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Two significant deductions may be drawn from a recent news story

saying that women elevator operators, malds, and janitors at the National Naval Medical Center at Bethesda, Md., have been directed to eat their meals in a lavatory at the institution in which a long

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and discrimination knows no bounds even win the result of such action may affect the health of the perpetrators themselves. This fact is borne out by the unfortunate experiences which have been endured when household and restaurant cooks, maids and other Negro domestics workers have been forced to live in back street communities with inadequate sewage disposal facilities that they might contract diseases and transmit them to the homes of those for whom they worked. The same type of situation may develop when there is not proper hospitalization for Negroes who are attacked by diseases and who are compelled in spite of their afflications to continue to drag themselves and their ailments to work

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both because they must work in order to live and because there are not enough hospital beds for them to lie in. This segregation

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One of the workers says the thirty-four Negro Waves who have

been assigned to the center do not have to face the discrimination.

"Only those of us who are maids, elevator operators, janitors, and

the like are subjected to eating in the toilet and other discrimina-

the like are subjected to eating in the toilet and other discrimina-tory practices. We are treated like so many cattle".

As a result of this statement the second point is obvious.
Whereas a very precious few of us are permitted some of the privi-leges of living like men and women, the rest of us are treated in many instances like cattle. It seems that this token handout has the purpose of pacifying the rest of us. No disrespect to the Waves is intended here. The great however of the condition is found in civilian life where some few of us have gotten a little ahead and

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because we do not happen to be affected by the misfortune of our

are at a particular time we take our smooth hands off of matters race at a particular time we take our smooth hands on of matters that humiliste our less fortunate brother every day.

It would be a good thing for all of us to remember that we are all the hodgarriers, the elevator operators, janitors and maids all though we call ourselves doctors, lawyers, preachers, and teachers. The ills that beset our brothers will eitheir touch us directly or imdirectly by harming the only persons off of whom the professionsals

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Once when there was strife in a certam community's educa-tional system in the State a gentleman involved insisted that he had his finger in the eyes of the white people and as a result he could have no fears. He had earner his right to the patronage of those in authority by keeping Negroes from making an outcry about the woeful lack of certain public facilities in the town. But in the end justice prevailed. The non-professional but solid citizens in the community male themselves felt. And although the school man had his finger in the eyes of the so-caled powers that be, he still not have his hand in the hand of the people whose children

did not have his hand in the hand of the people whose ch he was teaching. Meanwhile, before he lost his job, his own children were being handicapped by the slow development of their

In the first case the story suggests that cruelty in segregation

table has been placed for use as a dinner table.

EDITORIALS

NEW YORK'S FEPC BILL

by the opponents of the Ives Bill now be- not to mention the spirit of our traditions? fore the legislature of the state of New Article VI of the Constitution clearly York is that prejudice cannot be legislated states, "No religious test shall ever be reout of existence. (The Ives Bill is the New quired as a qualification to any office or York State "FEPC" measure.)

The answer to the objection cannot be eliminated by law is, "True, but open and public discrimination can be." There are certain practices which continue because of citizens of all races there is genuine disthe prejudices of only a few persons. Often such discriminatory practices are dictated by a narrow economic self-interest far more eral Assembly to enact a hospital and medthan by any deep-scated racial animosity. ical care bill more in line with the recom-

eliminate them. There are employers which at least another two years. have no personal objection to hiring mem- Governor Cherry's financial conservaployers in the same position.

cepted it, no tonly as useful but entirely unsatisfactory. just and proper in principle. The right to worthy of being implemented by law.

THEY'LL TRY ANYTHING

ceeded only in clipping the wings of Henry Wallace; but it seems that it has killed Aubrey Williams' chances to get the office of Rural Elictrification Administrator. The

of Jesus.

But all these considerations aside, is not an inquiry into the religious beliefs of candidate for office in the United States Governent unconstitutional? is not such an in-One of the chief arguments advanced guiry contrary to the written law of land, public trust under the United States."

ASSEMBLY NOT READY

Among the large number of interested They can be eliminated by a law which mendations of the Commission appointed has the moral support of the great major- by ex-Governor Broughton. The failure of the Assembly to make any substantial ap-There are discriminations in employment propriations for the implementation of the which are based solely on the inertia of Commissions' plan would seem to mean custom. The slight prodding of a law would that the plan remains largely on paper for

hers of minority groups, but fear either the tism, which may be on the side of wisdom, reaction of ther employes, or the public, was doubtless an important factor in the or both. Often such fears are groundless; legislature's action. The people of North but in any case a law would give such em- Carolina knew when they elected him that ployers protection, and would eliminate his fiscal views were definitely on the cauany advantage which their competitors tious side. It is quite possible, therefore, might otherwise have, by putting all em- that the people of North Carolina are not ready to assume the dollar costs of a health A state FEPC law would in itself be ed- program even as moderate as the one proucational. The people of the state would posed by the Commission. It may very well have gone on record as opposed to dis- be, however, that in the long run the dolcrimination against minority groups in em- lar costs to the people of the plan proposed &

ployment. There would certainly be some attempts at evasion; but all laws are broken by a fraction of the public. We cannot waste involved in inadequate medical care. It is worthy of note that the bill finally accept a correct principle before enacting the principle before enacting the principle into law.

It would be tragic if the legislature of biberal and cosmopolitan New York should fail to pass the bill. The Federal measure to establish a permanent FEPC Assembly does accept a real medical care would have little chance of passage, and the enemies of the federal bill would have into that such a bill was unacceptable to would appear to that such a bill was unacceptable to would not that such a bill was unacceptable to would remain the enemies of the federal bill was unacceptable to would not that auch a bill was unacceptable to would not that the bill finally will not accept and the frecition of the peas that the that the willing and provised case.

labor unions, some employers, many demagogues and others to the present federal FEPC, there is no doubt as to the great benresrc, there is no dount as to the great ben-have been many complaints about the re-efits that have resulted from it. In proporefits that have resulted from it. In propor-lations between Mr. Lineberry and the tion, its value to the nation at war has lations between Mr. Lineberry and the been many times greater than the little working staff of the Negro School. The been many times greater than the interpretation of the staff has been a concrete bitterness it may have stirred up here and turnover of the staff has been a concrete there. And the nation as a whole has ac-

work in whatever capacity one is fitted for new superintendent will be of a different more is coming to be recognized as one of the type. Those who must work under him is coming to be recognized as one of the most fundamental of human and democrat- should have some suggestions which would provide the most fundamental of human and democratic rights. It is therefore a right which is be helpful to the Board in selecting Mr. Lineberry's successor. Better still would be a new policy, creating an autonomous head feas of the Negro unit of the State School for the Blind and Deaf. There must be a Negro

THERE ARE OTHER LAWS

Not long ago in Edenton a Negro was Agriculture Committee has voted an unfav- fined \$50 for violating the jim-crow law orable report on his nomination to that of- in refusing to move his seat on a bus. What-SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON By Rev. M. W. Williams former heads brought out against Williams, former head of the National Youth Administration.

Strangest of these was that he is irreligious, demend, certainly there are two stranges that he does not believe in the divinity of the Markon Household that Mr. Williams is a convoiced and finefor two island of such laws is justified or convoiced and finefor two island of the Markon Household that Mr. Williams is a convoiced and finefor two island on the Uniterian Chrench, to which President Taft to both races.) Or do you ever hear of the been expected to subscribe to the divinity of the peace, sassault and battery, or crimer been expected to subscribe to the divinity of The Carbon Markon Ma ever may be said about the necessity of the races SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON By Rev. M. W. Williams the laws requiring separation of the races





Jecond Thoughts

By C. D. HALLIBURTON

a powerful argument. They could point out that such a bill was unacceptable to the allegedly progressive and relatively unprejudiced state of New York, and therefore would be entirely impractical for the nation as a whole.

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The situation suggests that in order to remove the evils which run rampant or those which touch only our brothers we need not suspinely by and say that we shall not seek actively to get for all of us better sewerage, better transportation, or better hospitalization since we do not live on those streets, since we have an automobile and do not have to ride on these dirty train cars, or since we can send members of our families to hospitals in the North. The Navy Medical Center affair may not be of immediate concern to each of us here. But its like is repeated many times in communities throughout the South, and for that matter, in the North. The assistance of all of us everywhere is necessary to make these

The assistance of all of us everywhere is necessary to make thes United States the fairer land that is to be for our boys to com me to after the war.

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Lest We Forget. . .

The unorthodox will become man is "reasonably" unselfitsh to progressive changes of policy, more and more necessary in many True, each one wants political Their lot is one of subserviency maters of public policy if social position; he would not be a policy and the longers is to keep pace with advancement along other lines. Est their type of political leadership in the status quo and the longer to provide the policy of the status and provide the policy of politics. Political orthodoxy the rights of All. Americans of their status and provide the policy of the status of politics only creed that such men as Henry A. Wallace and Aubrey Williams the geness they would irect. Back to each one on hot on hold on in politics only of the masses of the common people of the masses of the common people of the masses of the common people orthodox political maneuvering. Back to subject of Wallace and the provided provided provided the provided provided

EDITORIAL SHORTS

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Americanism: Quitting study as soon as one gets a diploma.

Meat will be searce this summer, reads headline. Why this

Almost any business man can tell you why business should not

It takes only average ability to make money in 1945 but watch out for 1950.

Now is the time to show your patriotism by doing something for

your country Our own idea is that the Chinese are the soldiers to oust the

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