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OFFICE SEEKERS

How many Negroes have run for State Representative from Multnomah county since 1942? Has any been elected or nominated?

The answer is six, on nine occasions:
None has been elected. Two nominated by the Democrats: One nominated twice by assembly by Progressives.
5. George Thomas, R., 1948.

(Ed. Note): As the chart shows Smith was nominated in 1946 and McCoy was nominated in 1950, both failed in the general elections. Smith was the runner up to Al Hartung in his first try and thereby received national attention as being the first Negro to run for a major office in the state.

Estus Curry, the Progressive, was nominated by convention assembly each time. Under Oregon laws minor party candidates must be nominated by assembly of 250 people.

U. N. Session Attended

FRANKFORT, Ky.—As a member of the Methodist Church sponsored United Nations Assembly, Mrs. Anita Fields, Recorder at Kentucky State College, one of the three Negroes in the group, visited the United Nations Assembly Recently.

BRIEFS

Two attractions of interest were here Monday. The DePauw Infantry Chorus at the Auditorium and Eddie "Cleanhead" Vinson Dance at McElroys, sponsored by Fred Baker. Both attractions received favorable comments.

Sam Malvern, well known oldtimer, who never moved with the migration to the Eastside, died in Portland's N. W. side. Formerly one of Portland's thickly populated Negro residential areas the Northwest side is an industrial center and freight truck center.

Corbett Re-elected Elks' Head

An effort to unseat Chesley E. Corbett, Exalted Ruler of Billy Webb Lodge 1050 was unsuccessful at the December election of the lodge December 3 at Porters hall.

The only nominations were Attorney U. G. Plummer by Lillard Evans; seconded by Herman C. Plummer and Chesley E. Corbett, by L. C. Ellison and seconded by Wilbur Marshall, then the voting was in order. A very large percentage of the total membership turned out for this hotly contested election.

It was truly a Truman-Dewey race with many thinking that Corbett would be defeated; it was predicted that he would go down decisively. Five hours was consumed in the election. District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler Robert D. Addison of Bremerton, conducted the election.

Before the election the roll was polled to ascertain the eligible voters. It was found that only one man present had no vote. Some members came only to vote for the exalted rulers position.

Other officers elected: J. R. Alexander, re-elected Leading Knight; James Watson, Loyal Knight; James Waldon, Lecturing Knight; Wilbur Marshall, Financial Secretary; L. C. Ellison, treasurer (Re-elected); Alfred Rivers, Inner Guard; Joe Frazier, Tyler; Five Trustees were elected: Vernon Douglas, Matt. Dishman, Oliver E. Smith, Robert Lee Green and Herbert Lewis. The Esquire elected was John K. Taylor.

SAYS BALLOT IS NEGRO'S HOPE

DURHAM, N. C.—John H. McCray, militant editor of the Columbia (S. C.) Lighthouse and Informer, told an Achievement Week audience here that "the vote is the salvation of the Negro people."

McCray spoke in Duke auditorium at North Carolina college under the auspices of the Durham Tau Psi and Beta Phi chapters of the Omega Psi Phi fraternity.

Speaking on the general theme, "Their Finest Hour," McCray urged his audience to push through to victory the present crusade to extend first class citizenship to all Americans.

The fraternity's theme for the national observance this year is "Strengthening and Safeguarding the Rights of all Americans."
IN MY OPINION...

Insurance Discrimination Ends in Oregon

By Mrs. Elaine Berry

About one week before the recent general election, a Negro Committee for the Reelection of Governor Douglas McKay, headed by Ulysses G. Plummer, announced in The Oregonian that discrimination in writing of auto liability insurance policies in the state of Oregon was to be a thing of the past. It was said that the major insurance companies had made written agreements with the Insurance Commissioner, Robert Taylor, to discontinue this form of inequity.

Although the announcement smacked of appeal to the Negro vote and it is contrary to most people's ideas of integration to set up committees of members of a minority group as such in political parties, it is an important gain here and for the whole country.

The announcement has particular importance because it came about without special legislation. It is the result of the insurance commissioner using the powers of his office to enforce existing law without prejudice. In 1944, Congress waived its right to regulate this commodity under the Interstate Commerce Act to the individual states; and in setting a precedent for enforcement of equal protection under state law regardless of race. Oregon has made a forward step in eliminating bias should other communities attempt a similar method of solving the problem.

How was this accomplished? To be facetious, one might say it was a product of bi-partisan political activity. In December, 1949 a Democratic news magazine carried an article criticizing the Republican state administration for allowing the practice of upgrading Negro insurance to continue. In January of this year, the same publication proposed the now accepted solution.

These articles coupled with comment from the local press, Wayne Morse and others during an election year gave Mr. Plummer the leverage to dicker with his parties' officials in behalf of his favorite project. Last year at this time, he was advocating enactment of a law outlawing discrimination by the legislature. Now before the legislature has convened, Mr. Plummer has accomplished a major gain in race relations for the state.

Others working in race relations can benefit from Oregon's example of competition between the political parties to make good in the field of Civil Rights. Real vitality could be infused into the national struggle for FEP and other legislation that failed to pass the 81st Congress by using the same technique.

IS THERE ANYONE FINER?

Dinah Washington had nothing to do with the song, "Dinah." Is there anyone finer? We hardly think so. Here's to a modest girl who has met with plenty of success and it hasn't changed her one bit.

She is one of the unique entertainers in show business and the unchallenged "Queen of the Juke Boxes."

Dinah Washington has lead more Hit Parades than any artist in show business. She has been the top recording blues and ballad singer since the first part of 1949 and there are some who will tell you that Miss Washington will reign queen for the next ten years. She's really great!

Dinah is the darling of the recording industry and disc jockeys from coast to coast. Newspapermen hail her as their choice when it comes to 'that pleasant interview."

So thrilled was Dinah with the way folks in every walk of life had treated her that on her last birthday she hired a hall in Philadelphia—where she was appearing when her natal fell—and had the city's leading caterers provide for a crowd of five hundred. Only three hundred actually showed up because when the whispering campaign spread that "Dinah was giving a freebie" they couldn't just believe it. Things like that just don't happen in real life, they assumed. Of course they were wrong. It actually happened. The affair was definitely not a publicity stunt. Dinah was provoked when a newspaperman put out the story that it was intended as such. In fact she insisted upon a retraction—and got it.

Is there anyone finer? You answer that.
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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

By A. Morrison
Miss Gloria Roberts of Los Angeles,
was presented in a piano recital Friday,
December 1st. She played the music of
the Masters, Bach, Beethoven, Chopin
and others. She was introduced by Mrs. Mary
Duncan, and sponsored by the Board of
the church. A reception in the church
lecture room followed. Mrs. C. Ingersoll
was chairman of the reception.

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Bishop Brown and presiding Elder Rev.
Lankford, both of California, were the
house guests of Rev. J. F. Smith of AME
Zion church the past weekend. Bishop
Brown preached Sunday morning and
Rev. Lankford preached the evening ser­
mom, Dec. 3. Dr. J. J. Clow was guest
also.

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Leaving soon to spend the holidays
season in Texas, is Mr. Richardson of
1437 N. Ross.

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Mrs. E. Davis left Saturday for an indefinite stay in Chicago to be at the bed­side of her ailing father.

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Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Jordan had as
guest two members of the De Paur In­
fantry Chorus, who were friends of Mrs.
Jordan’s brother (Jerry Turner, Jr.), dur­
ing World War II.

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Mrs. H. Hoy and her sister, Mrs. L.
Harris, were co-hostesses Monday for the
Bethelite club.

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The De Paur Infantry Chorus played
to a packed house, there 34 voices.
Songs were sung in French, Spanish, Italian,
Portuguese and English; also Negro Spir­
ituals and the popular army song “Sound
Good Luck.” The applause was loud and long.

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The Gay Eddie “Cleanhead” Vinson
Dance seen lots of the names that belong in
the News out. Just to mention a few... that were having a good time: Helen
Lawson, Mrs. Fred Baker, wife of the
sponsor, their mother, Mrs. Lawson... Sylvia Newsome, Mrs. Pearlman, Mr.
Boyd, Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. D. John­son... Mrs. Ellen Foutew, Mrs. Brown,
Miss Lewis... Miss Jerry Meldew, Miss
Joyce Marshall, and Miss Betty Ruther­ford... Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Slaughter,
and Mr. Longstreet, a popular musician.
Just dancing were Mrs. Opal Dixon, Mrs.
E. Avritt, and Mrs. Betty Patton...

Looking around at the dance were E.
Fuller, and Who?

Deputy Sheriff Matt Dishman.
As always, the dance stopped at 1 a.m.

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PLEA FOR BROTHERHOOD

Our need for brotherhood today is even greater than it was when the republic was founded. If we are to survive as a nation, to take our place in the world of nations, we must have brotherhood...not merely a condescending charity toward those whose ancestry, faith or work is different than ours, but a wholehearted kinship of all right-thinking men and women. America is made up of all races and creeds, but Americans, to be true Americans, must respect individuals for what they are individually, regardless of race, color or creed.

Strength of brotherhood is the strength of love. If we as individuals cannot get along with our neighbors how can we ever hope to live peaceably with other nations? Prejudice and bigotry are the subterfuge and foundation of all wars.

Full expression of brotherhood is "THE GOLDEN RULE" which has never been surpassed as the most practical rule of life and the only basis of peace on earth...among men and goodwill. Let that rule "I will do unto others as I would have done unto me" be the first New Year resolution and guide for future conduct toward each fellowman and brother.

Toleration Not Enough

To tolerate is to endure, to bear with because there is no other way out; that is not enough. Brotherhood calls for more; it calls for kinship through the Father of all mankind. It means to be color blind; race blind; creed blind. Brotherhood means that we see men as men and women as women to treat them as we would be treated, without any form of discrimination that might tend to set them as human beings apart. Toleration is merely the condescending attitude assumed by far too many. Brotherhood is to give allegiance to the credo which we accept as the cornerstone of the republic, the declaration that all men are created equal. Let us as a united people, as a nation, practise what we preach.

IS F. E. P. TIED?

There is no doubt in the minds of many people as to the working of Oregon's FEP law, a fine piece of legislation that is: The investigation method it not quite complete.

We think Mr. Van Meter is tied too closely to some well meaning social agencies that hamper his investigations.

There are no public hearings where the plaintiff and defendant may come together with their respective witnesses. Now that the election is over, we hope to see a fair investigation of all FEP cases.

FLASH! FLASH!

Mrs. A. L. Randolph was re-elected Daughter Ruler, Tuesday at the meeting of Dahlia Temple 202, Daughter Elks. The complete story will be in the next issue of the Advocate Register.

The Daughter Elks are also holding a Christmas Party, December 22, at the Prince Hall.

Congratulations

RUTH FLOWERS

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Youth Service 6:30 p.m.
Evening Service 8:00 p.m.
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Thursday — Junior Church 8:00 p.m.
Saturday — Prayer Meeting 6:00 p.m.

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Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Services 11:00 a.m.
B. T. U. 6:00 p.m.
Evening Service 7:45 p.m.
Wednesday — Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Thursday — Brotherhood Union 7:00 p.m.

Elder O. B. Williams, Pastor

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Evening Service 7:30 p.m.
Thursday — Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.

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Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Service 11:00 a.m.
Christian Endeavor 6:00 p.m.
Evening Service 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday — Prayer Meeting 8:00 p.m.

Elder Justus Ezra Roberts, Pastor

YOUR PERSONAL ITEMS WELCOME

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