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## Jamaica Church Needs "Brother"

MONTREAL. —(CP)— The Anglican Bishop of Jamaica said recently the church in Jamaica, largest of the West Indian Islands, needs "a big brother" such as Canada.

The Rev. P. W. Gibson said: "England does not fulfill such a concept. Out of about \$15,000 which comes from England to the West Indies, \$1,200 goes to Jamaica.

"This is despite the fact that the population of Jamaica is about half the aggregate of all the British West Indies."

### Official Faith

It was understandable, he told the annual synod of the Diocese of Montreal, because the Anglican church in Jamaica has its own diocese.

"Out of 1,500,000 population on the island, more than 350,000 are Anglican church members," Bishop Gibson said. "The official faith of Jamaica is that of the Church of England."

He said the church performs all the religious services at all state and official functions.

## GEORGIA MINISTER WARNS SOUTHERNERS ON RACE ISSUE.

New York, May 13 — A prominent Georgia minister today warned Southerners they are no longer thinking clearly on most fundamental issues because of their extreme sensitivity to the racial question.

This sensitivity, declared the Rev. Robert B. McNeill of Columbus, Ga., prevents Southerners from making judgements about fundamentals like freedom, democracy and justice on an absolute standard of right and wrong because of "the presence of people for whom he must always make an exception."

"The Southerner is acutely sensitive these days. He will accuse you of dragging in the race issue when you honestly meant no such implication."

"The issue is in every phase of his life — the kind of wage scale he will establish, to whom he will sell his merchandise, whom he will support for public office, where he buys his house, what he thinks about education, what preacher he will listen to . . . how far he will go in public welfare."

As a solution to the problem, Rev. McNeill offered a program of "creative contact" between the races in which Negroes would have representation on city councils, grand juries, school boards, medical societies, ministerial associations and other public agencies.

Such a program, he said in Look, would prevent the destructive contact between the races that some fear would occur with complete integration.

The clergyman predicted "there will be a breakthrough eventually" in the race problem, for "even a Southerner can't hold out forever against the irrefutable testimony of his own experience, especially as it is tempered with the relentless persuasion of the Bible."

## INTERRACIAL FAMILY FEATURED IN LOOK

New York — A white couple who unknowingly adopted a part Negro child and later decided to adopt a half-Caucasian, half-Japanese baby said today: "Who knows but that in ten years our kind of family may become fairly common?"

The interracial family is featured in an article "A Rare Lesson About Love" in the new issue of Look magazine.

The parents are Samuel and Katherine Roberts of Long Beach, California, where Roberts works as city finance officer.

After fourteen years of a childless marriage, the pair adopted three-week-old Kim. A few months later they realized that she was part Negro. As the parents faced up to the difficulties that they knew awaited them, they decided to give the child a brother and sister of mixed backgrounds.

They adopted Sammy, a Celtic-Norwegian-Spanish towhead and half-Caucasian, half-Japanese Mitzzy.

"In the end, the Robertses let their love for Kim resolve their fears."

### TO PARDON

How often we hear folks say: "I forgive them for what they did but I shall never be able to forget . . ." Then they might go into a vivid description of some incident that occurred, perhaps many years ago. They have indeed remembered, is this forgiveness?

How many people really do forgive? Forgiveness is taught as something to be practiced in all religions, but how many folks try to carry it out. Forgiveness not only helps the situation for the one being forgiven, but rather for the one doing the forgiving.

Forgiveness actually is an attitude of mind. The one place where each individual has complete jurisdiction is in his own mind. You can think what you choose to think. Your forgiving another person, then, has to do with your thoughts about that person. When you truly forgive, you restore a person to the place in your thoughts that he occupied before.

### IT'S ALL VERY WELL

It's all very well for us to talk about "thinking the good thoughts" . . . but it's another thing for all of us to do it when we feel mean, evil, grouchy and out of sorts. It's bad enough to try to throw hate and jealousy and just plain meanness out of the window when you're feeling good; but when you feel put upon, it's well nigh impossible. But God knew how it would be for us poor mortals, so He gives us A for effort, and He feels that even if you falter and fall by the wayside . . . if you started out to try to do what's right, He'll give you a measure of peace and contentment. It's so easy to act bad and think bad; and so hard to be good and do good. But when it happens, look how wonderful you feel!

## Presbyterian Church Licences Negro

KITCHENER, May — Neville Phillips, of St. Vincent, British West Indies, tonight became the first colored person licenced by the Presbyterian Church in Canada. The ceremony took place at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. Also licenced were student ministers, Leslie Barclay and Malcolm Summers, both of Kitchener.

The Presbyterian Church moderator, the Rt. Rev. Finlay G. Stewart of St. Andrew's conducted the service. Mr. Phillips will leave shortly to be minister of the Presbyterian Church, Killarney-Bellfield, Man. His parents now reside in Sydney, N.S.

Mr. Summers, formerly of St. Catharines, will be ordained at the Clarkson Church and Mr. Barclay will become minister of Avonton Presbyterian Church in St. Marys.

All three were graduated this week from Knox College, Toronto.

### BEN BRADDIX

Chicago — Ben (Little Daddy) Braddix, the most-talked-about child star in the country today, is featured in a recent issue of Ebony. Celebrities like Sophie Tucker have sung his praise and critics have called him "another Sammy Davis, Jr."

Little Daddy, like Sammy, started young, plays the drums, dances and sings popular tunes with the flair of an old pro. Dallas night club owner Jack Ruby, who manages the boy, predicts that Little Daddy will grow into the biggest thing in show business.

When the pin-sized star recently returned to Dallas from his triumphant tour of the East and Midwest, he found himself immersed in the middle of a bitter dispute. His mother, Mrs. Ollie Braddix Monroe, and grandmother Mrs. Mattie Braddix Nelson "fired" Ruby because they were not satisfied with his handling of their boy's earnings.

Ruby waved a contract at them that is supposed to give him the right to manage the boy until his 21st birthday. He told Ebony: "I'll not lose Little Daddy. I'll go to court!"

After the mother and grandmother fired Ruby they locked horns with each other over who was to care for Little Daddy. The mother said he was to live with her, but the grandmother told Ebony that the boy had lived with her since he was 2½ years old and as known no other home. The mother finally won out. She packed her son's belongings and took him home with her.

The mother said: "He will not be used as a financial end by anyone. The only thing I want is to protect my son's future."

Many veterans of show business are hoping that Little Daddy's future will not be doomed by the bickering that could take the lustre from this young star's performances.

## JAPAN-KOREA RECONCILIATION AT THE MRA ASIAN ASSEMBLY

Practical steps towards solving the grave problems which have kept Japan and Korea bitterly divided have emerged as one of the first fruits of the Asian Assembly for Moral Re-Armament held last month at Baguio, summer capital of the Philippines.

Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi of Japan announced on April 30 that he was ready to retract the contentious "Kubota statement" which caused the breakdown of the Japanese-Korean talks in 1953.

There are at present no diplomatic relations between the two countries and anti-Japanese feeling runs high in Korea.

"Mainichi," leading Tokyo daily, reported in a front-page story on May 1 that Kishi made his statement in answer to questions from Senator Shidzue Kato before the Upper House foreign relations committee.

Senator Kato referred to an article in the government newspaper: "The Korean Times," which gave a positive account of the speeches in Parliament by Korean leaders reporting on the Baguio Assembly. She also mentioned President Rhee's declaration of the need for a normal relationship.

### KARL GERHARD

Chicago — A celebrated Swedish producer-showman and his 12-year-old Negro daughter whom he adopted eight years ago, are featured in a recent issue of Ebony. Since the adoption, Karl Gerhard has been devoting most of his off-stage life to the rewarding task of making his daughter, Fatima, happy.

Gerhard adopted the youngster in Copenhagen, Denmark when the child was 4½ years old. Since that time they have toured the European continent many times and during their trips Fatima was provided with a tutor. This has resulted in her becoming one of the brightest students attending Stockholm's French school.

Gerhard was producing a show in Copenhagen when he first saw his daughter-to-be. Fatima had come to the theatre with her mother to try out for a skit calling for three small colored children. Gerhard took one look at the little girl and decided to hire her.

When he became better acquainted with her mother, he asked permission to invite Fatima to his home in Stockholm. There he treated the child like a member of his family. When the mother, a Danish seamstress whose Abyssinian husband had deserted her, found it difficult to give her children the care they needed, she suggested to Gerhard that he adopt Fatima. Without a moment's hesitation, he assumed the responsibility of parenthood.

The 55-year-old bachelor showered the youngster with luxuries and fatherly affection. He tells in Ebony how he found joy in seeing her change from a serious, defensive child "with her quills up", to a glowing young girl full of love and zest for living.

## First Negro Is Graduated In Class Of 88

CLINTON, Tenn., May 18 — (AP) Eighty-eight white senior students and Negro Bobby Cain received diplomas last night in quiet commencement exercises ending Clinton High School's first year of racial integration.

There was no disturbance of any sort and integration was not mentioned once during the 70-minute commencement ceremony.

The audience, which didn't begin to fill the high school gymnasium, did not applaud any of the seniors, individually or collectively. After all got their diplomas, the benediction was said and the graduates walked quietly from the gym to join family groups.

Clinton High School admitted 12 Negroes August 27 under orders from Federal Judge Robert L. Taylor. The order climaxed five years' litigation. Admittance of the 12 was followed by violence.

## DR. CHANNING H. TOBIAS RECEIVES LANE BRYANT CITATION

Dr. Channing H. Tobias, chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, has received a citation from the Lane Bryant Annual Awards for his volunteer service in improving the social, economic, civic and spiritual well-being of the world community. Tobias has been nominated for a Lane Bryant Annual Award by Thurgood Marshall for his unselfish contributions to the security and welfare of human beings and for his devoted and effective efforts to advance democratic government in America and in the world.

In a statement about Dr. Tobias, Marshall said, "He has used successfully his membership on college boards, religious and civic bodies in non-remunerative services over a period of 50 years."

Tobias instigated a study of juvenile delinquency by the YMCA, YWCA and government. He projected a 10 year-10 million dollar program to end racial discrimination, group tensions, segregation and unchristian acts directed towards minority peoples in America. He is a member of President Eisenhower's Committee on Civil Rights and a member of the United States delegation to the United Nations. His contacts with officials and peoples in Liberia, Sierra Leone, Nigeria, Belgian Congo, Gold Coast and India have been in the interest of international goodwill, peace and understanding.

The Awards Committee consists of: Dean John E.E. Drewry of the University of Georgia's journalism school, Senator John F. Kennedy of Massachusetts, Mayor deLesseps S. Morrison of New Orleans, Director Charles Munch of the Boston Symphony Orchestra and Columnish Orville Prescott of The New York Times.

All nominations are screened by the Bureau of Applied Social Research at Columbia University under the supervision of Dr. Robert K. Merton.