

2,500 EXPECTED AT LOST COLONY

MANTEO — Plans have been completed for Negro Citizens' Day at Fauquier Green's symphonic drama, The Lost Colony, it was announced by J. P. Davis in charge of local arrangements with Professor S. D. Williams of State Teachers' College, Elizabeth City. The date for the event has been set for July 29. Special buses will bring Negroes from many North Carolina cities, it was announced and if good weather prevails approximately 2,500 persons are expected to be present for the occasion.

VANDALS ATTACK D. C. DWELLING

The Civil Rights division of the Justice Department last week received a memo from Odie Von Blasingame regarding acts of vandalism with which he has been plagued for the past four months which he has lived in a white neighborhood in northeast Washington.

The memo was submitted upon request of the Department of Justice after Blasingame, an advertising salesman for a local weekly, had reported three incidents which have occurred within the past week.

On last Monday according to Blasingame the telephone line into his house was cut for the second time, on last Wednesday the hose with which he watered his lawn and garden was cut and three sprinkler extensions were taken, and on last Thursday the top of his 1935 convertible was slashed for the third time.

The Blasingame family has been harassed from the first night that they moved into the house which they bought at 3303 Armys St., N.E. The Justice Department is expected to study the memo for evidence upon which they might investigate the case on the possible grounds of violations of the criminal conspiracy statutes.

DR. A. E. MURRAY HEADS CHURCH HISTORY AT L. U.

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY, Pa. — Dr. Andrew E. Murray, minister of the Second Presbyterian Church, Pottsville, was appointed today as professor of church history at Lincoln University. The appointment was announced by Dr. Horace Mann Bond, president of Lincoln.

Dr. Murray succeeds Dr. Elwyn E. Tilden, Jr., who resigned his position in the seminary to become head of the religion department at Lafayette College.

Dr. Murray is a graduate of the University of Colorado and of Princeton Theological Seminary, where he also received the degree of Doctor of Theology. He has been minister of the Pottsville Church since 1945.

He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and the American Society of Church History. He has served as president of the Pottsville Ministerial Association, President of the Pottsville Council of Social Agencies, Director of the Community Chest, and a member of the Interracial Council.

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CROCHET HINTS

by Mary Ann Knowlton

HAVE you wondered why some women with small wardrobes always managed to look well dressed, while others owning extensive wardrobes never give this impression? The answer is simple—for the secret lies not in quantity but in quality. If your wardrobe contains good solid essentials such as a basic black or navy crepe dress, two or three suits—preferably casual or tailored styles—a bright colored wool dress, an extra skirt and wool blouse, you can mix match or accessorize these outfits. Once you get on to the idea of using accessories to change the appearance of your clothes, you'll enjoy doing it, and at the same time insure a longer, more varied life for your outfits.

Scarfs can be used in numerous ways to create different effects. You can either use them to match or contrast with your dress. A one-sided effect can be achieved by swinging a scarf over one shoulder and tucking it under your belt in front and back. Or you can drape it to form part of the sleeve, floating out front and back.

Dresses without collars or with necklines that hug the throat can be built up further with glittery chokers and dog-collars. Low-necked date dresses can be made suitable for office wear by the addition of a button-on collar or one of the new over-collars.

For gala wear make yourself a fared all-around peplum of plaid taffeta to tie on your black dress. A tiny hat and drawstring bag to match will complete your ensemble. Or you can make two large satin bows to attach at neckline and hipline.

Belts are now more popular than ever and there are many attractive styles from which to choose. A colorful belt calls attention to a slim waist, and several of them can give a single dress more lives than the proverbial kitten. A simple black wool skirt and blouse can be made to look like a one-piece dress when a wide belt is added at the waist.



Today we've chosen an unusual and eye-catching belt to hold the spotlight in your accessory wardrobe. This belt is hand-crocheted and it's a sure way to give a simple dress its share of attention. Of all accessories, belts are the simplest to crochet. This style with its attractive circle trim is made of soft, string cotton in a deep green to set off the neutral gray of a tailored dress. A leaflet giving complete directions for crocheting 4 belts, CENTRAL LOCATIONS, is available to you. Just send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to the Home Sewing Dept. of this paper, asking for Leaflet No. 2747.

DR. RICHARDSON TO BE INDUCTED AS GAMMON PREXY

By ALBON BOLSEY

ATLANTA (ANP)—Dr. Harry V. Richardson will be officially inducted as president of Gammon Theological seminary October 3 in formal ceremonies on the Magnolia blossom campus.

His formal installation as head of the religious institution is coming after a year of service as president of the school. During this brief period Gammon has made some of its greatest gains in its 65 year history.

Improvements include those made on the plant such as decoration and repair of various buildings and cottages and the addition of modern kitchen and dining room equipment in the cafeteria. They also include the raising of the scholastic requirements and standards of the school and improvement of the faculty.

On the faculty the number of professors with Ph.D. awards was increased from one to six. The number of unclassified and special students was reduced. The women's training program was stepped up. Last year seven women were enrolled in courses which prepared them for service as co-workers of religious education in local churches, districts or conferences, and religious activities with the YWCA, Girl Scouts, and like groups.

INTER-RACIAL PROGRAM
One of the most interesting activities of the school was a three-week interservice training program for ministers conducted interracially in cooperation with the Candler School of Theology of Emory University in Atlanta. Said this program Dr. Richardson:

"This is a very healthy experiment in interracial cooperation, and we are glad that Gammon had an opportunity to have an equal share in planning for it. Our first year's experience with this cooperative educational program for rural ministers has shown promise of extended development and

significant results for the future."

ONE THOUSAND GRADUATES

Through the years Gammon has raised distinction in the field of religious education. More than 2,000 students have studied at the school, and more than 1,000 have been graduated.

Six of them have been elected editors of church papers; 56 have served as college professors; 53 as chaplains in World War II; 18 have become college presidents; 18 in the Methodist church, and five in other denominations.

Speaking of the future of theological education, Dr. Richardson said:

"The minister of today must be a spiritual engineer who is technically prepared for the godly reconstruction of society. In addition to traditional theological knowledge, the minister must have a thorough mastery of the techniques of rebuilding human character. This is our only hope of achieving a better world."

CLERICS OF 5 STATES ATTEND INSTITUTE

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY, Pa. — Ministers from five states and the District of Columbia attended the Annual Interdenominational Institute for City, Town, and County Ministers held at Lincoln University, Pa., under the auspices of the Lincoln Theological Seminary and the Home Missions Council of North America.

The African Union Methodist Protestant Church was best represented with 12 members, while the Union American Methodist Episcopal sent 9 delegates. A total of seven denominations were in attendance at the conference. Delaware led the states in number of representatives, with ten members.

FAIRMONT

CITES TRAINING NEED IN FIGHT TO COMBAT JOB BIAS

LOS ANGELES — Success in the fight to end job discrimination must be accompanied by a program of adequate training for young people, Clarence Mitchell, NAACP labor secretary, told the delegates and visitors attending the 40th Annual Conference of the Association here last week.

For this reason, Mr. Mitchell said, Negroes must intensify their efforts to participate in all government training and apprenticeship programs and to avail themselves of all opportunities for the development of skills.

"I do not need to tell you that an FEPC is necessary," the NAACP labor secretary said. "But I do think that it is important to point out that if the FEPC was needed when jobs were plentiful, the need for it would be even greater in the period of rising unemployment. We must grimly face the facts that only in those states where there are strong fair employment practices laws are colored people holding their own in the job field."

Participating with Mr. Mitchell in the discussion of labor and employment problems were: Ernesto Galarza, chairman, Farm Labor Union, AFL; George L-P Weaver, CIO Committee to Abolish Discrimination; Charles McLean, labor chairman of the Winston-Salem, North Carolina, branch; Robert LaGrone, president, Albuquerque, New Mexico, branch; James Anderson, executive secretary of the Los Angeles East Side Labor Committee, AFL; and Joseph Albright, assistant to the administrator, Veterans Administration.

CHURCH CONFAB POSTPONED TO MEET IN FALL

The emergency conference, called by the Washington Bureau of the National Fraternal Council of Negro Churches in America, has been postponed from the recently announced date of July 23 until sometime in the fall.

The exact reason for this postponement is not definitely known, but it was learned from reliable sources that some ministers and advisors of the council refused to go along with the idea after it was learned that some extreme left wing organizations had joined forces with the Council to help sponsor the conference.

Because of the red hysteria which is now encroaching Washington and the nation, many ministers are now unwilling to open their church doors to groups which have the appearance of being Communist sympathizers of fellow travelers.

Several key speakers, who were invited to appear on the main program of the conference declined the invitation. It is generally believed that they refused to appear when it was learned that Paul Robeson was expected to be invited to appear on the same program.

A number of officials of the Progressive party had also been invited to participate on the program. While the Progressive party is not necessarily a Communist party, it is believed by some as being Communist dominated because of its extreme liberal policy.

A spokesman of the Washington Bureau of the NFCNA stated, however, that the conference will be held in October. He said it had been postponed because a great number of ministers and other interested parties are on vacation during the summer months.

PERSONALS

BY CREOLA ATKINSON

Mrs. Louise Myers and Mrs. Artie M. Heese of Middletown, Ohio, Mrs. Creola Watkins of Xenia, Ohio, Mrs. Daniel Atkinson of Duquesne, Pa., and David Atkinson of New York City were the house guests of their aunt and mother, Mrs. Florrie Atkinson, who is ill at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Jones of Boston, Mass., were recently the guests of his mother, Mrs. Mamie Jones. Along with them came Mr. and Mrs. Dixie Clayton. It was nice having such people visiting in Fairmont.

Miss Eudget Pittman had a wonderful vacation. She spent considerable time in Norfolk, Va., Washington, and Philadelphia.

Mr. J. R. Sheridan, Jr., spent his vacation with his grandmother, Mrs. Cherdie McMillan. Mr. Sheridan hails from Newport News, Va. Mrs. Richard Bradshaw, Jr., has just returned from visiting her mother in Jersey City, N. J.

Miss LaRue Taylor is back home after spending five weeks in summer school.

Boy Scouts Celebrate Anniversary

BY CHARLES FRISON

FAIRMONT — Troop 124, Boy Scouts of America, celebrated their first anniversary at the First Baptist Church on Sunday, July 24.

The speaker for the occasion was the Rev. Charles Brown of Rowland, N. C. The Rev. Brown, urged the scouts to follow the instruction given to them by their scout leaders and called on the parents to cooperate with the boy scouts movement so that their sons might be better prepared to take their places as leaders in the future.

Other prominent speakers were Miss Ruth Pittman, The Rev. R. D. Cunningham and the Rev. Mr. Roberts of Red Springs. Miss Pittman, used for her subject, "I dare you, youth of today."

Other troops represented for the affair were Troop 125 of Rowland, N. C. and Troop 123 of Fairmont. Troop 124 is sponsored by the Rosencrowd High School. The Scoutmaster is Ocie Howell. The troop committee consists of the following: James Coavis, Charlie McKellar, Willie Granger, Ervin Gause, George Davis.

Others who played important parts in the preparation for the celebration, were Misses Arzina Lethea, Mae H. Small, Bridget Pittman and Mrs. Louelle Floyd, Mrs. Gossie Smith, Miss M. Killers, and The Radio Four.

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