

Atlanta U. Announces Plans For Centennial Event

ATLANTA—Dr. Rufus E. Clement, President of Atlanta University, has announced plans for the Centennial celebrations to be held at the University during 1965.

In 1865, one hundred years ago, the first educational program was instituted at Atlanta University and two years later, in 1867, the University received its charter. The first normal class graduated in 1873 and the first college class in 1876. The school year 1928-29 opened with no students below freshman and junior normal classification and in 1930, undergraduate courses were discontinued. All the resources of Atlanta University are now being devoted to work on the graduate level.

The main event of the Centennial Year will be held in October on Charted Day, when the anniversary of the receipt of the charter will be commemorated by a Centennial Convocation to which about two thousand representatives of colleges, universities, Learned Societies, etc., will be invited.

The celebrations, however, will be year-long and commence with a Centennial Institute to be held on Saturday and Sunday, February 6 and 7, in Dean Sage Hall. On Saturday, February 6, a discussion of "Atlanta University in Retrospect: Unique Historical Contributions" will commence at 10:

00 a. m. and will continue, after a break for lunch, until 4:00 p. m. Participants and their subjects will be: Dr. S. Milton Nabrit, president, Texas Southern University, "Contributions to Liberal Education"; Dr. Hylan G. Lewis, professor of sociology, Howard University, Washington, D. C., "Contributions to Research"; and Dr. Ira de A. Reid, Haverford College, Pennsylvania, "Contributions in the Area of Race Relations." Dr. Clarence A. Bacote, Department of History, Atlanta University, who is the University's Centennial historian, will moderate the panel discussion. A reception for participants in the institute and staff members (discussants, consultants, speakers, guest speakers) will be held in the afternoon in the lounge of Dean Sage Hall.

On the following day, Sunday, February 7, a Centennial Institute Convocation will be held at Sisters Chapel, Spellman College, commencing at 3 P. M., at which Mr. Roy Wilkins, executive secretary of the NAACP will be the guest speaker. Mr. Wilkins will discuss the future of higher education and the Negro in American life.

Other convocations and special events scheduled throughout the year are: a special convocation emphasizing the present status of the University on May 28, at which time recognition will be

given to distinguished alumni; Commencement Exercises on May 31; and a second Centennial Institute on October 16 and 17, which will include the Charter Day Celebrations.

Atlanta University, comprising the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences and the graduate professional schools of Business Administration, Education, Library Service and Social Work, is one of the six independent institutions on higher learning forming the Atlanta University Center, an affiliation to strengthen individual programs in development of an important center for higher learning. The six institutions have a total plant of more than one hundred acres of land and sixty-five buildings and cooperate in administration and instruction in order to improve a wider range of educational offerings for the student body.

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Negro Support of Jewish Cause Cited by Jewish Labor Committee

NEW YORK — Growing Negro participation in Jewish-sponsored demonstrations against anti-Semitism is reported by the Jewish Labor Committee. "In a number of recent instances," states Emanuel Muravchik, National Director of the JLC, "Negro groups and individuals have taken part in protest actions organized by the Jewish community. This is a most gratifying trend because it demonstrates that some Negro civil rights activists see their battle for human rights as a universal one, applying to all of the oppressed, no matter what their religion or skin color."

As illustration of this trend, the Jewish Labor Committee Leader cited three recent events.

On January 14, he said, when all of the major Jewish organizations demonstrated in front of a number of German Consulates for an extension of the statute of limitations governing the indictment of Nazi criminals, Negroes participated in the picket lines in at least two cities, Detroit and Philadelphia. In the former city, he said, the Jewish Labor Committee representative, Jack Carper, was designated by the Jewish Community Relations Council to invite Negro participation in the picketing. The response was a

large delegation from the local chapters of the Congress of Racial Equality and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. In addition, the demonstration was officially endorsed by two local Negro labor organizations, the Trade Union Leadership Conference and the Metropolitan Detroit Labor Community Association. In Philadelphia, Muravchik stated, individual Negroes participated in the picket line.

Another case cited by Muravchik is the official participation by the Negro Trade Union Leadership Conference in the campaign against Soviet anti-Semitism of the Philadelphia Jewish Community Relations Council. Part of the campaign consists of a series of picket line demonstrations in front of the Soviet Embassy in Washington. On March 15th, the picket line will be manned jointly by the Negro labor group and the Philadelphia chapter of the Jewish Labor Committee. Buses will be chartered by both organizations to bring the mixed contingent to the nation's capitol. It was pointed out by Muravchik that the last time both groups went to Washington together in chartered buses was to participate in the March on Washington

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The third instance pointed out by the JLC spokesman was a letter by Dr. Martin Luther King against Soviet anti-Semitism which was published in the New York Times on January 16. In his letter, the Nobel Peace Prize winner stated, "I should like to add my voice to the list of distinguished Americans of all faiths who have called the injustices perpetrated against the Jewish community in the Soviet Union to the attention of the world. The struggle of the Negro people for freedom is inextricably interwoven with the universal struggle of all peoples to be free from discrimination and oppression." The eminent Negro leader concluded his letter by stating, "In the name of humanity I urge that the Soviet Government end all the discriminatory measures against its Jewish community. I will not remain silent in the face of injustice."

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Far Out for Fish



FUTURE CATCH—Trout such as those held aloft by Chilean boy will soon be produced in ponds constructed by former slum dwellers who have formed a fishing cooperative in a desert town with the help of U.S. churches.

It sounds like a fish story, but it's true. In one of the driest, hottest of deserts—near the town of Calama, Chile—40 men once resigned to life as slum dwellers have set up a fishing cooperative with the aim of producing and marketing 100,000 rainbow trout a year.

They have built and stocked 100 ponds each accommodating 1,000 trout. Cement for building the simple spring-fed ponds, and a technical advisor for the project, were provided through funds furnished in part by Protestant churches in the United States.

The effort of these men to become self-sufficient through their fish business will also benefit Calama's many underprivileged. It will provide a cheap source of protein to fill the dietary void created by the absence of the meat they cannot afford. The co-op will sell trout for about one-fourth the price of meat.

This project is one of many efforts aided by One Great Hour of Sharing, an annual appeal which will be observed in numer-

ous Protestant churches throughout America on March 28.

A many faceted program to help the Calama community combat hunger, malnutrition, unemployment, illiteracy and other afflictions is supported by thirty denominations through Church World Service, their cooperative agency for overseas relief and rehabilitation.

Included in the program, to which churches in other countries contribute through the World Council of Churches, are literacy classes, craft training, a day nursery, a primary school and health clinics.

Some of Calama's deprived are victims of a nitrate industry slump which made ghost towns of their once-prosperous communities. Others came from great distances seeking employment they did not find in a large copper mine nearby.

An air of hope has begun to pervade their despair as projects such as the fish co-op are taking form, and they are able to help themselves achieve the dignity that comes with self-sufficiency.

Students to Rebuild 2 Churches

JONESBORO, La.—With materials supplied by CORE and labor volunteered by Southern University students and local residents, the two churches burned to the ground on January 17 will be rebuilt. They were Pleasant Grove Baptist Church and Bethany Baptist Church, both used by CORE for voter registration activities.

Coordinating the rebuilding of the churches is CORE Field Secretary Jerome Smith, who a few months ago coordinated construction of the CORE community center in Harmony, Mississippi. He has negotiated an agreement on student volunteers in conferences with both university officials and student government spokesmen at Southern University in Baton Rouge. It was Southern University students who played a key role in the Baton Rouge freedom struggle in 1960 and 1961. Jonesboro residents already have raised \$3,000 to help cover the cost of materials. The churches were valued at about \$35,000.

HELP CHURCH MEMBER TO ENTER ALL-WHITE COLLEGE

A member of Bethany Baptist Church, James Potts, wants to enter all-white Louisiana Poly-

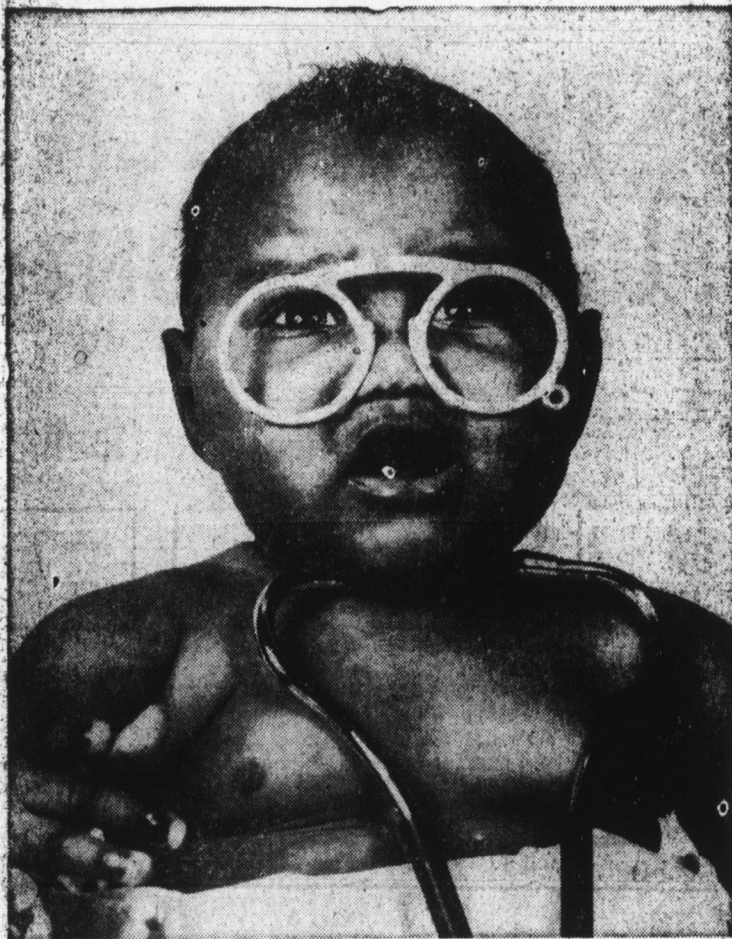
BENNETT PLANS EXCHANGE WITH MT. HOLYOKE

GREENSBORO—The eighth annual student exchange between Bennett College and Mount Holyoke College, of South Hadley, Mass., is scheduled for February 12-27.

During the period the visiting students will follow a schedule which, as near as possible, matches the one that they would follow at their home institution, plus participation in a variety of social activities.

Going from Bennett will be Misses Patricia Faison, of New Bern and Prathin Pattabongs, of Thailand, both sophomores; Brenda Jackson, of Jacksonville, Fla., and Eva Rice, of Washington, D. C., both juniors.

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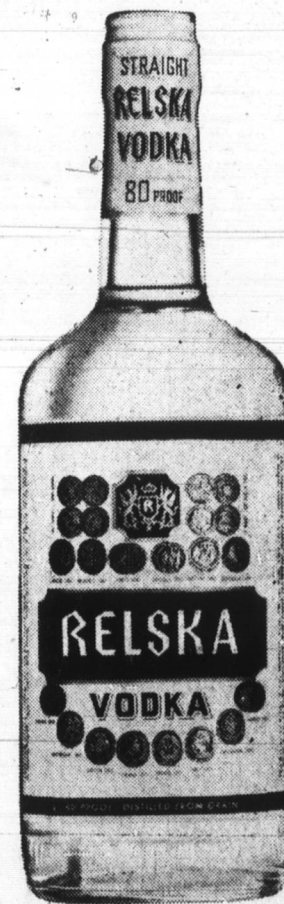
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