

The Messiah Presented By Allen Choir

COLUMBIA, S. C.—The Allen University Department of Music presented the university choir in its annual Christmas program, last Sunday in the university auditorium, under the direction of John Wesley Hunter, with Frederick Montgomery as accompanist.

In addition to the "Messiah," the choir sang, "Coral of the Bells"; "Silent Night"; "Holy Night"; "Feast of the Holy Kings"; "Hacia Belen Va un Borrico"; "Ya Viene la Vieja"; "Hail Mary" and the "Hallelujah Chorus."

Guest soloist, Peter Felder, who possesses a tenor voice of rare quality has been privileged to sing the tenor solo in Beethoven's Ninth Symphony at Columbia University, and at Town Hall.

Student soloists included: soprano, Phyllis Gibson, Detroit; Cynthia Massengale, Sumter; Grace Robinson, Pamlico; Carolyn Wharton, Due West. Nellie Miller, Manning, contralto; Tenor, William Nelson, Charleston; Basses James Dukes, New York City and John Singleton, Brunswick, Ga.

The choir has presented concerts at the six annual conferences of the A.M.E. Seventh Episcopal District which were held this Fall.



PEACE CORPSMEN AT NCC — A three-man group of Peace Corps representatives visited North Carolina College last week, giving information on life in the organization and supervising tests for interested students. Here the trio shows pamphlets to three unidentified students. The Peace Corps officials are Sterling King, second from left, Joe Howerton, and Morgan Little. The group spent three days on the college's Durham campus.

BEHIND THE HEADLINES

BY CHATWOOD HALL

Rhodesia, formerly known as Southern Rhodesia, held an "election" on Nov. 3 to determine whether that British colony should become fully independent.

There are four million black Rhodesians and 210,000 European settlers. About 13,000 Africans were permitted to vote in the "election."

All of Rhodesia's African Chiefs voted along with the whites for full independence from the British connection.

These chiefs have long received monthly salaries from the white Rhodesian government. So it was a clear case of who pays the piper calling the tune.

The lesson of history appears to have no meaning for these bought

called paraplegic housing, is also available to blinded veterans. Is this correct?

A—Assistance, up to \$10,000, in acquiring specially adapted housing is provided for veterans with service-connected total disabilities including the loss of permanent use of both legs requiring use of wheel chair, crutches, cane or braces. For veterans with service-connected blindness, the loss of use of one leg is sufficient to qualify.

and paid for African chiefs — so long as their monthly monetary allotments continue rolling in.

Independence for Rhodesia would mean that country's four million Africans and place them even more tightly under the boot of apartheid Prime Minister Ian Smith and his like-minded fellow racist rulers.

Rhodesia's inept African Chiefs are outside the mainstream of African thought and are ignorant of the facts of the history of Rhodesia's next-door neighbor, South Africa.

As long as the British connection was maintained in South Africa, the Africans did enjoy certain rights, restricted though they were.

But as soon as the British connection was severed and South Africa became fully independent and under control of the Boer-Dutch racists, the dark night of apartheid descended, blotting out all those few rights that Africans possessed.

The same fate — the brutal rule of apartheid — awaits Rhodesia's four million Africans if the British connection should be broken and if Rhodesia became fully independent under white settler rule.

Of course, independent or not, Rhodesia's African chiefs would continue to pocket their monthly salaries in payment for continuing to play the role of bought Uncle Toms.

American voters on November 3 soundly rejected the presidential candidate whose platform covertly contained a state's right plank.

Despite this, die-hard southerners will continue to contend that the question of equal civil rights ought to be left to "voluntary state action."

(This being a country of freedom of opinion and freedom of speech, Southerners are entitled to their narrow viewpoint, which is stranded outside the American mainstream and has been soundly rejected by the American people.)

The proposition of "voluntary state action" raises a few pertinent questions that need to be answered:

1. Why have so few white Southerners volunteered to support equal civil rights during the past 100 years?

2. What have the Southern states been doing to promote equal civil rights through "voluntary action" during the past century?

3. Why did only a handful of Mississippi's almost one million Negroes vote in the recent Presidential election?

"Voluntary state action" in the South has not produced and cannot be expected to produce satisfactory answers in the field of equal civil rights for all American citizens.

This being so, the answers will

now have to be sought in the Federal Civil Rights Act.

A white columnist recently mentioned in a daily newspaper that many members of the Polish ethnic minority often complain sarcastically about the "Negro problem."

Many of these shallow-rooted Poles expressed their uneasiness over having to live "eyeball-to-eyeball" with Negroes.

But Negroes were in this country long before most of the Poles or their immediate ancestors took passage in the steerage for America.

Such uneasy Poles are fully free to take return passage back to their ancestral Poland.

There are no Negroes in Poland. Hence such Poles could easily escape from the "Negro problem" and from having to live "eyeball-to-eyeball" with such old-line Americans as Negroes are.

High Court Ends Fla. Interracial Sex Ban

WASHINGTON—The U. S. Supreme Court said this week that Florida cannot make it a crime for Negroes and whites who are not married to occupy the same room at night.

This ruling came six weeks after attorney of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund argued before the high court in behalf of a Miami Beach couple — Miss Connie Hoffman, white and Dewey McLaughlin, Negro.

The couple were arrested and convicted under a Florida law that made it a crime for a "Negro man and white woman . . . who are not married to each other (to) . . . habitually live in and occupy in the night time the same room."

"We find nothing," wrote Justice Byron R. White in the Court's unanimous decision, "which makes it essential to punish promiscuity by one racial group and not that of another."

"There is no suggestion that a white person and a Negro are any the same room together than the more likely habitually to occupy white or the Negro couple or to engage in illicit intercourse if they do," he said.

Jack Greenberg, director-counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund commented that the Supreme Court "did the obvious in striking down this conviction."

"As a legal matter, this case superstitious upon which racial differences in law are supposed to be justified." The Supreme Court did not deal with the Legal Defense Fund's argument against Florida's law prohibiting interracial marriage.

OBITUARY

MR. FLETCHER E. FUGH
Funeral service for Mr. Fletcher Richard Fugh, of 604 E. Hargett Street, was conducted from the Rush Metropolitan AMEZ Church Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. He died Thursday night.

Burial followed in Carolina Biblical Gardens. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Essie Fugh, of the home; two daughters, Mrs. Virginia Griffin, Norfolk, Va.; Mrs. Olivia Bailey, Baltimore, Md.; one son, Fletcher Fugh, Jr., Suffolk, Va.; one step-son, Herbert Craven, Brooklyn, N. Y.; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Gordon, British W. I.; Mrs. Emma Holland, Suffolk, Va.; one brother, Clarence Fugh, New York; and sixteen grandchildren.

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Vets Corner

EDITOR'S NOTE: Below are authoritative answers by the Veterans Administration to some of the many current questions from former servicemen and their families. Further information on veterans benefits may be obtained at any VA office.

Q—My father, who was totally disabled in Korea, died in a car accident in 1960. Am I eligible for training assistance from the VA?

A—The new law providing training for children of veterans permanently and totally disabled due to military service includes those families where the veteran so qualified has since died. You should make official application to the VA to determine your rights.

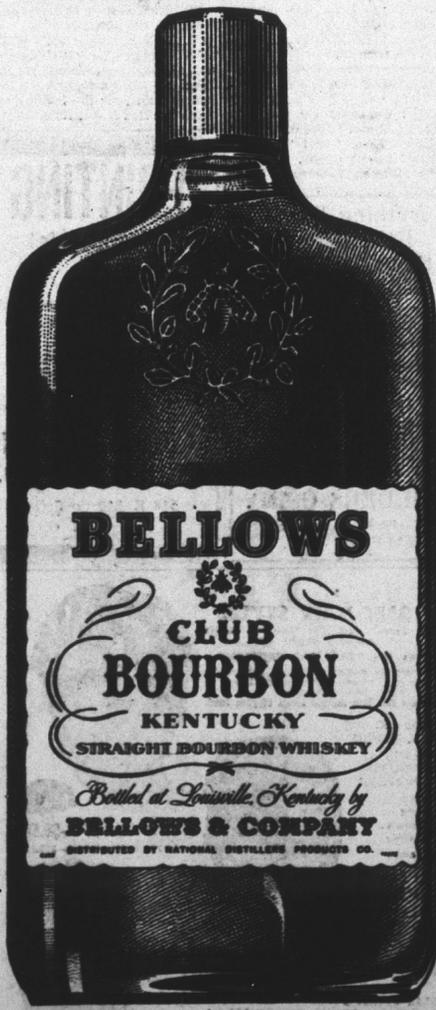
Q—Am I entitled to care in a VA hospital if all my service was in peacetime?

A—A peacetime veteran may be admitted to a VA hospital if he received service-connected disability compensation, was discharged in line of duty, or has been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.

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Yes, We All Talk

BY MARCUS H. BOULWARE

DYSALIAS

QUESTION: I was reading recently a book on the education of exceptional children, and I came upon the term "dysalias." What does it mean?—H. L. P.

ANSWER: By "dysalias" is meant an articulatory (speech) defect traceable to congenital and organic defects of the speech articulators, obstruction in the pharynx (throat) like tonsils and growths, obstruction in the nasal passage like enlarged adenoids, poor hearing, as well as obstructions the anterior portion of the nasal passage.

Obstructions like diseased adenoids will cause the voice to be hoarse; that is, too much nasal tone.

If the misarticulations are due to damage to the brain or nervous system, then we have a speech disorder called "DYSARTHRIA." The speech articulator muscles may be paralyzed, or partially paralyzed, thus preventing freedom of movement and good coordination.

Should the brain damage occur in the language areas of the brain, the person will have difficulties in using language—written, spoken, reading and hearing. In addition to his speech problem, the patient exhibits a personality modification.

READERS: For the pamphlet on English consonant sounds for children, send two stamps and a self-addressed, long business envelope to Dr. M. H. Boulware, Florida A&M University, Box 510-A, Tallahassee, Florida.



CAGE STAR, FAMILY VISIT RELATIVES HERE — John Bacon, scoring star of the Southern California Trojans, poses with his mother, Mrs. Jeannette Bacon, and sister, Deborah, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The Bacon's were weekend guests of their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hasty and son, George, of Pleiffer Drive, Raleigh.



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