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## Truman Announces Draft, UMT and ERP

### "Prepare For Tomorrow's Jobs" Lincolnians Told

#### 100 Attend VOC Program at LUL

By Charles Goolsby

Mr. Eugene W. Skinner stated: "At present there is an acute shortage of skilled workers and trained technicians," Mr. Eugene W. Skinner, Principal of Omaha's Long Elementary School told an attentive audience of young people and parents at the Lincoln Urban League's 1948 Vocational Opportunity Campaign (VOC). He averred that "When we see those who have gained success in their fields, in every case without exception there has been much unglamorous work before, we may be sure."

"Education, in its broader functional considerations, as experience, begins at birth and continues all through life. This experience enriches life. The personality developed in "extra-curricular" activities also helps sell your greatest product—yourself."

Mr. Skinner, himself an athlete, continued by pointing out the advances made by the men in sports and the later inability of those who failed to complete their educations to find economic security when the glamorous days were over. "Once you quit it's hard to forsake a little money and crack a book. If you are not prepared, there is no hope of attainment."

Mr. Clyde Malone, Urban League Executive Sec'y, opened the meeting stating that "only by getting together can we solve our problems." He presented Rev. R. E. Handy who offered the invocation.

Stanley "Bobby" Cooke, Law College junior, set forth the purpose of the VOC.

Mrs. Pansy Beard, representing the U. L. Women's Guild, introduced the main speakers.

Mr. Malone also presented certificates of Recognition from Opportunity Magazine to Mrs. Clyde Coulter and Mrs. William Page, cleanup and beautification prize winners in the Cleanup Campaign last year.

### Mayor Signs Philly FEPC Bill Into Law

PHILADELPHIA. (ANP). The Philadelphia Fair Employment Practice bill became law Friday with the signature of Mayor Bernard Samuel affixed to the measure.

The bill which was originally sponsored by Councilmen Schwartz, Armstrong, Sullivan and Garman, prohibits the hiring, advertising or registering of workers on grounds of race or religious background. It provides a five-man commission to accept and investigate complaints and sets a \$100 fine of 30 days imprisonment or both for violations.

"Consider your capabilities; plan . . ."



Mrs. Robbie Davis.

Mrs. Robbie Davis, Vocational guidance advisor at Tech High, Omaha, charmed the group, mostly of Jr. high and high school ages, with her understanding and sense of humor. Under the general topic of "Planning for Life" she presented a 5-point plan for successful choosing a vocation. She proposed: 1—An Educational plan which would consider the length of time and the amount of money available for schooling. 2—An Abilities plan which considers one's highest abilities as determined by tests and one's interests. 3—A Social plan which would consider whether or not the type of work will give one the social satisfaction he desires. 4—A Physical plan which would consider size and strength required for a given job. 5—A Mental plan—in which aptitudes would be correlated. She also recommended a survey of self, of community and world occupations, urging wider reading on world and national trends.

Mrs. Davis then cited 1940 census figures, pointing out known changes. In that year Nebraska Negroes were in 534 occupations. The ratio of Negroes to non-Negroes was listed as: Doctors, 1 in 1575; Dentists 1 in 2834; Nurses, 1 (now 8) in total; Accountants, 1 in 1010; writers, 1 in 7086.

A question and answer period, moderated by Mr. Malone, followed the talks which were attended by about 100 persons. Co-sponsoring the event this year were the U. L. Women's Guild, the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity and Cornhusker Lodge No. 579, I. B. P. O. E. of W.

### Judge Rainey For Wallace

PHILADELPHIA. (ANP). Magistrate Joseph Rainey announced officially Saturday that he is no longer a Democratic party supporter and that he is the Progressive party congressional candidate from the 4th district. He told the press at his Pyramid club luncheon that his change of allegiance came when the Democratic leaders failed to consider a Negro on the overall party slate.

### Church Women Given Talk on Civil Rights

"Those persons who have a conscientious interest in democracy or Christianity, must be conscious of the violation of civil rights and have grave concern over the matter," said Chancellor John L. Knight, of Wesleyan University, when he reviewed President Truman's report of civil rights and research on conditions at Tuesday's meeting of the Lincoln Council of Church Women at the Urban League.

Chancellor Knight based his talk on the Truman committee report, outlined the findings, and pointed out its significance.

Dorothy Ichanaga spoke on International house at the University of Nebraska.

Taking part in choral readings from "The Creation," by James Weldon Johnson were the following:

Vine Congregational: Mrs. Mark Baldwin, Mrs. B. A. Carter. First Presbyterian: Mrs. Benjamin C. Hayenga, Mrs. A. J. Hutchinson. Grace Methodist: Mrs. Gene Allen, Mrs. E. W. Darby. Quinn Chapel: Mrs. Clyde Malone, Mrs. Howard Molden, Mrs. M. L. Shakespeare, Mrs. R. E. Handy, Mrs. Marvin Winston, Mrs. John Robinson, Mrs. Clayton Lewis. Mount Zion: Mrs. W. B. Davis. Newman Methodist: Mrs. George W. Harper. Elm Park Methodist: Mrs. Merle Stoneman, Mrs. Carroll Story, Mrs. Richard Grant, Mrs. O. Erway. All Souls Unitarian: Mrs. Arthur Duning, Mrs. Jack Zimmer. Quinn Chapel A. M. E., Newman Methodist and Mt. Zion Baptist were hosts to the record breaking crowd.

Mrs. John Brooks was appointed general chairman in charge of the fellowship meeting in May.

### Mayor Picks Interracial Committee

DETROIT. (ANP). Mayor Eugene Van Antwerp appointed a new interracial committee to promote racial harmony, last week. Three Negro members of the group are:

Edward M. Turner, vice president of the Detroit branch NAACP; Dr. Scipie Murphy and Chester Smith.

### Bishop Wright In Two Firsts

MEMPHIS. (ANP). Bishop R. R. Wright of the 13th Episcopal district of the African Methodist Episcopal church recently achieved two firsts as a Negro. He spoke on brotherhood before the Cross-Cut club of Memphis, an interdenominational group.

His other first was an address on the same topic at the chapel of Southern Methodist university.

### Miss. School Has Problem

JACKSON, Miss. (INS). The Mississippi Senate has rejected a plan requiring distribution of copies of the United States Constitution in the State's public schools. It was killed when opponents warned it might open the door to mass Negro voting.

Under State law, persons attempting to vote must prove they are familiar with the Constitution.

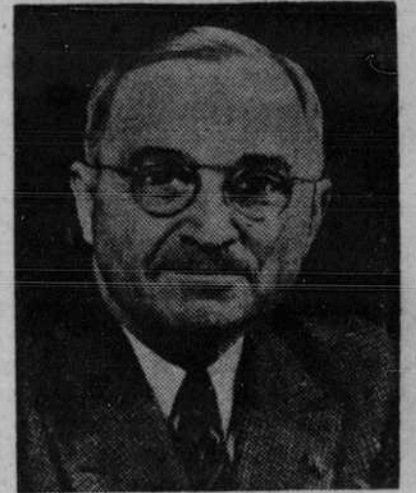
### "This will require help to many other nations"

In an historic appearance before a joint session of congress last Wednesday, the president said that his recommendations represented "the most urgent steps toward securing the peace and preventing war."

"We must be prepared to pay the price of peace, or assuredly we shall pay the price of war."

The president said: "On nation, however, has persistently obstructed the work of the United Nations by constant abuse of the veto. That nation has vetoed 21 proposals for action in a little over two years."

"The tragic death of the republic of Czechoslovakia has sent a shock throughout the civilized world. Now pressure is being brought to bear on Finland, to the hazard of the entire Scandinavian peninsula. Greece is under direct military attack from rebels actively supported by her communist-dominated neighbors. In Italy, a determined and aggressive effort is being made by a communist minority to take control of that country."



PRESIDENT TRUMAN.

—Courtesy Lincoln Journal.

The president persisted that, "I believe that we have reached a point at which the position of the United Nations should be made unmistakably clear."

### Flyers Plan Air Service

TAMPA, Fla. (ANP). Two flyers here have established an air freight service for Central America and the Caribbean area. The pilots, Capt. William T. Henry and Miles Dalmos also plan to provide charter flight service for passengers. They have worked in Tampa for the last nine months as flight instructors at the Drew Field Aviation college.

### Grand Islander Retires From RR

By Mrs. Belva Spicer

GRAND ISLAND, Neb.—Mr. Bert James is retiring after 32 years service with the Union Pacific Railroad. Mr. James began his railroading career with the San Francisco & Pacific railroad in 1908, but switched to the Union Pacific in 1916. He has been a stationary engineer with them for years.

On the announcement of his retirement, the Firemen and Oilers union, of which Mr. James is a member, presented him with a fine outfit of fishing tackle. Refreshments were served afterwards, at which time he was prevailed on to speak. He recounted his record, saying, "In all my 40 years of employ, I have been late to work less than a dozen times, never had any trouble requiring investigation nor any reportable accidents except when I was injured in a windstorm last year."

Mr. James is a Sunday school teacher at Solomon Temple AME Church, of which Mrs. Belva Spicer is pastor.

### Board Seats Sought by Two

HELENA, Ark. (ANP). Two out of 10 candidates for the five positions on the Marvell district school board, are Negroes. They are E. C. Paschal and Mose Scaife, who with three whites are opposing the re-election of five incumbents.

### Reaction to Mr. Truman's Great Speech

Henry A. Wallace—"It is a shameful call for world remobilization, a complete admission of the failure of the Truman doctrine and a call for an American police state to which I shall pay my complete respects in a broadcast over the ABC network at 9:45 p. m. (c.s.t.) Thursday."

Rep. Dewey Short (r., Mo.)—"I don't think it (the draft) is necessary. I think there is a lot of hysteria being created. Just another crisis—one in a long series on which the new deal has fed and fattened for 16 years."

Rep. Karl Stefan (r., Neb.)—"This is a far-reaching request. It almost indicates mobilization for war. I am very much disappointed that diplomacy has failed so miserably. It certainly indicates a need for better statesmanship. I don't think a draft is necessary unless we are told we have to go to war."

### Oklahoma Still Bars Mrs. Fisher

NORMAN, Okla. (ANP). Despite a district court order of Jan. 22 that the state board of regents for higher education enroll Mrs. Ada Lois Sipuel Fisher in the University of Oklahoma law school, or halt all enrollments until equal facilities are available for Negroes, Mrs. Fisher has been denied entrance, although 70 first-year law students were admitted Jan. 29.

This information was given out by Atty. Amos T. Hall, of Tulsa, who petitioned the district court for a modification of its previous order and asked that Mrs. Fisher be admitted immediately pending a court hearing on allegations that equal educational opportunities have not been provided.