

More Red Cross Workers Arrive Safely Oversea

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Newest arrivals overseas of American Red Cross workers who will add to the comfort and cheer of our fighting men are the following: Mrs. Red Cross, National Headquarters announced here recently:

George H. Harris, staff assistant, Philippines; Richard L. Jeffreys, assistant field director, Philippines; Sara Murrell, staff assistant, Philippines; Janice E. Nicholson, and assistant, India; Geraldine Smith, assistant program director, India; Edward W. Sweet, assistant field director, Philippines; and Alvin T. Turner, assistant field director, Philippines.

More than 238 Negroes are now serving overseas in varied American Red Cross activities.

ALUMNI ASSUME MEHARRY'S DREAM

BY Lewis A. H. Caldwell For Atlas News Service

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Something unheard of in the history of Negro Educational Institutions is currently taking place up and down the length and breadth of these United States. Alumni of Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee, have pledged themselves to raise \$200,000 by September, 1945, to build a badly needed student-alumni hall on the campus.

The campaign began last January and the awakened alumni have already forwarded more than \$65,000 to the treasurer.

President of the general alumni association is Dr. J. W. Anderson, 35 of Dallas, Texas, who incidentally leads all contributors with \$2,000. He is followed by Dr. Martin Luther Walton, 18, of Thomasville, Ga., who has already paid \$1,000.

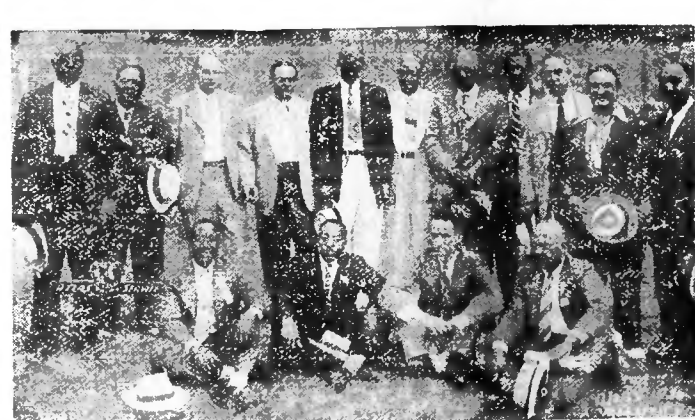
Those who have contributed \$300 include: Dr. F. H. Latta, Pine Bluff, Ark.; F. T. Taylor, Mobile, Ala.; J. H. Starke, Sanford, Fla.; L. C. Starks, Deland, Fla.; S. A. Reddick, Columbus, Ga.; L. Williams, Valdosta, Ga.; Henry Goss, S. W. Smith, T. M. Smith and J. L. Pratt, all of Chicago, Ill.; P. A. Goodloe, East Chicago, Ind.; A. L. Frazier, Danville, Ill.; H. H. Weather, East St. Louis, Ill.; J. F. Laine, Louisville, Ky.; T. M. Johnson, Shreveport, La.; J. R. Conroy, J. B. Higgins, and J. A. Walters, all of Baltimore, Md.; W. A. Thompson, A. E. Thomas, James Owens, and S. H. C. Owens, all of Detroit, Mich.; J. L. Leach, Flint, Mich.; C. E. Bonnar, Orange, N. J.; C. A. Gladden and L. E. Payne, Cincinnati, Ohio; A. A. Dalton, Lima, Ohio; A. G. Bonoats and R. C. Bryant, Tulsa, Okla.; R. B. Taylor, Okmulgee, Okla.; C. O. Henry, Tyler, Tex.; D. K. Jenkins, Columbia, S. C.; F. M. Harris, Franklin, Va.; R. D. Burke, and J. T. Givens, of Norfolk, Va.

The zeal with which the alumni have engaged in the financial campaign has intrigued this writer no end. No other Negro group from a Negro school has seen fit to pioneer in this manner. Already there are signs that the precedent is being followed in the activities of other alumni groups. It is an indication that the Negro has "come of age" and is ready to assume the responsibility of financing his own institutions of learning. The possibilities and ultimate advantages which will emanate from this trend are too numerous for speculation here.

In addition to Dr. Anderson, other alumni association officers are: vice president, Dr. D. K. Jenkins, Columbia, S. C.; general secretary, Dr. D. T. Rolfe, Nashville, Tenn.; treasurer, Dr. Michael J. Dent, Nashville, Tenn.

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Miss Murrell, daughter of Mrs. Mary Webster, 2412 Egin Street, Houston, Texas, was physical education teacher at Phillips Wheatley High School, Houston, and is a graduate of Tuskegee Institute, B. S. 1937. She also attended Hampton Institute, Wiley College, and the University of Iowa.

Mr. Jeffreys, grandson of Mrs. Mary Jefferson, Chesapeake, Va., was professor of educational administration and supervision, Prairie View State College, Prairie View, Texas; had taught at Fayetteville, N. C. State College; and was principal of Franklin, Va. Junior High School. He is a graduate of Thynne Institute, Chase City, Va.; Virginia Union University, B. S. 1934; and the University of Michigan, M. A. 1939.

Miss Murrell, daughter of Mrs. Ross Murrell, Fayette, Me., is a graduate of Wadleigh High School, New York City, attended Hunter College three, and was assistant to Henry W. Barnard, teacher of Manual Training, in Minneapolis, Minn.

Miss Nicholson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson, 1368 Bolton Street, Norfolk, Va., taught at Westford School, South Norfolk, Va. She is a graduate of Booker T. Washington High School, Norfolk, and Virginia State College, B. S. 1943.

Miss Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Webster Smith, 622 East 50th Place, Chicago, Ill., taught physical education in the Forestville Grade School, Chicago. She is a graduate of Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, and Chicago Teachers College.

Mr. Sweet, whose home address is 50 Liberty Street, Hartford, Conn., was with the U. S. Post Office in Hartford. He is a graduate of Case Western Reserve University and attended Howard University.

Mr. Turner's home is at 18 Quincy Place, Washington, D. C. He was with the law firm of Cobb, Howard and Hayes, there, and is a graduate of Case Western Reserve University and the Robert H. Torrell Law School, L. L. B. 1942. He also attended Paul Quinn College, Waco, Tex., and Bishop College, Marshall, Tex.

Meatier Chickens Goal Of Poultry Leaders

Chicago — America's two-billion dollar poultry industry was challenged today by 14 of its national leaders to produce a fast-growing, better meat-type chicken to help retain the markets poultrymen have won during the current meat shortage.

A 40-state contest to develop a broad-breasted chicken comparable to the popular broad-breasted turkey was announced by the group, according to D. D. Slade, secretary, International Broiler Chick Association, Lexington, Ky., who was elected chairman of a supervisory committee to formulate plans for the contest.

Consisting of representatives of all major poultry associations and key poultrymen of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, the committee has been asked by A & P Food Stores, to draw up specifications for an ideal meat-type bird and to supervise distribution of \$5,000 in awards which the company has pledged to donate to the poultry industry to place emphasis on the production of a better meat chicken to insure greater profits for poultrymen and finer poultry for consumers' dinner tables.

"The program is designed to crystallize thinking among all poultry breeders from the large hatcheryman to the owner of a small backyard flock, on a chicken with an abundance of carvers," Slade said. "This is really a challenge to the poultry industry as a whole."

People's Hospital of St. Louis, Mo., and Business Manager of Mercy Hospital and School for Nurses of Philadelphia, Pa., before he accepted his present position with the Flint-Goodridge Hospital, He is a graduate of the University of

AKA Council Testifies Before Congress For Price Control

Washington — One of the few Negro groups offering testimony before Congress for the continuance of price and rent control — without crippling amendments — was the Alpha Kappa Alpha Non-Partisan Council last week.

Leading out at the selfish interests who, by means of pressure blocks, have attempted to attach amendments that would not control prices, but would promote profiteering and inflation by law, Mrs. Thelma W. Johnson, legislative representative for the Council, warned that the greatest inflation came AFTER the last war, when prices skyrocketed, businesses crashed and workers lost their jobs.

"Our group, as well as all low and fixed income groups, suffered tremendously from the upswing in prices, and with the downswing our workers were the first to lose their jobs," the Sorority's spokesman pointed out.

Asking for the renewal of the Price Control Act for 18 months, Mrs. Johnson reminded the congressional committee that a rise in prices would virtually repeal the G. I. Bill of Rights, making the various benefits down to starvation level.

Mrs. Johnson also asked for an increase in the number of enforcement officers and investigators to deal with consistent violations of price and rent ceilings in heavily congested neighborhoods.

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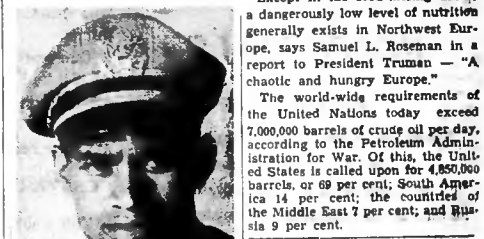
Mr. Procope will bring to Philadelphia 15 years of hospital experience. He served as Business Manager and Superintendent of The

NAACP ASKS FOR UNBIAS FHA HEAD

NEW YORK — Selection of an FHA administrator sympathetic to the housing needs of Negroes, and one who will correct the discriminatory practices of his predecessor, Abner H. Ferguson, who resigned June 14th as head of the Federal Housing Administration, was requested by the NAACP in a letter to President Truman, Thursday, June 21st. "As you undoubtedly know," wrote Walter White, "adequate housing has been and continues to be a major problem for Negroes, especially those residing in or near urban centers."

"On October 26, 1944," the letter continued, "we sent to the late President Roosevelt a memorandum in which we analyzed the current practices of the Federal Housing Administration and showed how, in our judgment, that agency encourages discrimination against Negro citizens."

The memorandum referred to in the NAACP's letter to Mr. Truman attacked the racial policies of FHA and its support of restrictive covenants. As a direct result of action taken on the facts pointed out at that time, the Underwriting Manual is in process of revision, and all references to race have been eliminated.



Second Lieutenant George W. Helem, of Reidsville, was awarded his wings and commission from the Aviation Cadet Corps at Tuskegee Army Air Field recently. He is a former student of A. and T. College, Greensboro, and is married to the former Miss Louise H. Demps, of Tuskegee, Ala. (Official U. S. AAF Photo Training Command).

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Provident Hospital Supt. Resigns; Successor Appointed

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