

After Navy Duty, Bowers Enlists In Air Force

Recently discharged from the U. S. Navy after four year's duty, Eugene Bowers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bowers, of Cullasaja, has enlisted in the U. S. Air Force.

Sworn in on March 1 in Charlotte, he is now stationed at Chanute, Ill., for training in aircraft and engine maintenance. At the end of his training, he will be joined by his wife, the former Miss Helen Woodard, of Jackson County.

During his "hitch" in the navy, Eugene had the rating of machinist's mate third class. He participated in the Korean and Indo-China theatres of war.

He has two brothers also in service.

An older brother, S/Sgt. Edward Bowers, is with the air force at Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Ala. He just recently completed a management training school and is assistant supervisor of the communications center.

A younger brother, Wiley A.

Bowers, was sworn in the air force on January 13. He has finished his basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Tex., and is now assigned to Kessler Air Force Base, Miss.

Cullasaja 4-H Holds Meeting; Sign Is Given

Seventeen members attended the March 6 meeting of the Cullasaja Community 4-H Club at the school, according to the club reporters, Janice Thompson and Michael Bryson.

Members worked on a forestry scrapbook and make plans for entering a float in the 4-H parade on Saturday.

A new 4-H sign has been presented to the community and it is planned to erect it on the 4-H grounds.

A special meeting also is scheduled soon to work on bird houses.

Although the number of farms in the U. S. selling milk is declining, total milk sales have reached a new record high as sales per farm rapidly increase.

DRAFT BOARD CLASSIFIES 21 MEN HERE

Actions Taken At Meeting Last Week; Classes Are Listed

Twenty-one registrants have been classified by the local draft board. The actions were taken at a meeting last week.

The classifications:

1-A (accepted): Milton L. Higdon and Earl L. Moses.

1-C (reserve): Thomas R. Potts, Charles D. Cross, Gilbert E. Moses, Andrew Moses, David L. Carpenter, Charles K. Carpenter, Guy E. Holland, and Furman D. Reece.

1-C (enlisted): William P. Gibson, Avery Stewart, James E. Vanhook, Louis W. Reece, and Samuel L. Holland.

1-C (discharged): William H. Johnson.

4-F (physically, mentally, or

morally unfit for duty): Bob Neal and Norman H. Webb.

5-A (over the age of liability): Harvey N. Talley, David B. Moses, and William B. Deal.

Quartet Coming To Cullasaja For Performance

The Carolina Quartet, which broadcasts each Sunday morning over WWNC, Asheville, will be at the Cullasaja School Sunday night at 7:30. This program is sponsored by the Cullasaja community Organization.

There will be no admission charge, but a free will offering will be taken.

COMPULSORY INTEGRATION? 'WAIT NOW'

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delinquents, can be controlled by firmness once they are brought to believe that the police mean business, is as baseless and illusory as that one generation ago of (oh yes, we subscribed to it too) columned porticoes and magnolias. The rest of the United States assumes that this condition in the South is so simple and so uncomplex that it can be changed tomorrow by the simple will of the national majority backed by legal edict. In fact, the North does not even recognize what it has seen in its own newspapers.

I have at hand an editorial from the New York Times of February 10th on the rioting at the University of Alabama because of the admission of Miss Lucy, a Negro. The editorial said: "This is the first time that force and violence have become part of the question." That is not correct. To all Southerners, no matter which side of the question of racial equality they supported, the first implication, and — to the Southerner — even promise, of

force and violence was the Supreme Court decision itself. After that, by any standards at all and following as inevitably as night and day, was the case of the three white teen-agers, members of a field trip group from a Mississippi high school (and, as teen-agers do, probably wearing the bright parti-colored blazers or jackets blazoned across the back with the name of the school) who were stabbed in passing on a Washington street by Negroes they had never seen before and who apparently had never seen them before either; and that of the Till boy and the two Mississippi juries which freed the defendants from both charges; and of the Mississippi garage attendant killed by a white man because, according to the white man, the Negro filled the tank of the white man's car full of gasoline when all the white man wanted was two dollars' worth.

This problem is far beyond a mere legal one. It is even far beyond the moral one it is and still was a hundred years ago in 1860, when many Southerners, including Robert Lee, recognized it as a moral one at the very instant when they in turn elected to champion the underdog because that underdog was blood and kin and home. The Northerner is not even aware yet of what that war really proved. He assumes that it merely proved to the Southerner that he was wrong. It didn't do that because the Southerner already knew he was wrong and accepted that gambit even when he knew it was the fatal one. What that war should have done, but failed to do, was to prove to the North that the South will go to any length, even that fatal one it will accept alteration of its racial condition by mere force of law or economic threat.

Since I went on record as being opposed to compulsory racial inequality, I have received many letters. A few of them approved. But most of them were in opposition. And a few of these were from Southern Negroes, the only difference being that they were polite and courteous instead of being threats and insults, saying in effect: "Please, Mr. Faulkner, stop talking and be quiet. You are a good man and you think you are helping us. But you are not helping us. You are

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doing us harm. You are playing into the hands of the NAACP so that they are using you to make trouble for our race that we don't want. Please hush, you look after your white folks' trouble and let us take care of ours." This one in particular was a long one, from a woman who was writing for and in the name of the pastor and entire congregation of her church. It went on to say that the Till boy got exactly what he asked for, coming down there with his Chicago ideas, and that all his mother wanted was to make money out of the role of her bereavement. Which sounds exactly like the white people in the South who justified and even defended the crime by declining to find that it was one.

We have had many violent inexcusable personal crimes of race against race in the South, but since 1919 the major examples of communal race tension have been more prevalent in the North, like the Negro family who were refused acceptance in the white residential district in Chicago, and the Korean-American who suffered for the same reason in Anaheim, Calif. Maybe it is because our solidarity is not racial, but instead is the majority white segregationist plus the Negro minority like my correspondent above, who prefer peace to equality. But suppose the line of demarcation should become one of the race; the white minority like myself compelled to join the white segregation majority no matter how much we oppose the principle of inequality; the Negro minority who want peace compelled to join the Negro majority who advocate force, no matter how much that minority wanted only peace?

So the Northerner, the liberal, does not know the South. He can't know it from his distance. He assumes that he is dealing with a simple legal theory and a simple moral idea. He is not. He is dealing with a fact: the fact of an emotional condition of such fierce unanimity as to scorn the fact that it is a minority and which will go to any length and against any odds at this moment to

justify and, if necessary, defend that condition and its right to it.

So I would say to all the organizations and groups which would force integration on the South by legal process: "Stop now for a moment. You have shown the Southerner what you can do and what you will do if necessary; give him a space in which to get his breath and assimilate that knowledge; to look about and see that (1) Nobody is going to force integration on him from the outside; (2) That he himself faces an obsolescence in his own land which only he can cure; a moral condition which not only must be cured but a physical condition which has got to be cured if he, the white Southerner, is to have any peace, is not to be faced with another legal process or maneuver every year, year after year, for the rest of his life."

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