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## Indict Three Columbian Leaders

Men's Club

## Mrs. Luella Thornton, Church Leader, Dead

Mrs. Luella Thornton, 68, Omaa area superintendent of the A. M. E. Church missionary societies, died last Tuesday at home, 2311 North 27th Avenue. Mrs. Thornton was a member of Bethel A M. E. Church.

Survivors: Husband, John D.; stepson, John D., Jr., Chicago, Ill., brothers, Morton Graces, Kansas City, Kansas. Services were Saturday, Nov. 23, 2 p.m., Bethel A. M. E. Church, the Rev. H. W. Bletson officiating; burial Kansas City, Kansas Thomas Mortuary was in charge.

## Scouts On Program

Troop No. 60 under the direction of Scout Master J. R. Kelley took part in the ceremony honoring the American Citizens Naturalized at Lincoln, Nebraska, during the year December, 1945— December, 1946 at the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce Tuesday, December 4. The ceremony consisted of a Dinner and Program at which, greetings were given by Mayor Lloyd J. Marti.

Scouts taking part were: Lloyd King Jr., Theodore King, James and Roosevelt Bass.

PEOPLE YOU SHOULD KNOW

The Men's Club, which meets each Wednesday evening at 8 p.m. This club was originally organized in 1943 and has devoted its efforts toward many community betterment projects. Membership is open to any male citizen of Lincoln who is interested in a better Lincoln. Mr. James Wadkins is the president. The present objective is a study of the employment status of the Negroes of Lincoln. In making this study, personnel and public relations officials of various industries will be asked to tell of their policies with respect to Negroes.

ATLANTA—(ANP)— The Fulton County Grand jury last week returned indictments a g a in s t three leaders of Columbians, Inc., anti-Negro and anti-Jewish organization, on charges growing out or racial disturbances in various sections of the city.

James R. Childers, 17-year-old youth, who was bound over for grand jury investigation by City Recorder A. W. Callaway, was indicted for rioting, a felony, in connection with the beating of Clifford Hines, a Negro.

Emory Burke, president of the Columbians, and Homer L. Loomis, secretary of the hate group, were charged with misdeameanor offenses—usurping police authority—on five separate counts.

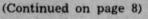
Specifically, Loomis and Burke were charged with using police tactics to patrol areas on Garibaldi and Formwalt streets, borderline housing areas; conducting an investigation of an alleged attack on a white woman, and warning a Negro resident against disturbing a white Garibaldi street resident.

In a resolution, adopted unanimously Monday, the Atlanta Junior Chamber of Commerce pledged its full support to efforts to combat the Columbians, Inc., and denounced the organization as seeking to "incite racial and religious hatred and violence strangely similar to that spread abroad by the Nazi party of Germany."

Copies of the resolution were sent to Gov. Ellis Arnall, Atty. Gen. Eugene Cook, Atlanta Mayor William B. Hartsfield and Chief of Police M. A. Hornsby.

The Columbians previously were granted 10 days to prepare a demurrer in a civil suit filed by the state to revoke the organization's charter.

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Cornhusker Lodge 579 I.B.P.O.E.W. held its election of officers Monday evening in the Lounge of the Urban League.

Members pictured left to right seated in first row: Emory; McCulla; Moss; Bradley, Tyler elect; Foster, Inner guard; Clair; Gill. Second row: Adkins, Royal Knight; Nevels, Leading Knight; Kelley, Secretary; Pearson; Gimblin; Motley; Tarpley, Exalted Ruler elect; McFields; Bass; Miller; Brown, Lecturing Knight. Third row: standing, Todd; Gantz, District Deputy; Bowen; Allen, Treasurer; Omaha guest; Knowles, Exalted Ruler; Layer, Chairman of Trustees; Estes, Esquire; Walker and Polk.