

"Mr. Brookens said in part: "It is estimated that more than 10,000 Negro children are victims EACH YEAR of infantile paralysis and its lingering effects. No adequate hospitalization is to be found in any section of the country."

"The records of the United States Public Health Service give the total number of cases of infantile paralysis (all racial groups) in the United States as follows for the five years 1932 to September 14, 1936:

Year Thru week of Sept. 14	Total Number of Cases
1936.....	2,040
1935.....	10,733
1934.....	7,517
1933.....	4,983
1932.....	3,778

"From the above data it appears that Brookens' estimate of "10,000 Negro victims" was nothing more than political propaganda of the lowest order. During the eight and one-half months of this year there have been only 2,040 cases of this dread disease among children of all racial groups in the United States as compared with 10,733 in States, in 1935; 7,517 in 1934; 4,983 in 1933, and 3,778 in 1932. Regarding the Brookens wild statement, "No adequate hospitalization is to be found in any section" it is reasonable to believe that he has never heard of "The Pines" a name given to the West Virginia Foundation for Crippled Children. Another such institution is the "Betty Bacharach Home for Afflicted Children" located in New Jersey, not as far as Georgia from the home of the politically minded and uninformed Minister of the Gospel. Both of these institutions admit Negro children."

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LYNCHING CALLED CAMPAIGN ISSUE

The Philadelphia Tribune, in a lengthy front-page editorial, suggests to Candidate Landon that he come out squarely for an anti-lynching bill and thereby "put the Democrats on the spot."

The editorial reads, in part:

"Colored Americans who are willing to work must and should have work. Their very existence depends upon their own earning power. Forced out of gainful employment the Negro becomes a social menace. Even now, under the present relief setup, thousands of needy colored families refuse to go on relief, and undergo untold hardship and suffering in the laudable effort to find paying employment.

"IS THIS LESSON OF DARING FORTITUDE TO GO UNHELD? HAS Republican leadership become so bankrupt of campaign ability as to neglect the advantage which this situation presents? It is up to the candidate Landon and the high command of the Republican Party if the colored voters are to return to their first love.