

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

June 1, 1971

Editor  
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Dear Sir:

Many individuals have spoken to me recently about the grant of \$10,000.00 by the Commission on Religion and Race of the United Presbyterian Church to the Angela Davis Defense Fund. Since I attended many of the sessions of the General Assembly of our denomination this year, I would like to help clarify the issues for those in our community.

The action of the Commission on Religion and Race concerned many of us. The allotment of funds made most of the headlines but very little in the way of interpretive comment was added. There are several facts which should be noted. They are:

1. Although not widely reported the General Assembly passed a motion by a very decisive vote censuring the Commission on Religion and Race. The motion voiced the displeasure of the Assembly and insisted that in the future all grants for this purpose be brought to their attention. The Assembly was most displeased with the grant of money and made its feelings known. This did not make too many headlines.

2. The action of granting the

**Little Miss Beauty and Talent Pageant To Be Staged**

Ken Malone, East Coast Director of the Our Little Miss Beauty and Talent Pageant for children, will stage a State Pageant for New York at the Ithaca High School, in Ithaca, New York, on July 8 - 10. Our Little Miss is a youth development program designed to give young ladies early goals in

funds for the defense of Angela Davis was the result of a process begun by a local congregation. It started at the request of the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Marin City, California. The paper accounts of this issue left many with the impression that individuals in the hierarchy of the church had allocated the money on their own initiative.

3. No general mission funds were used for the purpose of defending Miss Davis. That is, no money which members of local churches give was used for that purpose. Instead money from investments was used.

4. It is safe to assume that those who made this grant did so with honorable intentions. They may have been mistaken but their churches like people can make mistakes.

I would be more than happy to answer any further questions any one might have.

Sincerely,  
Alan C. Minarcik  
Pastor  
First Presbyterian Church  
Andover, New York

good grooming, social graces, and talent training, as well as scholarships. This will be a statewide competition for girls between the ages of 3 and 12.

Mr. Malone is seeking snapshots of girls from every city in the state and will be accepting photographs and short resumes of the young ladies hobbies and talent at his East Coast Headquarters of the Our Little Miss Pageant, 169 Lake St., Elmira, N. Y. 14901.

The competition is set up in two divisions — Miss La Petite is for girls 3 to 6 and they will be judged on their beauty, poise and grace in modeling a party dress and sportswear. The older division for girls 7 to 12 will also model a party dress and sportswear, but will be required to display a talent presentation of 3 minutes or less. Both divisions will be interviewed by the judges, but this will be done in a room privately.

One girl from each division will be selected to represent the state and to compete in the World Pageant to be televised nationally on September 8 in Miami, Florida. Their entry fees into the World Our Little Miss Pageant will be paid by Mr. Malone and they will stay at the fabulous Fontainebleau Hotel in Miami Beach, compliments of the Pageant.

Each State winner in both age groups receives special wardrobe gifts following her competition in Miami Beach.

On the International level children compete not only for the title and gifts, but also for a total of \$1500 in cash college scholarships.

The deadline for entry is June 19 and there will be a limit to the

number of girls who will be able to participate in this year's Our Little Miss Pageant for New York.

**George Fox**

George Fox, of Andover R.D. 1, died Thursday morning, June 10, 1971 in Jones Memorial Hospital Wellsville, following a brief illness.

A resident of Andover for the past six years and a self employed painter, he was born Aug. 15, 1912 in Collingdale, Pa., the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. George (Elizabeth Miller) Fox, Sr.

In addition to his widow, the former Elizabeth Shean, Mr. Fox is survived by a sister, Mrs. Herbert Baker, Collingdale, Pa.; two step-brothers, Leon Miller, North Philadelphia, Pa.; and Howard Miller, Darby, Pa.; and a step-sister, Mrs. Edna Brown, Warminster, Pa.

Funeral and committal services were held at the James B. Mulholland Funeral Home, Church Street Andover, Sunday June 13, 1971 at 2 p. m. The Rev. Floyd Aldrich, of the Andover Baptist Church, officiated.

Burial was in Valley Brook Cemetery, Andover.

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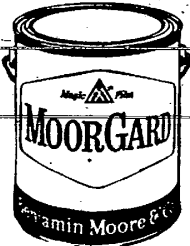
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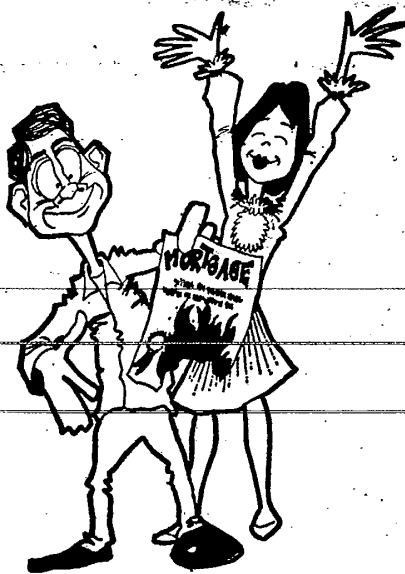
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