

Carolina Governor's Wife Was Soft Side Of His Life

AIKEN, S. C. (UPI) — There was never room for softness or sentiment in the makeup of J. Strom Thurmond of South Carolina.

He is a tough man in the strict sense of the word. His life has been a constant drive forward—from teacher to state senator to circuit judge to war hero to presidential candidate, governor and now U.S. senator.

Those who know him best call him a deadly serious perfectionist who drives himself and his aides to the limit.

Thurmond was a circuit judge

in 1940 when the first chink in his armor appeared. He met a 14-year-old high school girl at Elko, S.C., and was impressed by her fresh beauty. He told her she had pretty eyes.

Then for the second time he met pretty Jean Crouch of Elko. She had grown to womanhood. He crowned her "Miss South Carolina" for the Azalea Festival at Charleston in 1947, and Jean went to work in the governor's office at Columbia. She was 21. Thurmond was 44.

Six months later the governor called Miss Crouch, the secretary, to his office to take a letter.

He dictated a proposal of marriage. She took the dictation in shorthand and left the office. At the end of the business day she left a neatly-typed note of acceptance on the governor's desk.

Jean Crouch Thurmond was the soft side of J. Strom Thurmond.

Wednesday, after 12 years of marriage, Jean Thurmond died. A malignant brain tumor killed her.

Funeral services were scheduled today at the First Baptist Church here.

Survey Unit Title Told

The second unit of the Bible survey study plan for Sunday school workers will begin Friday, January 8, at the First Baptist Church. The title of the unit is "From Adam to Moses."

The Bible survey plan provides an intensive survey of the entire Bible. It is approached from the standpoint of workers in the Sunday School preparing for the teaching of the Bible. It should prove helpful to experienced workers and new workers as well.

Each of the six units of study requiring five two-hour class sessions, is primarily a study on leading characters in the Bible. Through this study the class members should learn to fit Bible characters into specific periods of history, to assess each one's contribution to the plan of God, and to determine more accurately how God used these individuals to reveal his plan of redemption to the world.

Two identical class sessions are being offered for the study of "From Adam to Moses." Those who wish to take the course should determine the most convenient time. One class will begin at 9:30 a.m., the second at 7 p.m. Textbooks are 75 cents each. A packet of supplementary study helps costs 65 cents. Meetings will be January 8, 15, 22, February 5 and 9.

The teacher for the course is George Casey. For further information call the church office, TU 4-6272.

Prison Riot Put Down

WETHERSFIELD, Conn. (AP) — Prisoners overpowered two guards and grabbed their keys at the Connecticut State Prison Wednesday night, triggering a riot by more than 400 shouting, stomping inmates.

State Police troopers and prison guards quelled the riot after 2½ hours with tear gas and high-pressure water hoses. A fireman and a prisoner suffered minor injuries.

Warden Mark S. Richmond said about a dozen ringleaders overwhelmed the two guards, locked them in a cell and used their keys to free nearly half the population of the prison.

The warden said prison officials and State Police would investigate to find out "who, when, where and what brought it about."

The outbreak occurred at about 9 p.m., as guards were completing the task of locking the inmates in their cells for the night after a recreation period.

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"Okay, keep your old money! I'll go to one of your other branches!"

Crane Topples In Playground

MARSEILLES, France (UPI)—A towering construction crane toppled into a kindergarten playground here today during a recreation period. Four children were killed and a number of others injured.

College Said Tax Exempt

TRENTON, N.J. (AP)—A school with no teachers, students or classes that awards no degrees has won a tax exemption as a college.

The school is Princeton's famed Institute for Advanced Study, which permits high level scholars a free atmosphere for research. Its members have included Albert Einstein, T. S. Eliot, George F. Kennan and Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer.

Princeton township had sought real estate taxes, contending the institute met none of the definitions of a college. The state's second highest court rejected the suit Monday, ruling the institute "possesses every attribute of an institution of learning."

Annual Dinner

Klamath Falls Congregational Church, 2154 Garden Street, will hold its annual church dinner at 5:30 p.m. January 10. A program following the dinner is being prepared by Mrs. Cliff Woods. The dinner is a planned potluck. For information call Mrs. Norman Wilson, TU 4-2655.

The annual church business meeting is postponed until 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 13.

The crane was being erected in a workyard next door to the kindergarten when it fell. The metal monster smashed the wall surrounding the playground and sledge-hammered into a group of playing children.

Workman Italo Florida, 45, was sitting in the cab of the crane when it fell. He was hurled into the playground and seriously injured.

The dead children were not immediately identified. About 150 children between the ages of 4 and 6 regularly attend the school.

About 120 of the children were in the playground at the time of the accident. A number of them were washing their hands and faces at a line of basins under the supervision of two women teachers.

Suddenly one of the teachers looked up and screamed as she caught sight of the long arm of the crane plunging down into the playground.

The four dead children were crushed into the ground by the weight of the falling metal. The uninjured survivors scattered screaming in all directions.

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Louisiana Votes Saturday On Old Earl's Successor

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—Louisiana voters Saturday pick the man who will step into lame duck Gov. Earl K. Long's much-traveled shoes.

Segregation is one issue that may decide who does the stepping.

The choice for governor lies between deLesseps S. Morrison, four-times elected New Orleans mayor, and Jimmie H. Davis, rural-bred hillbilly songster who rose to governor in 1944.

Morrison, 47, is a polished, intelligent politician. He has campaigned feverishly to be the state's first Catholic governor in 90 years, drawing strength from his sprawling metropolises and Southern Louisiana's Cajun bayou lands where he stumps in French.

Davis, 53, appears deceptively reserved, politically shrewd. He has the backing of the leading segregationist candidate, most of the state's newspapers, and Protestant North Louisiana.

Political experts say the Democratic second primary showdown figures to be a close one.

In the Dec. 5 first primary, a record turnout of 842,609, Long's ticket was soundly trounced. Since then, the 64-year old governor has faded from the picture.

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Davis accused Morrison of having the support of the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People and Teamsters President James R. Hoffa. Morrison charged Davis once ran an integrated night club in California and wrote a book of off-color songs in the 1930s.

Davis said Morrison pulled New Orleans downhill among Southern cities, and Morrison complained Davis won't meet him in open debate.

The winner will meet Republican nominee Francis C. Grevem-

berg and States Rights nominee Kent H. Courtney in the April 19 general election. But that's counted only as a formality, as the Democratic primary victory is tantamount to election.

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On Dec. 22, a lone gunman robbed the bar of \$588. He locked Williamson and Givine in the beer cooler and fled. The two were released after an hour by a customer who wandered in.

Monday two bandits walked in and took \$798. Before they left—yes—they locked you know who in the cooler. This time they managed to kick the door open after 40 minutes.

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