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C.S.G.A. Plan Four Day Golf-Meet

LOWER DEFENSE JOB BARS IN K. C. AREA

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 3 (ANP)—Several hundred Negro building trades workers are now employed on various defense projects in this area as a result of the removal of trade union bans against them in local labor unions, Thomas A. Webster, executive secretary of the Kansas City Urban League reported this week to the Office of Production Management.

As a result of the activity of the Negro employment and training branch of OPM, Negroes have been admitted to the carpenters and bricklayers unions in that area, and an agreement has been reached for their admission into the painters union through an all Negro local similar to the one formed by the carpenters in Greater Kansas City.

According to M. Webster's report, 131 Negroes, including 24 carpenters and seven hod carriers were employed last week in the construction of the North American Aviation factory in Kansas City, Mo. The Patti Brothers company is erecting this project. One Negro foreman is in charge of a mixed crew on this job.

More than 430 Negro building construction workers are employed in the erection of the Lake City Ammunition plant near Kansas City, including 100 hod carriers, five bricklayers, 26 carpenters and more than 300 laborers, plumbers and heavy construction laborers. Negro painters are expected to be employed on the job as the result of an agreement reached with the Painters District Council. The council has agreed to permit the Negro painters to apply for an A. F. of L. charter so that they may work on union jobs in this area.

The Office of Production Management entered the trade union picture in this area when Negroes were barred from working on the closed shop construction job at Fort Riley, Kans. As a result of OPM intervention, the Negroes were granted an A. F. of L. charter and permitted to work on the Fort Riley job. Since then more than 100 Negro carpenters have worked on closed shop jobs at Fort Leonard Wood and at other sites in this area.

JEWELL BUILDING STRUCK BY LIGHTNING

On Tuesday morning during the rainstorm the Jewell Building at 24th and Grant Street was struck by lightning. The chimney was demolished and the fire department was called out to put out the fire.

CHICAGO CAMERA CLUB ANNOUNCES THIRD NATIONAL SALON

Chicago, Aug. 4 (ANP) Sponsored by the Lens Camera Club of Chicago, the third annual national salon open to amateur photographers throughout the world has been announced for Sept. 7 to Oct. 1 at the Southside Community Art center.

The only national salon conducted by a Negro club, this year's competition is expected to provide a wide range of entries from amateur camera enthusiasts. Last year it was held in connection with the American Negro Exposition and was a contest as well as a salon. The contest with prizes in cash and merchandise has been abolished for 1941. Instead, medals and awards will be made for the winning prints chosen by the jury.

The closing date for entries will be Aug. 21, with each contestant permitted to submit a maximum of six prints mounted in regular salon fashion. Selection of prints to be displayed as well as the winning pictures will take place around Aug. 30. Complete details and entry blanks may be obtained from the secretary of the Lens

Mrs. Dement of Texas Elected Nat'l Pres. NACW

CLUB WOMEN CLOSE NOTABLE SESSION

Oklahoma City, Aug. 3 (ANP)—Smashing again the precedent that leadership in the National Association of Colored Women proceeds along the line of succession, Mrs. A. B. Dement of Mineral Wells, Texas, was elected president at the 22nd biennial session held here this week. Winning one of the most hotly contested elections in the history of the organization, Mrs. Dement who arrived with a delegation of more than 100 Texans was the third president in the history of the club women's body to be elected without having filled the office of vice president. Mrs. R. R. Moton, the retiring president had been so named as Mrs. Mary Church Terrell in the initial days of the body. Miss Arsanah Williams of St. Louis; former vice president and Mrs. Rebecca Stiles Taylor of Chicago were the losing contestants. Support swung to Mrs. Dement by delegations from Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and certain eastern states turned the tide in the election.

The complete roster of new officers is: Mrs. Ada Bell Dement of Mineral Wells, Texas, President; Mrs. Christine S. Smith, Detroit, vice president; Mrs. Nannie Mae Williams, Illinois, 1st recording secretary; Miss Gladys R. Holmes, Boston, 2nd recording secretary; Mrs. Ella P. Stewart, Toledo, Ohio, treasurer; Mrs. Grace W. Evans, Terre Haute, Ind., chairman, executive board; Mrs. Anna B. Gillum, Little Rock, secretary, executive board; Mrs. Nannie Mae Reed, Chicago, parliamentarian; Mrs. M. J. Brockway, Oklahoma City, statistician; Mrs. H. M. Gibbs, Alabama, auditor; Mrs. L. B. Horace, Texas, chaplain; members of administrative board included Mrs. Jennie B. Moton, Capahosic, Va.; Mrs. Elizabeth Brooks, Mass.; Mrs. Sara Lee Fleming, Conn.; Mrs. Elizabeth Robertson, Kans.; and Mrs. E. D. Miller of Mound Bayou Miss.

The meeting opened Monday night with welcoming addresses by Mayor R. A. Hefner of Oklahoma City, Mrs. J. W. Sanford of the Negro Chamber of Commerce, Mrs. Lucy Winslett of the Housewives league, Mrs. A. J. Orbanaky, white, of the City Federation, Mrs. S. A. Haywood of the City Federation of Colored Women, Mrs. Luella E. Kiff, state president and Rev. C. K. Brown on behalf of the Ministerial alliance. Mrs. Julia West Hamilton of Washington, D. C. responded.

Tuesday reports were heard from the Douglas Home Board, Mrs. S. Joe Brown and Miss Nannie Burroughs, Phyllis Wheatley Dept., Miss Jane Hunter, Headquarters Board; Mrs. Mary M. Bethune, Educational Department; Mrs. Nannie Reed; Department of Peace, Miss Robert J. Dunbar, and the Scholarship Fund board by Miss Hallie Q. Brown.

Mrs. R. R. Moton delivered her biennial address, Tuesday, pointing to a series of substantial accomplishments including the payment of the debt hanging over the national headquarters in Washington and a husbanding of funds. Mrs. Lucy Hart Smith, national supervisor of the National Association of Colored Girls Board, Mrs. Irene McCoy Gaines of the History

Camera club, Miss Mabel McCullough, 423 East 60th street, Chicago, Ill.

COMMITTEE, Mrs. I. W. Rowan of the Mother, Home and Child Department also reported.

Among the speakers were Mrs. Jane Spaulding of Charleston, Va., on "Women in Industry"; Miss Mary V. Robinson of the U. S. Department of Labor on "The Negro Woman Worker in Our Democracy Today"; Miss Thelma McKelvey, OPM office on "Training Demand and Supply of Negro Labor in Defense and Industrial Enterprise"; Dr. G. W. Welle, "Health and Hygiene"; Miss Frances Williams, consumer commissioner, National Defense Advisory Commission; Mrs. Grace Evans, "Legislation"; Mrs. Sallie W. Stewart, the "NACW and the NACG," and E. B. Melssner, president and general manager of the St. Louis Car Co., who spoke on "Procedure Necessary to Secure Employment of Qualified Negroes in Industry." Mrs. Fannie Baxter, Chicago; Miss Audrey Moore, New York City; Rozcoe Dunjee, editor of the Black Dispatch and A. Phillip Randolph, all of whom spoke on the subject "Successful Efforts in Opening New Job Opportunities for Negro Women."

Special trains brought delegations from several eastern states and from Texas. Mrs. Sallie W. Stewart, executive secretary, said the session was one of the most profitable yet held.

DENTAL CONFAB TO HAVE POST GRAD CLINICS

Richmond, Va., August 4 (ANP) The National Dental association at its annual session, August 11-15, will inaugurate the first of a series of post graduate clinics for those dentists attending the convention.

This year's "Dental Education Vacation" will center around clinics by Dr. S. B. Smith, Ambler, Pa. and Dr. R. Beecher Costa, New Haven, Conn., who will demonstrate with models and slides modern methods of denture construction improving the appearance and fit of upper and lower plates.

The Peter B. Ramsey Dental society, Richmond, will serve as hosts of the convention and announce that facilities will be available for the expected 500 or more dentists. Headquarters for the convention will be the newly constructed Maggie L. Walker High school and housing accommodations for the practitioners and their families will be on the adjacent Virginia Union university campus.

Among the other clinicians are included Dr. B. L. Jackson, Tuskegee, who will discuss the treatment of pyorrhea with the Persinon Extract as discovered by Dr. George W. Carver; Dr. Roland J. Main, Medical College of Virginia, will lecture on diet and its relationship to dentistry; and Dr. H. B. Haag, Medical College of Virginia, will present a paper on sulfanilamide in the treatment of mouth infection.

ONE NEGRO OFFICER SERVES WITH WHITES AT FORT SILL

Fort Sill, Okla., Aug. 4 (ANP)—One Negro commissioned officer has been discovered here serving in a regiment officered by whites. He is Lt. Welton I. Taylor, who has been assigned to duty as battery officer with Battery B, 31st Artillery battalion, colored unit stationed at Fort Sill.

Lt. Taylor was graduated from the University of Illinois in June

R. R. WRIGHT NAMED PRES. WILBERFORCE FOR 1 YEAR

Wilberforce, Aug. 4 (ANP)—Meeting in perfect unity the executive committee of the joint state and church boards of Wilberforce university, on Thursday named Bishop R. R. Wright as acting president for one year. The invitation, which was practically a draft, was extended upon the part of both the state and church forces and Bishop Wright is to head all departments.

The motion to invite Bishop Wright was made by Rev. Charles Isom of the state board and seconded by Bishop David Sims of the Church group. Assurance was given Bishop Wright that he would have the unified support of both boards in working out a unified program for a great university. This would appear to end the upheaval at Wilberforce which resulted in the dismissal of President D. Ormonde Walker and re-announcements between the church and secular forces governing the institution. Bishop Wright a former president of the institution and was serving on the trustee board.

TEXAS WOMAN WINS PRIZE FOR NOVEL ON NEGRO LIFE

New York, August 3 (ANP)—A \$2,000 prize for a first novel, dealing with life among Negroes in a small town, has been handed to a white housewife, winner of the first annual Thomas Jefferson Southern award, a competition sponsored by The Virginia Quarterly Review and E. P. Dutton Co. New York publishers. She is Mrs. Elizabeth Lee Wheaton of Texas City, Texas.

The award was made of \$1,000 outright with the balance representing an advance on royalties. The book, entitled "Mr. George's Joint", will be published in the fall by Dutton's and the Review.

In her manuscript Mrs. Wheaton pictures Mr. George, her central character, as the operator of a beer and soft drink parlor in the Negro section of a small southern town. Here the people of the community generally hold their social rendezvous. Inasmuch as the book's action is developed from this point, the author has attempted to reflect the life of the community through George showing how completely apart the Negroes are from the white man of the town.

Mrs. Wheaton is a native Texan and has lived in the state the better part of her life. She is said to be annoyed by the moving picture versions of Negro life and therefore has tried to give a better understanding of him. She claims no special knowledge, but doesn't think this necessary if one is interested in the Negro.

OMAHA IS SCENE OF 11th CENTRAL STATES GOLF TOURNEY

The organized Colored Linksman of St. Louis, Des Moines, Omaha, Topeka, Kansas City, Minneapolis, and St. Paul are readying themselves for competition in what Boyd Galloway president of the CSGA describes as the most complete Golf Tournament ever held in the Central States Area. The Golfing greats of this section will be treated to a four day menu of Competitive golf starting Friday, August 15th at 8 a. m. with a Ladies Invitational followed in the afternoon by a Men's Invitational at Fontenelle Park.

GETS EXECUTIVE Y POSITION



Miss Geraldine Elizabeth Ross, who was awarded the Master of Social Work degree last month from the Atlanta (Ga.) University School of Social Work, has been appointed Assistant to the Executive Secretary of the Paseo branch YWCA, Kansas City, Missouri. Miss Ross received her undergraduate training from Hunter College, New York City, and served for several summers as Junior and Senior Camp Counselor at Camp Atwater, East Brookfield, Mass.

NAACP MASS MEETING

The NAACP will hold a mass meeting on Sunday, August 10, at the Mount Moriah Baptist Church at 3 p. m. The Association will make their report. Everyone is invited to attend this meeting.

JACKIE ROBINSON NAMED TO ALL STAR GRID SQUAD

Chicago, Aug. 2 (ANP) Jackie Robinson star running and pass snatching halfback on the University of California at Los Angeles football team squad for the past two years, has been elected to the annual all-star football squad which plays the Chicago Bears, world professional champions, in Soldiers field late this month.

Although Jackie will not be a starter, he is expected to see considerable action. Last year his teammate, Kenny Washington, played for the College All Stars. Three other Negro prospects failed to win positions. They were Jim Smith of Northwest and Archie Harris of Indiana, ends and Lon Montgomery of Boston college, halfback.

DENY WIDOW INSURANCE OF HUSBAND SHE KILLED

Saginaw, Mich., Aug. 1 (ANP) Federal Judge Arthur J. Tuttle handed down a decision Friday, which denied to Mrs. Beatrice McDavid, who shot her husband, Israel McDavid, a Chevrolet company employee, to death Aug. 11, 1939, the right to share in insurance policies carried by the deceased. The judge ruled that the mother of the deceased, Mrs. Alvania McDavid of Patton Junction Ala., was entitled to the insurance which totalled \$4,000.

A Job For Us All...

Now that the President has put up the stop sign on all discrimination on account of race, color, creed or national origin to industries with government contracts for national defense purposes, it is the job of all of us to see that his edict is obeyed. First there must be a clear understanding of what the order means.

WHAT THE EXECUTIVE ORDER MEANS

Briefly it amounts to this:
1. All vocational training programs for defense operated under government supervision must be open to all persons desiring training for defense industries, regardless of the persons' race, color, creed or national origin. This includes all courses in industrial skills operated under the supervision of the WPA, NYA, U. S. Office of Education, and local programs receiving assistance from the federal agencies.

AME. CHURCH GETS POSSESSION OF ITS PUBL. HOUSE

DISMISS RECEIVER FOR QUARTER MILLION DOLLAR CONCERN

NASHVILLE, Aug. 3 (ANP)—The AME church won its five year battle for possession of its unday school publishing house here Tuesday when Judge E. Elmer E. Davies of the Middle Tennessee federal court dismissed the receiver who had been operating the plant.

The reign of Ira T. Bryant, who had served as secretary-treasurer of the Sunday School union for 28 years during which time he built the institution into a thriving concern and won a substantial financial position for himself, closed as the receiver handed the property over to a committee composed of Bishop Henry Y. Tookes of Florida, William Fountain of Georgia and Dr. A. L. Pinkston of Nashville who acted for the church. While the actual court struggle for possession of the Sunday School union has been in progress for about five years, the trouble which revolved about the institution has been of much longer duration. Bryant was first elected secretary-treasurer in 1908 when the general conference met in Norfolk, Va. An able business man, he quickly developed the publishing house into a profitable venture. Backed by John M. Avery, one of the most influential laymen the church has produced, Bryant grew in power. Rallying a group of laymen he fought certain concentration of authority in the hands of the clergy. Bryant became a bitter critic of cant and hypocrisy in high places and used the machinery of the church publishing house to attack and smear ministers and bishops who incurred his wrath. The clerics writhed under the Bryant assaults and finally in 1936 defeated him electing E. A. Selby in his place.

HOW TO MAKE THE EXECUTIVE ORDER WORK

In order to make the work of the FEP Committee mean the most to us and to prevent any employer from disobeying the order, it is the responsibility of every Negro American to:

1. Send all known instances of discrimination on account of race or color by industrial plants with government contracts for defense to the Committee on Fair Employment Practices in care of the chairman Mark Etheridge, Washington, D. C., until the appointment of the executive secretary, who should then receive the complaints.

2. Send a copy of the complaints to the National Office of the NAACP, 69th Fifth avenue, New York City, and retain one for your own files.

3. Send all known instances of discrimination on account of race or color in vocational schools for government defense work operated by or under a government agency to the committee. Exercise the same care and accuracy with these statements.

4. Send a copy of this complaint to the NAACP national office and retain one for your files.

5. Learn what vocational training courses are offered in the community and urge that all eligible persons register for them.

6. Check each plant working on government defense orders in your locality and make a thorough investigation of its employment policy so that it may be instantly known if any plant violates the executive order.

Make use of the five sets of contract-lists sent from the New York office of the NAACP, to the local branch in determining which plants are in your locality and the amount and kinds of contracts granted them. Limited supply of copies of these contract lists are still available at the New York office.

CAUTION: Jobs will be opened faster and the FEP committee can function more effectively if each complaint which is sent is a clear, concise, complete statement of facts, and facts only. Accuracy is of the utmost importance since the work of the FEP Committee means jobs for thousands of Negroes.

2. All contracts granted after June 25 when the executive order was issued, by the U. S. government (including all its departments and agencies like the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Office of Production Management and others) must have clauses in them which state that the company or companies getting the contract will not discriminate against any worker because of his race, color, creed or national origin.

3. The Committee on Fair Employment Practices composed of six men, two colored, four white, with an executive secretary soon to be employed, is responsible only to the President. Its work is to receive legitimate, factual complaints of discrimination in defense industries or vocational training for defense work; investigate these complaints, and where it finds the charges justified, to take steps necessary to see that the executive order is obeyed. Members of the Committee on Fair Employment Practices are Mark Etheridge, managing editor of the Louisville, Ky. Courier-Journal, chairman; David Sarnoff, president of the Radio Corporation of America, New York; Earl B. Dickerson, alderman, Chicago, Ill. Milton P. Waldner, vice president of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters; William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor; and Phillip Murray, president of the Congress of Industrial Organizations. When the executive secretary to the committee is appointed complaints should be sent to him.

Load of Fun for Everyone! HAY RIDE Monday, Aug. 11, meet at NAACP Office, 2418 Grant St. at 8:30 p. m.