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Inter-Church Council At Emanuel Church

On Thursday evening, March 15th the ladies of Bethemanuel were the hosts of the Inter-Church Council women of the various churches, under the leadership of their president, Mrs. J. H. Childs. Rev. B. A. Geard welcomed members to the Church. Mrs. J. A. Coursey, president of the Missionary Society of Bethemanuel Church, also expressed the pleasure of having the opportunity of welcoming the Council of Women.

Mrs. G. A. Wheable, past president of Middlesex Presbyterian W. M.S., United Church of Canada, gave a wonderful address on "The Path of Peace." We must test Christian democracy by our actions. Three-quarters of the people of the world have not had our privileges, and we must share with them our abundance of food, clothing, educational and medical facilities, also love and understanding to all men as taught by Jesus Christ, the path to peace.

Mrs. Wheable also spoke briefly on her trip to the United Nations, and the various discussions.

Mayor Alan Rush was among the guests and brought greetings from the city. Mrs. A. W. Demerling conducted the devotional exercises, assisted by Mrs. J. W. Jeffery. The Gospel Choir sang beautiful spirituals, "My Lord and I" and "When I Come to the end of My Journey" under the leadership of Mr. J. Brooks.

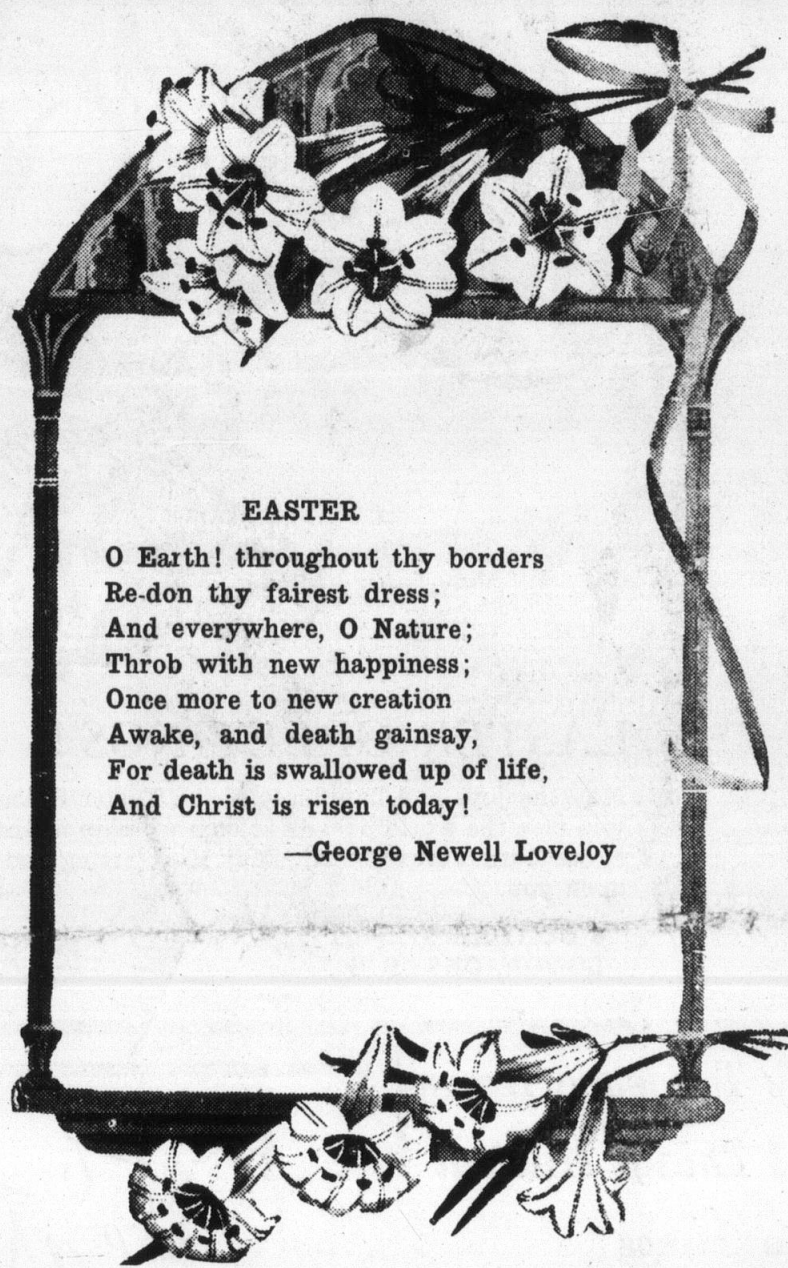
Thanks to the speaker was expressed by Mrs. R. A. Bingle and to the church, choir and Missionary Society by Mrs. G. W. Moore.

Tea was served in the Sunday School room under the direction of Mrs. F. Howson. The table was beautifully draped with a hand cut-work cloth and silver service. The centre-piece was made up with beautiful spring flowers of pink tulips, snapdragons and daffodils and quilted leaves in silver. Mrs. Wm. Berry and Mrs. F. Kelly poured tea. The collection which was dedicated by Dr. G. W. Moore, president of the London Council of Churches, will be given to the local branch of the United Nations Society. Mrs. F. Howson replied to the expression of appreciation.

NAACP AGAIN URGES SUPPORT OF GRAIN-FOR-INDIA PROGRAM

Washington, March — A plea for full support of the grain-for-India program was made here last week by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People at a hearing before the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

Clarence Mitchell, director of the NAACP Washington Bureau, told the Committee that the Association's interest in the plight of the people of India was greatly stimulated by reports made by NAACP Secretary Walter White following his visit to India last year. Mr. White reported that the threat of famine gravely endangers the success of Prime Minister Nehru's "desperate fight against Communism."



EASTER

O Earth! throughout thy borders
Re-don thy fairest dress;
And everywhere, O Nature;
Throb with new happiness;
Once more to new creation
Awake, and death gainsay,
For death is swallowed up of life,
And Christ is risen today!

—George Newell Lovejoy

COAST GROUP PRESENTS \$5,225 TO MARSHALL FOR GI DEFENSE

Oakland, Calif., March — The citizens of the San Francisco Bay Area this week concretely demonstrated their support of the NAACP investigation of discrimination against Negro servicemen by presenting a check for \$5,225 to Thurgood Marshall, special counsel of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, to help defray the expense of his recent trip to Japan and Korea.

The presentation was made Sunday afternoon before 5,000 persons at the packed Oakland Auditorium Arena, where Mr. Marshall reported the findings of his on-the-scene investigation. With the check, the NAACP attorney was given an eight foot scroll listing the more than three thousand persons who had made contributions through the Bay Area NAACP-G.I. Assistance Committee, organized by Regional Director Franklin H. Williams.

Mr. Marshall also addressed 1,000 persons in San Francisco, 3,000 in Kansas City, and approximately 2,500 in Chicago before his return to New York. In each of these places, the overflow audiences made contributions for the defense of the G.I.s involved in court martial cases. In the meantime, the NAACP national office reported a total of \$3,116.92 for this fund, from other sources.

MINNESOTANS DEMAND ARMY END RACE BIAS

Washington, March 1 — Walter White, executive secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, joined with an NAACP delegation from Minnesota headed by Jonas Schwartz in protesting today to Secretary of the Army Frank Pace against the Army's policy of segregating Negro and white servicemen.

Participating in the conference with Secretary Pace and supporting the NAACP's position was Senator Herbert Humphrey of Minnesota. The group met with the Secretary and members of his staff including Major General Miles Reber, General Lawton Collins, chief of staff, and Earl Johnson, an assistant to Secretary Pace.

After relating the experiences of young men from Minnesota who were discriminated against and segregated at Camp Rucker, Ala.; Camp Atterbury, Ind.; and Camp Leonard Wood, Mo., the delegation told the army chiefs that it was about time they did something to eliminate this practice. General Collins agreed to the elimination of racial designations from travel orders and to take other steps to meet the complaints of the delegation. Senator Humphrey stated that he would not support a universal military training program which would continue segregation in army life.

The Resurrection Of Jesus Christ

We rejoice on this glad Easter morning because Jesus Christ is risen from the dead. The heart of the early Church message was the victory of Christ over sin and death.

Matthew here gives us several bright glimpses into the wonderful scene of Christ's resurrection, power and glory.

"In the end of the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre." St. Matthew 28: 1.

First, we see the Interested Women drawn by the power of love, ("very early in the morning"; properly, at the very appearing of daybreak). John says (20: 1) "When it was yet dark."

It was united, anxious, devoted love, the true mark of earnest seeking souls. Not an hour, it would seem, was lost by those lovers of the Lord Jesus.

Imagine their surprise in finding the tomb empty. But their case wasn't hopeless; they had seen the Illustrious Visitor; "The Angel of the Lord" descended. The special form in which God manifested Himself to man, and hence, Christ's visible form before the Incarnation: "His countenance was like lightning." And there appeared a shining, mighty, overpowering light from heaven: this mighty power opened the grave, scattered the darkness and brought the light of hope to every true believer.

Secondly, there is the Invitation to the Seekers: "Come, see the place where the Lord lay." The power of life is brought out in the statement: "He is not here, He is risen." (As He said).

"Come, see the place" — the place — this is the place of instruction, comfort, hope and life; it is the greatest evidence of Christ's mighty power. The power of His resurrection, the power of His endless life. "That I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death." (Phil. 3:10).

The Instruction to the disciples on that glorious morn was, "Go quickly and tell." The power of liberty, "Go tell." This is the right and privilege of every saved soul to go forth and tell of a risen, living, loving Saviour, who has conquered every foe, overcome death and lives to save to the uttermost.

Finally, we see the Power of our Leader: "And as they went to tell His disciples, behold, Jesus met them." With a salutation of love, with the cheer of hope and with the assurance of His presence. Jesus always meets those who are in the path of duty and service. He gives inspiration for service, power for labor. The great inspiration for Christian service; is the Person, Peace and Power of the Risen Christ.

"All power is given unto me . . . Go ye therefore," "I am with you

Marshall Blames J.C. Army For Injustices

New York, March — All of the instances of injustice in courts martial and other discrimination against Negro troops can be attributed to the continuing segregation policy of the United States Army, Thurgood Marshall, special counsel of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, declared at a press conference here today on his return from six weeks in Japan and Korea.

"There is no evidence of courts martial of any unusual number in any mixed unit of any branch of the service," Mr. Marshall asserted, "and there never has been. Segregation is the cause of low morale and the singling out of Negro troops for this kind of unfair treatment, and we will continue to have this problem as long as segregation is maintained."

Mr. Marshall released figures which show that thirty-two Negro GIs in the 25th Division were convicted of violation of the 75th Article of War (misbehavior before the enemy), receiving sentences ranging from death and life imprisonment to five years; whereas only two white soldiers were convicted, receiving one five-year and one three-year sentence. Twenty of the sentences have already been drastically reduced, following action by the NAACP.

In almost every instance, defense counsel for these GIs did not have adequate time to prepare their cases. The NAACP attorney asserted, noting that most of the lawyers talked to their clients for about fifteen or twenty minutes before the trial. In most cases the men were rushed from foxholes to the courts martial and were given no real choice of counsel.

While General MacArthur cannot be held responsible for the courts martial (which are conducted under the jurisdiction of the 25th Division) Mr. Marshall said, he does bear responsibility for their cause — the maintenance of segregation under his command. Mr. Marshall contrasted Army General Headquarters in Tokyo—where there are no Negroes on the staff, in the honor guard, or even in the band—with the headquarters of the Air Force in the same city, where complete integration exists. Informed by Major General Doyle O. Hickey, chief of staff, that General MacArthur is "aware" of this discrimination and is working on the problem, the NAACP attorney pointed out that the Air Force "Needed only one day to work on the problem," abolishing segregation with one sweeping order. Mr. Marshall will discuss his findings with Secretary of the Army Frank Pace, Jr., in Washington next week and will suggest to the Judge Advocate General's office procedure for assuring time to prepare defense in courts martial.

always."

What a help a living Lord is to us all.

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