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Lincoln Churches to Save Condemned Georgia Trio

Contributions Come Into Local Branch of NAACP

In response to its appeal, sent out to Lincoln churches, clubs, lodges, and other organizations last week, the local NAACP branch has been receiving a steady stream of contributions which by Saturday afternoon had amounted to \$83.85. The funds are to support the defense of Mrs. Roas Lee Ingram, Albany, Ga., widow who, with two sons, had been scheduled to die on February 27th. The defenseless threesome are still held in the Albany jail, but the scene of their trial has been switched to the Americus county (Ga.) courthouse where, on March 29th, a plea for a motion for a new trial will be heard by the same judge that sentenced the family group previously.

These are the reports to date (March 6). Other offerings are to come in:

Mt. Zion Baptist Church	\$10.25
Quinn Chapel A. M. E.	12.81
Christ Temple	10.00
Northside Church of God	19.30
Newman Methodist	2.60
C. M. E.	5.00
Elks Lodge	5.00
Church of God in Christ	2.89
St. Paul A. M. E. (Beatrice, Nebr.)	3.00
Mr. George Fenger (Nine-Cent Cleaners)	5.00
Lincoln Voice	2.00
Friends from Elliott School	6.00

Total\$83.85

At the meeting of the local branch last Friday night, further plans were laid for the forthcoming rally and banquet on April 11th, when the annual membership drive gets under way. Tickets for the affair, which went on sale Friday, will be available from Mrs. Walter Bell, 1945 Vine St., Mrs. Robert Moody, Mrs. G. W. Harper and Mrs. Zeola Hammond. Tickets will also be available at the Urban League office.

New Vocational School Expense Project Announced

The National Urban League announced today its first Vocational Opportunity Campaign Essays open to student participants in the 1948 VOC program.

Cash prizes totalling \$225, to help meet 1948-1949 school expenses, will be given to writers of the three best original essays on "What the Vocational Opportunity Campaign Has Meant To Me." The winning essay will receive \$100, the second \$75 and the third \$50. Contest dates are March 14 through April 30. All essays submitted must be post-marked no later than midnight, April 30, 1948.

The awards were made possible by a gift from Dr. Ross Thalheimer.

Only persons who have taken part in the 1948 VOC of the National Urban League either through a school, a local Urban League, or another community agency are eligible to participate. Contestants must be:

enrolled in last year of study in a secondary school;

Church Body Would Keep Meharry Free

CHICAGO. (ANP). The board of education of the Methodist church, holding its eighth annual meeting in Chicago Wednesday and Thursday, voted against the proposal to turn Meharry Medical college over to a group of southern states to run as a separate institution for Negro medical students.

The matter was first considered by the committee of the division of educational institutions. There the resolution as finally passed was sponsored by President Daniel L. Marsh of Boston university, Chancellor Herbert J. Burgstahler of Ohio Wesleyan university; Bishop Robert N. Brooks of New Orleans and President David D. Jones of Bennett college, Greensboro, N. C. The resolution read:

"In view of the long historical connection between the Methodist church and Meharry college in its founding and continuing support we do not look with favor on Meharry college changing its status from a private institution to that of a public institution, regional or otherwise."

Meharry college was originally a Methodist school. In later years and particularly after the General Education board came to the support of the institution helping it to raise its endowment to \$5,000,000, it was no longer within church control.

Dr. Matthew S. Davage of Nashville, a trustee of Meharry and secretary of the division of educational institutions for Negroes, presented the viewpoint of the trustees of the school. He pointed out that the institution, which is valued at \$10,000,000, would have to close its doors before the next term rolls around unless some way can be found to develop additional income. Costs of medical education have mounted with terrific speed during the past few years.



—Courtesy Lincoln Journal.
GEORGE RANDOL.

'Over the Hill' To the Circlet

Circlet theater is going in for old fashioned melodrama next month and has scheduled tryouts for "Over the Hill" Wednesday evening at 7:30 at the Cornhusker. Director George Randol expects to see a goodly number of new applicants, believing that people will try out for this type of production who might not for any other. The play will be presented at the municipal bathhouse the week of April 5. Mr. Randol and his production staff have a number of surprises up their sleeves in this connection.

Dr. DuBois Observes 80th Anniversary

NEW YORK. (ANP). Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, probably the greatest American Negro scholar and writer, observed his 80th birthday, Feb. 23. He was honored at a special dinner at the Hotel Roosevelt given by the Fisk University alumni.

Dr. DuBois graduated from Fisk in 1888, then went to Harvard. At Fisk he edited the Fisk Herald, and was one of the school's leading and most impassioned orators, especially against the color bar.

Dr. DuBois first gained attention in 1896 from the first volume of the Harvard Historical Studies, "The Suppression of the African Slave Trade to the United States of America, 1638-1870."

In 1910 he was one of the founders of the N.A.A.C.P. and at Atlanta university he founded the quarterly publication, Phylon, a review of race and culture.

He has written 22 books including "Black Reconstruction," and has signed contracts to write a fiction book and a book on Africa and the colonial system.

Dr. DuBois is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the only Negro member of the National Institute of Arts and Letters.

His grandson, DuBois Williams, spent his birthday with him.

Church Council Meets at League

The Lincoln Council of Church women will meet at the Urban League on March 16. One number of the program will be choral reading group composed of an inter-racial group of women from various churches. They will read, "The Creation" by James Weldon Johnson. Another member of the group will give the life story of the composer and writer.

Vocational Guidance for Youth Planned By League

Parents Urged to Hear Noted Speakers on Job Choice March 15

On Monday, March 15, 1948 at the Urban League building, the Urban League Women's Guild is promoting a Vocational Guidance program for the boys and girls of the 9th grade and high school. Co-sponsors with the Guild are the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, the Cornhusker Lodge No. 579, I.B.P.O.E. of W.

Samuel Huston President Dies Suddenly

By H. S. Hughes.
AUSTIN, Tex. (ANP). Dr. Karl E. Downs, youthful president of Samuel Huston college, died suddenly Thursday morning at the Breckenridge hospital following an emergency operation. He was serving his sixth term as head of the college, having been elected to succeed Dr. Stanley E. Granum.

Dr. Downs was born 35 years ago at Abilene, Tex., the son of the Rev. John W. and Lucrotia Downs. His boyhood was spent all over Texas, for his life was no different from that of the children of ministers who move from place to place as their fathers go from pastorate to pastorate.

Six Lincolnites New Faces on U.N. Campus

By Charles Goolsby.
Among the many thousands registering for the second semester at the University of Nebraska were six local newcomers and two out-of-staters. After getting their matriculations in order, all settled down to travel the roads of higher education. Lincolnites are:

Howard Bean, son of Mrs. C. J. Johnson, 648 So. 20th St., who is starting his major in sociology.

Fletcher Bell, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Bell, 1945 Vine St., who is in the school of fine arts learning commercial art.

Eugene Graham, son of Mrs. James Cole, 1043 No. 23rd, who is studying instrumental music.

Charles Johnson, 1825 So. 25th St., who is also in the music school improving his bass voice.

Bill Mosby, son of Mrs. Vashti Mosby, 1030 Rose, who is registered in the college of pharmacy.

Miss Betty Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wilson, 1923 "T" St., who has evening classes in bizad.

The two out-of-staters are **Charlie Jones** from Baltimore, Md., Engineering freshman, and **George Riley** of Little Rock, Ark., junior in the College of Business Administration.

NAACP Battles With Congress on Legislation

WASHINGTON. (ANP). The NAACP was on the warpath again this week battling with congressmen on Capitol Hill for the passage of legislation beneficial to Negro Americans.

Leslie Perry, legislative representative of the NAACP, appeared Monday before the house armed subcommittee on organization and mobilization asking that the bill to establish the women's army corps in the regular army and to authorize the enlistment and appointment of women in the regular navy and marine corps be amended to include a non-segregation clause.

The objective in this program is to aid these boys and girls in selecting a trade or profession in which they are likely to succeed. To do this, through the Nebraska State Vocational Education Department, we have been provided with: Self-analysis blanks which gives the educational requirements, special abilities, possible financial returns and best locations for the various professions or trades. Kudar intelligence test which will show how the individual rates for particular jobs. A list of the schools, universities or trade schools in which the individual can secure the best training.

For the special meeting on Monday evening, plans are set to have as speakers, two outstanding Negro speakers who will give factual proof that with the proper training Negroes have succeeded in many areas of employment or service.

We are especially urging all parents to attend the meeting Monday night for even though your children may not be in the age group designated, this information will be helpful when they do arrive at that age.

Boy Scouts at Honor Court, Seeking Jobs

The boys in Troop 60 are seeking odd jobs and other work for after school and on Saturdays in order to make enough money to go to camp this summer. March 2nd, the troop was the guests of Ital Area Court at the First Christian Church. On March 23rd, Ital will conduct a round table with the green-bar men (patrol leaders) during which James and Roosevelt Bass will demonstrate the proper handling of a knife and axe.

At the Mothers Day Court, scheduled for May 3rd, all boys advancing a grade will place a lapel badge, equal to his rank, upon his mother, according to Mr. Joseph Adams, scoutmaster.

Cub Scouts Become Active; Open for New Members

The Cubs met at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Lewis on Monday evening. Six boys were present and got off to a wonderful start. The den has two den chiefs, James Bass and Roosevelt Bass. These boys certainly know their scouting. The boys learned their cub sign, handshake and motto. It is open for any boy between the ages of 9 and 12.

Announcement.

Organizations wishing to submit items to The VOICE concerning their activities, should do so by 12:00 noon on Saturdays to appear the following week. Manuscripts should be typed double-spaced on one side of the paper only.