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"In all things that are purely social we can be as separate as the fingers, but in all things that affect our mutual progress and development we can be together as the hand."—Booker T. Washington.

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More Uncle Toms Greatest Need Of The Southern Negro

The one thing that is causing many a responsible Negro citizen in Jackson, in Mississippi, and the rest of the south to withhold their opinion in regard to the issues now of the greatest concern to the future of the race, especially if such an opinion, if expressed, would be contrary to the manners and opinion of the new crop of Negro leaders who have come forward since the 1954 decision of the Supreme Court is the fear of being called and designated an "Uncle Tom." A name calculated by this new Negro leadership, to subject the designated to all manners of ridicule, derision and contempt of the Negro Community.

In the minds of this new Negro leadership any Negro is an "Uncle Tom" who, whatever the issues involved, seeks to maintain a friendly and respectful attitude toward the responsible white people of the community.

Looking back at the history of the Negro in Mississippi as well as in the rest of the south it will be found that it was those Negro leaders of the past who would be, and are being, called "Uncle Toms" by the new crop of Negro leaders who, by maintaining a friendly and respectful attitude toward the responsible white people of the community were able to secure their help and cooperation in laying the foundation for the great progress of the Negro since his emancipation from slavery.

Heading the list of the Negro leaders of the past now being designated by the new Negro leadership as an "Uncle Tom", because his philosophy and manner runs counter to that which they have employed is Booker T. Washington, the founder of Tuskegee Institute, a man whose works and thoughts have brought him world renown. Also among their list of "Uncle Toms" would be the late Mr. Spaulding, founder of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Co., with its subsidiaries, including the Farmers & Mechanics Bank, making it the largest Negro Financial Institution in the world now giving employment to hundreds if not thousands of Negroes, and with Mr. Spaulding would be the founders of the Atlanta Life Insurance Company, and the other large Negro owned financial institutions of Atlanta which is largely responsible for its reputation as the "Negro Capitol" of the United States.

Among the Mississippi Negro leaders of the past which the new Negro leaders would and do designate as "Uncle Toms" are the McKissacks and Walkers; founder of the Mississippi Beneficial Life Insurance Company, now the Universal Life Insurance Company, organized at Indianola, Mississippi, now with headquarters in Memphis, Tennessee, out of which has come the Tri-State Bank of Memphis. This group would also list among its "Uncle Toms" the late W. H. Holtzclaw, and the late Prof. J. E. Johnson, Founders of Utica Institute, and Prentiss Institute, two institutions which gave educational opportunities to Negroes at a time and in places when it would otherwise have been impossible.

Among contemporary responsible Negro leaders in Mississippi this group would also designate as "Uncle Toms," T. J. Huddleston of Yazoo City, founder of the Afro-American Sons and Daughters, and Sir P. M. Smith of Mound Bayou, Founder and head of the Knights and Daughters of Tabor and organization now operating in nine states, and their prime target for such a designation is Prof. Laurence C. Jones, Founder and head of the now world famous Piney Woods Country Life School, at Piney Woods, Mississippi.

What this new and brash Negro leadership has succeeded in doing more than anything else is losing whatever welcome they might have had in the councils of authority, by vituperative, vindictive, calumnious speeches and newspaper statements, directed towards the responsible white citizens who form the councils of authority in the community.

Where there are any responsible Negro leaders in Jackson, in Mississippi, or any place else in the south, who by their manners, and attitude of respect towards the responsible white leaders of the community, still finds welcome in the councils of authority, they should no longer fear being called or designated an "Uncle Tom."

Though somewhat slowly, the masses of Negroes of the south are beginning to see that they are being led over a precipice by the sirens calls of the New Negro leadership to be repeatedly submerged in a ever maddening whirlpool of hatred, fear, frustration, and bewilderment.

In conclusion, looking backward at Negro history, in the light of present conditions as they effect the masses of Negroes, the greatest need of the Negro in Jackson, in Mississippi, and in the rest of the south, is more and more "Uncle Toms".

Curbing The Filibuster

Joint sponsorship by Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson and Republican Leader William F. Knowland of a resolution that would make it a little easier to curb filibusters is an indication of some progress. It is enough to show that the Southern Democratic-Republican coalition protecting filibusters is on the defensive, and that there may be a real prospect of dealing a mortal blow to this evil, anti-democratic institution of forcible minority rule. But resolutions like this one have failed before.

What the majority and minority leaders are proposing to do is in effect to restore the situation to something better than its pre-1949 status. For 32 years

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

John Paterson
GREENE

BORN IN 1845 IN NEWBERN, N.C.,

HE WAS EDUCATED IN CLEVELAND, OHIO—

GETTING HIS LL. B. DEGREE IN 1870! AFTER

TEN YEARS OF LAW PRACTICE HE WAS ELECTED

TO THE OHIO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AND

RE-ELECTED IN 1888, AND TO THE OHIO SENATE IN

1890—THEIR FIRST NEGRO! IT WAS HE WHO INTRO-

DUCE THE BILL FOUNDING LABOR DAY, LATER TO

BECOME A NATIONAL HOLIDAY!



EDUCATIONAL CARAVAN TOURS schools in Mississippi and Arkansas. This group of church leaders of the A.M.E. Zion Church was photographed, in Memphis, Tenn., as they began a tour of the secondary schools of the denomination, located in the extreme south. Front row, l-r: Bishops C. E. Tucker, Louisville, Ky.; H. B. Shaw, Wilmington, N. C.; H. T. Medford, Washington, D. C.; W. W. Slade, Charlotte, N. C. and Rev. G. L. Fauntleroy, Memphis and Pittsburgh, Pa. 2nd row: Dr. W. S. Bascom, Montgomery, Ala.; Prof. T. W. Patton, Greenville, Ala.; Mrs. Savannah Medford, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. S. Mae Slade, Charlotte, N. C.; Mrs. Gladys Hunter, Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. Sallie V. Moreland, Rock Hill, S. C. and Dr. J. W. Shaw, Great Falls, S. C. Back row: Rev. R. E. Stephens, Elizabeth City, N. C.; Rev. Frank Sheged, Memphis; Alexander Barnes, Durham, N. C. and Washington, D. C.; Dr. R. T. Hunter, Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. Mary Brown and Clyde Ross.

Giving And Getting

A child born the same day the March of Dimes officially came into being would be one day less than 19 years old when the 1957 campaign for polio funds opened Jan. 2. In that relatively brief span, a way of preventing polio—the Salk vaccine—has been made possible by the generosity of the American people, and in a little more than the last year and a half of this time over 44 million children and adults have been vaccinated.

But the irony is that the teenager mentioned above probably will have reached his 19th birthday still unvaccinated. For the truth is that considerably less than half of the nation's teenagers have taken advantage of the Salk vaccine.

No invention of science can force people to avail themselves of the blessed protection of the polio vaccine—only a vigorous, cooperative educational program can extend a true umbrella of protection over America's youngsters and young adults. And, for another thing, no method now known can fully undo the ravages caused by polio of the past and, for that matter, of the present.

No, polio is not licked yet, unfortunately. The only

prior to that the Senate had operated under a regulation providing that two-thirds of the Senators present and voting could shut off debate. It is this 1917 rule to which Senators Johnson and Knowland would now return, while expressly eliminating the present prohibition on limitation of debate on a motion to change the rules.

Two-thirds of those present and voting is an attainable figure on an anti-filibuster vote, while two-thirds of the membership—or sixty-four Senators—is not. Even so, in the 32 years that the more moderate 1917 rule was in operation it was successfully invoked only four times. Senator Knowland himself in days past has supported a very much more drastic proposal—namely the imposition of closure by a majority. Even such an ardent advocate of limiting debate as Senator Paul H. Douglas of Illinois, intellectual leader of the current battle, is not now suggesting simple majority closure without strings, Senator Douglas' proposal is that debate may be shut off by majority vote only after 15 days.

While in any democratic parliamentary body, the minority has to have the fullest protection and must be given every opportunity to make itself heard, there is no sensible reason why it should be allowed permanently to block legislation desired by the majority. Sometimes, in the closing days of a session, the blocking is done by a minority of one. A good statement on the subject was made some years ago: "It seems to me that *** this power *** to completely block the legislative processes of government is too much power for any responsible person to want and far too much power for any irresponsible person to have." The speaker was Sen. Wm. F. Knowland. —New York Times.

UP AND DOWN FARISH STREET

By PERCY GREENE

FARISH STREET SATURDAY NIGHT: I was settin down eating ma feesh and drinking ma beer in one of my favorite spots listening to git the low down on whas happenin 'mongst Aine Haggars' Chillun when I hears some Farish Streeters talkin 'bout dem peoples whose gitting famous in de news 'bout dem buses, when I heard a fellow whom appeared to be a hep to the situation start talkin 'bout Rev. Martin Luther King over in Montgomery and then branch off on dem other fellows. Rev. Borders, Rev. Jemison, Rev. Steele, Rev. Shuttleworth, and them others whas Aine Haggars' Chillun been readin 'bout in de newspapers dese last days . . . What surprised me was when the fellow said, You-alls knows dat dey done fixed it so that Brother Jackson can't be President of de National Baptist Convention no more attar dis year and dey done been talking strong 'bout 'lecting Rev. King couse he done got famous for what he done done over younder in Montgomery, which sorter tuck de light off'r dem big fellows lack Rev. Borders. Rev. Jemison and dem . . . I took another swig of my beer, and another mouthful of fish and kept listening . . . the brother eluded to kent on talkin 'bout dem other fellows whose done come up with a bus movement here-lately . . . and I almost choked when he ups and says I wonder ef'n dem other fellows whose been runnin fer de president of de National Baptist Convention is done jess woke up and found that they gotta de something sensashunal to keen dey self from being out run by Rev. King, or is dey show-nuff worried 'bout where us sets when us gits on de buses. . . I dont know if what the brother said will give you-alls something to think about . . . but after he said that I stop listenin and jess kept on eating ma feesh and drinking ma beer . . . and thinking and as Old Colonel E. L. Patton used to say, you cant keep a man from thinkin . . .

NEW ALONG THE OLE AVE: The brethren of the state Executive Committee of the Black and Tan GOP met here last Friday in Executive Session . . . purpose was to get a delegation ready to go to Washington to the Ike second inauguration. I hear that Brother S. W. Miller has been provided with ways and means to go up and represent Aine Haggars' Chillun of the Old Magnolia state.

WEEKLY SAD NOTE: The longtime mail carrier, Edward E. Wilson who suffered a heart attack on downtown Capitol Street last week died at the Veterans Hospital early Saturday morning. Funeral arrangements were incomplete early Wednesday.

SEEN ALONG THE OLE AVE: Mr. and Mrs. John Bennett who made many friends here while operating the Tyler Barber College on West Lynch street stopping off here on the tag end of holiday travels that carried them to many other points over the country.

SOMETHING THAT MADE ME LAFF: What the hep cats say is the real reason why the top brass in the local Elks Lodge has barred Burgess (Salesman) Brooks and Old Man Polk Chops (Brick-layer) from membership.

WEEKLY QUOTATION: "It is not so much consequence what you say, as how you say it. Memorable sentences are memorable on account of some single irradiating word."—Alexander Smith.

Brazell To Serve

Alma, Mich.—Reid Brazell, president of Leonard Refineries, Inc., has been requested by U. S. Secretary of the Interior Fred A. Seaton to serve again on the National Petroleum Council.

In requesting Brazell's service on the council, Seaton cited the value to government of industry providing advice and counsel on matters pertaining to petroleum and natural gas.

the speed with which the drilling in Dhak No. 2 is being carried on." He was "impressed" by the use of Pakistan labor. The drilling superintendent, O. E. Cooper, is using only one American for each of his three drill crews.

way we can finish the job is by systematic GIVING and GETTING:

—We must GIVE to the 1957 March of Dimes to supply fuel for the work that still needs to be done—the research, the patients who still desperately need our aid, the specialized training of badly needed polio experts:

—And we must GET ourselves and our families fully protected against polio with three properly spaced shots of Salk vaccine.

Let's finish the polio job this January by giving generously and by getting vaccinated. Let's finish the job the way it was started—together. GIVE to the March of Dimes—GET vaccinated.

WEEKLY POEM



REV. JOHN R. PERKINS

GET RIGHT WITH GOD OR ELSE IT IS HELL FOR YOU

I
God created this wonderful world
For everything that could walk or
crawl
He did not create it for no certain
race
He created this world for us all.

II
We could have been living in a
paradise
But sin got in Adam the man
Eve tempted Adam we are told
And spread sin from land to land.

III
The breath of God was the soul
of man
God blew breath in Adam's nostrils
we are told
God's breath shall never burn
Adam became to be a living soul.

IV
This modern day is wrecking God's
House
With the letter and a DD bright
brain
Never been born of the spirit of
God
And part of the Sunday School is
insane.

V
It's nice to know the figure and the
letter
Yet nothing will take the place of
Christ
You ought to know God in the de-
parting of your sins
Where there is a Heaven for eternal
life.

VI
The world is turning back to her
games
And trying to pay Christ with a
fee
Yet Christ will say I know you not
Ye workers of iniquity.

VII
You might as well obey God today
Tomorrow may never come
Jesus is the doorkeeper of heaven
And his Father's will must be done.

VIII
Self-righteousness is playing her
part
And leading the weak ones astray
What have you got to exchange
for your soul
And a member of God's House
today.

IX
God's Holy Word is a guide for
man
Without the understanding we are
lost
Degrees and diplomas don't get it
The love of God is our boss.

X
There is going to be a cleaning of
God's House
And it is going to be day and not
night
The saints will meet God in the
air
And the sinners will be in a fire
of Hell they can't fight.

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Slaying, Rape . . .

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students here and 100 of the 350 at Charleston refused to attend classes unless the Negroes were excluded. Superintendents of both schools told them classes would be run as usual.

When classes let out at both schools this afternoon the demonstrators had drifted off and no incidents were reported. Eighteen Negroes attended the Sikeston school integrated three years ago, and seven the Charleston school, which was integrated two years ago.

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