

Negro Asks Rotarians Take Lead To End Race Discrimination In Clubs

Ottawa — A Negro appealed to the Ottawa Rotary Club to take the lead in a campaign to end discrimination a-

gainst Negroes in clubs and community organizations.

George F. McCurdy, an official of the federal labor department's fair employment practices branch, said racial and religious discrimination is practiced in Canada "with more politeness or subtlety" than in other parts of the world.

"It is bad enough of an individual has racist attitudes," he said. "But when such attitudes are institutionalized in country clubs, luncheon clubs and business clubs a new dimension of poison is added to the mainstream of Canadian life."

He said one well-known international club, which he did not identify, requires applicants to sign a form stating they are of "the Caucasian, white race and not married to one of another race."

An international sorority with a head office at Kansas

munities of the cities.

Lecturers dealt with the "Possibilities of Urban Ministries," "Politics of Decolonization," "Black Man in Politics," Federal Programs, Generation Gap, Poverty, Violence in the Life of the nation, and the whole question of Black Power.

The Dr. Ralph David Abernathy, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference describes the ministers in attendance as "Prophets of Protest" whose task it is to interpret God's will and make the church relevant in the life of modern man.

Ministers Meet At Annual Seminar

Atlanta, Georgia — At the American Baptist Assembly in Green Lake, Wisconsin, one hundred seventy-five Black pastors from the fifteen largest cities in the United States met in the annual seminar of the Ministers Leadership Training Program of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference of which the Dr. Ralph David Abernathy is president.

The Rev. T. Y. Rogers, Jr., graduate of Crozer Theological Seminary in 1960 and with experience in both urban and southern pastorates, describes the Ministers Leadership Training Program as designed to re-define the theology of the Black Church, structure positive programs in Black Churches, alleviate the problems in the ghetto and to develop the kind of Black pastor who will carry on the work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and ultimately "Redeem the Soul of America."

The major emphasis of the workshops and addresses were urban problems especially as they relate to the Black com-

City, Mo., discouraged Negro members in parts of the U.S., Indians in parts of Canada and French-Canadians in Quebec.

A 1965 study of Negroes at Windsor, Ont., showed that nine of the city's 15 major industries had never employed a Negro and not a single golf club in Essex County accepted Negroes to full membership. Two private clubs also outlawed Jewish mem-

bers.

Mr. McCurdy, a 48 year old former union research director born at Amherstburg, Ont., said too many Canadians associate racial injustices with the U.S., or some other far-off place.

Few realized how Negroes "are hurt and humiliated daily by the little things done unconsciously, the subtle and intentional insults, the unconscious slights."

"You must recognize the crushing effect of treatment as a non-person."

Mr. McCurdy said Rotary International should accept a mandate to change the social realities of race.

"I would prevail upon you to declare an open door policy on a national and international level and engage in a program of active recruitment to prove the validity of such a policy."

Negro Debutantes Take Their Bows At Ball In Toronto

Toronto — Sixteen excited debutantes waited an extra 90 minutes before making their bows at the first Cotillion ball given in Toronto by Negroes.

The girls had been rehearsing for the occasion since last August and it was a wonder that the deb's in their white dresses weren't a total

wreck by the time they made their curtsies to prominent Canadian Negroes.

The were scheduled to begin curtsying at 9.15 but unfortunately there was a delay and they waited patiently in a backroom with their escorts while the band played and the guests danced.

The Cotillion was sponsor-

ed by the Canadian Ebonite Association and proceeds will be used to carry on the organizations youth program.

"We want to encourage our young people to stay in school and go on to university," said Mrs. M. J. Searles, president.

Like all debutante balls the purpose was to introduce girls of prominent families to society. The girls made their curtsies to Canada's first Negro MP, Lincoln Alexander, Conservative from Hamilton, first Negro MPP, Leonard Braithwaite, Liberal from Etobicoke, and Dr. Shirley Murray who specializes in nuclear medicine at Toronto General Hospital.

Ferguson Jenkins Cubs' Pitching Ace With Globetrotters

Pitcher Ferguson Jenkins, the Chicago Cubs' brilliant 20-game winner, will play with the Harlem Globetrotters when the basketball magicians appeared at the London Gardens this month.

George Gillett, president-general manager of the Trotters, said the six-foot five-inch right hander will play a number of games, many in his native Canada, and also do some advance publicity work. He was in a similar role last season with the hoop aces.

The cage sport is not new to the 24-year-old Jenkins. He starred on the Chatham (Ontario) Vocational High School team, two-time winners of district titles.

Fergie finished the 1968 baseball season with a 20-15 record. His strong finish, winning 12 games in the second half of the campaign, helped the Cubs finish third in the National League race.

He also had the distinction of being the only pitcher in the league to win 20 games in each of the last two seasons.

In addition, he was the first Cub to have two success-

ive 20-game victory seasons since Lon Warneke in 1934 and 1935.

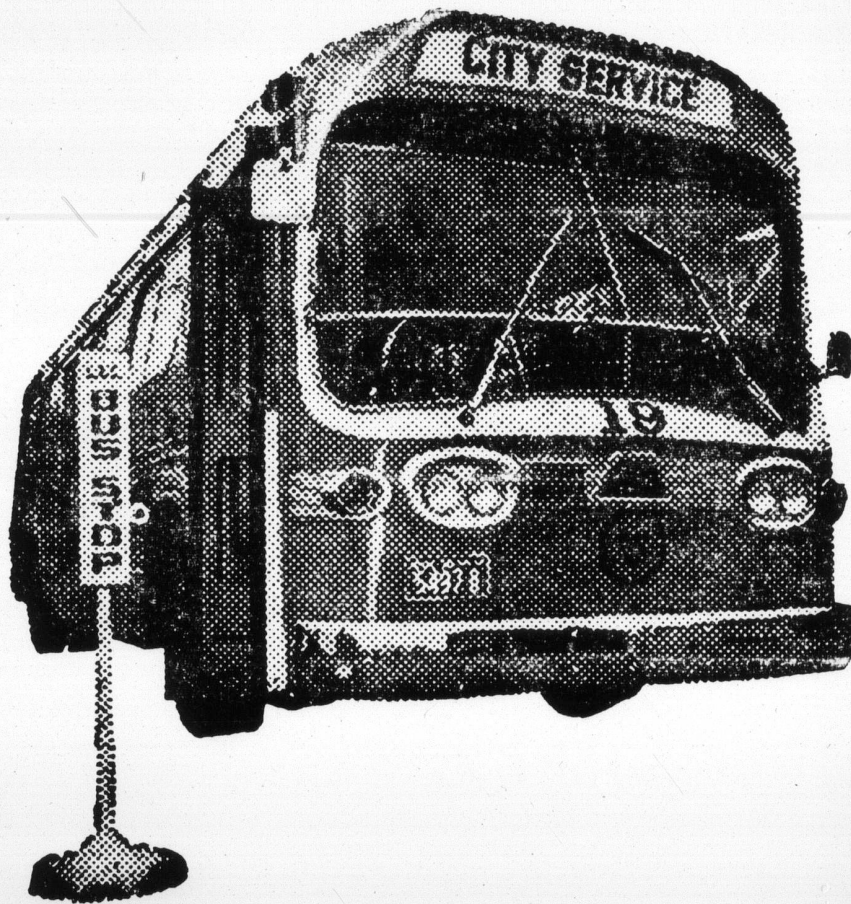
After a frustrating first part of the campaign, it took great determination for Fergie to achieve the "charmed circle" last season. He lost five 1-0 decisions to equal a major league record. In another game, he was lifted for a pinch-hitter in the 10th inning of a scoreless duel and was not the pitcher of record.

"He should have won 25 games," said his manager, Leo Durocher.

Jenkins had a brilliant 2.63 earned run average, bettering his 2.80 of 1967.

He finished the campaign with 260 strikeouts, breaking the cub record of 236 he set last year and second to Bob Gibson's league-leading 268. Jenkins also made 40 starts to equal the cubs all-time mark set in 1920 by Glover Cleveland Alexander.

Last year, Fergie was named Canada's top male athlete winning over hockey star Bobby Hull, first place winner the previous two years.



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