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No Color Bar Here In School

No person has ever been refused employment with the Board of Education because of color, Dr. A. B. Lucas told the board recently.

Answers Questions

"I can say categorically no," the director of education said in answer to a question by C. C. Carrothers, QC, vice-chairman for 1960.

Mr. Carrothers cited a "letter to the editor" which appeared recently in The Free Press, charging that one applicant had been turned down on racial grounds.

One colored person has been on the secondary school staff since September, Dr. Lucas said.

"In the 21 years I've been here only four have applied," he added. "Two just could not compete with other applicants in training and experience, the third applied for a position which we did not have, and the fourth has been on our staff this term."

Porgy & Bess Starts Actor Brock Peters

NEW YORK — "Porgy and Bess" has been just what the doctor ordered, in my particular case." So spoke Brock Peters, who plays the mean tough role of Crown in Samuel Goldwyn's screen version of this internationally famous folk opera, just before he took off for California for a television role with Gardner McKay.

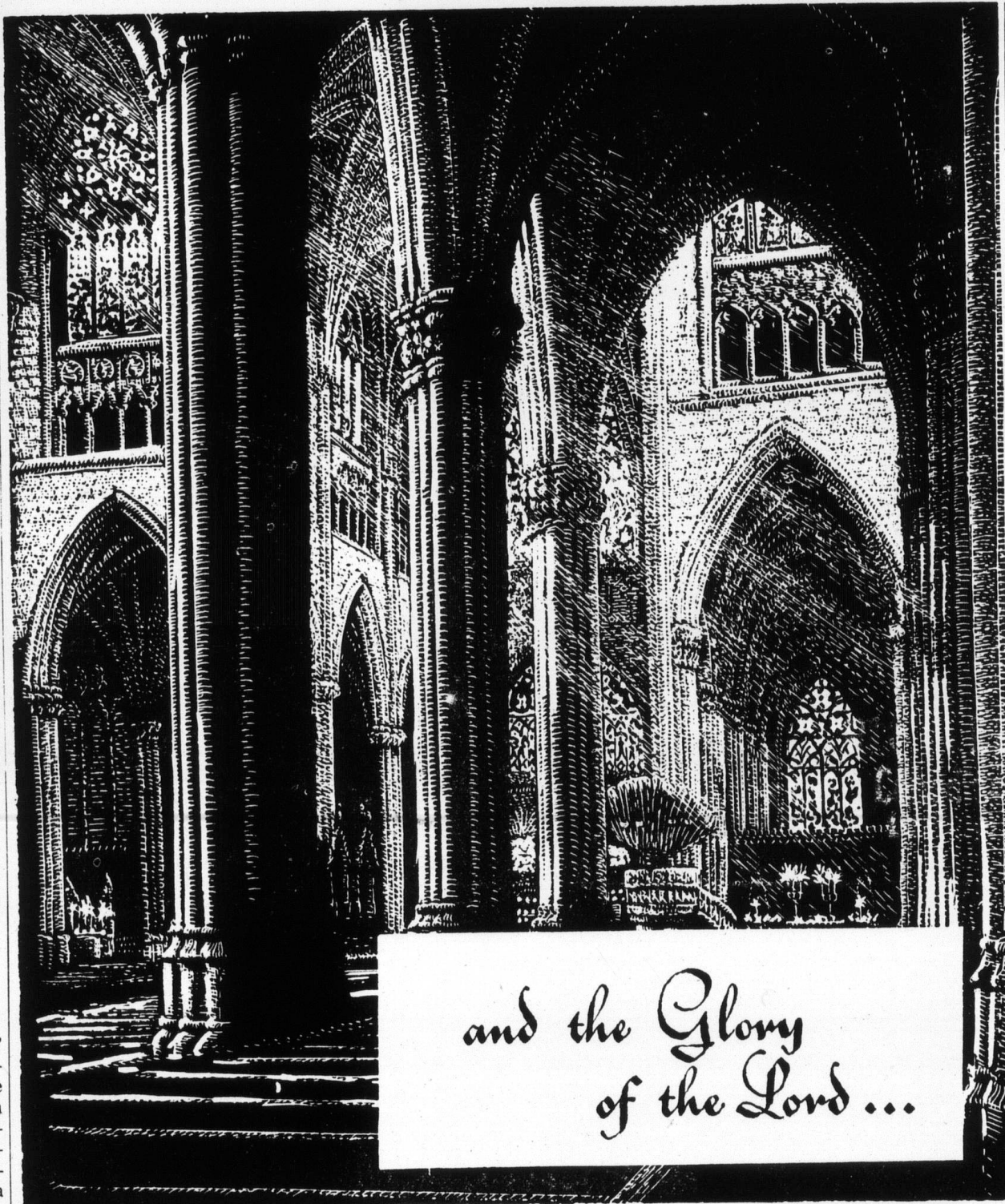
One of the most talented actor-singers hereabouts, Brock has been an unknown quantity for more years than you think possible for one so well versed. On several occasions, it appeared that he was ready to take off for spotlighted horizons. He seemed closer to it when he appeared as the tough sergeant in "Carmen Jones." That was the first time he had an opportunity to make unrequited love to Dorothy Dandridge.

However, as fate would have it Lady Luck did not tap him on the shoulder. Even the recordings he made for the Columbia wax works did not melt any hearts despite favorable approval from spinner critics. So, when he was tagged for the role of Crown in Goldwyn's eight million dollar picture, he thought it nothing more than a free trip to Hollywood. He bought a round trip ticket because he was sure that they would see him but they would not be conquered and that he would be back in New York traveling the agency route.

WILL ADMIT NEGRO

GALAX, Va. — School officials announced Monday that they would comply with a Federal Court Order to admit a Negro girl to all-white Galax High School with the start of the second semester, Jan. 19.

A good secretary is one who can keep up with her boss when he's dictating and ahead of him when he's not.



and the Glory
of the Lord ...

Christmas belongs to everyone, regardless of faith. It is an expression of all that is peaceful and happy in the human heart. It tells a tale of faith and hope, generosity and good will. MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Jesse Turner Heavyweight

ST. LOIS, Mo. — Jesse Turner, 29, a one-time opponent of former heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson and who fought some of the best in boxing, died here last week of a kidney infection. He had entered City Hospital 10 days previously.

Turner apparently died comparatively broke, although he must have drawn good purses in his heyday.

In addition to Patterson, Turner fought Bobo Olson, a former middleweight champion; Holly Mims, top middleweight contender, and Pierre Langois, one-time topnotch challenger.

Turner, who had 62 official bouts, reached his peak in 1953 and '54.

He went the distance in an eight round bout with Floyd early in his career, but lost the decision. He didn't make much headway after that.

He is survived by his widow and six children.

Johansson Says He Will Meet Patterson in NYC

GOTEBORG, Sweden — Heavyweight champion Ingemar Johansson said Saturday he still wants to meet Floyd Patterson "first of any contender, but it simply has to be in New York."

Jim Farley Jr., of the New York State Athletic Commission, met with Johansson on a brief stop-over here and said he agrees on every point with the champion.

Farley, who flew into Goteborg en route home from a business trip to West Germany, also said Ingemar's purse from last summer's fight, in which he lifted the crown from Patterson, now totals about \$171,000 "and there is still more coming in from movie revenues."

The New York commission held up the purse pending completion of an inquiry into the promotion of a June bout at New York's Yankee Stadium. Farley said Johansson has not applied for the money, which the

commission says he can pick up any time.

After meeting with Johansson, Farley said "we have gone over the problems of the June fight. Ingemar wants to fight again, and I suppose something has to be done soon."

He added that the first step to clear the way for a return match would be to find a promoter. "So far," he said, "no one has applied to the commission for a promoter's license for the return match."

MISS ALTHEA GIBSON, the world's outstanding woman tennis player, last week signed a "near \$100,000" contract to make a professional cross-country tennis tour with Miss Karol Fageros of Miami in conjunction with the cross-country tour of the Harlem Globe Trotters basketball team owned by Abe Saperstein.

Fullback Selected All-Star

TORONTO. — Johnny Bright, 220-pound fullback with Edmonton Eskimos, was named the outstanding football player in Canada. The former Drake University star was selected by sports writers and broadcasters in the Big Four and Western Interprovincial Football Union cities.

Bright, the fourth Edmonton player to win the award since it was started in 1953, beat out quarterback Bernie Faloney of Hamilton Tiger-Cats who came to Canada in 1954



from the University of Maryland. The voting was conducted by a liquor company, Schenley.

Eastern players have won the award three times.

Quarterback Russ Jackson of Ottawa Rough Riders was chosen this year's outstanding Canadian player. Runner-up to him was Edmonton quarterback Don Getty.

Roger Nelson, 27-year-old tackle with the Eskimos and formerly with Oklahoma Sooners, won the award as the outstanding lineman. He won out over Hamilton's John Barrow, 23-year-old tackle from the University of Florida.

Bright received a \$1,000 Canada Savings Bond, the Schenley trophy a diamond tie bar and a plaque. Jackson and Nelson received \$500 bonds.

Charlie Neal Diamond Star

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — Second baseman Charlie Neal was honored as one of baseball's greats by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in a resolution introduced by Supervisor Kenneth Hahn on Wednesday.

The supervisor's resolution cited Neal's brilliant record with the Dodgers and pointed out that the National League players honored him with the 1959 Rawlings Gold Glove as the outstanding fielding second baseman in the National League.

"Charlie Neal was one of the great heroes of the 1959 World Series, leading both clubs in hits and the Dodgers in runs, doubles, runs batted in, and was instrumental in the Dodgers winning the world championship," Supervisor Hahn's resolution pointed out.