

# FEPC LAW TRULY WORKS



**"OUTSTANDING REPORTER":** Carl T. Rowan, who received the Sidney Hillman Foundation award for outstanding newspaper reporting, makes acceptance speech after presentation by Jacob S. Potofsky, president of Foundation (seated right). Scene was Biltmore Hotel, New York. (Newspress photo.)

## Fourth Of US Population Already Covered By FEPC

NEW YORK — Almost a fourth of the people in the United States have been living and working under FEPC for a number of years, 930 people, almost a fourth of the with increasingly successful results, according to J. C. Furnas, magazine writer, whose exhaustive study of regions now operating under Fair Employment laws forms the basis for an article appearing in the issue of Look, on the newsstands.

Employers who were originally doubtful have been surprised at the success of "integration." Mr. Furnas reports. The predicted repercussions among other employees failed to materialize, and no customer boycotts followed when stores started hiring qualified Negro sales help.

Evasion, however, still is rife, the Look article states. Some stores follow the letter of the law hiring two Negro salesgirls with complexions so light that customers won't notice. And employers, unable to advertise discrimination, still recruit help through word-of-mouth among their current white employees.

The issue of FEPC is considered such a "hot potato" that both Republican and Democratic platforms sidestepped a clear-cut FEPC plank last July. Mr. Furnas declares. Yet the experience gained in 7 states and 2 cities with FEPC laws, Furnas adds, indicates that FEPC is a good idea and does work.

The states having passed FEPC laws are New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Oregon and Washington,

and the cities are Philadelphia, Cleveland and Minneapolis. Their total population comprises 35,000,000 people.

In these areas, the keynote for FEPC enforcement has been education and persuasion. In over 5000 complaints filed, the ten existing FEPC's have resorted to public hearings only five times and to court only four times, the Look article states. Few Northern employers care to go on public record as persisting in illegal discrimination. Mr. Furnas says, and usually the mere mention of a public hearing is effective.

Outside of the South, many companies began non-discrimination employment policies well before the various FEPC's started, according to the Look article. These include International Harvester, Pitney-Bowes, Hartford's G. Fox department store, the Penn Fruit Company chain markets in Philadelphia, General Cable and the New York Telephone Company. As FEPC looked inevitable, a number of his department stores began to fall into line, such as Macy's and Gimbel's in New York, Bemberg's in Newark, N. J., and Gimbel's Philadelphia store. Lord and Taylor blazed a trail in New York by hiring the first Negro salesgirl on Fifth Avenue.

Even in the South, where the going is much tougher, local trends toward integration have "made startling progress in the last fifteen years," Mr. Furnas declares. Well-integrated plants with Negroes and whites working



SAM SMITH, JR.

**HAS DISTINCTION** — Sam Smith, Jr., has the unique distinction of holding a master plumbers license in two southern towns — Tallahassee and Thomasville, Ga. The Tallahasseean received a certificate in plumbing and heating from the Florida A. and M. College division of mechanic arts in 1949. He was granted his licenses to work in both towns this year. Before receiving his master's licenses, Smith worked under the direction of Master Plumber Z. R. Hersey, whose guidance was valuable in aiding Smith attain his present level of training. He is the second Negro to qualify as a plumbing contractor and conduct his own business — Hersey was the first. Smith is vice commander of Sneed Franklin Post 205 of the American Legion, and lives at 1139 Birmingham St. with his wife, Zera Bell, and daughter, Gloria Jean, age five.

## AGGIE STUDENTS SHOW OFF LOTS OF ARTISTRY

GREENSBORO, N. C. — Some twenty odd new student artists showed their wares to an appreciative audience of 1200 of the annual Freshman Talent Show held at A. and T. College last Friday night. In a program featuring a wide range of musical numbers, with

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side by side and upgraded equally, now operate for Harvester in Louisville, Memphis and New Orleans, he says. It is suggested that integration be allowed in "ripen" in the South, for eventual FEPC without risking a destructive kick-back by calling Uncle Sam in prematurely.

With so many recently opened opportunities for Negro chemists, secretaries, engineers, stenographers, buyers, phone operators, production workers, supervisors, salesmen, personnel interviewers, craftsmen, commercial artists, bus drivers, it is inconceivable FEPC could ever be repealed in those cities and states that have tried it. Mr. Furnas concludes.

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SECTION TWO

WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 11, 1952



**OFFICERS OF LAND GRANT COLLEGE ORGANIZATION** — Above are the key officers of the Conference of Presidents of Negro Land Grant Colleges, which is set to hold its 30th annual session in Washington, D. C., October 21-23, at the Federal Security Building. Left to right, the lead-

ers are Dr. E. B. Evans, conference president, president of Prairie View A. and M. College, Prairie View, Texas; Dr. R. E. Clement, vice president, president of Atlanta University, Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. R. B. Atwood, secretary, president of Kentucky State College, Frankfort, Ken-

tucky; Dr. Felton G. Clark, treasurer, president of Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; and, Dr. John W. Davis, chairman of the executive committee, president of West Virginia State College, Institute, W. Virginia; Dr. W. R. Banks, principal - emeritus, Prairie View A.

and M. College, is a life member of the Conference. Land Grant Colleges for Negro students are located in seventeen states. There are seven associate institutions in the Presidents' Conference. One each in Ohio, the District of Columbia, Alabama, Texas and Virginia. Georgia has two associated memberships. There are

twenty-four institutional memberships in the Conference. The states in which Land Grant Colleges are located are Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia.

## Grass-Roots Campaign For Stevenson Underway

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Congressman William L. Dawson, Vice Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, has announced that a four-week grassroots crusade for the election of Governor Adlai E. Stevenson as President will be launched this week following a meeting of independent and Democratic leaders from throughout the country in Washington, D. C., Saturday, October 11.

This same group will talk with the Democratic candidate for Vice President, Senator John Sparkman and Stephen A. Mitchell, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee. The Chicago Congressman said this meeting is the result of and in response to thousands of requests from over the Nation for the promotion of citizens clubs for Stevenson and Sparkman.

"It is especially gratifying to me personally," Dawson said, "to know that so many citizens are just waiting for the opportunity to help in the grassroots campaign to put

Governor Stevenson in the White House. The common man — the worker, the farmer, the small businessman — is wondering whether or not the apparent coalition between the Republican Party and certain Dixiecrat leaders in a so-called "Democrats-for-Eisenhower" movement is but the sign of a well-organized by these leaders and the Republicans is one and the same as far as the common man is concerned. You have but to read the record. We have been flooded with letters, wires, personal visits, and calls from every section of the country. This response has been one of the greatest that I have ever witnessed."

The citizens crusade will be formed at the Washington meeting which will open a four-week intensive drive for the election of Stevenson under Congressman Dawson's personal direction. Mass meetings, radio and television programs, door-to-door canvasses, campaign literature telling the success story of the Democratic administration will be employed to

make this one of the greatest crusades by Negro voters in every State in the union on behalf of a political candidate.

Dawson said, "I know there must be many thousands more who will join us, and it is our intention to see that every voter who wants to work for the election of Adlai Stevenson will be given an opportunity to do so. After the Washington conference detailed plans will be available to everybody who wants to work in this grassroots crusade. A partial list of those expected to attend includes: Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, Rev. Milton Rooks, Dr. Ira Davis, Fla.; Atty. A. T. Walden, Walter Alkins, Ga.; Robert Taylor, Tex.; Councilman Theodore Berry, Cincinnati; Jean Capers, John Holly, Ohio; Mrs. Marjorie S. Joyner, Atty. Edith Sampson, Robert Miller, John H. Johnson, publisher of "Ebony", Ill.; Arthur D. Shores, Emory H. Jackson, Ala.; Dr. J. M. Robinson, Ark.; Dr. Harry Penn, Oliver W. Hill, Arthur W. Mitchell, Va.; Atty. Sadie Alexander, D.C.; John P. Davis, publisher of "Our World", J. Luther Sylvan, A. Fay Bennett, New York; and Percy Green, Miss.

## 85th Annual State Fair Opens Tuesday Oct. 14

RALEIGH — Mama has baked her prize-winning cake, papa has his exhibit seed selected and junior has his calf groomed for the opening of the 85th annual N. C. State Fair — the biggest annual event in the State from a standpoint of attendance and participation. It will open in Raleigh next Tuesday, October 14, and continue through Saturday, October 18.

Robert W. Shoffner, assistant director of the State College Extension Service and aide to Dr. J. S. Dorton in the management of the fair, says all indications point to the "finest exposition in history, with 500,000 persons expected to attend during the five-day festival of education, inspiration and fun."

One reason we expect the best fair, and a record attendance, said Shoffner, is that there will be more to see, more to enjoy and more to learn. He listed the following features: A greatly expanded exhibit area, including partial use of the big new coliseum officially named the "State-Fair Arena," plus new livestock, poultry,

educational and commercial display buildings.

Also, new rabbit and pigeon shows, a new dual-purpose cattle department, new competition for Brahman beef cattle, and competition "open to the world" in all four breeds of dairy cattle and the Hereford and Aberdeen - Angus breeds of beef cattle.

The entertainment features will also be largely new, the fair official said, except for the return of former favorite attractions by the George Hamid grandstand revues, Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers, AAA-sanctioned big car automobile races, harness horse races and nightly fireworks.

"We especially invite farm people to attend the fair," Shoffner said. "Because we consider the agricultural exhibits one of the best ways of exchanging information about better crops, better livestock and poultry, and all the conveniences which bring more prosperity, dignity and contentment to country living."

## SPORTS

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S.T. STAFFORD

**ELECTED FELLOW** — S. T. Stafford, administrator of the Florida A. and M. College hospital, was elected a Fellow in the American College of Hospital Administrators at the 18th annual meeting of the college in Philadelphia recently. The college is an international, professional organization of hospital administrators, outstanding service in the field, and by meeting the professional requirements of the college. Prior to his association with the Florida A. and M. College Hospital, Stafford was superintendent of Flint-Goodridge Hospital in New Orleans, and superintendent of the Norfolk Community Hospital where he built and equipped a \$400,000 addition.



**FANCEE GRADUATE SWORN INTO NURSES CORPS OF USAF** — Rube Mac Thomas of Bradenton, Fla., was recently sworn into the Nurses Corps of the United States Air Force as a first lieutenant in ceremonies held in Lee auditorium at the Florida A. and M. College, Swarthorn, Miss. Thomas is in Capt. George C. Hampton, adjutant of the college ROTC department. At the left is Major Claude C. Clark, PMS&T at the

college. Miss Thomas finished A. and M. in 1949 and is the first graduate to be sworn into the Nurses Corps of the USAF. She has been employed at the Fancee hospital since her graduation. — Photo by Jones of Fancee.

**TALLAHASSEE** — Sophomore fullback Roman Gavins gained 20 yards in three carries against the Texas College Steers in '52.



**RAGE OF BERLIN** — The sensation of the 1952 Berlin Festival was the premiere of George Gershwin's immortal folk opera, "Porgy and Bess." Two good reasons for the critics' delight were the youthful couple above, William Warfield and Leontyne Price. Recently married, their performance as "Porgy" and "Bess" have won critical acclaim for the State Dept.-sponsored show. (Newspress photo.)



**SPEAKS OUT:** In fighting address to Presidential commission on Immigration, Walter White, NAACP secretary above, warned U.S. that should present restrictions against non-white peoples of the world continue, Western-style democracy was not being kicked around for ever. (Newspress photo.)