

NEGRO HISTORY BAFFLERS



SHOOTING POOL WITH VICE LORDS - Chicago: Chicago police commander William McCann shoots pool February 26 with members of the Vice Lords, once a tough street gang, but now a community organization with a string of business interests. The former gang held an open house so police could come in and look around the House of Lords headquarters. "The police are usually hanging around outside," one member says, "so we invited them in." Vice Lords Frank Williams (l) and O. Z. Stokes watch the commander line up a shot. (UPI).

Apex News

BY MRS. LOUISE COLVIN

APEX - First Baptist Church was one of the churches which cancelled services due to the snow. However, the Usher Board of the Church did go on with the 15th anniversary program, after postponing it for two weeks. The pastor, Rev. J. E. Perkins, delivered the anniversary sermon. His text was taken from the Book of Psalms 122:1-2 and his subject "I Was Glad When They Said Unto Me, Let Us Go Into the House Of the Lord" was most uplifting.



MRS. COLVIN

Miss Rosalyn Price read the scripture; Donald Richardson gave the welcome; the history was read by Miss Julia Horton; Mrs. Alberta Cotten presented the speaker. The junior choir and the male and gospel choruses of First Baptist furnished the music. Miss Carol Tabron presented a gift to Mrs. Doris Richardson for her outstanding work on the senior usher board. Miss Julia Horton presented Mrs. Frances Marrow a gift for outstanding work as the junior usher board leader. Both gifts were presented on behalf of the president, Mr. William Horton. It was an enjoyable occasion.

The entire Community extends its Christian sympathy to the Grimes family in the loss of their mother who was funeralized on Saturday afternoon at the Barbee Chapel Church; and to the Thorpe family in the death of their father, Mr. Sherman Thorpe, who was funeralized at the First Baptist Church of Fuquay-Varina on Sunday at 2 p.m. The pastor, Rev. N. A. Price, officiated. We also extend sympathy to the Hunter family in the loss of their uncle, Mr. C. S. Young of

Clayton, who was funeralized Sunday at 1 p.m. at the Christian Church of Clayton.

Feltonville

BY MRS. MARY MOSS

Felton Grove Church's business meeting was held Friday night. Rev. Davis taught the lesson from St. John 14:1-8. His subject was "Abide In the Vine." We then began the business part of the meeting. All officers were present and the all gave a very good report.

On Sunday, the service was postponed due to snow. Next Sunday, youth service will be held at 11 o'clock at Felton Grove Church. Come and worship with us.

The Club meeting was postponed, too, due to the weather. The board of directors met at the home of Mrs. Alice Watkins Monday, March 3.

There will be a selling at Mrs. Edna Mae Nesmith's home on March 15. You are asked to come out and help us. It is for the building fund of the church.

Our sick and shut-ins are Mrs. Rena Baker, Mr. John Lee Cozart, Mr. James Percell and Rev. H. R. Smith. Our prayers are extended to all of them.

We welcome Mr. Charles A. Baker from New York where he visited many of his friends. We also welcome Rev. Mac A. Baker and family home. They have been spending a few

BY NEGRO PRESS INTERNATIONAL

Today's Baffler will test your ability to make sense out of the rich vocabulary used by the late W. E. B. DuBois in his classic interpretation of Negro life, "The Souls of Black Folk," which first appeared in 1903.

In this work, DuBois blended racial militancy with an articulateness and sensitivity that can still instruct us today.

Selections from "The Souls of Black Folk" will be followed by words taken from those selections. Your challenge is to define the words.

Scoring: 8-10: excellent; 6-7: good; 4-5: fair; 0-3: poor. Bonus Questions count two points. Other questions count one point each. Here's the multiple-choice quiz:

1. "One ever feels his twoness,--an American, a Negro; two souls, two thoughts, two unreconciled strivings; two warring ideals in one dark body, whose dogged strength alone keeps it from been torn asunder."

By "unreconciled," DuBois meant:

--A. Not made agreeable to one another; --B. Not given adequate counsel; --C. Not recognized.

2. By "dogged," DuBois meant:

--A. Doggone (early form of the word); --B. Stubborn and persistent; --C. Flea-bitten.

3. "The history of the America is the history of this strife, --the longing to attain self-conscious manhood, to merge his double self into a better and truer self."

By "longing," DuBois meant:

--A. Delaying; --B. Attempting; --C. Strong desire.

4. By "self-conscious," DuBois meant:

--A. Being aware of oneself; --B. Keeping oneself awake; --C. Developing oneself to the fullest.

5. "In this merging he wishes neither of the older selves to be lost. He would not Africanize America, for America has too much to teach the world and Africa. He would not bleach his Negro soul in a flood of white Americanism, for he knows that Negro blood has a message for

weeks with friends in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Brailsford spent the weekend with Mr. Brailsford's mother, Mrs. Idala Brailsford in Sumter, S. C.

We are asking all people of the Feltonville Community to be on the alert for a serial soon. Please cooperate. We are still hoping for water.

A THOUGHT

"Verily, verily I say unto you, he that heareth my word, and believeth on Him that sent Me hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death unto life." St. John 5:34.

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the world. He simply wishes to make it possible for a man to be both a Negro and an American, without being cursed and spit upon by his fellows, without having the doors of opportunity closed roughly in his face."

By "merging," DuBois meant:

--A. Drowning; --B. Mixing or uniting; --C. Coming into prominence.

6. "This, then, is the end of his striving; to be a co-worker in the kingdom of culture, to escape both death and isolation, to husband and use his best powers and his latent genius."

By "isolation," DuBois meant:

--A. Punishment in the after-world; --B. Being placed alone; --C. Being destroyed by decomposition.

7. By "husband," DuBois meant:

--A. To cultivate or manage economically; --B. To play the role of a married man; --C. To dominate.

8. By "latent," DuBois meant:

--A. Powerful; --B. Brilliant; --C. Hidden or unrevealed.

BONUS QUESTIONS: (Decide for yourself whether you have answered these questions correctly.)

--A. Do you, like Du Bois, feel divided between being an American and being a Negro? Has the "American" in you or the "Negro" in you triumphed? Why? How?

--B. Do you agree with DuBois that America should not be "Africanized," as it "has too much to teach the world and Africa"? If so, what does the world have to learn from America? What does Africa have to learn? And if not, what would the world and Africa NOT learn from America?

--C. What does DuBois mean when he writes that "Negro blood has a message for the world"? What is that message?

--D. Do you agree with DuBois' goal of being "both a Negro and an American"? Can Black people these days be both? Why or why not? Would DuBois, who stressed such a goal, have approved of today's Black separatism? Why or why not?

ANSWERS: 1. A; 2. B; 3. C; 4. A; 5. B; 6. B; 7. A; 8. C.

THE VETERAN'S 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. - In determining a veteran's entitlement to a non-service - connected pension, does the Veterans Administration consider the veteran's gross income or his taxable income? I am over 65 years of age and have no dependents. I have not applied for a pension previously because my income was above the \$1,800 limit. This year, however, I expect to incur unusually heavy medical expenses that will bring my taxable income under that limit. Will this make any difference?

A. - Entitlement to a VA pension is based on gross income from which certain exclusions are deducted by the VA. If you file a claim, list your gross income and its sources, all legal exclusions will be deducted. Medical expenses do not reduce your gross income

except where they are related to a condition for which you are receiving disability retirement benefits. However, since the income maximum for a veteran with no dependents was increased from \$1,800 to \$2,000 a year on January 1, check with your nearest VA regional office.

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