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Roland Hayes Receives

Hundreds of Lincolmites love good music, thrilled to the golden tones and affluent personality of America's No. 1 Negro tenor and one of the greatest interpreters of the vocal art of our time, when Roland Hayes appeared in recital at St. Paul Methodist church November 21.

Roland Hayes exhibited a subtleness of interpretation that was simple yet eloquent in its expressiveness; his wonderfully clear lyric tenor voice still displaying the highest type of performance and repertoire, even though his hair is more grey than steel.

Despite his age and long service on the concert stage, Mr. Hayes rendered the "My Best Beloved" with the combination of reverence and perfection of style that few tenors could equal.

The manner in which Mr. Hayes could turn from the quiet moments of an old English song like "Have You Seen a White Lily

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to bravura, dramatic recitation as in the tour de force of Saint-Saens "Tournament" or to the frills of the classic masters is hardly surpassable.

It is equally as remarkable how he could change his style from the deep emotions of a song by Henri Tomasi which he rendered in almost perfect French diction to the melancholy of Negro spirituals from the deep south. The entire program included:

All' Aquisto di Gloria, A. Scarlatti.
Come and Trip It, Handel.
My Best Beloved, J. C. Bach.
Have You Seen But a White Lily Grow (old English).
Song of the Muses, Schubert.
The Fox, Richard Trunk.
Dance Song, Richard Trunk.
Thou Has Left Me, Tomasi.
Tournament, Saint-Saens.
To a Sparrow, Reginald Boardman.
Every Time I Feel the Spirit (spiritual).
Mother to Son, Percival Parham.
Work songs: Get Up, Chillen. Go Round de Wall, and Lord, How Come Me Here" arr. Frederick Hall.
Don't Mind What Satan Say, arr. Roland Hayes.
Spirituals: Prepare Me One Body, I'll Go Down and Die, Sister Mary Had But One Child, Little Boy, How Old Are You? Plenty Good Room; And He Never Said a Mumberin' Word; Ezekiel Saw a Wheel; Were You There?

Anna Hayden Williams in Concert Dec. 16

Mrs. Anna Hayden Williams, talented soprano, will be presented in a recital at the Urban League on Dec. 16.

Mrs. Williams became noticed as a singer as early as 1940 while still in high school, she won first place in the "Golden Voice" contest in Dallas, Tex., where she represented the college as a soloist on many occasions.

She has also studied under Conrad Boos at the Juilliard school of music and at present is studying under the direction of Dr. Arthur Westbrook at the University of Nebraska. Mrs. Williams has given numerous recitals throughout the country and was second place winner of the "Voice of Tomorrow" contest, the annual midwest music festival for 1947 and 1948.

The recital is sponsored by Mt. Zion Baptist church.

Troop 60 To Be Ready for Itan Court of Honor

Boy Scouts of Troop 60 are preparing for court of Honor to be held at St. Paul Methodist church Dec. 5, according to Joseph Adams, scoutmaster. The scouts have been working on camping equipment for the spring.

Mr. Adams said the Boy Scout 40th anniversary membership drive will end in December and urges all boys 11 and over, and parents interested in scouting to call 5-7508 for further information.

Heads Freshman Class at Columbia

NEW YORK. (ANP). The freshman class at Columbia college, the undergraduate school at Columbia university named Victor E. Chrichton, 22, president, it was announced last week. It was the first time in the history of the college that a Negro has been elected class president.

Young Chrichton who lived at 1501 Boston road, the Bronx, is preparing for study in the graduate school of engineering. He is also a member of the freshman football team.



Mrs. Mary Niel

Mrs. M. Niel Gets Nursing Certificate

Mrs. Mary Niel, 2233 T street, has successfully completed the course in practical nursing offered by the Lincoln Institute of Chicago. She enrolled in the course in January and in late November received her cap, pin and certificate on completion of the requirements. She is now receiving additional training in infant care and business practice.

Mrs. Niel, a native of Mississippi, attended Rust College, Holly Springs, Miss., and Lane college in Jackson, Tenn., before coming to Lincoln.

Alphas Attend Interfrat Meet, Hear Gustavson

Monday, Nov. 21, the first post-war edition of the Interfraternity Council dinner on the Nebraska campus and BB chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha was represented for the first time since its recognition on the campus in 1927. More than 400 collegians heard Chancellor R. G. Gustavson who termed life in organized houses as one of the best experiences in college life. Speaking of the ways that fraternities could contribute to democracy in country and on campus, he pointed out that they

Walter White Is Speaker At U. of N. Convo Friday

Truman Signs Bill For Public Housing Loans

WASHINGTON. (ANP). President Truman has signed the housing bill authorizing loans for public housing and the Public Housing administration took the first step toward making it become a reality last week by announcing loans to 108 communities to get the housing ball rolling.

The loans authorized by President Truman amount to \$20,375,400 and will be participated in by 27 states. The South, as is usual whenever federal grants are available, will be well represented. So will a number of cities where there are large and growing Negro populations.

New York City got the most money, \$2,180,000 with which to plan projects having 20,300 units. New Jersey was second, \$2,055,000, for 10,550 dwellings in 14 cities. Chicago is preparing to build the most low-rent housing. Its planning program for which it will receive \$720,000 calls for 21,000 new dwellings.

4,000 Attend Interracial YWCA Vespers

WASHINGTON. (ANP). An interracial gathering of 4,000 people who attended the vesper services at the Washington cathedral in the nation's capital last Sunday afternoon, presented at the altar a total contribution of \$145,945.37 for the world service movement of the Young Women's Christian association.

At the same hour this service was being conducted, the 1043 YWCAs in the United States were holding vesper services in their own communities as an official opening of the annual YWCA Week of Prayer and World fellowship.

YWCA's throughout the world are observing this week as one of prayer and consecration to the cause of good feeling among the peoples of the earth.

The contribution received at the Cathedral in Washington will be used to promote world fellowship through aid to YWCAs in the 66 other countries where they are organized.

Dr. Bunche One Of Authors of 'Peace on Earth'

NEW YORK. (ANP). Ralph Bunche is one of the authors who have written a chapter in the challenging new book, "Peace on Earth." Other distinguished contributors include Eleanor Roosevelt, Herbert V. Evatt, Benjamin Cohen, Carlos Romulo, Charles Malik and Sir John Boyd-Orr. The foreword is by Robert Sherwood.

could recognized the fact that every individual is different in some way, but they can and do all contribute toward the attainment of group goals. He thus suggested that racial and other differences should be ignored. He also rapped those who would join organizations that "are afraid to show their face in public."

Walter White, Executive Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, now on a year's leave of absence from the association, will address a University of Nebraska convocation at 11:00 a.m. tomorrow (Friday) in the ballroom of the Student Union, it was announced by the university public relations office last week.

A fluent writer and holder of many honorary degrees for his leadership, Dr. White has been a constant fighter for equal rights and especially for the rights of Negroes since, as a boy, he remembers how an angry Georgia mob descended on his father's home, and they barely escaped with their lives. He became interested in the work that the National Association for the Ad-



Courtesy Lincoln Journal. DR. WHITE—Champion of human rights.

vancement of Colored People was doing, and succeeded James Weldon Johnson, composer of "Lift Every Voice and Sing," as its executive secretary, a post he has held since 1921.

Under the direction of the board of directors, made up from among the nation's most noted industrialists, jurists, congressmen, and others who have successfully pursued their aims in life, he has built the NAACP into the efficient group it is, fighting for the legal rights of colored people throughout the land. Dr. White came under attack from some quarters of the board of directors about a year ago over the dismissal of Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, the associations representative to the United Nations assembly, but only recently has been accorded a vote of confidence by the directors.

His topic in Lincoln will be "Abe Lincoln's Unfinished Business" and his lecture will be open to the public.

SCAD Reports

NEW YORK. (ANP). During the first 10 months of 1949, 83 cases of discriminatory patterns of unemployment were adjusted, according to Edward W. Edwards, chairman of the State Commission Against discrimination, here last week.

All told, 254 complaints were filed. Of the total, 77 percent were on grounds of race, 13 percent, creed; and 5 percent, national origin. In the remaining 5 percent, it was alleged that illegal inquiry as to these matters was made on employment blanks.

The sole case necessitating a public hearing involved \$3,000 in back pay to a discharged Negro construction worker.

Jackie Robinson Gets Freedoms Foundation Award

VALLEY FORGE, Pa. (ANP). Jackie Robinson, baseball's 1948 "Rookie of the Year" and second baseman for the National league's champion Brooklyn Dodgers, was given one of the ten special unclassified awards of \$1,500 by the Freedom's foundation here last week.

The awards are the first to be made by the foundation, and consists of \$70,000 in cash and gold medals to some 200 Americans. A non-profit, non-political, non-sectarian group, it was set up to encourage a greater understanding of the American way of life.

The awards were presented by General Eisenhower in a converted barn, half a mile from Gen. George Washington's storied headquarters in historic Valley Forge.

ST. LOUIS. (ANP). Branch Rickey, president of the Brooklyn Dodgers baseball club, recently was presented a painting of Jackie Robinson by a young St. Louis art student, it was announced last week.

The oil painting was by Lyle S. Suter, jr., 24, who won a \$500 second prize for it last year in a national contest of the American Heritage foundation. At that time he was an art student at Pratt institute in New York.

He is now studying for a B.A. in fine arts at New York university. He is a former cartoonist for the Paris edition of the army newspaper, Stars and Stripes.

Nehru Tells People of India of His Visit With American Negroes

NEW DELHI, India. (ANP). Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru of India who has just returned from an extensive though rapid visit to the United States during which he traveled over much of that country, told some of his impressions Wednesday. Among these were his experiences with American Negroes, a point of considerable interest among the brown skinned people of India who have heard much of treatment of minorities in the United States.

Nehru said he had met a number of Negro leaders in the United States "who told me of both the great progress they had made and the great disabilities they still suffer."

"Some," the distinguished Indian leader said, "were satisfied with that progress, others were impatient for greater progress, the same as the people of India."

While he was in the United States and after the close of his official visit, Nehru asked specifically that a conference with American Negroes be arranged. He had not had an opportunity for any close contact with them previously during his stay other than the occasional Negro visitor at one of his receptions.