

New York Group To Celebrate Victory In Bus Fight With Monster Parade and Joyous Celebration

NEW YORK, (Special) — The United Negro Bus Association, 132 West 138 St. New York City, representing hundreds of Negro and white organizations who have fought together for the past four weeks for Negro bus drivers and mechanics will hold a gigantic victory parade in Harlem, New York City, on Saturday, April 26 at 1 o'clock.

For four weeks the United Negro Bus Association composed of three delegates each from the Harlem Labor Union, the National Negro Congress and the Greater New York Coordinating Committee whose names are A. Clayton Powell, Jr., Arnold Johnson, Harrison Jackson, Roger Straughn, Dr. Cyril P. Olliver, Hope Stevens, A. J. Johnson, Audley Moore and Naomi Kornacker have waged a historic battle for Negro bus drivers and mechanics in the Fifth Avenue Coach Company and New York City Omnibus Corporation.

This battle came to a close when an agreement was signed between the duly authorized representatives of the Transport Workers Union, the bus corporation and the United Negro Bus Association, on Friday, April 18.

To celebrate this victory Harlem has declared a legal holiday for Saturday, April 26. All

places of business are asked to suspend operations between the hours of 2 and 5 and all Harlem churches, political clubs, trade unions, social groups, and workers will convene at 110 St. and Lenox Avenue at 1 o'clock. Priced by bands the picketers under the leadership of marshals John Parris, Joe Ford and Walter Roaks the parade will march through the heart of Harlem to 148 Street and Bradhurst Avenue at Colonial Park. At this spot there will be an open air mass meeting at 4 o'clock, at which time official of the bus corporation and Michael Quill of Transport Workers Union, representatives of United Negro Bus Strike Association will address the people of Harlem in their victory mass meeting.

North Carolina farmers had less total workstock on land January 1 than at any time since 1937, reports the State Department of Agriculture.

TERRACING

This spring has brought about an increase in the demand for heavy terracing equipment in Harnett County, says J. B. Gourlay, assistant farm agent of the N. C. State College Extension Service.



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47 NAACP Branches Prepare to Picket "Defense Plants"

NEW YORK — Forty-seven branches of the NAACP from the Eastern seaboard to the West coast are expected to take part April 26 in the picketing of industrial plants holding government contracts for defense work.

In a letter to the branches, each of which is located in a heavy industrial area, the national office emphasized the importance of immediate action in dealing with discrimination by big industrialists in this crisis.

Haitian Assembly Elects M. Lescot, President of Country

FORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti, (NNS) — M. Elie Lescot, Haitian minister to Washington, was elected president of the Republic on Tuesday by the Haitian Congress, sitting as a National Assembly for the purpose of electing a successor to President Stenio Vincent, whose term of office expires on May 15. Lescot was elected president by a vote of 56 out of a total of 58 Senators and members of the Chamber of Deputies.

The new president has had a long and distinguished career in the service of his country. Before coming to Washington in April, 1937, he was secretary of the interior of Haiti, minister to the Dominican Republic and a delegate to the Buenos Aires Inter-American Conference. Lescot who visited the U. S. in 1940, is 57 years old, married and father of 7 children. The defeat of President Vincent, is said to be a disappointment to the late president, because he had hoped that the "national will" would have called him to continue his administration.

THE GREEK WAY

In caring for marble statues, ancient Greeks are said to have rubbed wax candles on the marble then polishing with linen.

ONLY A COLUMN

City Editor: "Did you interview Binks, the labor leaders?" Reporter: "Yes sir." "What did he have to say?" "Nothing." "Well, let's only use a column of it."

Powe Advocates Direct Benefits For Colored Citizens Of Durham

Among the several candidates who have filed for a seat on the City Council, Ellerbe Powe, Jr., is the only one, who has issued a public statement advocating direct benefits for Colored Citizens.

Mr. Powe in announcing his platform stated emphatically that he would advocate the following improvements for the city of Durham if elected:

- "1. To make a technical high-school a reality;
- "2. To curb, gutter and improve dirt streets in the color-sections and anywhere else needed;
- "3. Recognize no excuse for sub-standard housing and feel that some acceptable plan should soon be worked out;
- "4. By many people Durham is called the dirtiest town in North Carolina; so I hope to have a part in cleaning and beautifying Durham beginning with the elimination of the smoke nuisance;
- "5. To eliminate grade crossing hazards by proper automatic signals."

The matter of providing curbs and gutters, and the improvement of dirt streets was being discussed widely among Negro voter this week, and it is the belief of many, who are in the know that young Mr. Powe will attract many Negro voters to his cause before the day of final reckoning, May 6.

Hillside's Calendar Of Commencement Activities Released

DURHAM — A calendar of events leading up to the commencement season has been released by Prof. Wm. M. McElrath, principal of the Hillside Park High School. On the night of Friday, May 9, the seventh grades will present an operetta entitled "Taffy Ann" under the direction of Mrs. G. A. Winslow. The Art Department, headed by Miss J. M. Diggs will present a play entitled "Art, Where Art Thou?" Friday night, May 16. Both of these will be presented in the school auditorium. Commencement week will begin with the class day exercises Friday, May 30. The baccalaureate services will take place at the newly constructed Mount Vernon Baptist Church at 7:30 P. M. Sunday, June 1. Monday morning from 8:45 until 11:00, will be observed as awards day. The final commencement exercises will take place at the city armory auditorium Tuesday night June 3.

Draft Calls 651 More In N. Carolina

Raleigh, N. C., April 22—The State Selective Service Board issued a call today for a total of 651 men, 331 whites to answer May 15, 16, and 19, and 320 Negroes to answer May 12, 13, and 14. The men are to report at Fort Bragg.

Selective service officials are of the opinion that the State probably would not be called upon to fill its full quota of 15,631 draftees unless remaining calls are for "large numbers of men." The new and 10th call brought the number of drafted men in the State to approximately 9,000.

A VERSE FOR TODAY...

And Moses said unto the people, Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he shew to you to day.—Ex. 14:13.

QUOTATION

A MAN should never be ashamed to own he has been in the wrong, which is but saying in other words that he is wiser to-day than he was yesterday.—Alexander Pope.

Federal Program Will Raise Prices Of Eggs Says Schaub

A nation wide drive to produce every possible egg from present poultry laying flock should interest North Carolina farm people, says Dean I. O. Schaub, director of the State College Extension Service. The U. S. Department of Agriculture will make purchases of poultry products in connection with the Defense Program in such a way as to support prices of eggs at a level of 22 cents per dozen, on a Chicago basis.

"This does not mean," Dean Schaub stated, "that all North Carolina farmers will receive 22¢ per dozen for their eggs. In the first place, farm prices of eggs are lower than prices quoted on the Chicago market; transportation problems enter into the picture. Also, the prices throughout the country will vary according to seasonal variations, and according to grade.

"But it does mean," the Extension leader continued, "that farm prices of eggs will increase. Perhaps not immediately but certainly by fall. For this reason, North Carolina farm people should keep their poultry houses filled to capacity where they have homegrown feed to spare."

Secretary of Agriculture C. Wickard has launched the National egg production campaign, and he says the goal is to increase egg production for the whole country in the next 15 months—about 10 million cases. Dean Schaub said that North Carolina poultry raisers can wisely take three steps: (1) Eliminate hens which are brooding; (2) cull out hens which are not laying; and (3) sell or eat birds which are overly fat.

Farm Security Deadline Soon For Loans In County

Small farmers whose plans for 1941 operations are being handicapped by lack of capital may still apply for Farm Security Administration loans, according to James W. Simpson, FSA Supervisor for Alamance County.

Mr. Simpson said today that application for loans from government funds set up for the fiscal year ending June 30th should be submitted at the earliest opportunity. He pointed out that no loan can be made unless there is time for the farmer and himself to work out the seasonal farm and home management plan which must accompany each credit advance.

"Every spring we have to turn away eligible farmers because they apply too late for the necessary plans to be drawn up," Simpson said. "Farm Security Administration has found that real security for the government's investment, as well as all lasting benefits for the farmer, come from businesslike and planned-out operation of a farm, not from the cash advanced to meet temporary needs."

FSA extends limited credit for the purchase of tools, seed, feed, fertilizer, livestock and other supplies and equipment needed for successful operation of a family-type farm. Loans are also made to neighborhood groups of farmers who can purchase and use heavy farm machinery or purebred sires cooperatively.

Farmers in Alamance County should apply in person at his office in the Courthouse Building, at Graham. Office hours are 9 o'clock to 5 o'clock on Monday through Friday, and 8:30 through 12:30 o'clock on Saturdays.

SMALL

Cold weather and rains this year combined to cut down on the usual number of tobacco

plants produced in Craven County, reports P. M. Cox, assistant farm agent of the N. C. State College Extension Service.

SPINACH

Since the outbreak of the European war, spinach seed has gone up from 11 cents to 70 cents a pound, and onion seed from 80 cents to \$4.50 a pound with no ceiling in sight.

SPACING

Experiments conducted at the Arkansas Experiment Station indicate that the earlier sweet potatoes are set in the field the closer should be the spacing to discourage production of "jumbos."

IT MUST BE

"Love is what makes a young man spend \$100 for a diamond ring while he tries to keep warm all winter in last summer's overcoat."

BIBLE THOUGHT

"If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved."—Romans, 10: 9.

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