

**FE-CIO SETS EXAMPLE**—The CIO Farm Equipment and Metal Workers union is one of the nation's few predominantly white labor organizations to elect Negroes to top executive posts. Shown here is William D. Smith, of Chicago, international vice president of FE-CIO, flanked by mixed secretarial staff. Left to right, are Nataile Winterman and Carlotta Rufus. Negroes are estimated at 14 per cent of the 65,000-man international membership and both north and south. Negroes are fully integrated into union leadership. Several days ago the union signed a blanket contract covering 40,000 workers in 11 Harvester plants, and defeated the UAW-CIO in three straight N.L.R.B. elections.

## Fraternal Council of Negro Churches Changes Its Name

RICHMOND, Va. (ANP). Members of the executive board of the Fraternal Council of Negro Churches, after a heated discussion, voted last week to change its name to the Fraternal Council of Churches in the United States.

At its meeting at the Fifth street Baptist church of which Dr. C. C. Scott is pastor, the board voted to drop the word Negro from the organizations name.

Dr. W. H. Jernagin reported that \$7,000 had been contributed for the purchase of a \$16,000 home for the bureau in Washington, D. C. The remainder of the money would be raised through donations from the 11 denominations in 19 states that make up the Fraternal council.

Honored guest speaker of the meeting was the world famous Dr. W. A. Visser 't Hooft, secretary of the World Council of Churches, Geneva, Switzerland. Dr. 't Hooft hails from The Netherlands.

Bishop H. T. Medford delivered

the sermon of the meeting. J. W. Lucas of Dayton, O., Dr. Nannie H. Burroughs of Washington, D. C., Douglass Greer, special assistant to the Federal Housing administrator, Dr. Oscar Lee, secretary of race relations of the Methodist church, also spoke.

The council voted to authorize the establishment of women's auxiliaries in various states. The auxiliary from St. Louis sent a token of \$150 to the group.

Officers of the council will hold their positions until October. They are the Rev. J. M. Bracy of St. Louis, president; Calvin K. Stalnaker, executive secretary; the Rev. J. W. Eichelberger and the Rev. J. W. Lucas, secretaries. The Rev. R. W. Coleman of New Orleans was selected special field organizer.

Guests at the meeting included Bishops James Clair Taylor of the AME Zion church, A. J. Allen of the AME church, and H. Z. Plummer of the Church of God and Saints in Christ.

## Lodge's Officers Visit; Woodlee Is High School Soloist

By Beatrice Motley.

ALLIANCE, Neb.—The Masonic and Eastern Star officers from the Nebraska jurisdiction are making their annual visits to the Alliance Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M and to the Alliance Chapter No. 5, OES. Mrs. Mamie Houchins of Lincoln, grand matron, is among the Eastern Star visitors. Mrs. Margaret Moore, Omaha, grand treasurer, and Mrs. Susie Jones, Omaha, grand lecturer, are also visitors.

### Stella Woodlee Sings.

Miss Stella Marie Woodlee was vocal soloist at the Alliance high school baccalaureate exercises for the class of 1949. Miss Woodlee was also guest soloist at the Hay Springs Methodist church Sunday evening. This is included in a number of Sunday evening programs in neighboring churches in which she has participated.

### Alliance Social Notes.

Mrs. Sayers of Moberly, Mo., spent two weeks visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Rudolph Ealy.

Mrs. Rose Johnston recently returned from a visit in Omaha.

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## Helen Phillips to Sing for Red Cross

ATLANTIC, CITY. (ANP). Helen Phillips, talented young soprano from St. Louis, will be a guest artist at the convention of the American Red Cross during its annual meeting here June 30. Miss Phillips is a graduate of Lincoln university, Mo., studied at Fisk and has appeared at Town Hall in New York City. In the summer of 1948, she was guest soloist with the St. Louis Symphony orchestra.

## Tom Allen, Flyer, To Fly the Globe

LOS ANGELES. (ANP). Thomas Allen, the first Negro to make a transcontinental flight across the United States, plans to become the first Negro to make a round-the-world airplane flight, he announced last week.

He plans to make this flight on his own without benefit of commercial promoters.

Allen, at the age of 25, first hit the headlines in 1932 when he flew to Valley Stream, Long Island on Oct. 9 in an Eagle Rock monoplane from the old Dycer airport here. On his new trip he plans to drop off letters from the United States to other nations.

# FEPC Need Retold

## Rep. Burke Airs Reasons Why Fair Employment Law Necessary

BY ALICE A. DUNNIGAN

WASHINGTON. (ANP). Cong. Thomas H. Burke (D., Ohio), one of the members of the subcommittee of the House Committee on Labor and Education which has recently closed hearings on the proposed FEPC bill, appeared on the Americans All broadcast over station WOOK last Sunday.

The Ohio representative told Tomlinson D. Todd, director of the program, that a federal FEPC law is necessary for four purposes:

(1) "It is an implementation of the moral and natural law because it proclaims that discrimination because of race, color, creed or national origin is detrimental to the orderly processes of our society.

(2) It becomes more difficult to sell our idea of democracy on an international level if we continue to permit discrimination because of race, religion or ancestry to be a determining factor in job placement opportunities.

(3) Second class citizenship is foreign to our ideals and policies as stated in our constitution.

(4) Discrimination in employment causes waste of our human resources in our national economies because it prevents the full and effective use of talents, skills and abilities."

Mr. Burke made it known that FEPC legislation was not directed against the South as has been generally implied by representatives from that section of the country.

He pointed out that the very fact that some northern states have adopted FEPC laws is an indication that the South is not the only place where discrimination in jobs exist. Therefore, this law, according to Representative Burke, is aimed at discrimination wherever it may exist, whether in the North, South, East or West.

If this bill is passed, it will be necessary for a permanent national commission against discrimination in employment to be created. This commission will be composed of seven members appointed by the president with the advice and consent of the senate and will serve seven-year terms.

Such agency will prevent the flooding of courts and the clogging of their calendars to the detriment of their other work. It

## VFW to Hold Jubilee Convo June 12 to 15

Final plans were completed this week for the "Golden Jubilee" 29th annual state convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Nebraska, June 12-15 in Omaha, according to L. J. Gaughen, North Bend, state V.F.W. commander. All sessions will be held at the Fontenelle Hotel.

A highlight of the convention will be a talk by Francis P. Matthews, Omaha, new secretary of the Navy. National V.F.W. junior vice commander Charles C. Ralls, Seattle, Wash., will be the official representative of the national organization, to talk at the convention.

Merton B. Tice, Mitchell, South Dakota, national chief of staff, is slated to speak at the convention sessions, and Dorothy Mann, past national president, Ladies Auxiliary, will address the auxiliary meetings.

A feature of the convention will be the "Golden Jubilee" parade, scheduled Tuesday, June 14, at 10 a. m.

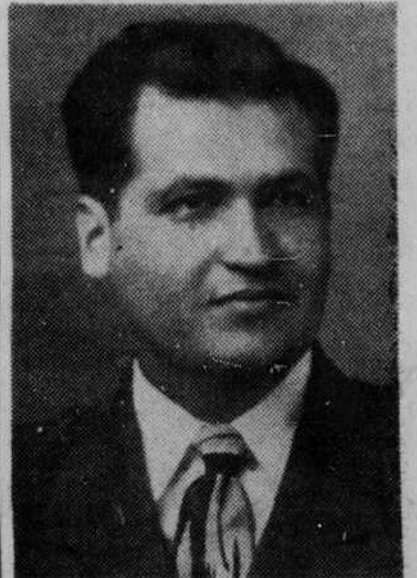
## Justice Dept. to Probe Murder of Georgia Man

WASHINGTON. (ANP). Maceo Hubbard, lawyer in the Civil Rights section of the Department of Justice, was called upon this week by Mrs. Constance Baker Motley of the legal department of the NAACP to investigate the murder of a Brunswick, Ga., Negro by two policemen.

Willie Johnson was killed on the evening of May 3 by two Brunswick policemen who charged that "he was looking suspiciously at a house." "Such incident," said Mrs. Motley, "could possibly be a violation of the Federal Civil Rights Statutes."

The 58 year old murdered man had been a resident of Brunswick for 14 years. He was a county employe and a deacon of St. Paul's Baptist church.

## Leaving Lincoln



Courtesy Lincoln Journal.  
**Rabbi Jerome Kestenbaum**, leader of the Congregation Tifereth Israel, has resigned his pastorate to accept another position in Miami, Fla. Rabbi Kestenbaum has been a member of various community projects. He has also been active with the Lincoln Social Action council, having been a member of its executive committee this year.

will screen out worthless complaints which otherwise would harass innocent employers or unions. A respondent has to defend every suit filed in court, but most administrative agencies dismiss from two-thirds to three-fourths of all charges submitted.

A FEPC commission will protect the rights of employes without compelling them to hire their own lawyers; it will insure speedy action and avoid delays and excessive costs in the courts and will insure uniformity by having one agency interpret the bill, subject to supervision and correction by congress, instead of 94 federal district courts.

A commission of experts devoting full time to this problem will avoid the necessity of criminal penalties which juries hesitate to impose.

Appearing on this same program were Frederick Wiggins, Mrs. Ethel C. Perritt, and Mrs. Margaret P. Gilmore, all employes of the Bureau of Engraving who have worked hard to break down discrimination among the workers at the bureau.

The program was under the auspices of the Institute of Race Relations of which Todd is president.

## Reports of Revolt In Ethiopia False

LONDON. (ANP). Reports of a revolt in Ethiopia are false, members of the Ethiopian legation here declared last week. The legation also denied that an attempt had been made on the life of Crown Prince Asfa Wassan.

The news of a revolt was first publicized in a Rome newspaper, 11 Messaggero.



**DR. GOOLSBY FETED.**—A week's celebration was climaxed May 22 at Columbia, Mo., when the congregation of St. Paul AME Church there honored Dr. Lewis S. Goolsby for 40 years of service in the ministry with a reception. Congratulatory messages came from coast to coast, from bishops, ministers and friends. In the picture (r. to l.) are Dr. and Mrs. Goolsby, his son Rev. Lewis W., who preached the anniversary sermon; Lewis Lindley, whom his grandfather baptised; Mrs. L. W. Goolsby and Elmore Goolsby.