

# \$10,000 REWARD OFFERED BY NAACP. FOR LYNCHERS OF FOUR NEGROES in GEORGIA

NEW YORK, July 31st—The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 20 West 40th Street, New York, N. Y., through its secretary, Walter White, announced on behalf of the national office and branches rewards totalling \$10,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the lynchers of four Negroes in Walton County, Ga., July 15th. This reward matches the one offered on behalf of the State of Georgia by Governor Ellis Arnall.

In making the announcement Mr. White quoted an appeal from a white Georgian who wrote the NAACP:

"If we can't break this case no one's life will be safe in Georgia. It is doubtful if future lynchings would cause the indignation which this one has because of the ques-

tioned innocence of three people of any wrong doing whatsoever. I shudder to think what would happen if this crime goes unpunished."

Another prominent Georgian, a Negro businessman, wrote Mr. White:

"We all know that here in Georgia not even the life of the governor is secure."

Mr. White also announced that NAACP investigators in Walton County have unearthed evidence pointing to the guilt of certain of the mob leaders, which information has been turned over to the Department of Justice. The NAACP investigation has also revealed that the fight between Barney Hester, white farmer, who was cut by Roger Malcolm, it was later learned, was caused by Malcolm's resentment of Hester's advances toward Malcolm's wife.

## Ga. Governor Congratulates NAACP. On Offering Reward

NEW YORK, August 1st—Immediately on hearing news of the posting of a \$10,000 reward by the NAACP for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the Georgia lynchers, Gov. Ellis Arnall of Georgia sent the following telegram to the Association:

"Delighted that NAACP is offering a reward of \$10,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of Walton County lynchers. Have today wired President Truman, Attorney General Tom Clark and FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover appreciation for invaluable assistance being accorded state and local authorities by federal government. You may be assured that I will use every resource at my command as governor to see that members of the mob are brought to justice."

## "Lynchings' National Disgrace," Says CIO-PAC

**Statement Approved by CIO-PAC Executive Board**

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## Organization Heads Protest Klan Atrocities In Georgia ASK FEDERAL INVESTIGATION

The following letter was sent to President Truman by Ralph Helstein, President of the United Paskinghouse Workers of America, CIO:

"I am sure that you along with the majority of decent Americans reacted with horror to the cold-blooded murder of four Negro citizens near Monroe, Georgia.

The incident is one, which, along with others that have occurred recently, demands immediate action on the part of all thoughtful people. The Columbia, Tennessee incident; the Ku Klux Klan; cannot be regarded as unrelated acts of violence. It is, I am convinced, a part of a deliberate plan by those who desire to bring to our nation the methods and systems of Hitler's Germany. It is a process of conditioning America for fascism. Persecution of minority groups, murder, lynchings, beatings are all part of the same pattern.

It is not enough to say that, as the spokesman of the United Paskinghouse Workers of America, CIO, we are gravely concerned with this recent murder since concern alone does not adequately express our view of the grave dangers that are behind this pattern of violence and hatred. The English language unfortunately does not permit the use of words to adequately express our feeling as a result of these brutal murders.

We note with satisfaction the statement of the Department of Justice that it is investigating the Ku Klux Klan. Such investigations are not sufficient—there must be more. We must make it clear to all those who deal in brutality and hatred that there is no place for them in this nation. There must be prosecution for those who are guilty of the crime, but beyond that there should be a clear expression repeated time and time again by the leaders of this country against acts which, aside from being violations of law, offend the traditions and heritage of our nation and strike at the very frame work of the statue of man in society."

tion's week-kneed approach toward the rising tide of American fascism evident in the latest bestial lynchings in Georgia and Mississippi.

"These brutal crimes against the Negro people in particular and the nation as a whole can and must be halted by swift and full application of the full authority and power of the Federal government. These murders are not isolated occurrences. They are part of a premeditated pattern of open assault against American democracy launched by native fascists and backed by big monied interests.

"On the recommendation of our membership in Savannah, Ga, the National Office of the National Maritime Union today voted to post a reward of \$5,000 for the apprehension and conviction of the Georgia lynchers.

"This Storm Troop butchery is designed to hamper effective efforts by labor to organize the South because fascist elements fear that strong trade union organization below the Mason Dixon Line will successfully combat lynch terror incited by the Bilbos and Talmadges."

## BN'AL BRITH PROTEST To Stem Rising Tide Of Mob Violence

New York, August 1st—In order to effect a nationwide and united program of action against the rising tide of mob violence and racial friction, the NAACP today issued a call to sixty-five organizations to meet Tuesday, August 6th at 10:00 A. M. in the auditorium of the Wendell Willkie Memorial building. Among the organizations asked to participate in the conference were: the Southern Conference for Human Welfare; national boards of the YMCA and YWCA; National Negro Congress; CIO; AFL; Southern Regional Council; Council for Democracy; Council Against Intolerance; National Bar Association; American Jewish Committee; National Council of Negro Women; NCPAC; CIO PAC; the National Association of Manufacturers and the United States Chamber of Commerce; Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; Union for Democratic Action; Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions; IPFOE of W. National Lawyers Guild; National Medical Association; National Conference of Christians and Jews and others.

James P. Cannon today, James P. Cannon, National Secretary of the Socialist Workers Party, demanded that the Federal Government take immediate steps to prosecute Bilbo, Talmadge Rankin, and Eastland and all other fomenters of race violence in high office. The telegram stated:

"The Federal Government must ferret out and prosecute to the full extent of the law the lynchers of the four Negroes in Georgia and end the reign of terror against the Negro people.

"The Federal Government must prosecute Bilbo, Talmadge, Rankin, Eastland and the other officials who have instigated these lynchings."

Lawrence P. Lewis

AN AFTERNOON IN S. OMAHA

My destination was the residence of Mrs. Addie Allen, 6614 So. 21st Street where five of the nicest children in Omaha live. Three beautiful young ladies and two well-mannered young men. When I started I did not know the sun would be setting before I reached their home, but one thing led to another and time just flew by.

As I walked by the Workman's Club I met a man who had soldiered with me in Leavenworth. I remembered his face easily enough but his name I had completely forgotten. He called me by my name and I felt deeply embarrassed by not being able to do the same toward him.

We talked awhile about our life in the army and then he asked, "What are you doing over in So-

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## Methodist District Conference At Clair M. E. Church

**EDITORIAL**

### Father Devine & 24th St. Badmen

Father Devine says, "Peace is Wonderful." Whatever be your opinion of Father Devine. You will admit that Peace IS Wonderful and that we have too little of this wonderful, elusive Peace—which men so reverently seek, but seldom attain. Even with the demise of that Madman Hitler, the passing of Mussolini and the defusing of Tojo. We still have hovering over us the storm clouds of Greed, Hate and Jealousy, ever ready to break into a Dynamitic fury.

We have our Eastlands, Ellanders, Smiths and Bilbo's fanning the fires of unrest and dissention and not without results—atrocities—lynchings and finally the seizure of a Tennessee town. And emanating from other sources—the Degnan slaying, the most fiendish ever.

However, it is not necessary to traverse the globe to find violence. Here in our own community we had three shootings within 24 hours. Three armed men within 24 hours, shooting up and down the streets and up alleyways; inconsiderate of whomsoever should be passing. Stray bullets are indiscriminate.

We love our wives, husbands and children. When they make a trip down the street, we like to be reasonably sure that they will return home safely to us.

Laws are instituted among men that they may live in Peace. It is for the decent law-abiding citizen to decide whether their Community is to be over-run with lawlessness. Everything and Anything cannot be blamed upon a few unfair restrictions. Every pioneering group has had obstacles to overcome. Progress requires that we be stronger than any oppression that we do not let barriers dull our sense of what is right and what is wrong.

We can hold sympathy and understanding for any human being, especially when we see their families in tears and despair. But when it comes to bartering the lives of our innocent loved ones against the unreasoning, short-tempered vagrants, floaters, vandals, hoodlums or whatever they might choose to call themselves; that is asking too much.

For their own well being as well as ours—Those who find it consistently impossible to adjust themselves to the unrestricted way of living, should be put in whatever institution that best fits their type, in order that law-abiding citizens may exist in reasonable security and go about their business of developing a greater civilization for those who are qualified to enjoy it without jeopardizing the lives of others.

## 2 DEAD, 1 Wounded In Shootings

Within a little more than 24 hours of the near Northside was the scene of three shootings. Two men were killed and one is said to be in a critical condition.

James C. Taylor, 4715 Emiline Street, Sarpy County, pleaded guilty to second-degree murder in the shooting of Walter D. Cline, filling station owner at 30th and Lake Streets, August 1st. Taylor made a statement last Saturday to City and County officers in which he said he fired the shot that hit Cline in the chest. He claimed he fired only after Cline tried to hit him with a tire iron James Lincoln is also being charged in connection with the Cline killing. Police allege that Lincoln drove Taylor to the scene. After the killing it is claimed that Lincoln waited for Taylor then took him from the area.



JAMES C. TAYLOR FILLING STATION OPERATOR KILLED

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## FATAL SHOOTING SATURDAY NIGHT

James Gilbert of 2301 No. 27th Street is charged with the fatal shooting of Birtrue Lax, early last Saturday morning in an alley near 24th and Lake Streets. Gilbert claims he was being pursued by Lax and that after Lax followed him into the alley he shot him. Gilbert was arrested about two hours after the slaying by patrolmen.

answered. "I intend to enter social work after I graduate."

"How do you like assisting at Woodson Center?" I asked.

"Fine. I enjoy myself very much. The work is very interesting. Of course by wanting social work as a career, I am interested in people, especially children. I have always felt that I could help my people best this way." Miss McCreary said.

Miss Willa Mae McCreary is a member of the Mt. Moriah Baptist church. She is president of the New Era Young Peoples Organization of Nebraska Baptists, vice president of the BYPU and asst. pianist at the church.

Leaving the Center and finding myself out of matches, I entered Harris' Community Store on the corner. Receiving my matches and turning to go, I glanced a second time at the young lady, who is a clerk in the store.

"Aren't you one of the Steward girls?" I asked.

"Yes," she said, looking at me trying to recall who I was. You are Flossie's brother aren't you?" I prided myself at that moment on remembering faces, because it had been at least seven years since I last saw this young lady.

I found out she was now Mrs. Alfred Liggins, 2828 S Street and that she was the mother of a girl

## TO START AT NOON, TUESDAY, AUG. 13TH

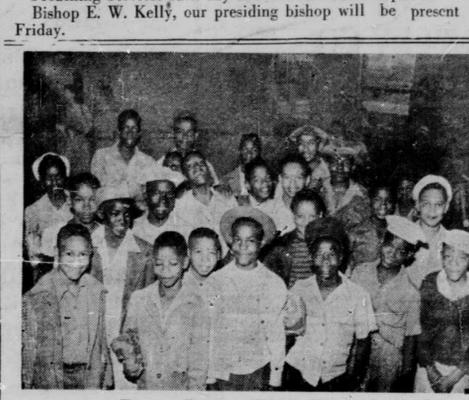
Clair Methodist Church, 22nd at Miami St., will be host to the Topeka District Conference, the Conventions of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Youth Fellowship, Ministers' Wives, and Christian Workers' School, beginning Tuesday, August 13, 1946 at noon.

Ministers and lay delegates will attend from Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska.

Dr. G. D. Hancock, District Superintendent, will preside over the business sessions of the Conference. Miss Freda Woods of Manhattan, Kansas, is president of the Youth Fellowship. Mrs. C. C. Reynolds of Omaha, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Mrs. Inez Ballard of Wellington, Kansas is, Dean of the Christian Workers' School. Mrs. G. D. Hancock is president of the Ministers' Wives.

Courses and faculty of the Christian Workers' School are: "The Stewardship of Life", Dr. H. L. Overton, Kansas City, Mo., instructor. "Organization and Work of the Youth Fellowship", Dr. W. D. Lester, Kansas City, Kansas, instructor. "The Church and the Problem of Alcohol", Mrs. O. N. Norris, St. Louis, Mo., instructor.

Classes and Sessions will be held each day beginning each morning at 7 o'clock, the public is cordially invited to all sessions. Preaching Services each day at 11:30 a. m. and 8 p. m. Bishop E. W. Kelly, our presiding bishop will be present on Friday.



Boys Go to Crete Camp

Sunday, August 4th the following boys left for Camp Strader, the 'Y' Camp located at Crete, Nebraska. These boys will spend a week there enjoying this well-equipped camp. This is to be an interracial camp period with the Negro and white boys of Omaha joining with the same number from Lincoln. John Henry Watkins, Rahn Dennis, James Smith, James Jackson, Marion Collins, Frederick Jackson, Charles Faulkner, Lawrence Ellis, Fred Lawson, Richard Curran, Fred Wesley, John Speese, Davis Miller, Donald Summers, James Perkins, Harold Watkins, Vernon Fields, Edward Anderson, Tommie Mason, Binney Marks, Abraham Reynolds, Harold Whiteside, George Davis, Norman Carpenter, and Norman Hudgins.

## Yankee Money Accused Of Backing Talmadge

NEW YORK, N. Y. (CNS)—Clark Howell Foreman, president of the Southern Conference of Human Welfare, told his organization at a luncheon meeting that reactionaries of the South are being backed by Northern reactionaries. According to Foreman, Eugene Talmadge, victor in Georgia's primary for Governor, was financed by all mill owners in the state plus "received heavy contributions from wealthy interests in New York and Chicago."

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## Outstanding Features Planned for Elks at National Convention in Buffalo, N. Y.

By E. Vincent Sutt

Grand Lodge Chairman Dr. D. M. Byrd informs the writer that all eyes are looking toward Buffalo. Dr. Byrd, also, states that he and his Grand Lodge Convention Committee are awaiting with open arms delegates, brothers, daughters and their friends. "Buffalo is prepared to house and entertain all Elks and Elk good wishers."

Among the outstanding features that will receive headline attention are Bathing Beauty Contest, sight-seeing trip to Niagara Falls Boxing match, baseball game, and a boy, Donetta, age 4, and Alfred Jr., age 2.

I knew, or assumed, that I would very shortly see her family, because I had to go right by her residence to reach my destination. As I slowly climbed the hill in the 6300 block around 26th St., I got a little mixed up. I could not keep such Streets as Madison, Jefferson and Washington straight. I found myself on top of a hill, with a clear view of the surroundings, but between my destination and I were many garden plots.

After dodging a great many unfriendly dogs, I found myself at 2115 Madison, the home of the Stewarts. I talked with Mrs. Stewart and her son Charlie for awhile. Just on the rise of a hill was

Grand ball and the National Oratorical Contest.

The Grand Lodge Parade will be one of the finest ever held in the country. City officials and the citizenry of Buffalo are lending the finest of support in helping to make this grand Lodge Convention historical. One very interesting phase of the planning is the cooperation and support coming from the BPOE (white Elks). This Elk order is making possible accommodations for 150 delegates. Such it is believed is the first act of its kind from a BPOE.

Frontier and Elite Lodges, both host to the Grand Lodge, have the house that I had started four hours earlier to reach. I walked around the corner and standing before me was a princess. Shy, quiet, and smiling sweetly, was Miss Lois Gordon. I had reached my destination. Soon the air would be filled with gay chatter from Vera, Lois, Jessie, Gilbert, and Bobby.

As I slowly climbed up the hill with such a lady as a walking companion, I could not help but admire the setting sun as I looked up, absorbing the cool breeze that was in the air. All around me was peace, comfort, and beauty. Here far away from the noise, the busy streets, was a home blessed even beyond your estimation and mine.

beautiful homes. To describe them would be impossible. The new homes are an education in themselves.

Buffalo, the City of Good Neighbors, beckons all Elks and friends to be its guests August 25-30 inclusive.

Will see you in August.

## Join Guide Staff



MR. ARTHUR B. McCAW  
Mr. Arthur B. McCaw, recently resigned as Boys' Work and Industrial Secretary of the Omaha Urban League to accept a position as Asst. Manager and the head of the Circulation Department of the Omaha Guide Publishing Co.



MR. GEORGE H. McDAVIS  
Mr. George H. McDavis, Sales Manager of the Display Advertising Department of the Omaha Guide Publishing Company. Mr. McDavis has been an executive of the Omaha Guide since February.



MR. DUWARD R. CROOMS  
Mr. Duward R. Crooms, who resigned as Executive Secretary of the Omaha Urban League August 1st to accept the position of Sales Manager of the Job Printing Department of the Omaha Guide Publishing Company.

## Major Reeves In Real Estate Business

Major A. Reeves, 2912 North 26 St., who recently passed the Real Estate examination has opened a real estate office at his home.

Mr. Reeves is a graduate of the Kansas State Teachers College receiving his AB degree in 1938 MS in history in 1939. He served as principal of the school at Oswego, Kansas in 1940-41.

A native of Alabama he formerly lived in Lincoln, Neb. Mr. Reeves and his wife Ruth, are the parents of four children.

## ELEANOR ROOSEVELT'S COLUMN SPEAKS OF ELLA BILLE DAVIS, SINGER

NEW YORK, N. Y. (CNS)—A recent column of Eleanor Roosevelt, which appears through the Scripps-Howard Syndicate, spoke of Soprano Ella Bille Davis' successful operatic debut in Mexico City.

"She might have made her debut on the operatic stage of her own country, but racial prejudice is hard to overcome," writes Mrs. Roosevelt. "Some day, some opera company in the United States may have courage to let her sing in an operatic performance in her own country. We of the United States do let our prejudices spoil our enjoyment of talent. Sometimes it seems a little foolish, but perhaps it gives us more pleasure to let the rest of the world decide whether or not our citizens are great artists before we make the decision ourselves."