

IT IS YOUR DUTY AS AN AMERICAN CITIZEN TO VOTE NOVEMBER 5

JOURNALIST - PUBLISHER OF PITTSBURGH COURIER Robert L. Vann Dies

News was received a few days ago of the death of Mr. Robert L. Vann, Publisher of The Pittsburgh Courier. He had been ill for several months and for a time it was thought he would recover, but his illness proved fatal.

Mr. Vann began publishing the Pittsburgh Courier about 25 years ago, and built it up from a small paper of local circulation into one of National scope and influence.

The outstanding service of The Courier, perhaps, under Mr. Vann's able direction, was its fight for the Anti-Lynching Bill, sponsored by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Later he made a memorable fight to abolish discrimination in the Military, Naval and Aviation services of the nation.

The Guide deeply regrets the loss of such a man who in this period, sounded a clarion note for the rights of his race in a day of wavering counsel.

C. C. Galloway, Acting Editor.

THE OMAHA GUIDE

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ALL THE NEWS WHILE IT IS NEWS

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Employment

(BY ATTY. H. J. PINKETT)

Ninety percent of the Colored People are workers, and, therefore their most vital interest is WORK a market for the labor they have to sell.

When the New Deal Party came to power in the Nation, rosy promises were made about how "the forgotten man" would be remembered there would be work for all and equal rewards for that work. Actually there has not been work at all worthy the name. In this section of the United States, for instance, there is not one Colored Employee in such New Deal agencies as the Farm Credit Bank, the Land Bank, Agricultural agencies or Home Owners Loan Corporation, which together employ thousands of persons. Colored workers are employed on relief work. WPA. and the like, but are denied jobs as foremen, finishers and all other skilled work, no matter how capable they are.

These workers who are thus ignored or kicked around are told to vote for the New Deal and a continuous kicking.

You have the opportunity to go back to work at profitable wages, if you will vote for and help elect Wendell Willkie. He promises to give you jobs. HE MEANS IT. Until he resigned in July 1940, to run for President on the Republican ticket he was President of a large Electric Company which employed 12,058 workers, of whom 1,080 were Colored, or 8.5 percent. Nearly one hundred of the workers of the Negro group were skilled workers. These facts should make you think and act, if think you can.

—H. J. P.?

COUNTY JUDGE'S

RECORD ATTACKED

October 21st, 1940

The Omaha Guide, 2418 Grant St., Omaha, Nebraska. Gentlemen: Herewith "reader" which I trust you can run for me in whole this week. Thanking you in advance.

Sincerely, Chas. J. Southard

In a vigorous campaign for election as County Judge of Douglas County, Charles J. Southard attacks the record of the present County Judge, Bryce Crawford. In a radio address of October 14, Southard says:

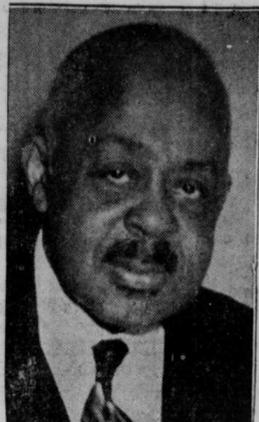
"The County Judge, by asking you to re-elect him, makes his official record a proper subject for discussion. The voters should

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FONTENELLE HOMES ADDITION NOW OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS FOR DWELLINGS

The Logan Fontenelle Homes Addition is now open for application for a dwelling at 1702 North 20th Street. The costs of houses range from \$17.50 for a one bedroom unit up to \$23.00 for a four bedroom unit. Every family who lives in a standard house should certainly take advantage of this opportunity to obtain a better place in which to live. Any family whose income is very low is welcome to make application in the office at the above address. The courteous staff is always glad to help you. The office is open from 9 a. m. until 9 p. m.

SAYS NO HOPE FOR NEGROES IN WILLKIE CANDIDACY



BISHOP R. R. WRIGHT, JR. (By Bishop R. R. Wright, Jr., Wilberforce, Ohio)

I am for Roosevelt for President because his principles are better than Willkie's. In fact I do not know that Mr. Willkie has any principles. He started out to smash the New Deal. When asked where he would begin, he could not tell. Would he take people off work relief and go back to the Hoover Republican dole? He said, "No." Would he stop the banks from insuring the deposits of the small saver, and go back to bank insecurity? "No." Would he take the aid from the struggling students, or break up the CCC? "No." Mr. Willkie has no principles which appeal to the ordinary people.

But I am for President Roosevelt for another reason. We know him and we do not know Willkie. Roosevelt has started on a work which he has not completed. We want him to complete it. That is why we want him.

Willkie has done nothing for the government. Most of his reputation has come from fighting the government's New Deal plans. He has never held public office. He would not know what to do with it if he had it. He would be just another Hoover—smart in business, but dumb in politics, and a tool of those who would keep back the social advance.

But there is another, a more personal reason. The Roosevelts have always been kind to the Negroes. They are not personally afraid of Negroes. They have hired Negroes all their married life. Mrs. Roosevelt's maid and Mr. Roosevelt's valet are colored. It means much to the race to have a man and his wife of this type in the White House who know us first hand. For after all it does not matter what the high flown political principles of men are if they do not have a genuine respect for the efforts of Negroes they will do little for them.

NAACP ADDS TWO TO NATIONAL STAFF

New York—E. Madison Jones, of New York and Frank Reeves, of Washington, D. C., have been added to the staff of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, it was announced. Mr. Jones is a graduate of St. John College, Brooklyn, N. Y. and of Columbia University. He will become national youth director for the association November 1. Mr. Reeves, a graduate of the Howard University law school has been named research assistant in the legal department.

Guide Food Show Draws Record Crowd

OMAHA GUIDE'S 14th FOOD & HOUSEHOLD DEMONSTRATION SETS RECORD

Record breaking and enthusiastic crowds of Northside Homemakers thronged the Elks Hall all of last week to witness The Omaha Guide's 14th and Finest Food and Household Demonstration. Numerous prizes, display booths, entertainments, musical selections, demonstrations, lecturers, contests and many other surprise attractions kept the large nightly gatherings in pleasant suspense. Among the hundreds of valuable prizes given were 8 turkeys, an RCA Victor Radio, Spring chickens and many surprise baskets and packages.

One of the surprise events was the auctioning of Cakes entered in the baking contest, the highest price paid for a cake was \$1.00.

Mr. Triplett retired U. P. chef served fried chicken nightly and received much praise for his appetizing preparations—apple pies with crispy Kitchen Kraft Crust were also served free as were samples of Butter-Nut Coffee by Mrs. Merritt, veteran demonstrator for Paxton & Gallagher.

Demonstration Booth attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jones, Storz Beer; Mrs. Merritt, Butter-Nut Coffee; Miss Betty Davis and Ola Mae Milan, Pepsi-Cola. Omaha Guide booth. Mrs. McDew, Hogan, Falstaff Beer; Mr. Arthur McCaw, Vegetable Booth; Miss Olive Willis and Mrs. Edrose Willis, 7-Up; Mrs. Julia Galloway, Kitchen Kraft Flour, Metz Beer, Poultry Booth, Grocery Booth, Mr. Triplett, Metropolitan Utilities District Display.

Other attendants and officials were Mrs. Charles Davis and Mrs. Ola Mae Williams ticket booth, Mr. Dudley Wright, doorman, officiating Jones, Messrs C. C. Galloway and Boyd Galloway were in charge of door prizes and advertising.

Omaha business firms who cooperated in making this show a success were Paxton & Gallagher Co., Storz Brewing Co., Safeway Stores, Falstaff Brewing Corp., The 7 Up Co., Metro. Utilities Dist., The Harding Co., Roberts Dairy Co., Nebraska Power Co., Fontenelle Brewing Co., Skinners Mfg. Co., U. S. Breakfast Food Co., Fair-

URBAN L'GE CALLS NEGROES ATTENTION TO CIVIL EXAMS

The National Urban League this week called attention to three new Civil Service announcements of examinations for jobs in which Negroes should be particularly interested. Through its Department of Industrial Relations, the League urged all colored persons qualified for any of the positions to write immediately to the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., for further information and an application blank.

Briefly, the examinations announced are as follows:

Border Patrolman, \$2,000 a year. Positions open in the Border Patrol of the Department of Justice. Applicants must show that, within three years immediately preceding the closing date of applications they were for at least one year actively, and regularly engaged in outdoor activities requiring endurance, agility, vitality, alertness and practical judgment. Members of the CCC, employed on a fulltime basis, and directors of athletics or-

O. STANTON DEPRIEST TO SPEAK IN OMAHA OCT. 30

ment's Creamery Co., and others.

BANQUET TO BE HELD FOR DEPRIEST

Mr. O. Stanton DePriest who will speak at Dreamland Hall at 8 p. m. Wednesday, October 30th will be entertained by Republican party leaders at a banquet at St. John's A. M. E. Church at 5 p. m.

Mr. C. C. Galloway, Director Colored Division for Nebraska and Mr. O. Ry White, 2nd Ward Chairman are the Republicans sponsoring the banquet. The local Colored organization is cooperating with Mr. Galloway and Mr. White as are Republicans at Lincoln, Nebraska.

Tickets for the banquet are 50c each and may be purchased at Johnson's Drug Store and Second Ward Republican Headquarters.

Accommodations are limited to two hundred. It will be necessary to make your reservations at once.

The date, Wednesday, October 30th at five p. m. The place St. John's A. M. E. Church, 22nd and Willis Avenue.

CHURCH FLOOR COLLAPSES, FUNERAL MOURNERS IN PANIC

Meridan, Miss., Oct. 23 (ANP) Last Friday afternoon as mourners crowded Maleille Chapel Methodist Church to attend funeral services for Estelle Crockett, the audience was suddenly thrown into wild confusion when the entire floor, from the front door to the pulpit collapsed, throwing scores of persons into the basement.

Some jumped from windows, others bolted through the doors, but none were seriously hurt and the service was concluded at the cemetery by the pastor, Rev. E. W. Rogers.

Peace Mobilization Group Hits Roosevelt

Washington, Oct. 23 (ANP) — Charging the Roosevelt administration with "striking two blows in a single week" at the liberty and democracy of the Negro people, first by ordering continued segregation of Negro troops and second by dropping all pretense of attempting to secure passage of the anti-lynch bill, the American Peace mobilization calls upon the entire Negro population to rally against the actions of the President and his draft machinery.

Frederick V. Field, executive secretary of the Peace mobilization, asserted that the administration is "using against the Negro people, the same tactics it is using against all progressive Americans—the suppression of liberty in a drive to get us into war."

He pointed to the White House statement issued early last week, which declared "the policy of the war department is not to intermingle colored and white enlisted personnel in the same regimental organizations. This policy has proven satisfactory over a long period of years, and to make changes would produce situations destructive to the morale and detrimental to the preparations for national defense."

The same day that the President was handing down this statement, Field recalled, the administration leaders in the senate announced their intention of abandoning any further efforts "this session" to get senate approval of the anti-lynch bill, already passed by the house.

"I have little doubt," Field said, "that the Negro people will speak for themselves on these issues. The simultaneous announcement of these two policies reveals more clearly than words the administration's attitude toward the extension of true democracy to Negroes. And this attitude will become a government that is arming itself to the teeth for the alleged purpose of 'saving the world for democracy.'"

The mobilization also pointed out that in appointing the members of the draft boards in Washington Negroes who constitute about 25 percent of the population of Washington, were given less than 3 percent representation on the boards. Field held that President Roosevelt himself must be "personally responsible" for the selection of the "grossly unrepresentative" boards, since he personally appoints the commissioners who govern this voteless city, and who themselves first approved the board appointees.

REV. PATON, HEAD EPISCOPAL SCHOOLS, RETIRES

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 23 (ANP) Rev. Albert Patton, for 26 years head of the American Church Institute for Negroes, an organization sponsored by the Episcopal Church for educational work among Negroes in the South, last week attended his last General Convention in an official capacity.

The 70-year old Southern white who resigns this year has during the time he served with the Institute, seen the work grow from the operation of three schools to nine, with a total enrollment in 1939 of 5,000. His close associate and subalter has been Dr. Wallace A. Battle, field agent for the schools.

Dr. Patton has been succeeded by Rev. Cyril E. Bentley.

SEABOARD AIRLINE PORTERS JOIN BROTHERHOOD

Train Porters on the Seaboard Air Line Railroad voted in an election, held on the System, conducted by the National Mediation Board, through one of its mediators, W. G. Rupp, for the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters to represent them in the making of agreements concerning rates of pay, and rules governing working conditions together with the settlement of claims and grievances, states A. Philip Randolph, International President, at the Brotherhood headquarters in New York City.

Mr. F. F. McLaurin, International Field Organizer of the Brotherhood, cooperated with the mediator in the handling of the election.

ALL TWO WEEKS RITES TO BE HELD FRIDAY

Oscar Adams Becomes Leader Of Powerful Secret Order

After an illness of two weeks Atty. Samuel A. T. Watkins, 3736 South Parkway, supreme chancellor of Knights of Pythias, died at Provident hospital Monday afternoon. His death came as a shock to his many friends who thought him well on the road to recovery. Funeral services, which will draw fraternal leaders from all parts of the country, are to be held Friday at the Kersey, McGowan and Morsell parlors, 3515 Indiana avenue.

In the death of Attorney Watkins, the task of guiding the Pythians will be left to Oscar C. Adams, Birmingham, Ala., vice supreme chancellor. Mr. Adams wired he would be in attendance at the services.

Elected in 1935

Elected head of the Pythians at the 1935 session in Rochester, N. Y., Attorney Watkins had no difficulty retaining the post. He was re-elected for the fourth term at the convention in Detroit.

A well known lawyer, Attorney Watkins received his education in the public schools of Memphis and at LeMoine college. He came to Chicago in 1892 and practiced law until he was stricken two weeks ago. Atty. Watkins won fame in fraternal circles when he won the famous Pythian Georgia case, which gave the lodge the right to exist in all Southern states.

He was also the victor in the famous Shriners case of Texas. Both of these cases were taken to the United States Supreme court.

Attorney Watkins was well known in fraternal circles, being associated with the Masons and Elks. He also served as Corporation Counsel under the late Mayor Carter Harrison.

Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Ada Walker of Memphis; a widow Mrs. Martell Watkins and a son Attorney Caldwell Watkins.