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College Community Leads The Way in Nashville. Work to Register Negroes

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Two Knoxville College professors, a former student, and an Unitarian Church worker started a canvassing project in the North West section of Knoxville to get Negroes to qualify as voters by permanently registering at the Court House.

Working in their spare time they carried 70 persons downtown and returned them to their homes during a two week period. Already folk are talking about the idea and it seems that the movement will gain momentum.

Now that this experimental effort has proved fruitful it is hoped that Negro ministers, civic and fraternal organizations will continue the job of getting Knoxville's 9,000 potential Negro voters qualified. Around 4,000 of the local 25,000 Negro population are registered and qualified voters.

In scarcely two months candidates in the City election will be seeking three seats in the City Council and three seats on the School Board. The primary is Thursday, November 7 and the Run-Off is set for Thursday, November 21. Rev. Frank Gordon, Knoxville College faculty member and pastor of Shiloh Presbyterian Church lost by a very small margin in the run-off for the school board in the last election in 1955.

Dr. Charles E. Morton, former chairman, Department of Philosophy and Religion at Knoxville College, and the Unitarian Church official (name withheld) agreed during a chat at a Pisk University meeting that three things had to be done in Knoxville. These were:

1. Stop the trend toward a pattern of segregation in the University of Tennessee Research Hospital, a city-state-federal project.
2. Increase the number of registered Negro voters to make city officials act more responsibly toward integration.
3. Get the City to set up pilot project on integration through regular school sessions.

Dr. Norton, now heading the Department of Philosophy and Religion at Dillard University, New Orleans, La., found many eligible persons receptive and eager to register after a brief and plain explanation as to what it means to them. A service station manager released his help to register for one hour with pay.

Many persons did not receive the workers appreciatively, largely because of apparent apathy, ignorance and fear. For example, one woman said, "My mother never voted and I believe she was right." Her mother's philosophy was:

"Women shouldn't have nothing to do with polltanks. 'Tis evil and the world is in the fix it's in now because of women... messing aroun."

Yet the daughter of the woman in question earned a M. A. degree from the University of Tennessee recently, but that fact could not convince her that she needs to vote to protect the privileges her child now enjoys.

"The psychology of fear still exists even in a place like Knoxville, although told it (voting) would benefit their children," Professor Morton observed.

"Fear, rather than indifference, already conquered by the Negro Press, was the main reason why many responded negatively," further concluded the professor who sees education as a community process.

Dock Bowens

Dock Bowens, age 76 years, of 2535 Hamilton Street, expired Sunday morning September 8, 1957 at his home.

Willie Murray

Willie Murray, 59 years, 5213 South 25th Street, passed away Monday September 2nd at a local hospital.

Vets Aim To Make City of Flags

The Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary, General MacArthur Unit No. 2 has undertaken an extensive campaign to make Omaha known as the "City of Flags."

"Less than one home in twenty-five has an American Flag," says Mrs. William Villont, Auxiliary Commander. "Most people believe there are only two or three days a year on which to display our colors. Actually there are twenty two national holidays and Flag Week when our National Emblem should be flown," she said.

This will be the most extensive flag campaign ever conducted in the city of Omaha. Persons obtaining flags from the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary will have their names inscribed in the permanent memorial called "Omaha's Friends of the Flag."

Officers of the Auxiliary are: Mrs. Villont, Commander, 1307 Hiatt Avenue, Carter Lake; Mrs. Paul Hartnett, Senior Vice Commander, 4837 Pierce Street; Mrs. Edward Gudmundson, Junior Vice Commander, 2035 North Sixty-fourth Street; Mrs. Ivan Westergard, Adjutant, 2104 South Forty-eighth Avenue; Mrs. Joseph Mauro, Treasurer, 2214 South Eleventh Street, and Mrs. Mercedes McGraw, Chaplain, 2203 Jones Street.

Ensemble With "Orlon"

IDEAL FOR FOOTBALL games and dinner afterward is this stunning jacket and skirt duo in easy-care jersey of "Orlon" acrylic fiber and wool. Jacket and skirt designed by Joe Davidson launder with ease and have excellent shape-retention, because of the Du Pont fiber. The jacket, cut in the easy Chanel look, is effectively with a durably pleated skirt in solid color.

Funeral services were held Wednesday September 11, 1957 at 2:00 p.m. from the Pilgrim Baptist Church with Rev. Charles S. Favors officiating assisted by Revs. J. W. Rogers, David Favors, J. C. Crawford and Dr. C. Adams. Interment was in the family plot at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Pallbearers Messrs Jesse Franklin, Isaac Pharr, Leon Hill, Richard Stewart, P. H. Norvell, A. B. Young, W. Brye, and J. W. Porter.

Myers Brothers Funeral Service.

Ask Tulane Army Game Be Cancelled

New York, Sept. 5 — The NAACP today renewed its request of last October 1 that a football game scheduled to take place between the Army and Tulane University in New Orleans on November 16 be cancelled.

Roy Wilkins, NAACP executive secretary, asserted in a telegram to Wilber M. Brucker, Secretary of the Army: "Even though there are no Negro members on the Army team, the Department of the Army has no right to stultify itself and embarrass the Negro cadets at West Point, their relatives and friends, or the Negro officers and enlisted men in all the armed services, together with millions of fair-minded American citizens of all races and colors, by bowing to Louisiana bigotry."

The Army department, Mr. Wilkins emphasized, "cannot bow to the policy of a state which insists on excluding Negro athletes and humiliating spectators at athletic events through racially segregated seating arrangements."

The National Office of Vital Statistics reports that there are more births in September than in any other month of the year.

Suggest End of Chicago Race Clashes

Chicago, Sept. 5 — A program to end this city's racial disturbances was proposed by the president of the Chicago NAACP branch at a public meeting here last week.

The September 1 meeting was called by the Coordinating Council for Civil Rights. A statement of Willoughby Abner, Chicago NAACP president, read for him in his absence, dealt with AACP policy and action regarding racial violence such as that which occurred recently at Calumet Park.

Calumet Park was the scene of a racial clash on July 28 when some 75 Negro picketers were stoned by whites and the windows of some of the Negroes' automobiles smashed.

Mr. Abner's statement held the "fundamental problem" of racial disturbances here to be that Chicago is "a segregated city—segregated housing and de facto segregated schools are the rule, not the exception."

With this situation, the state men continued, "how can there be racial friendships and amity without racial understanding? And how can there be racial understanding without association?"

Virginia Is Registering Negro Voters

Richmond, Va., Sept. 5—John M. Brooks of this city assumed the position of assistant to the executive secretary of the Virginia State NAACP on September 1, it was announced here this week by W. Lester Banks the executive secretary.

Mr. Banks said that Mr Brooks will be in charge of the Virginia NAACP's political action program. "Under his direction," Mr. Banks stated, "the NAACP's registration and voting program will be accelerated throughout Virginia."

The employment of Mr. Brooks by the Virginia NAACP unit is in line with the Association's campaign to increase registration and voting among Negroes throughout the South.

Mr. Brooks has served for the past year as executive secretary of the Richmond Crusade for Voters, a non-partisan political organization.

The Long and Short of It



THE LONG AND SHORT OF IT—Six feet four inches Vance Watts, one of the nation's better professional golfers, and Alan L. Kendrix, four feet four inches, both of Washington, D. C., were the tallest and shortest golfers competing in 31st annual tournament of United Golfers Association in Washington, August 28-

T. B. Meet at Fontanelle

The Mississippi Valley Conference on Tuberculosis and the Mississippi Valley Trudeau Society will meet in a joint three-day session October 10-12 at the Sheraton-Fontanelle Hotel in Omaha.

The Conference is made up of twelve midwest states: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

"An attendance of seven hundred delegates is expected from the twelve states for this 44th Mississippi Valley Conference on Tuberculosis," announced Dr. William Spear, Oakdale, Iowa, conference president.

Delegates include physicians, nurses, volunteers who serve as officers, board members, committee members, employees of tuberculosis associations, and public health workers.

"The public is invited to attend these sessions where tuberculosis programs will be discussed," said Dr. Spear.

30. Playing in the Junior Division, young Kendrix posted a 168 for 27 holes. Youngster is son of public relations man and Mrs. Moss H. Kendrix, whose firm represents The Coca-Cola Company. Dad and brother, Moss, Jr., also participated in the tournament, giving the Kendrixes the largest family representation in the event.

Gertrude H. Evans

Mrs. Gertrude H. Evans, age 65 years, 2014 North 25th Street, expired Thursday September 5th at a Council Bluffs, Iowa Hospital. Mrs. Evans was fatally injured a few hours earlier in a car, truck accident on a bridge way 75. Also injured in the near Mondamin, Iowa on Highway accident were, Mrs. Hattie Agee and daughter, Miss Mary Lou Agee, 1924 Happy Hollow Boulevard, Mrs. Herman Harvey, 3408 North 24th Street. M.

Mrs. Evans is survived by her husband, Mr. John G. Evans, of Omaha.

Funeral services for Mrs. Evans were held two o'clock Tuesday afternoon, September 10th from St. John A.M.E. Church with the Rev. McCoy Ransom officiating, assisted by Rev. R. H. Hearn. The pallbearers, Messrs Womak, Robert Gray, Allen Crumb, Charles Wiley, Inter-W. H. Moore, Wm. Mitchell, Paulment was at Forest Lawn Cemetery with arrangements by the Thomas Funeral Home.

day conference, he said. Dr. John F. Gardiner of Omaha is president of the Mississippi Valley Trudeau Society and Ralph Boatman of Chicago is chairman of the program committee of the Mississippi Valley Conference in Tuberculosis.

Hubert Burgess

Mr. Hubert Burgess, age 51 years, of 2430 Evans St., expired Thursday August 22, 1957 at a local hospital.

A native of Chokas, Okla., Mr. Burgess came to Omaha in 1925 and had been employed at Armour and Co. since that time.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Vinita Burgess; daughter, Mrs. Lorene Williams both of Omaha.

Funeral services were held Wednesday August 28, 1957 at 1:00 p.m. from the Bethel Baptist Church with Rev. Curtis Brown officiating assisted by Rev. W. A. Wallis and Rev. M. J. Bradford. Interment was at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Myers Brothers Funeral Service.

Ak-Sar-Ben Is Ready For '57 Rodeo

Omaha, Nebraska—Judges for the Ak-Sar-Ben National Quarter Horse Show and the Ak-Sar-Ben Horse Contest were announced today by Jess Thurmond, Chairman of the thirtieth annual Ak-Sar-Ben World Championship Rodeo and Live Stock Show.

The events will be held from September 20 through September 29, with Arthur Godfrey headlining the Rodeo.

Waldo Haythorn of Ogallala, Nebraska, was appointed to judge the Quarter Horse Show and he will team with Volney Biddreth of Aledo, Texas, to judge the Cutting Horse competition.

New Postoffice Here Takes On Encouraging Aspect. Civic, Federal Men Meet

SCHOOL OF MECHANICAL INDUSTRIES TO EMPHASIZE TECHNOLOGY

New Dean Appointed

In announcing the appointment of Colonel John A. Welch, member of the Firm of Fry and Welch, Architects, Washington, D. C., as Dean of the Tuskegee Institute School of Mechanical Industries, Dr. L. H. Foster outlined a program for developing the technology program at the Institute which will serve the rapidly industrializing South.

The Cutting Horse contestant will be conducted through the entire period of the Rodeo, while the Quarter Horse Show will be held September 22 and 23. Eliminations in the reining classes will be held the morning of September 20.

Entries for the Quarter Horse contest will close Friday, September 13, while Saturday, September 14, is the deadline for the Cutting Horse Show.

No admission is charged to the Ak-Sar-Ben grounds for the judging of live stock or to see the exhibits. However, the regular admission charges must be paid by everyone attending Rodeo performances.

Omaha Postoffice planners received an optimistic, encouraging report on its new proposed building from Joe E. Moody, assistant General Counsel, Real Property Division, of the General Services Administration, Washington D. C. today.

Mr. Moody, at the invitation of Chamber of Commerce President Ralph E. Svoboda, came to Omaha to confer with a group of Chamber and civic representatives, Mayor John Rosenblatt, Senator Roman Hruska and Congressman Glenn Cunningham Tuesday (September 10) morning.

The Counsel outlined several paths the city could follow in the planning of the downtown building. Adding that the city could not move too fast in its plans for construction, he stated that the responsibility and problem of financing the building would probably fall upon Omaha citizens, with the Federal Government to make payment in full.

Dan Mosen, Sr., named Chairman of the Chamber's special committee on Federal buildings by Chamber President Svoboda, pointed out that from an efficiency standpoint, the upkeep on Omaha's present Postoffice building is far greater than the upkeep on a new Federal building would be.

Mr. Moody cited the enthusiasm and spirit of cooperation and interest by Omaha civic leaders as well as the Nebraska Congressional delegation, for their action in seeking the immediate construction of the Postoffice.

The group suggested that Mr. Moody meet with local attorneys during his stay in Omaha to discuss the legal aspects necessary in studying the possibility of a special municipal election to issue revenue bonds in the near future.

During his discussion, Mr. Moody explained that the original GSA cost estimate made on the Omaha Postoffice in July, 1955, is still very close to present estimated construction costs.

Others attending the morning meeting were City Council President A. V. Sorenson, A. F. Jacobs, chairman of the Mayor's Planning Committee; Fred P. Curtis, Chamber vice-president and chairman of the Executive Committee, Chamber members Morris Jacobs, Edward F. Pettis and Donald Pettis. Others also attending were O. W. Roberts, Chamber General Manager, and Charles Thone, assistant to Senator Hruska.

CAPITOL CORNER Congressman GLENN CUNNINGHAM



DO-NOTHING CONGRESS? The charge has been made. Right or wrong depends on your point of view. Personally I don't think too much was accomplished except budget reductions. Including such measures as control of fire ants, there were 39 major bills enacted in eight months.

Only a few could really be considered major legislation: Civil Rights, the President's Middle East policy, Housing Act and legislation to protect FBI files.

DOMINANT ISSUE There is no question that inflation and the cost of living are the major concerns of people today. Congress did not face the problem. Some say it is due to a desire to keep the issue alive for the 1958 political campaign. Hard to believe but possible.

The basic problem is to find out what happens to the consumer dollar. A complete study is needed, one that would include the rising rates. The Administration cannot escape its responsibility either. It must reduce spending so that a tax cut can be enacted.

BUDGET Most significant action in Congress was the budget fight. The Congress cut about \$5 1/2 billion in appropriations and authorizations. Some of these cuts are felt already. Others will show up next year and in two years.

Deepest dollar cuts were in Defense Department and foreign aid. Largest percentage reductions were in Commerce and 14 executive agencies. Smallest cuts were in Post Office and Public Works.

IKE BATTED 197 The President did not fare too well in this Democrat-controlled Congress. One Washington paper gave Ike's 197 batting average on 12 major issues. His most obvious setbacks came on foreign aid, federal aid to schools and the US Information Agency appropriation. Other proposals never got out of committee.

I don't know if the President considers budget cuts as a reversal or not. He stood up for some parts of the budget, but on the other hand has ordered executive agencies to hold down spending. I think he has sensed the will of the people, just as Congress did.

POLITICS Since this is my first year here, I cannot compare this session with those of the past. But old-timers say this has been a bitterly-partisan Congress compared to many.

There is little doubt that the 1958 and 1960 national elections are in the minds of many here in the Capitol. The field is wide open, and candidates are easy to find.

REPRESENTING THE PEOPLE There are two sides to my work here. On the floor of the House, I have tried to represent the people who elected me. We answered nearly 6,000 letters during the eight-month session. Many of them were about legislation. But a good share was from people with problems involving the Federal Government. I was happy to represent my constituents in this way too in their dealings with the many government agencies.

Here are a few cases: A NEARLY-BLIND MAN applied for his first Social Security payments. He and his wife were entitled to \$150 a month but had not received any payments for three months after he applied. They needed the money desperately. By contacting the Social Security office and explaining the urgency of the case, I was able to have their checks on the way in a few days.

AN OMAHA BUSINESSMAN wanted a Small Business Administration loan for plant expansion. Due to the seasonal nature of his business, speed was important. I was able to expedite approval of the loan in time for him to make the desired expansion.

A SERVICEMAN IN ALASKA was due back in the United States. His wife has to stay in Omaha to assist with care of his parents and her mother, all of them ill. I called this situation to the attention of Air Force officials, and the man has been assigned to Offutt AF Base upon his return, thus being reunited with his wife. Fortunately there was a need at Offutt for an airman with his man's qualification.

MORE THAN 100 CASES of these types came to my attention this year. Often they required detailed investigation or consultations with officials in other branches of government. I believe this work is as important as my votes on the floor of the House.

S. Security Amendments Are Praised

AFL-CIO President George Meany today hailed the comprehensive amendments to the Social Security Act introduced in the House of Representatives by Representative Aime J. Forand. Meany said:

"The proposals of Mr. Forand are necessary, sound and enlightened. The plight of America's older citizens, caught between rising prices and fixed incomes, is one which most certainly deserves prompt and sympathetic attention from Congress when it convenes in January."

"The AFL-CIO has long urged many of these proposals. We congratulate Mr. Forand, who has once again demonstrated understanding of the problem and has proposed a sensible solution."

"We are especially pleased with his proposals for meeting the often prohibitive costs of hospitalization for those receiving social security benefits. We are confident this proposal will enlist widespread support."

"It is obvious these improvements will require an increase in the contribution rates. Organized labor is prepared to pay the additional costs. We believe the new benefits are worth it."

Many persons with high blood pressure have no symptoms, therefore regular physical check-ups are important, advises Nebraska Heart Association.