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LOS ANGELES — A near unbelievable tale of slavery and mental domination in which a Negro woman was held prisoner 29 years by a prominent New England family began to unfold here last week.

A direct violation of the 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, first case of its kind since 1900 was brought to light by FBI men who were tipped off as a result of a family feud.

The victim is Miss Dora L. Jones, 57, who knew the friendship of her "mistress" for 13 years, and who has been her captive since 1918. The offenders are Alfred Wesley Ingalls, former Massachusetts legislator and army officer, and his wife Mira E. Kimball Ingalls, who swung from the role of missionary teacher to that of slave mistress. Accused By U.S.

Arrested and booked in San Diego county jail at the request of Asst. U.S. Attorney William Ritzi, the Ingalls were released Tuesday on \$2,-500 bond each. They say the charge is "ridiculous," and will be "cleared up in due time."

Ritzi says he will seek true bills against the society couple before a federal grand jury this week. Meanwhile, Miss Jones, over whom Mrs. Ingalls exerted amazing mental influence, is being held as a material witness in protective custody in a private San Diego home.

The bizarre tale, sounding much like a "Dr. Horror" movie, was unfolded by FBI Agent William Mur-

Teacher, Pupil Become Friends

In 1904, Mrs. Ingalls, then single a missionary school teacher, took up a post at Athens, Ala. There she Toronto hall, rink, theatre or other day, with the congregations of two three years later, when Mrs. Ingalls left for Washington, she took the young woman with her as a maid.

In Washington, Mrs. Ingalls married an army officer, Walter Har-The marriage ended ten mon. years later in a divorce. About the same time her friendship with Miss Jones ended, although the circumstances are hazy.

A year later the divorcee wed In galls, and Miss Jones' long period of slavery began. Miss Jones re- ifornia, and while they were visit- is pastor of St. Paul's Baptist Church lance to Cologne Hospital, where she was forced to sleep in their automobile. She was prevented from dropped the charge when Miss Jones
churches paid tribute to his birthday back to Canada to Kingston Mili-Completely Cowed By Threats.

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Ingalls beat Miss Jones or not.

Last fall, the Ingalls drove to Cal- jail term and \$5,000 fine.



LOSE LICENCES IF ANY RACE, CREED BARRED

place of amusement which refuses churches assisting dmission to any one because of race, creed or color will be cancelled.

added Friday by the board of police is the father of 13 children, of whom commissioners to the by-law govern- he has outlived seven.

of slavery began. Miss Jones relationship of Conshohocken, one of the leading gangrene made necessary the ampuexcept trips with them, and then untary servitude complaint was Sunday, the combined congregashe was forced to sleep in their aut- lodged against them. Local police tions of the Galilee and St. Paul's

All during this time, she was kept indictment charging the Ingalls with longevity to faith in God, reading his pital and got married and settled at the possibility of being placed in an act. The conspiracy carries a max-policeman, and James F., of Norris-bell, using the stumps of his upper

Honour Ex-Slave

PHILADELPHIA - (A.N.P.) -TORONTO—The licence of any celebrated his 100th birthday Sunin the festivities Still in good health, being over six A special section to this effect was born a slave in Charlottesville, Va.,

ing the licensing of public places in Coming north in 1881, he settled in the year 1917 the 78th Grenadier in Conshohocken, near Philadelphia, Guards went over the top at Vimy the three members of the commis- was one of the founders of the Gal-

where he still is an active member.

latter church.

imum penalty of 10 years' imprison- town, in addition to three daughters, arms to turn the cards. He's a proud ises to be an important factor in the It was not learned whether the ment and \$5,000 fine. Depriving a Mrs. Mary V. Smith, Mrs. Effic family man, and glad he's a Caneral diagnosis of cancer. Once

RHAPSODIZES OVER HUSBAND

By Wessely Hicks

Hazel Scott, the 26-year-old pianist, who treats the classics and boogie school teachers throughout the colof the most audience-pleasing piano they may not engage in any other virtuosos of her time. Today she occupation or business, without perskipped lightly over Hazel Scott to mission of his department. talk at length of her congressman husband, Adam Powell III.

"Adam is the minister of the larghas a credit union which lends mon- been receiving. ey to church members at a very low way they save money."

-chief of the People's Voice," a Negro Unable To Live On Pay newspaper.

Apart from a community house the inability of leachers to live on and an old folks' home which are their salaries, a situation which run in conjunction with the church, forces them to seek other employ-Miss Scott says her husband has a ment. Although Hogben has been people's committee which works ac- pressed with constant demands for tively on community problems. "And pay increases, his new order made

pulpit and leads his people, just as grees from English universities are his father did when he founded the leaving the profession for more lucchurch, where Adam hs preached rative fields. for the last 10 years. A while ago Adam walked in a picket line on from \$30 to a top of \$160 for head

NO COLOR LINE AT VIMY TORONTO, - On Easter Monday

The new section was passed unan-eight years later, working as a coach-Ridge. By evening many were dead, imously without public comment by man for U.S. Rep. John Woods. He hundreds wounded. In a trench lay ilee Baptist Church of Roxborough, tered. He remained there a full day A son, the Rev. Marshall W. Lee, bearers. He was taken by ambutation of both arms and both legs. tary Hospital. He recovered; went U.S. Attorney Ritzi will seek an Deeply religious, Lee attributes his on living. In 1920 he left the hosof his handicap, he still plays crib- gists to whom the specimen is sub-

HALT TAKING EXTRA JOBS

TRINIDAD, BWI-(ANP) -Two thousand underpaid elementary woogie with equal facility, is first a ony were recently told by director of wife, second a mother, and third one education, Sidney J. Hogben, that

The order was included in a circular which also forbade elementary school teachers to instruct in private est Protestant church in the world." schools. The directive was issued she said. "His church on 138th St. following criticism of the preparahas more than 11,000 members. It tion elementary school students have

Every year, 700 Negro, Portuguese, rate of interest, and Adam is always East Indian and Chinese students aptelling people not to buy on credit ply for scholarships for higher edubut to borrow the money from the cation. In order to prepare their fund and then pay in cash. That children for the competitive grants, parents often engage public school Miss Scott says her husband's one teachers as private tutors. Parents fault is that he tends to overwork. unable to pay for supplementary "Last year," she said, ',he tried to do training have been complaining of three jobs. He was congressman, the preparation their children have minister of the church, and editor-in been receiving for the past five years.

Another phase of the problem is I have a women's action committee no provision for higher salaries. The which works with him," she said. inevitable has happened, and trained "He comes right down out of his personnel, many of them with de-

Average teacher pay here runs 125th St. The merchants along there teachers with 25 years' service. Wowouldn't employ Negroes, so Adam men do not always get the same salpicketed them. They hire Negroes ary as men in the same classifica. now. Adam wins victory after vic- tion. Hogben, who has seen fit to halt teachers in supplementing their salaries, drows a monthly wage of \$500, plus a travel allowance and a free house. He also gets \$60 monthly for censoring films. He is slated to explain his circular at a meeting of the Trinidad and Tobago Teachers' Union, soon.

MAIL TISSUE TO LABS IN FIGHT ON CANCER

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — A phase of the proposed Florida concer control program already developed by the State Board of Health, is the tissue mailing service.

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CONTENTMENT

To be content in body, mind and soul is one of the fireatest blessings which we poor mortals can possess. It comes as a result of a sound, healthy body; a body free from ailments and disease, wholesome living. It comes from having found our place in the world and from knowing that we are giving to the world the best that is in us to give; from a knowledge of the fact that we have developed to the fullest extent the best there is within us. Contentment comes as a result of having done well our portion of the world's work. Contentment of soul comes as a result of pure motives, right thinking, unselfish devotion to high ideals, faithfulness and loyalty to some religion and from looking upon all men equally as our rethren. Such a state is the common heritage o fall.

But there is another kind of content which is both false and misleading. There is the kind which comes as the result of inertia, as the result of a lack of energy to push forward and struggle for the best things in life. It is expressed in that oft-repeated saying, "let well enough alone."

I fear too many colored Canadians are affected with such contentment. In attempting to make economic and industrial conditions better for our boys and girls you will find many of our colored citizens who will exclaim, "What's the use of establishing colored business places." They are contented to help build big business enterprises for other races in which their sons and daughters can never expect to find employment. There is also the "self-sufficient" and contented "business man" who, when asked to cooperate in race building, will point you to the GREAT success he has achieved single-handed. "Let the race do as I did," is as much cooperation a scan be had from him.

A little education is sometimes a dangerous thing. A little success is sometimes detrimental. A little liberty is sometimes disastrous. Some colored Canadians have run away with the idea that because we are accorded full justice in the courts of law, because we enjoy many privileges denied our race in the republic south of us-that because of these equalities, our economic and industrial condition is a thing not to be concerned over. They are content in their own ignorance. They fail to see that as the years go by the sphere of our industrial opportunities becomes more narrow. They fail to see that Canada is only in the making and that the attitude which this country will in the future assume toward us depends very largely upon the attitude which we assume toward ourselves. If we are willing to see without a protest opportunities which are rightfully ours passed on to others, no one will protest for us, no one else will offer any serious objection. The problem is fur problem and we must play the major part in solving it.



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EL PASO, Te beth Coker did was "given aw eight years old. been left with P. R. Franklins scrubbed and n Street all day. any money. She and the cheaper She was never

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NAACP PROVIDES AID

P. R. Franklins in El Paso. She lunch unless the tenants gave her scrubbed and mopped and cleaned something to eat. the house at 1114 East Rio Grande Street all day. She never received She was never inside a church, she Franklin tried to hit her with a stick never saw any kind of entertain- but the girl dodged. Mrs. Franklin ment whatsoever.

years old, Mrs. Franklin had her down the cellar stairs, hurting her charged in El Paso County Court back. They kept her there until with insanity. Dr. A. W. Branch of the police arrived. The police took El Paso testified that Mrs. Franklin her to jail for six weeks. Mrs. had told him the girl "would come Franklin went to the jail, brought walking across the floor and sud- her home and put her back to work. denly turn around and say, 'Let me alone, get away from here,' and no penetrated into Elizabeth Coker's one would be there." Obviously of unsound mind, said the doctor.

through a colored preacher here in Thompson, who lived in the Franktown. She lived with a family in lin's apartment house at 3308 North New Mexico and they were so mean he asked if I would take her. We girl that she had never been paid got attached to the youngster and for her work, had never been to she was apparently so smart, but she gradually began to fail. For her if she would run away and live three nights she laughed and talked with them. She said she would. all night long. When she would That night Thompson and his son catch me looking at her she would drove near the Franklin home. Elizcry and last night she sang and abeth had come out to the road about danced all night, that is, moved her a quarter of a mile from the house. body as if dancing."

Elizabeth Coker was committed to the insane asylum at Austin. Three Informed of the situation by the years later, Mrs. Franklin went to Thompson's, the El Paso branch NA Austin, brought the girl back to El ACP engaged the services of Attor-

dig ditches for the foundation all TO "RUNAWAY SLAVE" day from 6 a.m. At night she worked in the house to 10:30 or 11 p.m. EL PASO, Tex., Mar. 12th-Eliza- She slept in the chicken roost. On beth Coker did not know why she Sundays Mrs. Franklin took her to was "given away." when she was apartment houses which the Frankeight years old. She knew she had lins owned and she scrubbed and been left with a white family, the polished floors all day without

Once Elizabeth carried an empty any money. She wore canvas shoes cement sack into the house and a and the cheapest kind of clothing. little cement sifted to the floor. Mrs. told her husband about it when he came home. He slapped the girl and In 1938, when Elizabeth was ten he and another man pushed her

The first ray of light that had ever miserable life came in January of this year, when the girl was around Mrs. Franklin testified: "I got her nineteen. Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Piedras Street, learned from the school or to town, and they asked They picked her up and took her with them.

Paso and put her back to work. ney H. T. Faulk, who gathered evi-When the Franklins built their dence and turned it over to the home on Buena Vista Drive, Eliza- Federal Bureau of Investigation. The beth was forced to carry rock and FBI is now investigating.



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CHATHAM NOTES

Joe Hollingsworth, of London, Ont. entertained at the opening of the Taylor Vocational School. Mr. Gordon Currie accompanied at the

Mr. Clifford Currie celebrated his 49th birthday on March the 5th. Many happy returns Cliff.

eneral Supt. Dawson of the British Methodist Episcopal Church was in the city making arrangements to have the old Wilberforce School on King St. near the Campbell A. M.E. Church taken under their supervision. Plans are being made to turn the school into an aged home and school of craft.

DRESDEN and BUXTON

The death of Miss Margaret Richardson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs Alfred Richardson came as a great shock to her family and friends. Her death came while visiting with friends and relatives in the States. The funeral was held from the Needham Funeral Parlors.

On March the 3rd Mr. James Dudley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Dudley was united in marriage to Miss Hilda Robins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Robins of N. Buxton, the wedding taking place at the bride's home. Rev. E. Richardson presided.

Rev. Talbot, pastor of Buxton Baptist and Dresden Union Church is quite ill at his home we wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. Essey Vandyke of Dresden has returned home. He had been quite ill in the Victoria Hospital in London, Ont., undergoing a serious

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Ladd celebrated their 7th wedding anniversary on the 14th day of February. Mr. and Mrs. C. Simmons were the guests at dinner.

Miss Eunice Johnson, Prince Albert B.Y.P.U. will be spending a week end at the Young People's Retreat at Kingsville.

The Prince Albert Baptist Church services are being well attended. A series of Cottage Prayer Services has just ended. They were successful in having four converts during the meetings. The services were carried on under the supervision of Rev. George Simmons.

Prince Albert, Baptist Church Choir and pastor assisted with the 87th Anniversary of the B.M.E. Church in Buxton. Rev. E. Rich-

PROTEST QUERY IN

INSURANCE BLANKS New York, March 13th-The legal department of the NAACP today demanded that the question, "Are you a White Male?" be struck out of the application blanks of the Commercial Travelers Mutual Accident Association of America, an insurance company.

The protest, in the form of a letter to the Department of Insurance of the Statte of New York, stated in

"It is clear from reading this application that the purpose of this question is to discriminate against non-white applicants in the granting of membership in the Association. In view of the fact that the public policy of the State of New York, as indicated in our civil rights statutes and our insurance law, is opposed to discrimination based upon race, we feel that your Department should be made cognizant of the practice of this company and should take steps to have this company immediately desist in the use of such a question.'

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The B.M.E. young folks entertained the Roden St. Mission Young People and their pastor Rev. McFarland at Fireside.

Mr. Russell Jackson has been confined to his bed with influenza. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. Donald Johnson and his uncle, Mr. Ed. Johnson visited with friends and relatives over the week end.

Mrs. Evelyn Johnson is able to be about again although under the doc-

day at the Wesley United will be assisted by the Harmonizers.

WINDSOR NOTES

Freddie Thomas, star forward with the Assumption College Purple Raidon Wyandotte St. East. Assumption Coach Stanley (Red) Nantals, and a couple of Thomas' teammates visited Freddie's place to congratulate him and his business partner, Roy De Shields, former Patterson Collegiate star athlete.

ST. THOMAS NOTES

Miss Virginia Groat of Fort Erie, Ont. is visiting in the city as the guest of Mrs. Slaughter.

Mr. Geo. Peters of New York visited in the city over the week end

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The statement, prepared by Roy Wilkins, assistant secretary, declared, "The National Association for 200-bed veterans' hospital to be ersouthern states, there is no separa- outset neither Bank of America nor above case.'

The NAACP previously protested the establishment of such a hospital in June and at that time received a reply from David K. Niles, Administrative Assistant to the President, stating: "I have your telegram of June 20, addressed to the President with reference to the reported construction of an all-Negro hospital at McComb, Mississippi. I have queried the Veterans Administration relative to the reported announcement and I am informed that no such announcement has been authorized,

"However, there have been, as you Mississippi-Alabama area. . . . I am you for your telegrams."

OFFENSIVE AD

The NAACP has affected the withous protest against the erection of drawal of an advertisement with a a jim-crow hospital in Mound Bayou caricature of a Negro, placed by the Miss., was registered today by the Bank of America in the New Yorker, NAACP with President Harry S. it was revealed today by Madison Jones, administrative assistant.

Jones stated in a letter to the Bank of America that the picture of the the Advancement of Colored People Negro wheel chair attendant was ofhas learned of your approval of a fensive and derogatory. Jones said, "It represents a gross exaggeration ected at Mound Bayou, Miss. Re- and a stereotype which tends to ridspectfully we register a most vig- icule the Negro." Jones requested orous protest and reiterate the posi- that the advertisement be withdrawn tion stated in our telegram of June from future circulation and also ask-20, 1946, opposing establishment of ed for assurance that the policy of hospitals for veterans segregated on the Bank of America is one which the basis of color. American sold- would be fair to all Americans. The iers were hospitalized during the Charles R. Stuart Advertising Comwar without segregation and at the pany which handles advertising for present time in army hospitals the bank, replied in a letter which throughout the nation, including said in part: "May we say at the tion on the basis of color. The Vet- this agency would ever intentionally erans Administration should follow include anything in its advertising the same policy and we trust you which might be offensive to any will rescind your approval in the group of people. We are therefore glad to comply with your request."

COLLAPSES AT FUNERAL

Bill (Bojangles) Robinson, 68 amed Negro tap dancer, collapsed today while attending funeral services for James M. Pemberton, Negro Democratic leader of a Harlem, N. Y., Assembly District. He was escorted home by his doctor.

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It is against this menace to cultural workers, Negro and white, that we address this call to action.

We believe that as long as Negroes are less than full Americans, it is impossible to talk of real freedom of the arts. Such freedom is a sham and the roles to which Negro performers are relegated, or their almost total exclusion from some of these fields, makes us of the entertainment world ashamed. For ours is an industry that teaches and persuades, that moves and inspires. If it teaches democracy we are proud—but if it inspires degradation and discrimination then we, who are part of it are guilty, too.

And where the Negro has not been excluded, he has too frequently been relegated to the role of the stereotyped, razor-wielding, eye-rolling, subservient "Uncle Tom." This is true in the films, the radio, the theatre, advertising, literature-in every form of mass art. Only the rares of geniuses, the Paul Robesons, the Marian Andersons, are able to pass through this "iron curtain" of the arts to roles of dignity and importance. And even genius brooks the insufferable: the rides in rear elevators, the polite refusals by hotels the denials by the management of restricted theatres.

And who has made a richer contribution to American song and dance and theatre than our Negro brothers and sisters, Negro artists and performers? Yet here are a few shocking facts:

1. In Theatre: In our nation's capital, while Negro actors can perform in the National Theatre, no Negro can gain admittance to the theatre to see them.

2. In Radio: of 30,000 employees, some 200 are Negro, and the majority of these in menial jobs.

3. In Screen: In the home offices of the major motion picture companies there are 3000 workers. Seven of these are Negroes.

4. In Publishing: of 2000 books published last year, 28 were written by Negroes.

5. Of 400 Night Clubs in New York City, 386 discriminate against Negro performers and 397 against Negro customers.

These facts cannot be separated from the other shocking facts of life for Negroes in America. The battered hat of Uncle Remus, the toothy smile of Aunt Jemima and the "lovable" bowing and scraping— these are counterparts in the entertainment field of the openly violent program of the Ku Klux Klan and the Columbians.

What have we done to end the blot upon our stage, screen, radio and literature—that is a part of the blot upon our nation? We have not done enough, we have scarcely begun to act. The brilliant beginning by the AVC Theatre Chapter, the outstanding statement of the playwrights of America, the actions of other isolated groups or individuals have brought results but the issues call for more. The issues ask united

We are calling this conference to consider and adopt appropriate measures to combat discrimination against Negro talent, to guard against discriminatory content in the arts, and to launch the Cultural Division of the National Negro Congress as the medium through which this job can be done.

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NAACP ASKS PUBLIC HARINGS ON ANTI-JIM CROW TRAVEL BILL.

WASHINGTON, D.C., Mar. 5th— The Washington Bureau NAACP called on Congressman Charles A. Wolverton (R., N.J.), Chairman of the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, to hold early public hearings on the Powell Anti-Jim-Crow Travel Bill, HR-280.

Congressional action to end segregation as it applies to passenbers in interstate travel was urged because of developments since the U.S. Supreme Court decided the Irene Morgan Case last June. The decision declared unconstitutional state laws which require segregation on bus and trains carrying passengers between the states. However, it did not prohibit the bus companies and railroads from themselves adopting regulations requiring Jim-Crow seating arrangements. Accordingly, most of these carriers now enforce their own rules against Negroes and whites sitting together. Leslie Perry, speaking for the NA

ACP, told the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee that: "Jim-Crow travel practices have caused endless inconvenience, humiliation and hardship to hundreds of thousands of Negro citizens traveling between the states.

"In spite of the fact that colored passengers pay the same fares as whites, the accommodations assigned to them are always inferior. They are tired of riding in the back of baggage cars; they are tired of riding over the wheel on the back of buses; they are tired of not being able to get a meal on a dining car without being hidden behind a cur-

"Your Committee has the power to make a full-scale investigation of this entire situation, and we respectfully urge that you schedule public hearings at an early date on the Powell bill."

STRESSES AID OF NEWSPAPERS.

Sidney R. Williams, executive director of the Chicago Urban League, described his relations with the Cleveland press and his hope that the Chicago newspapers will continue to be as helpful to the league in the future as they have in the past, at a luncheon last week.

"If I've had any success as an Urban League secretary," Williams said "a good portion of the credit goes to the daily and weekly press. I've used the daily press to interpret to the general community the problems of the Negro community and their significance and implication with respect to the welfare and progress of the community as a whole.

"The Negro segment of the weekly press has been used to interpret
to the Negro people their own problems as viewed by the Urban League
and to point out to the Negro community the significance for them of
internal and national developments
which might be overlooked because
they don't carry a racial label, but
which have a direct bearing upon
the welfare of American Negro people.

"The labor press has been used to point out the common ground between most of the problems affecting the Negro community and most of those confronting labor. The foreign-language press likewise has brought into focus the similarity of problems which confront the foreign born and those which confront Negro-Americans. The moral implications of inequality and discrimination suffered by Negroes have been pointed up by the religious press," he said.

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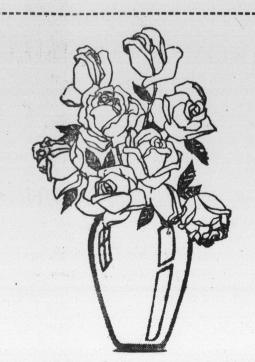
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NAACP APPLAUDS SENATE ACTION ON PRESS GALLERY

New York, March 20th- Admittance of Louis Lautier, correspondent of the Atlanta Daily World and the National Negro Press Association, to the Senate Press gallery was hailed today by Walter White, executive secretary of the NAACP, as "a forthright action . . . of nation-wide significance."

In a telegram to Senator C. Wayand Brooks, chairman of the Senate Rules Committee, which over rode the standing committee of cor respondents governing the Capitol oress galleries, subject to Congress ional rules, and ordered the admission of Lautier, White stated:

"The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People warmly congratulates you and senate rules committee on directing standing committee of correspondents to admit to Senate press gallery Louis Lautier. Forthright action to enforce principles of democracy in Senate press gallery of nationwide significance."

The National Board of Directors of the NAACP had previously strong ly protested the barring of Lautier from the press gallery in telegrams to each member of the Senate Rules Committee. The telegrams stated the belief of the NAACP that Lautier had been barred solely on the basis of race. Senator Brien McMahon telegraphed: "Reurtel appreciate having your views on Lautier case prior to hearing. Am studying the

Senator William F. Knowland replied in a letter: "Your telegram of March 11 has been received and I have forwarded a copy of the same to Senator C. Wayland Brooks, Chairman of the Senate Rules Committee with a request for full information concerning the situation. Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., also replied.

At the time of the unfavourable action by the Standing Committee of Correspondents, the NAACP also complimented Griffing Bancroft of the Chicago Sun, only member of the committee to vote in favor of Lautier in the 4-1 count. The correspondents declared they were barring Lautier because he did not clearly give his "chief attention" to daily telegraphic reporting. The Senate Rules Committee unanimously voted to admit Lautier as a qualified correspondent of a daily newspaper and took no action on a proposal for revision of the rules.

NAACP SECRETARY PRAISED FOR AID TO HAITI ON LOAN

New York, March 20th - The Republic of Haiti, American neighbor and former ally, congratulated Walter White, executive secretary of the NAACP, on his almost singlehanded fight to obtain the approval of the State Department for a loan to Haiti.

The message, from the National House, Port au Prince, said: "On the occasion of your brilliant and courageous intervention in favor of the Haitian nation, a victim in spite of international pacts and agreements of the most odious politics of racial discrimination and imperialism of the most ferocious kind, the Senate of the Republic of Haiti extends to you its warmest felicitations and liveliest thanks."

Mr. White detailed the situation in his Sunday column for the N.Y. Herald-Tribune and held a lengthy correspondence with Spruille Braden Assistant Secretary of State, and Willard F. Barber, Chief, Division of Caribbean Affairs, on the subject. Mr. White pointed out that one of the advantages of such a loan would be that it would help to answer the charges being made in other parts of the world that the United States has imperialistic designs on smaller and weaker countries, particularly if they are inhabited by persons of dark skin.

Welcome the Tourist...

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son, General Superintendent of the real for his fine work there. Rev. B.M.E. Church found his annual vis- Dawson concluded his address with it a pleasing and an accomplishing offering the London church the first one. While in the city Rev. Daw- opportunity of sponsoring a touring son visited old members and the sick concert, benefits of which are to be of the church. He bave stirring messages on Sunday morning and evening both of which were well attended. On Monday evening the ladies of the church prepared a delicious lunch which was served at the banquet in honour of the General Superintendent. Guest speaker Victoria Hospital. of the evening was Rev. T. Dawson. With all who attended gathered Mr. Allen Anderson met with a around him, Rev. Dawson first serious accident Saturday afternoon thanked the London congregation while helping cut down a large oak for their thoughtfulness during his tree. A limb his brother Roy was period of sickness and encouraged trimming sprung back with trementhe young people of the church to dous force striking Allen full force come closer and to attend more between the head and shoulders. He church meetings with true sinceriity. is in a critical condition in Victoria The main topic of the evening was Hospital. the Memorial Foundation Fund for late Geo. Gant, on King St. in Chat- severed. ham, is to be built, and from Rev. Mr. James Hill is quite ill in Vic-Dawson's talk, it would appear that toria Hospital.

for her notable work in Montreal. It seems certain that Rev. T. Daw- and for Rev. J. M. Lawson, of Montused in the M.F.F. Rev. S. C. Jornson, pastor of London B.M.E. responded to Rev. Dawson's address by accepting the concert for which plans are being made and thanking

Mrs. Etta Jordan is quite ill in

the aged and helpless. From the Mr. Fred Jenkins met with an acfund a home situated in the old Wil- cident while working on a machine berforce School, last headed by the having the 1st joint of his 3rd finger

remodelling of the building will soon A farewell party was given at the home of Miss Marion Jenkins for a Rev. Dawson spoke of the charges young student, George Ratteray who in a number of different cities and has been attending Westervelt School of the possibilities of a growing field George will return to his home in in Nova Scotia. Great praise was Bermuda where he will assist in help given to Deaconess Addie Aylestock ing his father who has a general This Easter Choose Your Ensemble at "YOUNG'S"

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store. The young folk expressed their best wishes to George also giving him a hearty voice of welcome to return. Miss Marion Jenkins presented him with a gift from well wishers and friends.

Mrs. Rev. Johnson has been quite ill for some time at her home.

Mr. Frank Howson who has been ill with influenza wishes to thank the many friends who remembered him during his illness.

The many friends of Jean Fountaine gathered at her home to wish her a happy birthday. The evening was spent in games and singing.

It was nice to see Mr. and Mrs. Jack Evans and new baby son in

Many friends of Mrs. Catherine Lowther will be surprised to hear of her passing. Mrs. Lowther has been a resident in Ward 3 for over 50 years. When houses in this district were few she was loved by all who knew her. Always willing to help when she could. She will be buried from Evans Funeral Home on Wednesday, March 26th. She has gone but will not be forgotten.

We are sorry to report the death of Mrs. Ruth Smith which occurred shortly after being admitted to the Victoria Hospital Sunday morning. The funeral will be held from The Oatman Funeral Parlors Wednesday

Mrs. Carrie Hunt of Toronto, also her sister, Mrs. Myrtle Fields and son Billy Fields, visited in the city over the week end to see their brother Allen Anderson who is seriously ill in Victoria Hospital.

Mrs. Alice Groat met with a serious accident when a car struck her while attempting to board a Street Railway bus.

Fountaine and Coray

On Saturday, February 15, 1947, Miss Larene Fountaine was joined in marriage to Mr. Lewis (Bud) Coray at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Fountaine. The ceremony took place at three p.m. with the bride's uncle, Rev. E. Richardson officiating.

The bride's maid was Miss Anne Richardson; best man, Mr. George Rattaury. The bride and groom spent their honeymoon in Detroit. At a recent date a shower was held for the bride at the home of Miss Dorothy Fountaine. Mr. Lloyd Kelly held a stag party for the groom at

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The NAACP today directed a type of employment. strong protest to the American Red "Although it is true that your of-Cross over the case of a Negro vet- fice may press this matter until it eran who lost his leg in the war and is ultimately rectified by granting whose claim for vocational rehab- the logical amount of disability and ilitation was denied by the Veter- vocational rehabilitation rights, I beans Administration.

Y., presented his claim while he was this matter to higher authorities in living in Jackson, Miss., with the the Veterans Administration, and if local Red Cross office holding his necessary, to General Omar Bradley power of attorney. Brown applied himself. for vocational rehabilitation and a a 40 per cent disability rating, plus SENATE RESTAURANT 'WHITES the statutory award for a single amputation, but his application for vocational rehabilitation was denied.

statement of protest to the Red of the United States Senate, for a Cross, "It is obvious to me that in statement of policy regarding the this case there has been a gross and use of the Senate restaurant by Nemost disgraceful miscarriage of jus- gro employees of the Capitol. tice. I would go so far as to say The query came as a result of a that there appears to have been a story reported by Drew Pearson last clear violation of all the administ- week in his column, "The Washingrative practices and legislative ideals ton Merry-Go-Round", charging that of the Veterans Administration as McGinnis had told Thomas S. Thornthey have been explained to me ton, a Negro emloyee and war vet-

judication and considering the al- ilar places any more." It appears most ludicrous grant given to this that Thornton had previously eaten veteran, there is no doubt in my a sandwich and coffee there over mind that the decision upon this the objection of restaurant officials claim was substantially affected by and had been reported to McGinnis. rank racial prejudice existing in the In a letter to the Sergeant at Arms, minds and hearts of the Veterans Leslie Perry wrote: "Last year the Administration's officers in Jackson, Congress appropriated \$35,000 of the Miss. To hold that a veteran who taxpayers' money to subsidize Senhas suffered the loss of a leg as the ate restaurants. But that is only result of honorable service to his one of the reasons why Negro citicountry is no qualified to receive zens should be free to use every vocational rehabilitation is almost public and semi-public facility in unbelievable. In my judgment, it the Capitol without being discriminwould appear that any individual ated against and subjected to humwho has had one of his major ex- iliation and intimidation.

tremities amputated is qualified for VA DISCRIMINATES such rehabilitation without concern for his prior training, profession or

lieve that the original adjudication The veteran, Pete Brown, now at was such an obvious injustice and 369 Nostrand Avenue, Brooklyn, N. farce as to warrant your reporting

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Washington, D.C., Mar. 12th -Franklin H. Williams of the legal The Washington Bureau asked Edstaff of the NAACP, declared in his ward F. McGinnis, Sergeant at Arms

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Fitz-Henley, a native of Kingston, ference the latter part of this month Jamaica, has on the market a new to consider the question of a feddevice which he believes will alle- eration of islands. viate illiteracy, particularly among

He calls the system "Kromofonix" (color-sound system) which combines the two points of nature color and sound which will also enable physically handicaps to take ad- an all West Indian conference, out vantage of accelerated learning.

A graduate of St. Georges College in his native state and the only certified teacher of the Pitman system in his home town, he writes shorthand in Italian, German, French and Spanish at the rate of 250 words origin and spring from the povertyunique position of senior official shorthand reporter to the stricken masses of the area, their shorthand reporter to the court of appeal, the highest in Jamaica.

experience having worked for the dard" and "Daily Gleaner."

Sensations Through Fingers

of New York the Port-au-Prince not be held if expenses are not met. branch and was Spanish-English-French stenographer for the Compania Electrica de Santo Domingo.

The educator's Kromofonix system is the result of a conception which originated some 25 years ago and embraces 26 names and 104 sounds and may be acquired by anyone able to receive sensations through the fingers.

Fitz-Henley is of the opinion that the African race in order to survive must be united by a universal language which he hopes may soon be achieved by his new device.

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The conference is to cost approximately \$15,000, of which the islands can contribute \$3,000. Since the political groups are of recent been hampered by lack of funds.

To secure the remaining amount, He has had years of journalistic the Peoples National Party of Jamaica, headed by Norman W. Man-"Daily Chronicle," "Jamaica Stan-ley, distinguished barrister, appealeo the American West Indian Association here, for aid. According A traveler of note he worked to Bindley C. Cyrus, president of overseas for the National City bank the association, the conference can-

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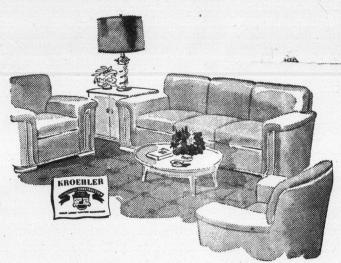
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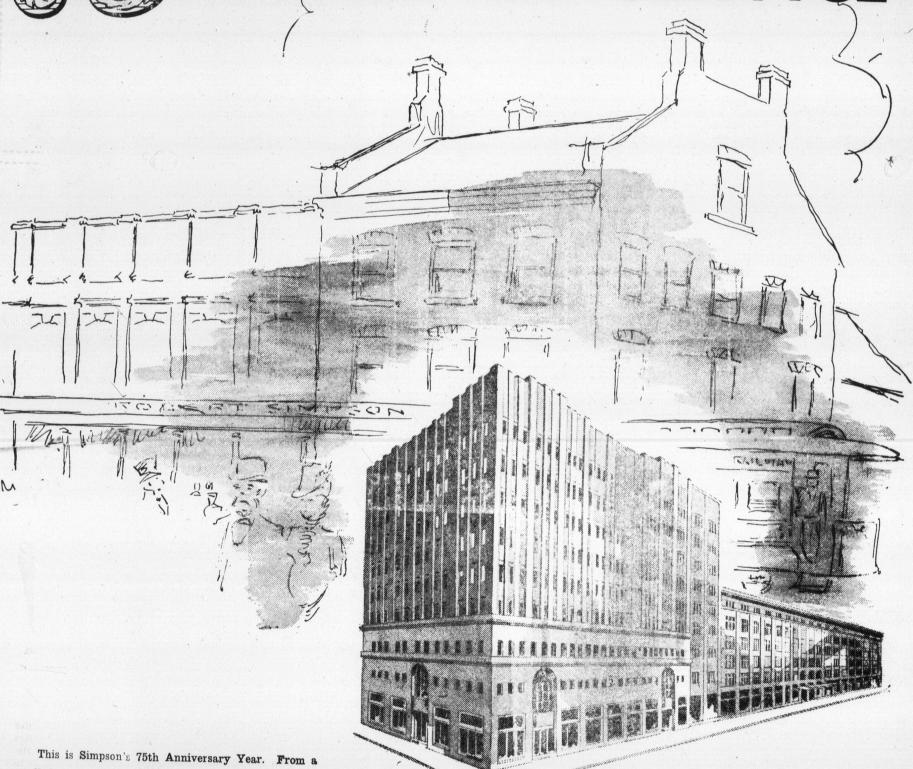
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