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## - ATTEND YOUR STATE FAIR -

### Negro Vote Swinging GOP

New York, N. Y. — Negro voters, consistently Democratic since 1936, appear to be swinging toward the Republican Party and are markedly critical of Adlai Stevenson, a study in THE REPORTER revealed today.

"It is safe to say that if Stevenson were to run against Eisenhower tomorrow," the study reports, "the Negro vote would show a very marked swing away from the Democratic Party..."

In a copyrighted article, "The Negro Vote and the Democrats," Robert Bendiner, recent winner of the Benjamin Franklin Magazine Award, also reports that a good segment of the Negro press is moving away from the Democrats, and he quotes the editor of the Chicago Defender as predicting "a major shift in political alignments" by Negroes this year.

Bendiner, who interviewed Negro political and civic leaders across the country, attributes the feeling against Stevenson to his "gradualist" stand on desegregation and the bitter opposition by Southern Democrats to the Supreme Court's decision.

Bendiner points out that from 1936 through 1952, the Negro vote has run close to 80 per cent Democratic, and in close elections, like the Truman-Dewey campaign, could have cost the Democrats their victory with less than a 15 per cent switch in key states like California, Ohio and Illinois.

Today, he says, after interviews with Negro political and civic leaders, the swing against Stevenson and the Democratic Party would result in a loss of votes greater than the decisive 15 per cent difference.

However, Bendiner adds, "the saving grace, from the Democratic viewpoint, is that the rebellion appears to be working down from the top and may not go deep enough into the rank and file by November to be as disastrous as Republican strategists fondly hope."

He says, too, that continuation of a prosperous economy is still another factor that will be decisive in November.

Nevertheless, the study reveals that "political unrest among Negro voters has been swelling ever since the first violent Southern reactions to the Supreme Court's ban on segregation in the schools."

Leaders of the revolt include officials of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, an organization theoretically non-partisan, but which "has run in easy harness with the New Deal-Fair Deal party," Bendiner says.

Recently, he reports, the NAACP's Washington Director, Clarence Mitchell warned that if the Democratic Party persists in weighing itself down with such an "albatross" as Senator James O. Eastland, of Mississippi, it may have to "kiss our votes good-bye."

Negro politicians across the nation told Bendiner that most criticism is directed against Stevenson.

"Everywhere I went in Negro communities, I found this word 'gradualism' the red rag..." Bendiner reports. "Colored leaders, Democrat and Republican alike, seem appalled at the staff work that allowed Stevenson to use the hated word..."

A New York Negro leader, Bendiner says, said simply that Stevenson "has lost status among Negro voters" who feel he is "pussyfooting and playing for Southern support." Another reported that Negro political circles regard Stevenson as a "false-hearted lover" and that Negro party workers consider him "a dead duck right now."

A Philadelphia Republican Negro worker, conceding that "the G.O.P. itself is not loved by the Negroes" of that city, says that Stevenson cannot recover the Negro vote because Negroes "stopped listening" to him after his pronouncement on gradualism. Both in Philadelphia and Baltimore, political leaders said that Negroes will probably "turn to the Republicans no matter what they do." They will "vote against the Democrats, not for the Republicans," Bendiner reports them as saying.

Bendiner also emphasized the "positive appeal" that President Eisenhower has for Negro voters in his own right.

"It is impossible to talk politics in a colored gathering," he reports, "without hearing that the President has contributed quite a bit to the cause of Negro advancement."

He adds that most people he talked to feel the Democrats can hold the Negro vote in line "only if they adopt an uncompromising plank on civil rights, an unequivocal stand on enforcing the Supreme Court's ruling."

Bendiner concludes that the "sizeable bloc" of "militant and frustrated" Negroes will not vote Democratic, adding:

"A majority of Negro votes will probably be found in the Democratic column even in this year of strong emotion, but all the signs are that the days of 80 per cent majorities are over and done with."

### Plan Health Exhibit At State Fair

Local residents will be reminded by the Hall of Health at the State Fair, September 1-8, that "Health is Nebraska's Greatest Asset."

"This is the slogan adopted for the 1956 Hall of Health," said Chairman, John B. Hermann, Executive Director of Nebraska Heart Association.

He pointed out that the slogan is based on the fact that Nebraskans have a longer life expectancy than the residents of most other states.

Entering its second year as a major feature of the State Fair, the Hall of Health is designed to acquaint fair-goers with Nebraskans' health and medical groups and their services.

"We expect to have more exhibits than last year, with greater emphasis on audience participation," said Hermann.

"The latest free health literature will be available and we again will have an air-conditioned theater, showing the newest health films," he added.

The Hall of Health is a project of the Nebraska State Medical Association's Public Relations Committee headed by Dr. Houghton F. Elias of Beatrice. Members are: Drs. J. B. Christensen, Omaha; Maurice Frazer, Lincoln; J. P. Gilligan, Nebraska City; Geo. Hoffmeister, Hastings; R. L. Cassel, Fairbury; and D. B. Wengert, Fremont.

Other organizational sponsors of the project are: Nebraska Heart Association, Nebraska Tuberculosis Association, and Nebraska Division of American Cancer Society.

Held for the first time last summer, the Hall of Health attracted more than 46,000 persons to its 13 exhibits and free movie theater.

### Wagner In New Cowboy Killer Role

Tucson, Arizona long a mecca of moviemakers bent on fashioning a screen drama of the wild and woolly West, still can't get over the shock of serving as a modern no-cowboy, no-Indian, no-six-shooter back ground for a CinemaScope suspense film, United Artists' "A Kiss Before Dying," now at the State Theatre.

Sixty-three straight westerns were filmed in and around Tucson before Director Gerold Oswald set up shop in front of Tucson's Valley National Bank and pointed cameras at such bootless and holster-free thespians as Robert Wagner, Jeffrey Hunter, Virginia Leith and Joanne Woodward. A racy American sports car replaced the cowboy ponies familiar to Tucson film settings.

"A Kiss Before Dying" is based on Ira Levin's mystery novel which won the 1954 Edgar Allan Poe Award.

Robert Wagner, purveyor of everything that's good in mankind, grabbed screen newcomer Joanne Woodward by the shoulders, tossed her around as if she were a sack of potatoes, and nonchalantly picked her over the edge of a roof that was supposed to be 14 stories above the cold, hard concrete of the street.

"It's wonderful," he grinned. "And to think that I've still got a poisoning and a gun killing ahead of me."

The setting was a movie scene for "A Kiss Before Dying," and the handsome young Mr. Wagner was in the throes of one of the biggest revolutions seen around Hollywood in many a celluloid moon. Veteran of every facet of cinematic heroism in a succession of adventuresome movies, Bob was executing the complete switch as the psychopathic murderer in the screen version of Ira Levin's 1954 Edgar Allan Poe Award-winning mystery novel.

"A Kiss in the Dark" starts Friday at the State Theatre.

The average American, lucky fellow, ate 161 pounds of meat last year—up 37 pounds from his pre-war intake.

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### Defense Achievements Summarized

1. Employment is highest in history.
2. Both hourly and weekly wage rates have smashed all previous records.
3. Everybody benefits from the new climate of peaceful labor-management relations with strike losses down more than half in '55 from Truman's last year.
4. Unemployment is 3/4 million below last peacetime year under Democrats. Unemployment benefits were improved and extended to 13 million workers in small firms and 2.3 million in Federal Government.
5. Railroad retirement benefits were liberalized for 1 1/2 million railroaders and unemployment insurance increased.
6. Social security benefits were increased and extended to 10 million workers.
7. Taft-Hartley improvements were proposed but killed by Democrats.

#### PROGRAMS TO AID WORKERS

1. Minimum wage raised to \$1, directly affecting over two million workers and indirectly aiding millions more by influencing general wage levels.
2. Railroad Retirement and Unemployment Insurance Acts liberalized for 1 1/2 million railroaders: Allowable outside earnings increased; income basis of benefits raised; widowed mothers of disabled children benefited, also disabled annuitants; sick benefits and unemployment pay raised.
3. Labor standards laws vigorously enforced. Ike administration undertook 1,143 enforcement actions in three years, compared to only 476 in last three Truman years.
4. More than 6 million in back wages due under Fair Labor Standards Act were paid to over 80,000 employees by 15,000 firms following Labor Department investigations last year alone.
5. Ike program encouraging employment of physically handicapped helped quarter of a million handicapped workers to secure jobs last year.

### Mable Sheppard

Mrs. Mable Sheppard, 46 years, 2431 Spaulding Street, passed away Friday afternoon August 24th at her home. Mrs. Sheppard had been a resident of Omaha sixteen years and was on the Usher Board of the Zion Baptist Church where she was a member. Mrs. Sheppard is survived by her husband, Mr. Arthur Sheppard, two daughters, Mrs. Jean Marie Jerry, Diann Alice Sheppard, son, Keith Richard Sheppard, parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Scott, brother, Mr. Alonzo Lee, four uncles, the Rev. J. W. May, Mr. Thomas May, all of Omaha, Mr. George Lee, Mr. Issah Lee, Delhi, La., two aunts, Mrs. Lulu Mae Scott, Mrs. Corrie Collins, Omaha, two nephews, Willie Otis Lee, U. S. Air Force, Alonzo Lee, Jr., United States Army, two cou-

### Negro Heads U.S. Board of Parole

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Scovel Richardson, Chairman of the U.S. Board of Parole, has been reappointed by President Eisenhower for another term of 6 years expiring June, 1962.

Mr. Richardson was first appointed to the Board of Parole in August, 1953 and was named Chairman by Attorney General Brownell in August, 1954. He is the first Negro to ever serve on the Parole Board and as the Chairman. His salary is about \$13,000 a year.

During his tenure several changes and improvements have been made in the parole system. He was responsible for a national conference on parole which was called by the Attorney General in cooperation with the National Probation and Parole Association and the U. S. Board of Parole.

Mr. Richardson, who is an attorney, and former Dean of the School of Law at Lincoln University, St. Louis, Missouri, attended the University of Illinois where he received his A.B. and Master's degrees. In 1937 he graduated from the Howard University of Law.

After practicing law in Chicago, Illinois he accepted the post of Associate Professor of Law at Lincoln University where he later became Dean.

He was in Government service during 1943 and 1944 in the Legal Division of the old Office of Price Administration.

Mr. Richardson is a member of the American Law Institute, American Bar Association, National Bar Association, Missouri Bar Association, Bar Association of St. Louis, Lawyer's Association of St. Louis, American Judicature Society and member of the Illinois, Missouri and U. S. Supreme Court Bars. He is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce of Metropolitan St. Louis, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and past Supreme Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias.

Several of Mr. Richardson's articles on law have been published: "Denial of Justice in International Law (Master's Thesis)"; "Changing Concepts of the U.S. Supreme Court as They Affect the Legal Status of the Negro"; "National Bar Journal 1941"; "Comments on the National Bar Journal on Restrictive Covenants; Discrimination in Transportation and Conflict of Laws in Divorce Proceedings; Policies and Procedures of the U. S. Board of Parole published in "Federal Probation" a journal of correctional philosophy and practice.

Mr. Williams is married to the former Inez Williston. They are the parents of four daughters: Frances Elaine, 16; Alice Inez, 13; Mary Louise and Marjorie Linda (twins) 11.

### Octavia Adams

Mrs. Octavia Winnie Adams, 65 years, of 1823 Lake Street, passed away Wednesday afternoon August 22nd. Mrs. Adams is survived by her mother, Mrs. Nancy J. Boles, Prairie Home, Missouri, four sisters, Mrs. Annie E. Jones, Kansas City, Missouri, Miss Hattie Mae Boles, Prairie Home, Missouri, Mrs. Elsie M. Booker, Omaha and a host of other relatives. The body was forwarded Friday morning to Moys and Parker Funeral Home, Boonsville, Missouri, for further services and burial. Local arrangements were by Thomas Funeral Home.

sins, Mrs. Millie Montgomery, Mr. Shaw Collins, Omaha, sister-in-law, Mrs. Bessie May, Kansas City, Kansas, son-in-law, Mr. Arthur Jerry, Omaha.

Funeral services have been set for Wednesday afternoon from Zion Baptist Church with arrangements by Thomas Funeral Home.

### Center Bank Pays Accounts Interest

The Center Bank is now paying 2 percent interest on savings accounts and 2 1/2 percent interest on time certificates of deposit, W. B. Hargleroad, Jr., president, announced today.

It is the first bank to pay more than one percent interest on savings in the Omaha area for a number of years, according to Mr. Hargleroad. Time certificates of deposit are savings deposited for a specified time.

Open only four months, the bank already has deposits exceeding \$2,600,000.

The bank also has started a new service: accepting payment for all utility bills. It is located at 42nd and Center Streets, second level, The Center.

### Local Negro Leader Dies

Mrs. Lucinda Williams, age 80 years, expired August 26, 1956 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, where she had lived for 5 months with a daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Isaac.

She was Omaha's first Negro School teacher and widow of the Rev. John Albert Williams, rector of the St. Philip Episcopal Church 42 years.

Mrs. Williams became a teacher in 1895 serving at the old Dodge School, Eleventh and Todge Streets.

The Rev. Mr. Williams, whose only pastorate was St. Philip's, died in 1933.

Mrs. Williams had served as a delegate to the annual council of the Episcopal Diocese of Nebraska, was chairman of the board of the Martha T. Smith Home for the Aged for 10 years, and had been on the board of the Omaha Chapter, N.A.A.C.P.

Other survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Catherine Walker of Cleveland, Ohio; sister, Mrs. Alberta Steele of Minneapolis, Minnesota; 3 brothers, Will and Fred Gamble of Chicago, Illinois; George Gamble of Crosby, Minnesota; 3 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday August 29, 1956 at 10:00 a.m. from St. Philip's Episcopal Church with Rev. Solomon N. Jacobs officiating. Interment was in the family plot at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Pallbearers Messrs. Thomas Chandler, Arlo South, Fred Banks, Russell Bryan, James Jewell and Heywood Vaughter.

Myers Brothers Funeral Service.

### Daisy Collins

Mrs. Daisy Collins, age 73, years, of 2031 No. 21 Street, expired Saturday August 18, 1956 at a local hospital.

She had been a resident of Omaha for the past 70 years.

She is survived by her niece, Mrs. Emma Oats of Omaha; 2 nephews, William Banks of Omaha, and Andrew Combs of St. Paul, Minnesota.

Funeral services were held Thursday August 23, 1956 at 10:00 a.m. from the Myers Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. L. A. Zarker officiating. Interment was at Graceland Park Cemetery.

Pallbearers Messrs. J. W. King, Robert Gray, Edward Snyder and Arthur Vaughn.

Myers Brothers Funeral Service.

### Rev. Roxie Morris

Rev. Roxie Morris, 61 years, 2624 Caldwell Street, passed away Thursday morning August 23rd at a local hospital. The Rev. Roxie Morris had been a resident of Omaha twenty years and was a faithful member of the Church of the Living God, 21 and Binney Streets. She is survived by her husband, Mr. Willie Morris, twin sons, Mr. Johnnie B. and Mr. Willie B. Wynne, brother, Mr. James Cowans, of Omaha, sister, Mrs. Mary Eckwood, Lincoln, Nebraska, two nieces, Mrs. Willa May Bridgeman, Miss Virgie Eckwood, in the United States service in Germany and other relatives.

### Union Labor Is Going To Vote Republican Say Two Recent Nationwide Surveys

#### Iroquois Elks Win at Columbus

The Iroquois Drum and Bugle Corps, Omaha Elks No. 92, was awarded first prize for Best in Music, at the Centennial Parade, recently held at Columbus, Nebraska. The prize consisted of a photograph of the entire group and a bronze Plaque bearing the inscription, "Best in Music, Columbus Centennial, 1956."

Arlene Jones is First Major, Melvin Morson, Drum Major, and David Turner, Jr., Drill Sergeant.

Under the Direction of Mrs. Margaret Yancey, Mr. Evans Vaughn, assisted by Mr. Leslie Claytor and Mrs. Robbie Gibson.

#### '55 Income Average Is \$5520 Family

The Nation's 52 million families had a record average income of \$5,520 before taxes in 1955.

The U. S. Department of Commerce reported that the figure brought the family's average income "to a new high in both current dollars and purchasing power."

A breakdown of the Eisenhower prosperity figures discloses these facts:

The new statistic brings the three-year average family income during the Eisenhower years to \$5,410—nearly \$600 higher than the average of Truman's last three years which covered the Korean War period.

During the three Eisenhower years, nearly three million more people have moved into the middle income (\$5,000-\$10,000 bracket).

There are one and one half million fewer in the under-\$5,000 bracket now than there were in 1952 under Truman.

About 700,000 more families are now in the upper income group (over \$10,000 than there were in 1952.

Putting it another way: In Ike's three years, the number of families earning under \$5,000 has fallen from 61 per cent to 55 per cent of the total; those in the \$5,000-\$10,000 range have increased from 32 per cent to 37 per cent; families in the over \$10,000 group have increased by one per cent.

Moreover, the work force has increased by about three million persons during the last three years.

#### Janie Smith

Mrs. Janie Smith, of 2426 Caldwell Street, expired Saturday August 18, 1956 at a local hospital.

She was an Omaha resident 22 years.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Louise Tucker, Mrs. Vantroy Mimms; 3 granddaughters, Mrs. Jeanette Allen, Mrs. Shirley Mae Crawford and Mrs. Florida Ross of Omaha.

Funeral services were held Wednesday August 22, 1956 at 2:00 p.m. from the Myers Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Charles Favors officiating. Interment was at Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Pallbearers Messrs. Floyd Gordon, Willie Jones, William Stinson, Surlis Crawford, Rochell Mitchell and Pete Hunter.

Myers Brothers Funeral Service.

Those handsome pike, trout and bass will look and taste better when you get them home from that fishing trip if they are kept fresh. One of the best methods is interspersing layers of fish with layers of ice chips in a galvanized steel garbage can or garbage pail. These leakproof steel containers are equipped with handles or wire

#### Is union labor going Republican?

Two nationwide polls—conducted by Gallup and Newsweek Magazine—say "Yes."

The latest Gallup Poll finds that organized labor today would vote 56 per cent for Eisenhower and 44 per cent for Stevenson.

Newsweek, polling 48 top political columnists in 48 states, reported:

"Enough labor votes will switch to the Republican ticket in November to make the re-election of Dwight Eisenhower and Richard Nixon even more probable than most politicians have predicted. Politicians have correctly figured the G.O.P. would lose some labor voters who went Republican in 1952. But Newsweek's survey shows that many working men who voted for Adlai Stevenson because they feared hard times if the G.O.P. got in, now will support the Republican ticket..."

How about the union leaders? James C. Petrillo, head of the 25,000-member American Federation of Musicians, and a member of the Democratic National Committee's 18-member Advisory Committee on Labor, said the other day:

"... If we ever had a friend in the White House, we have one now. If Eisenhower is re-elected—and it looks like he's going to be re-elected—I hope he reappoints Jim Mitchell for another four years as Secretary of Labor."

The New York Times concluded: "(Petrillo) suggested strongly that he might back President Eisenhower for re-election."

Roscoe Drummond, New York Herald Tribune columnist, after listing half a dozen important labor leaders who have praised Secretary Mitchell (including Jacob Potofsky made these two points:

1. It is fair to say that Secretary Mitchell couldn't prove himself to be a friend of labor, as the leaders all agree, unless President Eisenhower wanted him to be a friend of labor and created the conditions which enabled him to be...

2. "The total budget of the Department of Labor in 1954 was \$223 million. The Department of Labor budget this year is \$468 million. The purpose: to enable Secretary Mitchell to do his job better for labor."

We would like to add a third point: Labor's share of national income has averaged 69 per cent during the Eisenhower years compared to the 65 per cent Truman average. Corporation profits after taxes have averaged 6 per cent compared to the average of 7.7 per cent.

#### Arthur Bailey, Sr.

Arthur Bailey, Sr., age 49 years, of 2525 Decatur St., expired Friday morning, August 17, 1956 at a local hospital.

He was an Omaha resident 14 years and was a very dear friend of Mrs. Janie Parker of the same address.

He is survived by his son, Arthur, Jr.; daughter, Mrs. Betty Jones; sister, Mrs. Lulu Mae Smith all of Houston, Texas; 6 uncles; 2 grandchildren and a host of other relatives.

Funeral services were held Thursday August 23, 1956 at 2:00 p.m. from the Myers Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Charles Favors officiating assisted by Rev. E. Rhodes and Rev. Cooper. Interment was at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Pallbearers Messrs. Floyd Gordon, Charles Simms, Floyd Whidy, Charles Butler, Richard Clark and Leroy Campbell.

Myers Brothers Funeral Service.

Don't poison rats and flies—starve them to death. Keep all garbage in rodent-proof galvanized steel garbage cans equipped with close-fitting, fly-proof covers.