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Coronation Ball, Monday  
June 9, at Dreamland—  
Crowning at 10 p.m.

**IT PAYS  
TO KNOW  
SOMETHING**

It pays to know something well. If you do there is a job waiting for you somewhere. Miss Mary Thomas of Gary, Indiana, arrived in Omaha just three days ago, looking for a job. She called Mr. Sherman of the Edholm Sherman Laundry at 24th and Willis Ave., and asked for permission to make application for a position. Mr. Sherman in turn asked her what her experience was in laundry work. Miss Thomas stated her experience and that she had been regularly employed at the Double "L" Laundry in Gary, Indiana for some time, and that she was qualified to do a certain particular kind of work. Mr. Sherman asked her was she sure she could do that kind of work. She said "yes" He told her to come down to the laundry—he had a job for her. She is now employed in this position at the Edholm Sherman Laundry.

**BAPTIST TO  
CONVENE**

The New Era Baptist State Association will convene June 9-12, 1941 at the Paradise Baptist Church, Rev. C. C. Adams, pastor.

Dr. J. M. Nabrit, President of A. B. T. Seminary and executive secretary of the National Baptist Convention, Inc., and Dr. Clement Richardson, President of Western Baptist Seminary, Kansas City, Mo., will be guest of the association and the churches of Omaha.

There will be sermons, addresses and special music, by some of our leading speakers and musicians of the city and state. The public is invited to attend this meeting. F. P. Jones is Moderator and F. C. Williams, Con. Sec.

**BATTLE FOR  
S.R. 75 TAKES  
NEW LIFE**

New York—The battle for the passage of Senate Resolution 75 is taking on new life as ten Senators have already replied to the letter sent out May 21 by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People requesting that they actively support the resolution.

Senators Charles L. McNary, Henrik Shipstead, William H. Smathers and Styles Bridges have indicated their approval and active support of the measure. Senators James M. Tunnell, Carl A. Hatch and Alexander Wiley report that they have not had time to study the resolution, but they are in favor of any effort to ban discrimination on account of race.

Copies of a strong resolution passed by the National Public Affairs Committee of the YWCA, have been sent out to 900 YWCA branches with urgent requests that all persons interested in the fair and equitable integration of the Negro into the national defense program write to Senator Elbert D. Thomas, chairman of the Senate committee on Labor and Education, emphatically requesting that S. R. 75 be reported favorably to the Senate, and that they write their own Senators giving their reasons for supporting

## BECAUSE THEY SAY "HE RESISTED ARREST" FIREMAN LEWIS BEATEN BY POLICE IN HOME

### Roscoe Dunjee To Be Keynote Speaker

FIERY, FIGHTING EDITOR'S SPEECH WILL SET THE TONE FOR NAACP. CONFERENCE

NEW YORK—Roscoe Dunjee, fighting editor of the Oklahoma City Black Dispatch, will deliver the keynote speech for the opening of the 32nd annual NAACP conference in Houston, Texas, Tuesday night, June 24.

Mr. Dunjee, known throughout the Southwest for his fearless battles for his race, is a member of the board of directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and president of the Oklahoma conference of branches of the association.

His keynote speech will set the tone for the entire conference. If it follows the pattern of Dunjee speeches and philosophy it will be a fiery call to action in these times when the race must act to preserve its rights and make new progress.

Editor Dunjee is one of those rare persons who has stayed in the South and battled as loudly and fearlessly as though he lived in Boston, Mass. On more than one occasion he has been shot at, presumably by Ku Klux Klan members. Years ago the plate glass window of his office was shattered by one bullet.

On May 9, 1930, a mob at Sherman, Texas, lynched George Hughes by burning down the courthouse and roasting Hughes (who was locked in the treasurer's vault) alive. Before the fire department had put out the flames, Dunjee was in Sherman getting a story for his paper on the spot, having jumped in his car and driven from Oklahoma City at the first report of the lynching.

Dunjee is a power in state politics and has been known as the right hand adviser of several governors. His state conference of branches of the NAACP is the best organized of any in the country, and has functioning units in more than forty cities and towns in the state. In 1935 Editor Dunjee was awarded the Merit Medal of the NAACP for outstanding work in the association, and in 1936 he was elected to the national board of directors.

**NEGRO TRAINEES REQUEST-ED BY AERONAUTICS CO.**

New York—Proof that increased pressure and aroused public sentiment for the inclusion of Negroes in the national defense program is taking effect is the announcement by the United Institute of Aeronautics, Inc., that the company will admit Negroes to its training courses.

The Ministers' alliance, high school principals and the Chicago Urban league have been much interested in the Jenkins measure.

**\$598.75 COLLECTED IN MEMBERSHIP BY KANSAS CITY NAACP.**

Kansas City, Mo.—At the end of its annual spring membership campaign the local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People sent to the National office a check for \$578.95. Carl R. Johnson is the branch president.

"Time To Subscribe"



FRONT VIEW of The Omaha, the new electric clock which reads: "Time To Subscribe For The Omaha Guide". This sign is in-

visible in this cut, but you are invited to call at our office and com-

ply with its request.

### Cops Offer Boy Two-Dollars To Forget Beating

### WAR WILL DRIVE PEOPLE CLOSER TO COMMUNION WITH RELIGION-- BLEDSOE

for instructions and literature about the course.

#### SIX NEGRO REGIMENTS STATIONED AT FORT BRAGG, NORTH CAROLINA

Fort Bragg, N. C., May 27 (AP)—Negro trainees from all parts of the country are stationed at Fort Bragg. They are members of six regiments or battalions: the 41st Engineers, the 76th and 77th Coast Artillery regiments (Anti-aircraft), the 96th Engineer battalion and the 48th Quartermaster regiment (truck), and a battalion of field artillerymen at the Field Artillery Replacement Training Center.

In addition to these troops, colored doctors and nurses are on duty with the medical department at the Station hospital.

#### MD. STATE NAACP. MEETING FEATURES FULL PROGRAM

Baltimore, Md.—With a full two-day program, the first annual Maryland state conference of branches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, was held here Saturday and Sunday May 24 and 25. Discussion topics include Equal Education Opportunities for Mary

land, Jobs and the Equal Right to Earn, Police Brutality and What We Can Do About It, climaxing at the Sunday meeting with an address by Walter White, executive secretary, "Does America Want To Be Saved?"

Life membership certificate

went to Local 858 of the International Longshoremen's Union. Mrs. Enolia McMillan and Raymond Young are co-chairman of the state conference planning committee. Mrs. Lillie M. Jackson is president of the Baltimore branch NAACP.

New York—"One of them took me out in the hall and said they were sorry and to forget about the whole thing and said 'Take this. For it,' and placed two dollars in my hand."

This statement is from the affidavit given to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People by Edwin Lark, 20, a machinist, who was kicked, chased and beaten by two New York City detectives Wednesday, May 14.

According to Lark, who works at night, he left the building where he works on the night of May 14 to get his supper, noticed a crowd at 45th street and went to investigate. The two detectives who were pushing the crowd back turned to him, told him to "Beat it!" and one of them, for no reason, kicked him in the groin.

Lark ran back into the building he had just left, followed by the police who trapped him in an elevator and began kicking and beating him.

Lark's employer and a bystander reported the matter to the police. Lark came the next day to the NAACP office where he talked with members of the legal staff. That afternoon he was approached at work by the two detectives who offered him two dollars to "forget about the whole thing." The boy has made an affidavit against the men who has been sent to New York Police Commissioner Lewis J. Valentine with the two dollars attached.

A hearing on the case is expected on Thurgood Marshall's special counsel for NAACP is handling the case for Lark.

ACP, which is urging adoption of the "Carpenter Plan" to abolish discrimination, is from an item circulated by the informational service of the Social Security Board in a pamphlet called "Daily Press Digest". The item states that Arthur J. Altmeyer has assured Butler B. Hale of South Carolina, member of the House Appropriations committee that the anti-segregation plan will meet with his opposition. Altmeyer is chairman of the SSB.

**ANNOUNCE CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS**

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### TECH GRADUATE WINS SCHOLARSHIP TO FISK UNIVERSITY



Early last week Mr. Herman Lewis, a city fireman was arrested by three members of the Omaha Police Vice Detail and charged with vagrancy, disturbing the peace and resisting arrest.

The trial was had before Judge John W. Battin in the Central Police court. The attorney for Mr. Lewis objected to the introduction of any testimony on the ground that the officers making the arrest had no warrant and that the arrest was illegal and that Mr. Lewis should be discharged. The judge overruled the motion and heard the testimony by the three arresting officers.

They testified in substance that they went to the home of Mr. Lewis and inquired for a woman who lived in Mr. Lewis' home. He told them that she lived there and invited the officers into the house. After the officers had entered they questioned the woman who stated that she was Mr. Lewis' housekeeper, Mr. Lewis' wife being ill in the hospital. The officers asked the housekeeper if she would be willing to go with them for a medical examination and she consented to go.

The officers further testified that when they started to take the woman out of the house, Mr. Lewis objected to the arrest because they had no warrant, and struck one of the officers whereupon the officers gave Mr. Lewis a severe beating about the head, cutting several gashes in his head. The officers testified that the blows which caused the cuts in Mr. Lewis' head were struck by officer Trotter. During the trial the City Prosecutor filed a fourth charge against Mr. Lewis for assault and battery.

Mr. Lewis did not present any testimony, preferring to stand up on his legal rights. Judge Battin, however, fined Mr. Lewis \$25 on the charge of assault and battery and \$25 on the charge of resisting arrest. The vagrancy charge and the charge of disturbing the peace were dismissed. Mr. Lewis appealed both cases to the District Court where they will be heard the latter part of this week.

The case has been referred to The Omaha Branch of the NAACP for investigation as to whether or not the police were justified in administering the brutal beating given Mr. Lewis.

#### NAACP. CONGRATULATES UAW. ON FORM ELECTION

Detroit, Mich.—Congratulations on the election victory in the Ford plant were received by R. J. Thomas, president of the United Automobile Workers, CIO affiliate to day, from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The telegram, signed by Walter White, NAACP executive secretary, reported the matter to the police. Lark came the next day to the NAACP office where he talked with members of the legal staff. That afternoon he was approached at work by the two detectives who offered him two dollars to "forget about the whole thing." The boy has made an affidavit against the men who has been sent to New York Police Commissioner Lewis J. Valentine with the two dollars attached.

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**NEGRO INFANT DEATH RATE ON DECLINE**

Statistics published in the Registrar, which is released by the Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, show that the "death rate of Negro babies under 1 year of age, has declined from 192 per 1,000 births in 1915 to 77.9 in 1938." This shows a 12 percent decrease in the number of infant deaths over a period of 23 years.

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Atlanta, Georgia, May 27—The commencement address to the graduating class at Spelman College will be delivered on Wednesday, June 4, by President Malcolm Shaw MacLean of Hampton Institute.

These exercises will bring to a close the activities of the 1941 commencement season on the campuses of the affiliated institutions.

### Announcement

Due to the lateness in getting a Contest Editor, and getting the 18 high school girls to enter the Omaha Guide's \$300.00 Scholarships Campaign, we the Omaha Guide wish to state that our \$300.00 Scholarships Campaign will officially open on June 6, and will close

within 60 days from date with the crowning of the girl who wins the first prize as "Miss Omaha Guide" with a big party for her at the Dreamland Hall. Watch the paper for future announcements about this \$300.00 Scholarships Campaign.

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