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#### **Another Dream Comes True**

After years of almost frantic expectancy, the dream of baseball fans of this area of having a Big League team has been realized. By the time this is read by most readers, fans will be heading by the thousands to Metropolitan Stadium to welcome to our communities the Minnesota Twins of the American League, as they make their

Many long hours of hard work have gone into bringing about the freams and hopes of the baseball fans of this area. Much money has been expended—first to give the area a Big League stadium, suitable for big-time baseball and sports events and secondly, to get a team to

in the Twin Cities are Big League towns. The scoffers and the doubters | Cities by appealing to race prejudice. must be fooled and forced to join those hardy souls who have labored

The American League teams which come here to play will have a clearly visible role for or against the measure. number of outstanding Negro players, new and old, which will give some of us extra reason to be in the Metropolitan stands to cheer the

The Minnesota Twins offer our area of the country both happy anticipation and a challenge. We hope to see you all out at the opening ball game, and frequently during the entire season! It looks like we've got a good ball club-let's really support them!

## Senator Root's Attack On Cratic

The blocking of Minnesota Senate confirmation of William Cratic Charles Root is par for his (Root's) course.

inequalities from which his people suffer.

black any longer stands still for the injustices with which American black any longer stands still for the injustices with which American think it fitting that the organized church in Minnesota took its right-negroes have had to patiently put up with for years, even in our state ful place in the struggle by taking a vigorous stand for the bill. of Minnesota. Although Charles Root, represents a district where some of the most substantial Negro familes reside in Minneapolis he has members and this was a decided factor. never to our knowledge lifted his voice or a single finger in defense of the basic legitimate rights of this segment of his constituency.

Instead he has used his small voice, loud though it may appear instead he has used his small voice, four clouds it may appear to be, to question the integrity of "Bill Cratic" one of the most effective voices for justice in this state. In labeling Cratic, Root psychologically searches for the pliant Negro of old, who accompadded himself awareness by going from door to door receiving donations of nickels, done and neither has any other Negro leader or citizen worth his salt the Fair Housing drive.

in the state when Root blocked Cratic's appointment. It was happy to into law. see the liberal Senate DFL caucas go on record Monday before the legislature adjourned in support of Cratic.

The resolution passed by the liberals said Cratic "is a person of the smallest way to the victory for equal opportunity. high moral character and possessing intelligent concern for problems of minority groups." This latter description of his concern for his people and others who are discriminated against, was perhaps what made him objectionable to Senator Root who has shown a callous disregard of discrimination against the minority groups of the state.

Root will have a hard time convincing anybody who has watched his record that part of his objection to Cratic is not reflected in his prior votes of civil rights issues, notably his most recent opposition

It's pretty certain that Root feels anybody who wants to half practices like discrimination in housing is not a "moderate." Cratic has been one of those who thought housing discrimination should end in our state and Root thinks it should continue if his vote on the measure is to be taken seriously.

legislation. Thank the Lord we do not have too many Roots in our state Senate!

#### Minnesota Lives Up To Its Reputation Another milestone in Minnesota's steady progress towards sound

human rights was reached when the Minnesota state legislature enacted a Fair Housing law last week, which was this week signed by Governor Elmer Andersen.

The law which will become effective December 31, 1962 is designed to greatly reduce the race and religious discrimination in housing in this state. It would specifically make it illegal for an owner, real estate broker or lending institution to discriminate against any prospective buyer or tenant solely because of race, color, creed, religion or national origin. It would also forbid incitement or coercion of any person to discriminate, a circumstance which sometimes causes near violence or threats in a neighborhood when the first non-white family

The bill charges the state commission against discrimination which will replace the FEP commission and enlarge its functions to cover using as well as job discrimination, to attempt to eliminate housing discrimination "by means of education, conference, conciliation and

If and when such methods fail the new law provides for the calling of the proven offender before a board of review which after a hearing could issue "a cease and desist" order. Enforcement of the order could be had by taking the matter to the district court.

Even the most optimistic supporters of the measure were not confident of its passage this session. All of the proponents give Governor Andersen considerable credit for its final passage since he influenced the Conservative dominated Senate of which he was a former member by lending his full weight to the measure. This plus the steady but stellar performance of Senator Don Fraser, liberal minority leader, was the difference between victory and defeat in the Senate where the opponents confidently expected the bill to be

In the House of Representatives supporters of the bill led by Representatives Robert Latz, liberal and Rep. Donald Franke won a great bi-partisan victory by passing the legislation 84 to 41. Rep. Sally Luther was a "power house" for the measure in the civil admin-

istration committee which she chaired. ors of the bill who withstood plenty of pressure in the

# Do's And Don'ts



Loud Talking Can Be Offensive In Public

House were besides Latz and Franke, Wendell Anderson of the 37th district north. Walter Klaus, of the Farmington district and Sp of the House, the veteran liberal Ed. Chilgren, Little Forks newspaper publisher.

for big-time baseous and sports even any disappointments but the persistence of those who had faith and courage has paid off.

At the community level the Minnesota Home Builders, the St. Paul titizen can get jailed for wanting mighty handy when they run up translate and interpret to the newspaper reader to read a book needs help and off.

Our frustration comes when we find time Now is the time in the first year of the venture to prove that we tempted by well circulated petitions to alarm the whites of the Twin needs it badly.

The St. Paul Board of Realtors confined its opposition almost to a so hard to show the baseball world that the Twin Cities and this area to show the baseball world that the Twin Cities and the twin Cities are to show the baseball world that the Twin Cities are to show the baseball world that the Twin Cities are to show the baseball world that the Twin Cities are to show the baseball world that the Twin Cities are to show the baseball world that the Twin Cities are to show the baseball world that the Twin Cities are to show the baseball world that the Twin Cities are to show the baseball world that the Twin Cities are to show the baseball world the twin Cities are to show the baseball world the twin Cities are twin Cities are twin Cities are the twin Cities are twin Many of our readers will be pleased that the Minnesota Twins has attempted an educational program against discrimination was barring Negroes from public lib- in Mississippi. have "some color," on the team roster, both U.S. brand and imported. interested in the fight for passage of the law, but did not take any

The wide, spontaneous support of the bill by varied groups outlined elsewhere in this paper was a reflection this paper firmly be-lieves, in the basic desire of Minnesota people to treat their neighbors fairly and squarely, which is a tradition in this state.

It was in 1868, three years after the Civil War that this state's legislature enacted a statute forbidding race segregation in Minnesota public schools. It was the ninth state in the Union to enact a fair emby the Cuban revolution. Fidel Castro has lost his bid to capture the the world as a nation dedicated to justice, freedom and human equality. century and a half ago.

Root says Cratic is not a "moderate," which means in case one the time of the Fort Snelling based Dred Scott case, until last Thursday when 36 members of the state Senate reaffirmed our best traditions by voting for passage of the Fair Housing bill.

If it is a crime not to be "moderate" most intelligent Negroes are guilty of it. No self thinking, respecting patriotic American, white or persons and organizations which made this victory possible, but we

All three major faiths cooperated and urged support by their

In the Negro community aside from the regular human relations leadership of free men."—Miami Herald. and rights organization, all of interracial character there was the to the whims and prejudices of his fellow white. This Cratic has never dimes, quarters and half dollars with a few dollars for the financing of

Monday was a grand day for the state, when the state's chief This newspaper was happy to see the storm of protest which arose executive surrounded by the authors of the measure, signed the bill

> A hearty bit of self congratulation is permissable by our state and our sincere grateful congratulations to all who participated in

# **DRY-POINTS**

BY FRED GRAM

better taxi service than Paris and Washington.

A major disadvantage of keeping up with the Joneses is the tax umbus", while trying to figure out keeper?" sessor who follows so attentively right behind.

This is the season when the farmer can really appreciate those At most, according to the best

The legislative session ends in a hot cloud of purple oratory. Our fizzle and flops after the first (Harpers, 183 pp. \$4.95). It was plight made him a troublemaker Minnesota legislators have a theory that the highest art of politics is Sputnik was launched. expressed by the use of artistic and impolitic language.



## Peace, It's Wonderful!

By Loren Miller in the California EAGLE

I don't care what anybody else says. I'm all for Pres. Kennedy's Peace Corps. I think it's just dandy to get our young folks together and send them around to the underdeveloped places of the world so they are the latter of the latter of the world so they are the latter of the world so they are the latter of the latter of the latter of the world so they are the latter of the latter of the world so the world so the latter of the world so the latter of the world so places of the world so they can show other people how we live and how democracy works. You can always show people better than mind the details. I just mention you can tell them

ou can tell them.

It to explain why the chief of poAs I understand the plan, the
lice who arrested the students was Peace Corpsmen will also pitch in and work side by side with those among whom they choose to maintaining the Sanctity of White live. They will help them build Pagehood as the Sanctity of White

underdeveloped is the pages don't turn black. demonstrated by the fact that they keep on sending James East- The hope is that the corpsman

mind was the news that a dozen Negro students got jailed for try-South Africa and Portuguese An-Corporation or Community boards.

We brought up this phase of our activations of the Community boards.

Lo, The Poor Chief

Shock Treatment

Puerto Rico a Bridge striking, glorious, glad, depressing, Puerto Rico's emerging role as the bridge to inter-American unhas had contact, in pursuit of news. derstanding was described by Gov. Luis Munoz Marin when he told an elite group of his party's leaders that there is distrust and misunder- and satisfaction are able to open up to the public the real wonderful standing between the two halves of the hemisphere which must be eliminated. Puerto Rico is an ideal spot to help.

things that happen in a newspaper writer's life, nor even the disappointing heart rending experiences one has in this business.

ployment practices act and most of its political leaders have been prominent nationally in the effort to resolve the civil rights problem, the only serious domestic situation which threatens our prestige in tators and tyrants has been a tradition since Spanish rule ended a It may come because some reporters have the poor fortune to attract

state which has been a leader in the forefront of justice for men from faces of the Cuban upheaval and help freedom-seeking people achieve most reporters. When we start in becoming disgusted and cynical

The U.S. and these responsible leaders do not always speak with we'd probably be in the so-called "odd ball" class, also. the same voice. The Puerto Rican governor is not alone in believing

"Communication between ourselves and the intellectuals of Latin America has broken down because we have neglected them. "We have lost the role of leadership among men who are concerned for the time it took to listen, digest and get rid of them.

with freedom and justice, and we need to regain it. This cannot be done



# WATCH on the POTOMAC By ROBERT G. SPIVACK

Washington -RUSSIA'S CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUSthe general attitude.

But now that the first Soviet astronaut has scaled the 

> how to pronounce his name. Otherwise this was no joke.

What makes many of us sick,

scientists are capable men—but that such achievements can be ac-

We used to wonder how Nazi port space research is that space question may be asked about the but the United States committed to serve their country, but also to serve it well."

Soviet scientists. Are they not over a third of a billion dollars to

Assuming a new image. Floyd Patterson demo tions to a regime that is brutal space status." and anti-humanitarian?

nak, they give great freedom to for us. When the Soviet leaders

he probably likes it.

. . . STEADY, MEN - For those published before the Russian as-

only value.
"The real reason." he writes.

ientists. show as much interest in caring for men on earth, as they do for longs to a privileged class and their man in space, then we will be impressed.

grand as their outer space achieve- Spivack).

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One of the frustrating aspects of our own job of being a reporterpublisher has been our inability to pass on to any great degree the various aspects of contemporary life and culture to which our partic-

No matter how adequate a reporter one is, no matter how much houses, raise, soy beans and do Womanhood. White is white, any to get over to a large number of our "constituents" the personalities the standard of living and dispel old notions that keep people backCorpsmen march into the Jackson

Way you look at it.

See where I am now? Our Peace Corpsmen march into the Jackson we've heard, the behind the scenes political discussions to which we've we've heard, the behind the scenes political discussions to which we've listened which have changed the every day course of events locally, and Public Library and send for the chief. He watches while a white in a few instances nationally.

If you're with me this far, I corpsman reads a book. Then a of this profession, but also because we have been active in many areas of this profession, but also because we have been active in many areas am sure you'll agree that one of Negro corpsman rushes in from the first things on the Peace the stacks where he has been hid-Corps program should be a sa- den and reads the same pages. purpose of subtly reminding the white majority that the Negro comfari to Mississippi. The fact that The thunderstruck chief sees that munity was interested in every facet of community progress or lack of progress, that the group was naturally effected by any problem which permeated the community as a whole.

In our earlier life as a newspaper person in these two cities the land to the United States Senate, can then read the Declaration of which is about on a par with put- independence, the Constitution and ting our Space Monkey in charge the Supreme Court decisions givof our guided missile program and ing Negroes the right to use pub-compares with the Asian practice lic libraries and that the dazed 20th century who could have been real assets as members of any of of plowing with a crooked stick. chief will repent the error of his the numerous community policy making groups. Happily today, there What put Mississippi on my ways. If he does, our corpsmen are many members of this community serving with distinction and

We brought up this phase of our activity chiefly to point up that ing to read books in the Jackson gola with the certainty of success. much of the import of things to which one individual is exposed the publisher.

It was a relatively clean fight all the way through at the legislar or ordinary city; it's the capital of the Great State of Mississippi.

Of course the whole scheme may fail. But all won't be lost. The by which we can do a better job of getting some of what we are corpsmen will have gained value. Any state, or country, where a able experience which will come in is that it is often too complex for even the most skilled writer to

> Our frustration comes when we find time to sit down at a typeas hell-bent to safeguard their own rackets as white supremacists participated. Care must be taken to not appear to be "blowing one's That's where my Peace Corps are to preserve theirs. I can't think horn," a calculated risk one should be willing to take whether it is a

so hard to show the classeal work at that the third posed. No matter if he is wise, careful and talented he often seems to be just scratching the surface in sharing with his readers the many striking, glorious, glad, depressing, deplorable things with which he

Not even the daily columnists who write almost for their own ego

most of the town's odd-balls, products of modern society. We admit The blocking of Minnesota Senate confirmation of William Cratic for chairmanship of the state FEP commission by state Senator enacted the Fair Housing law, it was acting in the best tradition of a with responsible Latin American leaders to explain clearly the two role of editor-publisher and reporter we meet more "odd-balls," than we prod ourself into remembering that except for our good fortune,

It is true that newsfolk, especially those of executive capacities seem to attract more queer characters than those engaged in our other

areas of useful life. Some newsfolks turn authors and write books about their experiences with such characters, getting paid in the coin of the realm

Every now and then one of the aforementioned individuals (the by increasing material benefits. It can only be done by reasserting our oddies) comes up with something really worthwhile to add to one's education and the sum total of human enjoyment or understanding or both. This is why a good reporter must learn to listen whether he thinks he's talking to a crack-pot or not.

Looking over accumulated notes, on scraps of paper, the backs of envelopes in our desk we are appalled at some of the things we never got around to reporting to our readers and perhaps never shall, This is no consolation when one cannot share some of the memorable as well as deplorable experiences which form a part of the sum total of an individual's journey along the road of life.—Cecil Newman.

New Image, Sacrifice & Responsibility
While casting off his old image, the Negro has lost some of his former virtues and a good many illusions. Gone is his celebrated When Sputnik I sailed into orbit the White House reacted slow- patience, his child-like obedience and his colossal fear. For years he ly. Sherman Adams reportedly was unimpressed. He was only has been told that it "takes time" for his status to be improved, that one of many to say that we were not in a race with Russia to the hearts of men cannot be changed "overnight." He has waited 98 see who could send more basketballs into outer space. That was years. At the present rate of progress it will take 4,000 more to desegregate Southern schools alone. He is told that education is the answer; that education will pave

Some newspapermen dubbed Rus-sia's astronaut "Christopher Col-attitude of, "Am I my brother's ing obscenities at little children, to the great Southern universities where rioters threaten the lives of dark-skinned students, education has been the voice of cowardice, not an instrument of culture. "Behave yourself." he has been told, "and you will get along: start

This is the difference between the attitudes of the two men. One superhighways. On his way to market they help him make up the time seeks to advance human rights, the other thinks such advances should be loses in the mud getting to them.

Who reel too downcast about the superhighways. On his way to market they help him make up the time information available, we are only Soviet achievement I would recommend reading of Dr. Ralph E. as his faith in the word of the white man. To ask for higher wages and three or four weeks behind the Soviet scientists, compared to the Lapp's book "MAN AND SPACE" better living conditions was demanding; to organize to improve his The Negro is impatient with delays. He is disillusioned by rewards

But this was small comfort. One tronaut went out into nowhere and he is promised for loyalty and obedience. Having nothing to lose, he of the wire services interviewed came back. But Lapp makes a finds that he also has nothing to fear. The day he began to fight for 

man into space is psychological economic strength and ready to make sacrifices as well as assume the rather than technological, in responsibilities of citizenship. Not only are Negro men taking the oath of course, is not that Soviet Lapp's judgment. It may be the of high office in the government of their country, but some are doing so at a personal sacrifice.

Both Robert Weaver, the New Federal Housing Administrator, and complished under a dictatorial re- "why the United States is dipping Carl Rowan, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, took cansiderable so deeply into its coffers to sup-

"All of us have been insisting upon Negroes receiving places of rescientists, many of them men of spectaculars have become sym-sponsibility in all walks of American life," said Rowan ."As one who great intellectual capacity, could bolic of technological supremacy. has preached this theory, I would be remiss in my duty to my people if justify working for such an oppressive government as Hitler's? orbit around the earth has little this job as an opportunity to prove that there are men and women of Were they not ashamed? The same scientific value and less urgency, color in the United States willing not only to make personal sacrifices

Assuming a new image, Floyd Patterson demanded and received a ashamed to make their contributhis chore. Such is the price tag of written agreement, before his third Ingemar Johansson fight, that the sum of \$10,000 would be forfeited to the NAACP if any Negro was segregated at the fight, in a hotel, restaurant or any other public place Obviously national pride or a Since Lapp has long been a critic in Miami Beach. Negro doctors sued 56 Chicago hospitals for "restrictwish to humble the United States, of federal lassitude, and his comhitherto technological leader of the ments were made before the Rusand the admittance of Negro patients. Negro social clubs in New world, are also elements playing sians got their man into outer Orleans canceled this year; s Mardi Gras balls so they could donate the an important role in each Soviet space, his observation ought not \$100,000 thus saved to the NAACP and Urban League. Soon after an important fore in each soften scientist's decision. Also, self-in-terest is a factor. Reports often Just because the Russians have Hamilton Holmes and Charlyne Hunter were escorted to all-white Atlanta University by police young Holmes' businessman father, his come back that while the Communists squelch authors, like Paster-lically assume it is the right pace and made a hole-in-one.—EBONY Magazine.

### HE SAID A MOUTHFUL

Throughout our country, we must not only increase our productivity but also pass some of the gains on to the consumer in the form The political behavior of Soviet

• • • of lower prices, rather than having all of it go exclusively to labor in defentists has not always been as (Copyright, 1961, Robert G. higher wages or to management in higher profits.—William McMartin, of lower prices, rather than having all of it go exclusively to labor in