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## New Charter Assures Greater Consideration of Omaha Negro Workers

The Proposed new Home Rule City Charter opens the way to adequate pay plans, promotions and generally "better conditions" for employees of the city.

That point was made by Sam Cooper in a speech Monday night to some 60 Negro leaders at the Near Northside YMCA. The dinner meeting was sponsored by the Near Northside Activities Association. Charter Delegates Cooper and Jack Maenner led the program.

Cooper said, up-to-date personnel practices, such as those included in the new Charter, will elevate city employment to the level of a career service that will be trusted and respected by the public as it deserves to be.

He pointed out that all but a half a dozen employees are under civil service in the proposed new Charter. Currently, more than 300 city employees are not under civil service.

The two delegates lauded the National Association for the Advancement of the Colored People and the Urban League and other Negro groups in Omaha for their help in establishing the civil rights provisions in the new Charter.

"The old Charter did not adequately protect the minority groups," they said. "And we compliment your groups for the assistance they gave the Charter Convention in making it possible to write these provisions into the new Charter."

Ray L. Williams, secretary of the Near Northside Activities Association, said the 60 leaders at the dinner-meeting represented "about 5000 members of various Northside clubs and organizations."

## Many Homes Unsafe Says Council

An Omaha Safety Council clinic on home safety Thursday will study a pictorial survey of Omaha which shows that 100 per cent of the Omaha homes inspected flunked a simple home safety test.

"The camera's eye" was taken by Gus Nelson, supervisor of meter reading for Metropolitan Utilities District.

Mr. Nelson will show the pictures he took on the survey when the clinic opens its luncheon session at the Rome Hotel at noon Thursday.

At the Omaha Safety Council's request, Mr. Nelson surveyed 20 homes with his camera to give the clinic an idea of the problem Omaha faces.

Mr. Nelson included in his pictorial survey the homes of people who should be leaders in the home safety movement—among them a claim adjuster, a safety engineer, a supervisor, a business man, an attorney and an educator.

He found from one to eight hazards in every home surveyed. Any one of those hazards could have led to a mishap which may have killed or injured occupants of the homes surveyed.

Mrs. A. E. Karnett and Mrs. Glen Sorensen, co-chairman of the clinic, said the survey was ordered to put the spotlight on Omaha's rising home accident toll.

The number of Omahans killed or injured in the home exceeds the number of Omahans killed or injured in traffic accidents.

Wayne Koski, chairman of the Safety Council Home and Child Committee, said the clinic hopes to awaken Omahans to the need for some accident prevention work in their own home.

Jean Sullivan, television personality, will be mistress of ceremonies at the clinic luncheon.

James R. McCauley, council manager, said the clinic also will serve as the kickoff date for launching an inventory of all organizations in Omaha who are promoting home safety programs.

Omaha has been picked as one of nine test cities in the nation to report back nationally on all the home safety programs that are underway in the community.

## Links Is Honoring North Y.W.

The Omaha Chapter of Links, Inc., are honoring the Northside Y.W.C.A. of Omaha, Nebraska for outstanding contributions to the community at a coffee hour to be held on Friday Evening, November 2, 1956, at 8:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. at the Northside Y.W.C.A., Twenty-eighth and Miami Streets. This affair is being given in commemoration of National Links Week, which is celebrated throughout the country. The public is invited to attend.

## Charter Move Needs Support

"A chance of a lifetime!" That is how Urban League officials described the proposed City Charter. Urging citizens to vote for the New Charter, rs. Verne Vance, President, and George Robinson, Executive Secretary, issued a joint statement declaring that "Omahans have a chance of a lifetime to modernize their city government."

"Every citizen who wants a better Omaha and a democratic city government with a responsible Mayor and Council should vote for adopting the Charter," the statement said.

The League officials recalled that the New Charter was drafted after a thorough examination of all aspects of the city government. Experiences of other cities with similar problems were studied. Special needs of Omaha were considered and opinions of various groups and individuals were sought.

"The New Charter has a forward look," they declared, "providing the means for a normal, healthy growth of the city."

"It also provides opportunity for all citizens to participate in their local government and is designed to benefit all citizens," they said.

Points of special concern to minorities are provision for (1) a unified civil service system which requires that no action affecting the employment status of an employee or applicant, including appointment, promotion, demotion, suspension, or removal, shall be taken or withheld by reason of race or religion; (2) an anti-discrimination clause in city contracts requiring that in connection with the performance of work under the contract, the contractor agrees not to discriminate against any employee or applicant because of race, religion, color or national origin; (3) a Human Relations Board which would deal with all minority problems of the community. It will carry on an educational program and make recommendations to the Mayor and Council; (4) a Civil Rights section requiring that all persons regardless of race, creed or color shall have equal enjoyment of and equal protection under all the provisions of the Charter and all ordinances, resolutions, rules, regulations, orders and directives adopted pursuant thereto; (5) provision for a Housing and Rehabilitation Co-ordinator whose responsibility will be to further those projects having to do with neighborhood conservation, property redevelopment, and rehabilitation.

Any parent, educator, public official or other person interested in attending the clinic may do so by phoning the council at At-2744 to make a reservation.



## 15 Are Granted Scholarships

Fifteen Coeds from almost as many states have been granted a total of \$5,500 by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority to study in some of the nation's outstanding colleges and universities during the 1956-57 year. Recipients of the scholarships awards and their fields of interest include the following:

First Row: Freddie Mitchell of Chicago, junior in physical education at the Uni. of Ill.; Mary Rucker of Anderson, S. C., junior in English at S.C. State; Rochelle Hood of Louisville, Ky., sophomore in chemical engineering at the University of Louisville; Juanita Stewart of Onotona, Ala., junior in biology at Alabama A. & M. College; Lovie Nall Jackson of Chicago, junior in languages at the University of Chicago.

Second Row: Helen Ferguson of Phoenix, Ariz., senior in business administration at Arizona State College; Barbara Daniels of New York City, junior in pharmacy at Columbia University; Gloria Matthews of Miami, Fla., graduate student in dramatics at Yale University; Shirley Jones of Toulaloo, Miss., graduate student in speech therapy at Hunter College; Henrietta S. Matthews of Oklahoma City, Okla., graduate student in social work at the University of Oklahoma.

Third Row: Grace O. Lyttle of Chelsea, Mass., student in physical therapy at Boston University; Evelyn Cain of Tyler, Tex., senior in home economics at Texas College; Shirley Davis of Roanoke, Va., junior in biology at Talladega College; Carolyn Fowler of Los Angeles, sophomore in languages and political science at University of California at Los Angeles; and Rosalyn Wilcox of Dayton, Ohio, sophomore in nursing at Ohio State University. —ASSOCIATED NEGRO PRESS.

## A Vote for Eisenhower is a Vote Against Prejudice

President Eisenhower's Administration has Done More in The Past 3 1/2 years to Kill Jim Crowe Than All Other Administrations have done in 89 Years.

## Vote for the City Charter

It Virtually Ends Jim Crowe in Your City Administration of Affairs.

## Vote FOR The Ton-Mile Tax Amendment

It Will Help Give You a Better Highway and Lessen the death toll of your loved ones.

## WE PREDICT President Eisenhower and Vice President Nixon Will Carry The Following States:

NEW YORK, CALIFORNIA, WISCONSIN, PENNSYLVANIA, OHIO, WASHINGTON, SOUTH DAKOTA, NORTH DAKOTA, MINNESOTA, NEW JERSEY, WYOMING, OREGON, NEBRASKA, MAINE, MICHIGAN, MASSACHUSETTS, KANSAS, UTAH and perhaps TEXAS and TENNESSEE.

## A Vote For Glenn Cunningham Is A Vote for Your Way of Life.

### Geneva Anderson

Mrs. Geneva Anderson, 67 years, 2802 Caldwell Street, passed away Tuesday afternoon, October 10th at a local hospital. Mrs. Anderson had been a resident of Omaha fifty years and was a member of the St. John A.M.E. Church.

She is survived by her husband, Mr. Deallie Anderson, Omaha; one daughter, Mrs. Sybil Iva Kibg. of Chicago, Illinois, one sister, Mrs. Margaret Cribbs, Omaha; four nieces, Mrs. Clemenza Williams, St. Paul, Minnesota, Mrs. Oletta Sandard, Columbia, Mo., Mrs. Eva Mae Jefferson, Omaha, Mrs. Mildred Walker, St. Paul, Minn., one nephew, Mr. Charles Walker, St. Paul, Minnesota and other relatives.

Funeral services were held at two o'clock Friday afternoon

from St. John's A.M.E. Church with the Rev. S. H. Lewis officiating. Thomas Funeral Home Services.

### EYES AFFECT GENERAL HEALTH

While it is generally true that it is impossible to strain our eyes to the point of permanent damage, eyestrain can—and often does—contribute to such widespread discomforts as indigestion, nervous fatigue and a general lowering of physical efficiency.

You can always depend on United States Savings Bonds.

Overheard on the street the other day: a man describing something as, "it's as good as gold." He must have been referring to a mutilated Savings Bond.

### AMBIDEXTROUS

Although we aren't conscious of the fact, most of us are "right-eyed" or "left-eyed" just as we are right-handed or left-handed. Figures show that in 60 per cent of the people, the right eye dominates the vision, while the left eye takes over in 25 per cent of the cases studied. The remaining 15 per cent alternate.

### GLASSES NO CURE-ALL

Many persons assume that wearing eye glasses will cure them of the ailment for which they were prescribed. But this is not the case. Instead, they serve merely as a badly needed corrective for vision for those who are nearsighted, farsighted, or have astigmatism.

### Henry Brown

Mr. Henry Brown, 75 years, 2639 Charles Street, passed away Saturday afternoon, October 13th at a local hospital. Mr. Brown had been a resident of Omaha thirteen years. There are no known survivors. The body was at the Thomas Funeral Home.

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