

U. S. Still Won't Accept Negro Symphony Director-Dean Dixon

Harlem-Born Director Had To Go Abroad For Recognition

The United States still won't accept a Negro symphony conductor, contends Dean Dixon—who had to go to Australia and Europe to win recognition—in the current issue of Ebony magazine.

Ebony calls Dixon a "conductor without a country." "America still cannot stand to have a Negro as the permanent head of a symphony orchestra, a post which implies absolute authority based on intellect, leadership, continuity and organizational ability," charges Dixon in an Ebony profile.

Dixon, who is conductor of the Sydney Symphony Orchestra and chief conductor and general music director of the Frankfurt Radio Symphony, is

"recognized as one of the world's top conductors," Ebony points out. "Today his services are in demand everywhere but at home."

The Harlem-born Dixon left the United States 17 years ago, but "has never given up his American citizenship, although half a dozen countries have offered him passports," Ebony notes.

"Three years ago a leading international recording company had me lined up for a series of classical recordings," he tells Ebony. "But an embarrassed European woman told me their American home office

would not accept me. Beethoven is verboten. But if I turned to jazz or spirituals, I'd make millions."

This year Dixon was informed that "the Sydney Symphony would not be recording this year with me because Americans are just not interested. It can't be a matter of talent because I am one of the most asked-for conductors in Europe. The Germans have accepted me and they are most critical of any interpretation of their music. The Sydney Symphony Orchestra is worthy to travel anywhere. That leaves only one thing."



ON THEIR WAY--High school students from two states attending the Saturday School at Bennett College, Greensboro, are shown with their teachers following first classes last week. Left center, front row, is Miss George Latimer, director.

A&T College's Oldest Alumnus Returns Early For Homecoming

GREENSBORO--One of the oldest, living graduates of A&T College returned "home" this week, two weeks early, for the college's annual homecoming celebration, set for October 29.

Rev. Arthur E. Rankin, Philadelphia, Pa., a graduate of the class of 1901, now a retired minister and author, came purposely early, he explains, to observe the college in operation, the progress it has made over the last half-century

and to renew acquaintance with friends of long standing. "I plan to sit in on some classes," added Rev. Rankin.

Now 87, Rev. Rankin last year celebrated his 56th anniversary

and the best hunting grounds for rabbits, squirrels and birds to be found in this section of the State. There were nearly 200 students enrolled during the year he attended A&T.

He served as chaplain in the U.S. Army during World War I and saw overseas duty in France with the 349th Field Artillery during World War II, and rendered chaplain services at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md. He has held pastorates in Texas, Arkansas, Kansas and Philadelphia and was a school principal in Arkansas.



During his ministry, he established new Presbyterian Churches in Crockett, Texas; Kansas City, Mo., and Philadelphia, Pa.

Labor Dept. Post Goes To Ex-Trotter

WASHINGTON (UPI) - Walter Dukes, who starred with the Harlem Globetrotters from 1953-1963, has been appointed as an attorney in the Labor Department's office of the solicitor.

Dukes will deal with legal issues arising under the Fair Labor Standards act, the Labor Management Reporting and Disclosure act, and other laws administered by the Labor department. He will work out of the New York regional attorney's office.

He has practiced law in Michigan and in the federal courts since 1963. The 36-year-old attorney obtained a doctor of laws degree from New York Law school and a master's degree in business administration from New York university.

Bennett Gets Grant From S&H Foundation

GREENSBORO--Bennett College this week received a grant from the S&H Foundation, sponsored by the Sperry and Hutchinson Company, to bring authorities on various aspects of Chinese culture to the Greensboro area.

Each lecturer will spend several days at Bennett, presenting a group of lectures, open to the public without charge. Some lectures will be given on campus, others at A&T College, Greensboro College and Guilford College in order to make them available to as wide an audience as possible.

First lecturer will be Dr. Wing-tsit Chan, Anna Gillespie professor of philosophy at Chatham College, Pittsburgh, Pa., who is scheduled for the week of January 9, 1967.

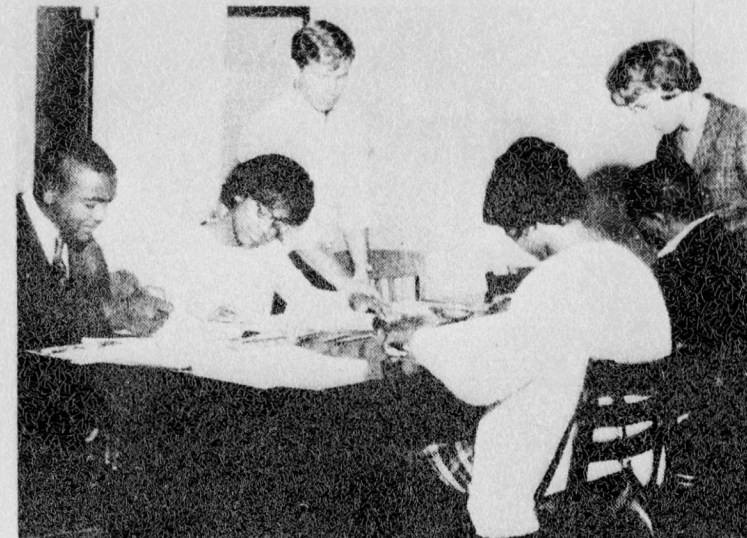
versary of service in the ministry and, with his wife, their golden wedding anniversary.

Amazingly agile and alert for his age, Rev. Rankin intends to participate in all of the activities planned for the A&T homecoming which begins on Thursday, October 27 and extends through Sunday, October 30. Asked if that also includes the homecoming ball, set for the Greensboro Coliseum on Saturday night, he said he intends to "make" that too.

A native of nearby Brown Summit, Rev. Rankin entered A&T in 1896, just five years after the founding of the institution and worked on the campus as a dairy helper to earn his college expenses. He has since studied at Lincoln University and Auburn Theological Seminary.

Rev. Rankin recalls that much of A&T's present campus was

Boulware, Florida A&M University, Box 310-A, Tallahassee, Florida -- 32307. Thank-giving speeches will be written upon request.



PEACE CORPS TESTS--North Carolina College students and Peace Corps recruiters are shown during one of several occasions last week when NCC students took Peace Corps tests. A recruiting contingent of four Peace Corps returnees spent four days on the Durham campus talking with groups and individuals and administering tests. Seated, left to right, are NCC students Leonard King and Minnie Roberson of Durham, William Dockery of Fayetteville, and Ella Holt of Hillsborough. Standing are Peace Corps recruiters John Asire and Dorothy Brewer.

Yes, We All Talk

BY MARCUS H. BOULWARE
ARTICULATION DEFECT
Pronunciation consists of articulation, etc. By articulation is meant join sounds to form words, or syllables to form words.

Errors in articulation include:

1. Substitutions -- /F/ for /P/

Th/, as "teef" for "teeth,"
2. Omissions -- "elephone" for "telephone", "hist'ry" for "history", etc.

3. Distortions (slighting of sounds), giving the letter sound a pronunciation which is neither right nor wrong.

4. Additions -- Very seldom does a child add a sound, but the following might be an example: "groat" to "goat."
Sometimes an articulation error is called baby talk in young children. Example: "I tee a wabbit."

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THE VETERANS' CORNER

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 a service-connected disability presently rated as 100 per cent. Are my children entitled to benefits under the War Orphans Educational Assistance Act?

A--Sons and daughters of living veterans with service-connected disabilities rated permanent and total in nature are entitled to Educational Assistance under the War Orphans Program.

Q--Will you please tell me if the 10 per cent deductible from the income of a non-service-connected veteran is only for Social Security benefits, or does it include local, state and railroad benefits or pensions also?

A--Report the full amount of Social Security and pensions to the Veterans Administration and the VA will then make the 10 per cent allowance in Social Security payments or pension payments, such as state and railroad retirement benefits.

Q--I am 77 years old and receiving \$59 a month from Social Security pension with no other income of any kind. I lost a son in France, July 16, 1944. Could you please inform me as to whether I am eligible for a pension from the VA or not? If so, who do I contact?

A--You should contact the VA Regional Office, for an application to file for dependency and indemnity compensation as the dependent parent of a service-man killed in action.

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