TODAY IS a very wonderful day. A white man came to the Negro school at Hattiesburg, Miss., to talk to the students about what they might learn from studying the history of our country. He said that we should learn from our past in order to make a better future for ourselves.

The Washington end of the campaign's second phase-under the leadership of the Rev. James Bevel and the Rev. C. J. Faught--involved a journey across the South. The campaign spread from the pickup truck--Hood Lumber Industries, Inc.--to the five counties and perhaps an additional county in the South. We are now in our third phase, which includes the third phase of the campaign and the second phase of the campaign. The campaign is planning to continue its efforts in the South and to continue its efforts in the South.
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Joseph Roy Flowers has been ordered to pay $50,000. This is the first time farm workers have
record-keeping and child-labor provisions. "Mr. Roy, he told me he didn't have
money. He turn around and ask me
don't know how he figure it," the tenant
another tenant. "He say he was payin'

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AKRON, Ala.--Remember how "Fourth Day" used to be? You know--barbecue, soda pop, beer, music, and laughter. The day when your "big shot" kinfolks from "up the road" came down to visit.

Now if you can recall, the meat was barbecued over an open pit, and stew was made in Grandma's old wash-pot. And there was home-made ice cream, the kind you ate until you your head ached.

If you think days like this are gone, you're wrong. In Alabama and most of the South, "the way it used to be" is re-enacted every Fourth of July.

Down in Akron, "Papa" Coot Collins, his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren celebrate July 4 "the way it used to be." During the day, the family sits around telling jokes, singing, dancing, and of course, eating.

When evening comes, everybody goes down to the Black Warrior River--the old folks to talk about old times, and the children to swim and dance.

The Collins Family

‘Fourth Day’ on the Farm

Photos by Melvin I. Todd
Farmer Sends 12 Kids to College

'Saw What Was Needed'

GATEWOOD, Miss. — Sam Percy Gipson was born to share-cropper parents on an 800-acre plantation called Old Twenty-four. When he was six months old, he moved with his family into a log cabin in the Gatewood community near Holly Springs.

From the age of five until he was 19, Gipson regularly attended all sessions of Gatewood's one-room Henry Elementary School. In 1923, when Gipson was 19, he married Miss Versie Ree Jones. They moved into a small white frame house located only two-tenths of a mile from the plantation. Here the first ten of their 15 children were born—Grace Lenora, Naomi Ruth, Knowledge, Quentell, Sam Percy Jr., Frances ala, Alva, Gloria Jean, Cliff Jefferson, and Shelby Gene.

In 1938, while Gipson was working as a laborer on the construction of Mississippi Highway 78 to Memphis, Tenn., he bought 160 acres of land and a rambling, two-story, verandahed house built by a former plantation overseer. In this house—located two-tenths of a mile of his boyhood home—the last five Gipson children were born. They are Leo Lee, Ellis, Rose Starkey and Evelyn, the younger, and Clinton, the youngest, will graduate next year from Shiloh High School in Holly Springs.

"There was only one thing I stressed on them," says Gipson of his children, "and that was to try and get training for a better job than I could give them. That was the biggest thing I cautioned them about."

All but three of the 15 Gipson children have been college-educated. Three of them—Grace Lenora, Frances ala, and Naomi Ruth—are now teachers in Shelby County, Tenn. Knowledge, a former teacher, is associate director of Oxford's Community Development Education Program. Last summer he ran for the office of county superintendent of education, and lost by a very small margin.

Lou Ree just completed her degree at LeMoyne College in Memphis, where her younger sister Evelyn is a sophomore. Clinton, the youngest, will graduate next year from St. Mary's High School in Holly Springs.

"Not going to college," says Revelyn, "that's like a mortal sin in our house." Knowledge recalls the day when, after his discharge from the Army, he decided to go work in Chicago, Illinois, instead of returning to school. "That was the only time I saw Pappa cry." Knowledge adds, "we had been planning to send him to school and buy him a car, and when I decided not to return to school, he just sat down, there in the field, and wept."

Gipson is now 64 years old, but he works from dawn to dusk on his farm near Gatewood. There is always something to be done—plowing, repairing his tractor, feeding the hogs. He gets help from the children who are still at home.

He doesn't boast about his accomplishments in educating his children. "We sort of seen what needed to be done," he says, "and we did the best we could to make it happen."
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Folks In Russell Wait

2 Hrs.--But No Sheriff

BY MAUP E ELENA

PEHRICK CITY, Ala.—Thirty-five of the students who are in the Russell School in Russellville, Ala., are scheduled to meet with Sheriff M. L. Sanders, Russellville, Ala.

They waited nearly two hours, but no sheriff arrived. Then they went to the Russell City Hall to ask to speak with the sheriff.

"When a man is accused to court, he goes to court to clear his name. When a man in Russellville goes to court, he goes to court to clear his name," said Morgan Griner, Russellville, Ala.

"When a man is wanted in Russellville, he is wanted in Russellville. When a man is wanted in Russellville, he is wanted in Russellville," said Morgan Griner, Russellville, Ala.

There were no reasons of agreement from the people in the church, although some agreed that the sheriff should have been there. "It's a little strange, but I guess we'll have to wait," said Morgan Griner, Russellville, Ala.

"We went a man there, Mr. Johnson, sure appeared to be a deputy sheriff," said Morgan Griner, Russellville, Ala.

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Talladega Negro Cops
How Do They Do It?

By Francie Stubbs

Talladega, Ala.—A major atten­
\tion is the Talladega Negro com­
\munity to the city police force, an
\Negro employee at full-time, full-
\duties men.

In the past few years, according
to people who have lived here, over
1\7 workers have been committed to
\the group. All the accused killers were
\Negroes, and so were all the victims.
\Never in the past 15 years has a Negro
\died the victim of an unsealed letter
\from a white man, or vice versa.
\One citizen said this proves
\“even Negroes respect Negro lives.”
\Another held the lack of respect
\for Negro lives an anguished legacy.

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