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Composer Is Chosen

CHICAGO — William Christopher Handy, who fought blindness and poverty to become an outstanding composer of blues and spirituals, has become the fourteenth outstanding American Negro to be elected to the EBONY Hall of Fame.

Handy, "whose songs will be sung and played by choristers and jazz trumpets as long as there is a place in the world for deeply felt music," is the fourth person elected. On the EBONY magazine's tenth anniversary the editors named ten distinguished Negroes.

Composer of the world-famous "St. Louis Blues," Handy made a major contribution to the establishment of the blues as America's only cultural export.

Other outstanding members of the Hall of Fame, individuals whose contributions to the progress and achievement of the Negro in American life were outstanding include: Mary McLeod Bethune, Dr. George Washington Carver, Walter Francis White, Booker T. Washington, Dr. Daniel Hale Williams, Harriet Tubman, Frederick Douglass, Benjamin Banneker, Sojourner Truth, Crispus Attucks, Madame C. J. Walker, Dr. Charles Spurgeon Johnson, and Carter G. Woodson.

BLESS OUR CHURCH

Bless our church at Easter, Lord:
Help us understand Thy Word:
Bless the pastor, choir, too;
They are working, Lord, for you.

Bless the sermon that it may
Enter many hearts today,
Bless the congregation who
Sit with reverence in each pew.

Send our songs of praise up high
Telling all the world just why
We celebrate this Easter Day—
Help us all to live Thy way.

—Grayce Krogh Boller



JOHNNY UNITAS

Johnny Unitas, presented the Jim Thorpe Trophy to Jim Brown, elected by the players as the best player in the National Football League. The Cleveland fullback set a new record for rushing the ball. Unitas, the Baltimore quarterback, was last year's winner.



The 109th anniversary of Beth Emanuel Church, 424 Grey street, was celebrated with a special afternoon service. Here, left to right are: Rev. E. A. Richardson, church pastor; Rev. John Fleck, president of the London Council of Churches; Rev. I. H. Edwards, general superintendent of the British Methodist Episcopal Church, Windsor, guest speaker; and Alderman Albert Plumb, representing the City Council and the Mayor.

Haiti Fearing War Asks American Help

(Editor's Note: Frank H. Bartholomew, president of United Press International, is in the Caribbean area making a study of the new cold war developing there. In an interview, Haitian President Francois Duvalier told Bartholomew the Caribbean situation is "explosive," a statement borne out by events in Cuba where Bartholomew found Haitian expatriates planning a revolutionary invasion attempt against Duvalier.)

By F. H. BARTHOLOMEW

By United Press International
PORT AU PRINCE, Haiti—"The Caribbean today is an extremely explosive area," the president of this small nation which is striving to avoid entrapment as a battleground between two larger neighbors told United Press International.

Francois Duvalier, the grave and thoughtful medical doctor who heads the Republic of Haiti said he believes the situation is such that "the United States should take immediate steps to assume full responsibility for maintenance of peace in the Caribbean area."

The doctor gazed through the glass louvered windows of the nation's White House on a hillside out over Port Au Prince Harbor toward Cuba on the distant horizon as he spoke.

Meantime in Cuba, former Sen. Louis Dejoie is heading a movement of other Haitian expatriates for a revolutionary invasion attempt against Haiti which he told United Press International will be made within 30 days.

Dejoie, a defeated candidate in the last Haitian presidential election, has a bodyguard of two "barbudos," riflemen from Premier Fidel Castro's Cuban revolutionary army.

Castro has not included Haiti in the Caribbean countries where his government had pledged to assist in overthrowing asserted dictatorships. However, Castro has stated his positive intention to aid in an attempt to unhorse President Hector B. Trujillo of the Dominican Republic, on

the same island as Haiti which stands between Trujillo and Cuba.

"Our concern at the moment is the possibility Trujillo may move first in an attempt to block us before we are ready," Dejoie told the United Press International in Cuba. "Before we move we want to make clear our demand for United Nations supervision of Haitian elections."

Dr. Duvalier, a quiet-voiced, neatly dressed man with a greying crewcut and hornrimmed glasses, addressed his fellow presidents of Caribbean nations:

"It's time for every leader to think in terms of civilization rather than wars and invasions."

"The important battle should not be against one another but against illiteracy, poverty and disease," he said. "It is unfortunate that leaders continue to think in terms of stringing up trouble for personal aggrandizement rather than concentrating the time, effort and expenditures toward improving the standard of living of the common man."

"It is impossible to overlook the remarkable progress of the people of Jamaica and Puerto Rico whose political destinies are stabilized by larger countries."

"A new era of peace and prosperity can come not only to the Caribbean nations but to the entire hemisphere if the United States under the terms of the Caracas Convention of 1954 accepts the responsibility for the maintenance of international peace according to its leadership of the Western Hemisphere."

Otherwise, President Duvalier said, Haiti is prepared to defend itself with its regular army of 5,000 well-trained troops and armed civilians numbering more than 8,000.

Dr. G. A. Leitchliter, author of this article which appeared in The Canadian Baptist, is secretary of the Florida Baptist Foundation. He is a former pastor of Adelaide Street Baptist Church here and later of College Street Baptist Church, Toronto.

Situation in Africa Reviewed at Glance

MONROVIA, Liberia — Liberian President William V.S. Tubman was unanimously nominated for a fourth term recently by delegates attending the National True Whig Party Convention here.

NEW DELHI, India — Mrs. Indira Gandhi, 41-year-old daughter of India's Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, was unanimously elected president of her father's ruling Indian National Congress party last week.

DAKAR, Senegal — Eight French possessions in French Equatorial and West Africa have begun actions to form two federations of states as a stepping stone to African unity.

MBABANE, Swaziland, South Africa — Dr. John J. Nkuku, publisher of the monthly Swazilander, said recently that the African has been "greatly disappointed by the inhumanity and hypocrisy of the co-called Christian nations."

SALISBURY, Southern Rhodesia — A boycott of stores owned by Africans, who refuse to support the African National Congress, was carried on last week by 300 African women.

ACCRA, Ghana — Water is on rations for the approximately 250,000 persons in the capital city of Ghana and may continue for some time because of the drought which encompasses the surrounding area.

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. — Through a UN mission has reported that the 760,000 people in the northern British Cameroons want the territory to join Nigeria when it achieves independence in 1960, the southern portion is holding out for independence or eventual union with neighboring French Cameroons.

MONROVIA — The Government of Liberia has formally proposed the establishment of a permanent "Associated States of Africa," which would include independent states and colonies with a fixed date of independence.

NAIROBI, Kenya — Rawson Kenyatta, is currently facing charges of swearing to a false affidavit in the chief prosecution witness in the 1952 trial of Mau Mau leader Jomo Kenyatta trial.

LONDON, England — Oxford University has followed the lead of six African universities in protesting the Verwoerd regime's decision to extend a apartheid (segregation) to the Universities of Capetown and Witwatersrand.

IBADAN, Nigeria — Progress being made by Ohio State University educators working on the joint university-ICA-Western Nigerian region government teacher training project, was recently inspected by two Ohio State University officials.

KHARTOUM, Sudan — Two Sudanese labor leaders, whose names were withheld, have been sentenced to five years in prison for "illegal meetings and consorting with Communists."

CAPETOWN, South Africa — Peter Jansen Van Vuuren, 46-year-old white ex-railroad employee, was stripped of his rights and privileges as a white man by a magistrate's court last week for "cohabitating with a colored woman" and desiring to "be on the colored side from now onward."

LEOPOLDVILLE, Belgian Congo — Native troops last week began arresting non-residents and sending them back to their native villages as part of a government-supervised clean-up campaign.

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — What has been described as the richest gold strike in the history of South African mining was reported last week by the Free State Guldud Mining company.

KAMPALA, Buganda — The new Buganda Lukiko (parliament) reaffirmed last week by an overwhelming majority, the decision to ask Queen Elizabeth to terminate Britain's protectorate over the kingdom.

CAPETOWN, South Africa — The newest of plans for all-out implementation of apartheid in the Union of South Africa was announced last week by M.D. de Wat Nel, minister of Bantu administration and development.

LAGOS, Nigeria — The Eastern Nigerian government has announced a five-year \$206 million plan for the development of health services in the region.

IWO, Nigeria — A program to wipe out illiteracy in the Western region of Nigeria within the next 5-10 years, has been launched by the minister of health and social welfare.

Youth Governor Is Colored Boy

PRINCETON, N. J. — For the first time in history, a colored youth is "Youth Governor" of New Jersey in the state's Model Legislature program.

Theodore T. Grove, Jr., 17, a senior at Camden high school, beat three other youths in pre-legislative elections on the Princeton University campus for the governor's post. He said that the three defeated candidates would serve in his Cabinet.

Althea Gibson Off On Tour

NEW YORK — Althea Gibson left here Saturday on a goodwill tour of five Latin-American republics, under sponsorship of the State Department.

The Wimbledon and American women's tennis champion will spend three weeks visiting Guatemala, Colombia, Chile, Venezuela and Haiti under the auspices of the department's cultural exchange program.



MISS PORTIA WHITE

Miss Portia White, concert soloist from Toronto, Ont., was guest soloist during Brotherhood Week held in the city.

To achieve success one must make an attempt.