

Hope For Civil Rights Seen In Ike's State Of Union Talk

NEW YORK
With President Eisenhower sticking to the script that was written in Chicago last July and rehearsed during the weeks of the campaign, the drive for the development of a constructive Civil Rights program for the nation is beginning to take shape. General Eisenhower asserted from the outset that he believed an educational approach, vigorously pressed, to be the proper one to pursue in the quest for Civil Rights for all. This approach does not satisfy those elements who, all along, have insisted on compulsory legislation. But in the minds of many fair-minded people, much can be accomplished in this direction if action is backed by a sincere determination to get the thing done.

In the past there has been a great deal of talk about Civil Rights, but what has been missing, no doubt, is what President Eisenhower so clearly pointed out when he said, "much of the answer lies in the power of fact, fully publicized; of persuasion, honestly pressed, and of conscience, justly aroused." One could not help being impressed by the sincerity of the president's words when he said, "I believe with all my heart that our vigilance guarding of these rights (social and civil) is a sacred obligation blinding upon every citizen. To be true to one's own freedom is—in essence—to honor and respect the freedom of others."

Declaring that civil and social rights form the central part of the heritage "we are striving to defend on all fronts with all our strength," the president said, "A cardinal ideal in this heritage we cherish is the equality of rights of all citizens of every race, color and creed."

The Chief Executive eloquently stated his point when he said that "We know that discrimination against minorities persists despite our allegiance to this ideal," noting also, "such discrimination—confined to no one section of the nation—is but the outward testimony to the persistence of distrust and of fear in the hearts of men." He said the nature of the problem itself "makes all the more vital the fighting of these wrongs by each individual, in every station of life, in his every deed." While he did not say so in so many words, President Eisenhower's statement that "he would recommend an immediate increase of two in the number of District (of Columbia) Commissioners to broaden representation of all elements of our population" led to speculation

that a Negro might be appointed to one of the posts. This was viewed as the first step toward ending segregation in the District of Columbia leading toward "insuring that this capital provides an honorable example to all communities of our nation."

Mr. Eisenhower had promised during the campaign that if elected he would take steps to end segregation in Washington, and in his State of the Union speech, he said that "I propose to use whatever authority exists to end segregation in the District of Columbia, including the Federal government and in the armed forces." The President renewed his pledge to employ the "leadership of the office of the President exercised through friendly conferences with those in authority in our states and cities to make true and rapid progress in civil rights and equality of employment opportunity."

Although there is a state law against discrimination in New York with enforcement powers, the principal emphasis is on education and conciliation. Those charged with the responsibility of administering and enforcing the law report great progress has been made through the employment of these methods. Without seeking to minimize the effectiveness of the law as a deterrent or an educational instrument itself, it cannot be denied that we stand to gain precious ground in the fight for civil rights if the President's program is backed up by fact, fully publicized; persuasion, honestly pressed; and conscience, justly aroused." He has given every indication that he will do his part to get just that kind of backing.

Five Negro High Schools In Speaking Contest

RALEIGH
Five Negro high schools in Raleigh and Wake County have entered the State-Wide Public Speaking Contest sponsored annually by the North Carolina Bankers Association.

Schools entered are Fuquay Springs High, W. M. McElrath, principal; Lockhart Junior High, R. H. Toole, principal; J. E. Shephard High, Garland Crews, principal; Berry O'Kelly High, E. A. Johnson, principal; and Washington High, C. H. McLendon, principal.

All high school students in grades 9-12 are eligible to compete. The contest is open to every high school and junior high school in the State.

Cash prizes are awarded on four levels, school, county, District and State. School prizes are 1st \$15.00; 2nd \$10.00; and 3rd \$5.00. County prizes are 1st \$25.00 War Bond and 2nd \$15.00 cash. District prizes are 1st \$50.00 War Bond and 2nd \$25.00 War Bond. The State prizes are 1st \$300.00; 2nd \$200.00; and 3rd \$100.00.

The subject selected by the Bankers Association for 1953 is "Agricultural Marketing—Its Importance To Producer and Consumer". All eliminations are to take place during the month of March.



Members of the staff for the "Ayantee", yearbook of A. and T. College closed out their work early this week in the 1953 production. Those who put in long hours on the 84 page two-color

annual which is expected off the press on or about May 15, include, from left to right: Miss Geraldine Legett, Marion, S.C.; Henry Frye, Ellerbe; Hennie Guyton, Bainbridge, Ga.; Miss

Mattie Tarry, Henderson; Miss Virginia Jones, Greenville; S. Delano Howard, Bluefield, W. Va., and (seated) Miss Corrine Hamilton, Goldsboro. James E. Bridgett, Williamston, is editor of the publication.

Mrs. E. H. Mosley Leaves Person Schools For Va. State Position

ROXBORO
Mrs. E. H. Mosley, who had been a teacher of the sixth grade, and supervisor of the work of the school for some years, resigned to accept a position as an art instructor at Virginia State College. The faculty and pupils regretted very much to see Mrs. Mosley leave. She was regarded an excellent teacher and a conscientious worker.

On the eve of her departure, the faculty members gave a short testimonial meeting in appreciation for her services. Remarks concerning her work were given by Mrs. E. T. Herring, chairman of the program committee; G. L. Harper, Supervising Principal; and E. T. Artis, Principal of the Roxboro Elementary School.

A gift from the group was presented by R. L. Hairston, another sixth grade teacher. A repeat of coffee and cake was served.

Miss Vashti McKnight from Washington, D. C., will replace Mrs. Mosley.

The regular Friday morning's chapel was conducted by the fourth grade "N" class, Mrs. P. R. Nelson, teacher. The class gave an excellent program of songs, poems, dances and a short play which was in keeping with the season.

Law School Tests At Howard

WASHINGTON, D. C.
Howard University has been designated as a testing center for the nationwide administrations of the Law School Admission Test, Otto McClarren, Director of Public Relations at Howard, announced today.

The next examination, which will be held April 25th, is open to college seniors, juniors, and in some instances sophomores depending upon the requirements of the law school which they wish to attend. Application blanks and a Bul-

letin of Information describing registration procedures and containing sample tests may be obtained by contacting the Registrar at Howard or directly from the Educational Testing Service at Princeton, N. J.

Mr. McClarren advised that all students writing to the Educational Testing Service for permission to take the test do so not later than 10 days prior to the testing date. Failure to do so will mean that the applicant must wait until August 2nd.

Industrial Arts At Person School

ROXBORO
On September 10, the Department of Industrial Arts was opened at the Person County High School, in a room formerly occupied by the brick laying department for veterans. The object of the Department is to give the student some knowledge of wood working, (wood turning, wood finishing, carpentry and cabinet making, bricklaying, upholstery and electricity).

The handicrafts are well arranged, so as to avoid two difficulties—on the one hand, that of forcing the inclination of a pupil to work which he does not suit him; and on the other,

allowing him to acquire habits of unsteadiness by going from one occupation to another. Each pupil is at liberty to choose which of the handicrafts he will engage in at the beginning of any semester, but when his choice is made he must remain in this division for four and one half months at least, unless special reasons determine the teacher to permit a change. The Industrial Arts occupations are making lamps (electric), necktie racks, spool holders, book ends, rugs (small), foot stools, stretcher wall (brick), return corner in common bond and hollow brick pier.

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The undersigned having duly qualified as the administrator of the Estate of Fletcher Harris, deceased, late of the above named county and state, all persons having claims of whatsoever nature against the said Fletcher Harris, deceased, are hereby notified to exhibit the said claim or claims to the undersigned on or before the 7th day of February, 1954, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

Their recovery. All persons indebted to the said Fletcher Harris, deceased, are hereby requested to pay the said indebtedness to the undersigned immediately.

This the 31 day of January, 1953.
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Administrator
H. E. Beech
Attorney

NORTH CAROLINA DURHAM COUNTY NOTICE OF EXECUTRIX AND EXECUTOR

HAVING QUALIFIED as executrix and executor of the estate of MARTIN A. GOINS, deceased, late of Durham County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to exhibit them to the undersigned at N. 1105 Fayetteville Street, Durham, North Carolina on or before the 2nd day of February 1954 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

Dated this 2nd day of Feb. 1953.
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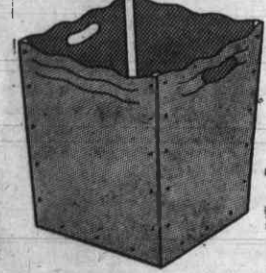
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From a lumber yard obtain some three-quarter-inch quarter-round and a panel of Masonite. Tempered Presdwood one-eighth inch thick. With a cross-cut saw, cut from the panel four



identical pieces for the sides and a smaller one for the bottom. The side pieces are 12 inches long and tapered from a top width of 10 inches to a bottom width of 8 inches. An 8-inch square serves as the bottom.

The panels are nailed to the quarter-rounds serving as corner posts. At the bottom of each side piece attach a length of quarter-round to form a square framework into which the bottom may be nailed.

Hand holds may be cut out, as illustrated, with a coping or similar saw. To start the blade, drill a hole.

As a variation from this style, use the same sized sides and bottom, lacing instead of nailing the sides together. No quarter-rounds then are needed, except as a base for the bottom. Drill holes about an inch apart and a half-inch from the edge. Use leather thong for lacing.

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