

NEWS

Continued and picked up from here, there and everywhere

by J. W. Tomlinson

White Opposes NAACP Plans
 Walter White, executive secretary of the NAACP last week in Durham, N. C. outlined the organization's plan to support the Supreme Court's public school non-segregation decision.

Speaking at a "Freedom Celebration" in Durham, White said defiance "is voiced by professional demagogues such as Talmadge. Another is the petition currently being circulated at Wallace against non-segregation. They might as well be trying to empty the ocean with a spoon."

White stated that "perhaps we should send some NAACP attorneys to Raleigh to explain to the governor what the Supreme Court ruling means."

White announced that the organization's legal department has prepared petitions calling for local school boards to "abolish segregation without delay." The petition will be accompanied by a letter to the board requesting a conference to discuss plans for meeting the Supreme Court's decision "as speedily

as possible."

White was given a standing ovation by some 2,000 Negroes when he concluded with the statement that "we can show the people of Europe and Asia that democracy is capable of curing its own ills. We can stop Communism, Dixie-craticism and Fascism."

Court Rules on Libel
 The Mississippi Supreme Court last month ruled that to call a white person a Negro is libelous.

Justice William Roberts, who wrote the decision, said that this was the first time the State Supreme Court had made a ruling on such a question. The court upheld the decision of a lower court to award \$5,000 damages to a white woman against the Natchez Times for mistakenly calling her a Negro in a news story. This decision was made even though the Times printed a correction and a retraction.

The decision read that the general rule "seems to be that to write of a white person that he or she is a Negro is libelous. Such is the rule in South Carolina, Louisiana, Ken-

tucky, Tennessee, and Oklahoma, states whose social customs are very similar to those of Mississippi."

Amunition Held Up
 Six tons of Swiss anti-aircraft ammunition being shipped to Guatemala has been held up in Hamburg, the U. S. High Commission announced at Bonn, Germany, last week.

The U. S. government regards shipments of arms to leftist-leaning Guatemala as a threat to the security of the Panama Canal.

U. S. Authorities throughout the world have been ordered to prevent the flow of arms to the Central American country following the delivery recently of a 10 million dollar shipment to Guatemala from Poland.

A New Rabies Serum
 A new rabies serum has been developed, it was announced by Lederle Laboratories recently. The new serum is intended to give immediate, temporary protection against rabies until immunity can be built up by the regular Pasteur rabies vaccine.

The Pasteur treatment takes time to build antibodies in the blood stream. Meanwhile this latest preventive against rabies from bites by a rabid animal is supposed to keep you from getting rabies until the Pasteur treatment takes effect.

The new serum was developed by Dr. Hilary Koprowski and associates, improving a treatment which has been used in Europe for some time.

The Second Worst Disaster
 The second worst U. S. Navy peacetime disaster in history occurred on May 26 when an explosion ripped the aircraft carrier Bennington at sea, killed one hundred men and injured two hundred officers and men, many critically. The toll was exceeded only by the collision of the destroyer Hobson and the aircraft carrier Wasp in 1952 in the

Atlantic.

A panel of twenty-seven persons, according to daily news reports, has chosen as the most significant event in history the discovery of America. The invention of movable type by Johannes Gutenberg was a close second.

Eleven events were tied for third place, they are: America's Independence Declared; Bill of Rights passed; Magna Charta signed; Watt makes steam engine work; Morse sends message by telegraph; Bell invents telephone; Edison perfects incandescent lamp; new element, radium, found by Curie; atomic bomb shatters Hiroshima, & magnifying lenses aid human eye to see smallest, farthest things.

Number of Households Increases
 The number of households in the United States increased about 3,000,000 between March, 1950, to April, 1953, the Census Bureau reports. The bureau said the rapid growth was primarily due to high marriage rates, which took children away from home; a lower age at marriage; and the fact that few older persons now have relatives sharing their homes.

The average size of the household was 2.28 persons, a slight decrease from 1950.

Average Life Expectancy
 Figures issued recently by the United States Public Health Service show that the average American now lives sixty-eight and one-half years, an all-time record and an increase of nearly four years from the average life expectancy ten years ago. The figures are based on death rates in 1951.

The average length of life in 1951 "generally showed little change from 1950," the report said. It showed that women on the average outlived men by six years. The average lifetime expected for women at birth is 71.8 years, compared with 65.9 years for men. The report said this difference has increased sharply since 1900, when women outlived men by an average of only two years.

By contrast, the difference in life expectancy between whites and Negroes has decreased since 1900. Then white persons lived about fifteen years longer on the average than nonwhites.

The new figures showed a life expectancy of 72.6 years for white women compared with 63.7 for nonwhite women, and 66.6 years for white men compared with 59.4 years for nonwhite men.

Egyptian Subterranean Corridor
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The find was expected to be one of the most important in Egyptian archaeological history. A six-foot fifteen-ton limestone block was cut through by workmen to uncover a corridor hollowed out of bedrock which runs for 150 yards parallel to the south face of the Great Pyramid.

A Bit of Humor
 A little girl had been particularly naughty all day and her exasperated mother finally sent her out in

Fordson Major Diesel Now
 A new tractor with plenty of economical power for heavy farm work - the Fordson Major Diesel - is being introduced in this area by Jenkins Farm Equipment Co., Ford tractor and Dearborn farm equipment dealer.

The Fordson Major Diesel, manufactured by Ford Motor Company, Ltd., at Dagenham, England, is now on display at the Jenkins Farm Equipment Co. dealership.

The 5,600 pound blue and orange diesel tractor, now being sold and serviced in this country for the first time, has earned a reputation as a powerful yet economical source of farm power. Three-point linkage and a vertically adjustable swinging drawbar permit the tractor to be operated with a wide variety of the back yard to get a switch off the peach tree. Considerable time elapsed and the child didn't return, so the mother called out the door for the child to come into the house at once, and "bring that switch with you." The youngster, her lips puckered and quivering, meekly appeared with her hands behind her back. "Well?" the mother said.

"I couldn't reach the peach tree," the child said, and then, holding out one hand, added, "but here's a rock you can throw at me."

-- Charlotte, N. C. News

Dear Ma:
 Here you spend twenty years trying to teach me to get up early in the morning, hang up my clothes, shine my shoes, eat sensible food, go to bed early. Now I get into the Navy and learn the whole thing in two weeks. Love, Mack.

-- Peninsular Light

A pretty coed was tripping across the campus when she noticed the handsome athlete approaching with an interesting look in his eye.

"Look here," he said, "you don't know me, but I've seen you around."

"Yes, I've noticed you, too."

"Well, are you doing anything special tonight?" flattered the youth.

"Why, no," she replied, excitedly. "What did you have in mind?"

"I thought maybe you'd be free to sit with our baby while my wife and I go to a movie."

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