

Republican Effort to Capture Negro Vote Making News

Woman Sends Jeweler Into Hands of Robbers

New York—(U.P.)—Mrs. Gertrude Davies told Jeweler Boris Rubinstein to go ahead and wait on two men in his shop Monday while she looked over some earrings.

Rubenstein sadly walked back to the two men and finished the stickup that had been in progress when Mrs. Davies walked in. The two men made off with five rings. The woman didn't know what was going on until the men left.

Overcross Defense In Second Day; Chemist Testifies

Salem—(U.P.)—The defense of Casper A. Overcross against charges he shot to death his Silverton-area neighbor, Ervin Kaser, entered its second day today. The state rested its case yesterday morning.

Yesterday, B. Nealley Wood, Portland chemist, was permitted to testify over prosecution objections that in his experience as a chemist and corrosion expert the Winchester 30-30 rifle taken from the Pudding river May 8 had not been in the water since February.

The state alleges the weapon was used in the Feb. 17 shooting. It was found by three boys and fished from the water.

Another witness called by the defense was Mrs. Ethel Overcross, estranged wife of Casper A. Overcross, who had previously been called by the prosecution. She testified that early on the night of Feb. 17, a car which she was positive did not belong to Overcross and with two men in it had followed the car in which she and Kaser were riding until they ditched it by pulling off onto a side road.

Several witnesses were called by the defense to testify that Overcross was not seen around the Silverton area since April 16 or 17 when he told several relatives he was going to Alaska to look for work.

Arrival Time Unchecked
Sheriff Denver Young, who picked up Overcross in Alaska on May 26 after he had given himself up to territorial authorities, testified that Overcross told him he had arrived in Alaska about a month before May 26. Young said he had not checked Overcross' arrival time with customs officials in Canada or Alaska.

Defense attorneys then asked that the court be recessed while they attempted to subpoena the entry records designed to show that Overcross entered the territory openly and signed his own name. The defense claims he signed his own name after driving the Alcan highway on April 27.

San Pedro, Calif.—(U.P.)—Coast Guardsmen were hesitant to doubt the veracity of a radioed report from a boatman that a flying saucer had zipped over his craft in the Santa Catalina channel. The report came from George Washington.

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Harriman Among Demos Determined GOP Won't Succeed

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Washington—(U.P.)—The mighty Republican effort to break the Negro vote away from allegiance to the memory of FDR is beginning to make some significant political news.

Stakes are big and both sides know it. Gov. Averell Harriman of New York is among those Democrats who are determined the Republicans shall not succeed. Witness his appointment last week of a Negro to the state court.

Justice Harold A. Stevens became the first member of his race to reach that high bench. President Eisenhower topped that notable first this week by adding a Negro to his official White House family.

Everett Frederick Morrow of New Jersey was sworn Monday as an administrative officer in the President's executive office. That is the top drawer of White House service where no Negro has lodged before, not even in Roosevelt and Truman administrations, during both of which the equal rights issue was kept going at forced draft.

Presidential Campaign Adviser Morrow came to the White House from the office of Secretary of Commerce Sinclair Weeks. He was an adviser in Mr. Eisenhower's 1952 presidential campaign and, doubtless, will be a widely circulated speaker in the campaign of 1956. What Morrow will tell Negro voters next year will be about what he said Monday on taking the oath of office:

"This singular occasion offers eloquent testimony to the complete sincerity and faith of President Eisenhower's belief in the right of any loyal American in this land to rise as far as his ability, character and ambition will carry him."

Counteroffensive Hampered
That's good campaign stuff, just as it is. The Democratic counter-offensive to the Republican raid is hampered, of course, by those Southern partymen and women who resist the current trend toward racial equality. Mr. Eisenhower may be just as much of an equal rights man as, for example, Adlai E. Stevenson. But the President wouldn't lose much by it in an election whereas Stevenson would in some areas.

The Eisenhower administration is not making one spectacular appointment and stopping there. The office of register of the Treasury usually went to a Republican Negro between 1881 and 1913. That trend ended with the Democratic Wilson administration and was not resumed until September, 1953, when Mr. Eisenhower named a Negro to the post, Louis B. Toomer, of Atlanta, Ga.

Real and Earnest
The play for the Negro vote is real and in earnest. Vice President Richard M. Nixon recently broke an engagement to address a Negro group in Atlantic City. He outlined a four point program of objectives for Negroes:

1. Equality of employment opportunity.
2. Better housing for Negroes.
3. Removal of the last, small vestige of racial discrimination in the District of Columbia.
4. Completion of the school integration program.

Teddy Lunched Educator
The Negro has come into his own, politically. You must go back more than 50 years to match the significance of Morrow's addition to the White House official family. On Oct. 18, 1901, President Theodore Roosevelt had for a lunch guest Booker T. Washington, the great Negro educator. Historian Mark Sullivan called it "the most talked of lunch eaten in the United States."

The urgency of the inter-party contest for the political affections of Negro voters is not difficult to understand. There are many of them. For example, the 1950 Negro population of California was 462,000; Illinois, 645,000; Indiana, 174,000; Michigan 442,000; New Jersey 318,000; New York 918,000; Ohio 513,000 and Pennsylvania 638,000.

FRIDAY ARRESTS CROCKETT
Los Angeles—(U.P.)—I'm Sergeant Friday," said the police officer to the motorist he pulled over to the curb. "And I'm Davy Crockett," said the driver. After "getting the facts," police Sgt. Lester Friday handed a ticket for running a red light to Davy W. Crockett, 20, of Los Angeles.

WRONG GUESS
Warwick, R. I.—(U.P.)—Thirty-one high school students from Bradenton, Fla., looked forward especially to seeing some snow while visiting Rhode Island. The weather was fine when they arrived. But snow fell in Florida.

NAME CHANGED
Detroit—(U.P.)—Eleftherios Kavounidis, 34, got court permission to change his name to Larry Andrews Monday when he explained that "even my wife can't spell my name."

Quadruplets Born To Australia Woman

Bundaberg, Queensland, Australia—(U.P.)—Quadruplets—two boys and two girls—were born to the wife of a local farmer in this sugar-producing area early today.

The two boys were born first to Mrs. Agnes Lucke, followed by the girls. The mother and children were reported doing very well.

The boys weighed 5 pounds 11 ounces and 5 pounds 5½ ounces, and the girls 3 pounds 5 ounces and 4 pounds—ounces.

9,300,000 Persons Working on US Farms

Washington—(U.P.)—The Agriculture Department said today about 9,300,000 persons were at work on farms during the week of June 19-25.

Of this total, 6,800,000 were farm operators and unpaid members of their families and 2,500,000 were hired hands. The number of family workers was two per cent less than a year earlier, and the number of hired hands was six per cent less.

Compared with a month ago, the number of family workers was down two per cent, while the number of hired hands was up about 25 per cent, or about 500,000 persons. Both changes were about normal for the season.

Farm wage rates on July 1 averaged one per cent more than a year earlier for the country as a whole. Monthly rates were up \$3, weekly rates about \$1, daily rates 10 cents, and hourly rates one cent.

Stevenson Released From Illinois Hospital

Lake Forest, Ill.—(U.P.)—Adlai E. Stevenson has been released from Lake Forest Hospital after a four-day siege of bronchial pneumonia.

Hospital officials said Stevenson's condition was never serious. The 1952 Democratic presidential candidate returned to his Libertyville, Ill., home yesterday and planned to stay there for a week or 10 days.

ENLISTED MEN SEEN NEXT
"Collier is absolutely right," another chaplain said. "After all, most of these women who come to the clubs are just out-and-out prostitutes."

It was generally believed that as soon as the ban takes full effect, Collier will tell his officers to start enforcing the same restriction on enlisted men.

TONSorial THIEF
Rochester, N.Y.—(U.P.)—The thief who broke into the barber shop of Carl De Prima apparently had but one thought in mind—to be well-groomed. He stole only a scalp vibrator and a bottle of hair cream, value \$15.

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Korean Girls Banned From Army Clubs in Order by General

Seoul, Korea—(U.P.)—Hundreds of U. S. Army officers were unhappy today over a three-star general's order to keep their Korean girl friends out of Army clubs.

Thousands of enlisted men feared they were next in line for a similar ban.

The verbal order was handed down in a staff meeting several days ago by Lt. Gen. John H. Collier, the Army's top commander in Korea.

Collier told his officers they had until the end of the month to stop bringing their Korean girls into Army clubs. In fact, he discouraged officers from being seen at all with Korean girls. Order Unpopular

The order by Collier—who slapped a similar ban on fraternization when he was U. S. commander in Stuttgart, Germany—was not very popular.

However, when an Army spokesman was asked about the ban, he replied that "it is simply the general's wish to eliminate an undesirable situation."

Further, the spokesman said, Collier "is just trying to have the officers set an example."

But Brig. Gen. Mercer Walter, head of the U. S. Army's Korean Civil Assistance Command, said his officers could continue to bring their girls into KCAC clubs, where business is booming along.

About the only officers in favor of Collier's ban were chaplains.

"It doesn't look good," one said, "to see our top officers—married men, even colonels—going around openly with these women."

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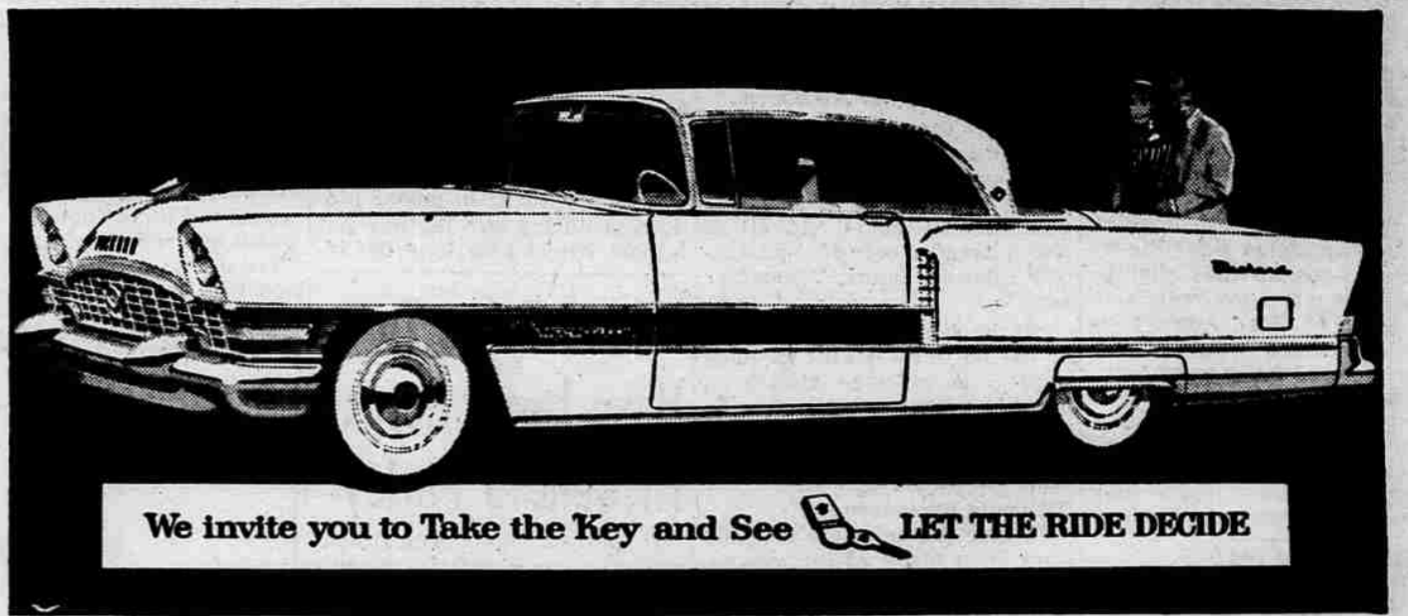
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Baltimore—From 10 to 15 per cent of all the deaths in the world are caused by cancer, the National foundation estimates.

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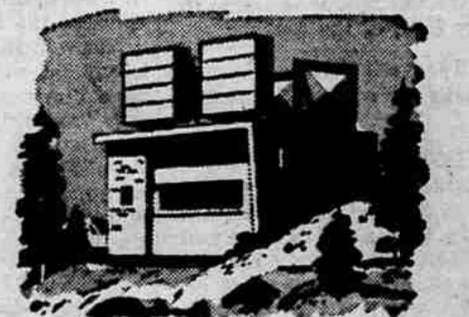
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