

Argument Among Motorists Turns Into Riot; 1 Killed

In Brooklyn, N. Y.

\$25,000 Fire Guts St. John's Church

BROOKLYN, N. Y. (AP)—St. John's AME Church was completely gutted by fire here Thursday afternoon. Loss was estimated at \$25,000, less than half of which was covered by insurance.

The fire, one of two suspicious blazes that occurred less than an hour apart within a five-block radius, was believed started by children playing with matches.

The Rev. A. D. Floyd, pastor of St. John's for six years, said that the church will conduct a building fund campaign. Indication was that the congrega-

tion of 400 persons will seek to put a new church building in the neighborhood. At present they are worshipping at Friendship Baptist Church, the Rev. U. B. Whitfield, pastor, which is located across the street from their burned church.

The Rev. Floyd is a native of Brunen, Ky., and a graduate of Kentucky State College. Before coming to Brooklyn, he pastored in Manhattan, Rockville Center, L. I., and New Rochelle.



CENTER OF ATTRACTION—American film star Jane Russell chats with a group of GIs in Seoul, Korea, during a stopover with a USO group touring the Far East. Miss Russell, known mainly for her acting, and spectacular figure, unveiled a little-known talent as a singer. (Newspress Photo).

Flood Waters Causes 100 Families To Evacuate Own Homes In Ala.

MONTGOMERY, ALA. (AP)—Raging backwaters of the angry Tallapoosa River here flooded the low-lying areas in North Montgomery last week and forced some 100 Negro families to flee their homes.

Described by meteorologists as the "greatest flood of the Alabama River since 1943," waters swelled huge areas in the North Montgomery region endangering human lives and livestock. An estimated several thousand head of cattle are marooned, however no injuries were reported.

The new crisis forced the evacuation of some 100 Negro men and women from their homes.

The evacuation was ordered by Montgomery city engineer Oliver Wright who directed that all homes on Cook street be emptied.

The Negro evacuees volunteered to find shelter elsewhere until the waters recede.

Harriet Moore of Wetumpka said he had to carry out a rescue mission to save 155 bags after the

rising waters threatened their refuge. He said he found many of the animals clinging to trees in order to keep above the water.

Moore said three boats were used in effecting the eight-hour annual evacuation. Other farmers said the waters had stranded some of their cattle.

The Weather Bureau reported that hot, cloudless skies and sharp winds were aiding in the drying process, but flood waters were spread over such a large area that even this didn't help much.

Detroit Methodist Pastor:

"Too Many Persons Do Not Know God," Dr. Crane Tells Bennett Body

GREENSBORO — Although there are many persons who profess Christianity, far too many do not know God, Dr. Henry Hill Crane of Detroit, declared in an address at Bennett College, Thursday.

Dr. Crane, pastor of the Central Methodist Church, and a longtime trustee of Bennett said that a recent poll showed that 94 percent of Americans believe in God.

"But how many of them are really aware of God?" he asked.

The minister stated that a person is assured that he really knows God when he begins to feel a sense of adequacy, when he gets a feeling of infectious joy, when he feels an inner serenity and an outpouring of good will which in reality, he explained is love.

As an example of how the po-

wer of Christianity works in the world, Dr. Crane referred to the Rev. Martin Luther King, of Montgomery, Ala., leader of the successful peaceful bus boycott in that city.

"He is the greatest thing that we have in America today," he said, "and he is giving to the world the idea of how to handle the desegregation problem."

Virgin Islanders Celebrate 40 Years Of Sovereignty Under U. S. A.

CHARLOTTE AMALIE, ST. THOMAS, V. I. (AP)—Virgin Islanders have just celebrated the forty years of progress under the United States with a colorful historic ceremony at the grounds of the former Marine Barracks, where the transfer ceremonies took place 40 years ago to date, and in the Emancipation Garden on the following day.

Morris F. de Castro was appointed by Governor Walter A. Gordon as insular chairman of the event.

The program included the playing of the national anthems and patriotic airs of Denmark and the United States, addresses, the reading of the proclamations of the transfer by both the Danish Go-

vernment and President Woodrow Wilson.

President Eisenhower sent the following message to the people on the occasion:

"As citizens of our most easterly territory, Virgin Islanders have brought together the heritage of many nations and produced a fine vigorous society with an outstanding culture. I am happy to tell them of the pride and esteem with which their fellow citizens in the United States regard their accomplishments and plans for the future."

Vice President and Mrs. Richard Nixon, sent congratulatory words to the people, remind them

of their appreciation of the recent visit among them. The Danish Government was represented by its Ambassador to the United States, Henrik Kauffman.

Messages were also received from Secretary of Interior Sesson, who sent Mr. Carl Jung to represent the Department. Also received were messages from Chairman of the Senate Committee on Territories and Possessions under the Department of the Interior.

Through Governor Averell Harriman, Virgin Islanders living in New York City, sent their respects and greetings. The principal address was given by J. Antonio Jarvis, principal of the Abraham Lincoln School.

Negroes And Whites In Fight Over Left Turn Into Driveway

OAKLAND, CALIF. — (AP) — One man was killed and three were seriously injured last week here when an argument between two motorists ended in a riot between whites and Negroes resulting in one man being jailed for investigation of murder.

Dead in the disturbance is 25-year-old Clarence Grillo, who was stabbed in the stomach. The three injured men are Tommy Kaiser, 25, Glen Jenkins 28 and Francis Grillo, 22, all of whom suffered knife wounds. The dead and injured are white.

Police Inspector John Con-

nolly said the meter started after Kaiser bitterly bawled out 21-year-old Calvin Johnson for making a sharp left turn into the driveway of his own home, nearly colliding with Kaiser's car.

After arguing with Johnson about the turn, Kaiser allegedly said "I'll be back with some friends."

"And I'll be waiting with some friends of my own," Johnson replied, according to the police inspector.

Connelly gave the following account after Kaiser left:

Kaiser drove to a bar and enlisted the support of the Grillo bro-

thers, Jenkins and two other men, and went back to Johnson's home. Johnson meanwhile had gathered several of his friends.

Connelly said when the fight started, knives flashed, baseball bats pierced the air and bottles were smashed.

He said when Grillo fell to the ground, fatally stabbed, the white group pulled him into Kaiser's car and rushed him to Herrick Memorial Hospital. Grillo was dead on arrival at the hospital.

Johnson, who sustained cuts around the mouth, was treated at the hospital and looked for investigation of murder.

Delta Sorors Fete Grand President

CHICAGO (AP)—Mrs. Dorothy P. Harrison, of Langston, Okla., grand president of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., stopped in Chicago recently to visit with friends, relatives and members of her sorority, on her home after attending the board meeting of the American Council on Human Rights in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Harrison met at dinner Tuesday members of the three chapters of the Delta Sigma Theta sorority in Chicago at the Morris Eat Shoppe. The pledge club of Lambda chapter dressed in traditional red and white, presented the grand president with a gift.

Mrs. Harrison accompanied by Mrs. Janet Hamilton, former mid-west regional director of the sorority, and Mrs. Virginia Davis, sponsor of Alpha Nu House, also visited the Delta sorority house on the campus of the University of Illinois, Urbana, on Wednesday.

While there she was presented by other Greeks on the campus by the undergraduate chapter, Alpha Nu, at a tea and to the dean of women at dinner.

The grand president in discussing the program of the sorority for the present year stated that emphasis is being placed on strengthening and implementing the national convention in Detroit, December, 1956.

Each of these projects centers around some health, welfare or educational need vital to our democracy. The projects are known as: library, mental health, Delta volunteers for community service, and international and job opportunities. Every effort will be made to encourage each chapter to attempt activity in one or more of these areas.

Mrs. Harrison was joined in Chicago by her husband, Dr. G. L. Harrison, president of Langston University, Oklahoma, who attended the North Central Association of Colleges and High Schools which was meeting in Chicago at that time.



MISSIONARY DEPARTS—Bishop Samuel R. Higgins, presiding bishop of the West Africa district of the AME Church, is shown with Mrs. Higgins at New York's International airport, shortly before boarding a Pan Am Clipper for Monrovia. The former Allen University president will carry on missionary work in Liberia, Nigeria and Ghana for the next two years. (Newspress Photo).

What To Expect As A Teacher

GREENSBORO — Some idea of what will be expected of them if they select teaching as a career was given by two North Carolina high school principals in addresses to Bennett College students here Friday and Monday.

F. A. Toliver, principal of the Stephens-Lee High School of Asheville, pointing to the great problem of trying to educate a generation of American youth, while at the same time trying to maintain acceptable academic standards said that this was a challenge to today's schools.

The young woman entering upon a teaching career, he said, should have a respect for scholarly integrity and moral uprightness and

recognize the fact that teaching is far more than imparting a definite body of information to pupils of varying capacities.

C. P. Martin, Jr., principal of the Carter School in Winston-Salem, should have not only a mastery of subject matter and skill in expression, but a technical knowledge of the process of understanding — understanding that each child is by no means a miniature adult.

"School principals, everywhere," he said, "are constantly looking for persons with these qualities. I see no time in the future when we shall have all of the good teachers that we need."

Interracial Family Featured In Look

NEW YORK — A white couple who unknowingly adopted a Negro child and later decided to adopt a half-Caucasian, half-Japanese baby said today, "Who knows but that in ten years our kind of family may become fairly common."

The interracial family is featured in an article "A Rare Lesson About Love" in the new issue of Look magazine.

The parents are Samuel and Katharine Roberts of Long Beach, California, where Roberts works as city finance officer.

After fourteen years of a childless marriage, the pair adopted three-week-old Kim. A few months later they realized that she was part Negro. As the parents faced up to the difficulties that they knew awaited them, Look reports they decided to give the child a brother and sister of mixed backgrounds.

They adopted Sammy, a Celtic — Norwegian — Spanish toadhead and half-Caucasian, half-Japanese Mitzzy.

"In the end," Look adds, "the Roberts let their love for Kim resolve their fears."

Zetas Choose Fayetteville Mother "Woman Of The Yr."

FAYETTEVILLE — At its recent annual meeting in the J. W. Seabrook auditorium at the Fayetteville State Teachers College, the Omega Beta Chapter of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, under the leadership of Evelyn Humphrey, junior of Roxboro, named as "Woman of the Year" Edna Fuller of 518 McDaniell Street in Fayetteville.

The speaker for the occasion was Phyllis O'Kelley, instructor at the Jane Porter Berrett School in Peaks, Virginia. She was introduced by Mae Eudd Williams, Basileus of the Gamma Upsilon Zeta Chapter of the local Zeta Phi Beta Sorority.

The plaque was presented to Mrs. Fuller by Basileus Evelyn

lyne Humphrey of Omega Beta. Mrs. Fuller has the distinction of being the founder of the Fayetteville School for Exceptional Children.

Mrs. Fuller has always had an impulse for humanity. Her trips to the old folks home with her parents in Norfolk, Virginia at the age of 7 probably helped to determine the direction of her work, although she was inclined toward the profession of a teacher and that of a foreign missionary.

A mother of five children (one of them a minister), the wife of a minister, an ardent worker in the community and in the church, and a woman whose sympathies go out for those in need, Mrs. Fuller fully qualifies for the "Woman of the Year" title.



SET FOR 'OPEN HOUSE'—New York's Gov. Averell Harriman examines one of more than 150 postage meters the state will use to herald the New York State "Open House Week" April 23-May 5. More than five million letters will bear stamps commemorating the event in the next two weeks. Pictured with Harriman are Frank C. Simpson of Albany, principal mail and supply clerk, and personnel administrator, Eileen Delehanty. (Newspress Photo).



MID-EAST MERRYMAKERS—Troops of the 10 nations serving the United Nations Emergency Forces in Egypt, are now being entertained by the famed Golden Gate Quartette, headliners of the first live show to arrive in that area since the Suez crisis. The troupe will spend a week traveling from unit to unit. Members of the popular quartet, and their accompanist, are shown boarding a Scandinavian Airlines plane at New York's International Airport. (Newspress Photo).

UNCF Appeal Endorsed By Meany, AFL-CIO Prexy

NEW YORK (AP)—George Meany, AFL-CIO president, endorsed the 14th annual nationwide appeal of the United Negro College Fund, it was announced here today. Both Mr. Meany and Walter Reuther, AFL-CIO vice president, are members of the Fund's National Councils, headed by John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

Meany urged unions to contribute generously to the \$2,000,000 appeal on behalf of its 31 member colleges.

These colleges represent a vital source of leadership for sixteen million American and for the nation at large. Mr. Meany said, "In a period when the nation is making great strides in improving interracial understanding, the importance of this fact cannot be underestimated."

"In common with all American colleges, the participating colleges of the Fund, which comprise an integral part of our system of higher education, are con-

fronted with rapidly increasing enrollments. They must help meet this demand of the young people for better training."

The 1957 United College Fund appeal opened nationally on April 1 with a meeting at the Waldorf-Astoria Local campaigns have been organized in more than 100 communities throughout the country.



"Marriage is an institution held together by two books—cook and check!"

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Harriet Tubman

1823—1913

BORN IN SLAVERY IN MARYLAND, SHE ESCAPED TO THE FREE NORTH AT THE AGE OF TWENTY-FIVE! THEN, WITH A REWARD OF \$40,000 ON HER HEAD, SHE RISKED HER LIFE ON NINETEEN SECRET TRIPS BACK INTO THE SOUTH, GUIDING MORE THAN 300 SLAVES TO FREEDOM VIA THE "UNDERGROUND RAILROAD"! WHENEVER A RUNAWAY FALTERED, SHE POINTED HER PISTOL AT HIM, SAYING, "YOU'LL BE FREE OR DIE!" — IN ALL HER YEARS SHE NEVER LOST A "PASSENGER"!

CONTINENTAL FEATURES