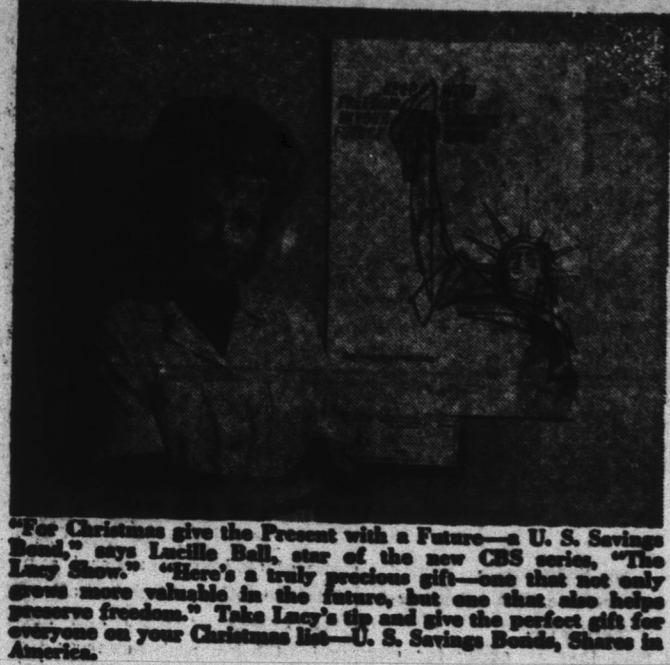


A PRECIOUS CHRISTMAS GIFT, SAYS LUCY



"For Christmas give the Present with a Future—a U. S. Savings Bond," says Lucille Bell, star of the new CBS series, "The Lucy Show." "Here's a truly precious gift—one that not only grows more valuable in the future, but one that also helps preserve freedom." Take Lucy's tip and give the perfect gift for everyone on your Christmas list—U. S. Savings Bonds, Shares in America.

In FSIC Speech

Native Of India Places Dim Hope For Democracy

FAYETTEVILLE, Va. — Dr. C. C. Thomas, a native of India and teacher at Fayetteville State Teachers College, was the speaker at the assembly program Wed. Dec. 5. Dr. Thomas gave a lively and enlightening exposition that shed much light on the Indian-Chinese situation. His approach to the topic took through an explanation of the past political and historical events that have led to the present problems faced by India.

Dr. Thomas pointed out, "What we are seeing could prove to be the end of the great experiment in Asian democracy of which Nehru was the symbol and chief exponent. He was ever trying to impress upon India the Parliamentary democracy so prevalent in Western culture. If he had followed the communist way, he would have had to remove the existing confusion by the use of force. The aggression of Red China has dealt India a blow so crippling as to end all hope of peaceful progress under a democracy."

Named To Post

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Howard University President James M. Nabrit, Jr. has been appointed to a Committee of Experts who will meet in Geneva, Switzerland, Dec. 10-14 for the purpose of reviewing the relative industrial importance of nations holding membership in the International Labor Office.

Equal Opportunity Is Attainable Goal, Vice President Declares

QUANTICO, Va. — Equal employment opportunity is an attainable and reasonable goal for a free society, Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson told a Department of the Navy training session here.

The Vice President, speaking as chairman of the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity, told Navy deputy employment policy officers and contract compliance officers that "we do what we do in the realm of equal opportunity not because of fear of what the world thinks of us but because of what we think of ourselves and our system."

"We believe — we know — that equal employment opportunity is no unattainable or unreasonable goal for a free society," he continued.

"If all our citizens can expect justice in the courtrooms of our Federal system, they must expect no less in the employment practices of their Government as well. That is the goal of the Equal Employment Opportunity Program: justice — nothing more but nothing less."

"To promise justice is one thing. To achieve justice is another. If the promise requires good intentions, the achievement requires more than good intentions. There must be a continuing and untiring effort, for the greatest injustices are most often the result of the oldest habits."

Vice President Johnson emphasized that President Kennedy, while bearing the many burdens of grave responsibility today, has demonstrated that there is no program of the government in which he has a greater or more continuing interest than the program of equal employment opportunity.

"The President of the United States recognizes that the equal employment opportunity program is fundamental to the strength and stability of our country — and to the success of our country's world leadership of the cause of freedom," he declared.

"No nation in history has ever stood stronger or larger than we stand now," he continued. "It is possible for governments of men to achieve the goal of equality among men, that success must be achieved by Americans. That is why the world watches what we do more closely now than in decades past. That is why we ourselves must give closer attention to this sector of our performance."

The Vice President described discrimination because of race, creed, color or national origin as "the most oppressive burden of all" in many lands and on most continents.

"Until freedom succeeds with final and convincing proof of its ability to surmount this oldest injustice of human experience, adversaries of freedom will always have fertile ground in which to sow their seed of doubt, division and dissension."

He urged government officials responsible for handling and investigating complaints of discrimination in government employment and in government contract work to do so promptly and properly.

"It is sometimes burdensome and vexing to deal with the problems of those who are aggrieved. I believe that those feelings can be dispelled in perspective by asking yourself which is preferable — to be the man receiving the complaint

or the human being who is bringing the complaint," he pointed out. "For you, at most, only a few minutes of your time will be involved. For those whose cases you handle, the stake is not a few minutes but a lifetime — for themselves and for their children."

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Garden Time

BY M. E. GARDNER
N. C. State College

Five new varieties of Muscadine grapes have been developed as a result of cooperative breeding work between the Crops Research Division of the USDA and the North Carolina Agriculture Experiment Station.

All of the varieties are perfect-flowered varieties alone, or used as pollinizers for such imperfect-flowered varieties as Scuppernon, James, Thomas, Hunt and others.

Albemarle is a large fruited, smooth blue-black variety of high dessert quality. It ripens about mid-season or along with Burgaw. The vine is vigorous, productive and resistant to leaf spot diseases. Albemarle is rated as being superior to Burgaw, Duplin and Tarheel in fruit size, sugar content and flavor.

Familior is a large fruited, light green variety of good flavor and attractive appearance. The fruit ripens about a week earlier than Dearing. The vine is vigorous, productive and has good foliage. Familior is superior to Willard and Wallace in flavor, fruit size, soluble solids, vigor and disease resistance, and is superior to Dearing in fruit size, appearance and flavor.

Chowan is light brown to bronze in color. The berries are large, borne in loose clusters and have a very pleasing aromatic sub-acid flavor. The fruit is somewhat similar to Scuppernon but a little larger in size and sweeter. The soluble solids content will average about 19 per cent which is 3 per cent higher than Scuppernon. Chowan ripens about a week earlier than Scuppernon. The vine is vigorous, productive and has good foliage. This variety is superior to Wallace and Willard in flavor, appearance, production and disease resistance.

Roanoke is a very attractive white grape with a tinge of golden yellow. The grapes are of medium size and ripen about a week earlier than Scuppernon. The vine is vigorous and productive. Roanoke is superior to Wallace and Willard in production, flavor, vigor of vine, and attractiveness, and is superior to Dearing in production and attractiveness of fruit.

Magnolia is a large attractive white grape with smooth skin. The grapes are of medium size and produced in medium large loose clusters. The fruit matures about one week later than Scuppernon and the flavor is good. The plants are vigorous and very productive. Magnolia is superior to Wallace and Willard in fruit size, appearance, flavor, sugar content, vigor and production, and is superior to Dearing in all of those qualities except vigor and sugar content.

Further the Crops Research Division, USDA, nor the N. C. Agricultural Experiment Station has plants for sale. Plant increase is under the supervision of the N. C. Foundation Seed Producers for release to nurseries for resale to the public in 1963. Inquiries concerning the availability of plants should be addressed to R. W. McMillan, N. C. Foundation Seed Producers, N. C. State College, Raleigh, N. C.

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