

# VOLUNTEER WORKERS for COMMUNITY CHEST CAMPAIGN

# Officials of American Legion, Roosevelt Post No. 30

# Prepare For Armistice Day Observance



Workers of the Community Chest Campaign representing "H" Division met at the Northside YWCA Friday, Oct. 18th where last minute plans and instruction were outlined by Mrs. Morse Palmer, general chairman of the Women's Division and Mrs. Minnie

Dixon, chairman of H Division. Workers shown in photo reading from left to right are: Mmes. Beckman; Roxie Anderson; Captain Julia Galloway; Mary Fautett; Captain Greta Wade; C.

Phillips; Major Hazel Miller; Riley; Chairman Minnie Dixon; Mosee; Captain Mattie Taylor; F. A. Lee and Beatrice Elliot. Mrs. Aaron McMillan is also a major in H Division.

As the Drive reached its halfway mark in H Division, Mrs. Dixon said that members of her division hoped to reach their full quota before the deadline.



Officials of the American Legion, Roosevelt Post No. 30, who met Tuesday at the Post Headquarters, 24th and Parker Sts. to

outline plans for the Observance of Armistice Day. Photo, left to right: Porter Johnson, Chaplain; William Pierson, Chairman of the

House Committee; John G. Fleming, Commander of Roosevelt Post

Ed Turner, Service Officer; Dr. Flency L. James, Adjutant; Ralph Underwood, Ex. Committee and Frank D. Payne, Ex. Committee.

## OUR GUEST Column

(Edited by VERA P. HARRIS)

### BROTHERHOOD BEGINS ON OUR BLOCK

By Homer A. Jack, Ph. D., Executive Sec'y, Chicago Council Against Racial and Religious Discrimination

Peace begins on our street. Arbitrate the neighborhood wars between Negroes and whites, Jews and gentiles and we will have the internal health... and confidence to lead the world to abolish war. Brotherhood begins on our block. Brotherhood is not easy. It is doing the thing that hurts the most if we crave neighborhood approval. It's the thing that touches our pride. It means living next to a Jew, eating next to a Negro, sitting next to an American of Japanese descent, working next to an American of Mexican descent. Brotherhood is difficult, since it's easier by far to conform to local prejudices.

Brotherhood is not passive. It means speaking out when somebody turns a joke against a Negro... speaking out whether or not the Negro is present. It means raising unpleasant issues. It means calling the lie to bigotry. Brotherhood is active.

Brotherhood is not optional. Either we live as brothers or we perish. White America suddenly finds itself in a colored world: 7 colored humans for every white man on this planet. And Christian arrogance must be displayed by black and white, Christian and non-Christian cooperation. Brotherhood is compulsory... for survival.

Brotherhood is not fun. It does not mean visiting Little Tokyos or eating Italian food or slumming at Negro nightclubs. It is real. It means distributing literature, organizing meetings, protesting to discriminatory institutions, voting bigots out of office supporting those who oppose discrimination. Brotherhood is hard work.

Brotherhood is not theory. Negroes and whites can and do live together... without riots. Jews and Gentiles can and do work together without friction. Americans of Mexican or Italian descent can and do play together without racial conflict. And that is the heartening thing about brotherhood: It works. Try it!

BE A GOOD CITIZEN VOTE Nov. 2-

## Re-Elect T. H. Maenner

Your Power Company Board Will Need His Experience

The people of Omaha will vote for the first time on directors of the Omaha Public Power District at the election on November 5th. The candidates' names appear on non-political ballot.

The District, created at the last session of the State Legislature, has seven members... five from Omaha and two from the territory served by the Power Company outside the city. At this election two members are to be chosen from the Omaha sub-division of the District.

T. H. Maenner, chairman of the board of the Nebraska Power Co. and Gerald Collins, South Omaha attorney and member of the Board, are candidates for the office. Both Maenner and Collins were appointed three years ago to serve on the Peoples' Power Commission, and have since been active in the transfer of the Nebraska Power Company to the new District.

While the Power Company is still the property of the Omaha Electric Committee, negotiations have been completed whereby the District will acquire the property of the Power Company in Nebraska.

According to Maenner and Collins, this transfer should make possible a considerable reduction in electric rates for the people of the Omaha Public Power District.

## 4500 VOLUNTEERS AID CHEST CAMPAIGN TO RAISE \$798,587 FOR UPKEEP OF WELFARE AGENCIES

Division quotas in the community chest campaign to raise \$798,587 for 30 Omaha health and welfare agencies were announced today by Harold D. LeMar, general chairman.

The quotas are: Initial Gifts division, \$429,601; Industrial division, \$226,632; Industrial Firms \$38,650; Women's division, \$58,872; Business division \$44,832.

First reports of the campaign's progress were submitted early Wednesday afternoon at a workers' meeting. Other reports will be made on Thursday and Friday and on Monday Oct. 28. Chairman LeMar said it is expected the seven day drive will be completed on schedule October 29. Of some 4500 Omahans volunteering their services in the campaign, there are approximately 1800 who represent the Women's division whose solicitation is chief in the residential areas.

An unusual gift to the Chest was the donation of 15 inch elaborately decorated cake with the wording 'Community Chest 1946'. The cake was the gift of the Pratt School of Individual Instruction. It was accompanied by the cash contribution of \$250 by the school. The cake had been one of two donated by the Jensen bakery to the school for use as it saw fit. The cake was turned over by the Chest to the Hattie B. Munroe Home for Convalescent Children for their delight.

## Education Is A Sound Investment

Without good education our boys and girls cannot get ahead in life. Nothing we as parents give them is as important as the kind of education they get. We want a beautiful Omaha; we want our children to lead successful and happy lives. November 5 is the day Omahans will decide what will happen to their public schools. Two choices are provided for by the newly adopted school budget. A school year from 25 to 30 weeks providing for a loss of six weeks of school in the spring; or two full terms and a debt of \$455,000. A dangerously small amount of schooling would result from the first plan and a crippling burden of debt from the second.

A proposal will appear on the November 5 ballot which, if passed, will enable the state to provide about \$40 for each pupil's education each year. With this added income, Omaha schools could keep on having a 36-week school-year and perhaps even hire a few additional teachers to relieve overcrowded classes and to make it possible for teachers to give our boys and girls a little of that personal attention that means so much in keeping them on the right path.

Action is urgent. November 5 is the day of decision. We hope all our voting readers will vote 'Yes' on the State Aid to Schools Amendment.

## Democratic Headquarters

The Northside Democratic Headquarters has just been opened at 24th and Lake Sts., Mrs. G. Anita Hayes in charge.

## ZION BAPTIST CHURCH BROTHERHOOD

Will hold their Mens' Day program Sunday, November 24th at 3 pm. at Zion Baptist church.

Rev. F. C. Williams, pastor; P. H. Jenkins, president

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## New Bethel A.M.E. Pastor



Rev. H. W. Bletson for six years pastor of the Allen Chapel church of Cheyenne, Wyo., under Bishop Williams, has arrived in Omaha to assume the pastorate of the Bethel A.M.E. church, 2426 Franklin Street.

Rev. Bletson who has been a minister for 17 years, was prominent in Cheyenne Civic and Fraternal affairs having been president of the NAACP, Worshipful Master of Western Star No. 6, Prince Hall AFAM, Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of the Colorado Jurisdiction and a school teacher in the Wyoming public school system.

## NAACP WINS EX-SAILOR HONORABLE DISCHARGE

Washington, D. C. Oct 16th—Samuel R. Cassius, whose protests against segregation and discrimination in the navy resulted in his being discharged as "undesirable," received word this week from the navy department that the "undesirable discharge given him on August 25 1943, should be changed to a certificate of discharge under honorable conditions." The former sailor had been represented before the Naval Board of Review by Leslie Perry, Washington Bureau, NAACP.

## LYNCH VICTIM RETURNS TO SCENE UNDER U.S. PROTECTION

NEW YORK, Oct. 17th—Albert Harris, Jr., and his father, Albert Harris Sr., are today safe in their home in the Midwest after a dramatic return via to Louisiana, where on August 8th John Jones was brutally murdered by a sadistic mob and young Harris pitilessly beaten before he made his escape. The Harrises are alive today, however, because they made the trip closely guarded by U. S. marshalls, following a request addressed to the NAACP by the Justice Department that they be present when the Department presented the evidence of their investigation to the Grand Jury in Monroe, Louisiana, just Saturday.

Since Monroe is notorious for its

## South Side Man Dies From Stab Wounds

Ted Dalton 34, of 2610 Jefferson Street was stabbed fatally Sunday evening at 26th and Q Sts. Otis Luster 34, of 1802 No. 18th St., who is held on the stabbing charge, claims Mr. Dalton was attempting to break up his home Inspector Franks said. Mr. and Mrs. Willie Griffin of 5119 So. 26th St. told police that the assailant was talking to Mr. Dalton and started a scuffle with him. During the scuffle he drew a knife and stabbed Mr. Dalton several times. Mr. Dalton fled, the couple related and the knife wielder pursued him slashing him several times. The man injured his leg in the fray, the Griffins said, and started to limp away. After Mr. Dalton collapsed he died five hours after being attacked.

Joe Hartfield, Omaha professional boxer was released on \$100 bond to appear as a state witness. He allegedly drove Luster to the scene of the stabbing, later carried him to the hospital for the treatment of a slashed tendon.

Deputy County Attorney Phillip Kneiff also revealed that Catherine St. Cry, 19, of 1802 No. 18th St., sister-in-law of Luster, is under a \$100 bond as a state witness. Mr. Kneiff said she accompanied Hartfield and Luster to the hospital. A preliminary hearing in Municipal Court was continued Tuesday at Luster's request. He said he was unable to reach his attorney.

Cassius continued to protest and a year later a new commander in asking for the "undesirable" discharge, justified his request on the ground that Cassius had "openly expressed dissatisfaction with the naval services and policies, fomented unrest, discontent and malcontent among the mess attendants."

The successful appeal now makes the ex-sailor eligible for educational, job and other G I benefits.

## U. S. Supreme Court

## Supports N. A. A. C. P. Action

NEW YORK, Oct. 17th—In an appeal for a review, which the registrars of voters in Macon County, Ala., filed with the Supreme Court in the case of Mitchell vs. Wright, the Court supported the

NAACP's position, and has denied Mrs. George C. Wright and other petitioners, the writ of certiorari requested. As was reported in the NAACP press release of October 10th,

the denial of a review will result in the case actually going to trial upon the issues involved, namely whether as a matter of fact the registrars in Macon County, Ala.,

had a policy, custom and usage of preventing Negroes from registering and voting in the county and whether such practice is unconstitutional.

# Urban League Outlines Future Program

## Elks' Ensemble To Give Concert

The Elks Ensemble is appearing in concert for the first time in their beautifully decorated hall at 2420 Lake Street Monday, Nov. 18th. Presenting some very fine artists in music; anyone that cares to hear this group of forty voices and vocalists under the direction of Mr. H. L. Preston, attend on this date at 8:15 pm. No admission will be charged. A very fine program is to be arranged for this occasion. All local artists in spiritual gospel and classics.

## To Seek Enlarged Field of Employment for Citizens

The Board of Directors of the Omaha Urban League makes the following announcement of the League's future program: BACKGROUND For over eleven years the Urban League found it necessary to work in the recreation and community center fields. The Board believes with the coming of the Near Northside YMCA-Community Center and the continued activity of the Northside YWCA, many of the recreation and community center activities of the Urban League are now adequately covered. The Board further believes the League can be of more value to the community by placing greater emphasis on those social, welfare, and community matters which are the responsibility of the Urban League and are not being met by any other agency. Listed below is an outline of the objectives of the Urban League for the coming year.

- ### THE PROGRAM
- A. Industrial Relations The league's program in this area will consist of the following:
    1. Opening new areas of employment for Negroes.
    2. Aiding in the promotion of industrial peace.
    3. Acting in the consultative capacity with industry, labor unions, and federal agencies where Negro labor and employment is affected.
    4. Making available testing and training facilities for Negro labor.
    5. Carrying out a vocational guidance and counselling program.
    6. Aiding in the placing of qualified skilled, semi-skilled, professional, clerical, and technically trained Negroes into industry.

- B. Housing The League's Committee will work towards obtaining the following:
  1. Slum clearance.
  2. Improvement of privately owned and rented homes.
  3. Increased opportunities for

- C. Health The League will work towards improving the health conditions of Negroes by sponsoring health education programs, stimulating the use of available services and aiding in the obtaining of more and better health facilities.

- D. Welfare The League assists in the development of self-help groups in the community, in order that many neighborhood problems can be solved by the groups or group action. Such problems as:
  1. Sanitation.
  2. Street lights.
  3. Streets and alleys.
  4. School, park, and playground facilities, are the concern of the Urban League.

The success of the League's program depends upon the cooperation of the community. We invite and solicit your participation. Signed May B. Taylor, President, Board of Directors Signed M. Leo Bohanon, Executive Secretary

## Y. W. C. A. PRESENTS

## Camille Dunham in Piano Concert

Sunday, Oct. 27, 1946 at 6:00 p. m. sharp. Miss Camille Dunham will be presented in a piano concert at the Northside Branch YWCA to which the public is cordially invited. This recital will last from 6:00 to 7:30. During intermission, Miss Jackie Fisher will render three vocal selections including one composition by Miss Dunham. The Artist for this occasion is a recent graduate of Bennett college having had experience with orchestras, senior choir and accompanist for groups.

At the present, Miss Dunham is employed by the local office of the OPA. Her rich experience with music groups and the piano will make the following program one of interest to music-lovers of the city:

- ### PROGRAM
- I. Prelude and Fugue... Bach
  - Sonata Op. No. 10, 1st Movement... Beethoven
  - Poichinelle... Rachmaninoff
  - II. Vocal Selections... Miss Jackie Fisher
  - Prelude in G Minor... Rachmaninoff
  - Nocturne E Major... Chopin
  - Etude Op. 25 No. 12... Chopin
  - III. Dewey Arabesques... Debussy
  - None But the Lonely Heart... Tchaikovsky
  - Etude, D (Un Sospiro)... Liszt
  - IV. To a Closed Casement... Detti (Tropic Winter Suite)
  - Rhapsody in G Minor... Brahms

## AFI SEEKING NEGRO MEMBERSHIP

NEW ORLEANS—Prominent among the Crescent City's official delegates to the sixty-fifth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor which just ended in Chicago, was J. Harvey Netter, president of Local 1419 of the International Longshoremen's Association AFL, that has a membership of more than 3300 workers and is one of the largest locals in America as well as one of the largest longshoremen's organizations in the world.

## Green Book Issues Tourist Guide

The Victor H. Green and Co., of New York City has released its 1946 Green Book. The idea of the Green Book is to give the motorist and tourist a guide not only of the hotels and tourist homes in all of the large cities, but other classifications that will be found useful wherever he may be. Also facts and information that the Negro motorist can use and depend upon.

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## Ca holic Women Plan E. E. P. C. Campaign

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 12th—The organization of campaign workers who are leading Catholic parish groups in support of the California Fair Employment Practices Act was outlined here today at a public luncheon at the Mayfair hotel. The luncheon was sponsored by the Women's FEPC Committee of the Catholic Interracial Council of Los Angeles, which is promoting support for the legislation at the November 5 election.

## Drive On Bilbo Increases; Charged With Bribe Taking

WASHINGTON—The effort to prevent Theodore Bilbo, senior senator from Mississippi, from taking his seat in the Senate when it convenes in January is gaining steadily in momentum. The fight was started by Walter White of the NAACP immediately aided and abetted by virtually the entire Negro press of America. Sen. Bilbo will have no claim upon the seat until after the election in November; but since he has won the democratic primary nomination without serious opposition it is certain that he will be elected to succeed himself.

## FIRST NEGRO AIR STEWARD



Charles W. L. Jones, who served as a first lieutenant during World War II, is the first colored air steward. He flies with the Flying Tiger Line. Jones has been acting as steward for Satchel Paige's All-Stars, famous Negro baseball team. The team has been flying with Bob Feller and his team in a cross country tour. Pilot is Skippy Lane.

## Commentator Walter Winchell. On last Sunday Walter Winchell attacked Bilbo on the ground of receiving the \$25,000 contribution from a war contractor and went further to mention other contributions of lesser amounts which he had accepted.

Winchell frankly called them "bribes". Even more damaging perhaps, was Winchell's assertion that Bilbo had made use of U. S. Army personnel and material to develop his private estate at Poplarville, Miss.

So long as these charges were confined to his Mississippi constituency Bilbo could well afford to answer them with his flippancies and references to Winchell as a "kike." But the matter seems to be getting out of "The Man's" hand and he reports from his stronghold in Jackson that he has "no comment". During his campaign for the Senatorial nomination Bilbo granted a press interview in which he freely and brazenly admitted his membership in the KKK.

## BILBO INVITED TO DINNER TO UNSEAT HIM

NEW YORK (CNS)—Senator Theodore Bilbo has been invited in person to the "Unseat Bilbo" dinner being sponsored here Thursday at the Hotel Roosevelt by the Civil Rights Congress. So far he hasn't accepted. Guests certain to appear are Rep. Gahagan and Paul Robeson.