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## From Around Nebraska

A large-scale cattle feeder near Wisner did something unusual last week. He had a huge circular silo filled with feed and needed some manner of pushing the ensilage over to the feeding chute. He bought a small tractor, hired a huge crane and hoisted the tractor to the top of the silo where it was deposited on top of the ensilage. It will work its own way down as the feed is used up. The West Point Republican showed a picture of the tractor on its way to the top.

Work has stopped on the new school being built at Papillion because of a shortage of steel. The shortage is blamed upon the steel strike. Lack of steel door and window frames are currently holding up the work.

Bank deposits in Cedar County (Hartington) total over \$9 million, the Cedar County News has revealed. That's over \$2 million more than there is in the banks of Washington County.

The employees of the Goodall Electric Co. of Ogallala who were forced into a vote relative to joining the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, rejected the union by a vote of 382 to 127 the Keith County News has revealed. Goodall has long been known for its high pay and top-ranking employer-employee relationships and the effect of the union to establish itself there was readily rebuffed by workers who realized they were already well treated.

The County-operated hospital at Chadron is experiencing some difficulties on collections, the Chadron Record has revealed. In five years time the hospital has accumulated uncollected debts of \$15,127 and an effort is being made to get these collected.

The Oakland Independent told a story last week which we don't contest—but find it hard to conceive. A couple from there went fishing in Canada and found the big Northerns biting exceptionally well. The Independent showed a picture of the fishermen with a 44-inch Northern which weighed 24 pounds. The 8 and 10 pounders were so plentiful they were just thrown back into the lake, the news item said. Yes indeed! Fishing MUST have been good.

Thurston county is having trouble with the Crime Rate among the Indians on the reservation. Costs of law enforcement and prosecution among the Indian tribes has reached a new high, the Pender Times has stated and the newspaper is urging its readers to write Washington and other high places in an effort to get more law enforcement money made available for the area.

Home building is booming in South Sioux City, the Dakota County Star has revealed. 32 homes have been built in the town since January, the paper stated last week. The free bridge across the river has done much to attract Sioux City workers to the area to live, it is believed.

At Pawnee City the merchants have formed a company and have purchased the Pawnee Theatre which recently closed. The newly-formed organization hopes to operate the show on a co-operative basis, hiring a manager and keeping the show going as a drawing card to town. \$100 shares are being sold in the company, the Pawnee Republican stated.

Work of building a surfaced highway west from the Decatur Bridge to connect with Highway 20 which comes through Norfolk, has been started, the Onawa Democrat reported last week. The new all-weather route would tap the traffic from the northern part of the state and furnish a fast, direct route into Omaha.

Authorities at Ogallala are trying to solve the motive and source of a quantity of dynamite recently found cached in an old unused car in a weed patch. The dynamite, plus a quantity of wired caps were discovered by a man who was seeking a used part off the car. Police moved the explosives to a powder magazine and are now seeking the owners.

## Summertime Is Picnic Time



SUMMERTIME IS PICNIC TIME. Family picnics are fun, but there are times when the small fry like to go off on junkets of their own. Whether it is an outing with a best friend or just a walk alone through country meadows, youngsters love the feeling of independence a solo trip gives them. This feeling of independence can be fostered, too, by letting the kids make their own picnic lunches. A handy can of inexpensive, high protein sardines from Maine provides a hearty sandwich which the youngster can make herself. The keyless quarter can opens easily and smoothly and there is no danger of cutting little fingers. The young chef can add sliced hard-cooked eggs or cheese if she wishes, or just a dab of mayonnaise. An apple, a handful of cookies, and the simple meal is complete.

## Gets Expert Assistance



Georgia Clark, a Florida A and M University coed from Fort Lauderdale, receives some expert advice in the art of marble shooting from Walter Brooks, New Jersey state champion, and quarter finalist in the national meet which was held in Tallahassee recently. Looking on is James Newbon (left) of Bloomington, Indiana, the Indiana champ, and James Thorn of Tallahassee, the Florida champion. (A and M staff photo by C. J. Smith, III)

## Witnesses Meet Here August 2-5

A veritable volunteer "army" of Jehovah's Witnesses will assure pleasant surroundings and accommodations for all members of the group when it meets at Civic Auditorium, August 2 to 5. "Volunteers with experience in a particular phase of activity are assigned to specific duties," said John H. McLaughlin, Convention Chairman. McLaughlin, also a volunteer, has taken two weeks off from his duties as president of a construction corporation in Lincoln, to aid in making the convention a success. Witnesses volunteering their services are screened through a Volunteer Service Department, headed by Robert Badertscher, 3311 Charles St., Omaha. "More than 6,000 hours of free time have already been devoted by witnesses seeking rooming accommodations, as well as by office personnel handling the many details," said Badertscher.

McLaughlin was lavish in his expression of thanks to the colored residents of Omaha, who have opened their doors to incoming delegates. "It appears as of now that we have ample room for the arrival of our colored brothers from out of town," he said. Eugene R. Smerchek, Manhattan, Kansas, is in charge of cafeteria to be set up in the auditorium. He has handled similar conventions in Seattle, Washington and other cities in the Northwest. He announced that he will devote the coming week to purchasing of foodstuffs, pastries, and refreshments. More than one-half ton of chicken will be on his grocery list.

Serving trays, cutlery and other equipment will be shipped in from various depots in Dubuque, Denison and Newton, Iowa; Kansas City and Mexico, Missouri; Topeka, Kansas; Sioux Falls, South Dakota and Lincoln, Nebraska.

Paul Anderson, 2006 No. 69th St., Omaha, is in charge of Installation and Engineering. He will work with engineers of Civic Auditorium in setting up the stoves, walk-in coolers and 500 hundred feet of tables to be used in the cafeteria. Another volunteer witness from Omaha, Roy Johnson, 1713 Monroe, has charge of converting the boxing ring in a setting more in harmony with the Christian Assembly. He has announced that the addition of

wings at either end of the ring will complement the speakers' platform. A scenic backdrop, appropriate to the theme of the convention, "Christian Enjoy Peaceful Living Now and Forever", is being constructed.

Albert Pfoudt, 6787 Emmett, Omaha, is donating his talents in the field of draftsmanship to the creating of signs. He stated that 160 signs will be displayed atop cars throughout the metropolitan area. Another 300 cards will be used in buses traveling in the Omaha-Council Bluffs-Ralston area. "Past experience at similar conventions has proved the love and consideration the witnesses have for each other," said McLaughlin. "And we are all delighted to be able to make our brothers comfortable."

Robert W. Wallen, former Omahan, now affiliated with the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society, is the featured speaker. His discourse, "Why Permanent Peace will Come in our Day" will be delivered Sunday, August 5, at 3:00 P.M.

## Leadership School In Kentucky

Frankfort, Ky. — Negro and white women from Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan and Kentucky attended the Lincoln Leadership Training School of Christian Service here at Kentucky State College, July 1-7. This leadership training project was sponsored by the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guilds of the Kentucky and Louisville Conferences of the Southeastern (white) Jurisdiction and the Lexington Conference of the Central (Negro) Jurisdiction of The Methodist Church. "Using Channels and Resources for Understanding Our World" was the theme of a workshop conducted by Mrs. Margaret Bender, New York City, and Miss Eva Shipstone, a teacher in the Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, India.

A second workshop was held on an integrated basis for young people under the leadership of Mrs. Nettie Alice Gibson and Mrs. Ward Rees, Millerstown, Ky. Instructors for the credit courses included Mrs. James H. Touchstone, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Earl Douglass, Cass City, Mich.; Miss Theresa Hoover, New York City; Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon, Nashville, Tenn.; and Miss Oia Lee Barnett, Asheville, N. C. Mrs. G. W. Hammel, Madison-

## Loretta Young Chooses Werle's Creation Of Cup O' Gold Eyelet Organza



LORETTA YOUNG, star of NBC-TV's "Loretta Young Show," wears a Werle gown designed especially for her weekly Sunday night program. The Cup O' Gold linen top has a stand-away portrait neckline and is trimmed with large, black velvet buttons. The yellow eyelet organza skirt, with black velvet belt, is extremely full to allow for Miss Young's famous whirling entrance at the opening of her half-hour TV stanza (ANS)

ville, Ky., was the dean and Mrs. W. H. McCallum, Detroit, was the associate dean of the school. Crafts were taught by Mrs. W. B. Owsley, Morehead, Ky., and Miss Grace Thatcher, Madisonville, Ky.

## Pastor Asks For Negro Aide

By Samuel P. Perry Jr.

BOSTON, Mass. — (ANP)—The Rev. Clayton Brooks Hale, who last week submitted his resignation from the Second Unitarian church, following a furor among church members when he requested that a qualified Negro be appointed assistant minister, said that he made the proposal because he was "confident beyond a doubt" that his congregation was ready for such a step.

So far, the church's standing committee has declined to accept the resignation which was to be effective July 31, 1957. Rather, a special committee has been appointed to study the matter during the summer and then to confer with Dr. Hale.

It has been reliably learned that the majority of the standing committee acceded to Rev. Hale's request for a qualified Negro. This fact notwithstanding, there were "indications of resignation threats" and "harsh words."

For his part, Rev. Hale revealed in the church calendar his viewpoint: "I would not have made such a proposal if I had not been confident beyond a doubt of this congregation's readiness to put their Christian convictions into practice."

"That I misjudged my people has become too obvious to ignore for it is not easy to lose one's friends no matter how justifiable may seem the cause."

"After the letters came in containing the resignation threats, both material and administrative, after the harsh words were spoken by people I have grown to love quite sincerely, after the most gratifying and encouraging letters flooded my mail, after the Standing Committee favorably passed my proposal, I escaped to Deer Meadows (his Maine Summer home) for a period of introspection and self-analysis."

After retreating to Maine, Rev. Hale reached the decision not to appoint a Negro as minister to students, even though 70 percent of his congregation and the Standing Committee, controlling body of the church, were in favor of his proposal.

"I could never subject him," he explained further, "to the heart-breaking experience which has been mine."

He chose the 1957 date as the time of resignation because the

"advance date" would give both the congregation and him "opportunity for another year of thinking and working together," as well as to ascertain if "either the minister or people have unjustifiably wronged each other."

Rev. Hale's church was founded in 1649 and he is its 20th minister.

## CHALLENGE VALIDITY OF UNION PACIFIC COOKS CONTRACT

The tactics of "Divide and Rule" which have been denied but continued by the Union Pacific Railroad and its conspirators, some officials of the Cooks Union Local No. 372 since the writing of the 1935 contract. As a result of the Bread and the Meat status of the Negro cooks has been sorely affected. This condition has continued to grow and has now reached formidable proportions which can only be defeated through its subtle operation.

One reading the contract without analysis could never discover the vicious undercurrents through which these men are only permitted to work a few months a year thus remaining unemployed and unable to meet their obligations the rest of the year.

The "Gimmick" in the contract is the alphabetic system which is outmoded and has been discontinued by all Railroads except the Union Pacific. This system is a vicious destructive practice of rank discrimination. This practice of years standing has remained intact and uninterrupted only by suits filed in his and others similarly situated in behalf of Thomas E. Hayes.

However, the Company Officials have done their work well in cooperation with the officers of Local No. 372 by threatening coercing and misleading their frightened, uninformed victims which prevented them from acting and fighting for the rights rightfully theirs through their own labor. They have been lulled into silence and apathy through the company officials and opportunities which are lullaby of threats to run them off the road if they joined Hayes in suing the company for their inalienable civil rights to work and be treated equally as employees. These foolish victims though continued to be without job security and seniority while their younger white co-workers continued to work and accumulate more seniority.

After seeing their plight and that they have nothing on which they can depend for support and happiness for their families, some courageous ones are joining with Thomas E. Hayes in filing suit against the Union Pacific to challenge the validity of the existing working agreement.

## Seein' Stars

By Dolores Calvin

New York . . . (CNS) . . . STARS

TURN WRITERS: Both Billie Holiday and Eartha Kitt have their lives out before the public in print. Billie's has already arrived via the popular book firm, Doubleday and Co. and called: "Lady Sings the Blues." It has solid impact, a certain quality of absolute honesty about her whole past so that it's sure to be a best seller. In fact, Lady Day may be able to retire on the earnings from this likely winner, which is being talked about for movies.

Eartha's biog, "Thursday's Child" is a bit behind—for it's not due until October. It's coming from the firm, Duel, Sloan and Pearce. Maybe not as colorful as Billie's, still the advance notices say it's very, very interesting. With the stars turning to writing, they have hit on a very good additional income possibility.

Nat King Cole doing standing room only at the Sands in Las Vegas. He's top billing at the night spot and handles it so . . . Pearlle Mae Bailey doing some clever advertising for "That Uncertain Feeling" which co-stars her for Paramount. Pearlle Mae's proving she's big time for the movies, which could certainly use her in its battle against TB.

Maurice Rocco is a name cropping up in the news these days. Maurice has been an astonishing pianist back in the '40s. That playing the piano while standing up act sought of wore thin and his popularity waned. We see now he's on a few fairly good dates so that this could be the beginning of something interesting.

Eartha Kitt reported not as good as could be in Glasgow, Scotland. The star seems not to be so fitted for this vaudeville excursion. Prices were raised for her appearance so that it's a little disappointing for her not to catch afire as was expected. Eartha's far from laying an egg. Just a bit tired from her London appearance. . . . Meanwhile, she's heading on to Sweden for a month of engagements.

Billy Shaw's death has not stopped his agency, which makes most of its money from Negro talent. Shaw's son, widow and other members of the family plan to carry on. Their biggest client is Dizzy Gillespie—now a hot item along with a string of minor names as fill-ins.

New youngster, Richard Wilton, has already cut sides for Columbia records. He's about to get the build-up treatment. Dorothy Donegan was rushed into the "Blue Note" in Chicago when Richard Powell and Clifford Brown were killed in an auto accident on their way to the Chicago C.C.

Muriel Smith left for Washington, D. C. to do the revived version of "Carmen Jones" on tour. Muriel's planning to return to Europe just as soon as she can get back.

## Haye Warns of Independent

As chairman of the Douglas County Republican Organization I wish to take note of last Sunday's newspaper article to the effect that some Republicans are considering an Independent Candidate for Congress.

The right to run as an Independent is, of course, the same as the right to run as a Republican or Democrat. But when such persons have been closely identified previously with the Republican or Democrat Party the consequences of running as an Independent or campaigning for an Independent may not be what they expect.

Experience has indicated that an Independent Candidate is usually unsuccessful and by taking votes from his former Party's Nominee he often succeeds in electing the Candidate of the very party whose principle he has sworn to defeat.

Here in Douglas County the backbone of our campaign organization is the Ward Chairman and the many volunteer workers who co-operate with them. The Ward Chairmen represent a cross section of Republican opinion. Before the Primary, as

is entirely normal they were divided in their opinion of the candidates. Since the Primary Election, however, they have begun the work of organizing their Wards with the same spirit and determination as in other election years, and—this I want to make perfectly clear—are solidly behind Glenn Cunningham and all other Republican nominees on the November ballot. Charles A. Nye, Chairman Douglas County Republican Central Committee

## Letters to the Editor

Following is a letter received this week from the Inter-Civic Council, Incorporated, Tallahassee, Florida.

July 20, 1956

Dear Editor: Our City Transit System on June 30, 1956 committed suicide, this we lament if it is really dead. We are profoundly positive that there is nothing wrong with our bus system that a good dose of DECENCY, CHRISTIAN LOVE and REAL DEMOCRACY will not cure. Seventy percent of the cities bus riders were Negroes. We have suffered chronic humiliation at the hand of bus drivers and local segregation statutes. Our collective cups of humiliation were forced to overflow on May 25. We did not seek to destroy the bus system, we simply sought justice, this was flatly denied us. We must now provide transportation for our people. We plan to use 9-10 station wagons (four door), full time drivers, a full time secretary and combination maintenance-dispatchers.

We hope that our efforts have been enlightening to our brothers in other areas of oppression. If you are able to favor us through efforts (individually or collectively) that will aid us financially, you may rest assured that your least effort will be highly appreciated. We must continue to provide or set up permanent transportation for our people. This done we must prepare for a long legal battle to make our victory complete.

Sincerely yours,  
THE INTER-CIVIC COUNCIL INC.  
President  
M. C. WILLIAMS, D. D. S.  
Secretary

## HARRIMAN TO RECONSIDER SENDING MAN TO ALA.

NEW YORK. — (ANP) — Gov. Averell Harriman, who has signed extradition warrants for three Negro chain gang fugitives that he would reconsider his decision to send Clarence Crenshaw, 42, back to the Alabama road gang on which he had been serving a life term for the murder of a white man.

The governor directed his counsel, Daniel Gutman, to hold a hearing here Wednesday on Crenshaw's petition that Harriman withdraw his signature from a warrant he signed January 16.

After he was picked up here by the FBI last December, Crenshaw, who had spent nearly 24 years on the road gang, protested that he would be killed as "a Negro who killed a white man" and then escaped.

Crenshaw was convicted at 18 of killing a white man who was beating Crenshaw's 9-year-old brother.

The city CIO Industrial Union council and other labor and civil rights groups had appealed to the governor to withdraw his extradition order.

Harriman's office said that Wednesday's hearing had been requested by Edwin W. Tucker of Brooklyn, Crenshaw's attorney, and by "others interested in the case."

The statement also said that an unnamed New York resident had asked Alabama Governor Folsom to drop the extradition and that Folsom's legal advisor, Frank E. Long, had replied that "Harriman was in better position to investigate and reach conclusions concerning Crenshaw."