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Washington (CNS) Sept. 26—When Benjamin Davis, vice President of the Communist Party, appeared here today before the Un-American Activities Committee. Rep. Rankin of Miss., and quite prominent on the Committee, told Davis to "Sit down", implying that he should wait until after Earl Browder, former communist party chief spoke, Davis returned before he took his seat "I'm an American citizen, elected by more votes than you". Davis is expected back in New York tonight before returning to Washington.



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IS CANCER ON THE INCREASE?

(by Dr. John E. Moseley, Chairman Harlem Committee American Cancer Society)

Cancer among Negroes has registered more than a 50% increase in the death rate between the years 1930 to 1940. Cancer among the general population also registered an increase during this period. In fact during the past generation, cancer has risen to take its place next to heart disease, as one of the two greatest killers of mankind! Why are we seeing so many cancer cases today?
Some of this increase is only apparent. Extending to the Negro people some of the benefits of modern medical care, as no doubt has been responsible for some of the increase. Better diagnosis by doctors themselves, is responsible for some of the increase. Previously many Negro and white cancer cases have either gone undiagnosed at all or have been incorrectly diagnosed. Now new diagnostic instruments and procedures better enable the doctor to say more accurately what the disease is.
The advance in conquering the infectious and contagious diseases also accounts for some increase—both because it separates cancer cases from the infectious diseases, and because it has increased the span of life generally. Since the beginning of the 1900s tremendous strides were made. The remarkable development of the sulfa drugs and the recent discovery of Penicillin have given doctors real weapons to fight infections. Antitoxins against diphtheria and scarlet fever were developed. Vaccinations against small pox and inoculations a-

gainst typhoid have all saved hundreds of thousands of lives. As a result people who formerly were dying in their adolescence of contagious diseases, or later from pneumonia and streptococcus infections, now live to middle and late middle age.
While cancer strikes at every age, it does strike more heavily at older people. This is another reason for the apparent increase in cancer. It is a fact however, that the increase among recorded Negro deaths is about 1-3 greater than among white. Here is a challenge to all Negroes and to all public health agencies.

The benefits of newer drugs and newer diagnostic procedures have come to Negroes more slowly than to others. In many sections of this country, Negroes receive no medical or very inadequate medical care. The life expectancy of the Negro today is where that of the white was 40 years ago. While the average white male lives to the age of 63, the average Negro male lives only to 52. While white females live to 67 on the average, Negro females live only to 55.

The Negro must be aware of many advances that have been made in medicine generally, so that he too may be able to reap the benefits. He must learn to go to his doctor or clinic for periodic medical examinations. The examinations should be thorough. Cancer can be cured when caught early. Some of the increase in cancer cases among Negroes can be brought down by early and prompt treatment.



MIKADO CALLS ON MacARTHUR
Tokyo—First photo—In a precedent shattering visit, Emperor Hiro-

hito is received by General Douglas MacArthur, Supreme Commander of Allied Powers, in main living room of U. S. Embassy in Tokyo.



BROUGHT IN AVELLA, PA.
Pittsburgh, Pa. Soundphoto—As the water-laden trucks arrive from the Citizens Water Company of Washington, Pa., 16 miles away, the townspeople of Avella rush to the streets with pans, buckets and bottles of all descriptions. From the tiniest tot to doddering old folks they tote the containers seeking the precious liquid. The lives of 600 people are endangered by the lack of water.

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APPEAL TO BE FILED IN LOUISIANA VOTE REGISTRATION CASE
New York—Judge Caillout on September 17th, 1945, dismissed without opinion the complaint filed in the case of Edward Hall against the Registrar of Voters, in St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana. The complaint alleged that Edward Hall a qualified Negro, was denied the right to register by T. J. Nagel, local registrar, who subjected Hall and other Negroes to tests not required of white registrants and thereby denied them the equal protection of the laws as guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States.
The complaint on behalf of Hall and other Negro citizens asked for a declaratory judgment, an injunction and \$5,000 (five thousand dollars) damages. NAACP lawyers are preparing to appeal the case to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.
In a similar case from Tuskegee, Alabama, filed on behalf of William P. Mitchell against local registrars of Macon County, Alabama, argument on Motion to Dismiss took place in the local federal court in Montgomery on September 20th. Counsel for the registrar, including former Judge "Speed" Callaghan, Judge of the Scottsboro trials, argued that the federal court did not have jurisdiction to consider a case on the refusal to register Negroes because of race or color. He argued that the case should be tried in the local state courts. After completion of the argument, the case was taken under advisement and a decision is expected within two weeks.
In Atlanta Georgia it was discovered that although the case filed by the NAACP against the local registrar brought about the sending of the lists of Negro voters to the precinct polls on Election Day, September 5th, nevertheless, the so-

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execute these election officials for the violation of federal statutes.
Attorneys in the Atlanta case were Thurgood Marshall, NAACP Special Counsel and A. T. Walden of Atlanta. In the New Orleans case the counsel were Mr. Marshall and A. P. Turcaud and Joseph Thornton of New Orleans. In the Montgomery case, counsel were Mr. Marshall and Arthur D. Shores of Birmingham, Alabama.
The NAACP announced that these cases are part of a South-wide, stepped-up policy to attack all methods of discrimination against Negro voters throughout the South. It is expected that many other cases will be filed in these and other states wherever Negroes are denied the right to vote.

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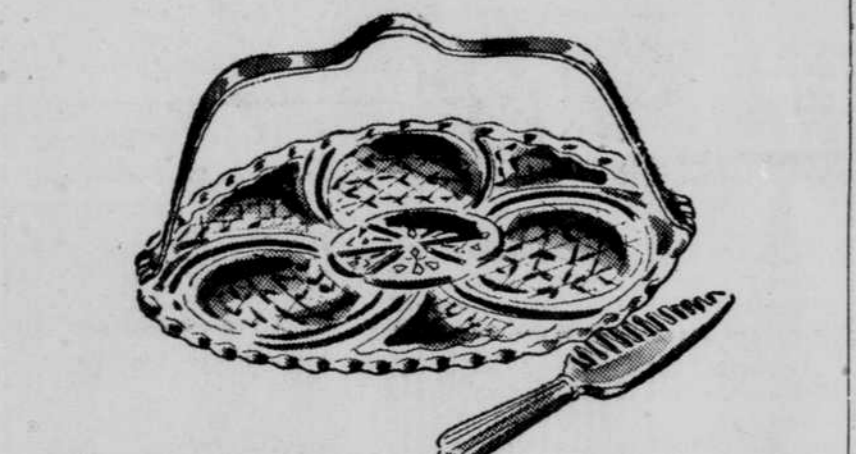
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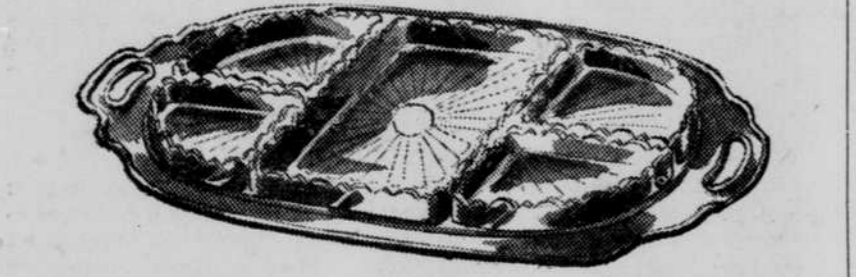
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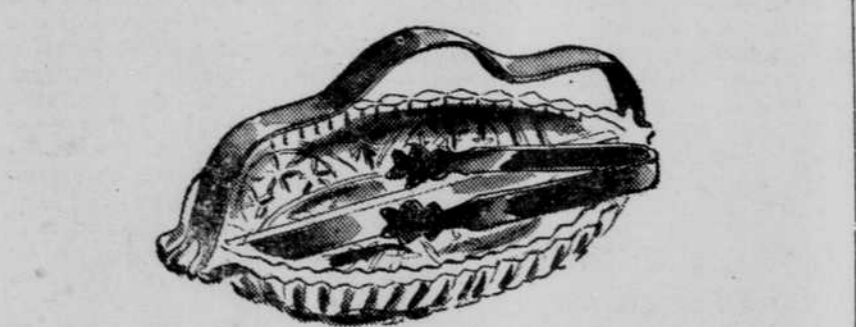
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