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any other President; do you agree or disagree with this?" Answer: Agree...83%; Disagree...4%; Don't know...13%.

The poser for Kennedy is that of Question No. 4 "If you favor Senator Kennedy's election, do you do so because of his pledge to end the war quickly, because you liked his late brother, John F. Kennedy, or because you think he will be better for the Negro than President Johnson?" Answer: Because of end the war pledge, 17%; because of JFK, 5%; think he will be better for Negro, 4%. (Figures given represent percentages of total favoring Kennedy.)

The only safe opinion to venture at this point is that the Negro vote will be almost totally in the Democratic camp if Nixon remains the sole Republican candidate.

With Senator Kennedy's appeal to the young voter, any gains he makes into the formidable bloc of Negro Johnson supporters, would strengthen his candidacy considerably. Chances for Kennedy gains appear good in that Lomax pollsters found almost a consensus that McCarthy was "put into the race by Kennedy, and that he will withdraw 'at the psychological moment', throwing his support to the New York Senator," and that the poll found little condemnation of this among Negroes who express little of the idealism of whites about the political situation.

"That's politics," or "That's white folks," or "That little Kennedy is a schemer -- he's been planning his moves a long time," were typical comments.

A Rockefeller draft would certainly be vigorously supported by all Negro Republicans and Rockefeller as Republican nominee would siphon off an appreciable number of Negro Democrats' votes. Negroes have a healthy appreciation for the New York governor, and passionate pro-Johnson Negroes are prone to equate Rockefeller's gubernatorial administration and commitment to civil rights and social justice to that of the President.

LOCALLY, Negroes have expressed a hope that Vice President Hubert Humphrey will become a presidential candidate pointing out that HHH was an outspoken liberal and champion of civil rights when it was intensely unpopular to advocate equal justice and opportunity for all Americans.

Although the Vice President is conceded to be more knowledgeable, more experienced, and a more dynamic speaker than any of the announced candidates, his supporters realize the nature and extent of problems his candidacy would confront. Not the least of which is the factor that many Negroes consider responsible for the ground swell of disproportionate intensity of emotional opposition to President Johnson.

Many Negroes are convinced that much of the venom heaped upon the burdened President stemmed from rank and file American whites resentment of the President's domestic policy. Ignorant and callous of the benefit, even salvation, of the nation, these tragic, prejudiced minions' resentment of the President's dedication to fulfillment of the dream of equality of opportunity and justice for all Americans, which necessarily made him a champion of Negroes' rights, grew to such an evil proportion that loathe to reveal the real root of their disenchantment, justifiable misgivings about the nation's foreign policy and the war in Vietnam were contorted into ruthless and pitiless condemnation to accommodate the consuming cancer of the nation's racism.

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Marines Gala Observance

WASHINGTON - (NPI) -- More than 1,500 "Montford Point Marines" are expected to descend upon the nation's capital on April 20, for a dinner celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Negro in the U.S. Marine Corps.

The affair, to which an elite gathering of government, military and business officials from all over the nation will attend, is being sponsored by the Montford Point Marine Association, a three-year-old organization formed in Philadelphia--which is currently the nation's only Negro national veterans organization.

Host to the dinner will be the 100-member Washington chapter headed by Joseph H. Carpenter, president; and Lt. Col. Kenneth H. Berthoud, vice president, and one of the senior Negro officers in the Marine Corps, stationed in the nation's capital.

The Montford Point Marine Association came into being as a means of preserving the story of the Negro's inception into the Corps, "to promote and preserve the strong bond of friendship born from shared adversities and to devote itself to the furtherance of these friendships as Marines through the sharing of experiences and accomplishments to insure more peaceful times."

The Association takes its name from Montford Point, N.C., where the training camp for the "first" Negro leathernecks was located.

Originally, it was made up of Marines who served at Camp LeJeune between 1942-49, but has since been expanded to cover all Negroes who have since seen service in the Corps.


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- April 7, 1922 Peary. The discovery brought early honors to Peary. Henson, born in Maryland in August, 1866, was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for the feat many years later.
- April 7, 1942 Col. Charles Young, highest ranking Negro in the U.S. Army, died in Liberia, West Africa.
- April 8, 1863 Negro volunteers were accepted in reserve components of the Navy, Coast Guard and Marine Corps for general service in non-commissioned officers' ranks.
- April 8, 1863 The African Methodist Episcopal Church, under Bishop Payne, purchased Wilberforce University, Xenia, Ohio, from the Methodist Episcopal Church for \$10,000.
- April 9, 1898 Paul Robeson, dramatist-concert singer-actor-scholar-author-traveler, was born in Princeton, N.J. Robeson, whose scholastic ability earned him a Phi Beta Kappa Key, was also an athlete at Rutgers University. He won four varsity letters in track, basketball, baseball and football; was picked by Walter Camp as All-American end in 1918.
- April 10, 1717 Don Juan Latimo, a Negro, taught Latin at Seville, Spain. He died at the age of 117.
- April 10, 1833 London acclaims Ira Aldridge in "Othello."
- April 10, 1887 Birth of late Robert Vann, founder-publisher of the Pittsburgh Courier weekly newspaper. He died in 1910.

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was at work. He requested permission to leave the petition with Mrs. Chaney who telephoned her husband of the petition bearer's request.

Before he had opportunity to read the petition, Chaney said, he was called by a newspaper reporter for information on the success of the petition. Chaney said he thought he had made it clear that although he had not read it, he would, as requested, take it to Sunday's meeting of his organization, the North Las Vegas Home Owners' Association. He was, he said, not even aware of the petition's contents and he was also unaware of the confusion in the mind of the reporter who apparently had been informed it was an organization to which Chaney belonged that was responsible for the petition and the circulation of it.

Chaney said further that he, personally, knows nothing of District Attorney George Franklin which would lead him to give any countenance to objections to Franklin, stated in the petition, as counsel "if a grand jury is impaneled."

Chaney also pointed out that rather than a critic of city officials, he is a strong supporter of City Manager Clay Lynch and advocates cooperation with, and appreciation of the City Manager by citizens of North Las Vegas. Chaney said that Lynch is an over-worked, dutiful, and conscientious official who deserves, not only respect, but all the help that can be given him by the citizens he serves.