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Merit System Examinations To Be Given February 7

Examinations for Merit System positions will be given in a number of Nebraska towns on February 7, 1953. The positions will be in State departments of Health, Assistance and Employment Security. Some provisional employees in offices of County Assistance, State Employment and Local Health departments will be examined in order to fully qualify them for their jobs. There are also some candidates for positions who have made application for examinations in order to qualify and be placed on the registers. It is expected that a number of others will be interested in these State jobs and will make application for the examination on February 7.

Job opportunities are best for stenographers. Typists are also in demand. Among the technical and professional positions, those most frequently vacant are Visitor and County Director in County Assistance offices, the Interviewer position in the State Employment offices and Registered Nurses in the Local Health departments.

Among the advantages of these Merit System positions is the opportunity for a job career where one can earn regular pay increases and promotions, and also the advantage of earning Social Security benefits.

The February 7 examinations will be given in all parts of the States where monitors can be found and a sufficient number of applicants are located to justify establishing an examination center. Applications for these examinations should be mailed to the Merit System, 1306 State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska, not later than January 24. More complete information can be secured from the Merit System Office, or from the several State Employment offices, the County Assistance offices, or local Health Departments.

Examinations are being given in the Merit System Office each Wednesday, or at the convenience of the candidates.

YWCA Craft Center

Drawing and Painting

Choose own medium—Work in water color, oil or pencil. Composition and techniques included.

Class: Monday morning—9:30 to 12:00 a.m. Starts January 19th.

Fee: \$10.00. Boards, easels and some paper furnished.

Instructor: Mrs. Paul A. Royal.

Ceramics

Clay modeling—make your own pottery vases, ash trays, earrings, etc. Glazing and firing included.

Class: Monday afternoon—1 to 3:30 p.m. Starts January 19th.

Fee \$10.50. Everything furnished.

Instructor: Mrs. S. J. Feiselman.

Textile Painting

Learn to make stencil paper, cut a stencil and paint on various fabrics. Decorate aprons, towels, curtains, ties, etc.

Class: Tuesday evening—7 to 9:30 p.m. Starts January 20th.

Fee: \$10.00. Tracing paper, paints and brushes furnished.

Instructor: Mrs. Raymond Williamson.

Photography

Study the workings of your camera and workings of your snapshots. Class for beginners, to show you how to understand the limitations of your camera and how to get good pictures within those limitations. Course will in-

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Live Y'ers Club to Have Open House

All young employed women are invited to attend the Open House of the Live Y'ers Clubs of the Y.W.C.A. Wednesday, January 21, at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be followed by an informal program under the direction of Miss Mary Jayne Van Horn, Open House chairman. Guest speaker will be Miss Lois Long, of the University of Nebraska, formerly employed by the U.S. State Department in Finland. Reservations may be made by phoning the Y.W.C.A. before 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday.

Fletcher Henderson Dead
NEW YORK (ANP)—Fletcher Henderson, the famed "Christopher Columbus" man, noted as a composer, band leader and arranger, died here last week at Harlem hospital. He was 55 years old at the time of his death.

A college graduate who started out to become a chemist, Henderson gained international renown as one of the world's creative jazz artists. Born in Vuthbert, Ga., he was a graduate of Atlanta university.

Although a chemistry major, Henderson got his start in music at Atlanta university.

Iron Lung Victims Total High At Height of Polio Epidemic

A great many people in the United States are condemned to imprisonment each year although they have never committed a crime. They are the iron lung victims of polio.

At the height of the polio epidemic last September, a survey of Nebraska hospitals showed that 84 persons were dependent upon respirators for their lives.

And these iron lung patients spent on the average 16 hours each day in their iron homes. One out of four relied partially upon a chest respirator or a rocking bed for a portion of the breathing assistance he needed.

At the beginning of last year's epidemic 32 iron lungs and about 26 portable chest respirators were located in the state. But when the epidemic hit its full stride, this number was far short.

The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis was called upon to furnish an additional 41 iron lungs and 16 additional chest units. And the Foundation also provided four rocking beds, and 19 hot pack units in addition to numerous suction machines, wheel chairs, and various other items.

Many Nebraska cities aided in the emergency. Iron lungs were obtained from Lewellen, Ogallala, North Platte, Norfolk, David City, Fremont, Columbus, Kearney, Broken Bow, Fairbury, Falls City, Nebraska City, Sidney and Beatrice.

Portable lungs were recruited from Rushville, Chadron, Kearney, North Platte, Minden, Lyons, Pender, Oakland, Ralston and York.

While some of the iron lung cases, especially those who require 24-hour nursing service, cost the March of Dimes as much as \$50 per day, the average is \$18

February 8-15 To Be Negro History Week

WASHINGTON, D.C. (ANP)—The annual observance of Negro History Week will be held Feb. 8-15, it was disclosed here this week by officials of the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History with headquarters at 1538 9th Street, N.W., Washington.

The theme of this year's celebration is "Negro History and Human Relations." In addition to discussions and addresses on various aspects of the theme, association clubs, other groups and individuals can help by sending to the association headquarters any important documents, letters, records and other materials bearing on the Negro's past and achievements.

The ASNLH has listed eight topics to be studied during Negro History Week. They are:

"The Church and Negro Progress," Sunday; "Educating the Negro for Human Progress," Monday; "Civic Associations and Community Improvements," Tuesday; "Fraternal Organizations Serve Negro Progress," Wednesday; "Organizations Promoting Economic Advancement of Negroes," Thursday; "Equality of Opportunity and the New Day of Social Action," Friday; "Charity Affairs and Contributions of Social Groups," Saturday, and "Greek Letter Day in the Churches" on the closing day of the observance, Sunday, Feb. 15.

John Pegg Power In Ohio Politics

By Burt F. Newton

A friendship formed while serving in the armed forces during World War II proved to be a lucky stroke for a former Omahan, John Pegg, who now resides in Cleveland and commands a position of power in Ohio and national Republican party circles.

Mr. Pegg, who managed the minorities division for Senator Robert Taft's overwhelming senatorial victory in Ohio and who also headed this division for the Ohioan's unsuccessful bid for the Republican presidential nomination, revealed to the writer how he happened to move to the Lake Erie metropolis.

Seated together at the recent Kappa Alpha Psi banquet in Cleveland, Pegg said that a fellow lawyer he met while serving in the army together persuaded him to come to Cleveland and "join up." Discharged from the army with the rank of first lieutenant, he moved to Cleveland and has attained national prominence.

Being very close to Senator Taft, Pegg will pass on any Ohio Negro getting a position in the new Republican administration. He also said that because of his lucrative law practice, he was forced to refuse a government position that paid well up in five figures.

Mr. Pegg, a native of Omaha, graduated from Omaha Law School in 1929. He practiced law in Omaha until his army induction in 1942. He spent a year, following his discharge in 1945, at Western Reserve University in Cleveland taking a refresher law course.

Now married and active in civic and fraternal affairs in Cleveland, Mr. Pegg lives in a fashionable district of the city. His mother, Mrs. Mary C. Pegg, lives in Omaha at 2617 Wirt.

Stock Notes

The Northside Improvement Association's Stock Drive has been on for one week now, and the response is very heart-warming. Keep the good work up, Lincolnites, your loyalty is commendable.

Next week The Voice will print a scroll, entitled: The Hall of Fame, on which the names of persons that have purchased \$500 or more of this stock, will be printed.

Today's Thought

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not CHARITY, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

I Corinthians 13:1

6 Scout Troops To Participate In Jamboree

Six Troops of Scouts and Explorers of the Cornhusker Council will participate in the Third National Jamboree of the Boy Scouts of America to be held at Irvine Ranch, Santa Ana, California, July 17-23, 1953, according to an announcement made by George A. Kurk, Lincoln, Chairman of the Jamboree Committee.

The Jamboree Committee organization headed by Mr. Kurk includes—Dale Renner, transportation; Hagey Rea, equipment; Ted Thompson, finance; Russell Rauch, safety; and Walter Jancke, publicity; all of Lincoln; J. V. Nicodemus, personnel, David City; and advisors Joe Laughlin, Benkelman; Clarke Kelley, Beaver City, A. E. Rodine, Stromsburg; and Dr. C. E. Baker, David City.

The Cornhusker Contingent will travel in a special train with Troops from Omaha, Council Bluffs, and Sioux City, via the Union Pacific leaving Omaha on Tuesday, July 7. The tours en route will include, Bonnevile Dam, Multnomah Falls, Portland, Seattle, Victoria, and San Francisco. The contingent will arrive at the Jamboree on July 13 and

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Funeral Monday For James Fuller

The funeral of James Fuller, 73, of 2244 S, was held at 2 p.m. Monday at Umberger's Chapel.

Mr. Fuller had lived in Lincoln for 30 years and had been employed in the city's comfort station for the past 10 years.

Mr. Fuller was a member of the Urban League Board and the St. James Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he was one of the organizers.

Surviving are his wife, Ida; his mother, Mrs. Emma Davis; a brother, Gurt Davis; and one nephew, Ocie Lee Davis, all of Lincoln.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Miller of the Cleves Temple Colored Methodist Episcopal Church of Omaha. Burial was at Wyuka.



Courtesy Sunday Journal and Star
Mr. Fuller

I'll Walk Alone



Lively as a cricket is Randy Donoho, 4, who was stricken by polio, September, 1951, and still receives treatment. March of Dimes funds provided by Wayne County (Detroit) Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, backed Randy in his fight toward recovery.

every 24 hours. A respirator weighs 600 pounds and, without extras, costs \$1,500.

Increasing the chances of escape for more iron lung victims is one of the prime targets of the March of Dimes drive now being conducted in Nebraska and throughout the country.

NORTHSIDE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Federal regulation requires that this offer be confined to residents of Nebraska.

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