

Ministers Protest Police Brutality

Led by Rev. Milton E. Cox, pastor of Ladsen Presbyterian church, some 25 ministers and citizens in the Columbia area asked city council to halt what they said was an apparent wave of police misuse of authority.

The group appeared before council Wednesday, having met the day before and decided upon the step when a report of the prior Saturday evening striking of a Marine, the arrest of his father, brother and himself came before the body. Council members gave sympathetic hearing and promised an investigation.

Rev. Cox told council members that the offending officer was patrolman Harry T. Snipes.

The Reverend Charles H. Brown, pastor of Second Calvary Baptist Church, also spoke briefly at the gathering.

The group consisted of the Reverends: Cox, Brown, J. P. Reeder, Maxie Gordon, N. A. Rice, J. W. Rhodes, M. J. Hendrieh, S. J. Johnson, A. D. Dawkins, W. R. Bowman, A. L. Peterson, W. S. Bookhart, T. A. Fisher, J. W. Davis, C. B. Freeman, J. Wilson, J. C. Spann, A. H. Clarke and A. Harris.

Urges Negro Member For ICC Vacancy

WASHINGTON — (ANP) — President Truman was asked this week to name a Negro to fill the vacancy existing on the Interstate Commerce commission as a step toward eliminating segregation on railroads and buses.

The request came from Edgar G. Brown, director of the National Negro Council, who said in a telegram that "such an appointment would be a long step toward implementing by example your challenging championship of civil rights."

"The presence of a Negro on the Interstate Commerce Commission would go far to expedite

Communism Blocking Civil Rights-NAACP

CHARGE COMMUNISTS RIDE BACKS OF NEGROES TO SERVE MOSCOW

NEW YORK CITY—(Special) — Communist attacks on the NAACP for not supporting a demonstration in Washington during the inauguration last week were bitterly blasted Monday by Alfred Baker Lewis, a member of the executive board of the NAACP, who among other things, charged that, "There is good reason for the suspicion that the Communists are merely modern carpet-baggers trying to ride to power on the backs of Negroes in order to serve the interests of their masters in Moscow."

Mr. Baker's criticism was centered about "The Daily Worker," official Communist newspaper, which he said, had charged that the NAACP had deserted its fight for civil rights because it refused to conduct its fight "under Communist domination."

Communist Hinder The NAACP official said that experience has shown that numerous organizations are willing to support fights for civil rights and other items establishing equality, but these organizations shy away when it is suspected that Communists, too, are interested in them. In their own rights, Baker charged, Communists antagonize liberal groups who, though they would fight oppression, will not support any activities which must be conducted under Communist control or for the benefit of Communist organizations.

Hindered FEPC Acts the elimination of discrimination and segregation on the common carriers, railroads and buses of the country of account of race or color," Brown asserted.

He suggested the name of Kenneth Campbell, Chicago, for the post. Campbell is a veteran of World War II and a member of the Cook County Democratic executive board. However, the existing vacancy was created by a Republican leader of the commission.

Pointing to how Connecticut enacted fair employment legislation quickly after Communist attempts to infiltrate groups seeking the measure failed, Baker charged that in other states where such legislation had been in the offering, and where Communists were carrying a part of the ball, state legislatures refused to follow Connecticut.

When such organizations as the A. F. of L. and C. I. O. refused to submit to Communist domination, he said, Communist propaganda guns attacked them. Moreover, Communists, professing interest in democracy and liberalism, put candidates out against such persons as Senator Humphries of Minnesota, national chairman of ADA who led the fight for a stronger civil rights plank at the Democratic National Convention, who had to oust them from the Democratic Farmer-Labor party before he could be elected, Baker said.

Charging further that Communist interest in civil rights was not genuine, Baker warned: "In the present state of public opinion Communist support is apt to be the iss of death for truly liberal measures."

Hailing the NAACP's position as wise in this case, Mr. Baker said the A. F. of L., C. I. O., the Catholic and Protestant churches, the American Civil Liberties Union and the ADA also passed up the Washington demonstration, staged to benefit eleven Communist members now on trial for treason in New York City.

RIGHTS LEGISLATION MAY NOT PASS

NEW YORK CITY—(ANP)— Speaking at a benefit rally for the Willie Memorial Building of Freedom night, Senator Irving M. Lyles (R-N.Y.), declared that Civil Rights legislation may fail in congress, because of disagreement among its supporters.

Liberian Editor May Be Deported

MONROVIA, Liberia—(ANP)— The government of Liberia has set in motion proceedings to deprive C. Frederick Taylor of his citizenship, and plans to deport him, it was reported this week.

Taylor, editor of the African Nationalist, is a native of the West Indies but became a naturalized citizen of Liberia. He has been a stormy petrel in Liberian politics, weds a wicked pen and has been engaged with that numerous times.

News papers in all of West Africa, including Liberia, are the least regulated of almost any in the world. They attack anyone in government, or out, and use the most vivid personal journalism. Taylor has frequently published material which the government charges is misleading, defamatory, and detrimental to the best interests of the country.

During the war he printed a story widely copied in the U. S., to the effect that a U. S. battleship was being run down upon Monrovia by a put down an airplane. The story was found to have no foundation. Numerous other startling stories printed in his paper were republished in America.

If the fiery editor, who is a member of the National Democratic party, is deported, it will be a rare occurrence for Liberia.

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Left to right: Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, founder; Miss Marian Anderson, world famous Contralto, honorary co-chairman; and Mrs. Harper Sibley, president of the National Council of Church Women, who will lead the 1949 membership campaign of the National Council of Negro Women.

Marian Anderson Heads NCNW Drive

Washington, D. C.—Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, Founder-President of the National Council of Negro Women, announced Monday the acceptance by Miss Marian Anderson, noted contralto, and Mrs. Harper Sibley, President of the United Council of Church Women, of honorary co-chairmanships in the Council's forthcoming inter-racial membership-enlistment drive.

This campaign is the Council's first broad effort to enlist individuals in its fight for civil and human rights. It will seek to alert American women as a whole to the urgency of this mission and to enlist concerted inter-racial effort in its support.

LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY The six weeks membership enlistment campaign will begin with widespread educational and informational activity on Lincoln's Birthday and will include special events such as concerts, public meetings, receptions, radio programs and forums in principal cities to highlight its course.

Founded in 1935, the National Council of Negro Women is a clearing house for twenty-three of the major national women's organizations. It operates on a national scale through eighty-three Metropolitan Councils strategically located throughout the country. Heads of member organizations and local councils will supervise enlistment activities in their areas during this campaign.

Working from its Washington Council House the organization has grown in scope and service each year and has set forth a ten-point program which seeks better housing, Federal aid to education, expansion of social security coverage, extension of health service and curbs on juvenile delinquency. This program also advocates Federal action to abolish lynching, voting restrictions and poll taxes, restrictive covenants, segregation in the armed forces and job discrimination based on sex or race. Since the birth of the United Nation, the Council has been an active and enthusiastic supporter of the small organization.

BENEDICT STUDENTS TO HEAR ABOUT NEGRO PRESS

Renowned Chicago student leader, their observation of Negro history, Wreck will get something of an insight into the workings of the Negro Press, next Friday.

The student group has selected John H. McRay, editor of the Chicago Tribune, to give the keynote during play at the school.

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LAUNCH NCNW MEMBERSHIP DRIVE



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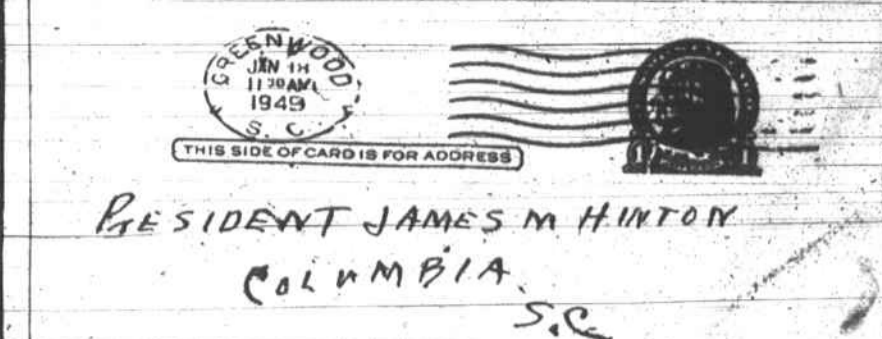
Charleston—(ANS)— A coroner's jury hastily impaneled late Saturday, exonerated E. A. Maine, a white produce broker at Metzger, for the pistol slaying of Arthur Frasier, 25, suspected of robbing a hollywood section white store keeper about 10:30 Saturday morning.

One Negro, J. B. Brown, served on the six-man jury, which ruled that Frasier's death had been ordered by Maine, who was one of a 15-man posse which took to a hunt for the suspect after the storekeeper, I. D. Tumbleston, had been found and shot in his store around 11 o'clock by a colored customer. County police deputized the posse and when Frasier was cornered, he disobeyed several halt orders and was shot fatally in the head when he sought to escape.

Frasier had served three sentences in the state penitentiary for store breaking, county police chief, Julian Williams, said. He was wearing Tumbleston's shoes when captured, and also carried a bag hold some \$200 allegedly taken from the store.

READ THE LIGHTHOUSE IT LEADS THE STATE

KLAN MAIL



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HINTON MEMORANDUM—Shown here is a copy of a postal card professedly from some KKK adherent, received by James M. Hinton, State NAACP President. The item has been called to the attention of Governor J. Strom Thurmond who has ordered the State Constabulary to investigate.

BREEZY by Tap Melvin. A comic strip featuring a character named Breezy who is cold and looking for a coat. The panels show him talking to himself, looking for a coat, and finally finding one. The title 'BREEZY' is written in large, stylized letters.

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