



## YOUR SCRIBE

By FREDRICK L. BURNS

The city of Washington, D. C. should hang its head in shame for the treatment given Dr. Ralph Bunche a few days ago as he was invited to address an organization there.

A few months ago the American public proclaimed and lauded the work of this courageous man who succeeded the late Mediator Bernadotte and brought peace to the Arabs and Israelites in the country of Palestine and the city of Jerusalem.

As we read the report, we wondered how long America could afford to permit Jimcrow ideas to divide the great country and how much affect the meetings in Paris and other countries will have toward peace.

There can be no peace where there is no confidence, and there can be no confidence, when people can read of segregation and Jimcrow in the country that is trying to bring peace to them. "Charity begins at home."

We should clean our own house first, then we can point with pride to the achievements accomplished by our own country.

A few years ago a conference was held in Paris, France and our delegation was headed by former Secretary of State James Byrnes,

a native of South Carolina.

That conference failed presumably because the question was asked "How can you, as Americans, guarantee free elections in foreign countries and can't guarantee free elections to thousands of Negroes in certain portions of your own country?" This may not be the real reason, but it does leave food for thought. The very first thing would be to rid Washington of its segregation and Jimcrow. It can be after the Senate rids itself of the Dixie commissioners that control that city.

That brings up another thought about the President's Civil Rights program. Some times we are inclined to believe that the gesture at the beginning of this session of Congress was only for the press. Since reading that Senator Lucas has decided to abandon the fight has not changed our opinion at all.

Negroes of America have again been taken for a ride. Segregation and America in general is the paramount issue of the world today and until we can muster our forces for freedom and meet these issues and defeat them, our efforts in Paris and other peace conferences will have been in vain.

## Palmer Declares That Philly Negro Hebrews Different From Jews

PHILADELPHIA (ANP) — One of the most unusual non-Christian religious sects in Philadelphia is the group of 1,000 American Negro Hebrews. Leader of this group is Charles H. Palmer, 33, ex-Catholic and native of Hagen, Ga.

Among the rules of the cult are: Members cannot have their pictures taken; members observe Saturday as their Sabbath day. They learn to read, write, and speak the Hebrew language. The group uses a calendar said to coincide with the first calendar made, although somewhat different from the well known calendar used by the Jews.

### DIFFERENT FROM JEWS

This Hebrew religion is different from the Jewish. Palmer is quick to point out. He explains the difference as follows:

"The Jewish people are a race, but the Hebrew people form a group that follows a cultural pattern — a way of life and form of spiritual living."

Palmer came to Philadelphia about eight years ago, and founded his religious group five years ago. He operates the H'Baith H'Saparium Israel (Bible School of Israel) at 1045 South Street. There his students learn what he terms "a form of living to which the followers have adapted life — a way of life, spiritually and materially."

At the same time he runs a co-operative Hebrew delicatessen at 2015 South Street.

Besides ideals, Palmer teaches his followers the Hebrew language. Speaking of his study of the language and culture, he said:

"In studying the ways of the Hebrews it was spiritually revealing to me that I had the divine inclination to live as one."

### HIS PHILOSOPHY

## THEY'LL NEVER DIE *By Elton Fax*

ALTHO BORN A SLAVE 1816 IN VA. ROBERT HARLAN KNEW LITTLE OF SLAVERY. HE WAS EDUCATED AND TAKEN TO KENTUCKY BY HIS FAMILY. THERE HE WAS TAUGHT THE BARBER'S TRADE. UNTIL HE WAS 32 HE OPERATED HIS OWN BUSINESS AT A GOOD PROFIT. HEEDING THE GOLD RUSH HE WENT TO CALIF. AND RETURNED EAST WITH \$45,000.

MR. HARLAN HELPED SECURE THE FIRST SCHOOL FOR NEGROES IN CINCINNATI, O. AND LATER BECAME A TRUSTEE OF ALL COLORED SCHOOLS IN THAT CITY. HE TRAVELED ABROAD, RETURNED, AND ENTERED POLITICS. AT 70 HE WAS A REPUBLICAN MEMBER OF THE OHIO STATE LEGISLATURE.



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His philosophy is: "Without spiritual, mental and moral cleanliness, man remains grossly unacquainted with truth, freedom, and justice."

Palmer says that his delicatessen is the beginning of a future chain of stores to be enlarged as the number of followers grow. At present eight groups make up his 1,000 members. At the store he sells only the food that is correct for the Hebrews form of life. Later he plans to set up a restaurant at the school selling Hebrew food.

Palmer has held numerous jobs in his lifetime. He works as a compositor at a printing establishment. He has been a barber, butcher,

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