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## Rumor of Negro Tenants Causes Riot in Chicago

CHICAGO, Ill.—Fires were set and furniture smashed at a Chicago apartment building Tuesday night where some 3,000 persons gathered when rumors circulated that Negroes were moving in.

Forty police squads were called to disperse the crowd. People living in the neighborhood reported that an apartment in the building was to be vacated and Negroes were seen apparently inspecting the premises.

The building (at 4544 S. Union Ave.) is about four blocks from the Chicago Convention Hall and International Amphitheatre—where the National Republican Convention will be held next week.

Two small fires were started on a rear porch and front windows in an occupied first floor apartment were broken by the crowd. The fires were quickly extinguished and caused little damage.

The crowd gathered when a sofa and chair were placed in front of the building in the all-white neighborhood. The sofa and chair were splintered.

Deputy Police Commissioner Philip Breitke said that Mrs. Bertha Verran, who lives in a second floor apartment, told him that she received notice last Friday that she was to be evicted.

Other residents of the area told (Continued on Page 3)

## 'Nebr. Greatest Outdoor Event' Aug. 31-Sept. 5

Lincoln (Special) — When the inquiring reporter asked him why he calls the annual Nebraska State Fair "Nebraska's Greatest Outdoor Event," Ed Schultz, Secretary of the fair board, had a ready answer.

He said, "Simply because it is Nebraska's best-attended single event."

And he's right, too, because figures show that 75,000 has been the usual attendance figure for each of the first two days of the Fair. And, for the last two years, total State Fair attendance has reached nearly 300,000.

As Schultz is quick to point out, there are many new attractions and improvements scheduled for the 1952 Fair.

Probably the biggest event scheduled in conjunction with this fall's mammoth exposition will be the National Abredeen - Angus show and sale, which will take place in the fair grounds Coliseum on Wednesday and Thursday of Fair Week.

There are several improvements in the physical plant which will mean new convenience for State Fair patrons. Included in the \$115,000 building project are new

## 800 Attend Operation Civil Rights Meeting In Chicago

### Archibald Carey To Address GOPs

CHICAGO — The Rev. Archibald J. Carey, member of the Chicago City Council and pastor of the Quinn Chapel A.M.E. church here, was among the guest speakers who addressed the Tuesday afternoon session of the Republican National Convention.

Rev. Carey is considered one of the country's most dynamic speakers and progressive leaders.

and wider roads inside the grounds, several modern concession buildings, additional curbing, guttering and drainage facilities, a new hay and feed building and more public rest rooms.

"Every cent paid out for these improvements," said Schultz, "came from State Fair funds — not one cent came from tax funds."

An entertainment note that will be great news to thousands of Nebraskans is the announcement that the musical review in front of the grandstand will be presented all six nights of the Fair, instead of just the first five as has been the practice. Fireworks will follow the performance each night.

Dates of the 1952 Nebraska State Fair in Lincoln are August 31 through September 5.

## Confirm 9-Point Plan For Political Parties

### Owens Voted World's Greatest Olympic Star

LOS ANGELES — (ANP) — Sports writers from all over the nation last week voted Jesse Owens by far the greatest Olympic track star of all time.

In an Associated Press poll, the scribes selected him as the top man of all time in the 100 meter and 200 meter dashes, the broad jump, and a member of a 400 meter all time relay squad.

Owens won four gold medals in the 1936 Olympics by taking the two dashes, the broad jump and running anchor on the U.S. 400-meter relay squad.

Also selected to the all-time squad were Mal Whitfield in the 500 meter run and Cornelius Johnson in the high jump. Whitfield was an extremely narrow choice over John Woodruff of the 1936 Olympic squad.

## ANP Director Elected to Red Cross Board

CLEVELAND — (ANP) — Claude A. Barnett, director of the Associated Negro Press, recently was elected a member-at-large of the board of governors of the American Red Cross at the 27th annual meeting of that organization here.

The election of Barnett brings to three the number of Negroes serving in that capacity with the Red Cross. The other two are Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, UN trusteeship director, and Dr. F. D. Patterson, president of Tuskegee Institute.

Barnett also is a member of the board of directors of directors of Supreme Liberty Lift Insurance co., the Liberia co., the Phelps-Stokes Fund and a member of President Truman's Committee for the Physically Handicapped.

## Soloist Studies At Columbia U

TULSA, Okla. (ANP)—Mrs. Cleo Ross Meeker, dramatic soprano, left Tulsa last week to attend summer school at Columbia university, New York City.

Mrs. Meeker who is soloist for the Tulsa Civic Male chorus, director of Dunbar Teachers chorus and director of Vernon A.M.E. church's senior choir is a teacher at Dunbar elementary school.

## Appointed Postal Supt.

TUCKAHOE, N. Y. (ANP)—Fred Stevens recently was appointed the first Negro superintendent of the Tuckahoe Branch of the Yonkers Post Office. Stevens' appointment climaxed some 47 years of local postal service.

The Tuckahoe Branch serves about 20,000 persons in the northeast part of Yonkers-Croftwood, Colonial and Mohegan Heights and Tuckahoe and Eastchester. Branch personnel includes 35 carriers and clerks. Last year, its volume of business totaled \$180,000.

CHICAGO (ANP)—More than 800 persons paid \$10 a plate "Operation Civil Rights" dinner and unanimously approved a 9-point civil rights plank recommended to the platform committees of the Republican and Democratic parties.

Sponsored by the Chicago Branch NAACP with the cooperation of 19 organizations, the dinner was held in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Sherman in downtown Chicago.

Walter White, executive secretary of the NAACP, and a representative from each of the two major political parties were the featured speakers. A 10-minute open question period followed the speeches.

Elmer Henderson, head of the American Council of Human Rights, a group financed by the six major fraternities and sororities, served as moderator. Speakers were Albert B. Herman, executive director, National Republican committee, for the GOP, and Judge John Gutknecht, substituting for Gov. G. Mennon Williams of Michigan, for the Democrats.

In his address, White called for both parties to adopt civil rights planks with the following nine points:

1. Revise senate rule 22 in order to bring an end to the filibuster. Give the majority of senators present and voting the right to end cloture.
2. Have a Federal FEPC (fair employment practices) law with teeth, setting up a commission able to act.
3. End segregation based on race and color on: interstate transportation, in the armed forces, and in all federal government activities, including the Canal Zone.
4. Pass a federal anti-lynching law.
5. End poll tax and discriminatory registration and election laws.
6. Strengthen the civil rights division of the department of justice, making it a full department headed by an assistant attorney general.
7. Form a permanent U.S. Com-

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## More Money for Negro Colleges

BATON ROUGE, La.—(ANP)—The largest money bill in this state's history was passed last week by the legislature. Southern university and Grambling college were allocated \$462,000 and \$400,000 respectively in biennial increases.

Previous administrations had refused to appropriate adequate sums for the maintenance of the institutions.

Southern university's high school program has been woefully affected because there is not sufficient accommodation for students who have applied for admission. The last session of the legislature dominated by the Long regime, sharply curtailed the appropriation for Southern university, but increased the expenditures for the smaller white institutions.

## Musical Program to Be Presented Sunday, July 13th



"The Drama Lyric Trio" will present a musical program, Sunday evening July 13th at 8 p.m. on the lawn of Quinn Chapel A.M.E. church.

These three young ladies, Collen St Clair, 1st Soprano, Clara Scott, 2nd Soprano, Evelyn

Parker, alto with their accompanist, Doris Darling and a cast of twenty-five persons. They will feature such numbers as "Deep River," "Ave Maria," "When Children Pray," and "The Lord is My Light."

The group is being sponsored by the Trustee Board of Quinn Chapel.