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Civil Rights Issue in City Elections

The Civil Rights provisions of the new City Charter have been recognized by leading authorities as outstanding. But like other aspects of the new Charter these provisions are not self-operating. They provide the framework—the skeleton, so to speak. It will be up to the new City Council and the new Mayor and his Cabinet to put life into them—to provide the flesh and blood which will transform the skeleton into a living force for better human relations in Omaha.

It is important then that we elect candidates not only favorable to the Charter in general but those especially interested in the civil rights features. Candidates who were members of the Charter Convention and who are known to have fought hard for civil rights provisions of the Charter must be supported by all voters who believe in the soundness of these provisions. Candidates who were not members of the Charter Convention but who would work hard for adequate enforcement of the civil rights provisions should also be supported.

The new City Charter provides the following four concrete civil rights provisions:

- (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 groups and be a clearinghouse for 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;

Selection of the Personnel Director and members of the Personnel Board and the Human Relations Board are the responsibility of the Mayor and Council.

The Personnel Board will review and approve rules and regulations governing the hiring, assignment, promotion, demotion, suspension, dismissal, and conditions of work of all city employees.

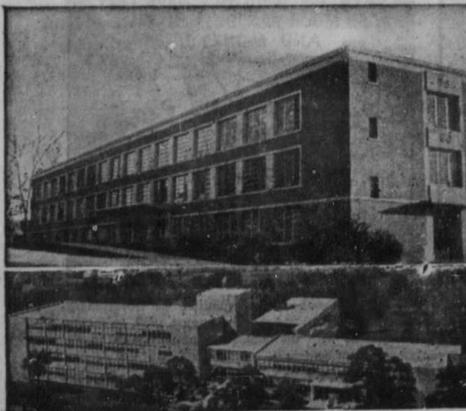
The Human Relations Board, in addition to carrying on an educational program will "advise the Mayor and Council on all matters concerning the administration and enforcement of laws and ordinances prohibiting discrimination against persons because of race or political or religious opinions or affiliations."

The importance of having a liberal Mayor and City Council is easily recognized in reviewing their appointive and administrative authority. The new City Charter is the legal framework upon which will be built a living institution of local government. Its true potential and value will depend on the type of candidates which are elected. Citizens concerned with advancing civil rights in Omaha should support candidates who have demonstrated their willingness to work wholeheartedly in behalf of civil rights.

Gore Heads Florida A & M

BEGINS EIGHTH YEAR AT FAMU—Dr. George W. Gore, Jr., (insert) begins his eighth year as president of the 70-year old Florida A & M University on Monday, April 1. His tenure at the institution has been characterized by growth in faculty and staff, an increase in student body, and expansion of the physical plant. Among the structures which have

been completed are the four above. Top left, Tucker Classroom Building, \$1,000,000, and top right, Gibbs Hall (dormitory for men) \$937,000; bottom left, agriculture and home economics building, \$1,250,000; and bottom right, demonstration high school, \$500,000. (A and M staff photos by Horace Jones, Jr.)



UNCF Nation-Wide Campaign Opens April 1



NEW YORK, March 22—A series of special radio and television programs has been scheduled for the United Negro College Fund in connection with its nation-wide 14th annual opening April 1.

The day before the opening of the campaign, March 31, includes three College Fund listings: the appearance of the Bethune-Cookman College Choir on NBC's net-

work radio program "Monitor," 3:30 - 4 P.M.; of Lee H. Bristol, president, Bristol-Myers Co., 1957 campaign chairman, on the regular weekly 10:35 A. M. ABC radio network choir series, featuring the Huston-Tillotson Choir; and of Alonzo G. Moron, president, Hampton Institute, on Dean James A. Pike's program, ABC-TV, 5:00 - 5:30 P.M. Dr.

Moron will take part in a discussion on the future of the Negro in an integrated society. Dr. Moron will be Dean Pike's guest as a national vice president of the 1957 Red Cross campaign.

On the evening of April 1, the Hampton Institute Choir, under the direction of Dr. Henry N. Switton, will be heard over WQXR 10:30 - 11:00 P.M. Lee

H. Bristol will again speak on behalf of the Fund on the program.

The regular UNCF Sunday morning choir series over the ABC-national radio network (10:35 - 11:00 A.M.) during the month of April will feature: the Glee Club of Spelman College, Atlanta, Ga. (April 7); the concert choir of Xavier University, New Orleans, La. (April 14); and the

choirs of St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, N. C. (April 21) and Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn. (April 28). The choir programs are a regular feature of the ABC radio network originating in New York over WABC. Check local newspapers for time and station.

NEW SHOW OPENING AT PLAYHOUSE

The next production of the Omaha Community Playhouse will be *The Chalk Garden* by Enid Bagnold. The 1955-56 Broadway hit will open at the Omaha Community Playhouse March 29th and will run through April 13th. \$2.00 tickets may be obtained by writing or calling The Omaha Community Playhouse, 4004 Davenport Street, Glendale 0800.

employee. There are no known survivors. The body is at the Thomas Funeral Home.

Mrs. Henrietta Fox, 102 years, passed away Wednesday morning March 20th. Mrs. Fox had been a resident of Omaha eighty five years. She was the oldest member of Zion Baptist Church. She is survived by one great niece, Mrs. Marie Wilson of Omaha and other relatives. The body is at the Thomas Funeral Home.

Ida G. Fields

Mrs. Ida G. Fields, 72 years, passed away Friday morning March 22nd at her home 2623 Parker Street.

Mrs. Parker had been a resident of Omaha since 1922.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Iva Wonders, Chicago, Illinois, three sons, Mr. Robert H. Frederick T., Theron H. Fields of Omaha, two brothers, Mr. Arthur Smith, Mr. Paul Smith, Des Moines, Iowa, two sisters, Mrs. Edna Keene, Mrs. Savannah Bryant of Chicago, Illinois, three sisters-in-law, Mrs. Frances Murray, Kansas City, Missouri, Mrs. Dorothy Martin, St. Louis, Missouri, Mrs. Helen Smith, Des Moines, Iowa, six grandchildren, twelve great grandchildren and other relatives. Funeral services have been set for Thursday afternoon from the St. John's Baptist Church with arrangements by the Thomas Funeral Home.

MARION ANDERSON CALLED ONE OF WORLD'S FOUR MOST BEAUTIFUL WOMEN BY MARLENE DIETRICH

NEW YORK—Famed contralto Marion Anderson has been named one of the world's four truly beautiful women by the international star, Marlene Dietrich.

The actress, writing in the current issue of McCall's magazine, said that Miss Anderson is one of those select women who have that rare inner beauty that is essential to be truly beautiful and happy.

Marlene Dietrich described Miss Anderson, who holds the distinction of being the first Negro to sing in the Metropolitan Opera House, as "a dedicated human being who seems to have a mission and is aware of it. . . I do not have to. Her inner beauty shines not only in her voice; but her face tells it, and her eyes." Miss Dietrich's other selections for the world's most beautiful women, which are published in her article, "The Danger Of Being Beautiful," in McCall's, include socialite Betsy Cushing Whitney; French night club singer Edith Piaf; and the late Italian actress, Eleonora Duse.

We Recommend Our Friends To Support The Seven Charter Candidates!

So You Don't Scare Easy!

Did you know that by taking just 180 seconds out of your life you can protect yourself against the devastating results of polio? Polio hits young adults hard. It has cruelly maimed many a teenager, many a young mother and father, for life.

But don't you be scared! Just spare those 180 seconds: 60 seconds for a shot of polio vaccine now, 60 seconds for another shot two to six weeks from now and 60 seconds for the third shot seven months after that.

That's all. But 180 seconds in an iron lung are an eternity.

Fifty-one million Americans have protected themselves at least in part against polio up to now. But 58,000,000 under 40 haven't had even one of the three shots.

Summertime is polio time. You still have time—but only just time—if you see your doctor or go to the polio vaccination in your town right away.

DON'T GAMBLE WITH POLIO



VACCINATE BEFORE TOO LATE!



Rev. James Harris

Rev. James A. Harris, age 32 years, of 2015 No. 24 St., expired Sunday March 17, 1957, at a local hospital.

A native of Boonville, Missouri, he came to Omaha in 1907. Rev. Harris is survived by his wife, Mrs. Letitia Harris of Omaha; brother, R. Q. Wright of St. Louis, Missouri; 2 nieces; 2 nephews; step-daughter, Mrs. Bernice Long; step-son, Wilbur Johnson; 8 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Thursday March 21, 1957 at 2:00 P.M. from the Salem Baptist Church with Rev. J. G. Wade officiating assisted by Reverends W. E. Fort, E. Pettis, C. McMorris, J. H. Reynolds, J. H. Whittington

Alonzo Malvino

Mr. Alonzo Malvino, 2433 Franklin Street, expired Tuesday night March 19th at the above address. Mr. Malvino was a Packing House

chell, of Omaha, Mrs. Lavier Baker, Broadrick, California; two sons, Mr. Sylvester Mapp, Omaha, Mr. Lorenzo Mapp, Toledo, Ohio, daughter-in-law, Mrs. Vera Mapp, Omaha, Mrs. Evelyn Mapp, Toledo, ten grand children, one great grandchild.

Tentatively funeral services have been set for two o'clock Wednesday afternoon from the New Hope Baptist Church with the Rev. LeRoy Bragg officiating. Arrangements by the Thomas Funeral Home.

EDITORIAL



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Promptly at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning and continuing throughout the day countless thousands of proud citizens of Omaha will wend their way to the some 250 polling places in the city to cast their vote for Mayor John Rosenblatt to succeed himself in the forthcoming election on May 14th. This is as it should be for certainly Mayor Rosenblatt's record speaks for itself as it relates to the progress of Omaha under his administration.

From his early high school days to the present time, he has shown evidence of leadership, appreciation for the worth of an individual, holds no ill will toward any man, regardless of race, creed or color. This is evident from the stand he has taken on F.E.P.C. and his interest in all programs working toward the breaking down of racial prejudices.

The progress of Omaha under the leadership of John Rosenblatt has been tremendous, for we recognize in him a leader who is experienced, efficient and one who is unselfish in his thoughts and action. So when you go to the polls on Tuesday do so with the thought in mind that ROSENBLATT IS THE MAN FOR OMAHA'S MAYOR.

Here's What Happened to the Republican Corn Bill...

House Democrats Block GOP Move For 'Emergency' Midwest Corn Relief
By Kenneth Weiss
House Democrats voted to push through emergency relief for Midwest corn farmers.

House Beats GOP's Corn Bill In Row
By BEN COLE
The House of Representatives yesterday defeated a Republican bill to provide emergency relief for Midwest corn growers.

House Kills GOP Farm Bill To Aid Corn Growers
WASHINGTON, March 28—The House killed emergency relief for Midwest corn farmers today, it set aside a bill to provide emergency relief for Midwest corn growers.

House Rejects Corn Subsidy For Mid-West
WASHINGTON, March 28—The House rejected a bill to provide emergency relief for Midwest corn growers.

House Rejects Corn Price Bill
By Carroll E. Patrick
The House killed yesterday the first farm bill of the session and left the Nation's commercial corn farmers in effect.

Democrats Beat Ike Corn Soil Bank Bill
By CHARLES BAILEY
WASHINGTON—Democrats in the House of Representatives yesterday defeated a Republican bill to provide emergency relief for Midwest corn growers.