

Close Watch Kept On Paul Robeson

By HARRY LEVETTE
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Perhaps as you say, Paul Robeson may not use his long-desired opportunity to go abroad to talk against the United States, but nevertheless, he will be keeping a close watch on him, confided a government employee to an AP reporter last week.

The conversation took place in the terminal Post office all-night station, and although the speaker did not admit that he was an FBI man or an investigator for the government, he always comes to the station half hour after midnight, and sorts over official-looking mail from his large private box. I learned he had the names of several local subversive suspects.

INTERVIEWED TWICE LAST YEAR

When Mr. Robeson, whose art I have always admired, was here for concerts at the Union Church in June of last year, I visited him backstage, and followed this brief interview with a lengthy one later at the Hugh Gordon book store. He told me then he was confident he would get his passport very shortly, and wanted only to do concert work, and not spread communistic propaganda, of which he had been accused.

PAUL IS RELIGIOUS
Personally I have found it hard to believe that Paul Robeson is a Communist, because it is a well-known fact that the belief of that party or group is atheistic. He smiled with pride when we discussed his singing of the spirituals and the "Showboat," "Sanders of the River," "Emperor Jones," and "Tales of Manhattan," in which he played a small-town minister.

COPS QUELLED RIOT
Incidentally, I did not mention that last night in the fall of 1949 when Robeson appeared before a huge crowd at Whigley



"MISS CHARM" — Miss Bertha L. Owens, a rising junior in the School of Nursing at A&T College, was recently named "Miss Charm" by the Charm and Culture Club at the college. She is a native of Mount Olive.

Harrison Library Sponsors Successful Talks Aimed At Retired Folks In Area

The Richard B. Harrison Public Library in connection with a program outlined by the Division of Gerontology of the University of Michigan, sponsored a very successful program for retired persons of the City of Raleigh and Wake County.

The group titled, "Aging in the Modern World" met twice a month on Tuesday mornings during April, May and June at the Library. The three principal aims of the program were to enable mature individuals: (1) To understand the meaning of longer life in a society which offers more free time; (2) To recognize the value of assessing basic individual needs, capacities, outlooks, interests and conceptions of self-potential; and (3) To identify experiences which will further the growth and development of personality and lead to new, useful and creative roles which will provide a sense of life fulfillment in our changing society.

Some topics discussed were: "Aging as a Modern Social Achievement," "The Human Machine at Mid-Life," "New Family Roles in Middle Life," "The Challenge of Citizenship," "Creating the Climate for the Middle Years," W. D. Gav, a retired teacher, served as discussion leader and a different resource person was chosen from the group for each meeting.

At the close of the discussion, a surprise came in the form of "delicious" eats, representing voluntary treats from respective members of the group. The final meeting of the group was held on the lawn of Miss Dora Stroud's home in Method. After the discussion, a picnic was held for members and invited friends.

Along with the "Aging Group," the Library, through the bookmobile, services the County Home, Hamm's Nursing Home, and Gas and Nurseries Home. Books are deposited and books are read, in serial form, to the patients by the bookmobile librarian.

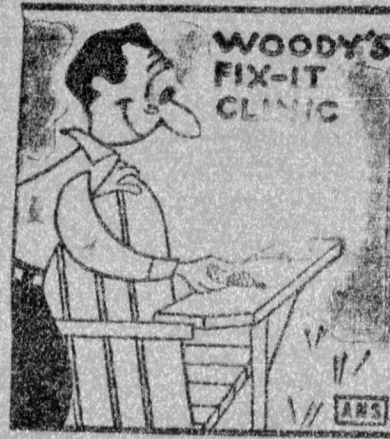
New Cottage Inspected As Tar Heel's Beauticians Stage 1-Day State Meet

BADIN LAKE — "And we'll all work together," sang the N. C. Beauticians at their annual one day state convention held last week at Dixie Shores Resort on Badin Lake. They were happy on the occasion of their first visit to their new and partially constructed cottage.

Mrs. Willie Smith, of Greensboro, the state president presided over the business sessions held in the structure. The construction is of cinder block. The subfloor, roof, some windows and doors are ready. The building will be completed in September said C. H. Beckwith of Charlotte, who is chairman of the development committee. It will contain recreation, cooking and sleeping facilities. After completion an open house and picnic will be held for the beauticians and their friends.

Other officers present were 1st vice president, Mrs. Louise Benwick of Statesville; 2nd vice president, Mrs. Martha Smith of Wilmington; recording secretary, Mrs. Vivian Massey of Winston-Salem; financial secretary, Mrs. Rosa Davis of Wilmington; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Margaret Minor of Durham; treasurer, Mrs. Maxanna Pitts of Winston-Salem; and Technical advisor, C. H. Beckwith of Charlotte.

Included among the delegates were: E. A. Jones, Raleigh; Mrs. Harry Coffield, Enfield; Estelle Brandy, Durham; Callie Day, Durham; Sylvia Tucker, Cornelius; Helen Greir and Betty Moss, Belmont; Sara Holland, Bessie McCaskill, Ruby Chisholm and Geneva Davis of Gastonia; Marian Davis, Alma Munn, Sarah Reese, Battle Fox, Naomi Love, Helen Fleming, Jacob Smith, Freeman Telford, Charlotte; Elizabeth Sharr, High Point; Kathleen Randall, Salisbury; Millie Richard, Wilmington; and others, from Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Cornelius, Durham, Raleigh, Statesville, Salisbury, Wilson, Smithfield, Hendersonville, Asheville, Wilmington, Gastonia, Belmont, High Point, Enfield, Chadbourn, Sanford, Shelby, and Whiteville.



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Before using a stepladder in front of a door that opens toward you, lock the door. If someone should open the door while you are on the ladder you could get a bad fall. No matter how high you want to reach, never stand any higher on the ladder than the second step from the top.

Prexy, Wife Sailed July 10:

Dr. Clement Of Atlanta U. Will Study In West Africa

NEW YORK — To learn about education in West African countries at first hand, Dr. Rufus E. Clement, president of Atlanta University, sailed with Mrs. Clement on the Italian Line's SS Vulcania July 10.

Debarbing at Lisbon, Dr. and Mrs. Clement will fly to Africa to tour Liberia, Ghana, Sierra Leone and Nigeria. They plan to return to Atlanta Oct. 1.

The first Negro to win a major office in the city since post-Civil-War Reconstruction Days, Dr. Clement was elected

to Atlanta's board of education by a wide majority in 1953. He was re-elected in 1957. As president of Atlanta University, Dr. Clement was one of the founders of the United Negro College Fund in 1943. He has served on the Fund's board of directors for the past 15 years.

A trustee of the Institute of International Education and a member of the board of governors of national USO (United Service Organizations), Dr. Clement also serves actively with some 20 other civic, education and social welfare organizations.

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