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National Negro Achievement Week Observance Nov. 2-9 National Urban League Announces Fellowships

Awards In Keeping With The League's Long Established Plan of Providing Education

The National Urban League, 1133 Broadway, New York City, has just announced that three recent college graduates are to receive fellowships from the Urban League for study in social work this fall. These awards, which include tuition and maintenance, have been granted to Frances L. Clark, Fisk University, '47; Thom as Augustine, Oberlin College and Columbia University, '47; and Josephine Belle, Upsala College, '47.

Miss Clark, a resident of Nashville, Tennessee, will study in the New York School of Social Work, Columbia University, while Mr. Augustine of East Orange, New Jersey and Miss Belle of Montclair, New Jersey, will study in the Graduate Departments of Sociology and Economics at the University of Pittsburgh. Miss Clark will be studying under provisions of a special fund provided by income donated by friends of the late Ella Sachs Plotz; Mr. Augustine's maintenance is to be provided jointly by the Pittsburgh and National Urban Leagues, and Miss Belle's maintenance is provided by the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs.

These fellowships are competitive and awarded in keeping with the Urban League's long established plan of providing professional training for Negro social workers. One hundred and eleven grants have been made since the date of the first fellowships in 1910. Urban League fellows at professional schools of social work follow the prescribed social work study courses for a period of two years, while the other fellowships in the social sciences are for one year each.

PRE-FLIGHT TRAINING POPULAR AT LINCOLN (MO.)

Pre-flight training, including instruction in navigation, power plant and meteorology, offered at Lincoln University (Mo.) as a ground course necessary for those interested in flying, is proving popular. The course, taught by Professor A. A. Kildare, head of the Department of Physics, is a prerequisite for obtaining a private pilot's license. Many students, including veterans, interested in Aeronautics, are enrolled in this ad related courses.

URNS TO THEATRE



Dorothy Donegan who was seen this summer in stock company at Clinton Conn., in the play "Almost Faithful"

Principal Eugene Skinner Honored

Eugene Skinner '33, on of Technical High School's most brilliant alumni, this year became the first Negro Principal in Omaha. His principalship at Long school where there is a faculty of 16.

After graduating from Tech in 1933, Mr. Skinner went on to North Carolina to teach. He was married to another teacher.

Because of Mr. Skinner's exceptional ability the University of Iowa gave him a Fellowship so he could get his Master's degree in school administration. Almost all bills were covered by his fellowship. He even could get into the school activities free.

It only took him one to get his Master's degree. Dutch White, track coach at Tech, still remembers Eugene, for he was one of his best track boys. His record in the 440 has still to be beaten here. At one time he held the interstate record for 440.

A reception was given three weeks ago in honor of Mr. Skinner.

THE UTTER EXTREME

Eduardo Ciannelli, recently signed by Warner Bros. to portray a professional killer in "To the Victor," had just completed the role of a priest in Walter Waner's "The Moment!"

Gala Anniversary Of Opportunity Features Editors

NEW YORK, N. Y. — Twenty-five years of publishing OPPORTUNITY, official organ of the National Urban League, 1133 Broadway, will be marked with a special commemorative issue to appear on newsstands throughout the country on September 29.

Leading features in the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Issue of the Magazine include current editorials by Charles S. Johnson and Elmer A. Carter, first and second Editors, respectively, of the journal of interracial opinion.

Dr. Johnson, who held his position with the Magazine from 1923 to 1928, is now President of Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee. Mr. Carter served as Editor of OPPORTUNITY from 1928 to 1942. He is a member of the New York State Commission Against Discrimination.

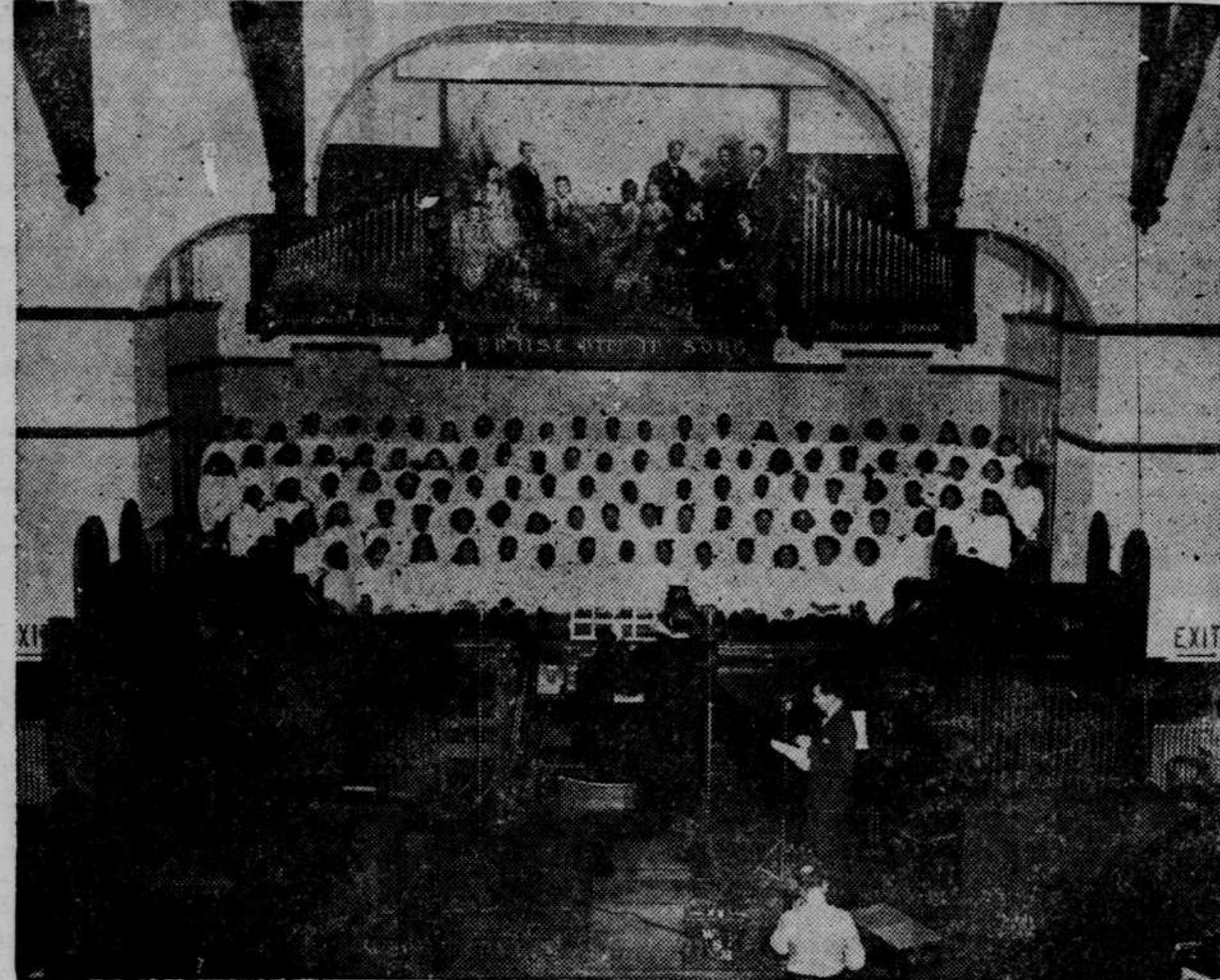
With attractive page designs throughout, OPPORTUNITY presents a brief history of its own birth under the title "How It Began." Not only does this historical feature include fragments from the first editorials written by Dr. Johnson and Eugene Kinckle Jones, General Secretary of the National Urban League, but the cover of Volume 1, Number 1, is reproduced. A "then and now," human interest description of the children pictured on the cover adds warmth and appeal to the Magazine's start toward its present national and international prestige.

OUT-OF-STATE LINCOLN (MO.) FRESHMEN OUTRANK STATES

Results of the recent American Council Psychological tests given to 248 freshmen have shown that students from states outside Missouri made a slightly higher mean score than the Missouri freshmen. The score for out-of-state freshmen was 63.7 and for Missourians 61.2. A student of Summer high school, St. Louis had an exceptionally high raw score of 171.

Previous to this the highest raw score was 155. E. G. Rogers, veteran's counselor, believes that the low scores made on the tests could be attributed in part to certain sociological reasons. These freshmen psychological tests are administered to 282 colleges and universities throughout the country. The mean score computed for Lincoln (Mo.) freshmen was 63.7 while the median score was 59.5.

World's First Champ James Figg, who won the crown as bare knuckle champion in 1719.



A concert with Roland Hayes as guest artist on Nov. 7 will mark the first public appearance of the Fisk University student choir for the current school year. The concert will take place in the Ryman Auditorium, Nashville, Tennessee as part of the ceremonies inaugurating Charles S.

Johnson as the sixth president of Fisk University, Nov. 6-9. Adding fresh laurels to Fisk's musical heritage, the choir of 100 voices will resume its Sunday night broadcasts over station WSM, Nashville at their regular time, 10:15 p. m. on Nov. 16. WSM has reserved this featured spot for the choir on its best Class "A" time as a service to its listeners. The program is not open to advertisers. Letters of praise from the distant points of Philadelphia, Minnesota, Florida and Liberia have also testified to their popularity.

B. T. Washington Week Observed November 9 to 15

ROCKY MOUNT, Virginia — S. J. Phillips, President of the Booker T. Washington Birthplace Memorial, Rocky Mount, Virginia, announces that plans have been completed for the observance of the second Annual Booker T. Washington Memorial Week which will be observed by the nation November 9th through the 15th.

More than a million people took an active part in the observance of the First Annual Booker T. Washington Memorial Week sponsored by the Booker T. Washington Birthplace Memorial, and the three major networks of the country through four coast to coast broadcasts made the rest of the nation conscious that America's greatest Negro leader was being honored. The Memorial hopes this year to have even greater cooperation.

Churches, Schools, Fraternal, Social Civic, Business and Professional groups of all races and creeds over the country have been invited to participate in honoring Booker T. Washington during the November 9-15 period; plans have been made for a larger number of network and local radio programs, and thousands of pieces of literature serving the life and achievements of Booker T. Washington are being sent out. Special planning is being made for school programs on a large scale—since Booker T. Washington's greatest contributions to our American Way of Life were in the field of Education.

SUPREME RECORDING CO. XMAS SONG DUE FOR EARLY WAXING

HOLLYWOOD—Maxwell Davis, one of the musical directors of Supreme Recording Co., revealed this week that Emerson Scott and Jessie Cryer, who have several song hits to their credit, are working on a Xmas Song they have composed which is due for an early waxing under this label.

Their star recording artist, Bobby Pittman, continues to maintain his national popularity as one of the outstanding sweet singers of the year, which was set when he recorded "Deep In A Dream" and "Don't Take Your Love From Me," five months ago.



Dr. Fred Brownlee, secretary of the American Missionary Association Division of the Home Mission Board of the Congregational and Christian Churches will deliver the Convocation sermon in Fisk Memorial Chapel, Nov. 9; ending the Inaugural Ceremonies of Dr. Charles S. Johnson as the sixth president of Fisk University. "The Religious Function of a University" is to be the theme of his address.

A former president of LeMoyn College, Memphis, Tennessee, Dr. Brownlee is trustee of several institutions including Fisk.

TO APPEAR IN A SERIES OF POP CONCERTS

The incomparable Ethel Waters, beloved star of stage, screen and radio, will soon appear in a series of specially produced "pop" Concert performances, co-headlining with the world-famous Hall Johnson Singers, top ranking Spirituals choral group. The coast-to-coast tour, scheduled to commence in mid-October, was arranged by Concerts division of Gale Agency, 48W. 48th St., N. Y. C. Following a series of eastern and midwestern engagements, the group will appear in auditoriums of nearly every principal southern and southwestern city, under auspices of local church, educational, religious, welfare and cultural organizations.

The full two-hour Concert program will highlight a stirring cavalcade of song hits and unforgettable scenes from "Blackbirds," "Rhapsody in Black," "As Thousands Cheer," "At Home Abroad," "Blue Holiday," "Mama's Daughters," "Cabin In The Sky" and other stage and screen successes in which Miss Waters starred.

Refuse to Recind Order Ban On 'The Burning Cross'

The Virginia State Board of Motion Picture Censors last night announced refusal to rescind their original ban rejecting Screen Guild's "The Burning Cross".

In face of the Board's action, Jack Cartwright, Screen Guild publicity chief, who made the appeal in Richmond, pointed out to them that Virginia is now on record as the first and only State to completely ban this picture which is mainly an indictment of the Ku Klux Klan and other types of un-American organizations.

Cartwright also reports the possibility that "The Burning Cross" might be screened for members of the Congressional Un-American Committee headed by Rep. Parnell Thomas of New Jersey. The picture will be offered to the Committee as conclusive Hollywood are aware of un-American activities in the nation and that this picture is an all-out indictment of such sub-versive groups.

A special screening for the hundreds of newspaper columnists, correspondents, and reporters in the National Capitol was planned today (Oct. 2) with very definite possibilities it would be held at the National Press Club, Cartwright said.

Y. M. C. A. HANDBALL TO GO TO KANSAS CITY

The Omaha Y.M.C.A. Handball team will travel to Kansas City to participate in the "Heart of America Handballists" December 5-6-7. This event has the sanction of the Missouri Valley A.A.U., and all matches will be played at the Kansas City Athletic Club.

Singles players will be: Manuel "Manny" Grandinette, Midwest A.A.U. champion, and Bill Pratt. Doubles players are: Morris Champine and Ed Garvey; and George Gratton and Ed Olson.

LUXURIOUS LUXURY

The home of Claude Rains in Warner Bros. mystery-thriller, "The Unsuspected," stretches luxury to its luxurious ultimate with 12 by 24 foot sliding doors between dining room and sofa room, each one upholstered in shiny satin!

This Year's Theme To Be 'Community Planning For Intergroup Understanding'

Midwest Electric Exposition To Be Held November 3

Booked as the top entertainment feature of the first Midwest Electrical exposition to be held in Omaha since 1937, Christopher Lynch, the sensational young Irish tenor has skyrocketed to fame as soloist on the N.B.C. network, will appear at the City Auditorium during the week of November 3.

Spokesmen for the Nebraska-Lowa Electrical Council, sponsors of this year's show, promise the public a close-up of the widest possible array of electrical appliances of all types, with demonstrations of their post-war refinements. This will include afternoon and evening demonstrations of television.

Although the exposition opens Monday evening, November 3, Lynch's radio commitments in New York will prevent his arrival in Omaha until the following day. He will then sing twice each evening, at 7:00 and 9 o'clock, for the balance of the week, exposition closing Saturday, November 8.

A student and close friend of the late John McCormack, Lynch is widely known as the latter's protégé, for shortly before his death in 1945 McCormack predicted that the youthful tenor would be "the one most likely to succeed me."

Also included in the exposition's nightly stage shows will be Connie Russell, MGM starlet and NBC vocalist, and Morton Wells and his orchestra. Lyle DeMoss will act as master of ceremonies. Radio Station WOW is co-operating with the sponsors in providing the demonstration of television and the entertainment features.

Each afternoon at 2:00 a cooking school will be conducted by Martha Bohlson, Home Service Director of the Omaha Public Power District, with special emphasis on the economical use of foods.

Other for the exposition's Monday inaugural at 6:30 p.m., the auditorium doors will be open daily throughout the week from 1:00 p.m. to 11 o'clock. Awards of various electrical appliances will be made at all afternoon and evening sessions.

"MIRACLE IN HARLEM" SOON TO BE RELEASED

"Miracle In Harlem", third all Negro film produced by Herald Pictures has been completed and is set for an early release by Screen Guild Productions; marking the first independent Negro picture to be distributed by a national distributing company.

According to Herald Pictures' executive producer, Jack Goldberg, it also marks an entirely new approach in the Negro field of screen entertainment, combining heavy drama and mystery, with strong religious overtones.

Stepin Fetchit, popular comedian, returns to the screen to head in all star cast including Hilda Offley, Sheila Guyse, William Greaves, Creighton Thompson, Lawrence Griner, Kenneth Freeman, Jack Carter, Sybil Lewis, Milton Williams, Monte Hawley, Ruble Blakey, specialties by Savannah Churchill, Norma Shepherd, Lavada Carter and the Juanita Hall Choir.

This is not just another Achievement Week Program. The theme of this year's activity—"Community Planning for Intergroup Understanding"—and the times—a period when the nations of the world are attempting to learn how to live in peace with one another—make this a special project. Unless we in the United States prove that democracy can achieve unity and equal opportunity, our leadership in international affairs is weakened.

In every community in America there are resources for intergroup understanding. These we must appraise and plan to channel into positive action. This Achievement Week Program—the 27th of the Fraternity is to be a vital factor encouraging community interest and participation in this project.

The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity is not trying to do the whole job. It is, however, joining others in pushing forward toward the mobilization of resources for fostering intergroup understanding. Its program for Achievement Week, therefore, is to concentrate on the following:

1. To call attention to the agencies and individuals that are working in the field;
2. To outline the basic problems that demand immediate attention;
3. To stress the need for prompt and effective action to deal with basic issues in this age of atomic power;
4. To indicate the glaring defects that now exist in a society that professes to be democratic;
5. To center community recognition on those local agencies and individuals who have made a real contribution to intergroup understanding.

The matter of intergroup justice and equality of opportunity is no longer one of concern to disadvantaged minorities alone, it is a national problem of high priority and with far-reaching international implications. The Fraternity's concern with it is expressive of its concern for equality, justice, national strength and international understanding. It is our current activity designed to make a real contribution to world peace and domestic tranquility. It reflects our dedication to world peace and domestic tranquility. It reflects our dedication to a functioning democracy.

STARTED MANY STARS

Peter Godfrey, director of Warner Bros.' coming Ronald Reagan-Shirley Temple co-starrer, "That Hagen Girl", once operated England's famous Gate Theater where James Mason, Michael Redgrave, David Lean and other notables of the British screen got their start.



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Agricultural Planners seen launching plans for their 1947-48 program are these officials of the A. and T. College Agricultural Association.

Around the conference table are (usual order) J. W. R. Grandy (botany teacher) Arthur Bell, President of the Agricultural Association. Bernice

Wooten, secretary secretary; Dr. W. L. Kennedy (dairy professor) and Harold Hutcherson, treasurer of the association. (Photo by J. Paul Howard)

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