

# These Days

Or - Behind The News From Washington

BY

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### Are things simmering down in Africa?

Since the African missions to the UN keep up a drumfire against Rhodesia, South Africa, and the Portuguese "colonialists" in Angola and Mozambique, it may seem foolish to ask such a question. Then, too, the civil war in Nigeria drags on, and the white mercenaries in the Congo don't know whether they will be permitted a choice between execution and repatriation to their own countries. But the verbal guerrilla sniping in the UN corridors seems to have lost some of its zing. When Black Power advocates such as Stokely Carmichael and Rap Brown are busy urging separation of the races in the United States, it's hard to quarrel over white South Africa's policy of providing for seven so-called Bantustans (such as the Transkei and Zululand) where the Bantu tribesmen will be self-governing in everything save foreign policy matters affecting the South Africans and the outside world.

The illusion of a developing calm inside the old Dark Con-

tinents is sustained by a lot of things.

1. There is the recent economic union between Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda. The currencies of the three East African countries have always been more or less interchangeable, but now they are going to have a common market, with uniform tariffs. Politically, Kenya and Tanzania have been on divergent courses. President Nyerere of Tanzania has welcomed the Red Chinese into his country where President Kenyatta of Kenya has been giving them the old yo-heave-ho for trying to corrupt the textbooks in his schools. Tanzania is openly socialist where Kenya follows the Mexican policy of allowing a good deal of free enterprise in the name of the "revolution." But the two nations are not permitting ideology to stand in the way of following common trade policies, which could mean that ideology is ceasing to be a life-and-death matter on the African East Coast.

2. Some of the West Coast

## Dr. Roland To Attend Conference

Dr. E. O. Roland, of Brevard, is among those registered for the 45th Annual Southeastern Educational Congress of Optometry to be held, February 10-13, 1968, at the Marriott Motor Hotel in Atlanta.

The event, one of the largest of its type in the Nation, is expected to attract some 2,000 persons from 25 states. It will include 73 hours of lectures as well as meetings of 12 affiliated groups.

Nationally prominent lecturers will speak on such topics as ocular pathology, child vision, contact lenses, practice management, and current health care trends.

The meeting is sponsored by the Southern Council of Optometrists which consists of some 2,400 members in 12 states. The Council carries on a program of upgrading optometric professional competence through educational seminars and congresses as well as educating the public on proper care of vision.

African nations are quietly giving up on old feuds. Guinea and the Ivory Coast have stopped seizing and detaining each other's nationals, and have actually exchanged some political prisoners whom they had vowed "never" to release until "national honor" had been satisfied. The propaganda which the more "revolutionary" African countries used to direct against President Houphouët-Boigny of the Ivory Coast for giving French free enterprisers a free rein in his markets has subsided. And most of the African nations that have accepted the help of agricultural missions from the Free Chinese in Taiwan refused to go along with the "Afro-Asian bloc" in the UN when the question of seating Red China came up in November.

3. The campaign to promote bloody civil war between blacks and whites below the Zambezi and Limpopo rivers has been dwindling. The effort to infiltrate Rhodesia and Southwest Africa with "freedom fighters" trained in Tanzania has been repulsed by prompt action on the part of the Ian Smith government in Salisbury and the South African police in their mandated Southwest African territory. Guerrillas still infest the northern forest regions of Portuguese Mozambique, but they aren't doing much to subvert the government in Portuguese Angola. And Rhodesia seems to be surviving the UN economic blockade.

4. There is a slow but perceptible thawing in the relations between black governments and the white South Africans. Malawi's President, Dr. Hastings Banda, broke the black African front when he decided to allow a full diplomatic exchange with the South African government in Pretoria.



January 1, 1902 — The first Rose Bowl football game resulted in University of Michigan defeating Stanford, 49-0. However, this classic did not become a regular New Year's Day event until 1916.

January 5, 1914 — The Ford Motor Company announced that it was doubling its current wage scale, inaugurating a basic \$5 minimum wage, and reducing the workday from nine to eight hours.

January 10, 1945 — General MacArthur's promise "I shall return" was fulfilled as 68,000 American soldiers successfully invaded Luzon in the Philippine Islands.

January 15, 1831 — The first railroad honeymoon trip was made by Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Pierson of Ramapo, N. Y., who rode on the South Carolina Railroad from Charleston, S. C., to Hamburg, S. C., six miles away.

January 17, 1955 — The USS Nautilus was the first ship underway on nuclear power.

January 27, 1880 — Thomas Alva Edison patented the electric incandescent lamp.

January 30, 1862 — The "Monitor," first iron-clad turret vessel of the U. S. Navy, was launched at Greenpoint,

## Garren Attends Special Seminar

Jack S. Garren, of the Olin Mathieson Chemical Corporation, Pisgah Forest, has recently returned from Cleveland, Ohio, where he participated in a week long seminar with 40 other designers, engineers and architects from all sections of the United States to study new structural design techniques.

The seminar was sponsored and conducted by The Lincoln Electric Company of Cleveland, the world's largest manufacturer of arc welding equipment. It was one of a continuing series of seminars Lincoln has been conducting for over 30 years to help keep designers and engineers up to date with new developments in the application of welded design for the improvement and cost reduction of buildings, bridges and structures of other types.

The small black African countries of Botswana, Lesotho, and Swaziland "get along" with their giant pro-apartheid neighbors on the South African "incandescent" tip. And South Africa under Prime Minister Vorster is now willing to let South Africa athletes compete against black athletes in mixed sports events, including the Olympics if the Olympic committee will permit it.

5. The development of the Transkei "Bantustan" under its own black leadership is still regarded with a cynical eye by those who question South Africa's sincerity in providing for free black republics. But when South Africa offered territorial freedom to the Ovambos of the mandated territory of Southwest Africa, a few people around the UN in New York admitted that maybe, perhaps, and possibly, the South African government could be sincere about separate freedoms.

So is Africa "simmering down"? The answer must be a qualified "yes," even though all hell could break loose in the Congo tomorrow for all anyone actually knows.

## Thanks Expressed To Public By Postmaster C. Y. Patton

Heartfelt thanks from Postmaster Charlie Patton, Jr., and his staff were expressed to the public today.

"We couldn't have done the job alone," the postmaster said.

Everyone cooperated beautifully and we were able to deliver all the holiday mail reaching the Brevard Post Office in time for the last delivery and postal employees were able to spend Christmas with their families, the postal official

said. "If people had waited for the last minute to mail their gifts and greetings we would have been working throughout the holiday," he said.

No backlogs were noted in post offices throughout the area.

Another significant factor was the use of ZIP Code on a great volume of the mail passing through the Brevard Post Office. This meant more efficient

handling of the mail than in previous years.

### Rising Fire Losses

Property losses caused by fire in the United States rose from \$161 million in 1900 to \$1.5 billion in 1966, the Insurance Information Institute reports. The 1966 losses were more than double the \$649 million in losses in 1950.

When you think of prescriptions, think of VARNER'S. adv 12-28-3tc

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The annual membership meeting in the Brevard Federal Savings and Loan Association will be held on Wednesday, January 17, 1968, in the office on South Caldwell Street, beginning promptly at 2:00 p. m.

Jerry Jerome President

# TAX LISTING

## FOR THE YEAR 1968

### In The Various Townships Of Transylvania County

# BEGINS JANUARY 3, 1968

## All County Taxes And Farm Reports Must Be Made Listed In January

### PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO DO SO IS REQUIRED BY LAW

## Books Will Be In Townships Thru January 12th

### ALL LISTING BOOKS WILL BE IN TAX SUPERVISORS OFFICE THRU REMAINDER OF LISTING TIME.

### Boyd Township

- Lister: MRS. VIRGINIA PITILLO
- Mehaffey's Store ----- January 3-4-5
  - Worley's Store ----- January 6
  - Blantyre Supply ----- January 8
  - Penrose Grocery ----- January 9-10
  - Bill Owenby's Store ----- January 11
  - Penrose School ----- January 12

### Brevard Township TAX SUPERVISORS OFFICE

### Cathey's Creek Inside (ROSMAN)

- Lister: MICKLER LUCK
- Books At Gloucester Lumber Co. Store
  - January 3-4-5-6-8-9

### Cathey's Creek Township

- Lister: MRS. FRANCES WHITMIRE
- Gloucester Lumber Co. Store -- January 3-4
  - Hardin's Store ----- January 5-6
  - McKinney's Store ----- January 8-9-10
  - McCall's Grocery ----- January 11-12

### Dunn's Rock Township

- Lister: MRS. NANCY GILLESPIE
- Gillespie Residence ----- January 3-4-5
  - Roy Compton's Store ----- January 6-8-9
  - Gillespie Residence ----- January 10-11-12

### Eastatoe Township

- Lister: MRS. LAWRENCE WHITMIRE
- Gloucester Lumber Co. Store -- January 3-4
  - Whitmire's Residence ----- January 5
  - Burton's Store ----- January 6-8-9
  - Morgan's Store ----- January 10-11
  - Whitmire's Residence ----- January 12

### Gloucester Township

- Lister: MRS. NOLA MAE McCALL
- Albert Schweitzer Hospital ---- January 3
  - Balsam Grove School House -- January 4-5
  - Hogsd Garage ----- January 6-8-9-10
  - Mrs. McCall's Residence ---- January 11-12

### Hogback Township

- Lister: JOE BREEDLOVE
- Sapphire Post Office ----- January 3
  - Sapphire Section A. M. ----- January 4
  - Whitewater Section P. M. ----- January 4
  - Lake Toxaway Community Center
  - January 5-6-8-9
  - Wilson Grocery ----- January 10-11
  - Joe Breedlove's Residence ---- January 12

### Little River Township

- Lister: MRS. GRACE PONDER
- W. R. Merrell's Store ----- January 3-4
  - Hamilton's Store ----- January 5-6
  - Cedar Mountain Post Office -- January 8-9
  - Nicholson's Store ----- January 10-11
  - Ponder's Residence ----- January 12

## Last Listing Day 3 February 1968 (from 9 to 12)

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