



Pictured above are scenes from the Lincoln Urban League's list of activities at 2030 T Street. —Rose Manor Studio.

The Urban League

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 story house on U street. The latter building was destroyed by fire in 1940 and temporary quarters were found in a 5 room house. How a new building, the present one, was obtained was told in the October 1941 issue of "Secretariat."

"On the night of January 4, 1940, the 2-story frame building, which for 5 years served as quarters for the Urban League of Lincoln, burned and was completely destroyed.

"The Board of Directors immediately made plans for the continuation of the work and provided at once temporary rented quarters.

"For the period of a year the subcommittee appointed from the Board of Directors worked diligently towards the completion of every essential detail to formulate plans that would lead to the erection of a new building.

"It was finally decided that a \$40,000 structure could be built by the National Youth Administration if \$10,000 were raised locally. The chairman of the building committee, Mr. Nathan Gold, also served as chairman of the drive to raise funds.

"At the end of four weeks we were able to raise the \$10,000 and also \$1,100 addition which was used towards equipping the new building."

The late Father Flanagan sent his compliments on the occasion of the obtaining of the new building saying, "The most spiritual thing in the world is to help some one in need."

ACTIVITIES.
 The program of the Lincoln Urban League is unique among its colleagues, placing emphasis upon recreation rather than on job placement. It supplies such services to Negroes as are not

available from other co-operating agencies of the community chest. In 1949, example, there was a reported recreation attendance of 33,961 with an additional 4,001 using the building for other meetings.

Although little emphasis is placed on job placement, 151 placements were made for 196 calls. Vocational guidance was given 31 youths. Other community programs include the annual

cleanup campaign and yard beautification campaign held in the spring.

The League also maintains an information and service center. Last year 411 persons were interviewed, 106 documents notarized, housing obtained for 98 persons.

STAFF.
 The work is carried on by Clyde W. Malone, executive secretary, Mrs. Sarah Walker, group work

supervisor, and Howard Molden, boys worker. Miss Frances Lewis is office secretary. In addition to the paid staff, there are some hundred or so persons, who contribute their time and services to the programs, craft classes, and direction of recreational activities. Most of these volunteers come from among the League's membership, which numbers over 1,000 Lincoln citizens of both races.

GOVERNMENT.

Each January, there is a membership meeting of the Urban League at which time members are elected to the Board of Directors. The Board then selects its officers. Although the organization is affiliated with the national group, there are no set programs set down on the group and they are free to pursue a program of social service and work apparently suited to the needs of the community.

The officers of the League are:
 Honorary President—Mr. Nathan Gold and Dr. M. F. Arnholt.
 President—Dale Weeks.
 Executive Vice President—Mrs. Estella Davis.

Second Vice President—Roland Young.

Secretary—Mrs. Basilia Bell.
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RECOGNITION.

Each year the Urban League makes awards to citizens for outstanding contributions to race re-

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