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#### Attention Teachers

South Carolina is still a part of the United States and subject to the decisions of the American courts. The American courts have decided that it is illegal to pay teachers unequal salaries for equal work and equal qualifications. South Carolina continues, nevertheless, to pay unequal salaries for equal work and equal qualification. South Carolina is break-

The victims of this illegality, the Negro teachers, should be firmly determined to invite the attention of the legislature and the city and county authorities to this transgression of the law. If they cannot obtain more satisfaction. much more satisfaction, than they have obtained at present, then they should sue the state. Appeals to work for their race; to work for humanity's sake, miserable "tendencies" towards a farcial equalization; subtle attempts at evasions of the law; none of these should be considered or accepted as satisfactions. There are no valid reasons why Negro teachers in the employ of the state, should DO-NATE their services for the benefit of their race or humanity, while the white teachers are getting real taxpayers dollars for their services. Any "tendencies" that do not represent something really substantial and that are not based on a frank understanding that they will be followed by other a guide in Lincoln and the fore- of like "tendencies", should be discarded as an insult to the intelligence. The courts have ruled; South Carolina must obey the ruling. "The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars, but in ourselves, that we are underlings'

#### Missing On Judgment Day

Week in and week out we have invariably published instructions for those who act as club, society and convention reporters. Among the first things we have emphasized has been the importance of getting your account in promptly. But at this very moment, on this desk, are three conference and convention reports for September and one for August. These kinds of news stories have very little sales value anyway to a circulation manager and to publish them of events two months old destroys what little value they might have.

When we ask these reporters about their tardiness they is too much concern in the prestry to turn on all the clarms at their dis, sal and say they just forgot it. Well, if they happen to forget what time the Gates are to be open on Judgment Day, they are going to be left outside.

The Lighthouse and Informer will not, under any condition, publish accounts of conventions and the like, as genpublication date of issue desired.

## Your School System

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	Col.	Whit
No. elementary and high schools	2,343	1,758
No. Buildings	1,963	1,520
value school property	.080.838	\$45,819,707
Expenditures of dis funds \$2	2.570.226	\$15,383,186
Av. daily attendance	162.195	222,800
No. classroom teachers	578	2,91
Salary classroom teachers \$	535	\$ 1.067
"The denial of equal education	nal oppor	tunity to ou

people mekes it impossible for them to give their best in either military or civilian life."--J. Finley Wilson, Grand Exalted Ruler of Elks.

# THE NEED FOR CHANGING

By John McCray

JOHN THE BAPTIST The prophet John the Baptist Negroes because they are making a was a modest man. It rather seems few dollars now. And to be frank that he must have been sent ahead the people don't mind who makes of Christ as a build up among a the money off them so long as rather wild and wicked people. At they make a little off somebody. But any rate, he gave Christ all , the my shopkeeper has taken the cake

I thought of John the Baptist this morning, lying in my sick bed the housewife can purchase 6 small merely annoyed by this country's would be the first to board a River and listening to cans of cream for 25 cents in a her complain at

having to pay seven cents for in his; 16 cents for cigarettes - in six ounce (small) can of evaporated milk at one of the neighborhoo d stores. This particular shopnas always charged

goods than others and since JOHN McCHAY the war has been

on I myself have feared, even, stopin for a softdrink lest his war that of Hitler's might run into This particular shopkeeper is a exaggerated average of what

emergency a clean store, 20 cents in his; 10 cents a pint for milk anywhere in town but if you don't talk fast he'll have you paying 15 cents right quick in his And that is how one John the Bant, is working things these days It is a story that can be multiplied many times in Negro neighborhoods coming to roost in our pocket books.

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# Morehouse Freshmen From 18 States



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phis, president; Lynell Myers, Wewoka, Oklahoma, vice president; Franklyn Taylor, Montgomery, secretary; Joseph Brooks, Jr., Montgemery, represed down, but the Negro trainsentative to Student Activities Committee; and F. ecs were so superior to the avelected the following officers: James Mack, Mem. | Douglas Carter, Chattanooga, business manager.

# CONVERSATION PIECE

MARC MORELAND

## Washington And The War

Eandburgh's "Abraham Lincoln-The War Years," volume 4. This is work every American should read, the volumes on "The Prairie Years" as well as those on "The War Years." The figure and charactor of Abraham Lincoln never fail to inspire and to instruct.

Politicians and plain people will during the present war crises, find they are interested in the defense meeting a crisis on record any-

But it is not of Lipcoln that I primarily want to speak here. It s of the Government at Washingten today and its handling of the deepening war crises. In this conection one could certainly wish something comparable to Lincoln's realistic tacking of actual situation, to his shrewd understanding of men and motives, his constancy of purpose, his willngness to follow the right as he saw it no master who was

ent Administration over armeasing persons and groups whose ar bitions and demands will contribute nothing to building a strong democratic front here in the United States and nothing to aiding the nations cratic of Hitler, Petain. Mussolini and the Mikado.

I do not propose nere to argue because I think we ought to argue whether the United States should enter war or not; and mainly because I think we ought to make up our minds first what we are willing

Considering the State Depart- services were held on the campus carry my letter in your columns so leave this country at will while by corner of American policy. Nor is pictures, for press services the President blameless, for he must be presumed to control the State Department. AID TO RUSSIA

ler, the Administration has appar- for 25,000. ently taken the lead in raising the question of religious liberty in Wednesday, President Higgins connection with granting aid to the concerned with defeating Hitler than they are with, whether the Russians will permit the education of their young people to be taken Mrs. Blackburn over in part by priests, The British, according to CBS's Edward Murrow one to follow him Hitler. While broadcasting from London, are Britain, and the United States so was kicked. it says, are trying to stop Hitler. And then there is at Washing-

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Each day we learn that some vital | fense of the country. It is the matmaterial for defense is lacking, or ter of equality of opportunity for soon will be lacking, because some citizens of color in the armed servdollar-a-year industrialist has been ices of the United States. No unctmore interested in pushing up nous spologist for our prices and making larger profits establishment can ever justify to a for industry than he has with get- democratic conscience the recial disting this country prepared to de- crimination practiced in the armed fend itself. Doesn't the Administration know at this late date in history that there isn't any such thing as a "dollar-a-year" industrialist? Men like Knudsen and Stertiniaren't in Washington for their healt and certainly not for any salary of one dollar per annum. And if a democratic society, they are

EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY matter fundamental both for demo- projecting ecclesiastical cratic aspirations and effective de into the vivid sphere.

forces of this country. Nor is the behavior of those re-

sponsible for our military affairs to be explained except as an atempt to preclude a great section of he\_nation's population from the province of democratic rights and

of Americanism determited that such a society shall ging", were to say to the instigavield tre largest possible profits to tors of the religious issue: Soviet Union is prepared theoretical and practical grounds, One final observation for the to defend its treatment of instituresent. This has to do with a tional religion preventing it from

## Bishop King

them and their kind;

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the occasion stated that almost to

nation address and crowned Miss Blackwell, Miss South Caroline Conference

Pranco, many prominent minister, gather- versation with her she expressed a

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ment's solicitude for Vichy, France, and the speakers and honored and Japan, and for the large num- guests sat on a platform near the and state their condid views. I ber of known and working pro- northeast corner of the new struc. trust you will receive this request facists and fascists who enter and ture. The A. U. choir, directed in the spirit in which it is made Miss known anti-fascists are barred, one furnished becutiful music while could wish for light in this dark two expert photographers flashed

students. It is being erected at a life In regard to aid to Russia, which cost of \$35,000 exclusively of equipsurely doing a great and heroic ment. It will have two stories and cervice to this country by sapping floor space for offices, a lecture mer prestige and influence of our the strength and reserves of Hit- 110m, and book racks sufficient In the meeting of trustees last

presented the board ONE THOU-Soviets at a time when sensible SAND DOLLARS for the library and practical men are surely more fund, which he and his faculty

(Continued from Page 1) gratuitous attempt to bring up a streetcar Mrs. Thornton was rereligious quarrel with Russia, ported wearing eyeglasses when she ban league mantains a revolving

Recorder's Court when McCoy tes- returned to the league when the tified that she spit on him and cursed him. No case was booked against the white man for kicking

ince that time, Mr. Alexander said a Fulton County court attache | BREWSTER HIRES 22 refused to serve a warrant for Mc-Coy's arrest because the case had already been handled in Recorder's to force service of the warrant. McCoy and Mrs. Thornton during ie scuffle on October 1.

The NAACP prasident said the groes as process \$10,000 damage suit was served Me- more are being added to the group. nt has until Nov. 3 to answer the Harrison, N.J., has 300

urn immediately started plans to raise \$500. She appointed a committee of 12 persons to work with

Several members contributed very date 40 years ago the grand- money to the fund Tuesday night winner and Mr. Alexander announced that for him a scholarship at Claffin from Holsey Temple CME Church, similar to the scholarship he, in an Atlanta fraternity and a local the absence of President Randolph. labor union. Several individuals presented to Miss Gloria Black- made cash contributions at the October 7 meeting of the Association Bishop King delivered the coro- while others made contributions

Mrs. Thornton did not attend the District Superintendents of the meeting. Tuesday night but the Conference and president said during a recent con-

# What Is Wrong

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that other alumni might answer Gwendolyn Belcher, and that other alumni students who are at close range will express themselves freely and, if necessary confidentially. I am sure that such letters reprinted in your columns The new library at all en meets will assist us in our investigation a long felt need in the life of its and efforts to give our college new

> We know that the history, forschool were second to none in the outheast at one time WHAT IS WRONG WITH BENEDICT NOW? AN ALUMNUS OF BENEDICT

COLLEGE St. Nicholas Avenue New York City October 10, 1941

#### Weaver Reveals

(Continued from Page 1) pletion of their courses.

It is interesting to note that in connection with this the local Urfund, allowing each trainee to bor-Mrs. Thornton was fined \$27 in row \$10 for tool purchase. This i trainee starts work

The Otis Elevitor company and manhandling Mrs. Thernton. Marrison, N.J., his taken on six The NAACP entered the case Negro crane operators More are here, employed Attorney Willing scheduled to begin work this ham to represent Mrs. Thornton week and the company is calling and posted an appeal bond for her for all the skilled and sem-skilled REFUSE PO SERVE WARKANT workers it can find

The Brewster Aeronautic company of Newark has increased its Court. Steps are now being taken to force service of the warrant. Which three his machine operators Alexander also disclosed and five paint sprayers. Ten Nethat the Association has no case gross are enrolled as sheet metal against the Georgia Power Com- workers and being trained in the any because the River streetcar Bloomfield school for immediate erator made an effort to separate employment in the Newark plant-The Kelco Chemical company of Plainfield, N.J., empleys 150 No.

by Tuesday and that the defend- The Cracale, Steel company of workers skilled and unskilled is-Following her appointment by berers. They have asked the state of the defense fund, Mrs. Black, skilled Negro workers as appear on the lists of that office The Western Electric company of Kearney, N.J., has employed six zens of the United States are eli-

pany at Cincinnati, has 23 Negroes are being followed. The Am out of 300 beach hands and plens to increase the Negro personnel

#### 125 WHI BE HIRED

The Kankakee Power plant at will increase this to 125. One of these is in training as a "laundry operator (a highly specialized department). Upon completion of his training, his salary will be \$250 per month. Other workers are receiving from 65 to 72 cents per

The Carbide and Carbon Chemical company at Texas City, Texas. is constructing a new plant with less than 200 men on the payroll. Of this number 12 are Negroes, and it is hoped that the same percentage will be maintained after the plant is in operation

On the other hand, Dr. Weaver deplores the condition in Detroit some 200 Negro trainces will be affected by the mass layoffs in the automobile industry. The same predicament was expected in Buffalo when the Chevrolet plant erage worker they were retained, while the older workers vere . let

Once again, Dr. Weaver point. ed out the absolute necessity for Negroes to obtain the training necessary to compete with modern labor and industry and then wait for the opportunity, which ac-

#### Churchill Gets

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of America's 13 million Negro citizens in the national life and saying that the succession of discriminatory acts on the part of these British agencies are "building bitter resentment against Great Britain among certain elemnets of the population of the United States," the five known cases where Negroes were discriminated against were

#### ASHE CASE LEADS

First was mentioned the refusal of the British Air Commission. C., to accept Washington, D. Cahrles M. Ashe, fully commercial pilot and instructor, as a ferry pilot solely because of his color. Ashe volunteered for the service and after repeated evasions was told on September 15, by Captain J. D. Mugford of the RAF Ferry Command, British Air Commission, Washington, that no Negro would be accepted for ferrying gave him the letter that secured he had received sizeable pledges Ashe a copy of the minimum requirements for pilots and co-pilots issued by the RAF Ferry Command, the ninth of which reads: "All applicants must be of the white

#### NEGRO DUCTOR REFUSED

Second case pointed out to Mr. Churchill was that of Dr. W. King of New York City. In reply to urgent appeals reed here for the annual conference strong determination to fight the cently made for American doctors to come to Eengland to minister to the wounded there, Dr. King volunteered through the American Red Cross. He was informed by Dr G. D. Williams, Medical Administrative Assistant of the Red Cross

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in a letter dated May 23: "It is true that only white citi-Negroes and is asking for Negro gible for the Doctors for Britain project. The American Red Cross THE EDITOR did not set the standards which Red Cross is acting upon instructions and cannot deviate from

#### NO NEGRO BLOOD

The NAACP letter continues, "Touching appeals have been made to Americans to contribute Joliet Ill. has 17 Negroes and blood banks to be sent to save the lives of men, women and child ren in Great Britain who, without such aid, would die from grievous wounds infleted by Nazi bombs. Instructions have come to the United States from Great Britain, we are informed, that only 'white' that English men, women and children would prefer dying to living, if the balance in favor of life in non-Ayran blood?

> The fourth of the instances of British race prejudice states that reputable newspapers here have reported that the British Government asked the United States Government to refuse to send any Negroes, regardless of qualifications, to help build naval and air bases in islands of the British West Indies, and that the charge was also made on the floor of Congress. The letter noted the denial of hearings before the Congr the charges by the United States committee on motion picture plain facts are that visas are denied by British consulates to highly qualified American Negroes who barred wish to work in the British Carib- Irish bean Islands. Other means, subtile and otherwise, are used to discourage American Negroes from applying for work at these places.
>
> "This is all the more incredible

in view of the fact that the Negro population of these islands constitutes from 90 to 95 per cent of the total. Does the British Government bar these American Negroes lest the example of qualified Negroes filling executive and other official positions arouse too great ambition to do likewise on the part of underprivileged Negro British subjects in these islands?

The NAACP also said that, as far, is Nazi Germany unless the leaders as it is able to learn, every one of the British Government smm-the quilified Negro applicants for employment with the British Pur-

Will you kindly give me Georgetown News. to the Bethesda Baptist 'c With justice to Rev C G De iels and the officers and m because of dispute in the George Thomas case, as your informant stated, which statement we do not

Rev. Dantels served as pastor of Bethesda for 16 I-2 years; he r signed of his own volition. He tendered his resignation Feb 9, 1941 which took effect May 11, 1941 which is in keeping with the aws of our church

H: McD. Jackson, chairman Board of Deacons, Georgetow 3.C. (Oct. 14th)

paganda, witnes the Purchasing . Cop barred Germans, Jews and So Spokesmen for the Commis nied religious restrictions, but said nothing about color.

"You have with unsurpassed eloquence appealed to the peoples of he world to help Great Britain destroy Hitler and Hitlerism and to keep freedom from being extinguished. You have in stirring language denounced the theories on whch Hitler has built a senister philosophy and a diabolic war machine. But these in stances reveal that England is n less guilty of racial arrogence than chasing Commission at Washington No answer has yet been received.

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