

Lieutenant Hampson H. Fields Cracks Ice for Colored Officers ★ ★

Weds Australian Girl

by "Scoop" Jones ANP War Correspondent



Mrs. Hampson H. Fields, daughter of Mrs. Ethel Baptiste, Sydney, Australia who recently married Lt. Hampson H. Fields, Cleveland, Ohio. (ANP Photo by "Scoop" Jones)

Somewhere in Australia, Dec. 3 (ANP) — The Dr. G. W. Carver American Red Cross club was in a mass uproar as Red Cross workers and aids busily, hurriedly, decorated a two room suite in the still-in process of modeling officer's quarters. The answer to a query as to what the grand rush was, "We are preparing the bridal suite."

About 2 pm a gorgeous sample of Aussie feminine pulchritude attired in a coat-and-bridal costume from the movie "I Married a Witch." The gown required 136 ration coupons for 42 yards of 54 inch material. For flowers she was bedecked with a melody of gardenias, lillies of the valley and white roses.

The arrival at the Dr. Carver club in another town was the climax of a furiously to Sydney granted Lt. Fields for the marriage and also the beginning of a honeymoon while the lieutenant awaits transportation back to New Guinea his overseas station.

It may be added here in answer to inquisitive speculation as to the true nationality of the bride—she is of French and Australian descent.

**MARIAN ANDERSON
AUTOPHOTO BOY'S
LETTER TO MOM**

At the local Colored USO Center a young serviceman was busily writing a letter to his "Mom". In the midst of his writing, he suddenly looked up and saw Marian Anderson coming through the door to pay the canteen a visit. He hastily returned to his writing and wrote, "Dear Mom", Marian Anderson just came in, and if I can get her to autograph this letter to you..." She did.

Marian Anderson was here in Omaha last week appearing in a concert at the City auditorium on Thanksgiving eve. Mrs. Ruby B. Reese, is director of our local USO.



DUKE ELLINGTON TO PLAY CONCERT IN CHI

Chicago....The jitterbugs won't jump and the collegues won't yell when "the Duke" and his "Supermen" play their first concert here at Civic Opera House. It will all happen on Sunday, Dec. 19 and with the town already agog over the announcement of such an unusual treat from the "Master Maestro" it looks as though sweet music will dominate this jazz-crazed area and will be king for a day. Representing the social and dance world, Ruth Benson, Earline Saunders and Cecilia Ward are shown above discussing the matter with Mr. Ellington. Press Photo Service.

'Stop Discrimination,' - FEPC.

Hits Eastern Railroads

(By ERNEST E. JOHNSON)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2 (ANP) — Quit discriminating, in effect, is what the Fair Employment Practice Committee has said to 26 railroad carriers and seven unions, as a result of its findings based upon evidence presented at the hearings held here Sept. 15 to 18 into complaints of discrimination in employment policies and practices.

Notices to the carriers and the unions were sent out two weeks ago with the requests that the groups report to the committee within 30 days on steps taken to comply with the directive.

Meanwhile, it is understood, the New York Central system and the Pennsylvania railroad have shown even more of a disposition to settle their differences with the committee. Doubt was expressed, however, that the southern lines would do anything independently. A formula for joint action was said to be under consideration in some quarters.

In its findings, the FEPC cited as unfair the policies of certain railroad unions which it said, "discriminate against Negroes, because of race, in regard to membership, thus rendering it impossible (for said Negroes) to have any adequate voice or representation with respect to grievances and the negotiation of agreements affecting working condition, employment policy, practices and opportunities." In each case the union was told to "cease and desist."

The unions cited were the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen; Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; Order of Railway Conductors; Brotherhood of Railway Carmen of America; Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; International Association of Machinists and the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers; Iron Shipbuilders and Helpers of America.

None of the unions put in an official appearance at the hearings.

The committee, in its findings, took a hefty blow at the southeastern conference agreements between the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen and 10 railroads.

The agreement, the FEPC ruled, is designed for no other purpose than to cut down the employment of Negroes as firemen and to increase the hiring of whites in those positions. The agreement seeks to accomplish this, Malcolm Ross, chairman of FEPC said, through setting definite percentages for whites and Negro firemen; through limiting firemen's jobs to "promotional men"; and then by excluding all Negro workers from promotion.

The president optimistically declared, "I believe many will be happy to join us in an effort to free the university from its long standing debt on this occasion when we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the birth of the Wilberforce idea."

Among others scheduled to be present at the area council and make some contribution to the program are Bishop Frank Madison Reid, Dean Charles S. Spivey, Attorney Rey E. Hughes, Dr. Joseph Gomez, Revs. E. L. Liggins, O. A. Burke, J. H. Maxwell, C. J. Powell, H. N. Robinson, A. C. Sumpster and A. S. King.

NORTHERN NEGRO GETS SAY

New York, Dec. 3 (ANP) — For the first time a special magazine number will be devoted to the Negro in the north. The January "Journal of Educational Sociology" will be devoted to the problems and social action programs of the northern Negro. The issue is entitled "The Negro in the North During Wartime."

Regarding the southeastern agreement, the FEPC directed that any agreement entered into between the railroads and the brotherhood, in lieu of the denounced one, "shall contain no provisions or terms discriminating against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, or color or national origin."

The committee told the various offenders to "adjust the employment policy and practices so that all needed workers shall be hired and all company employees shall be promoted or upgraded without regard to race, creed, color or national origin," as set forth in Executive Order 9346.

The committee could find no justification in the argument of the carriers that public resentment would prohibit advancement of Negroes in certain jobs, or their hire for that matter.

"It will scarcely do to point to social conditions, traditions or usages in attempting to answer such questions for the duties of these employees involve no mingling with the public on terms of social equality," the ruling said. "Furthermore, the public all over the south has been accustomed to Negroes filling these positions since the beginning of the company's exist-

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PRICE FIVE CENTS

St. John's to be Scene of Missionary Contab

Bishop Ransom to Challenge Leadership At Area Council Called at Wilberforce Uni.

In the City of Omaha at St. John AME Church at 22nd and Willis Avenue, on Friday, Dec. 10, 1943 beginning at 10 a.m. the Nebraska Conference Branch, Women's Mite Missionary Society will hold their First Quarterly inspirational meeting. The public is cordially invited. Your presence will add so much more beauty, fellowship and inspirational affect to this meeting. Mrs. Edna B. Foster, the Nebraska and Kansas Conference Board President of the WMMS of Kansas City, Mo. will be with us on that day and plans have already been made for a grand and glorious day. Mrs. Foster's theme will be "Christians Hold Your Light." Let Your Light shine over the world." Her lectures are so richly filled with both spiritual and inspirational and educational help.

You just cannot afford to miss hearing her. Come early and spend the entire day.

Mary J. Edison is publicity chairman of this meeting.

weapons, clothing and life-saving devices would be an act hardly contemplated by any thinking American.

And yet, this is exactly the full significance of the plan to destroy the Nebraska Power Company. As patriotic citizens, Omahans will represent a move which could deprive their sons and brothers of their weapons.

RANDOLPH WARNS NEGROES OF POST WAR UNEMPLOYMENT

At the National Headquarters of the March on Washington Movement at the Theresa Hotel building, A. Philip Randolph, who has just returned from a Mid-western trip which carried him as far as Denver, Colorado, stated that the Negro people along with labor in general must direct their attention to the question of post-war unemployment. He estimated that some 30 millions of workers would be unemployed following demobilization of the armed forces and the dismantling of the defense industries, and that there would be a devastating depression with new bread lines, relief rolls, and WPA. He pointed out that the Negro must give serious thought to the question of organization to secure equality of treatment in job opportunities, and also to plan the development of cooperatives for self help-cooperatives that will conserve the purchasing power of his dollar by eliminating the middleman.

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DECEMBER 7th 1941 — REMEMBER!!

Strike Focuses Need To Preserve Taxpaying Businesses

The recent strike of the Omaha school custodians for higher wages brought into sharp focus the need to preserve all taxpaying organizations which support schools and other public institutions.

As the city's largest taxpayer, the Nebraska Power Company particularly is worth "keeping," it was pointed out. Taxes paid by this firm in 1943 will amount to

be lost to the federal government that it can carry on the war successfully.

To illustrate the grave danger which lies in destroying this taxpaying organization, we must consider the result of depriving the government of that \$1,500,000.

This is a sum large enough to equip more than four regiments.

(Over 9,000 soldiers) at \$155 per man. To deprive them of their

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Washington, Dec. 2 (ANP) Housing is going to be the No. 1 post-war problem," declared Dr. Robert C. Weaver, chief minority group services, War Manpower Commission following a two week swing around the country.

The main purpose of Dr. Weaver's trip, which took him to Denver, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Kansas City and Dallas, was to establish regional offices for WMC which will cooperate on the regional level with FEPC in adjusting complaints of discrimination.

"Upgrading and utilization of more spots in the matter of employment, rather than placement," he said, are the main difficulties in placement arising largely out of the unwillingness of employers to use Negro women," he added.

What he called the "impact of new people" into communities and the establishment of "ghettos" for Negroes have produced a difficult situation for the post-war, Dr. Weaver said. The two possibilities for solving the problem offered by the manpower official were that the government immediately undertake to program more housing with an eye to breaking down these ghettos; and the like! noted that many Negroes with more spending money will be buying private homes.

"SCOOP" JONES TO OFFICERS TRAINING SCHOOL

Somewhere in Australia, Dec. 3 (ANP) "Scoop" Jones, the dashing Associated Negro Press correspondent in the Southwest Pacific, but better known to the officers of his company as Master Sgt. J. M. Jones, Jr., formerly of New Orleans, is going to sprout a pair of shoulder bars. That is providing he comes through, but "Scoop" has always come through and is expected to do so this time. All this is by way of saying that Sgt. Jones is now in officer candidate school over here. The school will be over next February.

M-Sgt. "Scoop" Jones, one of the popular men in the area, was a newsman in New Orleans working on the Louisiana Weekly before he went to war. His mother and sister reside in the Crescent City now.



"LET'S HAVE THE TURKEY"

"Turkey Day" guest. In the picture above, reading left to right are: Sgt. Louis Barrow, an unidentified colonel, Ray (Sugar) Robinson, (champ of his class) and Jackie Wilson. Sgt. Louis had a few exhibition rounds with Sgt. George Nicholson and "Sugar" took on Jackie for a few "smacks" while at the camp. Col. Ahern, Commander said that the event was "tops." (Press Photo Service)