

Phila. Woman Member Of Civil Rights Body Lauds Federal FEPC

PHILADELPHIA (ANP)—Mrs. Sadie T. M. Alexander, prominent Philadelphia attorney, and member of the president's committee on civil rights, praised the recent executive order by President Truman which establishes a fair employment practices policy in federal government agencies, last week.

She warned, however, that his order must be carefully carried out or the aims of the action will not be realized. She said:

"President Truman's executive order directing equality of opportunity for all persons in the armed forces is the first such di-

rective in time of peace or war of the American concept of equality for military personnel regardless of race, religion or national origin by a President of the United States.

"The accomplishment of this purpose with speed will depend upon the character and vision of the seven members appointed to the Committee on Equality of Treatment and Opportunity in the Armed Services. The framework of a democratic army has been established by President Truman's executive order.

"Its realization depends upon the people of America using their power to secure the appointment of action by a committee that recognizes the army as a living symbol of democracy.

"I am convinced that the President has an important responsibility as representative of our great American heritage of equality, which does not countenance segregation in any form or manner."

RUSSELL OF GA. TO INTRODUCE BILL TO MOVE NEGROES

WASHINGTON (ANP)—A bill is scheduled to be introduced into congress soon providing federal aid to Negro families desiring to move from the south to other parts of the country. It was introduced here last week. The bill, authored by Sen. Richard B. Russell Jr., would give up to \$1,999 to families desiring to move to a new area to better economic and social conditions.

Russell, who has been studying the bill for several years as a means of relieving the race problem in the south by dispersing the Negro population on a more equitable basis through the 48 states, and said any Negro family wishing to move from its present geographic location to another, for the purpose of bettering its economic situation, would be allocated a maximum of \$1,500 by the federal government to finance the move. The program would be voluntary and no family would be compelled to move.

The bill is viewed by other southern senators as resulting in a scattering of low-income groups throughout the country instead of concentrating them in the relatively poor southern states. It would also afford them an opportunity of making their way in the more prosperous states.

It is said that several southern senators wish to act as co-sponsors of the measure. However, Russell is desirous of introducing the bill on his own.

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GA. STATE PREXY HEADS NYU CLUB

CHAUTAQUA, N. Y. (ANP)—Dr. James A. Colston, president of Georgia State college, Savannah, because the first Negro to hold an office in the university club of New York university summer session, when he was installed as club president last week.

Unanimously elected Thursday by the 350 students attending the summer session, he succeeds James A. Vaughn, executive director of Simmons college, Boston.

This is Dr. Colston's first summer at Chautauqua where he is enrolled in workshops on public relations and fund raising. At the beginning of the session he spent a month at the New York university sponsored summer school in Sarah Lawrence college, Bronxville, N. Y. He was enrolled in the contemporary culture workshop.

Pursuing graduate studies leading to the Ph. D. degree, Dr. Colston already holds the B. S. degree from Morehouse college, and M. A. from Atlanta university. Prior to being made president of Georgia State, he served as public relations director, Hampton institute; president, Bethune-Cookman college; director, Ballard school, Macon, Ga.; and principal, Rigby high school, Ormond Beach, Fla.

MRS. MANN OFF FOR EUROPEAN HEALTH MEET

By GLADYS P. GRAHAM

NEW YORK (ANP)—Mrs. Boggs Harpove Mann will represent the social work profession from the Columbia Presbyterian Medical center at the International Congress on Mental Health to be held in London Aug. 12-21, it was announced this week.

The prominent sociologist was the first Negro woman to become educational director of the social service department of the Neurological institute.

She was selected to attend the international conference because she qualified for membership in the International Conference on Mental Hygiene.

Her job at the Neurological institute is to administer the training program to students of all races in advanced parent. These students are working for their master of social science degrees in psychiatric social work at Fordham university and the New York School of Social Work.

Her work with the main committee of the New York chapter of the American Association for Psychiatric Social workers has prepared her during the years for the major topics of the international convention.

She received her college training at the University of Cincinnati, Atlanta university school of social work and New York School of Social Work.

After attending the International Congress on Mental Health in London, Mrs. Mann plans to tour Holland, Belgium, France and Italy. She expects to get ideas on training and development of young students in the field.

TEXAS LAY SCHOOL HEAD ASSUMES POST

Attorney Ozie H. Johnson entered upon his duties as Administrator of the new Law School at Texas State University for Negroes, on July 30.

Mr. Johnson will spend some time this week at the University of Texas Law School, at Austin, in conference with Dean McCormick and his staff, there, and later will visit the key cities of Texas, interviewing applicants for admission to TSU Law School at Houston.

Mr. Johnson holds the degree of LL. B. from Temple University Law School in Philadelphia, where he served as editor of the Temple Law Quarterly. He is a member of the District of Columbia and Ohio State bars, having passed the Ohio bar with the second highest rating in the State. At the close of the war, Mr. Johnson also served as a field supervisor with the Contract Termination Division of the United States Army Signal Corps in Washington and Philadelphia.

CIO Aide Calls FEPC Order "Long Overdue"

Washington (ANP)—The executive order on fair employment practices in federal government agencies was looked upon by Thomas Richardson, chairman of the United Public Works of America, CIO, Anti-Discrimination commission, as being "a step forward for democracy, long overdue."

He also deplored the fact that active in the campaign to secure the order, had a number of cases ready and waiting for the new board. However, he deplored the placing of the FEPC board under the jurisdiction of the civil service commission, saying that union experiences with the commission on minority group discrimination "have been most disappointing."

He also deplored the fact that President Truman failed to specifically include the Panama Canal zone in the order, since the "infamous Jim Crow silver-gold system on the Panama Canal zone is one of the sharpest examples of discrimination now in operation." He urged that the order be amended to cover "these deficiencies."

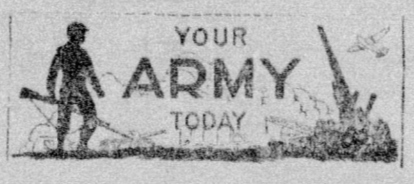
Newsmen Praise Keynote Speech For Third Party

New York — "The best keynote speech delivered at a major political convention in many years."

That's what New York newspapermen said about the address given by Charles Howard, Negro attorney, editor and former leader, Iowa Republicans, at the founding convention of the Progressive Party in Philadelphia.

Ton-days after the convention, newspapermen and political observers were still talking about the hard-hitting charges and eloquent phrasing of Howard's keynote address in which he declared that "the main fact that I stand here before you tonight defines our party. For the first time in my life, I am experiencing human dignity."

Howard charged that the killing



SCHOOLHOUSES ON WHEELS SHOW ARMED FORCES WAY TO LEARN WHILE SERVING: Members of the U. S. armed forces throughout the world are having the vital news of how they may learn while they serve brought to them by means of mobile educational truck and trailer units, a specially equipped railway car, and even by planes fitted up as flying registration offices.

Facilities of the military services correspondence study university, the United States Armed Forces Institute, located at Madison, Wisconsin, are presented and explained to service personnel at their far-flung duty stations through use of mobile collections of textbooks, course catalogues and vocational guidance aids, accompanied by traveling counseling teams.

In the overseas theaters, a variety of transportation methods have been pressed into service to bring the message of USAFI—short for U. S. Armed Forces Institute—to the greatest possible number of servicemen.

Highway, rail and air facilities are employed in the Far East Command, where six motorized units, four installations in Japan and Korea, a converted railway coach operates out of Tokyo, and three L-5 liaison plane units transport USAFI personnel and materials to isolated points in the Japanese islands.

Three of the mobile trailer units are currently operating in the American occupation zone of Germany. One of them, a 10-ton trailer, has been delivering educational service there since February, 1946.

The USAFI correspondence courses, and similar study-by-mail courses offered at nominal cost by 58 cooperating civilian colleges and universities, comprise the main stock-in-trade of these traveling units. However, they represent but one part of an armed services educational program which has become the largest adult education program in the world.

Also offered under the program are self-teaching courses in which servicemen study without sending in lesson papers to the USAFI home or branch offices but qualify for credit by successfully completing end-of-course exams. In addition, group study courses, in which students meet in regular classes, are taught by civilian or military instructors in nearly 1,100 Education Centers in this country and overseas.

Nearly 220,000 members of the armed services are at present furthering their educations through part-time study under some phase of the program. More than 800 sign up each month for self-teaching and correspondence courses which are recognized for credit purposes by most U. S. high schools and colleges.

The first of the mobile units to be placed in operation in this country, a base rail, white and blue semi-trailer, recently completed a tour of 35 Army, Navy and Air Force installations in the southeastern states. Accompanied by an educational team consisting of a WAC captain, a Navy chief petty officer and two Army soldiers, the unit will add more territory to the "world's largest campus" on a swing through several western states this summer.

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ARKANSAS VOTE OVERHAUL IS SOUGHT BY CITY

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (ANP)—An overhauling of the voting system and voting laws in Arkansas was being demanded by many citizens following the recent primary elections in the state.

Negro voters were very critical. Although no one tried to prevent them from voting, many white citizens crowded around colored polling places and looked on to see how they voted.

As a whole such irregularities as the open ballot rather than secret, no verification of voters for voting lists, irregular counting of ballots and shortage of ballots were noted throughout the state, not only in colored precincts, but in the white, too.

Political campaigners were openly speaking to the voters after they received their ballots. Ball tax payment was not authorized in many places.

AFRICAN BUILDING TRADES ARE CLOSED TO NATIVE WORKERS

CAPETOWN, South Africa (ANP)—One of the first acts of the anti-lynch, anti-polit tax and FEPC bills in the last session of Congress "was the joint handiwork of Republicans and Democrats, plotting together in a Congressional Murder Incognito."

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perpetrated by the Nationalist party, after it defeated Jan Christiaan Smuts and the United party in the recent elections, was to discontinue the training of native artisans by closing the only school for the teaching of building trades to colored.

The school, the COTT depot at Ottery on the Cape Flats, closed its door on June 30. It had been in operation since 1946 and had graduated between 250 and 300 colored, ex-servicemen and a civilian what you would have it. Training in the building trades, and with its opening, no colored man will be able to take up train-

ing as an artisan. Its closure was ordered by H. J. Schoeman, the new minister of labor, on June 18. Affected by this order are 51 trainees who were undergoing an advanced course. They have already completed their basic training in building and allied crafts.

These trainees were earning between 44 and 50 cents an hour, and would have received full artisans' pay as soon as they passed competency tests. They were working on the new industrial school at Ottery and at the Tuxal reformatory.

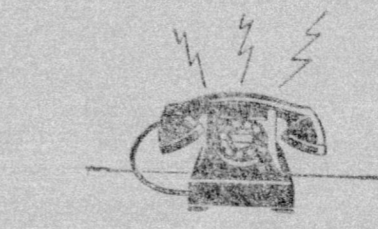
Originally there was a staff of eight at the school, but this number was cut to four. Now, three-four are out of a job. As for the trainees, efforts are being made to secure employment for them, in order that they might make use of the partial knowledge of the trades which they had learned in the school.

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