

BILL ROBINSON REELECTED AS GUILDS HONORARY PRES.

New York, N. Y. Feb. 16—Bill Robinson, honorary president of the Negro Actors Guild of America, was unanimously reelected to that post last Sunday (5th) at the organization's annual meeting.

Reports of Fredi Washington, executive director and secretary, and W. C. Handy, treasurer, were delivered to the membership body.

As part of her report, Miss Washington introduced the chairman of the Guild's working committees, who in turn offered brief summaries of their work.

Laura Bowman, children's Christmas party committee; Wilhelmina Williams, visiting committee; Edna Thomas, membership; Geraldyn Dismond, publications; Lou Layne, publicity; Will Vodery, entertainment; Eugene Kinckle Jones, social service, and Commissioner Hubert T. Delany, legal advisory.

Elmer A. Carter, chairman of the finance and nominations committees, delivered the report of the latter body. A motion from the floor, recommending that the committee's recommendations be adopted, carried unanimously, thereby reelecting Honary President Robinson and filling the vacancies in had been created by the deaths of officer personnel.

Guest speaker was Frank Gilmore, international president of the Associated Actors and Artists of America and president emeritus of Actors Equity, who was introduced by Alan Corelli, executive secretary of Theatre Authority.

President Noble Sissle conducts the meeting, and delivered an address in which he lauded the membership for its support of the aims of the Guild—to stress the position of the Negro in the theatre, to administer to his needs, and to perpetuate his accomplishments.

The meeting was opened with an invocation by the Rev. John N. Johnson, pastor of St. Martin's Church, Dr. D. A. Pinner, chaplain of the Jewish Theatrical Guild delivered the benediction. A short musical interlude during the program was provided by Lola Hayes outstanding soprano.

NEW SET-BACK GIVEN GAINES CASE IN MISSOURI

State Supreme Court Puts Matter on May Docket

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 16 (ANP)—The admission of Negroes as students to the university of Missouri still remained an immediate current school year—when it was learned that the State supreme court had placed the famed U. of Mo.—Lloyd Gaines case on its May term docket.

Court attaches explained that Tuesday's action by the court, deferring the case to the May term, meant a new opinion would be prepared at that time to conform with the U. S. finding. Notification of the decision will not reach the university until after the May term action, which means that colored students can be denied admission for the remainder of the school year.

In its Dec. 8 decision, the high court overruled the state supreme court and held that Gaines, St. Louis student, should be admitted to U. of Missouri Law school unless the state could afford him equal educational facilities "within the state." The U. S. supreme court remanded the case to Missouri, instructing the state supreme court to make a new finding in conformity with the Washington decision. This is the matter to be taken up by the state supreme court at its May term.

New York Feb. 23 (C)—Howard Barnes, reviewing the new Paramount talking picture, "St. Louis Blues," remarks in the New York Herald-Tribune that "Miss (Dorothy) Lamour's vocal efforts suffer seriously in comparison with Miss (Maxine) Sullivan's." Miss Lamour is the white St. Louis star of the production. The Hall Johnson choir is in the picture.

Calvin's Newspaper Service TESTED RECIPE

By Frances Lee Barton

IN tribute to the national legend of George Washington and the cherry tree, we hold a National Cherry Week in February. If your patriotic gesture takes the form of a Cherry Cobbler it will receive unanimous endorsement from the family.

3 tablespoons quick-cooking tapioca; 1/4 cup sugar; 2 tablespoons melted butter; 3 cups pitted sour red cherries, fresh or canned; 1 cup cherry juice; 2 cups sifted flour; 2 teaspoons double-acting baking powder; 1/2 teaspoon salt; 6 tablespoons butter or other shortening; 1/2 cup milk (about).

Combine tapioca, sugar, butter, cherries, and cherry juice; let stand while crust is being made. Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and salt, and sift again. Cut in shortening. Add milk gradually, stirring until soft dough is formed. Turn out on slightly floured board and knead 30 seconds, or enough to shape. Roll 3/4 of dough in strip, 2 inches wide and 1/4 inch thick; line sides of 8x8x2-inch pan, fitting closely into corners. Stir cherry mixture well and turn into pan. Roll remaining 1/4 dough 1/4 inch thick; with sharp knife make slits to permit escape of steam. Fit over cherries, pressing edges of dough together with fork dipped in flour. Bake in hot oven (450° F.) 15 minutes; then reduce heat to moderate (350° F.) and bake 25 to 30 minutes longer. Sprinkle powdered sugar over top, if desired. Serves 8.

OFFICE OF EDUCATION REPORTS ON NATIONAL SURVEY OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND GUIDANCE OF NEGROES

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points out, however, that "it is well for Negro students, teachers, and counselors to know that Negroes are engaged in many highly skilled occupations, generally with success."

Vocational Agriculture

More than half of the Negroes in the United States live in rural areas. The study of vocational education in agriculture for Negroes shows decided enrollment increases. In evening classes in agriculture, there was an increase in the number of men enrolled from 5,222 to 15,000 over a six year period. The enrollment of women in these classes increased from 500 to 3,100. The study indicates that vocational agriculture is offered in a limited number of Negro schools. This is due to a lack of funds and in some instances a lack of adequate demand for classes. It is reported that in one state 80,000 Negro youths settled on farms after completing the sixth grade without any formal training in agriculture. The study reveals also that the majority of Negro children do not have access to vocational education opportunities in high school. It is recommended, as a temporary measure, that vocational guidance and preparation be introduced in the upper grades of elementary guidance and preparation be introduced in the upper grades of elementary schools for Negroes in order to benefit over-age pupils who drop out of school early, and in order to provide vocational preparation for pupils who otherwise would not receive it.

Home Economics

There was an increase over a six year period of more than 300 per cent in the number of vocational education classes in home economics for Negroes. This is significant, the Office of Education study concludes, "because the training that Negroes receive in these classes can be put to immediate use in their homes." "Home making education for Negroes is of special importance. Its need is shown by the prevalence of poor health, inadequate housing, early marriage, gainfully employed mothers and infant mortality among Negroes." Comparatively few Negroes however, study child care, nursing, hygiene and parent education. Few boys are enrolled in home economics although a large number of Negro men are engaged in occupations, and since the demands in personal service occupations are increasing in number and complexity, though home economics instructions or some other agency should definitely address itself to the task of preparing persons for effective adjustments in these occupations," it is suggested.

Trades and Industries

The number of Federally aided courses in trades and industries offered in high schools for Negroes is limited in comparison with the total number of courses offered, and in many of those offered relatively few Negroes are

TEACHES CRIPPLED CHILDREN

MISS ELSIE L. GEARIN



Teacher of crippled children at Turner School for Handicapped Children, St. Louis, Mo., who holds a B. A. degree from Iowa State University, and a certificate in Physical Therapy from the Medi-

cal School of the Wisconsin General Hospital and Wisconsin Children's Hospital. Miss Gearin is State Deputy of Zeta Phi Beta sorority and is a member of Xi Zeta chapter of St. Louis. (Cal serv.)

enrolled. Among the courses attracting the largest number of Negro students in trade and industrial pursuits are auto mechanics, carpentry, masonry, shoe-making and repairing, tailoring, industrial arts and mechanical drawing. Relatively few students are registered in trade and industrial educational classes in colleges. The possibility of increasing the opportunities for Negroes to receive vocational educational in trades and industries should be explored.

Teachers

The Negro survey disclosed that many of the Negro teachers of vocational education are inadequately prepared and that the handicaps which their inadequate preparation places upon pupils may result in serious consequences for the individuals concerned. Approximately one fourth of the Negro teachers in public high schools had two years or less of college education. Salaries of Negro teachers of vocational education range from \$1,060 to \$11,871 per year, the lowest salaries being received by teachers of agriculture in rural areas.

Guidance

The survey points out that the kind of home and its upkeep, the opportunities for study and healthful sleep and recreation, quality and number of books, magazines and newspapers available have a bearing on the pupil's ability to profit by the educational program provided. This is shown by the fact that principals of high schools and university specialists in high school education ranked home conditions second in importance for guidance purposes in a list of eighteen items concerned with pupils' background. In this connection, the survey indicates that slightly more than one third of the parents of Negro pupils included in this study owned or were buying their homes. Twenty two per cent of the homes of pupils did not have electricity, 38 per cent had no bathtub, 26 per cent had no toilet, 53 per cent were without a piano and 32 per cent did not have a radio. Seven per cent of the homes did not subscribe to a newspaper.

Of the 28,000 pupils included in the social and economic background phase of the survey approximately two thirds supported themselves in part or entirely. The survey report, prepared by Ambrose Caliver, Office of Education Specialist in the Education of Negroes, who directed the survey with the assistance of Harold L. Trigg, State Supervisor of Negro High Schools for North Carolina, answers many other questions such as the following: What happens to Negroes who graduate from high school and those who drop out before graduation? What occupational adjustments do they make? What relation is there between school and occupational adjustment? What are pupils' interest and in what activities do they engage? Some significant recommendations made as the result of survey findings are as follows: 1. That Negro land grant colleges take a

CALLOWAY TO PLAY FOR GUILD BALL MARCH 1ST

New York, Feb. 23—Preparations for the Second Annual Ball of the Negro Actors Guild of America shifted definitely into "hi-de-ho" Monday with the announcement that Cab Calloway and his Cotton Club orchestra will serve the feature musical dish of the evening's festivities.

In addition to Calloway, the dance menu includes the musical courses of Erskine Hawkins and his aggregation, and of Al Cooper and his Savoy Sultans, thereby guaranteeing no possible dearth of instrumental variety. All this takes place Wednesday night, March first, at the Savoy Ballroom, universally accepted as the "Home of Swing."

Chief vocalist will be June Richmond, buxom delineator of mellow melodies, who now is singing with Calloway. Rarely seen along the Harlem rialto, Miss Richmond joined the Calloway crew at the Cotton Club shortly after an engagement as featured soloist with Jimmy Dorsey's orchestra.

Hawkins and his trumpet are well-known figures wherever swing is played, and Cooper and the Sultans, one of the more recent bands, have established themselves as being among the foremost exponents of the modern trend in dancing rhythms.

The Negro Actors Guild is a welfare and cultural organization formed fourteen months ago. Maintaining offices at 1674 Broadway, it carries on an intensive program to stress the position of the Negro in the theatre; to administer to his needs, of whatever nature they might be; and to perpetuate his accomplishments. The Second Annual Ball is one of the means of securing funds to carry on this work.

Noble Sissle is president of the Guild, and Fredi Washington, at the present time on leave of absence, is executive director and secretary.

Negro Demonstrates Human Side of Farming

Sunflower, Miss., Feb. 16 (ANP)—J. B. McKinney, a Negro farmer located here, has demonstrated the value of humanitarian methods in dealing with tenants and sharecroppers. Recently Mr. McKinney has connected with rural electrification not only for his own modern home but also for the homes of all his tenants.

Beginning in 1894 as a tenant, Mr. McKinney now owns 240 acres of land and this year's crop yielded 65 bales of cotton from 85 acres. M. M. Hubert, Negro State Extension leader for Mississippi, says that before the county authorities had provided school facilities for the Negro children of this community, "J. B." McKinney built a school house himself and paid the teachers out of his own pockets."

BOY SCOUTS OBSERVE 29th ANNIVERSARY

Boy Scouts marked "Citizenship Day" February 8 at the 29th Anniversary of the beginning of the movement. The observance covered a period of a week, ending Feb. 15. There are several troops in the city, and the call went out during the week for increased membership. The call is for men of "high character" to act as scoutmasters and assistant scoutmasters. It is believed that the membership could be recruited if more masters could be obtained.

E. SIMMS CAMPBELLS PARENTS OF BABY GIRL

New York, Feb. 23 (ANP)—A girl was born St. Valentine's day at Gotham hospital to Mrs. E. Simms, wife of the well-known cartoonist and illustrator. The baby has been named Elizabeth Ann Campbell.

Tuskegee Institution, Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

State: Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Ga., Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

THINGS YOU NEVER KNEW UNTIL NOW

By Etacin Shrdlu

To whom It May Concern— I hereby rescind all former statements concerning Willie Edson. This is only fair to all concerned. W. E.

Mr. Frank Williams of Ala. remarks that the last two precipitations "were the biggest frosts, he had ever seen." If those were frosts, I don't want it to snow.

Notice— To the boy who used bad language in the show last Sunday. You should know better. The manager should have put you out.

Gratitude— After warming themselves to the fire after coming to a private party last Sunday night, some boys were told to leave. They wanted to get warm. Their wish was granted. When they started to leave, the light was turned on so that they could see their way out. As they were going out, one boy said, "Turn out that d—n light."

Herman Stevens played his part of a Russian in the Senior Play all right. His fright at being hit over the head with a walking stick looked like the real thing.

Willie 'Go North, Young Man' Edson, is not going so north after all. Or is he? I wonder.

R. Rice was seen reading the other day practicing up on his technique.

Edith Lewis seems like dashing M. G. You had better watch out for L. P. and C. H.

Mary, is it true that a certain senior brought you a Valentine to your house, because he was afraid to trust the U. S. Mail Service with the precious inscriptions.

CAPITAL HAS VARIED ACTIVITIES

Washington, Feb. 23 (By Chase for ANP)—Negro History Week, was widely observed throughout the city. In practically every school there was a special program featuring noteworthy achievements on the part of members of the colored race. In many of the pulpits, ministers took advantage of the occasion to urge the young folks to emulate those who had gone on before, and had left their marks.

Lincoln's Birthday was befittingly observed, programs of literary and musical merit was given, and the First Congregational Church showed D. W. Griffith's talking picture "Abraham Lincoln."

And "the mooch," mucking and rug cutting came in for its part in patriotic celebrations of Douglas's birthday and other celebrities. Col. Benjamin O. Davis, U. S. Army, led the grand march at a military ball given in the Lincoln Colonnade, under the auspices of the James E. Walker Post No. 26 of the American Legion.

CAT IS A DUPUTY SHERIFF NOW BUT HE DOESN'T CARE

Seneca Falls, N. Y., Feb. 23—They made Tommy Clark, famed cat of this village, a special deputy sheriff of Seneca county at his twenty-fourth birthday party tonight—but even this honor failed to arouse Tommy from his half slumber.

Sheriff Herbert P. Yells, "swore in" the cat, while Dr. William L. Clark, who owns the feline promised Tommy would uphold the constitution.

More than two hundred persons sat down to the festive dinner to honor the cat. The party was arranged by village officials with Mayor Francis J. Souhan presiding. While speeches were made and songs were sung, Tommy was just as blase as ever. He just lay dreamily in his basket on the banquet table—immune to the proceedings.

Philadelphia, Feb. 23 (CNA)—Described by detectives as a "South Philadelphia witch doctor," Paul Petrollo, white, was ordered held without bail this week, charged with being leader in a tri-state-murder-for-insurance ring.

DIXIE MAYOR SLUGGED IN A STREET BRAWL

Goldsboro, N. C. Feb. 2 (ANP)—Police, this week had under arrest Floyd Edwards, 22 and a companion named Baldwin, both colored, who were jailed following the slugging last Saturday of Mayor J. H. Hill, allegedly knocked down by Edwards as the mayor attempted to pass on a crowded sidewalk Edwards was blocking.

Witnesses said the official was struck on the jaw and knocked to the pavement. As Edwards fled a white youth and Kirby Wells, a merchant jumped on Edwards to hold him for police, but at this juncture Baldwin reportedly joined the fray. He knocked Wells off, after which he and Edwards sped away with about 30 whites in pursuit and about 15 Negroes blocking them from the fugitives. The men were caught later and placed under arrest. Edwards was cut, not seriously, during the scuffle. Mayor Hill was back at the City Hall on Monday, apparently none the worse for his experience.

AROUND ABOUT

Dinah Mite Nise vedder ve is hafing? Aint it. Imagine— Katherine as a seamstress instead of a Taylor. Mercedes as less instead of Moore. Frank as red instead of Brown. Herman as Lincoln instead of Washington. Joyce as Fremont instead of Blair. Louise as tan instead of Gray. Cibil as Alcatraz instead of Ellis. Vera as a lobby instead of a Booth. Moon-eye (Leroy) Wright as wrong instead of Wright. Billy as short instead of Long.

What won't people think of next. Shoe—to chaw on something. Rust—what you do when you are tired. Ate—number between 1 and 10. Sheet—what you sit on when you go to programs. Head—word showing possession (had). Phone—what a dog has around his mouth when he is mad. Money—what a guy gets when he's in love (Moony). Faint—what you put on a house. Rain—melted snow. Center—the part that is nearer the bottom than the top is.

The Kincaids, Auvern and Colleen, would like to have their John Henry's in this column, but we want to take this opportunity to tell them that it is impossible to grant this wish.

You guys had better lay-off of Willie Edson because he is a friend of Yancy's.

James Mosely is changing his tune again. This time she is a little smaller.

We wonder if James Williams bribes the Tech New Staff, because his name is always in the paper. They all overlook poor little blue-eyed intelligent me every time??

Say, Willard Wright, why didn't you wait for the girl the other day when it was cold, instead of meeting her at her house. Now was that anyway for a gent to act. You know you wouldn't freeze, because you have your flame to keep you warm!!!!!!

This is enough water under the bridge, for the time being so here is goodbye till the next time.

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