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Mrs. Thelma Sanders Arrested

Jackson Police Arrest Protesters On Federal Property

Jackson, Miss. — Exceeding their jurisdictional limitations, Jackson City Police today arrested four civil rights demonstrators on the steps of the Federal Building here. The young men, all members of the Jackson Non-violent Movement, a local organization affiliated with CORE and SNCC were peacefully exercising their right to picket on property of the United States Government. The Justice Department had earlier confirmed that the Federal Government has exclusive jurisdiction over this property. (Local police may arrest only in such unusual circumstances as "hot pursuit" or to serve a warrant for a previously committed crime.) The picketers were appealing to the U. S. Government to intervene to protect the rights of Negroes in Mississippi. Specifically, they were protesting the recent conviction of two young Negro men on contempt of court charges for sitting on the "white" side of Judge Russell Moore's Hinds County Court, attempts by the state to take over J. P. Campbell College which has made news during the past year for its pro-civil rights position, and discriminatory employment practices of the city bus company.

Charged with "breach of the peace" and held in lieu of a \$500.00 bond are: Charles Ray McLaurin, 21; Robert Talbert, 19; Willie T. Allen, 30; and Peter Stoner, 22 — all local residents. Stoner is white, the other three are Negroes.

About half an hour after picketing began, Jackson City Police moved onto Federal property and told the demonstrators to "move on." When the picketers refused to comply with orders, they were manhandled and thrown into a waiting pad-dy wagon. One of the men had his head smashed into the side of the vehicle. As Chief of Detectives Pierce explained, "When people refuse to move on, we move them on."

Civil rights organizations across the country have joined in wiring their protests of these arrests and their demands for Federal intervention to protect the constitutional rights of citizens to officials of the U. S. Government in Washington.

The right to be different, even in color, should not be construed as an excuse for the curtailment of an equal right in the fruits of civilization.

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Meredith Faces Another Corrupt Charge

Jackson, Miss. — James H. Meredith, a Jackson State College student, who attempted to enroll at a white Mississippi University, was arrested on another one of the states corrupt charges.

Arrest came on an affidavit filed by County Attorney Paul Alexander ten days ago charging Mr. Meredith violated a state law which made it illegal for a person to swear falsely in obtaining registration as a voter.

District Attorney Bill Waller said Meredith swore in an application for registration as a voter here that he is a resident of Hinds County when he actually resides in Attala County. He later admitted the application here was false, and that he does live in Attala County, Waller said.

He claimed in objection to state claims that he is considered an out-of-state resident, that he owns property in his native Attala County and considers it his legal home, although he registered as a voter in Hinds County.

'Pee Wee' Reese Forced To Resign

Louisville, Kentucky — Protests by integration leaders forced the resignation of two members of the Louisville Human Relations Commission, just appointed by Mayor William O. Cowger.

One of those who quit under fire was Harold "Pee Wee" Reese, former major-league baseball star. Reese operates a bowling alley that does not admit Negroes.

The other who resigned was Albert J. Grisanti, proprietor of a swank restaurant which serves only white people. Grisanti is a son of Italian immigrants to this country.

Protests against Reese and Grisanti were started by Bishop C. Ewbank Tucker of the AME Zion Church, a member of the board of the Southern Conference Educational Fund, and chairman of the Louisville CORE.

Bishop Tucker sent a telegram to Mayor Cowger the day after the latter appointed ten members to the commission. The bishop said he could not see how the two men who enforce segregation in their own business could help bring about integration in Louisville, the avowed purpose of the commission.

Protests soon followed from the Rev. W. J. Hodge, president of the Louisville NAACP, the Jefferson County Sunday School

Mississippi Will Accord Every Man "A Fair Deal"

After reflecting over the campaign leading up to the June 5 Democratic primary, I can see many signs of respect for the democratic process in government here in our state.

Among these was the correct action of our state Democratic Executive Committee. These men served Mississippi well in their official action.

The Jackson police department and the Hinds County Sheriff's Office performed their duties during this campaign and election in a very effective manner.

People across the Third Congressional District, white and Negro accepted my candidacy in as fine a spirit as could have been hoped for.

The Hinds County executive committee, circuit clerk's office and precinct workers performed their duties courteously and well.

All citizens of Hinds County can be proud of their election officials. The sum total of this seems to say that the people of Mississippi are in favor of according every man a fair deal in the area of voting rights and privileges.

In the light of the foregoing, I am urging all citizens to take an active interest in getting a ballot in your hands. Go to your courthouse and register now. This is the duty of every citizen.

It is a credit to all the people that there was no publicized incident during this election. I think this is a long step in the right direction.

I thank everyone who directly or indirectly lent their influence to law and order during this campaign and election.

Kellogg Foundation Improvement Plan

The W. K. Kellogg Foundation announced today grants to two private, small liberal arts colleges of Mississippi for the purchase of books to improve the quality of their teacher preparation programs and to increase the effectiveness of their library services generally. The colleges, each of which will receive \$10,000.00 are Millsaps College, Jackson and Tougaloo Southern Christian College, Tougaloo.

These grants to Mississippi colleges are part of a series in a nationwide three year program during which a total of \$2,500,000 will be given by the Foundation to approximately 250 of the

Prominent Jackson Business Woman Arrested At Memphis Airport



MRS. THELMA L. SANDERS, arrested at airport in Tennessee.

Dr. Weaver In Line For Cabinet Post

Washington — (NPPA) — Persistent reports, based in part on pure speculation and "trial balloons" have placed U. S. Housing Administrator Robert C. Weaver solidly in the chair to be vacated by Abraham Ribicoff, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare.

The government, for obvious reasons, political and otherwise—has no desire to be quoted "on-the-record" regarding Mr. Ribicoff's prospective replacement.

President Kennedy left the matter standing in thin air when he told his weekly press conference some weeks ago that there was no vacancy and when one developed he would name a successor immediately.

Under the circumstances, there was no better answer that the

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nation's liberal arts colleges. Institutions considered for the grants were those which have regional accreditation, well-organized teacher education programs, and real need for financial assistance to improve their libraries. The Foundation funds are to be used for the purchase of books only.

As a basis for the grants, each participating college has drawn up a careful and long-range plan for improving its library, and

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Jackson, Miss. — Mrs. Thelma L. Sanders, one of Jackson's most prominent and progressive young business women and social leaders was recently arrested in Memphis, Tennessee and jailed on a trumped-up charge of disorderly conduct. This incident occurred June 1st as Mrs. Sanders was returning by plane from Dallas, Texas where she was attending a Back to School and Early Fall Fashion Showing of Ladies Wearing Apparel. She had a layover in Memphis for about 90 minutes.

During the layover, Mrs. Sanders went into the Airport Restaurant for service. The restaurant was rather crowded at the time. However, she found a seat at a table that was vacant except one chair. As she sat down, the occupant of the seat — who happened to be a white man — apparently in an effort to frighten her, peeked from behind the newspaper that he was reading and growled, "This is my table. You have gotta get up." Mrs. Sanders replied that she understood that the restaurant was maintained for the convenience of all passengers and being a passenger, she felt that she had a right to her seat and therefore would not move. To enforce his demand, the man first called the waitress and then the manager of the restaurant who insisted that Mrs. Sanders leave her seat. The manager told her that the man seated at the table didn't want her there and that she would have to move or else he would call the officers of the law. Mrs. Sanders calmly and quietly remained in her seat until the officers came and ordered her to move. But, she refused to move until she was informed that she was under arrest. Whereupon Mrs. Sanders went along willingly without offering any resistance what-so-ever.

At the Police Headquarters she was booked on the charge of disorderly conduct and fined \$25.00. She was told that if she paid the fine, officers would take her back to the Airport in time to catch her plane to Jackson. She refused to pay the fine because of the principal involved in the case. She was permitted to call a Memphis attorney. Meanwhile taken to a jail cell and searched. However, just before the big key turned the cell lock, Attorney H. T. Lochard of Memphis, and several other friends arrived and arranged for Mrs. Sanders' release. A speedy trial was set for 9 a. m. Saturday, June 2. At the trial Attorney Lochard asked for a dismissal of the charge, but the Judge refused. Whereupon proper legal procedure was set in motion for an appeal to the

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Our Job Is Cut Out For Us!

The June 5th Democratic Primary Election is now history. There are many lessons to be learned from this election. One is the fact that elections are decided by qualified voters who go to the polls on election day and cast their ballots.

Well wishing and wishful thinking will not alone determine the outcome of any election — it takes votes to do that.

Another lesson is that a campaign can be conducted on a higher plane. There were two Negro candidates in the Congressional race, the Rev. Merrill W. Lindsey in the Second District and the Rev. Robert L. T. Smith in the Third District. The votes they received in no way reflected their competence for those important positions.

It has been said that the Negro vote did not in-fluence those two candidates, that is undoubtedly true. This shows the Negro citizens of our state that we must go to our county courthouse and register. Let everyone of us become a missionary in this effort.

The candidacy of Lindsey and Smith was a type of victory. In Hinds and Warren counties Negro poll workers served for the first time in the memory of everyone there. The candidacy of Rev. Smith inspired 35 Negro women and three men to serve at the polls as poll watchers at as many polling places in Hinds County, and 14 Negro poll workers in Warren County. These courageous and patriotic citizens served Mississippi well and did honor to America. They were all busy people but they laid aside their duties and volunteered to do this job — not knowing what the reaction would be.

The white community, as a whole, accepted this in a commendable spirit. This certainly is progress. The presence of Negro candidates on the official primary ballot was certainly a victory. The fact that some white citizens voted for the Negro candidates was heartening to all fair-minded citizens.

The precedence has been established that television stations cannot deny their facilities to Negro candidates arbitrarily.

Now this is encouraging but it will not mean much to us unless we get ready to vote and then vote. Our job is cut out for us in all 87 counties. We must insist that all registrars register qualified citizens, regardless of color.

We can no longer wait in the matter of voting right. This is a must. Without the ballot any group is helpless — with the ballot in our hands we will be respected. At the same time we will show respect for ourselves by becoming first class citizens. Let us go about this most worthy task with malice toward none and with charity toward all.

Kellogg Foundation—

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since books serve different curriculums, it is anticipated the acquisition of new books will not only aid teacher programs but will also heighten the effectiveness of the library services generally.

Only those departments or divisions of the colleges which participate in teacher education will be directly aided, with the staff work of ordering and cataloging the additional books to be performed by the regular library staff over a three-year period. Each college has assured the Foundation that the institution will continue its library support at the present level or higher and will use the grant for book purchases that cannot be financed from its regular budget.

The grants by the Foundation constitute another recognition of the importance of the small, private, four-year liberal arts col-

leges to American higher education. The role of these colleges in teacher preparation programs can be appreciated when it is noted that small, private colleges comprise more than one-half the institutions having teacher education programs and supply slightly more than 25 per cent of all the public elementary and high school teachers of the United States.

Expanded enrollments and soaring costs point up needs for increased staffs, facilities, budgets, and services. Obviously, these needs are beyond the aid that can be extended through the Foundation's limited resources. However, it is believed that the assistance to libraries can contribute to the quality of teacher education for several generations of students to come, for a strong and dynamic library is a keystone to new preprofessional and professional curriculums. The stimulus of new teachings aids and increased emphasis upon self-directed and self-motivated education.

Sovereignty Commission PR Chief Asks For Racial Cooperation

Only Way To Keep Segregation In Schools, Johnston

Grenada — (UPI) — Erie Johnston, Jr., public relations director of the State Sovereignty Commission, said Friday night Mississippi's only hope of maintaining school segregation rests in the cooperation of its Negroes. He said extremists on both sides are preventing that cooperation.

"We already have many allies among the colored school teachers, bus drivers and other employers who want to preserve their employment. We can earn the cooperation of others with consideration and recognition and an honest attempt to provide colored citizens with facilities to which they are entitled."

Johnston, who edits the Scott County (weekly) Times at Forest, addressed graduates of Grenada high. He described himself as neither "an extremist, liberal or moderate" but a "practical segregationist."

"Mississippi needs more white people who will publicly speak out for recognition without being branded as liberal leftists and more colored people willing to cooperate without being branded as Uncle Toms," he said. "We can be practical without being radical. We can be realistic without being ridiculous."

"I have often thought that if the extremists at both ends of this racial situation would quit wildly wagging their tongues and suspiciously pointing their fingers we could restore some racial harmony in Mississippi and make better progress."

Johnston, without mentioning either group by name, had harsh words for the NAACP and the Citizens Councils.

The Negro group, he said, has clamored for special privileges rather than better treatment and has thrived "on strained relations to strengthen their appeals for more funds from the North."

The white organization, he said, "believes in threat and intimidation." He said its members "mean well. They are dedicated to their cause. But they have agitated the friction and bitterness and there is some question as to whether this attitude is a help, a hindrance, or merely creates hysteria."

Persons who want to keep segregation by "organizing and fighting" have only four courses to take, he said.

"They can fight through the courts, with weapons, with violence, or with boycott."

"Our attorney general and his staff are already doing an excellent job in the courts, but all litigation eventually reaches the dark corridors of the Supreme Court."

"Mississippians are courageous but not foolish. I don't believe we will open fire on U. S. marshals or soldiers in uniform."

"Mississippians are not barbarians. We will not don the sheets of an ancient era and inflict harm on colored peo-

ple or destroy their property.

"Boycotts would be ineffective because white employers are not going to fire colored workers from certain jobs and I don't believe retailers are going to refuse to sell merchandise to colored customers."

Some segregationists heatedly argue that to give up an inch is to give up a mile, Johnston said. "Yet they conveniently disregard the fact that the colored people of Mississippi, with the federal government and courts ready to support them, soon may be able to take that mile whenever they please."

"It would seem far better to offer an inch of consideration across a table of harmony than to be forced to retreat further in an atmosphere of friction and bitterness."

Johnston, who was president of the Grenada Class of 1935, told the graduates:

"My generation, which is past the halfway mark, has been dedicated to educating the colored people and raising their standards of living. Many thousands have improved themselves educationally, morally and hygienically. As this number increases, it will become your decision as to how they should be treated in the future."

"Our colored people know about the hypocrisies of the north. They know there is discrimination. They know attitudes cannot be legislated."

"Our separate school system of the future depends on our ability to earn and retain the cooperation, trust and confidence of the colored race in Mississippi. There are militant hot heads in both races. They must restrain theirs and we must restrain ours."

"As you contemplate the decisions you graduates may be called on to make, let me suggest that courtesy is better than coercion, interest is better than intimidation, recognition is better than retribution and friendship is better than force."

Johnston has been public relations director of the Sovereignty Commission since 1960. As part of his job with the official state agency he travels to the North speaking in defense of Mississippi views.

The trips have been effective, he said, but "we can expect no national movement of any strength which would support the Southern tradition of segregated societies."

Dr. Weaver—

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Chief Executive could give.

But some people in the government, or out of it, want to see Mr. Weaver who heads the 12,200-man Housing and Light as a candidate for leadership of the 72,800-man Home Finance (HHFA) in the public department of health, education and welfare.

In the new post, Mr. Weaver would boss about three times the number of officers as he does now, including some which exert tremendous influence on the U. S. body politic. Among these are the Office of Education, the Food and Drug Administration, the Social Security

YMCA News

Tonight, members of the 1962 campaign, Division No. One will have a post-campaign meeting. This group is interested in forming a nucleus for an Emblem Club which would concern itself with memberships as a year-round activity. Division No. One is headed by W. H. Wells and Stephen Mannery.

The Tri-Hi-Y Club of the city's high schools will attend a banquet occasion at the YMCA tonight. Mrs. A. M. Rogers of the Brinkley Tri-Hi-Y is serving as chairman of the steering committee.

Members of the Teen Council spent last Saturday at a picnic on the Natchez Trace.

The YMCA is proud to announce the addition of a new staff member to its roster of personnel. W. D. Belt of Newton, Mississippi has joined the staff as physical director.

Mr. Belt is a graduate of Tougaloo Southern Christian College, and he has taught through the past school year at Bay Springs, Mississippi.

Day Camp will open at the YMCA on Monday, June 11 at 9:00 a. m. A program of activities is being planned to serve boys seven through 12 in the Day Camp. Parents are urged to register their boys for this valuable experience. Camp activities which are scheduled will include arts and crafts work, clay modeling, movies, gym classes, first aid classes, library hours, swimming and other events.

Parents of boys who will play on the YMCA's little league and boys who will play on other teams in the Little League are asked to attend a meeting at the "Y" on Friday, June 8 at 7:30 p. m.

Protests Use Of Dogs By Police

Cincinnati — The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is conducting a full-scale investigation into the use by police of trained dogs to intimidate a crowd of Negro citizens. William Bowen, president of the local NAACP branch said here this week.

Eight persons, one of whom had to be hospitalized, were attacked and bitten by the dogs during a fracas in a Negro neighborhood about two o'clock on the morning of May 14th. A policeman is alleged to have approached two Negro women telling them he had been looking for them. One managed to escape. The other got involved in a fight with the patrolman.

Other police were summoned and circulated through the growing crowd. One dog was unleashed to roam through the crowd and another, held in leash, was ordered to bite anyone who didn't move fast enough, witnesses say. An elderly man standing in a doorway was knocked down by one of the dogs.

NAACP officials maintain that there were sufficient police on hand to handle the crowd without using the dogs.

Administration, Urban Renewal Administration, Voluntary Home Mortgage Credit Program, Federal Housing Administration, and Federal National Mortgage Association.

Ebony Fashion Fair Set For November 21

Breathtaking fashion from the showcases of top American and European designers will be seen when Ebony Fashion Fair International returns to Jackson in November.

Featuring an Oriental theme, the twelve model affair will be presented at the Masonic Temple, November 21, 1962, by the United Negro College Fund.

Ebony magazine's 90 minute show is again produced, directed and commented on by Mrs. Frieda DeKnight, fashion and food editor of Ebony; and home service director of Johnson Publishing Company.

No amateur in the fashion field, Mrs. DeKnight has for the past twelve years attended spring and fall openings at Chambre Syndicate de-la Couture Parisienne in Paris. For five years she has put on the Ebony Show.

Now traveling in the East, selecting designs for the 60 nationwide presentations this fall, she paused in her busy schedule to send us a card saying "hello from the Orient. I'm here to find exciting things for the show. It really should be beautiful."

Mrs. C. C. Mosley, Sr. is chairman of the local Ebony Fashion Fair Committee. Working with her are Mrs. Gretel Chambers, chairman, ticket committee; Mrs. W. H. Williams, Sr., chairman, housing committee; Mrs. Thelma Sanders, chairman, reception committee; and Miss Mary L. Cummings, chairman, publicity committee.

Mr. I. S. Sanders is chairman of the United Negro College Fund Campaign of Mississippi.

'Bible's Not Racial' Says Dr. Judau Nadich, Rabbi Of New York

It's bad not to know. But it's worse for a person not to know that he doesn't know.

This was the essence of a sermon delivered recently by the Rev. Dr. Judau Nadich, rabbi of New York City.

The sermon was about the New Orleans segregationists who say the Bible supports racial discrimination.

The racists base their argument on this verse of the scripture: "Issac called Jacob, and blessed him, and charged him and said unto him, thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan." Genesis xxviii 1.)

The verse refers to the opposition of Issac and Rebecca of their son's interest in a local woman.

"This opposition," the rabbi explains, "was not due to difference in color. The race of the local population was the same."

The objection, was due to the idolatry practiced by the local population.

The selection of a wife for Jacob from his mother's kinfolk would make it easier to encourage the growth of belief in one God," the Rev. Dr. Nadich explained.

He noted that the racists failed to mention that Moses married an Ethiopian woman.

Nor did they quote the prophet Amos — Are ye not as the children of Israel? (Amos 9.7.)

"Those women picketing against their Archbishop," Rabbi Nadich said, "paraded not only their prejudice but also their ignorance of the Bible."

"We agree. Amen."

Holly Springs Sings Scholarship Awards

The choirs of the schools in the vicinity of Holly Springs received a very generous support from the people of that area when the Holly Springs Sings program was presented almost one month ago. There was an audience of almost one thousand persons to witness the performance of choirs from Henry High School, Buhalla, Sim's High School, Saint Mary's High School, Rust College-Choir and band and M. I. College choir.

The purpose of this program was to provide an opportunity for students of this community to receive scholarship aid from the proceeds netted from ticket sales. The central committee responsible for planning the program was represented by the persons from the music department of each school and persons in religious activities from the two colleges. This committee under the leadership of Mr. Nathaniel Green, president of the Social Science Club, Rust College, announced the report of \$342.26 from the ticket and advertisement sale. The two colleges arranged to support the project by providing additional scholarships that would aid six students with the grant of \$100.00. The recipients of these awards are as follows:

Mississippi Industrial College Scholarship: Miss Alva Gipson, St. Mary's High School; Miss Doris Williamson, Sim's High School; Miss Susie Jones, Henry High School.

Rust College Scholarship: Miss Gloria Gipson, St. Mary's High School; Mr. Charles Hearn, Sim's High School; Miss Ida M. Young, Henry High School.

It is the committee's plan to promote this as an annual program. After receiving such gracious support and because of the deep interest that the community demonstrated in this project everyone concerned looks forward to the next program which should prove to be a greater success, however the committee felt a warm sense of satisfaction in seeing the seed of a new project begin in such a wonderful spirit.

The Negro race is struggling for recognition as of human status. The white race having benefitted economically from the present status objects strenuously.

United Christian Church Usher Board To Sponsor Dinner-Supper

The Usher Board of the United Christian Church will offer barbecue dinners and suppers to the general public on Saturday, June 9th, from one o'clock in the afternoon to 7 o'clock in the evening, at 1024 Lavernet Road.

Generous servings of delicious barbecue with all the trimmings will be either served on the lawn or delivered to the home on request.

This project is one of the efforts of the organization to finance its contribution of a water cooler to the new church edifice on Florence Avenue.

The barbecue will be served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Witherspoon, 1024 Lavernet Road.

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Tennessee Circuit Court. The case will likely be heard sometime in the month of July.

There is talk of bringing a \$100,000.00 damage suit against the restaurant owners, before this matter is finally settled, because of the intimidation, humiliation and embarrassment Mrs. Sanders suffered due to the unwarranted and irresponsible action on the part of the Memphis Airport management.

It might be added, however, that before going into the Airport restaurant for service, Mrs. Sanders had talked with some Memphis friends who assured her that she would be served without any embarrassment. It is believed that had not this particular person been seated at the table where Mrs. Sanders sat, there would have been no incident whatsoever. Mrs. Sanders further states that contrary to the custom of many southern cities, the Memphis police officers were very courteous and respectful to her, and she has no complaint to offer against them concerning the manner in which she was treated.

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"Tricked" Says Reverse Rider

Cleveland, Ohio (AP) — A 49-year-old Negro laborer, Cleveland's first reverse "freedom rider," said Friday a trick had been played upon him by the pro-segregation Citizens' Council of New Orleans.

"I'm happy to be on this side of the Mason-Dixon line," said Cleveland Carter. "If I have to starve, I'd rather starve here." Carter said he was told by the Citizens' Council that one of their northern representatives would meet him here, find him a place to stay and supply him with money until he found a job. Carter arrived at the Greyhound terminal Thursday night.

"When I got off the bus, I asked a man at information if he had a message for me," Carter explained. "When he said he didn't I sat down to wait. I stayed awake at the station all night and finally realized when nobody came that I had been 'tricked.'"

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the Urban League were notified Friday morning. Both organizations are taking care of his immediate needs and trying to find him a job.

Carter said he had been unemployed since last August. He said "he went to the Citizens' Council himself when he heard free transportation was being offered and a job in the North was assured."

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Southern Demonstrators Helped By Northern Sympathizers; Stock Exchanges Boycotted

Huntsville, Alabama — Local sit-in demonstrators have been heartened by reports of supporting action by sympathizers in the North.

The Rev. Ezekiel Bell, chairman of the Community Service Committee, received word that friends have picketed the New York Stock Exchange and the Midwest Stock Exchange in Chicago.

Members of Mr. Bell's organization have been sitting in and demonstrating against segregation since January. They have been assaulted and jailed on numerous occasions. At one time three Turkish soldiers were jailed because they joined in the protest.

The Northern supporters urge persons entering the stock exchanges not to invest money in Huntsville enterprises. Mrs. Mattie Love is chairman of a special committee formed in Chicago.

The object of the Northern pickets is to cause city officials and businessmen in Huntsville to negotiate the opening of all facilities to everybody on an equal basis.

The pickets give potential investors leaflets headed "Don't invest in Huntsville, Alabama. It's bad business." Special targets of the campaign are Chrysler, International Business Ma-

chines, Raytheon, and Thiokol Chemical, which have extensive interests in the space program here.

Huntsville calls itself "The Space Capital of the World" because of the concentration of rocket development and production here.

Dr. Spike Addresses Tougaloo Graduates

Dr. Robert W. Spike, general secretary for program of the Board for Homeland Ministries of the United Church of Christ, New York City, told the one hundred and sixteen graduates at Tougaloo Southern Christian College that "The fundamental aim of education is to equip you to do better in the competitive rat race of American life — Education is Freedom — There must always be struggle and courage and great skill in the battle for political, economic and social freedom — The social sciences particularly provide the means by which a person is removed from the little world of immediate geography and family and class and puts him in a large world, so that he can make reasonable comparisons with his own lot. What's more he becomes an authority in his own right to make judgments about his world and the larger world.

"A man or woman, exercising ability in science and mathematics experiences the freedom of achievement — the inner assurance that within himself he has the capacity to solve problems, this is a very important aspect of the exercise of freedom. True freedom begins in the individual self confidence that "I am competent" — Freedom can be denied, but with the gift of a trained mind, there is some alternative to blind fury or helpless submission. There are strategies that can be worked. There are evaluations that have the strength of mature judgment that can proceed from knowledge. That is the most precious gift of freedom a man can ask.

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Association, and the Independent Improvement Clubs, a group that supports candidates favoring integration.

The Sunday School Association protest was signed by Dr. Daniel J. Hughlett, executive secretary, and the Rev. William Summers, chairman. Dr. Hughlett is also a member of the board of SCEF, a Southwide inter-racial group working to end segregation and discrimination.

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Jim Crow League Faces Boycott By Negro Fans

Savannah, Georgia — A general boycott was launched against Savannah White Sox baseball games at Grayson Stadium as long as Negro players and fans are forced to submit to segregated conditions.

Members of the Negro community have been urged not to attend any games of the Savannah team until (1) Negro fans are permitted to sit anywhere in the stadium without regard to race or color, (2) Negro players are permitted to live with other members of the team, (3) Negro visiting players are permitted to be housed with other members of their respective teams.

At the beginning of this year's baseball season, Negro fans attending an exhibition game between the Chicago White Sox and the Cincinnati Redlegs were ordered to sit in a segregated section of the stadium. Since that time racial segregation at the games has become increasingly more stringent. Association officials who protested to Tom Fleming, general manager of the Savannah White Sox, were given no indication of any change in the present segregation policy.

Branch President W. W. Law, has sent letters to branch presidents in Macon, Augusta, Knoxville, Asheville, Charlotte, Greenville and Portsmouth, where there are other South Atlantic League teams, requesting that they join with Savannah in protesting segregated conditions in the ball parks. To date, the Rev. C. S. Hamilton, Augusta President, has already pledged support.

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Weaver Named 47th Spingarn Medalist

New York — Robert C. Weaver, Administrator of the Housing and Home Finance Agency, has been named winner of the coveted Spingarn Medal awarded annually to a Negro American for distinguished achievement.

Announcement of the selection of Mr. Weaver was made today (June 4th) by Roy Wilkins, Executive Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. The 54-year-old federal official was chosen by the nine-person Spingarn award committee.

The medal will be presented at the closing session, July 8, of the Association's week-long 53rd annual convention in Atlanta.

The honor was bestowed upon Mr. Weaver for his long years of dedicated public service at municipal, state and federal levels; for his pioneer role in the development and advocacy of the doctrine of "open occupancy" in housing; and for his responsible and militant leadership in the struggle for human rights.

As HHFA Administrator, Mr. Weaver holds the highest appointive federal office ever held by an American Negro. He was formerly New York City's three-man Housing and Redevelopment Board. He resigned as chairman of the NAACP Board of Directors upon being confirmed for his present position.

The medal was instituted in 1914 by the late J. E. Spingarn, then chairman of the NAACP Board of Directors, as an inspiration to Negro youth and as a means of calling attention to the existence of distinguished merit and achievement among American Negroes.

The donor's will set up a fund sufficient to continue the award as an indication of "the lifelong interest of my brother, Arthur B. Spingarn, of my wife, Amy E. Spingarn, and of myself in the achievements of the American Negro."

Mr. Weaver will be the 47th recipient of the medal. Last year it was conferred upon Kenneth B. Clark, professor of psychology in the attack upon racial segregation which contributed to the 1954 Supreme Court decision banning segregation in public education.

Other previous winners include Langston Hughes, poet and author; Paul Williams, ar-

chitect; Judge Thurgood Marshall, Roland Hayes, Miss Marian Anderson, Jackie Robinson, Duke Ellington and Mrs. Daisy Bates and the Little Rock Nine.

The Imhotep conference was organized by Dr. W. Montague Cobb, of the Howard University Medical School, as a forum for formulating policies on hospital integration and other health problems. Dr. Emery L. Rann of Charlotte, N. C., served as chairman of the Sixth Imhotep conference.

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