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THE FUTURE IS YOURS

What Are You Doing About It?

John L. Yancey, Secretary-Treasurer, United Transport Service Employees of America believes—The man, who is an executive of one of the most powerful unions in the country, who works closely with Negro and white men seeking every day to make better lives for themselves, believes, by virtue of the experiences he has had during his life so far, quite forcibly in the opportunities for Negro youth today.

"I was born," he says, "some 40 years ago in Memphis, Tennessee, of poor—but not poverty-stricken parents. My education went forward without interruption through high school and two years of business administration. I studied what every school child usually does: literature, mathematics, civics, and a smattering of science. My favorite subjects were history and mathematics.

"My ambition was to become an architect, but financial conditions decreed that I should limit my education and I elected business administration. Upon completion of my course, I accepted a position in a Negro banking institution in my home town as a stenographer. I was advanced later to the position of book-keeper, teller, and assistant cashier—until the depression. I carried on under adverse circumstances, finally returning to a service job which had aided me in earning my education.

"I accepted the job of red cap in the south, and was subjected to all the oppression and indignities to which the job, at that time, was heir. These oppressions and these indignities led to the formation of the organization of which I am now a part. Thus was an avenue opened for me to the position which I now hold."

John Yancey did not have in mind becoming Secretary-Treasurer of UTSEU when he became station employee of the Illinois
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BEAUTY and FASHION HINTS

Ann Watson Smitherman

Teen-Agers:

This week my attention has been directed toward the Teen-Ager. No time is better for the teen-ager to learn habits of personal appearance, good grooming and good manners than when they are very young, as they grow older these habits will not be an effort—instead an asset.

That natural look for the teen-ager should be cherished, to look natural is to be pretty. Do not wear an excessive amount of make-up if any, wear pretty and petite clothes, wear your skirts and sweaters neatly, try to get away from that Sloppy Joe trend. The "Seventeen" magazine is an ideal magazine for teen-agers. You can get it at the neighborhood drug store. It can help you so much in selecting the proper clothes to wear.

You are growing into womanhood, so why not be lady like, if your attention is not already directed toward the boys, it will be soon, so why not start out by demanding respect from them. You are young and there is a lot you must learn. Do not be afraid to consult and trust your mothers. After all it is they who should be able to help you most, for they should understand your faults and short comings.

VIEWS OF THE SENATORS

"I am for the principle that exists in LB 421 that there should be no discrimination in employment because of race, color, creed, or religious affiliation, stated State Senator Thomas H. Adams of the 19th legislature district Wednesday afternoon.

The senator said he felt that the penalty which the bill provides "is excessive." The bill calls for a fine of "not less than five hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars" upon the conviction of any one violating the provisions of the act.

"Excessive penalties led to the place where a prosecuting attorney finds some excuse for not prosecuting, Adams explained. He thought just as much good could be accomplished with a lesser penalty.

Senator Adams said, "It would seem possible to amend the bill so that the injured individual could recover a fixed amount of damage without having to file a suit to recover that amount.

The individual should also have the right, Adams added, to take his own chances and file suit to recover a different amount than that which he proposes the statute should call for.

LB 421 was introduced by Senator Harry Foster, on Feb. 3rd. A public hearing before the Labor Committee has been tentative set for April 4th.

Campus News



by Jeanne
Malone

The Inter-Racial Commission of the University of Nebraska Y.W.C.A. has recently published a pamphlet giving facts and data concerning discrimination against minority groups on this and other campuses. This Inter-Racial Commission was made up of some 50 coeds who were interested in discovering and presenting to others a true picture of racial conditions in American colleges. One of the girls on the Commission was Miss Evelyn Chue, of Omaha, Nebraska, who is a recent graduate of the University of Nebraska. Although our university does show signs of discrimination, particularly in housing and athletics, the attitude and concern of the student body give indications of improvement.

Mrs. Margaret Griffen Brown, having received a leave of absence from Texas College, where she is teaching, is now working toward her Masters Degree from the University of Nebraska.

Mrs. Brown, daughter of Mrs. Anita Griffen of St. Joseph, Missouri, attended Bartlett High School in St. Joseph and was a member of the school band.

At only 16 years of age, Mrs. Brown enrolled in the College of Home Economics in the University of Nebraska. While attending school Mrs. Brown was active in the Religious Welfare Council, was a member of the Ag. Y.W.C.A. cabinet was a 4-H club leader and was an active member of Quinn Chapel A.M.E. church. Mrs. Brown received her Bachelor of Science degree from the university in June 1946.

August 5, 1946, Miss Margaret Griffen became Mrs. Henry Brown in St. Joseph, Missouri. The following September Mrs. Brown began teaching at Texas College, Tyler, Texas, where Mr. Brown is at present Matriculating.

Mrs. Eugenia Simms Brown, sister-in-law of Mrs. Margaret Brown, has been visiting her mother and friends on her way to the east. Mrs. Brown was a student at the Nebraska University until last fall when she went to Southern University Louisiana where her husband is now a teacher.

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