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Casey's Column

By Mike Casey

Football season, World's Series, Presidential Election and Russian situation all clogging the air waves. Isn't FM wonder these days.

So the Berlin blockade goes to UN. No doubt it is the beginning of the end for UN. Why is it Gansinger Stalin thinks he can continue to enroach on the rights of other people. If Kaiser Wilhelm, Hitler and Mussolini could have a little talk with Joe I wonder if they could set him straight. Europeans just simply can't understand that we will stand for so much and then, mister we've had plenty. Russia's present government has proven beyond all doubt that you can no more do business with them than you could with Hitler.

Personally, we don't want war if we can help it. I am an ex-service man, who has seen war and know what it is, but confound it, if we have to have another one, let's get it over with so we can get back to a peaceful way of living and a way of doing business that don't take all your money and mine for taxation. Why should Germany be held in a virtual slave state and the United States support them when except for Russia they could be put back on their feet and become a self-sufficient country. Diplomacy is all right if you are dealing with people if they are honest, but not if they are dishonest. Stalin, Molotov and company be honest. Gangsters such as they understand only one thing, and that is straight from the shoulder talk with plenty of FORCE to back it up.

I have watched Presidential campaigns since 1912 and without a doubt President Truman is receiving the least help from his fellowmen in his campaign that a Democratic nominee ever had. I have looked in vain all over Chicago for a bill board, a placard or a sign of any kind that mentioned his name, either alone or with any other Democratic state or country nominee for office. We haven't seen one yet.

From every indication William John Granata has the Clerk Circuit Court race in the bag. All that is needed is for the people to get out and vote. John is a swell guy and a credit to good politics. He will make an efficient official.

On October 15th, the World will carry its "Know Your Candidate Edition" in which an opportunity is offered each candidate to tell their story to the great mass of south side voters. If you are a candidate, Telephone 2-3512 for further information.

The sanest reason we have heard of for a strike is the one of the editors and writers on the Rome newspapers. The newspapers quit paying them. So instead of quitting they went on strike.

President Truman is looking for scapegoats in his quest for votes. He'll blame the manufacturers, retailers, or any other group for inflation regardless of how government contributes to it.—Long Island Sun.

Bureau-art: One who proceeds in a straight line from an unwarranted assumption to a foregone conclusion.

CLIFTON H. POPE

Clifton H. Pope, 27 of 915 West Walnut St., a mail clerk died Wednesday at St. Mary's hospital after a short illness. Mr. Pope was born in Mobile, Ala. and came here as a boy. He was graduated from North Division high school, where he was on the football team. From 1942 to 1945 he served in the army. Survivors are his wife, Elizabeth; three sons, Clifton Jr., Lawrence and Robert; his mother, Mrs. Cynthia B. Pope; two sisters, Mrs. Adie A. Thompson and Beatrice Pope and a brother, Charles A., of Milwaukee.

White Liberal Says South Must Have Jim Crow

CHICAGO.—"If segregation is continued to be accepted, very great advances can be achieved for the Southern Negro," said noted Southern white liberal columnist John Temple Graves in October Negro Digest, for the majority of whites feel sincerely that their 'race problem' can only be solved under a jim crow set-up.

"In a state like Mississippi," Graves avers, "where the Negro population is almost 50 per cent, there exists a very real 'race problem' which cannot possibly be understood by 'outsiders.' Minnesota, for example has only one-half of one per cent Negro population.

"This is a very practical situation in the South and whites believe that segregation is the best way and the only possible way for the races to live together in such proportions."

Columnist Graves adds: "Segregation isn't right or necessary in Chicago, but it is in Birmingham."

U.S. JAILS BROWN ORPHANS

CHICAGO.—At least 10 couples and one orphanage are ready and waiting to offer haven to each of the nation's 150,000 homeless white children, an October Ebony photo-feature declares, but some 10,000 brown orphans are going begging for both homes and foster parents, some even living in penal institutions.

"Because so few childless colored couples adopt orphans and because so many orphanages hold strictly to the color line, there is a growing crisis for homeless Negro youngsters that rapidly approaching calamitous proportions," the article states. In Illinois alone, Ebony continues, "the Children's Home and Aid Society was hit by the refusal of 90 per cent of the state's 106 institutions to accept Negro children for keeping."

The feature continues: "The lack of parents willing to adopt Negro children and the shortage of foster homes in view of a 90 per cent increase in colored orphans made it necessary for the Society to turn away many brown waifs."

"As a result these unfortunate children grow up unwanted and friendless in unfit homes," the story adds, "or are kept in penal institutions in some states for lack of a better place—their only crime, that of being brown."

Warn LA Negroes With Fiery Cross

LOS ANGELES.—A 12-foot tall flaming cross burned in Los Angeles sparking in the skies a message warning Negroes not to move in the Eagle Rock area. Several Negroes have already bought homes in this neighborhood, considered one of the city's better communities.

Although a \$500 reward has been promised for anyone finding a person promoting racial hatred here, the identity of those burning the cross is unknown. It has been established, however, that the infamous Ku Klux Klan had nothing to do with this act.

According to neighbors a crowd of about 75 persons was attracted to the cross which burned on a vacant lot.

A white widow in this area, Mrs. Bety Brunner, hinted that she may have been threatened not to sell her home to a Negro. She said that she would sell her house to whomever she pleased.

Tomatoes have been thrown at her house and police have been called there because the "radio was too loud." Mrs. Brunner said that several Negroes had been among the people inspecting her home.

The revered Abraham Lincoln 16th President, moved from an log cabin in what was then Hardin County, Kentucky, to the White House by way of the State of Illinois.



Mrs. Earl Warren

Mrs. Nina Warren, the comely blue eyed wife of Gov. Earl Warren, the Republican vice-presidential candidate, insists that she just "doesn't have time for anything besides being a wife and mother."

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stepped forward, but Davis calmed down instantly so they were not needed.

Meanwhile, Stanley Gerson was not seated in the Council for a third time though Davis' resolution recommending seating of the Communist was voted on 14 to 6 in favor of putting it on file.

Quiet minds cannot be perplexed or frightened, but go on in fortune or misfortune at their own private pace, like a clock during a thunderstorm.

Negro Approved As City Fireman

The first and police commission Thursday night approved the tentative appointment of William E. Curry, 27, of 830 W. Garfield ave., to the Milwaukee fire department.

Curry will become the first Negro fireman in the city on Oct. 1, when he will be appointed to fill a vacancy which will occur at that time. Fire Chief Edward E. Wischer said.

Curry is a welder at the A. O. Smith Corp. and a student at the University of Wisconsin in Milwaukee. He headed the fire department's eligibility list, from which appointments are made with approval of the commission.

ALL-CITY MASS MASS MEET

(Milwaukee Special)

At the All-City Mass Meet the Fourth Street girls team scored highest in three of the four events of the meet. They made the Shuttle Relay in 24.7 seconds. The scored 33.26" with an individual 72.10" score in basketball throw. They score standing three hops 927. The members of the Fourth Street Mass Meet team are Misses Ruth Mae White, Clara Ann Conner, Anna Mae Stewart, Shirley Castine, Dorothy McDuffy, Thelma Purdy, Connie Fay Conner, and Adrienne Kleckley.

NEGRO NEWSMEN ON DEWEY TRAIN

With Dewey in the west, the cream of the press crops of the nation is traveling with Gov. Thomas E. Dewey as he shuttles through this western country tracking down votes which he hopes will land him in the White House on January 20th.

The head of practically every important news bureau in Washington is in our party and according to members of the Governor's staff, many others stand to be turned down because of lack of space to accommodate them.

The three Negro newsmen in the party represent the Pgh. Courier and the Afro American newspapers.

CHANGE ATTITUDES

Four years ago when two Negro reporters traveled with the Governor, the event was considered so "startling" that several of the correspondents wrote about it. This year the appearance of the Negroes have occasioned little or no attention. They are taken for granted, and are an integrated part of the party.

White-haired Elmer Davis, the radio commentator, is still highly respected by the press corps. His opinion of one of the Governor's speeches and the reception he receives is carefully weighed by other reporters.

James C. Hagerty, the Governor's press secretary, with the assistance of Herbert Campbell, both former newspapermen, is doing an excellent job in providing the most adequate facilities for the newsmen.

THE "SURVIVORS"

There is talk among the newsmen who covered Dewey's 1944 campaign trip and were victims of the wreck at Castle Rock, Wash., of setting up a permanent organization. It will be recalled that each year since the fall of 1944, Governor Dewey has played host to the "Castle Survivors," at a reunion cocktail party in the Pan American room of the Hotel Statler in Wash.



MARION ANDERSON

Marion Anderson, the world's greatest contralto, has kept her promise to Milwaukee music lovers. When Miss Anderson sang here two years ago, she promised the thrilled audience that she would try to return in two years.

FBI Chief Urges Negro Youth Into Law Enforcement

CHICAGO.—"The Negro has proven his worth as a law enforcement officer," FBI Chief J. Edgar Hoover declares in an October Negro Digest feature, and urges young Negroes to enter law enforcement as a career, saying:

"The Negro has made invaluable contributions to the profession and has an essential place in the future of this great field of public service."

In this article written especially for Negro Digest's "Future of Negro Youth" series, Mr. Hoover warns:

"Before recommending law enforcement as a career for any youth, I would ask him to examine himself carefully and decide what it is he wants out of life. If he is seeking either fame or fortune, he should not turn to law enforcement. Few achieve fame in law enforcement. Fewer still grow rich."

Mr. Hoover continues: "The field offers but limited opportunities to those whose sole or primary objective is wide recognition or great wealth."

"None, however," the FBI heads adds, "offers a more exhilarating challenge to the young man who wants a career or service. Law enforcement is a rewarding occupation for anyone whose principal ambition is to lead a useful life."

Among Negroes Mr. Hoover cites as distinguished in the field of law enforcement are: James E. Amos and Jimmy Young of the FBI and Patrolman Oliver A. Cowan of the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Police Department.

"If the Talmadge crowd tries force and violence," he said sady "I fear the consequences, Negroes, and not going to submit to terror without challenge."

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Although no one ever said much about it, many of the members have thought hopefully of the day when the reunions would be held at the White House. On this trip some of the boys are openly predicting that the 1949 reunion will be held at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. rather than at the Statler. Even those reporters who, four years ago, were privately rooting for Roosevelt are claiming victory for him, are now saying, "It's Dewey this time."



Mrs. Thomas E. Dewey

When Frances Dewey becomes the First Lady, and a lot of people hope she does—she will bring to the White House the charm and easy manner of the gracious American hostess.

Arkansas Law School Gets Negro Student

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — A second Negro, Jack Schropshire of Little Rock, has been enrolled in the University of Arkansas law school, it was announced last week by Dean Robert A. Leflar. Schropshire is a first year student. He will attend separate classes from those of the white students.

Last year the school enrolled its first colored students, Silas Hunt of Texarkana. He dropped out because of illness.

Tucker Stock

Dr. A. B. Carter, member of the Securities Stock Brokers Association, urges Negroes to continue the buying of Tucker automobile stock. While the stock is offered at a low cost, it offers a safe and sound investment to the public and will in the distant future bring the holder of said stock big dividends. Dr. Carter states that these remaining shares or class "A" common stock is selling between \$4.00 and \$5.00 per share and is being handled by Barclay Investment Company located at 39 South La Salle St., 12th floor, the only stock investment company that has a Negro stock salesman on their staff. For further information concerning any kind or class of stock or securities, call or write Barclay Investment Company, phone ANdover 7055 or Dr. Carter, DORchester 2809.

WARREN RALLY



All of the nationality groups Halsted streets, Chicago on of this great city have united to Wednesday evening at 7:30 present a great patriotic rally will be a memorable occasion and pageant to greet Governor Earl Warren of California, who is to be the next vice president of the United States. This huge to this country from all parts of the United States. More than 20,000 of the globe. Our nationality groups of various nationality group will be represented in the people will gather at the Inter. program by our best artistic group, Remember the place and



Warren, many other officials date: International Amphitheatre including the Governor of Ill., 43 and Halsted St., Chicago on the United States senator from Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m., Illinois, will witness this dramatic spectacle. It is a matter of FREE parking space for more of civic importance that we, or than 4000 automobiles. You are our group attend in large numbers and sincerely invited to attend. bers to show our strength and The Woodlawn Singers con. hand to applaud those who re. ducted by Mrs. Maron Randall present our group in the pro. will take part in the program.