Dr. Stephenson Opens Office In Columbia

Dr. Charles Eugene Stephenson, son of the late Dr. C. E. Stephenson and Mrs. Ethel Stephenson Keith of Columbia, opened his office here this week. The office is located at 1328 Oak street.

Dr. Stephenson, a physician and surgeon, is a Columbian, graduating from Booker Washington high school in 1936. He then matriculated at Johnson C. Smith, from which he was graduated in 1940. Dr. Stephenson completed his studies at Meharry in 1944 and between 1944 and 1948 did his residence and intern work at the General Hospital in Kansas City, Mo. He began practicing in Hartsville in 1946 and is moving his office from that town to Columbia.

Dr. Stephenson, whose father also practiced here, is married to the former Miss Stilla Chappelle, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. D. Chapelle of Columbia. They have a five month old son, Charles Eugene, III. He is a member of the Omega Psi Phi fraternity and, is a Mason.

Governor Dewey Signs Order For No Guard Bias

ALBANY, N. Y. (Atlas) — The much argued bill outlawing racial discrimination in the New York National Guard was signed by Governor Dewey this week. Attempts by newsmen to get a comment from the Governor as to his reaction to the bill found him in a "no comment" mood.

Liberal factions in the state merely referred to this attitude of Dewey as being natural. It was recalled that much criticism was hurled at the governor during his national campaign last fall for failure to commit himself on every issue involving racial discrimination. He completely ignored Harlem voters and their accusation that his interest in the race was confined to only the upper brackets, whom he favored with high state position.

AGVA Puts Heat On 'Bojangles'

HOLLYWOOD, Cal. (Atlas) — For chewing a "free one" benefit at the Cotton Club here last week, Bill "Bojangles" Robinson, the kingpin in taps, was called on the carpet by the American Guild of Variety Artists. Spokesman for the union stated that Bill is a vice president of the union and should have known their order for stars members from dedicating their talent to the promotion of benefit programs.

The idea behind the move, the union claimed, is that artists should give fine entertainment for the hard earned dollars.

Orangeburg Alpha Men Attend Florida Meet

ORANGEBURG — Representing the Beta Delta chapter of S. C. State College at the Southern Regional Conference of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity at Bethuna Beach, Fla., April 15-17, were: J. Julius Wise, president and Robert K. Thompson, secretary, Theodore Pride, and W. F. Johnston, Jr., faculty advisor (Delta Zeta Lambda Chapter). The theme of the conference "Human rights the task at hand" was forcefully carried out.

Beta Delta Chapter, local graduate group, will serve as joint hosts for the Southern Regional Conference to be held in the spring of 1950 on the campuses of South Carolina State A and M and Claflin College.

Howard School Gives Operetta

Howard School will present an operetta, song and dance, entitled "Peter Rabbit" in Allen University's auditorium Monday, May 2nd at 8:15 p.m.

"You will find that Peter is not obedient to his mother and just escapes being caught by Mr. McGregor. The rabbits are aware of the fact that their father was caught in McGregor's garden and made into pie. Peter visits McGregor's garden and find his favorite vegetables who entertain him quantity during his visit.

"The public is invited to attend the operetta."

Visit Congressman, NAACP Urges Race

SANTA YOTTE, NAACP branch [illegible] groups throughout the state were urged this week to organize delegations to call upon their representatives and senators who may be home for the Easter recess and to urge them support civil rights legislation, bangs of bombs, clubs and intimidation to restoration of talight rule every Latya, Eritrea and Ethiopia and in Africa.

"Let your leaders know that we are not satisfied with the status quo in this country," Mr. Walter White, NAACP secretary urged in telegrams.

"Let your senators and congressmen know that we mean business in this fight for civil rights and expect their support. Let them know that we opposed to the return of [illegible] to any form."

[illegible] and to stop practices [illegible] taking advantage of [illegible] the production of high [illegible] volumes [illegible] table [illegible] in the [illegible] human rights legislation [illegible] education measures which [illegible] not give guarantee against this [illegible] crow practice. Instead a milder plank was adopted which related that such bills "should contain provisions prohibiting segration and other discrimination."

In another action, the convention called on the U. S. to withhold aid to Holland until that nation complies with UN instructions, regarding oppression of the Indonesian Republic.

God gives each man and woman the right to justice at the hands of his fellow men, the right to be treated with respect, the right toi become the adopted sons of GOD.

And if there is no GOD, there are no rights for any man. (Ps. 140:13)

Hastie, Humphreys Speak At ADA Meeting

CHICAGO — (ANP) — Gov. William H. Hastie of the Virgin Islands last week told the National Convention of Americans for Democratic Action, that "the liberal forces in America have no intelligent choice but to concentrate upon the strengthening of liberalism in the south." Both Hastie and Connecticut Gov. Chester Bowles, former OPA Administrator, told the ADA delegates that when the peoples' will comes to be really expressed through a free balot, "the south may come to assume the leadership of American liberal[illegible]."

CIVIL RIGHTS THEME

The theme of civil rights occurred constantly during the ADA convention, a non communist, progressive, independent political group. Sen. Hubert Humphrey of Minnesota, chairman of ADA who introduced Hastie and Bowles told the delegates earlier in the day that the Republican party is being run by "the doughfaces." He defined "doughfaces" as a pre civil war term referring to "northern men of southern principles." Humphrey stated that individual Republican senators, like Morse, Aiken, Lodge, Ives, "and others" had opposted the recent anti-filibuster fight, but lamented that they, nevertheless, were unable to check their party from rushing into a rotten political bargain a bargain consummated at the expense of the Negroes, the labor [illegible] the people of the north and the Negroes of the south.

He went on to predict that this coalition of Bourbons and doughfaces in pursuing this wicked policy of exploitation against human rights and dignity, are digging their own graves. He was joined in this prediction by Illinois Sen. Paul Douglas who said that the desire for democratic practices "will, inevitably, and that the force of civil rights must inevitably bow to the current or be sucked under by it."

Following the various speeches, the convention delegates adopted a civil rights platform which strongly supported the suggestions of the President's Committee on Civil Rights.

MAKE FEPC FIRST

Significant development along these lines occurred when a plank was approved calling for placing FEPC first on the order of civil rights business. It stated that ADA "rejects any compromise which abandons FEPC legislation."

This plank was successful in spite of rejection bp the convention of a plank calling for opposition to any housing, health and education measures which do not give guarantee against this [illegible] practice.

GRAND DRAGON SAYS RACES NOT EQUAL

By ROI OTTLEY

ATLANTA—(ANP)— "You will never get me to recognize a Chinaman, a Jap or a Negro as Equal," declared Samuel Green, grand dragon of the Ku Klux Klan in a private interview recently with Roi Ottley, a representative of the Overseas News service. The Ku Kluxer made it quite clear that he would never accept a Negro or a foreign born as his equal. However, he stated, "It's all right to give money to those flea-bitten countries abroad."

In reply to Ottley's question on how he felt about Negroes who had made an international reputation such as Dr. Ralph Bunche, Green said, "I ain't met that nigger."

USES EPITHET

Although the interview, the grand dragon referred to Negro people as "niggers" or darkies" throughout the entire interview.

He told the newspaper man that he would be willing to bet that the next racial disturbance would take place in Detroit, Mich., or East St. Louis, Ill. He did not give specific reasons for his prediction.

Although Green gave Ottley an interview which lasted almost two hours, he refused to have a picture made with Negro newsmen saying he "did not want people to get misunderstood."

During the entire interview members of the Klu Klux Klan, dressed in either policemen or street conductor uniform, frequented the office assumedly paying their dues, said the interviewer.

EXPLAINS HOOD

Why do members of the Klan wear a disguise" Ottley asked.

Because "so many people are prejudiced against the Klan that members are afraid they will lose their jobs, their influence in public affairs or otherwise be penalize if they are recognized, Green replied.

He said the newspaper reports that he was not concerned with the question of intermarriage in the north but it was the duty of the KKK to prevent such [illegible].

Liberal thought in Georgia [illegible] northern carpetbaggers and southern scalwags said Green.

Ottley said the doctor expressed his belief in equal education, equal housing and recreational facilities for the Negro, but could not advocate these things openly because of the prejudice against the Klan." As a solution to the problem of restrictive covenants, the Klan offical said whites should be systematically moved out of a neighborhood when Negroes began to move in.

During the interview Ottley said they discussed racial issues and their effect on international affairs.

OTTLEY'S REASON

Ottley explained his reason for interviewing the highly publicized hate baiter as "I just wanted to face the outstanding Fascist in the country and evaluate him from first hand information."

The day previous to his interview with the grand dragon, Ottley had an hour and a half interview with Gov. Herman Talmadge who he said greeted him with every courtesy.

The Georgia governor shook his hand when Ottley and called him "Mr." throughout the interview which was held in the governor's private chambers.

He reported that the governor was very disturbed about the power of the Negro in the north also about the power of the Negro vote in the south.

He is alleged to have agreed the the Negro must have certain gains, however he was trying to figure how little they could be granted.

Ottley is making a tour of the country studying the conditions of the Negroes in various cities. While in Washington he made a study of the Negro in the Federal government.

Spartanburg News

SPARTANBURG, S. C. — The Mollanetts held their April meeting at the home of Mrs. C. C. Thorpe. Reports were given by the following: Miss Bessie M. Wesley, Mrs. S. R. Sherrod, Miss C. A. Fludd, Mrs. A. P. Amos, Miss C. M. Cambell, Miss Carrie McGee, and Miss A. C. Wheeler. Visiting Mrs. Thorpe as hostesses were Miss L. R. Simmons and Miss A. C. Wheeler.

The Sunday School of Silver Hill church presented an Easter program last Sunday at 6:30 P.M. Speakers on the program were: [illegible] Miss Naomi Thompson, Miss Hazel Jones, Miss [illegible] Mills Rivers, and Miss K. R. Moore. The Annual Egg Hunt took place Monday. Members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild donated the eggs.

Tamin Court No. 122, Daughters of Isis, assisted in establishing Cairo Court No. 185 in Columbia last Friday night. Those attending were Illustrious Commanderess Lulla Williams, First Lady Commanderess Laura Whitney, Recorder Josie M. Wilson, Chancellor Guide Elosie Brown, Daughter Willie Alice Wilson, Messrs. James Madge Miller. Attending the banquet following the night was Noble Albert Gist.

Gamma Mu chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority will sponsor an Annual Blue Revue Monday, Apr. 25 at the Liberty Street Theatre. A video will be given to the joint [illegible] of the Negro [illegible] The public is invited to attend.

The PTA of Alexander school held its monthly meeting Tuesday with Rev. H. I. Young President, presiding. Professor [illegible] Mrs. Mattie Clarke Attaway, Willerie Atkerson, Lillie Norris, Julian Rhodes, Mamie Gaskins, Minnie English, and Lulu Nelson.

Reuther Supports NAACP In Fight For Civil Rights

DETROIT — The Eisenhower with its unholy alliance between the Dixiecrats and reactionary Northern Republicans once again undertakes the hard job of trying to put fundamental political rights and aspirations of Negro people in American politics, said Walter Reuther, president of the United Automobile Workers CIO, in a letter to Walter White, NAACP secretary, in a letter commending Mr. White's role in the fight against the filibuster.

Although disappointed at the amount Mr. Reuther's letter stated, "you can be sure that we are with you in this fight all the way, and that which we lost the first battle in the long run we will not lose the war for civil rights."

Dillon News

DILLON, S. C. — Willie Johnson of 8th Avenue suffered a stroke recently and is gravely at his home.

Miss Inez Gibson of New York is convalescing from a major operation at the home of her mother on Hampton Street.

Visiting friends in the city are Misses Anna Lee, Ella and Alice Crawford of New Jersey.

Among those in the city for Easter holidays were Willie A. Grimes of North Carolina College, Moses Gerald of State College and Tommy Carmichael of Voorhees Jr. College.

Visiting Herbert Crawford last week were W. M. McKenzie, former baseball teammate, and R. Lane of Charlotte.

Mrs. Classie Godbolt is improving nicely after an illness of several weeks. Mrs. Narcissus Bethea is very ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Oxedine.

Pine Hill Baseball team were victors in their recent game against Dillon High. Highlights of the game were the excellent pitching of Livingston and timely hitting of Gardie Momey.

Mrs. Bessie Myers, and Oscar and Daniel McClellan of New York and Washington are here on an indefinite stay due to the illness of their father and brother, George McClellan.

90 To Graduate From Bennett

GREENSBORO, N. C. — (ANP) — Ninety young women will receive degrees in commencement exercises at Bennett College here May 28-30, president David D. Jones said Monday.

The baccalaureate address will be delivered by Bishop W. E. Bowen, Jr., of Atlanta, Ga., on May 29. Dr. William P. Tolley, president of Syracuse University, Syracuse, N. Y., will deliver the commencement address.

As part of the commencement activities two of the buildings, now being constructed, will be dedicated on May 29 and on May 30 the cornerstone will be laid for the Memorial Student Union building and the new faculty apartment will be dedicated.

Hearings On FEPC Begin On May 2

WASHINGTON — (ANP) — Hearings on the Fair Employment Practices bill will begin in the House Committee on Education and Labor on May 2, it was announced this week by Chairman Adam C. Powell, chairman of the subcommittee.

The hearings are scheduled to last for a full five days. Persons desiring to testify will be accorded the privilege on the first day of the hearings.

Meetings have already been held in Washington and New York City, of scores of organizations including representatives of all faiths, trade unions, political parties, etc., in connection with the forthcoming hearings.

Members of the subcommittee serving with Mr. Powell are Reps. Perkins of Kentucky, Burke of Ohio, Brehm of Ohio, and Nixon of California.

McCray To Speak For Lake City NAACP Sunday

LAKE CITY — John H. McCray, editor of The Lighthouse and Informer and state Progressive Democratic chairman, will deliver the principal address to the Lake City NAACP branch here Sunday afternoon, April 24.

The meeting is scheduled to start at 3 P. M. in the St. James Church.

Corwin Headlines YMCA Conference

ATLANTA, Ga. — George W. Corwin, director of the national H. Y. program, a leader in youth work nationally, and National Boys Work secretary for the YMCA, will be flight the group of leaders for the southwide Hi-Y officers and leaders Training Conference in August, it was announced Monday.

The conference will be held under auspices of the Southern area Council YMCA's at Albany State College, Albany, Ga., Dr. Aaron Brown, president, August 22 — 24. Delegates from Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y clubs from high schools in every state in the south will be in attendance. David N. Howell and Hugh Rosemon, of the Southern Area Council YMCA's are directors.

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Taladega Groups Visit New York, Chicago

TOP: —Members of the Drama Class of Talladega College, with their teacher, Miss Hilda A. Davis spent March 13-17 in New York City, seeing current Broadway plays. Students are, Misses Dorothy Butler, Effie Fomby, Wilma King, Theodosia Martin, Louise Moore, Sara Oden, Jeanne Odom, Mary Summers, Malinda Wardlaw, and Messrs. James Miller and Albert Russell.

Enroute, the group visited Bennett College, Lincoln Academy, Palmer Memorial Institute, Virginia State College and Howard University. On March 15 they were guests of the United Nations and attended sessions of the Commission of Economic and Social Affairs, the Trusteeship Council and the Security Council. They also did sightseeing in New York City, Philadelphia and Washington. E. L. Phillips, director of public relations and Frederick Franklin, professor of physical education and recreation, also accompanied the group.

LOWER: —Members, and director Dr. James O. Hopson (center) of the Little Theatre Group of the college are pictured enroute to station to board the train for Chicago where they presented "Deep Are The Roots" before an audience of 1,300 at the 8th Street Theatre, under auspices of the Talladega Alumni of Chicago.

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