











**HAIL THE NEW QUEEN!** — Thrilling Therese Washington, Amsterdam News circulation clerk, is crowned Miss Page One of the Newspaper Guild of New York by the 1958 Page One Queen Barbara Sechko. Miss Washington will reign over all the surveys at the fabulous Page One Ball to be held at the Hotel Astor ballroom, June 26, which will feature such stars as George Jessel, Pat Suzuki, Hildegard, Faye Emerson, Erol Flynn, Joey Adams, Joan Crawford. Miss Washington won the title of queen in competition with fifty-nine beauties from all the daily newspapers in the Greater New York area.

## Davis Nominated As Major General

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (NNPA) — President Eisenhower sent to the Senate Friday the nomination of Brigadier General Benjamin O. Davis, Jr., of the Air Force to be a major general. If confirmed, he will be the first colored officer in any branch of the military service to hold such high rank. His father, Brigadier General Benjamin O. Davis, Sr., retired in 1948, after 50 years of service in the army, is the only other colored officer to reach the rank of a brigadier general. During World War II, General Davis commanded the 332d Fighter Group, which operated from Italian bases as a part of the Mediterranean Coastal Air Force. The group flew P-39 Airacobras on convoy protection and harbor patrol missions along the west coast of Italy. It also flew in close support of advancing Allied armies in Italy, in daily dive bombing operations against enemy supply lines, motor transport, rail yards and gun emplacements. **COMMANDED 99TH** Prior to commanding the 332d Fighter Group, he had commanded the 99th Fighter Group which became a part of the 332d. General Davis graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1936. He is 46 years old and was born in the District of Columbia. His father presented General Davis, then colonel, and three other pilots of the 332d Fighter Group, Capt. Joseph D. Elsberry of Langston, Okla., and First Lieuts. Jack D. Holsclaw of Spokane, Wash., and Clarence De Lester of Chicago with Distinguished Flying Crosses in Italy on Sept. 10, 1944. Concerning the leadership of the

## Southeastern Protestants To Meet At Black Mountain

NEW YORK, N. Y. — Leaders of Protestant church life in the southeastern United States will meet in July at Black Mountain, N. C., to discuss ways to strengthen understanding and to promote cooperation among the denomina-

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## Funds For Rights Commission Cut By House Group

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (NNPA) — The House Appropriations Committee not only denied the Civil Rights Division of the Justice Department the increase in funds requested for the fiscal year beginning July 1, but cut the appropriation for the work of the division below the amount appropriated for the current fiscal year.

The committee maneuvered the cut so that the recommendation for less funds for the agency does not show up in the report of the appropriations bill for the State and Justice Departments, the Judiciary, and related agencies. The report simply states that the bill includes \$12,600,000 to provide for the operating expenses

## Barbershop Club Purchases NAACP Life Membership

MAYWOOD, Ill. — The local branch of the NAACP has replaced the famed barbershop quartet with the Jackson Barbershop Club. A unique fund raising idea, which is being adopted throughout the state, the Jackson Barbershop Club spreads word of the Association's work to everyone entering the shop as a customer. "On each trip, we try to get as many customers as possible to give \$1.00 to the NAACP at the time he gets a haircut," explains Dr. Percy L. Julian, originator of the plan.

"Rarely do we fail to get the \$1.00," Dr. Julian continues. "Our plan is to raise \$500.00 for the club in the NAACP. The money is being raised for a life membership for the club in the NAACP. In gatherings," he went on, "it is emphasized that this contribution to the Jackson Barbershop Club is not to take the place of a membership in the local branch of the NAACP, but as a supplement."

## Sunday School Lesson

**WE ARE NOT ALONE** International Sunday School Lesson for May 31, 1959. **MEMORY SELECTION:** "The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?" — (Psalms 27: 1) **LESSON TEXT:** I Kings 16: 29 through 19: 18.

This lesson purports to show that in spite of our discouragement God never forsakes us; it comes from the strength that also points to "allowship with other faithful Christians. Why are Christians never alone in fighting evil forces? In studying our scriptures today, and reading of Elijah's experience, maybe we can find an answer to this question. Elijah's cry that he alone was left of the prophets of the Lord sounds like the cry of a discouraged man, and that is exactly what it was. Elijah found himself the only active leader in the struggle against Baalism. Elijah had fled, discouraged and dejected, to Mount Horeb, and as he hid in the cave he became conscious of the presence of God, and was moved to explain his presence there. In effect, what Elijah was saying was "Lord, I am very frightened."

He is not the first individual who has been frightened because he felt that he was the lone defender of the right. But God did not coddle Elijah in his mood of despondency. Instead, he responded with a summons to action. Action lifted Elijah out of his mood of despondency. How many times has God done the same thing for us? Every thing may be going beautifully in our lives; then a sudden calamity overtakes us and upsets the ordered pattern of our days. Our first

reaction is often one of self-pity. What have we ever done to deserve such a thing as this thing that has happened to us? But gradually we recover from the blow. We begin casting around in our minds for ways in which we can overcome this terrible thing that has befallen us. And in decisive action we find comfort. When it is all over, we tend to congratulate ourselves. If we would only pause a moment and look deeper into our solution to so many of our troubles, we might often be surprised to find the fine hand of God behind it all. "Not a sparrow falleth" is a very comforting thought, isn't it?

Life, especially the spiritual life, does not proceed on an even keel. There will be times when we experience mounting excitement. It may be followed by a sense of despair when we feel that we are in the lowest depths. If in those moments we can turn to the source of power as Elijah did, then we shall find succor and comfort. There are times when we believe that we are indeed the only people who care very much about fighting for what is right and decent. We need in those moments to draw upon divine strength, but we also need to take careful stock of the situation, and ponder on what can be done about it. Just as Elijah became aware that there were seven thousand others who had not submitted to Baalism, so we may find others who think and believe as we do.

God has put help at our hands in many ways. There will be many times that we will become discouraged as we live out our lives on this earth. We will often feel that we need to talk things over with someone. It may be the pastor, the chairman of our group or a fellow member. To know that there are others with the same troubles and ideals that we ourselves have, and to discover that there are others who recognize their own weaknesses, will help us in evaluating our own situation. When we are discouraged we look on the most doleful aspects of the picture. Sometimes the hole of despair in which we find ourselves is so deep and dark that we can see no glimmer of light. It is then that a friend can assist us in making a more objective evaluation of our particular situation than we can alone. And finally, we can sustain each other through mutual concern and prayer. Prayer is our means of communication with God, and from the sense of closeness with him that prayer gives us, we can draw comfort and strength to face whatever is before us. In the conflict between the forces of righteousness and evil we need to have great objectives that are ever challenging, but we need, also, to remember that a program is carried out one step at a time. We must learn to accept our particular responsibilities and to recognize that the leading of the forces of righteousness is in the hands of God himself. And we must remember that we, too, are in his hands. Whatever befalls us, we are never alone. (These comments are based on outlines of the International Sunday School Lessons, copyrighted



**AFRICAN CONCERT** — In Kano, Northern Rhodesia, recently, a concert to make the centenary of the foundation of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Louis was held at St. Louis Convent School. It will be put on again during the Region's Self-Government Celebrations next month. The costumes and make-up were either specially imported from the United Kingdom or made by the children. Photo shows a delightful scene during the concert, with young Nigerian and European children playing well-rehearsed roles. — (ANP Photo)

## Farm Hand Asks Not To Be Extradited To Florida

NEW YORK — (ANP) — Willie Reid, a farm worker, has pleaded with acting Gov. Wilson not to send him back to Lake county, Fla., domain of Sheriff Willis V. McCall. McCall gained national disrepute by fatally wounding Sammie Shepherd, 24, when the latter "tried to escape," after a new trial had been ordered by the U. S. Supreme court. Through attorneys, Reid told the acting governor that at his trial, he had been denied counsel, his life would be endangered because he once testified that prison guards had illegally cut down and sold tim-

## Both Parties In Denial Of Killing Housing Bill Rider

By LOUIS LAUTIER  
WASHINGTON, D. C. — (NNPA) — "Who killed Cock Robin?" — Cock Robin being in this case an anti-discrimination amendment to the \$2.1 billion all-purpose housing bill with public housing and other features.

"Not I," said the Democrats. Robert Nix of Pennsylvania, and Adam Clayton Powell of New York, Democrats, marched down the aisle in opposition amid yells, laughter and applause from the Democratic side. Supporters of public housing theorized that adoption of the amendment would have cost vital Southern support and possibly resulted in the defeat of the bill. **POWELL AMENDMENTS** Only the day before, Mr. Powell had offered a similar amendment to a substitute bill, sponsored by Representative A. Sydney Herlong, Florida Democrat, which had the support of the Eisenhower Administration. The Powell amendment was rejected by a vote of 138 to 48. Before the vote, Mr. Powell had stated that he intended to do everything he could to defeat the Herlong bill and support the Democratic bill sponsored by Representative Albert Rains, Alabama Democrat. Asked by Representative William B. Widnall, New Jersey Republican, whether he would offer his amendment to the Rains bill if the Herlong measure was defeated, Powell replied "Absolutely." The post-mortem on the anti-discrimination amendment occurred after the House had passed the Rains bill on a 261 - to - 160 roll - call vote, after a crucial Republican move to send it back to committee lost, 233 to 189. Representative George A. Kassen, California Democrat, a freshman member, told the House that he was "not learned in the art of parliamentary tactics and strategy," and he wanted to be enlightened on the shenanigans he had observed during consideration of the housing bill.

**Aid Loan Funds** The Senate has sent to the White House a money bill carrying \$150,000,000 of the \$225,000,000 asked by the President for loans to underdeveloped nations. It approved the figure after having turned back an effort by Senator Russell B. Long, Democrat of Louisiana, to renew a fight with the House of Representatives over Army and Marine Corps manpower levels. A move to increase the two forces was beaten.

**KEY ESTATE WORTH \$33,000** ST. LOUIS (ANP) — Dr. G. B. Key, past grandmaster of Prince Hall Masons of Missouri is the administrator of the estate of his wife, Mrs. Mary E. Key, who died Aug. 1956. First settlement showed she left an estate of \$33,000. There was no personal property. The estate was made entirely of real estate. ber from private property. The guards were subsequently fired. Efforts are being made to prevent Reid's extradition to Florida through a court order from the circuit court of appeals.

**SOME HIGHLIGHTS OF Atlanta Life Insurance Co.** — 54 YEARS OF PROGRESS —

The results presented in the 54th financial statement on behalf of the directors and officers, reflect the sound progress made by the Atlanta Life during the past year, for which the officers and directors have reason to feel proud. The Field Representatives of the Company report that with continual improvement in business, our policyholders are adding in a marked degree to the life insurance they already own, so as to make more dependable provision for themselves and their families. This is another evidence of confidence in the institution and satisfaction with the field service being rendered them. Our purpose, first of all, is to give full, faithful service to every policyholder. This we have never failed to do in the past, and we shall not fail to do in the future. Our second purpose is to increase the scope of service, to bring more men, women and children under protection on "Surrounded by Every Possible Safeguard," and again this year, the record shows a gratifying increase in the amount of insurance in force, and financial strength. A total of \$3,508,434.10 was paid to policyholders and their beneficiaries during 1958; and over Forty Eight Million Dollars paid since organization in 1905. It gives us genuine satisfaction to consider how much hardship was averted by that money. The Company's total resources were increased by more than Three Million Dollars, as exhibited in the 54th Annual Statement. But the Atlanta Life Insurance Company has a price less asset which cannot be expressed in figures — namely, the goodwill and confidence of its policyholders. Their support has enabled the Company over the years to grow ever stronger and more useful to society. It is our earnest hope we may continue to merit the generous support and confidence of the total public.

Respectfully,  
N. B. HERNDON, President

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1958**

ADMITTED ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Bonds	\$36,726,714.92	Reserve for Policy Holders	\$29,116,808.58
Stocks	2,612,009.78	Unreported and Incompleted Claims	296,169.00
Cash in Banks	1,165,636.48	Premiums Paid in Advance	106,433.39
Real Estate	828,603.50	Unearned Interest	50,332.15
Mortgage Loans	4,960,666.14	Reserve for Taxes	487,119.74
Loans to Policyholders	1,437,381.75	Salaries, Expenses and Bills Due and Accrued	52,000.00
Interest Due and Accrued	408,145.61	Guaranteed Policy Dividend Coupons	142,862.47
Net-Deferred and Uncollected Premiums	426,571.00	Agents Bond Deposits	273,968.73
TOTAL	\$48,565,729.18	Reserve for Employees' Welfare Fund	2,472,350.00
		Reserve for Special Accounts	1,350,572.33
		Reserve for Contingencies	2,000,000.00
			\$36,348,616.39
		Capital Stock	4,000,000.00
		Unassigned Surplus	8,217,112.79
			\$48,565,729.18

— INSURANCE IN FORCE \$169,583,927.00  
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