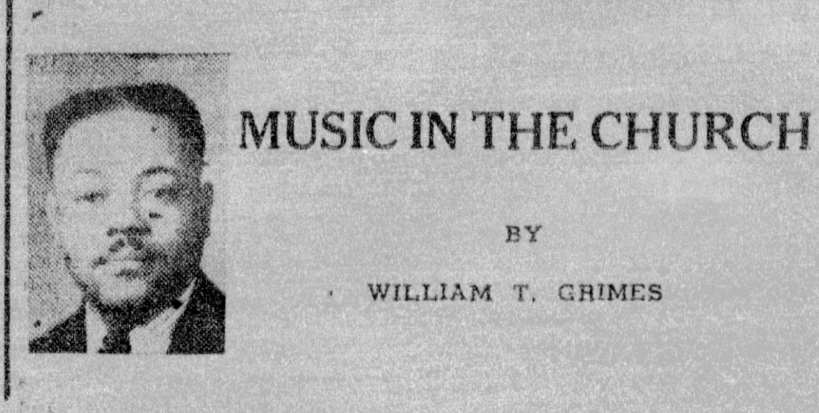


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MUSIC IN THE CHURCH

BY WILLIAM T. GRIMES

BUILDING THE CHURCH MUSIC PROGRAMS

Building church music programs is an art. It can be successfully accomplished after a great deal of thought and prayer.

We can truthfully say that church music ideals are a little higher today than they were fifty years ago.

In nearly every department of the church we have printed "Standards of Excellence," but it is unfortunate that too often we do not find a standard of excellence in the music department.

The music for many churches is left in the hands of poorly prepared musicians because their services can be secured free.

The lack of financial support to carry on the program that is worthwhile, is evident especially in some smaller churches.

There must be some enthusiasm for the music, as for the other parts of the program, and there must be training and efficiency in music as it found in the other departments of the church.

The lack of a proper music appreciation is one of the most serious problems which face many churches today.

It is not necessary for him to be a technical musician, but he should be able to know when his music program is comparable in standard with the preaching and teaching services of the church.

The Junior and intermediate girls and boys have greater knowledge as a whole, than their parents when they were of the same age.

An effort should be put forth to meet the needs of the young people as well as older people.

It is very necessary therefore that we should take these facts into consideration and prepare a wholesome program for them.

The true value and effectiveness of the music rendered, is not determined by the shout of one or two persons in the congregation.

If the congregations are to be developed into a higher multi-appreciation, higher music ideals must be constantly held before them.

When pastors, educational directors, and music leaders set up the same ideals for their music activities, then there will be a glorious new day for more wholesome church music.

BARBERS ORGANIZE

The Negro Barbers of Rocky Mount met at Wade and Son's Barber shop on East Thomas Street Tuesday night, July 27.

President, Cary Mayo, mgr. of Hannon's Tuxedo Parlor, secretary, O. W. Person, Atlantic Barber Shop, Roy Green, prop., assistant secretary, Ollie Hilliard of the City Barber Shop (Colored), treasurer, Horace Wade, senior, prop. Wade and Son's Barber Shop, publicity committee chairman, Wallace Wade, Jr., committeemen: Handy Gray, Frank B. Parker, Willie Many, President, Win. T. Grimes, prop. City Barber Shop (colored); vice Hott

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Pres. Waters Down Civil Rights In Special Session

By ALICE A. DUNNIGAN WASHINGTON (AP) — Coming face to face with the much criticized 40th congress at the special session Tuesday, President Truman apparently had lost some of the fighting spirit which he demonstrated at the National Democratic convention.

The Republican side of the aisle literally sat on their hands while the President outlined a suggestive 11-point legislative program. Weak applause occasionally burst forth from the Democratic side with the southern Dixiecrats joining with the Republicans in what amounted to a "silent brigade."

The controversial civil rights program which caused the southerners to bolt the party at the recent convention in Philadelphia, occupied the last place in the President's message.

After having presented his 10 points, supposedly in order of importance, the President concluded by saying:

"Finally, I wish again to urge upon the congress the measures I recommended last February to protect and extend basic civil rights of citizenship and human liberty. A number of bills to carry out my recommendations have been introduced in the congress. Many of them have already received careful consideration by congressional committees. Only one bill, however, has been reported, a bill relating to the rights of Americans of Japanese origin. I believe that it is necessary to enact the laws I have recommended in order to make the guarantees of the constitution real and vital. I believe they are necessary to carry out our American ideals of liberty and justice for all."

The emphasis, forcefulness and sincerity displayed by Mr. Truman in his acceptance speech in Philadelphia was lacking in this prepared statement made before the unfriendly congress. No mention was made of any specific civil rights bill and no stress was placed upon this important legislation.

It is generally believed that the President's speech was watered-down upon suggestions made by a committee of Democrats headed by vice-presidential nominee, Sen. Alben W. Barkley, who met with the President at the White House Monday. After having an hour-long conference with the President, none of them would comment on the President's original speech, they did admit, however, that they had made suggestions here and there for certain changes.

While the committee was conferring with Mr. Truman, press secretary Charles Ross gave reporters an outline of the 11-points to be offered to congress by the President on the following day. According to Mr. Ross' diagram the civil rights issues occupied seventh place on the list with special reference made to the anti-poll tax bill and the anti-lynch bill. No mention was made of FEPC in the original draft, presumably because it had not gotten along as far on the legislative calendar as the other two bills. The anti-poll tax bill has passed the house and the anti-lynch bill has been reported out of the House committee.

On the eve of this address to congress, President Truman is reported to have kept faith with the NAACP. Mr. Wilkins said, "and we give you an assurance that we will keep faith with you through redoubting our efforts to secure for all American citizens the rights guaranteed under the Constitution of the United States."

CONGRESS URGED TO BREAK DIXIE FIGHT ON RIGHTS

Washington — The 51 Republican and 19 northern Democratic senators were called upon to proceed forthwith to break the filibuster against the anti-poll tax bill in a statement released Friday by the Conference on Civil Rights Legislation composed of 19 national civil rights, labor, church, Negro, Jewish, professional, and trade organizations.

The Conference, organized here, July 22, on call of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, is composed of delegated representatives of the following organizations: National Council of Negro Women; Congress of Industrial Organizations; O. C. F. Fellowship Community Culture League; United Automobile Workers, CIO; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; American Jewish Committee; National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses; Friends Committee on Veterans Committee; American National Legislation; American Civil Liberties Union; National Council for Permanent FEPC; Anti-Defamation League; B'nai B'rith; National Association Negro Milliners, Hair Stylists and Dress Designers; National Alliance Postal Employees; National Medical Association; International Ladies Garment Workers Union, AFL; American Jewish Congress; and the National Association of Colored People.

Union Official Wins \$2000 Settlement In Jim Crow Rail Action

NEW YORK (AP) — A \$2,000 out of court settlement was made with the Southern Railway company by Thomas T. Patterson, eastern representative, Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, AFL, last week. Patterson had originally brought suit in Federal court for \$50,000 charging that railroad employees had tried to force him to occupy a seat in the jim crow car while the train was rolling through Virginia. He was on his way from New York to Atlanta at that time, March 19, 1945.

Patterson said he had refused to move to the jim crow section because he was in interstate travel and Virginia's segregation laws did not apply in his case. He was taken off the train at Charlottesville, Va., charged with disorderly conduct, held in jail several hours, and fined \$5.00.

INFANTRYMEN RAISE LARGE SUM

NEW YORK — Receipt of membership fees totaling \$2,770,000 from 40 officers and enlisted men of the 9th Infantry Regiment at Camp 7th, Japan, was announced here today by Roy Wilkins, assistant secretary of the Advancement of Colored People.

The membership campaign was conducted under the chairmanship of Captain John J. Phillips, of Lincoln Heights, Ohio, the regiment's public information officer. The largest sum, \$616, was subscribed by Company A. Captain Thomas H. Wright, of Dayton, Ohio, the company's commanding officer, took a \$25 membership, the largest individual membership. The Non-Commissioned Officers Club, under leadership of Sgt. Harold McLeod of Washington, D. C., subscribed to a life membership of \$500. The regiment is commanded by Col. Michael E. Halloran, of Oconto, Wisconsin.

In his letter to Captain Phillips acknowledging receipt of the contributions, Mr. Wilkins expressed the Association's appreciation of the continuing interest servicemen are showing in the work of the NAACP. "The men in the service



CHOISTER — Richard C. Gaylor, Jr., graduated from Union University in 1938 as vice president of the student government association. He gained statewide fame when he took the Choral Society of Manassas Industrial School to the Music Festival at Virginia State College in 1941. He is director of Music at the Elm City High School at present. He is also temporary director of the Mount Zion Baptist Senior Choir. Mr. Gaylor is a member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

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