

# H.S.T. SEES OMAHA DEMOCRACY

## MOVE TO END DRAFT BIAS DIES IN SENATE

### FUNERAL RITES CONDUCTED FOR BISHOP TOOKES

NEW YORK (ANP) — Bishop Henry Young Tookes of the AME Church, who died here June 9 was to be buried in Jacksonville, Fla., Tuesday, June 15. Thousands of his friends in Florida as well as church leaders from all over the country were expected to attend the services.

Bishop Tookes died in his New York home after a short illness. He became ill while on a preliminary inspection tour of the Texas episcopal district to which he had just been assigned at the 1948 Quadrennial AME Conference in Kansas City, Kansas.

When he fell sick in Texas his daughter, Miss Garrett Tookes, flew to Houston from Jacksonville, Fla., and his wife came by train from Jacksonville to see him. He (Continued on back page)

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## COLOR BAR FALLS IN FLOOD

### Churchmen Of 15 States Meet Here

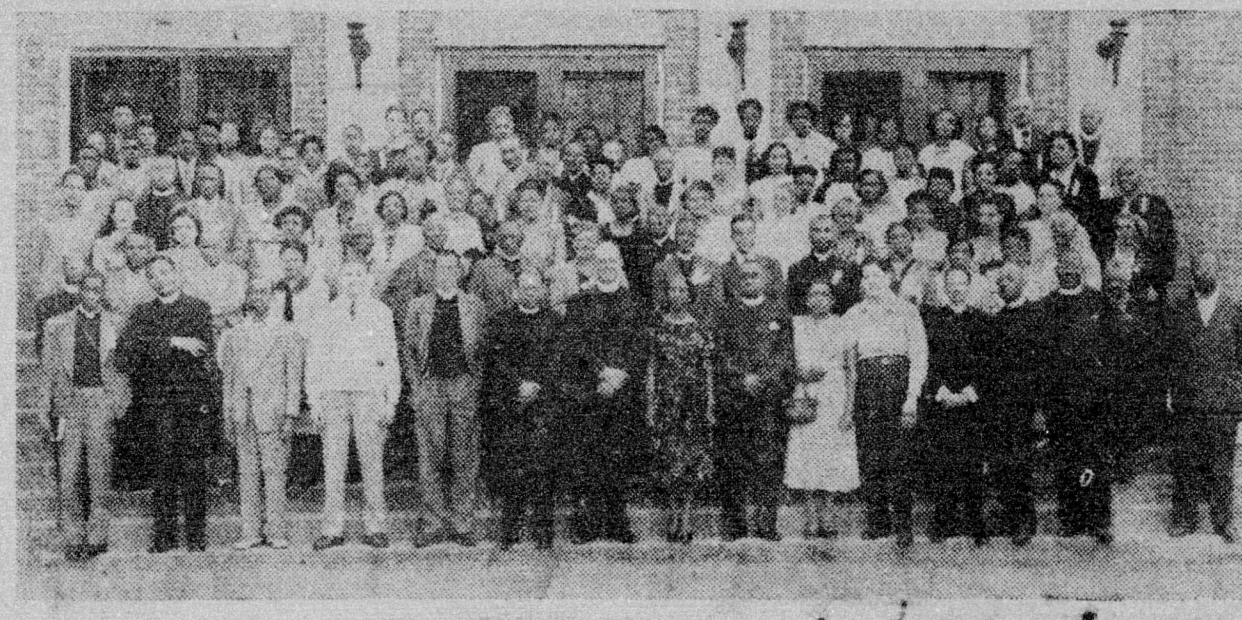
### Flood Disaster Erases Race And Color Barriers

By OLIVER E. SMITH

VANPORT, Ore. (ANP) — What it takes to make people forget about the color of a person's skin, or religion, or creed, or national origin, was really demonstrated here when this community was alerted to the approaching of flood waters Sunday afternoon, May 30. Color ceased to be of importance — both white and colored joined in to help each other escape and rescue others. When disaster threatens, when the chips are down, all men are equal. There is no thought of racial lines, religious beliefs, or all those other barriers that are used to set one group of people apart from another.

For instance, one white college student, named Anderson, loaded in his 1937 Ford a colored woman and her six children, a white woman and her four children, another adult, and transported them to the Denver Avenue dike, just seconds ahead of the rushing water.

Eugene Howard, a colored man who not only lost his home but his job, was fast asleep in his apartment when the flood came. He awoke to see people running past his house. One white woman was dragging two children, who were too heavy to carry. Run (Continued on back page)



ATTEND CHURCH PARLEY AT ST. AUGUSTINE'S — Above are shown some of the delegates from 15 states and 20 Episcopal dioceses who attended the 39th annual St. Augustine's Conference for Church Workers which was held last week on the St. Augustine's campus. The conference, devoted to problems of religious education and the church and the community, is sponsored annually by the St. Augustine's College and the American Church Institute for Negroes. — Hamlin Photo

### Richmond Gets 1st Negro Councilman In 50 Years

Richmond (ANP) — It was the new awakening of Virginia Negroes which gave Oliver W. Hill, young attorney, victory in the councilman election here June 8. Hill won 9,087 votes to finish 9th in a field of 29 candidates for the new nine-man council. Mr. Hill's victory was all the more significant since he edged out T. O. duCenois, CIO member of the slate of nine candidates selected and supported by the Richmond Citizens' association which refused to name a Negro candidate on its ticket, and to become the city's first Negro councilman. The result of Negro campaign in other parts of the state was disappointing. In Norfolk Victor J. Ashe, popular attorney, was defeated by the favored white ticket composed of Councilman George B. Abbott and C. V. Griffin. It was Ashe's second defeat for the city council and he also lost in last August's primary when he ran for nomination for a seat in the Virginia House of Delegates. Theodore Nash, running on the Republican ticket for the city council in Portsmouth was defeated by his white opponent, Frank Nash Bilsoly, who ran on the Democratic ticket. Bilsoly drew 475 votes in Jefferson ward to 93 votes for Nash L. Young, a second aspirant for the Portsmouth City council was defeated. Charles K. Coleman, who ran some time ago for the city council (Continued on back page)

### CLERICS ATTEND CHURCH PARLEY AT SAINT AUG.

15 States and 20 diocese of the Episcopal Church were represented by delegates at the 39th St. Augustine's Conference for Church Workers. The Conference, sponsored annually by St. Augustine's College and the American Church Institute for Negroes in co-operation, was held on the campus June 7-11. This year's central theme was, "The Challenge of Evangelism." Included among the teachers and leaders were: The Rev. C. Rankin Barnes, D. D., secretary of the National Council of the Episcopal Church; Rev. J. W. Nicholson, Ph. D. of the faculty of Bishop Payne Divinity School, Petersburg, Va.; Rev. Theodore J. Jones, St. Phillips Church, Washington, D. C.; Rev. W. Paul Thompson, Christ Church, Reading, Pa.; Prof. Theodore C. Mayo, director of music, St. Augustine's; and Mrs. Naomi R. Mackey, president of the Woman's Auxiliary, Triennial Conference of Charleston, S. C.

### RECREATION

Recreational activity and training were conducted by Rev. Thomas S. Logan, St. Michael and All Angels' Church, Philadelphia, Pa., and the crafts workshop by Miss Iris L. King, also of Charleston. Among the special features of the conference were vespers and assembly addresses by Bishop Edwin A. Penick, Rev. Tullie L. Caution, D. D., general secretary for Negro work, Rev. Kenneth DeP. Hughes, St. Bartholomew's Church, Cambridge, Mass., Rev. James McKeown, St. Luke's Church, Boone, (Continued on back page)

### Southerners To Try "Meddlers" Role In Civil Rights Fight

Richmond (ANP) — Faced with defeat on original plans to present a solid front from Dixie to prevent the nomination of President Truman at the Philadelphia Democratic convention, the South may invade the North with publicity and propaganda to sell its ideas on the civil rights program in that section. The possibility of such a strategy developed here June 7 while Gov. Millard F. Caldwell of Florida conferred with Virginia's Governor William M. Tuck at the executive mansion. Caldwell delivered the commencement address to the graduates of the Medical College of Virginia Tuesday night, June 8. Gov. Caldwell talked with reporters at Gov. Tuck's office and expressed the opinion that "if we can get the facts over to the north, the thinking of people of that region will be almost as much opposed to the civil rights program as we in the South." He indicated that southern governors might conduct a dispassionate and factual program to get information to northerners on the basic angles of the civil rights program for Negroes and what such a program would entail in the South. Gov. Tuck's comment was that he thought such a program "would certainly be a fine thing." The proposed strategy is a direct reversal of the previous southern stand that all non-southern critics of the South's pattern of denial of civil rights to Negroes were "meddlers" and interlopers trying to "stir up trouble."

### DIXIE BAPTISTS HELP NEGROES MINISTERS AVER

Oklahoma City, (ANP) — Southern Baptists are definitely in favor of improving the status of Negroes in the south, the Rev. Guy Bellamy, head of the Oklahoma Baptists, told Editor Roscoe Dunjee of the Black Dispatch in a conversation and letter last week. Rev. Bellamy was supported in his stand by a letter to the editor from the Rev. Albert McClellan, editor of a report submitted to the recent Southern Baptist convention in Memphis by a special committee on race relations. Statements from these church leaders came in protest to a news story which revealed that two thirds of the delegates interviewed at the Memphis meeting were opposed to civil rights for Negroes.

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### ANP Correspondent On Presidential Special

Washington (ANP) — Mrs. Alice Dunnigan, ANP's Washington correspondent, is aboard President Truman's westbound special. This is the first time that a Negro woman correspondent has accompanied a President on a tour. Mrs. Dunnigan will cover both the political aspects and women's angles for newspapers receiving ANP Service.

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### Push Plan For Greater Integration Of Race In U. S., Air Force Setup

Washington (ANP) — A plan to change the setup at Lockbourne Air Force base which can change the status of the Negro in the air forces is now being considered by air chief in the Pentagon building, it was learned this week. This new scheme, submitted by James C. Evans, special assistant secretary to Defense Secy. James V. Forrestal, will de-emphasize the Lockbourne base, and decentralize the all-Negro units now concentrated at this base. The aim of this plan is to put into effect some of the recommendations of the Gillem report calling for more integration of Negroes in the air forces. The plan calls for the sending of Col. B. O. Davis Jr., post commander and also commander of the 332nd Fighter wing, to study

### Nape Raps Mundt-Nixon Bill, Backs Rights Bill

Indianapolis (ANP) — Resolutions opposing the Mundt-Nixon bill, favoring the FEPC, anti-poll tax, and anti-lynch legislation, and seeking a pay raise for postal workers, were adopted by 51 delegates attending the sixth district convention of the National Alliance of Postal employees in Senate Ave. YMCA here last week. The delegates were drawn from the states of Indiana, Ohio, Western Pennsylvania and Northern Michigan. The convention also laid plans

### NEGRO LEADS ARMY TRAINING CLASS

Fort Eustis, Va. (ANP) — A Negro officer, 1st Lt. Jas. E. McGee Jr., a native of San Antonio, Texas, ranked first among 33 officers graduating from the transportation school's basic associate transportation corps officers' class No. five, recently. Lt. McGee averaged five points ahead of his nearest rival as he became the outstanding graduate of the class. He is a veteran of three years service with the 351st Field artillery. He holds a bronze star for meritorious service. He is now back in the First Army awaiting assignment.



FACE SETTER — Hazel Scott, brilliant pianist and wife of Congressman Adam Clayton Powell, kicked off the Urban League Upper Manhattan fund campaign last week with a check for \$1,000. The gift, largest contribution to the Urban League program by a Negro individual in this or previous campaign years, was made at a recent testimonial dinner at Small's Restaurant for Dr. C. E. Powell, editor and president of the New York Amsterdam News, and Mr. T. O. Thackrey, co-editor and publisher of the New York Post. Congressman Powell served as master of ceremonies. The vivacious young artist was the first among the more than 300 persons present to make her contribution, which was followed by \$1,200 from the National Urban League Guild and other donations reaching \$7,000.

### President Sees Democracy At Work On Tour

By ALICE A. DUNNIGAN Enroute on the Presidential Special

OMAHA (ANP) — President Truman might have visualized a better America as he sat on the reviewing stand at Omaha and watched the panorama of future democracy pass before him, in the form of a parade.

The several integrated high school bands and the democratic Boys Town band were indications of better race relations for the future generation. Negro and white boys marching together in the high school ROTC might have served as a reminder to the chief executive of the expediency and workability of an integrated army. The whirlwind pace at which the President moved on his brief stay in Omaha, Saturday, enabled him to participate in many and varied activities. The number of public appearances which he made gave every citizen of that

### Senate Defeats Move To Outlaw Draft Jimcrow

WASHINGTON (ANP) — Led by Sen. Chan Gurney (R., S. D.), who stated that the move to abolish Jim Crow in the army was not "germane to the draft," the senate voted here last week, 67-7 against an amendment to the draft bill which would have eliminated all forms of segregation and discrimination from the armed services. The vote followed a motion by Gurney to table the first of eight civil rights amendments offered by Sen. William Langer (R., N. D.). Not only did the senate kill this amendment, but it also defeated by a voice vote a second amendment which would have prohibited segregation of members of the armed forces while traveling on interstate railroad trains, planes or buses, and ignored Langer's plea for a record vote. Main antagonist to the civil rights amendments was Sen. Wayne Morse (R., Ore.) who prides himself on his liberal reputation. He told the senate, "Neither the people nor the congress are ready for these amendments. Some day civil rights legislation of the sort presented by the Langer amendments will be enacted. "But I don't know whether I shall live so long as to see put into effect legislation eliminating discrimination for race, color or creed." HOPELESS FIGHT He urged Langer to "recognize (Continued on back page)

### R.R. TO HIRE NEGROES

New York (ANP) — Both Negro and white help will be employed in the dining and grill cars of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad under an agreement worked out by the line, the New York State Commission Against Discrimination and the Massachusetts Fair Employment Practice commission, it was announced here Monday. In a joint statement, the two commissions declared that "crew personnel in the dining services will be selected and allowed to exercise their seniority rights in accordance with their qualifications under the terms of the agreements by which they are covered, unfinanced by race, creed, color or national origin." The commissions further stated that there will be immediate, tangible results, because the line is placing additional grill cars in use.

### Segregation To End Says Tex. State Official

NEW ORLEANS (ANP) — The reign of segregation throughout the south is just about at an end, according to Atty. Gen. Price Daniel of Texas here last week. Speaking at the closing session of a 3-day conference of southern attorneys general, he warned the south to give Negroes equal higher educational opportunities or face the ousting of segregation from the south by the U. S. Supreme Court. "Under a recent supreme court decision," he said, "Negroes must be given the same education as whites, or they can and will apply for entry into white schools. The question before southern states as present is how can we maintain (Continued on page eight)