

Browsing Brower

BY FRANK BROWER

The Massey's Store Political Cat

There was a young lady whose dream
Was to feed a black cat on whipt cream
But the cat with a bound
Split the milk on the ground
So she fed a whipt cat on black cream.—UNO.

PEARSON AND HILLSIDE AND MASSEY MAKE THREE

Saturday at exactly 4 P. M. according to the book, while J. S. Stewart of Pearson and Dynamic Dan Martin at Hillside and other precinct heads were holding pre-meeting delegations, the voters of Horner's "Massey's" Store were electing Ellis D. Jones the third sepa precinct chairman for a spot on the Durham County Democratic Committee . . . Editor L. E. Austin, Attorney Frank Brower and M. E. Johnson stumping for Vote-Registration thru-out Eastern North Carolina past week-end . . . Mrs. B. G. Burnette, "Tip" Parker's civic working mom in Tarboro reports no registration problem there except getting the people to go to the polls . . . Report from James M. McLuerney of the Department of Justice in D. C. that serious attention is being given the investigation of registrars Claude Glover and F. L. Robinson of Stanhope in Nash County as to criminal federal charges resulting from affidavits that they refused to register qualified colored citizens there.

THE WEEKLY NEWS TICKER—"Skinks" Browning of Roxboro produced an interracial classic of the baseball House of David and the Raleigh Tigers in South Boston last week with a two third white grandstand and no incident but loud applause. It was the first such classic and the Mayor didn't know it until it was over and some of his councilmen told him of the "good game they saw" . . . By the way, the same two teams played here in Durham later in the same week . . . Barkley in Greenville for Roosevelt Dinner and Graham votes. . . Mrs. Hancock, registrar of the Lakewood Park Precinct praised by attractive new registration voters Lena Bagley and Claire Yarborough for the former's courtesy.

SCOTT HITS THE STUMP IN HUMAN RACE — In the Governor's recent speech praising Senator Graham, he contended that the latter has served the public all his life, while none of the records of his opponents are outstanding. "Frank Graham has always been fighting for the human rights of the average man. He's the only man in the RACE who had done this," his Excellency declared. The "race" he referred to was the political one and the human one . . . 50 million Americans set their clocks an hour ahead Sunday, that's why Walter Winchell was clicking his cricket and rattling off at 8 P. M. instead of nine. The program was transcribed for the Southern stations regular broadcast time.

BY THE SKIN OF THEIR TEETH — The three and a third billion dollar Foreign Aid Bill which was given priority, will occupy the Senate for nearly two weeks, but politicians disagree as to the possible effect on their candidacies of the explosive Senate battle over a compulsory FEPC which was to have been considered first. The general opinion in political circles is that Hill of Alabama, Pepper of Florida and Graham of North Carolina are just as happy not to have the civil rights pot boiling May 27th . . . Judge A. R. Wilson is uncontented in the Recorder's Court race here in Durham . . . Jimmy Byrnes reported not to enter political tangles and races for the reason of bad health and doctor's orders . . . First lady commencement speaker in the history of North Carolina College will be Dr. Martha Lucas, First Lady of Sweet Bryar, a Virginia girl's school.

MORAL VICTORY OF MADAM CONGRESSMAN — The \$10,000 unlawful discrimination suit of Hazel Scott Powell, (see pic) spouse of the Congressman Adam Clayton, netted one fourth of a century note and the rest of the 10 G's in moral victory recently in a Northwestern state. When she appeared at UNC recently, she refused to play for anybody but the students. Father of heirs' son to come this summer is prominent doctor of Rocky Mount, Dr. James Pittman of Atlantic Avenue . . . Pretty Miss Sybil Brewer and the New Convertible left by the Army Air forces now on maneuvers . . .

PROGNOSTICATION: The state wide Vote-Registration move will not net the goal of 200 thousand votes but one half that many or double that of the last election. The local CONSOLIDATED NEGRO REGISTRATION COMMITTEE (CNRC) is working quietly but efficiently for 17,000 sepa registered voters in Durham County and actually have over half that many in Durham when "push comes to the shove" we predict.

A POLITICAL CHUCKLE — After dinner political speaker called upon a professor to speak on "The Antiquity of the Microbe." He rose and said "Adam had 'em," and then sat down . . .

GOODNITE SWEETHEART—Logan Building . . . Dial 5-7751 . . . P. S. Ambassador Charles of Haiti held an informative press conference in the North Carolina Mutual Board of Directors room past Friday eve where it was learned that his Secretary Marc A. Holly's grandfather was a native American born in D. C. and escaped to the Islands for freedom. The session was held partly in French and English, the latter being required in secondary schools there now. Their day was complete with an address at North Carolina College and a banquet in the Jade Room . . . Thirty.

N. C. Teachers To Visit Estate

On Saturday, May 13th Dr. William Sharpe, who is making this 4,000 acre ocean-side estate available to the teachers will meet the group, and discuss the development program of this recreational area. A final effort by all units will complete the fund drive before the 13th, and at the same time make an appropriate setting for the commencing of the development . . . The outing will feature a picnic, boat rides, fish fry, tours of the estate, a financial roll call of local units, and presentation of Certificates of Merit, to units having subscribed or over subscribed their quotas. Music for the occasion will be furnished by local school bands. Plans are

Little Esther To Appear At The Durham Armory

NEW YORK Following their one week stand at the world famous Apollo Theater in New York City the "Double Crossing Blues" Revue will come direct to the Durham City Armory, Saturday night, May 6 for a big dance and floorshow. The Revue broke all attendance records while at the Apollo.

The Revue, starring LITTLE ESTHER, the fourteen year old sensation of the nation and featuring Johnny Otis and his internationally famous orchestra. Extra added attraction will be Red Lyte, Mel Walker and the famous Blue Notes. Closing at the Durham City Armory the attraction will trek to the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium for a dance and show, Monday night, May 8.

Lillian Smith Goes To Harlem

CHICAGO "The blighted wasteland of New York City's black ghetto is as dirty and disease-ridden as any you will find in the U. S.," says Southern liberal white writer Lillian Smith in the June EBONY, "but the big difference in Harlem is that everyone there is given a human being's chance to outgrow the filth and squalor." Miss Smith, author of the best sellers "Strange Fruit" and "Killers of the Dream," visited Harlem because the very word in itself has a thousand different meanings. "The white Southern demagogue made Harlem seem a sinful word like Sodom and Gomorrah," Miss Smith says in the article she wrote especially for EBONY. "To the Negro in the small Southern towns and on the farms Harlem means hope — escape."

But there is hope in Harlem, Miss Smith insists because there is a lack of both the visible and invisible signs of revival pressure which kill hope. She says of the poverty and rubble and waste in Harlem: "These troubles are caused by the invisible pressures of poverty or that ghostly power we call culture. And each person has that human right to outgrow it."

'Rochester' To Appear In Look Magazine

NEW YORK Rochester, who has achieved meteoric stardom on the Jack Benny program, appears with Benny on the cover of the LOOK magazine released Wednesday. This marks the first time a Negro has appeared on the cover of a multi-million circulation magazine. The current LOOK article, titled "Jack Benny — America's 'Fall Guy,'" states that Rochester lives in moderate splendor, raises his own horses and gets around \$1,500 for each Sunday broadcast. His comic talents have so firmly established him as one of America's radio personalities that he has become an outstanding leader in his field and has been the subject of periodic rumors to the effect that he is on the verge of starring in a program of his own.



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But you can have your jet propulsion, your celophane wrappings, your aluminum elevators with down-draft carburetors, and your freezer lockers in the basement. To me the most wonderful things in the world are people . . . how they think, feel and react.

I recently met a fellow named Frankie who used to be a peddler of evergreens from door to door in these swank new developments. Frankie would have called himself a young 'punk,' and probably he would have been right . . . but Frankie had an aim deep down inside of him.

Born of poor parents, Frankie always lived in the slum section of a little Jersey town. Frankie saw how 'the other side' lived, for he was one of them. He didn't have to go slumming. He lived in the slums all the time.

But Frankie had an ambition. He decided that by the time he was 30 he wanted to have a thousand dollars for every year of his life. In other words . . . \$30,000 by the time he was thirty. And he worked towards that end.

Frankie knew that he wasn't getting the \$30,000 peddling evergreens, so he put his mind to work, and finally he came up with a gimmick . . . an idea. Frankie's idea was a good one. It was one that really worked. I won't tell you what it was, for that's another story . . . but within two years Frankie's business has grossed over a million dollars, and I kind of think Frankie has that 30,000 clams.

Frankie has the loot and he's still shy about twelve months of being thirty. His aim has been reached.

So now the logical question is . . . why does Frankie want \$30,000 on his 30th birthday? Does he want to buy a home? I can answer 'no' to that one because Frankie has bought an old farm house for his own family and his parents. Does he want a yellow convertible? I don't think so. Frankie doesn't own a car, but then he likes his farm house and he doesn't want to go anywhere.

This could go on indefinitely, so I asked him, "Frankie, why do you want that \$30,000? What are you finally going to do with it?"

"Cab," he said, "I come from poor folks and I always lived in poor neighborhoods. I never had enough clothes and I knew a lot of kids that never had enough food to eat. We didn't always eat so good ourselves. You know, there are a lot of kids today who don't have clothes to wear and don't eat so good, either. What I'd like to do is to start off next Christmas and give a bang up party for all of the poor kids in this town with food and fun, and clowns and all . . . and then give them clothes to wear and food to eat. I been poor myself. I know how they'd like that . . . and I don't need the dough!"

And that's why I like people better than anything!

NCC Thespians Play To Packed House At Livingstone

SALISBURY — The SRO sign was hung out early here Friday night when the North Carolina College Thespians, under the direction of Miss Mary Bohannon, were presented in "Wuthering Heights" by the local Livingstone College Thespians. The new Julia B. Duncan Little Theater really lived up to its name and then some, for it was a little bit too little for the overflow crowd many of whom stood in chairs in the hallway or sneaked backstage to watch the Durham players give a masterly performance of the perennial melodrama.

Simon Holloway was superb in his portrayal of Hindley Earnshaw and seemed never to be out of character in his lush piece; even the British accent was not wanting. William Tor-

It is difficult to say just who turned out to be the master actor or actress here Friday night. All were able performers in their

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NCC Band To Have Role In Music Week



Parker Bailey, student council representative shown at left, presents Dr. William J. Trent, president of Livingstone College with a watch bought by student and faculty members when "Trent Day" was observed at the Salisbury college last Thursday, April 27. The event was in commemoration of Dr. Trent's 25th year as president of the only solely Negro owned and operated college in the United States. In center is Mrs. Trent who was presented an orchid during the celebration.

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Three members of the band, Gaynor, Jasper Bell, Selma, senior; and John Allison, Durham, senior, will be heard in instrumental recitals Tuesday night, May 9. Gaynor and Bell will perform on the trombone while Allison will play the saxophone. Other features of the Music Week celebration include recitals by outstanding students of the Music department on Monday night, May 8 and a concert by the 65-voice choir Thursday night, May 11.

The band has also scheduled a performance for a Mother's Day program to be held at the college, May 14, and a concert at the college on May 19.

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