

Louisiana Had A Negro Governor 93 Years Ago, Magazine Reveals

Just over 93 years ago, a Negro was governor of Louisiana, the current EBONY Magazine reminds readers in this year of Negro political resurgence.

"On the night before the day of the installation of the first Negro governor of an American state, the streets of New Orleans crackled with rumor and intrigue . . . men 'full of benzine and patriotism' scurried from group to group, setting booby traps and political

mines, preparing themselves against the coming of day . . . trouble was coming, big trouble," writes noted social historian Lerone Bennett, Jr., in the magazine's April issue. "A bloody struggle for control of the rich state of Louisiana was coming to a head."

In Part V of his major new work, Black Power, appearing serially in EBONY, Bennett says that ingredients of the Reconstruction drama in Louisiana were petty disagreements,

corruption, massacres, midnight assassinations, endless coups d'etat and the birth of the Knights of the White Camellia. The real realities, he says were brutally simple: railroads, lotteries, sugar, cotton, bread. The stakes were higher (than elsewhere) in Louisiana, and men were willing to pay more and to kill more for state power.

The major role in this historical drama was played by P. B. S. Pinchback, perhaps the best practical politician Negro American has produced. It was Pinchback who instigated impeachment of the incumbent white governor and was installed in his place. In the series author Lerone Bennett chronicles, state by state, the high tide of Negro political success.

Teen-Dems Name Heads, Make Plans

The Capital City Teen-Dems re-elected as president Miss Claudia Reid, Saturday at their annual meeting. Also elected were: Perry Crutchfield, first vice-president; Miss Esther Boyer, second vice-president; Miss Clinis Noble, recording secretary; Miss Marilyn Williams treasurer; Miss Sandra Gill, corresponding secretary; Miss Augusta B. Turner, reporter, and Miss Pauline Goza, financial secretary.

Basil Sherrill installed the officers and spoke to the group of the importance of the Democratic Party. Mr. Sherrill said the Democratic party is the only party that started at the bottom rail and worked upward therefore it was a party of all the people not "The top rail, but?" from the grass roots." He explained the tax structure to the Teens.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Turner, the club advisors, announced that their present position would not permit them to continue as advisors. "The Hatch Act" fell first upon Mr. Turner, and Mrs. Turner carried on with the group and now it seems that both Mr. and Mrs. Turner must resign. The group is now trying to get advisors for the 1966 club year.

Total club membership is 220 members. All the officers will attend the State Teen-Dem Convention June 10-11 at Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem. It is urged that as many Teen-Dems attend the convention as possible.

2 Students Fight, One Arrested

Two St. Augustine's College students were engaged in a fight in the institution's gymnasium on Monday of this week. One was arrested on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon, while the other pressed charges against him and suffered wounds.

Ronald Herbert Cannon, 17, of 1705 Pender St., told Officers M. G. Clifton and B. C. Nipper at 9:20 p. m. Monday, that he had been fighting with Enoch Carlton Hood, 19, of Atkinson Hall, on the campus. Cannon declared that about 5:30 p. m. Monday, shortly after the fight, someone cut a tire on the left front of his father's 1960 tan Ford. The tire was valued at \$20.

Cannon, who received a possible broken jaw in the gymnasium bout, was treated at Wake Memorial Hospital.

He later signed a warrant and young Hood, of 335 Spring St., Wake Forest, was arrested and placed under a bond of \$100.

Hood had in his possession at the time of the fight, a knife, thereby he was charged with assault with a deadly weapon. It was not known, however whether he used the knife on young Cannon.

He is expected to receive a preliminary hearing this week before City Court Judge Samuel Pretlow Winborne.

SWINGING BEATLES
MEMPHIS - The Beatles are coming to record in "basically a Negro sound instead of a white man's imitation of a Negro sound," under the guidance of Jimmy Brown of Atlantic Records. Their newest records with "a heavy Negro sound . . . lots of bass . . . lots of drums . . . down to the roots . . . some of the Jimmy Brown sound" will be the first the Beatles have recorded in the United States.

ONE TOUR
CHICAGO - Famed gospel Mahalia Jackson was reported to be making several appearances in Virginia, despite rumors that she has been ailing. Miss Jackson, one of the stars of the recent Freedom Festival, has slimmed down considerably in recent months, after a stage of illness.



FIRST-HAND VIEW -- Mrs. Marjorie Gay Brown, Bennett College graduate and admissions counselor of Norwalk, Conn., points out a campus landmark to four Connecticut high school seniors who recently flew to the Greensboro institution for a first-hand look at some of the things about which they had heard so much. Visitors include Misses Twanda Powers, of Rippon High School, Stamford; Suste Wilson and Carolyn Crocker, of Brien McMahon High School, Norwalk and Mae Fields of New Canaan High School.



PRIZED SPECIMAN -- Dr. Artis P. Graves, chairman of the Department of Biology at A&T College and a taxidermist, puts finishing touches on a Canada goose which he collected recently and mounted for use in the museum cases in the Biology Department.



BENNETT MERMAID -- Miss Dora Dromgoole, of Richmond, Calif., Bennett College freshman, emerges from pool after refreshing dip.



PLAY BALL - Danny Kaye (left) and special guest Harry Belafonte team up in a baseball number on "The Danny Kaye Show," Wednesday, April 27 (10:00-11:00 PM, EDT), in color on the CBS Television Network.

Clarence Townes, Jr. Appointed To Committee

WASHINGTON, D. C. - On the unanimous recommendation of the Republican Negro Advisory Committee, Republican National Chairman Ray C. Bliss Monday appointed Clarence Lee Townes, Jr., of Richmond, Va., as Special Assistant to the Chairman.

Townes was selected from a group of prominent Negroes whose names had been placed before the Advisory Committee. All 12 members of the group pledged their full support to Townes and his program. They said his appointment as Special Assistant to the Chairman represents a new and constructive approach to the important job of bringing Negro voters into the Republican Party.

The appointment culminates months of consultation between the 12-member Advisory Committee and Chairman Bliss on a

program of full integration of the staff at Republican National Headquarters. Since becoming National Chairman, Bliss has been developing plans for a rebuilding of the Republican Party's image among Negro voters. Bliss said Townes' appointment is the first step in this new program.

Townes, 38, presently is Executive Assistant to the Republican State Chairman of Virginia. He has been active in Republican politics since 1956 when he worked in the campaign of former President Eisenhower.

The new Special Assistant to the National Chairman is a native of Virginia. He was born in Richmond. He is a graduate of Virginia Union University, is married and the father of four children.



EXCHANGE STUDENTS AT LIGON - Left to right, James High, Student Council president at J. W. Ligon; Patricia Stevens, of Darden High; Maxine Tysor, of E. E. Smith; Linda Joyner, of Darden High; and Gerald McKay, of E. E. Smith. (See story).

NAACP Prexy
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of consequences was done. Kaplan spoke in Jackson, Miss., April 23, and in Memphis, Tenn., April 23.

N. C. NAACP president Kelly M. Alexander, Sr., held secretary Charles A. McLean, and N. C. NAACP Youth prexy Kelly Miller Alexander, Jr. are working with the one hundred senior and junior NAACP units and the public to try to get out a packed Raleigh Memorial Auditorium to greet and hear president Kivie Kaplan, Sunday, May 1, at 3 p. m.

It is the plea of the State and Raleigh NAACP leaders that more than 3,000 people will greet Kaplan Sunday afternoon with both, their presence and their financial contribution so as to show the hard-fighting freedom-loving NAACP head that we, in Tarheelia, really want our freedom. The Tar Heel NAACP has long been among the top leaders in the region number five and in the national competition. It can ill-afford to lag now when the fight has become more intense on the part of the opposition.

Kaplan will appear in Philadelphia, Pa. May 10; and Chicago, Ill., May 11.

Mr. Kaplan will hear the reports of the two winning NAACP "Mothers - of - the - Year" and crown them, as the highlight of the Freedom Fund-raising event which has produced most of the funds to furnish legal aid and bail, along with other necessities for the youths and adults who have been involved in demonstrations and sit-ins even for other organizations, too.

The appeal is made to the general public for a generous response to their local NAACP unit or at the rally Sunday afternoon.

Meanwhile, speaking in Nashville, Tenn. Sunday, Gloucester B. Current, NAACP Branch Director, urged that all Negroes should vote for the candidate the least desirable or vote out the one which has been in the longest so as to kill the seniority of those who so bitterly opposed Civil Rights. Current scored those who would counsel Negroes not to vote. "Punish your (political) enemies and reward your friends," he said.

Stabs Babies
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an attempt at suicide.

Mrs. Jernigan assured City Court Judge Pretlow Winborne Monday afternoon that she knifed her sons "because I wanted to kill them." The incident, according to Officer Winters, sprang from a "fuss" between her husband and herself.

She was before Judge Winborne on the attempted suicide charge, but after the jurist was told of the sons - stabbing charges, he continued the case until Mrs. Jernigan had had a mental examination.

However, Wednesday morning of this week, she was still in Wake County Jail. It was not known just where or when she would receive the examination.

Mrs. Jernigan will be tried in Domestic Relations Court on the charges of stabbing her sons, who were in "satisfactory" condition at Wake Memorial Hospital early Wednesday morning.

All efforts to find the reason triggering the blood-letting episodes proved futile.

Mrs. Bates
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Mrs. Bates is a graduate of Washington High School and attended Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va. Prior to joining the staff of the local Soil Conservation Service, she was employed by the United States Continental Army Command, Fort Monroe, Va. She is also a former employee of The CAROLINIAN.

Mrs. Bates has two daughters, Fran, a student at the J. W. Ligon High School, and Montez, who attends the Lucille Hunter School.

Sigmas Meet
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business session to follow in the Raleigh Room of the Sir Walter at 9 a. m.

From 1:30 to 4:30 p. m., the business session will be devoted to undergraduate affairs, followed by a social at the Meadowbrook Country Club, from 5-7 p. m. Saturday, sponsored by the Pan-Hellenic Council.

An Orchid Ball will be held at Holly's Park, Highway No. 1, North, from 9 p. m. until 1 a. m.

To conclude the activities, a breakfast meeting will be held at Peebles Hotel, followed by worship services at the First Baptist Church, where Rev. Bro. Charles W. Ward is pastor.

The number of local Sigmas is more than 45.

W. A. Clements
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sition of the defense dollar. Clement is one of a group of 75 industrial, business, and professional leaders, representing a cross section of American leadership from all parts of the country invited to attend a week long visit of representative military installations.

These gentlemen are selected geographically to give representation to all parts of the country and all facets of the U. S. economy.

THE SPORTS PARADE

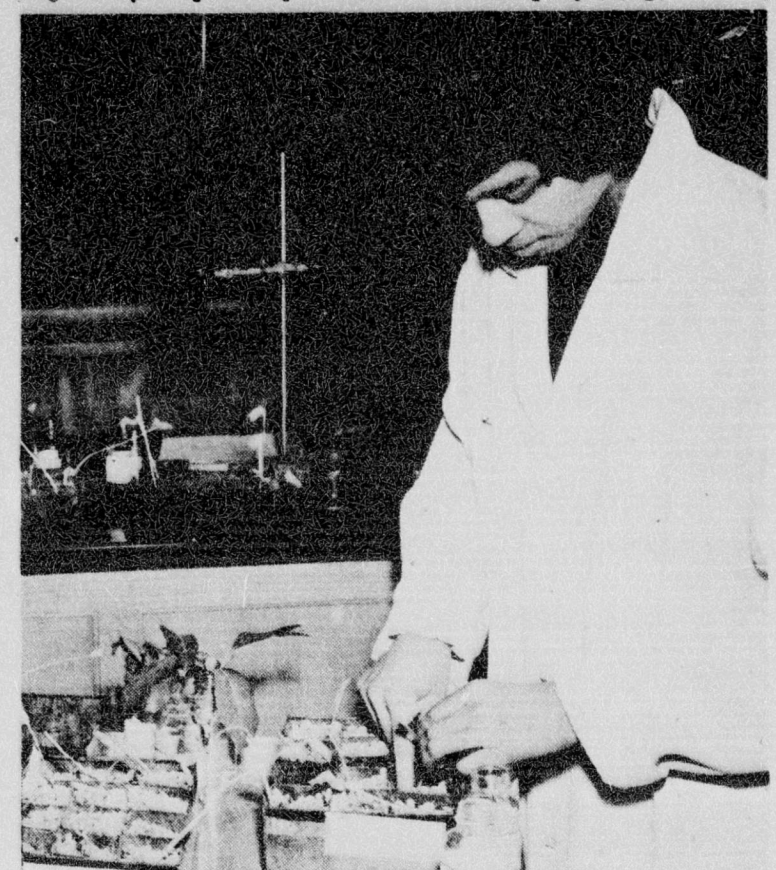
BY NEGRO PRESS INTERNATIONAL HAILS BRAVES

ATLANTA - Atlanta welcomed the transplanted Braves last week with banner headlines, a flood of salutations from the city fathers and a host of radio and television stations blaring the news throughout the Southeast. The Atlanta World, one of the nation's two Negro-owned dailies devoted an entire section to heralding the team led by slugger Hank Aaron, who last year led the National League in doubles with 40.

FIGHT INNOVATION

NEW YORK - The scheduled April 26 middleweight title fight between champion Dick Tiger of Nigeria and rugged Emile Griffith of New York will center on a new innovation for the fight game. While the fight will be televised in a total of 54 cities, New York City will see the video version of the Madison Square Garden battle on home sets the following day, instead of being blacked out completely.

IF ANYONE would listen, which nobody will, every elderly person would like to expiate for a couple of hours on his aches, pains and general state of health.



ST. AUG. STUDENT RUNS EXPERIMENT - Miss Esther Walker, junior, St. Augustine's College, runs an experiment in plant physiology. The purpose of her experiment is to learn the effects of various hormones on the growth of plants. A biology major, Miss Walker is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joel Walker of Watha.



TWO COACHES CONFER - Boston: Bill Russell (left), highest paid player in the history of professional basketball, stands with General Manager of the Boston Celtics, Red Auerbach, after being named the new coach of the Celtics April 18. Russell will replace Auerbach as coach. Auerbach is retiring from the coaching position to devote full time to the position of general manager. (UPI PHOTO).

N. C. PTA Congress Cites Grant Winners

LUMBERTON - Walter Dupree Simmons, a senior, from the Jones High School, Trenton, took top honors in the North Carolina Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers Association's first scholarship awards efforts. Competing with five other honor ranking high school seniors from as many separate schools he rated highest on an intelligence test and on the data sheet furnished by his high school principal and his local PTA president.

Simmons was awarded a \$100 cash prize by the PTA Congress in session in Lumberton, Saturday, April 23, and an \$850 cash and work-aid scholarship by St. Augustine's College, Raleigh. The second place winner, Miss Shirley Manley, a senior, from Swift Creek High School, Whitakers, received a cash prize of \$25 from the PTA Congress and a \$300 cash award from the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. This amount will be sent to the college of Miss Manley's choice upon her enrollment in the fall.

Four other students in competition were: Miss Alva Wooten, Apex Consolidated High School, Wake County; Paul Robinson, Lincoln Heights High School, North Wilkesboro; Kenneth Johnson, Union High School, Shallotte; and James Chavis Toler High School, Oxford.

These seniors each received a gold engraved loving cup and a kit of "back-to-school" needs that were provided by the following firms, Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company (J. D. Lewis,

WHEN YOU are enthralled by a program of music or comedy, you are resentful if your companion is indifferent.