

Break Ground for New Homes in Bedford Park Addition

Physical Exams To Be Given at Urban League

In cooperation with the Nebraska Negro Medical Society and the State Health Department, the Urban League has completed arrangements to give physical examinations to every boy and girl in this area free of charge. The examinations will be given Thursday, December 7th at the Urban League Community Center, 2213 Lake Street, from 4:00 until 7 p.m. under the supervision of doctors who are members of the Medical Society assisted by trained nurses.

Since physical exercise can harm those who are not in good health or who have some physical ailment, the League requires all who take part in

Mayor Turns Over First Spadeful on New Housing Site



Left to right are William F. Scholman, plumbing contractor; Charles C. Gallaway, publisher of The Omaha Guide; Warren M. Alton, fireman; prospective home owner; Mr. Dee, Mayor Dan B. Butler; John Sutherland, excavation firm official; J. Dillard Crawford, another prospective owner; Ralph Ronau; Raymond R. Brown, secretary of the Urban League; the Rev. W. H. Phillips, president of the league, a workman; John Slavic, county clerk, holding surveying instruments, in front of workman.

Work to Start at Once

WILL HELP ALLEVIATE HOUSING SHORTAGE IN NORTHSIDE AREA

Ground was broken Wednesday afternoon for the first homes to be built in the beautiful Bedford Park addition, located on Wirt street between 30th and 27th streets.

Hiram D. Dee, president of the Realty Improvement Company, 342 Electric building, said work will begin at once on the project.

These new homes will greatly alleviate the housing shortage in this north side area.

The homes will be five-and-half room structures, completely modern in every respect, with brick facing, and costing on an average of \$6,000.

Persons interested in securing one of these beautiful, durable homes may look over the plans and consult with Mr. Dee, at 342 Electric Building, or call JA-7718 or JA-1620 and arrange for an appointment with him.

Fightin' 92d Pin Up Choice



Los Angeles, Calif., Lovely Paulette Jacqueline Coleman, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Selby, who reside at 3673 Grammercy Place here has been chosen by members of the famous 92nd Combat Division as their No. 1 pin up girl. Paulette is a Santa Barbara High School grad and was a student at Los Angeles City College, taking a pre-nursing course. Doing her bit on the home front at the Signal Depot as a typist, Miss Coleman is considered one of the West Coast's most charming 'Sun Maidens'. She was born in Chicago.

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Democracy Is A Fact in New Veterans Hospital

STAFF IS UNCONCERNED ABOUT RACIAL MATTERS BY VERNIA ARVEY

(Exclusive Feature by CNS) — From the lips of nurse's aides and Red Cross workers in the Birmingham General Hospital in Van Nuys, California, has come a heartening tale of the excellent race relations that exist in this newest hospital for overseas casualties, the 57th of its kind in the United States. And it is, fortunately, all true, for I visited the installation and saw that the colored patients were everywhere completely integrated into the life of the hospital, and that many of them had formed firm friendships with the white patients.

All of them were so lacking in self-consciousness about the whole matter that it wasn't even necessary to ask questions about it. They all regarded themselves and each other as Americans who had done a good job for their country, not as men with one of the other skin-coloring.

The hospital is entirely unconcerned about racial matters. When the returned servicemen arrive, they are classified by wards, according to the nature of their ailments, not according to their racial origins. As a result, practically every section of the hospital has men of several racial origins living together cheerfully and with no friction whatsoever.

At one time, the neuro-surgical ward contained white, colored, Mexican and American-born Japanese patients. In the officers' ward at the present time there are two colored and one Filipino officer along with the others. In this ward, just now, there happens to be a white officer who commanded colored troops in Africa. He had nothing but the highest praise and admiration for their outstanding work in the war.

One Red Cross worker told me of seeing a white patient whose wound was so serious that gangrene had set in. The stench from this was so powerful that he was placed in a solitary room, and it was not often that he was visited by people other than his regular attendants. However, as the Red Cross worker passed his room, she looked in and saw sitting by his bed, a colored soldier, himself about to undergo surgery, patiently holding books up for the wounded white boy to read, and turning the pages for him. When the colored boy came out of surgery and was in great pain, he too received special attention from his white friends in the hospital.

During the past several weeks there has been a lot of fun in the orthopaedic ward. One white bed patient had a guitar, another banjo. A colored patient nearby managed to find a hollow box, two sticks and two lemons. He fastened the lemons on the ends of the sticks and found he had a mighty effective drum. So he sang and drummed while the others played their instruments, and a new jazz band was born.

In one ward there is a colored Republican in a bed next to a white Southerner who is a staunch Democrat. Arguments? They argue all day long. But never over racial matters—always over politics! The nurse's aide who told me that story

Dawson Vows Allegiance to Race



Chicago (PPNS) Congressman Dawson and Vernon Duncan, accorded college student, clasp hands in a mutual expression of good will and best wishes for the other's success during their meeting in Chicago, where Congressman Dawson made an inspiring speech and assured his supporters that—"The trust of my people shall not be in vain." The Congressman also revealed that he is preparing legislative action for the passing of an Anti-Lynch Bill to be submitted before the Congress at an early date. It is believed that the driving force of Dawson and Congressman-elect, Adam C. Powell, Jr. of New York, will bring about a rapid change for the better in bills affecting Negro rights.

FEDERAL LEGISLATION ASKED TO PROHIBIT RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

New Orleans, (PPNS) An unprecedented action striking at the evil of labor discrimination was borne here this week when Louis P. Marcere, labor head from New Jersey, introduced a resolution to outlaw and make punishable by federal defense efforts of labor groups to conduct organized racial discrimination. The resolution, which has given rise to much discussion, has been presented to the AF of L. at the 64th Annual Convention of the American Federation of Labor being held here in New Orleans. The proposal will be passed upon by the convention resolution committee; and depending upon the committee's report, will go before the convention delegates next week.

Asking for federal legislation, the resolution read: "Resolved: That we call for the enactment of federal legislation as a wartime measure and as post-war measure, which will make organized discrimination such as anti-

A Message to the Christmas Shoppers...

As you know the shortage of manpower has hit the retail merchant just as it has hit all lines of business, big and small. So the cry goes out—HELP! HELP! HELP! Well, help who? Help yourself as well as the retail merchant. How? —By going today and do just as much of your Christmas shopping as you can afford to do. Yes, TODAY and every day from now on. If you wait until those last four days, somebody is going to be left holding the bag. So, my Christmas Shopper, it is a duty you owe to yourself and others, to help avoid Christmas shopping inflation.

Remember if you please, it takes sixteen hands to furnish the service to sell you one little small pocket handkerchief.

Listen, friend Christmas Shopper. You have loved ones on the firing lines and you want them to return home safe and sound, don't you? Yes, we know you do and that is what we are trying all the time to tell you. It takes 14,000 pairs of hands to keep one soldier supplied with food and the necessary equipment to protect himself with and do your fighting. So it is your duty to cooperate with the retail merchant to the extent wherein every man and woman who is now helping to supply your soldier boy or girl, to stay on the war production line. So please adhere to the retail merchant's request and start now, today, to do your Xmas shopping. Help keep what help they have busy every hour in the day. Avoid the rush hours. Shop between 10 a. m. and 4 p. m.

ble-edged axe. No motive for the killing was disclosed. Scales was a trustee at the State Training and Agricultural School for Colored Boys, where his victims worked.

EDGAR BROWN APPEALS COURT MARTIALING OF FIFTY NEGRO SAILORS

Special (PPNS) Following the recent sentence of fifty Negro soldiers to terms of 8 to 15 years imprisonment for refusing to load ammunition ships, Edgar Brown special PPNS representative immediately made a fervent appeal to President Roosevelt in a lengthy telegram requesting a new trial and special consideration of the circumstances leading to the men's refusal to comply with their assignment. The sailors were convicted on charges of mutiny and offered as their defense the fact that many of their members were among the casualties of the Port Chicago ammunition explosion in which more than 300 lives were lost, supplementing the previous loss of lives suffered in the same manner. Having narrowly escaped themselves and witnessing the mangled and torn bodies of their friends and buddies, the men reportedly refused to work further on the detail because of fear born out of the high danger prevalent in the work. Brown arrived in San Francisco this week, where he will make a personal appeal to officials of the 12th Naval District and delve deeper into the

charges placed against the accused mutineers.

NEGRO SCIENTISTS TO BE AT NOBEL AWARD DINNER

New York (CNS) A number of race scientists are being invited to the Nobel Award Dinner which is being held at Hotel Astor, December 10th, according to Mrs. Hjordis Swenson, Secretary of the Committee.

Among the Negroes to be invited to witness the formal presentation of six Nobel Awards are Dr. Charles R. Drew, Spingarn medalist, Dr. Augustus Hinton, Paul R. Williams, Hilary Robinson, Albert Cassel, architects—all friends of the late Dr. George Washington Carver.

Last January, John Kennedy charged that Dr. Carver had been denied the Nobel Award in bio-chemistry because he was a Negro. This charge has been officially denied by the Swedish Council here in New York and by the Swedish News Agency. They also claim that on one of the Dinner's affairs, Elmer Carter, noted columnist and social worker, was master of ceremonies.

The Nobel Foundation Awards this year were made by the Swedish government in an unexpected step to those who had been recommended before and during the war. It is believed that if the works of Dr. Carver are properly presented, the question of the award will receive careful consideration.

To Start Amateur Hour

Among our civic minded leaders, who not only talk about juvenile delinquency, but who also act upon the ever increasing problem, is Sergeant George E. Bivens, who has started a campaign of his own to help curb juvenile delinquency. He has given and sponsored numerous affairs lately in an effort to divert our youth's attention to the more useful things of life.

Now for his next diverter, he is planning AN AMATEUR HOUR for our boys and girls, which starting announcement he will announce real soon. All talented youths will be given a chance to let the public know what the young people can really do. All programs at the Tabernacle, 2711 North 28th Street will close with refreshments and "God Bless America."

Thanks to all who helped to make the program a big success. Sgt. Jacl. King and Mr. Knapp were in attendance and spoke.

Buy all the Bonds you can. There were 68 children and fourteen adults at the program Saturday November 25th.

Sgt. G. E. Bivens 2512 Lake Street.

WALTER WHITE WRITES BOOK ON NEGRO SOLDIER

New York City (CNS) Walter White, Secretary of the NAACP, has written a new book, "Arising Wind". Published by Doubleday, Doran and Company, it is the first book about Negro soldiers in Europe.

Mr. White, during his tour of the European battlefield, "found much that was bad," but he found much that was hopeful. On the front line, however, he felt that Jim Crow was given no chance to ride with the young white flyers, for they were very much impressed by the daring deeds of race flyers who were members of the famous 99th Corps commanded by Col. Benjamin Davis Jr.

ART ENCYCLOPEDIA HONORS PIOUS

New York (CNS) Robert S. Pious who does the weekly drawings for the OWI, is being included in the 1945 edition of Who's Important in Art which records the doings of Artists, Etchers, Sculptors and Illustrators. Bob's picture, too, will be used in the compendium according to the Associate Editor, Robert Tilton.

Besides the OWI, Pious does work for the Curtis Publishing House in New York.

SHARON LOUISE BEARD, WINS ST. BENEDICT'S BABY CONTEST

The St. Benedict's Baby Contest, sponsored by St. Benedict's Credit Union to raise funds to pay on a new stoker for the heating system raised \$245.40 through the contest.

The 1st award of \$15, was won by Miss Sharon Louise Beard, baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Beard. 2nd award of \$10 was won by Ronnette Marie Hobbs, and the 3rd award of \$5 was won by Marcia Patten. The remaining contestants were John Bweden and Minnie Yvonne Kercheval.

Announcements of winners and awarding of prizes was held Sunday, November 19th at 3 pm. A short program and light refreshments were offered.

NAMES LINKED



DR. ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, Jr. MISS HAZEL SCOTT

Hazel Scott, celebrated boogie-woogie pianist, who has been termed the un-named correspondent in the divorce suit pending against Harleml Congressman elect Adam Clayton Powell, Jr., filed by his wife Mrs. Isabel Washington Powell Jr. In the suit Miss Scott was referred to as "a night club performer" who had alienated the affections of Mrs. Powell's husband.

Hazel Scott Un-named Correspondent In Mrs. Powell's Divorce Suit

New York, (PPNS) The brilliant young minister and publisher, Adam C. Powell, Jr., Harlem's choice for Congressman elect, crashed the head-

DR. POWELL DECLARED NUMBER ONE UNCLE TOM

New York (CNS) The League for a Better Press has nominated as the nation's number one Uncle Tom, Dr. C. B. Powell, whose paper, the Amsterdam News, was pro-Dewey in the last campaign. His close runner-up was Julius J. Adams, associate editor of the Amsterdam News. The League planned Nov. 25th as Uncle Tom's Day when by popular acclaim Dr. Powell, officially took office as "King of 1944's Uncle Toms."

AFRICAN COUNCIL PROTESTS JOHANNESBURG RIOTS

New York (C) The Council of African Affairs, in a letter to Dr. S. F. W. Gie, South African Minister to the United States has rebuked the South African Government for the shameful riots carried on November 6th in Johannesburg.

In the riot one African was killed, 6 seriously injured and 50 needing medical attention. The \$40,000 building, housing the officers of the African newspaper, the Bantu World, was burnt to the ground by European hoodlums.

This week when it was learned that his wife of 11 years, Mrs. Isabel Washington Powell, had filed papers for divorce. Mrs. Powell stated that her husband, who is one of Harlem's most popular and prominent figures, had become infatuated with "a night club performer" and subsequently abandoned her after she had been subjected to cruel and inhuman treatment. Though the name of the entertainer was not mentioned in the suit, it is the popular opinion that it is Hazel Scott, sensational pianist of stage, screen and radio. Upon being interviewed by inquiring reporters, Miss Scott frankly admitted that she was quite fond of the handsome Congressman and intimated that should Mrs. Powell secure her divorce, she and Rev. Powell would very likely wed. Said Miss Scott: "Together we could do great things for our people."

The present action that has aroused such wide public interest, is a prediction of Harlemites, who have for many weeks suspected that things were at a breaking point in the Powell household. Mrs. Powell is seeking \$100 weekly alimony, which is to be increased in proportion to the increase in the minister's income.