, Maxine; Edith and her youngest sister, Vivienne.

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THE CHAPTER presidents present included: Chicago, B. Mae Jones; Indianapolis, Lottie Batties; New York, Thelma Spangler (also national treasurer); Washington, Aileen Davis; Baltimore, Lillian O'Daniel; and Philadelphia, Corrine Procope.

Special guests were Mrs. Edith Hurley and the Rev. Luther E. Cunningham, Philadelphia Civil Service Commissioner, and member of the board of directors, Mercy - Douglass Hospital.

Fraternal group honors mothers

Phi Gamma Kappa Fraternity, at their third anniversary celebration, honored several mothers at an annual Mother's Day Tea held at the Druid Hill Avenue YMCA.

Mothers honored were Mrs. Agnes Brooks, Mrs. Minnie Stokes, Mrs. Frances Bryan, Mrs. Gloria Ervin, Mrs. Mary Jones, Mrs. Fairman Baker, Mrs. Fannie Winkler, Mrs. Bernice Gass, Mrs. Nellie Wright and Mrs. Virgie Thomas.

President of the fraternal group is Leonard Cannady. Mihon E. Lickson is the sponsor.

Luncheon set by Women's League

The East Baltimore branch of the Women's Civic League will hold its 13th annual spring luncheon on Saturday, May 25, 12:30 p.m. at the Christ Methodist Church, Chase and Washington Sts.

Joseph Smith of the Harlem Park office of Urban Renewal and Mrs. Victorine Adams will be speakers. Mrs. Celia Crawford is president and Mrs. Birtsal Ross is chairman.

'Wasted Assets' will be the theme of welfare meeting

"Wasted Assets," the cost to the community of poverty and related problems, will be the theme of the Spring Meeting of the Maryland State Conference of Social Welfare on June 4 at the Lord Baltimore Hotel.

State and local officials, representatives of labor and industry, medical authorities, the social agencies, education, civic and religious groups will be discussion leaders.

Miss Elizabeth A. Mulholland and Mrs. Samuel R. Pines are co-chairman of the meeting. Mrs. Lester S. [illegible]. President of the Conference, will preside.

The meeting is open to the public. Reservations may be made by writing to the Maryland State Conference of Social Welfare, 24 W. Franklin Street, Baltimore 1, Maryland.

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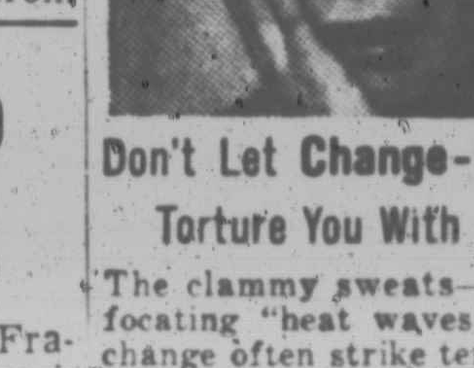

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New York, N. Y. (Special) — One of the most common afflictions is a condition known as "itching piles." It is most embarrassing for the victim during the day and especially aggravating at night.
No matter what you've used without results — here's good news. For the first time, science has found a new healing substance with the astonishing ability to promptly stop the burning itch and pain. It actually shrinks hemorrhoids — without surgery. Medical science has proved this substance produces a remarkably effective rate of healing. Its germ-killing properties also help prevent infection.
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Carver 'deeply shocked' by EOC illegitimacy question

Carver High School officials are unhappy about the raising of the illegitimacy question in an Equal Opportunity Commission discussion on why its grads get fewer jobs and make less money than those of predominantly white Mergenthaler.

Mrs. Emil Hennings Jr., an EOC member who also voted against the Dixon Bill, said at Friday's board meeting she wasn't sure what role racial discrimination played in the differences and wondered if illegitimacy was a factor in the hiring of colored graduates.

The discussion came up when Dr. Bernard Levinson, Johns Hopkins University sociologist, presented results of an EOC - sponsored survey showing Mergenthaler graduate, male and female, get more and better jobs than Carver grads.

DR. SAUL M. PERDUE, principal of Carver, told the AFRO this week. "We at Carver was deeply shocked to read that a member of a commission of this kind would make such a statement in a discussion of an objective study. We are afraid she (Mrs. Hennings) is misinformed."

Dr. Perdue said that female students who remain at Carver to complete their work in the day school are not unwed mothers. He explained that for several years the policy has been to dismiss girls who get into such trouble and to accept them back only in the night school.

Dr. Perdue termed the difference in job opportunities for his graduates "rank discrimination."

"There is no other way to say it," he emphasized. "The people who should hire them and pay them equal salaries do not measure up to their citizenship responsibilities.

—Real EOC trouble

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report indicated anything approaching racial discrimination.

Mrs. Henning fished a newspaper clipping out of her bag. It was a report on illegitimacy among colored girls in Baltimore from the Sunpapers editorial page.

Long - time Baltimoreans know that the Sunpapers editors worry themselves silly about illegitimacy without ever coming to grips with the underlying forces that nourish and continue illegitimacy.

Mrs. Hennings waved her clipping. Commissioner Watts saw it for the red herring it was. He informed Mrs. Henning that illegitmacy had no bearing on the issue before the Commission.

The issue before the Commission was that a trained sociologist had surveyed black and white technical school graduates with the same training and found that the whites got more jobs and more money.

Dr. Levinson, who had been suffering through Mr. Tutten's cross-examination and now through Mrs. Henning's doctrines, was stirred to explain that motherhood had nothing to do with the report he had prepared.

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IN THE first place, he pointed out, in the case of Carver female graduates who could only earn $11.27 median wages weekly as compared to white Mergenthaler girls earned $40.00. No girl could finish day school if she had illegitimate children.

In the second place, Carver female students experienced vast difficulty in obtaining part - time employment while still in school as well as in locating full - time jobs after graduation.

Mr. Henning reluctantly returned her Sunpapers clippings on unwed mothers to her lap apparently still unconvinced that Dr. Levinson or Commissioner Watts was correct in disputing her illegitimacy clause.

The greater significance of this conversation was that Mrs. Henning had managed to libel a great many young woman from good homes who attend or attended Carver by stigmatizing them.

Mrs. Emma Michaels, the second colored EOC commissioner, then gave her opinion. Mrs. Michaels, it is my understanding, has been a firebrand in EOC much of the time. On Friday however she was all sweetness and light. "I agree with all that has been said," she reported.

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SO IT was left to Mr. Watts to single-handed carry the torch for fair hiring.

Commissioners James McDonnell and John Hauswald, seeing journalists present perhaps, considered discretion the better part of valor and withheld their final judgment on the significance of the Levinson report.

For his part, Dr. Levinson who is obviously a dedicated scholar, seemed to slightly regret the whole business, but in the end rallied and said he was determined to go on and find out more about the hows and whys behind the job inequities of Carver graduates.

Then Dr. Rangle, as chairman of EOC, made his statement. He began by admitting that discrimination did exist at all levels of life in America, which was an accurate if unoriginal observation. He called the report splendid so far as it went and that the solution to such conditions as the report documented "takes time."

Then Dr. Rangle said: "I think the colored people have to prove themselves and the white have to help them."

I would have thought it was the other way around, that whites now have to prove themselves to us.

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THIS STATEMENT was like a thunderbolt. Here was the chairman of a Commission charged with bringing about fair hiring in a great metropolis espousing the kind of racial gradualism that colored American have long ago wearied of. Witness Birmingham, witness the student movement, witness the Black Muslims at the very edge of our discontent.

Such an attitude as this of Rangle's presented to a turn-of-the century colored man like Booker T. Washington might havebeen acceptable to such as Washington. In 1963 the notion that colored people have to prove themselves acceptable to a society that has bent every effort to keep them unacceptable for 400 years, is absurd one for white man to entertain and for the head of a human relations council to operate from years, is absurd, one for any this position is both absurd and dangerous.

With this revival of the 19th century "white man's burden" philosophy by the chairman, the EOC meeting came to a close.

Afterwards, Mr. Tutten, who had an air of muted truculence, wanted to know where I had obtained information for an AFRO story written under my byline concerning EOC. The story reported that the EOC commissioners were quarreling among themselves over commission policies. Mr. Tutten paid me the compliment of saying "You even put in direct quotes of what went on in closed session."

"There's a Benedict Arnold Tutten exclaimed. "What goes on in executive session is not for publication"

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IN TRYING to plug what he supposed was a "leak" within EOC, Tutten had the mild support of Dr. Rangle, who was also curious.

These gentlemen were then informed that the AFRO paid its writers good salaries to know what was going on, especially in the area of human and civil rights, closed doors or not.

It was also offered as a theory to Mr. Tutten that as far as minority citizens of Baltimore were concerned there might be several Benedict Arnolds on EOC. If he heard this comment Mr. Tutten did not respond.

There is a postscript to this meeting. Commissioner Tutten is connected with an exclusive downtown restaurant and is also president of the Maryland Restaurant Association. This is the organization that led the fight to prevent the Baltimore City Council from passing an equal accommodations ordinance insuring that all citizens could eat wherever they pleased.

It also led the fight against the state public accommodations bill because it was not statewide. "There was little chance it would pass statewide under the circumstances."

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A FEW short seasons ago any colored citizen who stumbled into Mr. Tutten's Anglo - Saxon feeding place would have been thrown out on his ear.

And Mrs. Henning, when not obsessed with illegitimacy, is the same Mrs. Henning who two years ago argued that property rights are more important than human rights.

Mrs. Henning, then as now an EOC commissioner, was the only EOC member to vote against supporting Councilman Walter Dixon's equal accommodations ordinance which ultimately was passed by the City Council.

EOC Commissioner James McDonnell at first was against it but later voted for it.

In voting not to support laws that would enable all Baltimoreans to eat where they wanted to, Mrs Henning made a statement explaining her position: "We cannot have our cake and eat it too - we cannot destory one part of our Constitution for another, without all citizens, including the so-called minorities, losing forever the most important ingredient - liberty.

"Having faith in the American people, faith in our fundamental principles, I disagree with the premise that any state must tell its citizens how to think, and what they must do with their own investments."

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SO SITTING on a Commission that fosters fair hiring for minorities at present is (1) a woman civic worker who two years ago could not see a business man serving any public except his idea of the public (2) a businessman whose restaurant was for whites only until laws dictated change and (3) a medical man whose social philosophy seems to boil down to the notion that colored people are not ready yet.

If Commissioner Henning society where all citizen are balks at the idea of on open society where all citizens are free to patronize any public place their money and decorum permit, then where does she stand on the ruling that discriminate because of a job-seeker's color or creed?

If Commissioner Tutten was comfortable during Baltimore's rigidly segregated days and was himself a sanctioning agent of such folkways, then by what miracle can we expect his attitudes to have done the necessary about-face his EOC commission-ship demands?

And if Dr. Rangle is himself not persuaded that colored Baltimoreans have earned the right to equal treatment, then what will persaude him? What proof does he require?

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SO LONG as such personalities and attitudes pervade the Equal Opportunities Commission then EOC is defeated in its attempts to achieve fair hiring even before it begins.

I'll have more to report and comment upon EOC and its problems next issue.

Bull' de-horned; Birmingham Ala. court rules him out

By CLIFF MACKAY

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — "The Bull has been de - horned. Victory is clearly in sight now."

That was the jubilant statement Thursday morning of the Rev. Wyatt Tee Walker, executive director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and echoed by thousands of freedom fighters all over the city.

The reference was in the "immediate" ouster of police commissioner Eugene (Bull) Connor, and his two bitterly segregationist fellow commissioners, Mayor Arthur J. Hanes and T. J. Waggoner.

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THE OUSTER came when the Alabama Supreme Court ruled that newly-elected Mayor Albert Boutwell, and his nine councilman are the legal city government here.

Already overjoyed by the swift reinstatement of 1,081 pupils by appellate Judge Elbert Tuttle, jubilant freedom fighters could hardly contain themselves Thursday afternoon.

"We had to win because God was on our side," they said.

"Old Bull can go back to picking peanuts at Plantersville," said another referring to the plantation the ousted commissioner operates in Southern Alabama.

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THE STATE court's edict ended several weeks of confusion over which was the official city government. The Connor group had challenged Boutwell, contending their terms did not expire until 1965.

The court held that Mayor Boutwell was entitled to assume office last April 15. This means Connor must return all salaries received since that date.

Fifteen minutes after the decision was announced at Montgomery, Connor, Mayor Hanes and their aides were closing up their desks and moving out of City Hall as silent group of freedom fighters looked on.

ALREADY A DIFFERENT racial atmosphere seemed to pervade the city. The only remaining irritant was the continued presence of some 700 state troopers sent in by Gov. Wallace to ring colored neighborhoods.

One of Mayor Boutwell's first official acts is expected to be a request to the Governor to order his troopers back to regular highway duties.

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IN HIS first press conference, Boutwell expressed confidence in our ability to build a prosperous and happy future for all our people of all races and creeds."

Although saying his "office door was open to all people at all times," he added that this invitation did not include Dr. King, whom he described as a "Law Breaker."

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WHEN ASKED by the AFRO if this description did not also fit Gov. Wallace, he said "No, because the Governor has not been convicted by any court."

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MEANWHILE, YOUNG Freedom Fighters whose enthusiasm contributed so heavily to breaking the back of segregation here, are being organized into a massive voter registration drive for the summer.

The campaign is being directed by the Rev. James Bevels, youth director of SCLC, who said high school pupils are being divided into teams for an intensive house-to-house canvass.

A white falcon bus has been presented to the Birmingham group by the Boston Action Group with the proviso that it must be returned if 10,000 new voters are not put on the books by August 15.

"We can make that easy," said Bevels, "once school is out and we get underway."

—4,000 hail victory

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in freedom demonstrations, Judge Tuttle reversed a five-hour old decision of Federal District Judge Clarence Allgood.

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IN DOING SO, he delivered a scrathing denunciation of the Birminham judge for giving his opinion from the bench that the expulsion of the children was "right [illegible] just."

Judge Tuttle held Allgood's remarks "highly improper," adding "It is shocking to me that any Board of Education under such circumstances could fulfill elected responsibilities by knocking out 500 student years of study."

The appellete judge further held Birmingham's arrest of the youngsters on parading without a permit charges was in itself unconstitutional, and therefore the School Board had no valid reason under its own rules for the expulsions.

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IN THE sweeping edict, he ordered school Supt. Theo. Wright to notify the ousted pupils to report back to class Thursday morning "even if you have to hire a radio station to do it."

Allgood, former Alabama Democratic patronage boss, is a Kennedy appointee. Judge Tuttle was named to the Fifth Circuit Appeals bench by President Eisenhower.

Judge Allgood at two o'clock refused to order the re - instatement of the 1,081 youngsters, holding that he did not consider the Board's expulsion action "unduly harsh under the circumstances."

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THIRTY MINUTES after leaving Judge Allgood's chambers, a battery of NAACP lawyers, led by Mrs. Constance Baker Motley, was rushing to the air[illegible] to board a plane headed for Atlanta and Judge Tuttle.

At seven o'clock, the appellate court jurist was issuing his directive to the School Board to re - admit all suspended and expelled pupils and give diplomas to all seniors who had been scheduled to graduate.

Judge Tuttle held that 12-year-old Linda Cal Woods, who acted as plaintiff, had been denied her constitutional rights in her expulsion from the fifth grade.

Linda, the daughter of the Rev. Cal Woods, pastor of East End Baptist Church, sought relief for herself and the 1,080 other pupils.

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THE COURT held that the children had been denied hearings by the Board and moreover could not be expelled "for merely exercising their constitutional right to peaceful protest."

Bull Connor is a member of the Alabama Democratic Committee. He is one of eight members of his legislative district.

Judge Tuttle enjoined the Board, which comes under the supervision of Police Commissioner Bull Connor, from:

Continuing to expel and suspend children under its order of May 20;

Refusing to reinstate expelled and suspended students;

Refusing to remove notaiton of dismissal from permanent records, and

Continuing to take disciplinary action against students arrested during the demonstrations.

Connor, foiled once again in his efforts to smother the freedom struggle going on here, urged the School Board to file an immediate appeal to the Supreme Court.

Word that they were to go back in school spread quickly in the colored community Wednesday night. Thursday morning they began streaming back to class after missing two days of study. Schools close here on May 31.

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"THIS IS a great day to be alive," Dr. King told the massed audience which filled every eat and jammed the aisles.

"The most beautiful thing is that you boys and girls were willing to get out and march and go to jail, if necessary. You wanted to be free like anybody else.

"You have given hope to people all over the world. Look at Greensboro, at Durham, at Nashville and Raleigh. There's no way to stop this move for freedom now."

—Has to obey

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really couldn't believe that Gov. George C. Wallace wanted Federal troops sent to the University of Alabama.

When asked about Wallace's petition to the Supreme Court to force removal of troops stationed at points near Birmingham, the President said he welcomed the action.

By thrusting state sovereignty between Alabama and the Federal Government Wallace was retracing the steps taken last fall by Gov. Ross Barnett of Mississippi.

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THE MISSISSIPPIAN personally greeted James H. Meredith with an interposition statute and squads of state policemen.

But Meredith, supported by U.S. marshals and Government troops, was enrolled at Ole Miss and now looks forward to receiving his degree from the school in August.

Governor Barnett, meanwhile, is facing Federal prosecution for contempt. The U.S. Supreme Court said Monday it would hear argument in the case at the beginning of the fall term.

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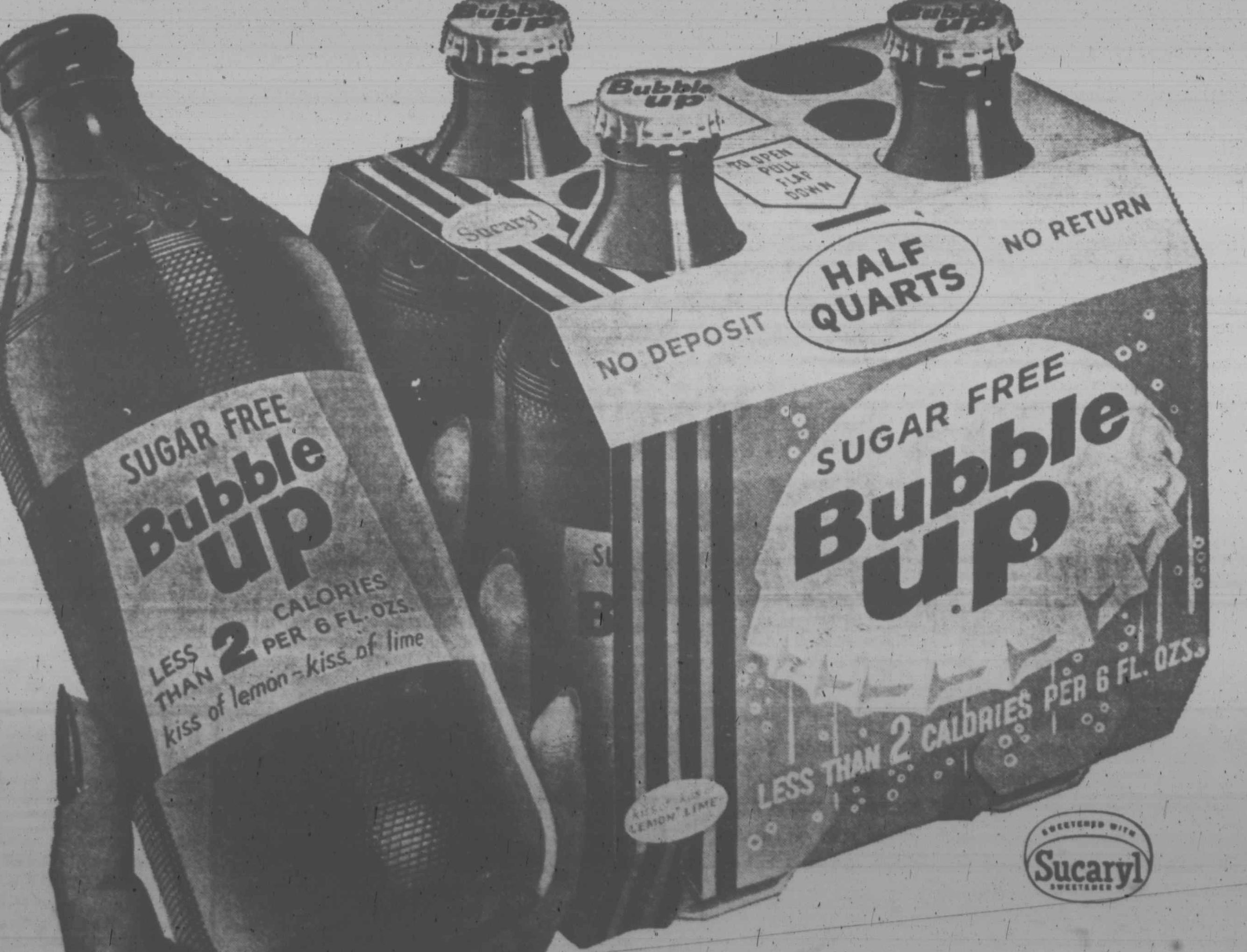

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