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It has been truthfully said: "Our church is our home." When friends or relatives arrive from out of town over a week end we oftentimes whisk them off to church, not because of any deep religious convictions or feeling that our friends need to be preached too, but because we know that we will find our local friends there and plans for after church entertainment will follow.

This coupled with the feeling that we are glad we have a church of our own to go to, and it is ours to keep up, makes it the duty of every member of the race to contribute to the support of B.M.E. Church of Lon-
don, whether you attend or not. Some day you or yours may have to call on the pastor or members in your hour of need. So long, see y-u in Church.

Mr. Ross Jenkins and his sister Marion are taking an active part in a play "You Can't Take It With You", directed by Mr. Walter Dixon. The play will be given in the Grand Theatre the week of the 29th. In recent years Ray and Fred had the honour to play under Mr. Dixon in Penrod and Sam.

The young people are planning to present a play sometime in May, Norman McKinnel's "The Bishop's Candlesticks." This is the first attempt of the young people to venture in the field of dramatics. The cast consists of Beverley Johnson, George Ratteray, Loraine Fountain, Marion Jenkins, Frank Aylstock, Donald Jenkins. The cast, under the direction of Don Jenkins, is striving for perfection, to prove to themselves and to others, their ability to act. This play closes the Young People's Society for the season.

Your attendance is necessary to encourage these young people that they may re-open in the fall with a determination to carry on as a Young People of the church, proving their confidence to participate in new and untried things.

Watch for the ticket sale and give it your full response.

MARIAN ANDERSON SINGS

Hyde Park, April 12—It was indeed a great pleasure to hear the lovely voice of Marian Anderson as she sang the American National Anthem at Hyde Park during the anniversary services for the death of the Late President Roosevelt.

The home of the late president was presented to the American people as a shrine in his memory by Mrs. Roosevelt.

VIRGINIA "JIM-CROW" LAW ARGUED BEFORE SUPREME COURT: DECISION PENDING.

Washington, D.C., March 27—Virginia's Jim-Crow bus law requiring segregation of Negro passengers from white was challenged in the U.S. Supreme Court by Irene Morgan. Miss Morgan was fined \$10 in the Virginia Courts for refusing to change to a Jim-Crow seat on a bus of the Richmond Greyhound Lines, Inc. Representing Miss Morgan were Thurgood Marshall, NAACP Special Counsel, and William H. Hastie, recently nominated as Governor of the Virgin Islands. State Attorney General Abram P. Staples represented the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Attorney General Staples maintained before the court that Virginia's "Jim-Crow" law recognizes human

nature" and is designed to protect the safety of the public. "Let's not deceive ourselves by idealistic or wishful thinking. Virginia is confronted by a reality. Laws cannot alter human nature or race antagonism. Our government must be based on a recognition that they still exist," he declared. Continuing Staples contended that there is nothing unconstitutional in his state's statute requiring rigid separation along racial lines.

Thurgood Marshall presenting the facts to the court argued that due to the element of interstate travel involved the federal government alone was in a position to pass governing laws. Attorney Hastie presented a cool rejection of the principles of racial distinctions in a manner termed "brilliant" by a listening official, said the law conflicts with national policy. Both laws of Congress and previous decisions of the Supreme Court "make it clear that national policy is opposed to racial distinctions.



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