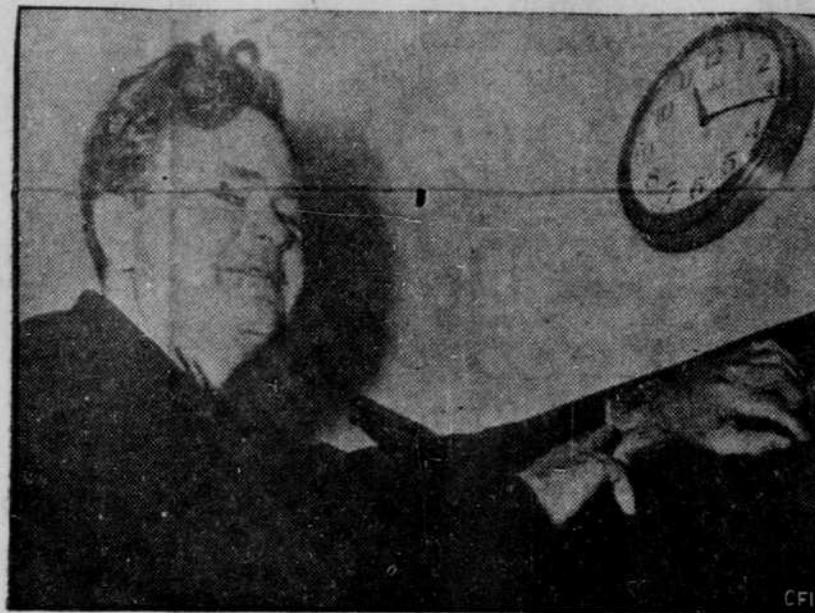


HUNDREDS EXPECTED AT URBAN LEAGUE OPENING, FAIR

Back to Standard Time



HOUSE VOTES RETURN TO STANDARD TIME
Washington, D.C., (soundphoto) The House Interstate Commerce Committee has voted to do away with war time at the end of the month. Representative Lyle H. Boren of Oklahoma, author of the measure, is shown checking his wrist watch with clock on his office wall. Standard time will start at 2 am, Sunday, September 30th.

L. B. Granger Tours Pacific Naval Bases

Reports Lag in Naval Policy in So. Posts

Lester B. Granger, Executive Secretary of the National Urban League, left New York on September 15th for San Francisco, California, from which city he will start overseas on September 25th for a tour of Naval bases in the Pacific. Accompanying him on that tour will be Matthew W. Bullock of Boston, Mass., Chairman of the Massachusetts State Parole Commission; Harry McAlpin, White House Correspondent for the National Negro Publishers Association; Lieutenant Robert Roper, representative of the Bureau of Naval Personnel and Lieut. (jg) Sylvester White, representative of the Navy's Bureau of Public Information. The party's itinerary includes Pearl Harbor, the Phillipine Islands, Es-piritu Santo in the New Hebrides, Manus Island in the Admiralties, Tinian and Saipan in the Marianas, and the famed battle islands of Iwo Jima and Okinawa. (Continued on page 8)

CONTINUED FIGHT FOR \$25 JOBLESS PAY URGED

Washington, DC.—The NAACP this week blasted the Senate Finance Committee headed by Senator Walter F. George (D., Ga.) for striking from the Kilgore Unemployment Compensation Bill provisions to give jobless workers throughout the United States the maximum weekly benefits of \$25 per week for 26 weeks.

Walter White, NAACP secretary, declared that this important provision was killed in the Finance Committee by a coalition of reactionary northern and southern senators who would rather see thousands of families half-fed, ill-clothed and generally demoralized than provide a decent rate of unemployment compensation. It urged messages to Senator Kilgore pledging support and telegrams to senators.

M. Kilgore (D., W. Va.) that he heartily endorses all the provisions of his bill and urged him to stand firm against compromises. It praised public statements by Senator Kilgore to the effect that he would continue the fight on the Senate floor to restore the \$25 weekly job aid.

In addition, the Kilgore unemployment compensation bill would extend compensation to federal employees, merchant seamen and workers handling agricultural products and increase GI unemployment benefits. This measure, of particular importance to Negroes during the period of employment cutbacks and of reconversion, it urged messages to Senator Kilgore pledging support and telegrams to senators.

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Reunion At TAAF



It was a happy family reunion for Captain and Mrs. Homer L. Stark and their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Myers, from Omaha, Nebraska, where Mr. Myers has operated a mortuary for over 20 years. Reading left to right, they are: Mrs. Hazel Jordan (sister), of Dallas, Texas; Mrs. Myers; Capt. Stark of Portsmouth, Ohio; Mr. Myers, and Mrs. Stark, Capt. Stark's Commandant Officer of the Training and Operations Squadron at TAAF.

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TRUMAN TO UNVEIL ROOSEVELT PLAQUE IN RECORDER'S OFFICE

Washington—President Harry S. Truman will speak at the ceremony unveiling a plaque of the late President Roosevelt in the Recorder of Deeds Building, Monday afternoon, September 21, at 4 pm., Marshall L. Shepard, Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia, announced this week.

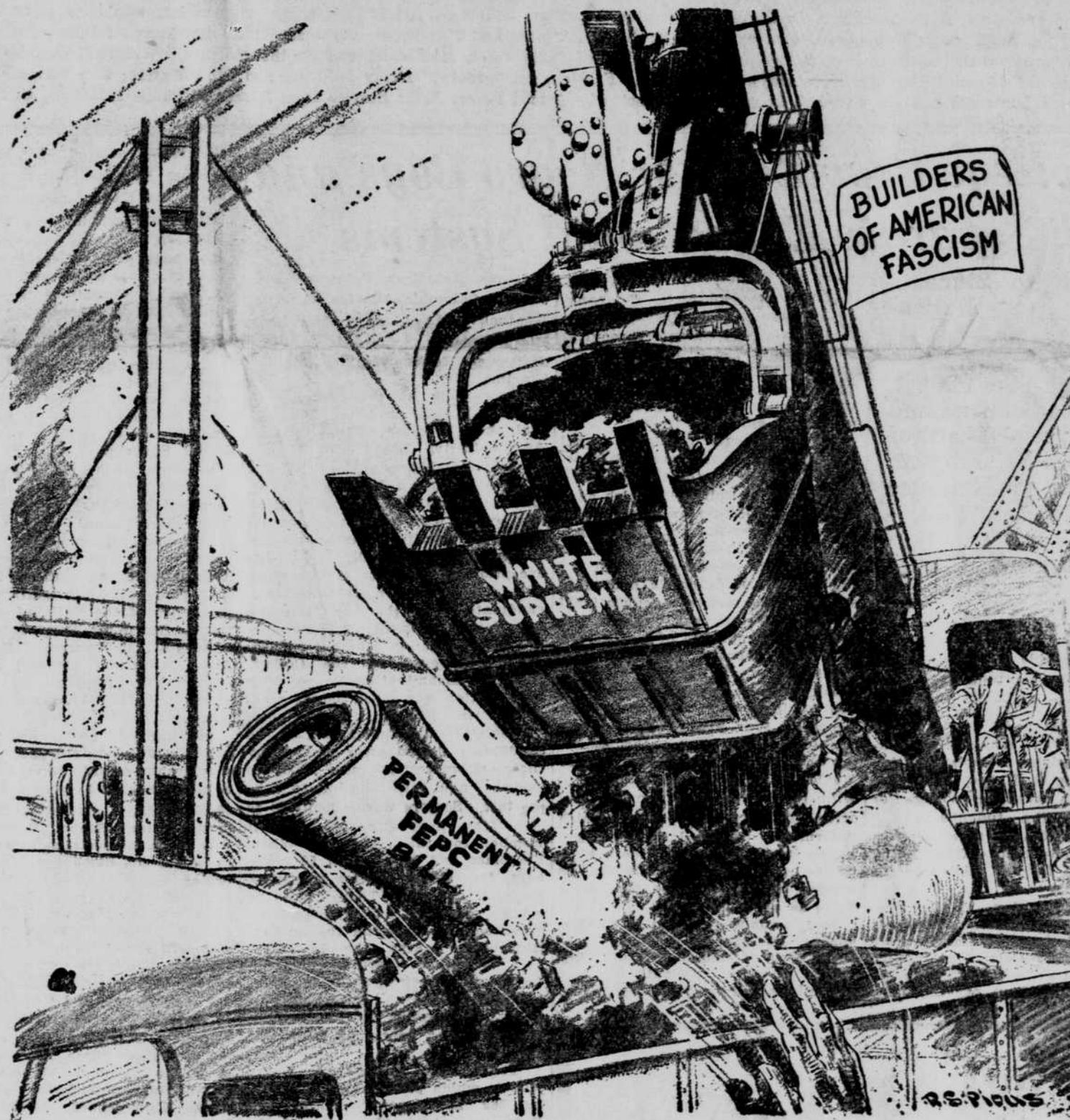
The plaque is cast in bronze and presents the late President in bas-relief, featuring the four freedoms, and will hang in the beautiful lobby of the Recorder of Deeds building.

The artist, Miss Selma Burke, of New York, was selected for the work in a competition conducted by the United States Fine Arts Commission. She began work on the plaque in 1944. President Roosevelt sat for the artist twice and was scheduled for a third sitting at the time of his death.

Funds for the plaque were granted by the Federal Works Administration through the efforts of the late Recorder of Deeds, Dr. William J. Thompson, and the Commissioners of the District of Columbia.

The present Recorder, Dr. Shepard, expedited the completion of the plaque and planned the ceremony which included inviting President Truman to participate.

Attending the ceremony will be members of the Supreme Court, the President's Cabinet and staff, members of Congress, and persons high in the religious and civic life of the community.



"During the years of war production we made substantial progress in overcoming many of the prejudices which had resulted in discrimination against minority groups. In the reconversion period and thereafter, we should make every effort to continue this American ideal. It is one of the fundamentals of our political philosophy, and it should be an integral part of our economy."

President Harry S. Truman, September 6, 1945.

IMMEDIATE ACTION ON FEPC "MUST" FOR NATION RECONCILING TO PEACETIME NEEDS

The weeks since V-J Day have emphasized with tragic starkness the need for some immediate interim action on the present FEPC and for the definite establishment without further delay, of a permanent Fair Employment Practices Commission. In the layoffs which immediately followed the end of the war, Negro workers and workers from other minority groups, frequently having been through existence of prejudices of long-standing, the last hired, felt the axe of unemployment most heavily.

At the same time, cancellation of war contracts is taking many plants from the jurisdiction of the present temporary (Executive Order created) FEPC. As presently constituted, the agency's jurisdiction extends only to Government agencies and to businesses engaged in war work.

Just as full employment is the concern of the entire nation, so the full exercise of democracy in the distribution of employment is the concern not only of a few, but of every American. Jobs must be a

available to all Americans, regardless of race, creed, color or national origin. Unless we achieve this, we face a period of chaos in which civil liberties will inevitably be drastically curtailed. Such conditions would strengthen the hand of all pro-fascist forces in the country.

Write your two Senators, asking each to pledge to help bring up S. 101 in the Senate for vote, and to support it favorably.

150 Delegates Meet On FEPC Problem

One hundred fifty delegates from thirty states representing local groups affiliated with the National Council for a Permanent FEPC concluded a two day session with a dinner at which they heard Senator Wayne Morse, Republican, of Oregon pledge his support and urge wider public education for the principle of fair employment.

He told the interracial gathering that "this issue is so great that it cannot be compromised. Unless the concept of economic democracy is held to political democracy," he added, "you lose all basic governmental conceptions for which we

fought not only this war but the last and those preceding."

The purpose of the two day meeting was to acquaint "the folks at the grass roots" with the work being done in Washington and to enable them better to carry out their end of the job.

Dr. Channing H. Tobias, Secretary, National Board of the YMCA, also addressed the dinner meeting. He called for an end to "soft and persuasive words" and recommended political action as a means of getting permanent FEPC.

A. Philip Randolph, Co-Chairman of the National Council for a Permanent FEPC, in his opening address to the group, placed legislation for fair employment on a par with that proposed for full employment.

SPINGARN MEDAL TO ROBESON OCTOBER 1STH

New York—The 30th Spingarn Medal will be presented formally to Paul Robeson, internationally famous actor and singer, on Thursday, October 18, at a dinner in the Hotel Biltmore here, it was announced last week by the NAACP. The presentation address will be made by Marshall Field, Chicago



MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS...London, England, U.S. Secretary of State—left—shakes hands with Russia's Foreign Minister Molotov as they met at opening of conference of Foreign Ministers of the United States, Britain, Russia, China and France in London. They will tackle problems of post-war world, of which there are many, not the least of which is the fear of a flare-up in the Balkans.

Committees and Staff Work Hard To Put Over Community Affair

The Urban League Fall Opening next Monday, September 24, promises to be one of the most outstanding events to be staged in this community according to Miss Mae B. Taylor, Chairman of the Neighborhood Committee of the Urban League.

Entries are coming in fast. Those who have entered at last report are Mrs. Helen Curry, Mrs. Dorothy Greer, Mrs. Mary Alfred, Mr. Rudolph Gerren, The Omaha Guide, Mrs. Beulah Watts, Mrs. S. Newman Pearl Jane Billingsley, Mrs. Gertrude Brooks, Mrs. Vera Cowan, Mr. Paul Gibson, Mrs. Valeria Lee McCaw, Mrs. Alma Longmire, Mrs. Edith Grant, Mrs. Eva Peel, Mrs. Minnie Dixon, Mrs. Connie McDonald, Mrs. L. C. Clarke, Mrs. Emma Simpson, Mrs. Ella Haynes, Mrs. Anna Ruth Davis, Mrs. Stella Glover, Mrs. Ernestine Speese, Mrs. Bertha Williams, Mrs. Luisa Rivers, Mrs. Pinkie Speese, Mrs. Doreene Holliday, Mrs. Olive Hawkins, Mrs. Edna Burrell, Mrs. Rebecca Evans, Mrs. J. D. Thornton, Mrs. Ethel Gardner, Mrs. Ruth Burleson, Mrs. Ernest Brown and Mrs. Elma Lloyd.

The Committee is making preparations for twenty three hundred people to visit the building on the day of the Fair that will open at 11:00 am, and run through the evening. There will be a special movie for the children after school. Parents are asked to accompany the children to the evening exhibit at \$6.00 per person.

The Urban League is supported by the Omaha Community Chest.

Rev. T. J. Douglass Will Close Work at Cleaves Temple CME Church, Sunday Sept. 23.

Dr. T. J. Douglass has done phenomenal work at Cleaves Temple for the last two years. There has been a substantial increase in the membership of the church and plans made for building of a new parsonage. The congregation has been spiritually lifted by the fine sermon he has delivered from time to time.

It is hoped by many of the members and friends that Dr. T. J. Douglass will be returned to Omaha for a third year. Of course that matter of appointment is in the hands of the Bishop and his cabinet.

The Conference will convene at Kansas City, Missouri, on the 26th of September.

Dr. Douglass cordially invites his friends to come and hear his closing message Sunday the 23rd at eleven o'clock. Dr. C. C. Reynolds will preach at 3 pm.

Rev. T. J. Douglass, Pastor, S. L. Tucker, Steward.

SEN. BARKLEY PLEDGES AID ON LEGISLATION

New York—Legislation affecting Negroes will have the "earnest and serious consideration" of Senator Alben W. Barkley, Majority Leader.

This pledge was contained in a letter to the NAACP following an exchange of correspondence started by Senator Barkley after reading an editorial in the Crisis magazine.

Senator Barkley, writing to Roy Wilkins, assistant secretary and editor of the magazine, said "I realize the force of the statements contained in your letter of August 28 and shall give them my earnest and serious consideration in connection with the whole problem of legislation affecting those for whom you speak and millions of others who are similarly situated."

STIMSON, VINSON QUERIED ON "GAG" ON NEGRO TALK

New York—Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson and Secretary of the Treasury, Fred M. Vinson were asked this week by the NAACP whether the instructions to 23 Treasury women employees by an Army Lieutenant not to discuss the Negro question during their stay in Germany represented official policy of the two departments.

The letter of inquiry pointed out that military censorship in Europe had been abolished and termed "incredible" the idea that American civilians should be denied free speech on any question. According to the original report of the "gag" on the women, revealed by one of them after the group arrived in Frankfurt, they were told that discussion of the Negro question during their stay in Germany represented official policy of the two departments.

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