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Oregon Association of Colored Women Hold Annual Meeting; 9 Clubs Participate Under Year's Theme, "Achieving Our Goals"

By Kathryn H. Bogle
Social Editor, The Challenger
The Oregon Association of Colored Women held their 35th annual meeting on May 23, 24 and 25 at Portland Avenue YMCA. Mrs. Bernadene Plummer, president, opened the rousing Thursday morning and heard reports from nine participating clubs. Theme this year was "Achieving Our Goals." An exhibit of the club's women's handiwork was judged Thursday morning and was open to the public thereafter.

Thursday afternoon, a panel of eight members discussed, "What do you think we can get out of our work?" Moderator was Mrs. Earl McClennen. Words and events from the floor were lively and spirited.

Mrs. Plummer announced the new slate of officers who will guide the Oregon Association of Colored Women during the next year: Billy Williams, president; Joyce Carey, vice-president; Robert Manlove, secretary; Roseville Dawson, administrative secretary; Marion Elliot, treasurer; Ann Fuller, sgt.-at-arms; Marie Parker, chaplain; Adele Odell, public relations; and Betty Sease, alternate chairman.

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REJ. JESSE L. BOYD

...book from Chicago

"Fight For What's Right"

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Sororities and Sisters Participate Under Year's Theme, "Achieving Our Goals"

By Richard Bogle
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Reverend Jesse L. Boyd, Baptist minister, has recently returned from the thirty-fourth annual sessions held in Chicago's mammoth coliseum.

According to Rev. Boyd, the sessions serve two broad purposes. First, is the review of the previous four years work and, secondly, to plan the program for the coming four years. To do this there were approximately 1016 delegates present. This figure includes: Bishops, general officers, college presidents, Deans of theological schools, and superintendents.

One of the most important events of the conference was the forming of the judicial council. It will serve as a body of that can judge higher than the strong Bishops' council. This action has been interpreted by those in the know, to take away all judicial power from the Bishops.

Another highlight of the conference was the speech of former Governor of Wisconsin, Mr. Grover Cleveland, who opened the South Carolina annual session. He denounced segregation, communism and called upon the AME Church to lead the fight for civil rights in the Negro. Current said that the Negro voter is a balance of power in the political campaigns. "The influence and potency of the Negro is important to the politician," stated the challenger.

Negro Voters Intelligently

According to the Bopper poll, the Current said the Negro voters were intelligently. The confidence of the Negroes questioned was expressed in the poll. "The do not vote to a Bloc; they listen and vote intelligently," he averred. "Until the Negro is accorded all rights and privileges, we cannot call the United States a democracy." Continued Current.
It Is A Difficult Choice

In his address to NAACP members here recently, Gloster B. Current, their national director of branches, made it eminently clear that his organization can see to it that the Negro in any of the avowed candidates now offered for the presidency is not ignored. Plummer has stood pat for an enforced federal FEPC bill. He is led accordingly to stand for any action necessary at a time to correct the wrong man by the Republican and Democratic parties.

It is of the utmost importance to the American people that the civil rights administration in Washington goes progressively forward on civil rights legislation—and the campaign speeches of both parties' presidential aspirants have failed to lend support to their holding up the present civil rights venture of President Truman.

No man, regardless of his intellect or leadership ability, can morally take the president's post unless he honestly endeavors to wipe out the injustices done to America's colored millions. No candidate for this—the most coveted of all American offices—with any true feeling of human decency, can expect to ignore the shame surrounding our "democratic structure."

This November election will not only affect the future path of America, but it will also shape the future course of the colored world.

It will greatly benefit all of us if we will study objectively and consider carefully the men and their platforms. It is not too late to get a real American in the White House. Who is a Negro candidate, with the love of America and all her people first in his heart.

Atlanta Shows Hospitality During NAACP Convention

In part answer to the question, "What advantage is there in NAACP confe­<ref>
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cenional conventions in the south?" (this year's convention will be held in Oklahoma City while last year's host city was Atlanta, Georgia) Gloster B. Current, NAACP national di­rector of branches, had this to say:

"The people in Atlanta had to work to make it great. Once I arrived at the hotel and saw the correct face. The driver must be sure that you have that with convention?" Finding out that I was, he let me ride free!

On the serious side, Current said that meeting that in the South gave both factions a better chance to observe each other at first hand, thus hastening the chance of understanding. The young newspaper reporters were hungry for information," said Current. "Their presence gave us much more space and importance than do the Northern press."
Two More ‘Charmed’ Await Debut Entry

Tall, Graceful Ann Williams Loves a ‘Ballet Existence’

By Kathryn H. Boglo, Social Editor, The Challenger

Tall and graceful as a flower is Ann, the 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Williams, who is one of the six young lovelies to be presented by Les Femmes at their first June Ball. The ball is to be on June 9, and that week Ann will also graduate from Cleveland high school. Crowded into the summer months is the winning partial of the Nicholas Vanierett school of the ballet in which Ann will be a featured student.

Lives for Ballet

The ballet is the breath of Ann’s existence. For the sake of ballet, age pleasures.

Loves a

During last winter she used her earnings by baby sitting. Although she earns spending-money by baby sitting for neighbors, and this too, she may hoard toward some special ballet pleasure. During last winter she used her earnings for extra lessons from the prima ballerina of the Saddler Wells ballet company here on tour.

Please College Life

For all her interest in ballet, Ann has made excellent grades at Cleveland. This school year, Ann attended at Clu­stered St. Helens ball, the Episco­pal school for girls where her sophomore year was spent. She likes to stay, especially if it’s to help her mother make a new cos­tume for dancing. Although she regrets her cooking is still a joke to her older brother, Charles Jr., a sophomore at the University of Portland, he much appreci­ates that her French fries are downs any of her concoctions.

Wells ballet company here

Two More

Two More...

He will admit, how­ever, that her french fries are not to his taste. His delight is in her well grooming and an attempt to meet the people a real show.

Models Listed

Two More...

Miss Williams plans to go in for a career close to home in the fall. Summer plans shine bright and clear for there is the cherished privilege of being a student of Fedorova, a famed ballerina. Ann is scheduled to be on the rolls of Portland’s’ Lancer Roll Collars.

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Miss Olga Ann Plummer

Vivacious, Full of Sparkle

By Kathryn H. Boglo

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Vivacious and full of sparkle is Miss Olga Ann Plummer, 17- year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ulysses G. Plummer.

OLGA ANN PLUMMER

Her days are hardly ever long enough to include all the things Olga wants to do, but these days, now, are packed, simply packed to the brim with exciting prepar­ations for thrilling moments ahead.

On Sunday, June 8, Olga will be graduated from high school, and next day, Olga will join five of her girl friends to present Ann for the first time in the June Ball at Atlanta. At her graduation Olga will join the regulation cap and gown of white, but for the June Ball, the many parties planned near both these important dates in this time-for-thinking up something dressy to wear.

Piano Practice

There are many hours to be spent practicing at her piano, for Olga has studied piano through all her four years at Immacu­late Heart grade school. Now she has been chosen to be accompanist for an

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Miss Olga Ann Plummer

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Haberdashery

Miss Olga Plummer

Vivacious, Full of Sparkle

...lly channeled by Ann into her social ballet pleasure.

A student of Fedorova, a famed polemarch (pole-mark), visited here May 17 and 18.

Arrive tickets are on sale at Neat’s drug, Williams avenue Ball. At her graduation Olga will be the fashion coordinator by her four years at Immacu­late Heart grade school. Now she has been chosen to be accompanist for an

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Challenger's Corner

By Lennie Harris, Sports Editor

The Portland Merchants, with Al Rivera on the mound, have compiled a won two, lost two record to date. In four games this far, Rivera has given up only four hits and allowed two runs to score. He has the only “no-no” in the Major Intra-city league. He pitched his mates to a 9-hit, no-run victory against the Orwigs Merchants in the opener.

Bob Boyd and Artie Wilson were back in the line-up with the auto.