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TELEGRAM RECEIVED TUESDAY

U.S. Approves Oakridge Renewal

Youth NAACP Speaker

Says Adults Must Help Assure Better Employment, Education for Our Youths

BY FRANCES-E. HAWTHORNE

Are you really free? What are you doing to see that our youth get into the new fields that are opening up? Have you taken a survey of practices of industries in your community to see if these new opportunities are open to all? Are you seeing that your youth gets an adequate education and getting the right type of counseling? What are you doing to keep your youth at home and not move to other communities and states?

These were some of the piercing questions Samuel Jackson, one of the five commissioners of the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity, threw out to his sparse banquet audience and to the city of Des Moines in a speech here Monday evening.

Freedom Banquet

The event was a freedom banquet at Hotel Kirkwood, the first venture of its kind sponsored by the Des Moines Youth NAACP, which also coincided with the 57th founding of the national parent body.

"We talk of freedom in Des Moines, in Iowa and elsewhere. It is pitiful when you don't know when we aren't free. We travel but come back with the same limited scope, with no knowledge, and we talk of how we are free," he said.

Problems There

"Where we are today, despite the things are being done and the gains made, the problems and the needs are just as great," he continued.

Jackson then gave three instances of problems that have come before the Equal Employment commission:

A Negro high school girl who, like some of her classmates, wanted to and applied as a teller-trainee and was refused; a Negro boy who had graduated in a machine shop of a vocational educational school and when he applied for apprenticeship was given the run-around; and a Negro youth who having served on the fire department in the Air Force, applied for a job with a civilian fire department and was told repeatedly there was no vacancy until he asked the commission to look into the matter.

Jackson explained that the last complaint could not come under the commission's jurisdiction because it is a government body.

"All three complaints are from northern states, one from Iowa," Jackson emphasized. "This is not a southern problem of police brutality but a problem that exists all over."

Negroes Employed

"Maybe it would be better to get a clout on the head than to have their hopes dashed, their whole outlook on life changed, maybe have to take jobs below their capacities and become public liabilities."

"The problems are not getting better. One out of five Negro high school graduates are not employed. Despite the labor statistics reporting a big drop in unemployment the Negro unemployment is two-and-a-half times as that of white and the Negro between 17-25 years is 22 per cent."

Quality of Education

"What about the quality of education for your youth? Over 68 per cent of youth graduating in vocational schools are not employed."

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Ministers Group Commend Rights Commission; Opposes Church Sale in Cleveland Pk.

The Des Moines Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance Tuesday wrote a letter to the Des Moines Commission on Human Rights commending that organization for its stand on Oakridge and at the same time criticizing the sale of a lot to a church group in Cleveland park. The letter was addressed to Perry Hooks, executive director of the Commission and signed by Rev. Kenneth McNeil, president of the Alliance.

The letter read: "The people in the Oakridge Renewal Area, are confused because: (1) Lending institutions refuse to lend them money to make necessary improvement on their property, (2) Their property continues to depreciate at a rapid rate, and (3) There appears to be no solution to their future location in the City because of the inaction of the City Council.

"Therefore, we commend you for urging the City Council to undertake this project immediately. Now that the Federal Government has advanced several million dollars for this project, we hope that the City Council will respond to your urging in a positive manner.

"We are also grateful for the very fruitful Fair Housing Conference, that your Commission conducted in the latter part of last year. We are of the opinion that it has generated new interest about the housing problem in our community.

"We are in agreement with the Commission on Human Rights, that low rent housing should be scattered throughout the City in a non-racial or socio-economic pattern. We

do not believe, for the best interests of our city, that lower income people should be relocated in designated "under-privileged areas."

"To do so, would be to recreate the detrimental factors of the ghetto: To do so, would be to recreate, although in new locations the psychological and depressing factors of the ghetto-slum dwellings, overcrowded classrooms, and the concentration of problem centered pupils. The last mentioned problem reduces the effectiveness of teachers assigned to such areas because they have to assume time consuming disciplinary problems.

"In closing, we would like to go on record as being opposed to the sale of lots in Cleveland Park at a reduced price for the purpose of locating a Negro church there. It is assumed that the location of such a church in Cleveland Park would encourage Negroes to buy lots there.

"Although, we appreciate the sincerity and good intentions of the Baptist Alliance in their efforts, we are convinced that such a project would be contrary to the best interests of our City.

"It is even doubtful that this would encourage the sale of the remaining unsold lots, because this would be a contributing factor to the already overly segregated pattern of housing, with its accompanying evils that Negro and responsible white citizens are opposed to.

"If our Ministerial Alliance can be of service to you in any way, please let us know."

Harlem Globetrotters Here February 23

of the world famous Harlem Globetrotters has announced the 40th edition of his cage quintet will be appearing Wednesday, February 23 at 8:00 P.M. at Des Moines Veterans Memorial Auditorium. Opposition will be provided by the Washington Generals.

College Stars

Headlining this year's star-studded lineup will be 11 year veteran and chief comedian Meadowlark Lemon. Aiding and abetting him in his antics will be Connie Hawkins of the Univ. of Iowa, Hallie Q. Bryant from the Univ. of Indiana, ex ABL star Mel Davis, Troy Collier of Utah State University, Hubert Ausbie of Philadelphia Smith Univ., and dribbling sensation Freddie Neal from J. C. Smith University.

Satch Paige

A special personal appearance will be made by the ageless baseball veteran LeRoy "Satchel" Paige, who is traveling with the Globetrotters as a team secretary. He will be available to sign autographs and join in the Globetrotters' comic baseball routine.

Tickets for the Des Moines appearance of the Harlem Globetrotters are on sale NOW at the Auditorium box office, New Utica, Younkers (Ft. Dodge, Newton & Marshalltown); Nims (Ames); Stapps (Oskaloosa); & Ingles (Ottumwa). Mail orders to the Auditorium. Ticket prices are set at \$3, \$2, & \$1.50.

Liberians Claim Bias In Davenport Housing

Davenport, Ia.—Two Liberian students claimed Thursday they have been denied housing in Davenport because of their race.

Val Caulker, 29, and Philip Darwin, 25, said they tried for four months to get an apartment in a non-Negro part of the city and were refused at least 50 times because of their race.

No Formal Complaints

Davenport city officials said they had received no formal complaints from the pair.

Caulker is a student at the American Institute of Commerce here, and Darwin attends the Davenport Area Technical School. They are living in the Y.M.C.A. at Rock Island, Ill.

"Some people came right out and admitted they don't want colored," said Caulker.

He said other apartment owners told them their other tenants "would move out if we moved in."

The two said they found little evidence of racial discrimination here aside from housing.

Ministers Alliance Welcome Massey Ferguson to D.M.

The Des Moines Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance wrote a letter of welcome to Massey-Ferguson company this week commending them on "hiring on a non-discriminatory basis."

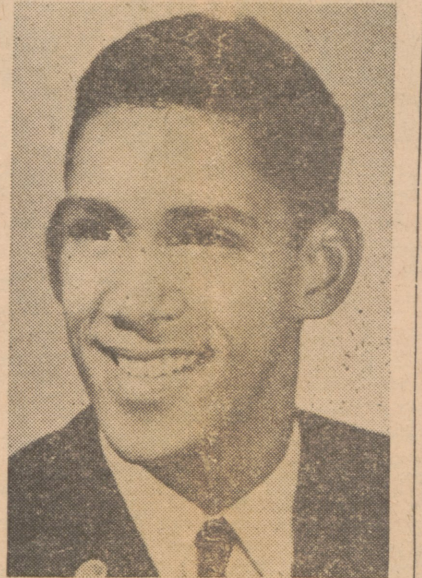
The letter (in part) addressed to J. G. Staiger, president of the company read:

"Welcome to the City of Des Moines, Iowa. We want you to know, that we are of the opinion, that your decision to locate your industry in our city will be a positive and contributing factor to its economic growth.

"The present indications are that your personnel is hired on a non-discriminatory basis. Congratulations upon this responsible attitude. We hope that the minorities (Negroes) are being considered for executive positions, also. If so, there are many young Negroes attending the various colleges and universities in Iowa, and we hope, that you will wish to

Completes Course in Automotive Mechanics

Ernest Samuel Redd III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest S. Redd, 5109 S. W. 18th street, completed a



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course in automotive mechanics. He received a certificate of graduation on Feb. 4 at Lincoln Technical Institute of Des Moines. He is a graduate of North High School.

Jazz Pianist Jailed

Ahmad Jamal, a jazz pianist, was ordered to stay in jail in Chicago until a hearing Monday on payments for support of an adopted daughter. Jamal's former wife, Maryam, claims he has failed to pay \$3,343 for sup-



JAMAL

port of the girl, Mumeenah, 9, since their divorce in 1962. Jamal's attorney claimed canceled checks would show he "had paid much, much more than the amount due."

The charges were dropped when he showed the cancelled checks on Monday.

Davenport C.I.C. Re-elect Charles Toney as President

Davenport, Ia.—Charles W. Toney of Davenport was re-elected president of the Catholic Interracial Council of Davenport at a meeting Sunday in the St. Ambrose Student Center.

David Lanaghan was renamed to the vice president's post and Estelle Keller was re-elected treasurer.

The only new officer elected is Mrs. William Mitchell who succeeds John L. Schneiders as secretary.

Guest speaker was Sister Mary Benet, principal of St. Joseph's Elementary School in Chicago and chairman of the Chicago Urban Apostolate of the Sisters.

Sister Benet spoke to the C.I.C. group after addressing about 75 Catholic nuns from Davenport Catholic institutions.

The Catholic school official urged "both laity and sisters to become aware of today's problems and to become involved in these problems."

Interview some of them before your work force is set.

It was signed by Rev. Kenneth C. McNeil, president of the alliance.

NEWS In A Nutshell

Jefferson City, Mo.—Governor Warren Hearnes last week appointed a Richmond Heights Republican, Earl Wilson, to the board of curators of Lincoln University here.

St. Louis, Mo.—Five Negro children and a white family of 10 are alive today because of the heroic action of a passing motorist and a police lieutenant who rescued them from a gas-filled South St. Louis home.

Cherry Hill, N. J.—Singer-actress Pearl Bailey has been warned by her doctors to take it easy in order to ward off a possible major heart attack. Although she is currently making a stand at the Latin Casino, her doctors say she is near physical exhaustion and needs a rest.

Hattiesburg, Miss.—The slaying of civil rights leader Vernon Dahmer has resulted in a changed city. The local chamber of commerce has demanded that the Klansmen suspected of firebombing his home be apprehended and punished, and three banks are collecting a memorial fund for his family. The Hattiesburg American has called the murder "a revolting, cowardly crime."

Washington, D. C.—Edward L. Woods, 32-year-old native of Jacksonville, Fla., who masqueraded as a high-ranking African diplomat and received expensive surgery at Sibley Memorial hospital, was given a three year sentence last week after conviction for forging a hospital document.

Kabul, Afghanistan—Symbolic of the trend toward emancipation for women in this devoutly Moslem country was the recent appointment of a woman as cabinet minister. She is Miss Kubra Nooral, former dean of home economics at Kabul university. She will be minister of public health.

Nashville, Tenn.—The initial step toward the possible merger of two Baptist churches, one of them Negro, was made last week by the Rev. Kelly Miller Smith, pastor of the Negro congregation. They noted that the two churches are only a few blocks apart and minister to the same area.

Hollywood, Calif.—Story analyst Louise Merriwether of Universal Studios here may be the only Negro employed in this capacity by a major movie studio.

St. Louis, Mo.—Morris Henderson, administrator of The Peoples Hospital, has been appointed Resident Participation Specialist for the St. Louis Human Development Corp., the war-on-poverty organization. His salary will be \$14,000 a year.

Syracuse, N. Y.—Allen Funt, originator and star of television's "Candid Camera" show, has given \$16,000 to Syracuse university to establish four graduate fellowships in television and radio. Funt said the fellowships are for Negro students.

Robinson, Sr. Elected To Day Care Board

Frank B. Robinson, Sr., 810 Boyd street, was among new members named to the 24-member board of directors of Day Care Service, Inc., it was announced last week.

Day Care Services, Inc., a United Campaign agency, operates child care facilities for working parents at 809 Forest Avenue, and Moulton Elementary school, 8th and College.

\$5-Million Loan is O.K.; Up to City Council to Act On Urban Improvement

Des Moines received the official notification from Washington, D.C., Tuesday that it may go ahead with the \$5-million Oakridge urban renewal project. Tuesday's notification came in a telegram to Urban Renewal Director Max Krumrey. William L. Slayton of the new U.S. Housing and Urban Development Department said a \$4,268,596 project loan to Des Moines has been approved.

He also told Krumrey that he can expect a letter this week from urban renewal regional offices in Chicago. Krumrey said he anticipates that the letter will include the loan-and-grant contract for the city to sign.

30 Days

The City Council will have 30 days to approve signing the contract, making a decision on Oakridge likely about Mar. 20.

Representative Neal Smith (Dem., Ia.) announced last Friday that federal approval of the combination clearance-rehabilitation project was forthcoming.

The long-planned project involves 130 acres northwest of the central business district. The city expects to spend \$1,038,473 on Oakridge, half of that in cash and half in public improvements to be installed by the city.

Balance

The balance of the project will be paid by the federal government and by the sale of cleared land to re-developers.

In announcing federal approval, Smith said the action "will make it possible for the city to start on the Oakridge project."

He said: "Although this area is primarily a residential district, it does lie close to the central business district and land will be made avail-

able for related uses and for expansion of Iowa Methodist Hospital."

Moving

Smith said the federal government will pay the moving expenses of the estimated 180 families which will be displaced from Oakridge.

Oakridge is bounded roughly on the east, north and west by Ninth street, Keosauqua way, University avenue and Harding road.

The southern boundary is a jagged line running east from Harding road along the Des Moines Freeway, turning south on Fifteenth street to Center street, turning south again in an irregular line at 14th street to Woodland avenue, along Woodland to 10th street, then north to Pleasant street and back to 9th street.

Mostly Negroes

Of the 428 buildings in the area, 287 are rated deficient. Nearly all of the 180 families which will be displaced by the project are Negro.

The Des Moines Commission on Human Rights and Job Discrimination has strongly recommended that the Oakridge project be approved, terming it "vitality necessary" to minority groups.

The commission also has urged that families displaced by the project be relocated in several parts of the city, not relocated in another ghetto.

Jesse Owens Praised by Judge, Fined \$3,000 in Tax Case

Chicago, Ill.—A Federal District Court Judge last week praised former star trackman and Olympic winner Jesse Owens, then fined him \$3,000 on an income tax case.

Owens, at 52 nearly as trim as he was at Berlin in 1936 when he ruffled Adolf Hitler by winning four Olympic gold medals, had entered a plea of no contest to charges that he failed to file income tax returns on \$29,135 for the years of 1959 through 1962.

Maximum

The maximum penalty would have been four years in prison and a \$40,000 fine under the criminal charge placed by the government.

Judge Joseph Sam Perry, citing Owens' "good influence on the community" in 35 minutes of comment, imposed the \$3,000 fine and made it payable within six months.

Shaken

Owens was happy when it was all over, but was visibly shaken when Judge Perry asked him if he had anything to say.

"I certainly regret that I had to be brought up before you," Owens told the court. "I want you to know that this was not a willful violation. For many years, I tried to build an image in this country. All that I ask is an opportunity to prove that to my family and the community and my country."

Greatest Feat

Owens, whose greatest feat was carrying Ohio State's colors to three world records and matching another in the 1935 Big Ten outdoor track meet, said he had been under tre-



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mendous pressures during the 1959-1962 period because of his work load and extensive traveling.

He was working for the Illinois Youth Commission, doing a daily radio program and making numerous addresses to youth groups.

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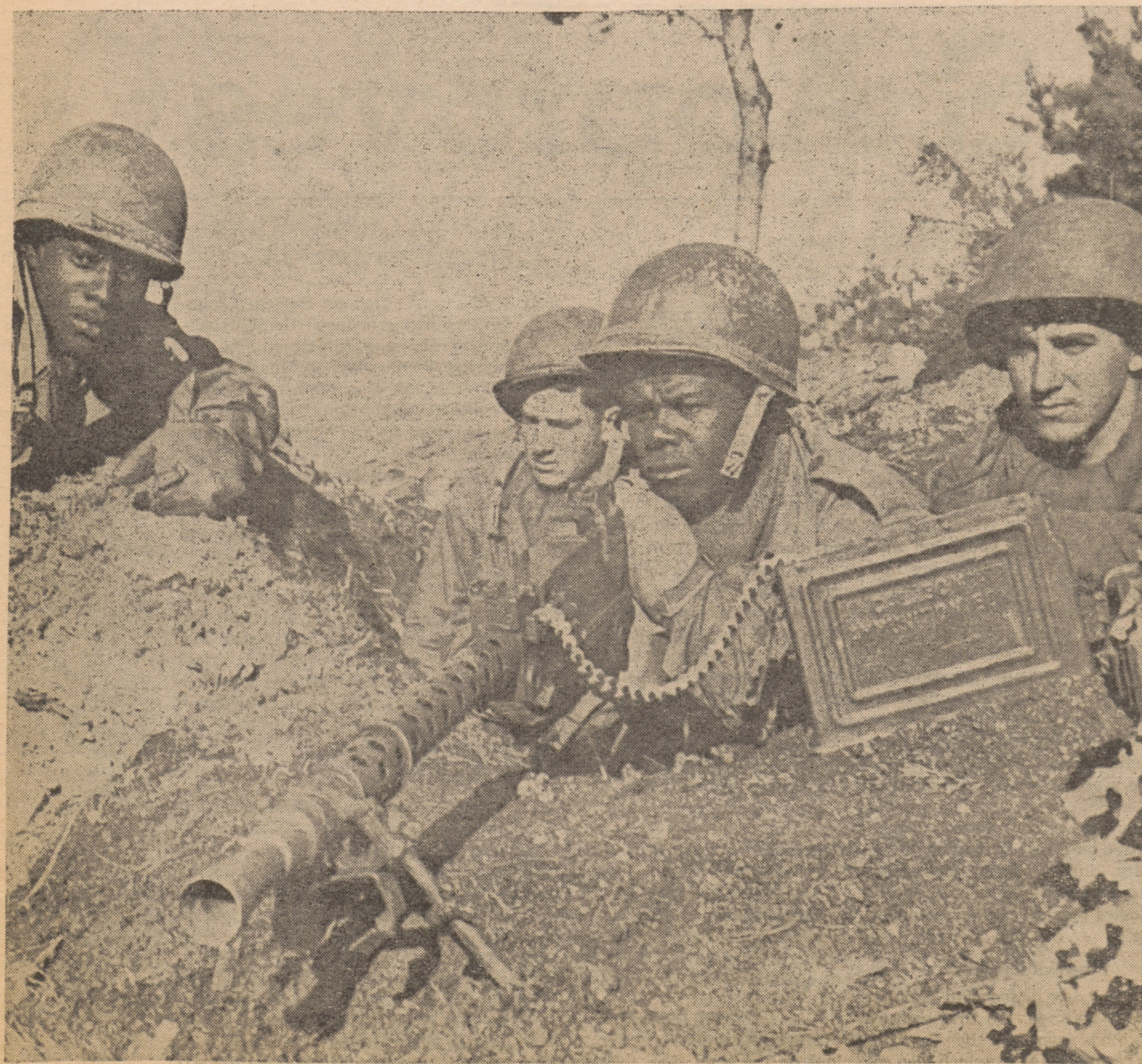
Marine Private Machael Fowler Graduates

San Diego, Calif. (PHN) — Marine Private Michael F. Fowler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Travis S. Fowler of 1155 W. 18th, has graduated from Marine recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot at San Diego, Calif. He has been assigned to Camp Pendleton, Calif. for individual combat and basic specialist training.

BROTHERHOOD WEEK



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Prejudice? It has to be taught.

There's no color line on the front line.

National Brotherhood Week Statement.

V. J. SKUTT, 1966 National Brotherhood Week Chairman

Brotherhood Week, sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews, is a week in which all Americans are called upon to reinforce their religious beliefs and take cognizance of their democratic rights of freedom and equality for all.

The National Conference faces new challenges today but there are many constructive forces at work. In the realm of religion we are witnessing great and continuing strides toward the reassessment of attitudes among all religions and their relationship to one another.

Brotherhood Week this year has particular significance. Nationally and internationally, Americans

are faced with the problem of diversity: people of different racial, cultural and religious backgrounds who must learn to live together. This is the challenge of Brotherhood Week 1966

Let us all, as Americans, join with one another and work together in a renewed sense of confidence and faith in our religious beliefs and our national heritage.

This Brotherhood Week, February 20-27, let us be constantly aware that America's strength has ultimately come out of the diversity of different attitudes. Let us never forget that those different people and different attitudes have a place, especially in America.

BROTHERHOOD WEEK FEBRUARY 20-27

Theme: Democracy at Work.

Statements by Prominent Americans: What Brotherhood Should Mean to ALL.

Brotherhood Week 1966 brings with it for all Americans a poignant realization of our awesome moral responsibility to uproot social and economic injustice and a most timely reminder of our unfinished tasks on the road to the Great Society.

An unstinting dedication to freedom, tolerance, and individual dignity gave us our mighty nation. United and determined we must stand ready to preserve our legacy. Americans of all races, creeds, and walks of life must join hands to meet the problems which threaten to corrode the very core of our nation's life. Beginning with the family and local community, we must together seek to extend to every American the human com-

passion and liberty of opportunity which have been the hallmark of America's greatness.

—President Johnson

"The National Conference of Christians and Jews was established by men of great character and love of country who saw religion as a potentially unifying rather than a divisive force in our national life. In its thirty-five years, the Conference has justified the vision and aim of its founders to see the principle of brotherhood established as a fundamental tenet of the American way of life."

—Herbert Hoover

The annual observance of Brotherhood Week is a time of remembrance when we proclaim our concern for the welfare and happiness of all of our fellow citizens. It is a time for us to renew our dedication to the practices of understanding and justice.

—John F. Kennedy

"Our answer, and the only answer there is in a democratic society, is to exert every possible effort to eliminate undemocratic practices and undemocratic attitudes, to do all that we can to close the gap between our professions of democracy and our practice of it."

—Ralph Bunche

"All men are children of one Father, and brothers in the human family. Brotherhood dedicates us to the practice of understanding and justice through which freedom and equality flourish in human society."

—Franklin D. Roosevelt

"Our abundant plains and mountains would yield little if it were not for the applied skill and energy of Americans working together as fellow citizens bound up in common destiny. The achievement of brotherhood is the crowning objective of our society."

—Dwight D. Eisenhower

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Social Whirl + Club Calendar

Plan Brotherhood Book Reading Program

A books for Brotherhood reading program is being sponsored for the Des Moines school children in grades 4 through 9 by the Des Moines Women's Division of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

This marks the fifth year for the program which is designed to help children know and live brotherhood. The program begins Feb. 21 and will end Mar. 31.

Lists prepared by the Library have been sent to all schools and are posted in the school libraries, the Main Public Library and all branches and mobile units.

Each pupil who writes a report after reading a book from this list and submits it to the N.C.C.J. office, 707 Empire building, before Mar. 31 will receive a certificate of recognition. The pupil who is a winner for his grade will receive a \$5.00 cash award. In addition, a volume in the field of human rela-

tions selected by the library will be presented in the name of each award to his school library.

Heading the 1966 Books for Brother is Mrs. Charles Gutenkauf. Assisting her are co-chairman and public school liaison, Mrs. Daniel Crowley; parochial school liaison, Mrs. Albert Rutledge, chairman of Judges, Mrs. Ray Fountain, chairman of tea, Mrs. John Northrup, library liaison, Mrs. Ruth Stokesberry and publicity, Mrs. Yale Goldberg.

Mrs. Max Lettween, presiding co-chairman of the Des Moines Women's Board and Earl S. Kalp, N.C.C.J. regional director, will serve in advisory capacities.

Judging the reviews will be members from the Women's board, school teachers and librarians.

Book review winners will be presented their awards at an Award Reception, Apr. 21 at 2 p.m. in the Assembly Hall of the Iowa Power and Light Company.

21st Anniversary Observed by Law Club

The twenty-first anniversary of the Parliamentary Law and Culture Club was observed by the members and their guests, Feb. 9th by having dinner in the Fireside Room at Bishop's Buffet in Merle Hay Plaza.

Mrs. Roberta Frazier, past president, presided; the guest speaker, Mrs. E. P. Williams, was presented by Mrs. Clyde Morris, immediate past president. Mrs. Williams spoke on "The Blackman's Burden".

At the close of the program, the president, Mrs. Oradell Henry, presented each member with a red rosebud, the club flower.

The guests attending were: Mrs. E. P. Williams, Rev. and Mrs. Norman Olphin, Mr. Lowell Bush, Mr. Marshal Smith, Mrs. Clyde Morris, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hardaway, Mrs. Paul Danforth, Mrs. Geraldine Drafon, Mrs. Maxine Watkins, Mrs. Vera Morrow, Mr. Ed. Frazier, Mrs. Minnette Scott, Mrs. A. Grace, Mrs. T. Small, Mrs. Myrtle Taylor, Mrs. Jacqueline Buckner, Mrs. Louise Simmons, Mrs. A. C. Crawford and Mrs. Hays Johnson.

Rosa L. Gragg Club Holds Meeting

The Rosa L. Gragg civic and savings club met Sunday, Feb. 13 with Mrs. Vivian Pruitt, for a Valentine Raffle and gift exchange. Plans were made for a Thanksgiving Dancing party. Mrs. Willa Mae McClendon became a new member.

Mrs. Mildred Deport feasted the club at a previous meeting to many beautiful and tasty goodies.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Minnie McGuire, 1100 11th street.

Organize New Club, The Social Eight

A newly organized club, "The Social Eight," met at the home of Mrs. Vera Kemp. Members present were Norma Jean Perry, president; Vera Kemp, secretary; Belle Hunter, treasurer; Rosalie Gibson, reporter; Misses Brenda and Phyllis Wheels, and Jill White.

Mrs. Loretta Major, also a member, was unable to attend. Following the business session a social hour followed. The hostess served a delicious spaghetti dinner. Afterwards secret pal gifts for Valentine were exchanged.

Next meeting will be held at the home of Belle Hunter, 905 18th street.

D.D.M. Club Will Meet on Sunday

The Daughters of Des Moines federated club will meet on Sunday, Feb. 20 at 5 p.m. at the home of Barbara Robinson, 1228 3rd street. Barbara Peeples is president.

Claudine Redman to Host La Femmes

Claudine Redman, 1245 12th street, will be hostess to the La Femme club this evening (Thurs.) at 8 o'clock. Margaret Duncan is president.

YW Plans Trip to See Ballet in Ames

The Employed Women's Committee of the Y.W.C.A. will sponsor a trip to Ames on March 9 (Wednesday) to see the Bihari Hungarian Ballet and to have dinner in the Regency Room of the new wing of the Memorial Union on the ISU campus.

The group will go by chartered bus and the trip is open to the public. The bus will leave the YWCA at 5 p.m. on Mar. 9. Advance reservations must be made at the YWCA by March 1. Miss Mary Louise Sherrett is chairman of the event.

YW Young Adults Plan D.M. Tour

The Young Adult department of the Y.W.C.A. will sponsor a Tour of Des Moines on Sunday, Feb. 20 from 1:15 to 5:30 p.m. The trip will be by chartered bus and the tour will include the State Historical building, a tour of the inside of a United Airplane, Tifereth Israel Synagogue and the Des Moines Art Center.

The tour is open to the public. Reservations or additional information may be obtained by calling the Y.W.C.A. Reservations must be in by Feb. 18.

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D.M. Social Club Meets with Mrs. Delores Hoskins

The Des Moines Social club met Feb. 9 at the home of Mrs. Delores Hoskins, 1406 Hutton for a social meeting. Sparkling conversation and games were enjoyed.

A new member, Mrs. Margaret Smith, 937 10th street, has been accepted. Highlight of the evening was the celebration of the birthday of the president, Mrs. Helen Reid. She was presented with a birthday cake and lovely gift as members sang the traditional "Happy Birthday" song.

Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Ellen Abbington, 2729 Racoon.

Wanawake Club Holds Meeting

The Wanawake club met at the home of Marian Solomon and on Friday evening entertained guests at a Valentine party at the home of Marcella Durden.

Another meeting was held Tuesday evening at Luberta Sloan. The current project will be a skating party on Mar. 10.

City Association of Club Women Will Meet on Friday

The City Association of Club Women will meet at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 18 at the Y.W.C.A., 9th and High streets. The Association is making plans for the "Feast of the Seven Tables," to be held Palm Sunday, Apr. 3 at Corinthian Baptist church.

The Tawasi club will be hostess at Friday's meeting. Erma Carr is president.

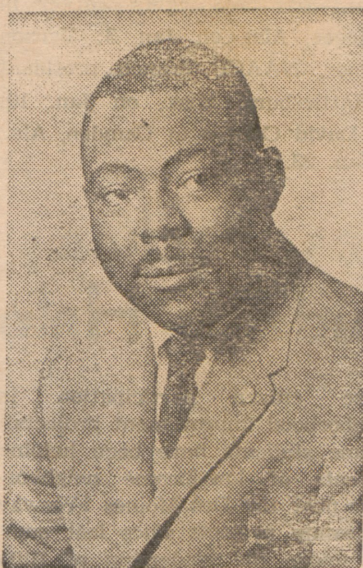
GOP Finance Chairmen to Meet

A meeting of the 99 Republican County Finance Chairmen will be held at the Hotel Savery, Des Moines, Saturday, Feb. 19.

One of the highlights of the day-long explanatory meeting will be the honoring of the 37 finance and county chairmen who led their counties to reaching 100 per cent of their goal in 1965. Richard E. Redman, State Finance Secretary for the Republican State Central Committee, said this was the largest number of counties ever to reach their full quotas in a non-election year.

UP-GRADED

Caesar Wallace, a route salesman and an eleven year veteran with the Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Charlotte, N.C., has been promoted to the post of Sales and Marketing Representative. A recent recipient of



WALLACE

his Company's "Merit Award" for ten years of outstanding achievement in sales, Wallace has received several awards for his production in Coca-Cola. Married to the former Miss Ann Freida Fare of Charlotte, the new appointee and Mrs. Wallace are the parents of two daughters. The Wallaces are members of Charlotte's Ebenezer Baptist Church.

Ten Key Club Will Meet at C. Martin

The Ten Key club will meet on Friday, Feb. 18 at the home of Mrs. Christine Martin, 1125 10th Street with Mrs. Madonna Carter as hostess. Mrs. Inice Carter is president.

We Welcome Letters

The Bystander welcomes "letters to the editor," be they adversely critical or complimentary. However, all letters must be signed complete with street address and city.

Mrs. Edna Pack and Daughter Return Home

Mrs. Edna Pack and daughter, Evonne Lyne of East St. Louis, Ill. returned by plane to her home after



MRS. PACK

a very enjoyable week visiting relatives and friends.

Eddie Pack is an employee of McDonnell Air Craft there.

Girl Scouts Give Valentine Party for Brownie Troop 126

Junior Girl Scout Troop No. 362 entertained Brownie Troop No. 126 with a Valentine party on Thursday afternoon at the troop meeting place, Trinity Methodist church. Games, refreshments and Valentine cards were enjoyed. Mrs. Peter Hawthorne, Jr., is troop leader. She was aided by assistants, Mrs. Fred Butorac and Mrs. Ralph Johnson.

UNCF Names Means

New York, N. Y.—The appointment of Robert L. Means as assistant director of fund raising for the United Negro College Fund was announced Friday by James W. Bryant, executive vice president of the Fund.

The Leo Elmores Visit from Omaha

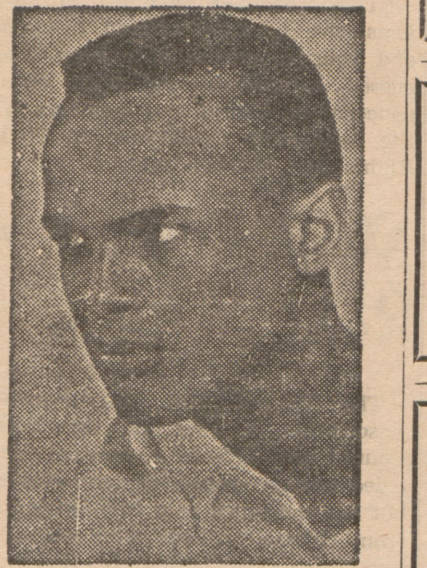
Mr. and Mrs. Leo Elmore of Omaha, Nebr., spent the weekend in Des Moines visiting friends.

Little Known Facts

Alain Locke, in 1907, was the first Negro to be selected as a Rhodes Scholar, studying at Oxford, England.

Belafonte Special

New York—CBS-TV on Feb. 21 will broadcast a one-hour musical variety special, "The Strolling '20s,"



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produced and conceived by Harry Belafonte. Inspired by Langston Hughes' autobiographical "The Big Sea," the show depicts the Harlem of the 1920s.

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International Air Felt During Foreign Student Weekend

Veterans Auditorium took on the air of an international fair over the weekend with the annual Foreign Student Weekend convention with booths and displays from many countries and far lands.

Operating refreshment areas were the Vaguettes and the Des Moines chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. Vaguettes members serving were Catherine Moore, Evelyn Holt, Clara Wade, Juanita Hall, Nettie Terry, Evelyn Carter, Ella Mae Burkes and Sadie Taylor.

Mothers in the Jack and Jill area were Venita Wells, Corinne Perkins, Dorothy Wallace, Mae Watkins, Edythe Cawthorne, Dorothy Bell, Frances Hawthorne and Chrystal Peavy.

They were greatly assisted by young ladies in the teenage group

and of the 11-13 group—Portia and Paula Perkins, Lorette Cushingberry, Pamela Wallace, Debbie Lewis, Patricia Holmes, Vonderlyre Watkins and Saunya and Taunya Peavy. Cookies were contributed by the Perkins sisters and Stanlie James.

Organizations who contributed financially to the event were the Winthrop club, Des Moines chapter of Links, Monarch club, Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority and Conservation club.

Money

Mrs. Maxine Watkins who serves annually as director of the coffee areas, also serves as country community chairman of the India booth. She was assisted by Jesserean Dixon, Angela Charlton, Mrs. John Swanson, Mrs. Ethel Franquemont, Mrs. Joseph Bento, Esther Swanson and Terry Penock.

Haiti Booth

Dr. Jean Archer served as chairman of the Haiti booth and was assisted by his wife, Eleanor and two children, Yolaine and Jan and two students from Haiti.

Mrs. James Bowman was co-ordinator for African countries and also helped register at the Kenya booth. Her daughter, Gail Bowman, served with Cadette Troop 356 in the South Rhodesia booth. Mrs. John Estes, Jr., served as diplomatic relations chairman for Africa and was co-chairman of the Sierra Leone booth.

Mrs. Clifford Bayles helped in the Uganda booth and also had some of her souvenirs on display there. Mrs. Orbie Boggs served with the Jayettes at their refreshment area.

Members of the 11 to 13-year-old group of Jack and Jill of America, Inc., toured the Foreign Student weekend displays and booths Saturday morning at Veterans Auditorium. Attending were Patricia Holmes, Saunya and Taunya Peavy, Victor and Vance Hawthorne, Lorette Cushingberry, Debbie Lewis and Pamela Wallace. They were chaperoned by Mrs. Leonard Peavy and Mrs. Peter Hawthorne, Jr.

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Broadcast Skills Bank Plan to Recruit Minority Group For Industry Unveiled

New York—The publication of a pamphlet "Broad Skills Bank: Career Opportunities in Broadcasting" was announced today by Whitney M. Young, Jr., executive director of the National Urban League.

This booklet describes the "bank"—a part of the League's successful National Skills Bank—which was established by the League in cooperation with representatives of the broadcast industry to create new areas of opportunity in radio and TV for Negro and other minority groups.

American Broadcasting Company, Columbia Broadcasting System, National Broadcasting Company, and the Westinghouse Broadcasting Company networks are all represented.

The bank provides for an inventory of qualified minority group manpower interested in working in broadcasting; encourages part-time employment for high school graduates taking additional educational

programs; and recommends the establishment of scholarships for qualified applicants at universities.

According to Mr. Young, the Broadcast Skills Bank is "structured to include a cross-section of broadcasting management and labor leadership."

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WE ARE INTERESTED
ON LOCAL STATUS

Samuel C. Jackson, a member of the Equal Opportunity Employment Commission, speaking in Des Moines this week said that "entrenched, overt acts of racial job discrimination are more typical of the South," but stressed that northern employers also are known to be biased against hiring Negroes, Indians, Mexican-Americans or women for certain positions.

This, of course, is common knowledge. There are more Negroes seeking jobs in the South. However, much as we want to know what goes on in other places, the big issue here Monday was what is happening in Iowa.

In spite of the agencies working in this field, we don't seem to tackle the real culprits whether capital or labor. We don't get apprentices started toward journeymen in the craft unions. We get employees started at the lower round of the ladder in the and they stay there for a lifetime in other unions.

Here and there complaints have been filed against some of the powerful companies which spend more time trying to block an investigation of a complaint than a novice spends trying to fix an overtime parking ticket.

Undoubtedly, progress is being made as is evidenced by the fine attendance of personnel offices of large employers of labor.

The Bystander feels that the responsibility of making the equal opportunity work rests upon the Negro himself equally. These opportunities will not come except by preparations to meet the challenge and a continued press upon capital and labor to carry their end of the bargain.

The laws that have been passed aimed to raise the status of Negroes have set guidelines to be followed by all parties concerned. Brotherhood month, as is being observed in February, emphasizes that respect for man by man; that he is willing to accord the next fellow an equal place in the sun.

Laws need the help of all citizens to accept that rule which seeks equality for all people. The time was never greater when this high principle has been called upon to shape new laws from day to day.

WE MUST TEACH OUR
CHILDREN BROTHERHOOD

The Nobel Peace Prize was awarded to UNICEF in recognition of its work among the children of the world. Though with typical reticence the Nobel committee did not say why the award was made, several UNICEF principals agreed that the award was a tribute to UNICEF's dedication not only to feed each hungry child in the world but also to warm him with love and to fortify him with psychological resources to combat the spiritual ills of the world. In retrospect, the award was a laudable victory for brotherhood and a resounding defeat for bigotry, hatred and prejudice.

Truly, everyone agrees that the hope for peace in tomorrow's world rests in today's children. Every child, especially in the early formative years, is responsive to the seeds of brotherhood and love.

Yet children just do not develop by themselves, nor do they develop prejudices by themselves. They must be taught honesty, respect and loyalty. They must also be taught to give to others the same rights, respect and dignity we want for ourselves.

The National Conference of Christians and Jews, as sponsor of Brotherhood Week, calls on all parents and teachers and civic leaders to insure that education for brotherhood is a daily part of our children's training.

This is the important message of Brotherhood Week, sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews—a civic organization of religiously motivated people dedicated to building better human relations among all men without compromise of individual conscience. In a spirit of good will and respect for the rights of others the NCCJ seeks to eliminate intergroup prejudices through a year-round educational program.



Can someone come up with a formula for winning road basketball games? Coach Miller of Iowa would pay a nice sum for such a formula. We have noticed that in the last few games we have checked that the home team got nearly twice as many free throws as did the visitors. We don't know whether this is a trend until we check it further. We don't think the officials really cheat. But the enormous pressure of the home crowd is hard to resist. So one hesitates to call fouls that are borderline calls on such crowds.

Basketball officiating is 95 per cent judgment calls and you can see how the home crowd could affect such a game. Nervous games affect people's emotions in different ways. In football it is the players who get emotionally aroused; as in tennis basketball gets the crowds stirred up as no other game does. Only boxing and wrestling arouse more crowd emotions. That fracas at the Drake game Saturday was a good example of crowd reaction. It takes a fellow who really likes to do this job and who has real courage to call them as he sees them in the face of some of these aroused crowds.

Boxing

The heavyweight title fight between Cassius Clay and Ernie Terrell is really on, so the sportswriters get out their hatchets and go to work on the thing. One guy said he didn't see how a fight between a fellow who was too dumb to carry a musket and another guy who had gangland connections could amount to much. Do you realize that since the first Floyd Patterson-Sonny Liston fight there have been little bouts between nobody but Negroes? In fact there hasn't been a good white prospect since Ingemar Johansson. We would guess the prospect of those guys making all that money is just a little too much. We still insist that there is nothing wrong with boxing that a white heavyweight champ can't cure just by being champion.

Here at home we are watching to see if Roosevelt can go all the way in the state basketball scramble. Would be nice for Ken Whitney. We notice that writers and coaches have finally discovered him. Now the west enders are going after another fellow who isn't out of junior high school yet but is big enough to play with college boys. All he needs is a little co-ordination.

There is a real scramble on among the local high schools for fellows from the junior high schools. We would guess this is true in other cities where there is more than one high school.

Sometimes we wonder why more kids don't go in for athletics. Then we think back over the years and realize that the competition of kids playing games is just about as it was before. There are just more kids now so we see more who don't play games.

Banquet

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tional education are unable to enter the vocations or apprentice programs. There was a case of IBM tabulator training; the students had been taught on machines that no longer were used by industries.

Parents Neglect

"This is the result of parents neglecting to look into the type of education their youngsters are getting. Jobs are opening; things are better but the requirements are more. It is our responsibility to make sure things are getting better.

Jackson reported that the Employment commission has received some 4,000 complaints about 80 per cent involving race. "But less than 4 per cent of these have come from Iowa," he said.

Youth Participants

Charmayne Wright served as mistress of ceremonies. Other youths participating were Charles Moore who gave the prayer, Deborah Rogers who brought greetings, Bobbette Elliston who gave introductory remarks on the History of the NAACP; a solo, "You Never Walk Alone," by Linda Walker, accompanied by Mrs. Galters; and Robert Wright, Jr., who gave closing remarks before the youth led the audience of the singing, a freedom song, "I Shall Not Be Moved."

Hostesses

Atty. Robert Wright, Sr., introduced the guest speaker. Remarks

Negroes Ask Federal Court
In Mississippi to Order
End to Firings, Evictions

Vicksburg, Miss.—Negro parents and children of nearby Sharkey and Issaquena counties today asked the U. S. District Court here to order an end to a reign of firings and evictions.

White landlords and employers are charged with firing adults and evicting families who sought school integration in accordance with an earlier court ruling.

Some of the Negro plaintiffs were among those who sought food and shelter at de-activated Greenville Air Force Base two weeks ago.

Suit

The suit was brought by attorneys of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc.

Legal Defense Fund lawyers assert that the number of whites participating in the harassment campaign is "so numerous as to make it impracticable to bring them all individually before the court."

Asks

The Negroes seek "injunctive relief against the defendants (whites) restraining them from conspiring to, and from performing acts of intimidation and harassment."

The Negroes also asked the court to order the landlords and employers "to undo their past illegal acts by making the plaintiffs whole in cases of wrongful discharges, plaintiffs should be awarded back pay; in cases of wrongful evictions, plaintiffs should be compensated for injuries sustained."

The same court ordered integration of Sharkey Issaquena schools in May of 1965 as result of the suit of Jeremiah Blackwell and others against the county school boards.

The Boards subsequently filed desegregation plans, which, after extended hearings, were accepted.

Negroes began to enroll; and, the intimidations began.

Applauds Senate Bill to
Protect Civil Rights Workers

Washington—The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has given its enthusiastic support to a bill introduced in the U. S. Senate, Feb. 10, to protect civil rights workers in the South.

Introduced by Senators Paul B. Douglas (D., Ill.) and Clifford P. Case (R., N.J.) with the support of a bi-partisan group of Senators the bill will correct discrimination in jury selections in both state and Federal courts, make certain state offenses triable in Federal courts, strengthen existing criminal statutes designed to protect civil rights.

It will also provide civil preventive relief against deprivation of rights, permit defendants to remove cases from state to Federal courts, provide civil indemnification for victims of violence, and amend the equal employment opportunity section of the 1964 Civil Rights Act to include states and other political subdivisions.

Offers Hope

In a telegram to Senators Douglas and Case, Clarence Mitchell, director of the NAACP Washington Bureau, stated that the bill "offers hope and reassurance to millions of our fellow countrymen who are appalled by the unpunished, wanton and destructive acts of violence against Negroes and other persons who work for the implementation and strengthening of civil rights.

"The objectives included in the legislative package offered by you and your colleagues have been discussed extensively and with deep concern" by the various members of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, Mr. Mitchell said.

Walnut Hill Area Decline
Rent Strikes, Students Help

The Walnut Hill Improvement organize citizen participation in Association, a unit of the Polk neighborhood improvement projects. County anti-poverty committee, de-

Some students have been helping residents of low-income neighborhoods near the Des Moines Freeway in cleanup projects since last summer under the leadership of Billy Morris, Sr., president-emeritus of the Iowa State Conference of Branches and Mrs. Lee Gurtha Hughes, youth NAACP supervisor.

Serving as hostesses were Renee Smart, Carol Bethel and Susie Hogan.

Welcomed Students

In the meantime, the Walnut Hill association, headed by Paul Wilson, has been trying to bring residents of a broad area north of the Free-

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We should not feel at all surprised
If evil's our reward.

Now, if you see in some one else
That which is good and true,
You may be sure, by this same law,

There's something good in you.
If at some one you look, and think
That evil's lurking there,

You'll find that evil too exists

way together for neighborhood improvement and for a role in the War on Poverty.

Wilson welcomed the student participation.

He said the association had been planning to set up block clubs and the students have a head start on that idea. Such clubs have been organized loosely for residents of Seventh and Eighth streets by the students.

Plan Other Activities

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