

'Vote and Die' Threat Sent Miss. Negroes

ANGRY CROWD STONES POLICE IN THE CAR



NEW PRESIDENT—Dr. A. Terrence, of Opelousas, La., left, president-elect of the National Medical Assn., elected a year ago, will take office this week. Congratulating him is outgoing president, Dr. Matthew Walker. Others are Dr. Leroy Weekes, president of the Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Assn. of Southern California, host organization; Dr. John T. Givens, of Virginia, executive secretary for the past 18 years; and Dr. W. B. Humphrey, voted general practitioner of the year.

Little Man Will Win Fight, Says Miss. Doctor

The most hated, and the best loved, man in Mississippi is a former employe of the California Eagle who is here this week attending the National Medical Association convention.

He is Dr. Theodore R. M. Howard who calls Mound Bayou his home and who heads the Mississippi Regional Council of Negro Leadership. As head of that Council, Dr. Howard has been the leader in the current fight to compel his adopted state to accept the Supreme Court decision ending segregation in the public schools.

Howard-Haters
The almost one million Negroes of Mississippi look to him, the NAACP and the Regional Council for leadership in the desperate struggle they are waging against economic boycotts, open violence and outright defiance of Supreme Court decisions guaranteeing the right to vote and safeguarding them against other denials of constitutional rights. Those are the people who love Dr. Howard.

At the other end of the scale are the Howard-haters, led by the Mississippi Citizens Council which the physician describes as "the modern Ku Klux Klan." Swarming around the Citizens Councils are the politicians and the other racketeers in race relations who are determined to hold on to the Jim Crow system.

Bodyguard
The situation is so tense that a 24-hour guard is maintained at the Howard residence after threats of violence had been made against him and his family. He never goes out without a companion and keeps in close touch with his family and friends at all times so that he will not "mysteriously disappear."

A big, strong friendly man, Dr. Howard is one of the top men in the medical profession and conducts a nationally famous hospital and clinic at Mound Bayou which offers low cost medical care to Mississippians. He is married to the former Helen Boyd of Riverside who is as determined as he is to stick to the fight until Mississippi "joins the union," as she puts it.

The physician tells the story of what is happening in Mississippi without bitterness and without rancor but with an undertone of grim determination. He left just after last week's primary election and saw the length to which the politicians



MOST HATED—Most hated and best loved man in Mississippi, Dr. Theodore Howard, tells of terror in the South.

Dr. Humphrey Chosen Model Practitioner

Dr. W. Burling Humphrey, local physician, received the award as General Practitioner of the Year and Dr. Montague Cobb of Washington was given the Distinguished Service Medal at the public meeting of the National Medical Association held at Boward Hall Tuesday night.

Neither Governor Goodwin Knight, who was listed as the chief speaker, nor Mayor Norris Poulson, also slated on the program, appeared.

Members Vote
Selection of the two doctors was decided by a vote of the membership of the National Medical Association now holding its 60th convention here.

Dr. Humphrey has practiced medicine here for 27 years. He is a graduate of Lincoln University and Meharry Medical College of Nashville, Tenn.

Dr. Cobb, chairman of the department of anatomy at Howard Medical School, earlier this year received an honorary Doctor of Science degree from Amherst University.

Greetings and a welcome to the city were delivered by Councilman Edward R. Roybal, Dr. Leroy R. Weekes, president of the Medical, Dental and

Dr. T. Howard Elected Head of Medical Ass'n

Dr. Theodore Howard, who has dared to defy the Citizens Councils, the white terrorists, and the open threats to his life in his native Mississippi, this Wednesday was given the highest honor that can be bestowed upon a Negro doctor.

By an overwhelming majority, he was elected president-elect of the far-flung and powerful National Medical Association in enthusiastic balloting Wednesday afternoon at the Alexandria Hotel.

According to the custom in the association, he will take office a year from now at the time of next year's meeting.

Wed 44 Years, 'Kid' Ory Gets Annulment

By Lawrence F. LaMar
The marriage of Edward and Elizabeth Ory in New Orleans, La., in 1911 ended in annulment here last week in Superior court. The marriage was annulled on grounds that Mrs. Ory had never been divorced from her first husband.

Ory, famed as a bandleader, with the popular monicker Kid Ory, lays undisputed claim to being the originator of the "gut bucket" style of jazz music. He came to California years ago as the head of Kid Ory's Original Dixieland Band.

According to records, the Orys strained marital relations began back in 1934. A year ago, Ory instituted divorce proceedings, claiming that his wife was cruel. Mrs. Ory countered with a separate maintenance suit. In her cross complaint, Mrs. Ory insisted that the separation occurred in 1934.

Kid Ory has enjoyed a lucrative career as a jazz musician. His records are extremely popular with the juke box trade.



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Horne Fighting to Keep Housing Job

Cole, Aide in Conflict Over Race Policy

WASHINGTON — Dr. Frank S. Horne, advisor on minority problems to Federal Housing Administrator Albert Cole, said Tuesday that he is fighting against being fired from his job after 19 years spent in the government service.

Horne made no mention of policy differences in discussing his firing. It is well known, however, that Horne has worked consistently and with unwavering determination to bring about integration in government financed housing. Cole, his boss, just two weeks ago advised Congress "to go slow" in considering legislation that would require a non-discrimination pledge from those who build homes with FHA insured loans.

Fired along with Horne was his assistant, Mrs. Corinne Morrow. Both have been informed that their jobs would come to an end August 25.

Horne said the reason given for his dismissal was "budgetary action" and commented, "There ain't no such animal." His job pays \$12,685 annually. Horne stated that he has filed an appeal against his ouster claiming that the action is invalid because he is covered by his Civil Service status, and additionally has employment preference as a veteran.

This is the second time Cole has fired Dr. Horne. The first (Continued on Page 2)

She Cut Me, Says Victim As He Dies

In the early hours of Monday morning a 53-year-old laborer was stabbed to death by his woman companion in a cafe at the corner of Jefferson and Griffith. The woman escaped without being identified.

Robert Evans, of 863 E. Jefferson Blvd., Apartment 2, was seen stumbling out of the cafe by Howard McKie, 1245 E. 45th St., from across the street. He rushed over and asked Evans, "What happened?"

The victim said, "Lord have mercy; she cut me," and fell to the sidewalk. He was dead on arrival of the ambulance.

As the Eagle goes to press the police are still searching for the suspect.

The coroner's inquest is set for today, Thursday, at 9:30 a.m.

Hearing Set on Incinerator Ban

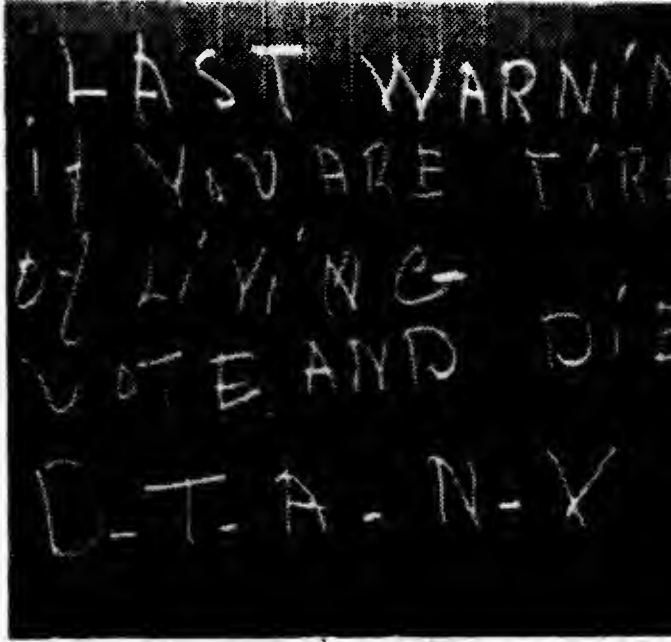
The Board of Supervisors Tuesday set August 23 at 10:30 a.m. as the date for a public hearing regarding the extension of time for the proposed ban on single chamber backyard incinerators.

The hearing will be held in Room 501 in the Hall of Records.

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'NOTE AND DIE'—Above is a photostatic copy of a death threat sent through the mails to the only three Negroes in Crawford, Miss., who are registered voters.

'Last Warning' Sent Mississippi Voters

NEW YORK—"If you are tired of living, vote and die" was the "last warning" sent last week to the only three Negroes in Crawford, Miss., who are registered voters.

The threatening letters, sent through the mails a mid post-marked Columbus, Miss., were received by the three last Tuesday, Aug. 2, the day the state was voting for governor.

They were addressed to Caleb Lyde (misspelled Calab Lyde), and his wife, Mrs. Augusta Lyde, and Mack McCarter, Mr. and Mrs. Lyde are teachers. McCarter is a farmer.

Refused To Back Down
Local white men recently demanded that they go to the registrar's office in Columbus and remove their names from the registration books. They refused.

The "vote-and-die" letters were received only a few days after Dr. A. H. McCoy, of Jackson, Miss., state leader of the NAACP, was told over the phone, "If you stay, you will be shot," and warned to get out of town. He requested police protection and was advised that a policeman would "keep an eye on" his house.

Asks Federal Help
Following the death threats, Roy Wilkins, executive secretary of the association, called upon Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell for Federal intervention.

He turned over the unsigned death threats received through the mails by the Lowndes county school teacher and his wife. He also cited the action of Tom J. Tubb, chairman of the Clay County Democratic executive committee, ordering the ballots of all Negro voters in Tuesday's primary turned over to him. A United Press dispatch quotes Tubb as saying: "We don't intend to have Negroes voting in this primary."

Reports of NAACP officials in the state indicating terror in connection with the gubernatorial contest and the school desegregation issue were also cited by Wilkins. These incidents and threats, he told the Attorney General "warrant prompt action by your department to avert violence and to protect Negro citizens in their right to vote."

Whites Silent
"No responsible official," he continued, "from the Governor and the United States senators on down, no institution nor any leading white citizen in the entire state of Mississippi has spoken out for decency and fair play these hysterical weeks just

pers Rise As Officers Subdue Fleeing Woman

An angry crowd of between 100 and 200 persons last Wednesday stoned police as they overpowered and arrested a young woman, Miss Ruth Campbell, 32, of 1780 E. 54th street, and carted her off to jail.

As the car drove away with the prisoner inside, it was pelted with stones by neighbors who had witnessed the incident and claimed the police had acted in a brutal manner.

When questioned by a reporter, witnesses said variously that the police "treated her like a dog," that they "threw her down," and "mauled" her.

Don't Quote Me
There was none, however, who wanted to give his name or who was willing to be quoted, and when questioned further there was none who would say that the officers had beaten Miss Campbell.

The crowd was attracted to the scene when Miss Campbell ran from the rear of her home, and the police gave chase and caught up with her at 55th and Duarte. As the officers tried to handcuff her, she kicked and scratched them, according to the police report.

I Was 'Dirty'
Finally she agreed to return with them if they wouldn't handcuff her, police claimed. When they told her she was under arrest and asked her why she ran, she reportedly replied: "I ran because I was 'dirty,' and I had fresh needle marks on my arm. I use about half a paper a day. My brother James 'turned me out.'"

Miss Campbell was arrested on a charge of suspicion of violating the Narcotics Act and was held in jail on the felony complaint. The preliminary hearing was to be held August 10 at 1:30 p.m. in Division 4.

Loaded Door
Police reported that they had gone to the 54th street address in search of Miss Campbell's brother, James Ford, in connection with a burglary investigation. They observed the young woman, a hotel maid, through the window and asked for her brother. She said he wasn't there and rushed to the door and locked it, police claimed.

When they tried to get her to let them in, she claimed she had no key, though there was a key hanging around her neck. Then she ran out of the back of the house, with the police in hot pursuit.

After Miss Campbell returned to the house with the officers, the policemen searched the apartment, removed the door of a closet and reportedly found two bundles of heroin under the shelf. Miss Campbell insisted she didn't know how it got there.

Later, when the officers asked her why she put up such a struggle, she replied, according to the report, that she didn't want to go to jail. When they asked if they had hurt her, she said, "No, you didn't hurt me," police claimed.

It was then that they took her to the police car, through the muttering, jibes and stone throwing of the hostile crowd.

Business Men Meet in Vegas

LAS VEGAS — The Westside Businessmen's Association held its regular meeting at the Advena Key Club, Monday noon, with luncheon provided by Franklin Mason, president of the Key Club.

A committee was appointed to attend the school conference Thursday evening and bring back a report to the next meeting.

'Wrong Attitude' Bars Transfers of Firemen

Fire Chief John H. (I Am the Law) Alderson went through a comic opera routine of interviewing five Negro firemen last week under the pretense that he was going to speed up integration by transferring them to "white" stations, but when the whole show was over racial segregation was even more firmly rooted in the Fire Department.

Net result of Alderson's fancy footwork was the transfer of both Reynaldo Lopez, the lone Negro at Station 46, and James Parker to Station 78—the only integrated station in the city. Lopez's transfer leaves Station 46 100% white again. On still another front, the chief finally sent a long-de-



GOOD TALKER—Mrs. Marguerite Petty May, instructor of Drama at Mark Twain Junior High School, has just been elected president of the Speech Teachers' Association of Southern California.

1,000 Request 'Fire Alderson' Petition Blanks

The NAACP "Fire Alderson" petition drive got off to a rapid start this week, with close to a thousand people calling at the office or writing for signature blanks.

Many of those who came re-updated labor, church, civic and fraternal groups.

Before the petitions were off

Roy Wilkins To Be Here for NAACP Meet

Two prominent individuals and a discussion of plans for pushing the "Fire Alderson" petition will add special zest to the forthcoming meeting of the NAACP, scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 21, at 3 p.m. at the Tabernacle of Faith Baptist Church, 11328 S. Central avenue.

Roy Wilkins, executive secretary of the NAACP, and Dr. Theodore Howard, head of the Mississippi Regional Council of Negro Leadership, will both be here for the meeting.

Progress of the petition drive will be discussed, as well as plans for extending it to wider circles.

The press requests were already pouring in.

Indicative of the movement against Alderson for his insistence on maintaining a jim-crow set-up in the Fire Department was a statement made by Charles E. Bioletti, director of Western Region 6, United Automobile Workers, CIO, on Friday.

"The policy of the UAW-CIO in regards to segregation and discrimination is well known... This brings our attention to the determination of Los Angeles Fire Chief John H. Alderson to hold on to racial segregation

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Both Parties Want Credit For Do-Nothing Congress

WASHINGTON—Democrats and Republicans were out-bidding each other this week in an effort to prove which party had given the most effective support in Congress to President Eisenhower — in a session which passed not a single piece of civil rights legislation, and in which the President successfully used his influence to kill anti-segregation amendments.

Said Democratic House Speaker Sam Rayburn, of Texas: "The Democrats in this Congress have voted as if a Democrat had been in the White House." And then to underline his point he added, "We hope by January the President will have his party in line to make our job easier."

Not so, replied Republican Vice-President Richard Nixon. It was the Republicans who really gave the most support to Eisenhower, and on domestic issues "we've had some real disappointments" due to the Democrats.

Those in both parties who are statistically minded toted up the score to determine which was the most loyal supporter of the administration's program.

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