



FEARSOME FOURSOME—Halloween presents exceptional opportunity for appealing pictures of youngsters. In this photo, note that camera level is adjusted to small fry height—well below the adult's eye to avoid distortion.



MISS WINSTON-SALEM STATE AND HER ATTENDANTS—Left to right—Miss Janie L. Gore, freshman attendant; Miss Barbara J. Still, junior attendant and Miss Barbara O. Tuck, Miss Winston-Salem State College.

Civil Rights Breakthrough in the Deep South

NEW YORK—History is being made this election year in the Deep South. The Louisiana parishes (a parish is equivalent to a county) of Iberville and West Feliciana, both with civil rights histories of regression and violence, are in all likelihood going to be listening to Negro majority voices from the county government seats after the 7th of November. In both counties, qualified Negro candidates are running for every available office from Justice of the Peace to State Senator, with odds heavily weighed in their favor.

Considered against the backdrop of the counties political records, these victories represent a remarkable achievement. Only 5 years ago, Iberville was a segregated parish where the strings of political power were tightly held by members of the white community in the county seat of Plaquemine. There were few Negroes registered to vote and virtually none represented in any office.

Meeting

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clave are: C. L. Townes, Sr., National Treasurer and local Conclave Chairman and Marshal; W. W. Craighead, President of Host Chapter; H. P. Southall, Secretary of Committee; Dr. Felix J. Brown, Treasurer of Committee; L. L. Charity and Paul C. Lowe, Registration; H. S. Crawford, O. A. Morton, are in charge of the 53rd Anniversary Conclave Journal.

more impressive in view of the fact that the town of Plaquemine, in Iberville Parish, was the scene of severe brutality and beatings of civil rights marchers as recently as 1963.

"Iberville Parish is a brilliant example of what we are trying to achieve in our efforts to 'politically awaken' regressive communities," explained Spiver Gordon, representing the Scholarship, Education and Defense Fund for Racial Equality, Inc. (SEDFRE), headquartered in New York. Mr. Gordon, who directs the national organization's leadership training activities in Florida, Georgia, Mississippi and Louisiana, has seen the results of SEDFRE's leadership training program since their initiation in 1964. The programs were begun to meet a pressing need for community leaders trained

to cope effectively with local problems and political realities.

It was in 1962, Mr. Gordon said, that civil rights workers brought to the area an urgent call for voter registration, and attempts to register by growing numbers of the Negro population were met with powerful, often violent, blocks by powers determined to keep the government controls in white hands.

Twelve Negroes ran for office in Iberville Parish a year later, though none was elected.

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Vets Questions and Answers

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—I have just received my dividend check on my National Service Life Insurance policy. This surprised me because I have not paid premiums on this policy for the past nine months because a waiver of premiums has been in force. This waiver was granted because I am considered to be totally disabled and unemployable. Has a mistake been made? Will I have to refund the dividend?

A—No. The payment of this dividend to you is proper. Dividends on participating government life insurance policies are payable even though the policy is on a waiver of premiums.

Q—Is a veteran penalized

if he pays off a G.I. home mortgage loan before it is due?

A—No. A G.I. loan may be prepaid without penalty at any time. Pre-payments may be made in the amount of the monthly installment or \$100 whichever is lesser, or in any larger amount.

Q—Under what conditions can a peacetime veteran be admitted to a Veterans Administration hospital for treatment for a nonservice connected disability?

A—Veterans who were discharged or retired for disability incurred or aggravated in line of duty, or have a service connected disability, may be admitted to VA hospitals for disease or injury not related to their military service, if beds are available. Peacetime service, after January 31, 1955 is considered the same as wartime service for purposes of hospitalization and domiciliary care.

Says UN Worth Preserving In Spite of Its Shortcomings

The United Nations, despite its many shortcomings, is very much worth preserving, Dr. M. Margaret Ball, Dean of the Duke University Woman's College and a noted political scientist, said here Monday night.

Reviewing "The UN Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow" for a UN Day audience, Dr. Ball said she is left with the "solid conviction" that the UN's economic and social activities are essential and will doubtless be continued.

She said that, despite obstacles, the UN must continue to attempt pacific settlement—preferably in accordance with both the precepts of international law and the principles of the UN Charter; but said she has "no optimism" at all that the UN will implement the role that was written for it in enforcement so long as the Communists, anti-Communist international chaos." their present views."

Dr. Ball, who was present in San Francisco when the UN was formed in 1945, held out optimism that the UN still has a role to play in "preventive diplomacy," yet expressed her conviction that "the UN will continue to be used by those with the votes to cast a mantle of respectability—or lack of it—over the actions to which they pertain."

"While this does not leave me in a state of ecstasy over the achievements of the United Nations," she added, "it by no means leads me to conclude that it should be abandoned either in the interest of a highly idealistic world federation or an equally supposedly realistic international chaos."

Dr. Ball said, "The combination of doctrinal politics with nuclear power has prevented the rapid evolution in the direction of world order which many of us hoped for two decades ago."

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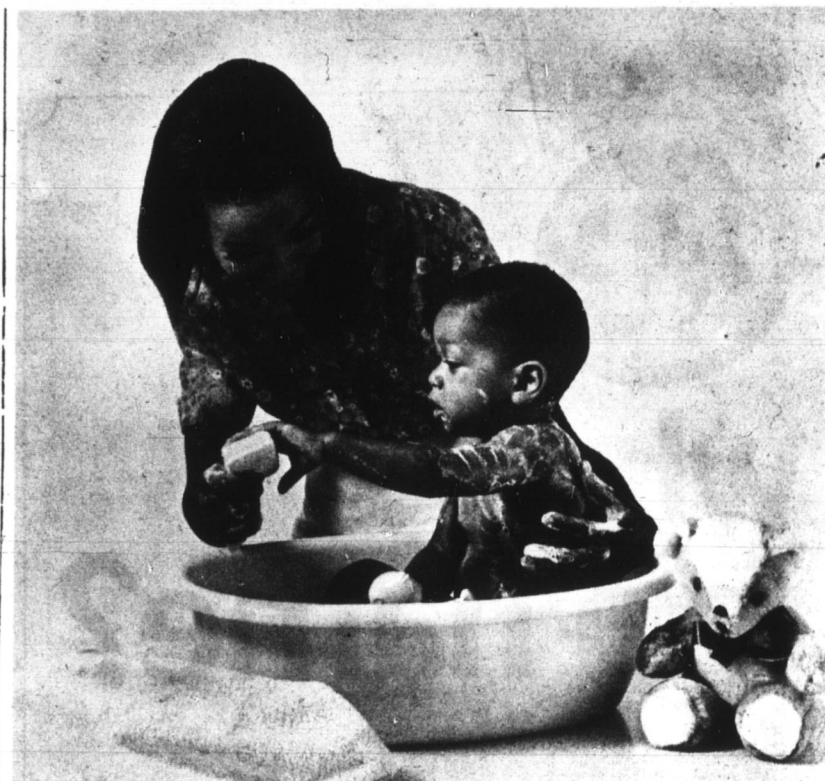
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