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Ithaca Branch

The March 1, 1956, edition of the Cornell "Daily Sun," college newspaper, noted that the Ithaca Chapter of the NAACP had recently elected JANE GOLIN as president of the Ithaca Branch.

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NAACP CLUB OF ERIE
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It should be noted that the NAACP Club of the Erie County CP has no affiliation with the NAACP.

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THE NAACP CLUB,
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new officers and members of the Executive Committee for the New York Branch NAACP for the year 1956 as follows:

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RUSSELL P. CRAWFORD, President
WILLIAM J. LAKE, Vice President
ALONCITA J. FLOOD, Treasurer
HORTENSE BOWERY, Secretary
EDITH BERITZ, Assistant Secretary

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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| JAMES E. X ALLEN | REV. THOMAS X KILGORE, JR. |
| ELLA J. X BAKER | CLIVE KNOWLES |
| AMOS X BOWMAN | JOHN H. X LEWIS |
| CLARA X BUTLER | JAMES X MC COY |
| ROSCOE C. X BUTLER | EDWARD B. X MUSE |
| DORIS X COBBS | WINIFRED NORMAN |
| MAE X CRAWFORD | REV. ADAM C. X POWELL, JR. |
| CARL X DAVIS | REV. B. C. X ROBESON |
| PEGGY E. X DICKSON | JAWN X SANDIFER |
| MSGR. CORNELIUS J. X DREW | T. J. X SELLERS |
| PATRICIA GARLAND | JOHN X SULLIVAN |
| JOHN X HART | WENDELL X THROWER |
| RAPHAEL HENDRIX | JAMES L. X WATSON |
| JOHN H. X HEWITT | REV. L. S. X WHITE |
| EDWARD W. X JACKO, JR. | L. LIVINGSTON X WINGATE |

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Through a suitable pretext telephone call made on January 6, 1956, by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to an executive of the NAACP, 20 West 40th Street, New York City, the following information was obtained:

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The NLCCR is comprised of about 50 National Civic Organizations which form a loose federation. According to the source, the member organizations are of national scope and the NLCCR was referred to as "ad hoc" organization, which meets only for a particular purpose. u

According to the source, the NLCCR is not part of the NAACP and the connection between the two organizations is that the NAACP is one of the national groups which comprises the NLCCR. In addition, ROY WILKINS, Executive Secretary, NAACP is the chairman of the NLCCR. The NLCCR maintains no staff or officers of its own, but is permitted to use facilities of the NAACP and work out of the NAACP office at 20 West 40th Street, New York City. u NY

The only active body of the NLCCR is the Executive Committee, which only meets when necessary. The source, regarding current activities, advised that the NLCCR is contemplating a civil rights mobilization in Washington, D. C., for March, 1956, however, the exact date was unknown. u

During a suitable pretext telephone call made on January 9, 1956, by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, to an executive of the National Leadership Conference on Civil Rights (NLCCR), 20 West 40th Street, New York City, the following information was received: u

According to the source, the NLCCR was organized as a result of a Washington mobilization in 1949. The mobilization was regarded as highly successful and resulted in about 50 civic organizations, including churches and unions to join together under the name of National Leadership Conference on Civil Rights. The purpose of the organization, according to the source, is to further civil rights on a federal or national scale by influencing national conventions of the national political parties and other national groups. The source stated that the NLCCR is a non-partisan organization. An executive committee of the NLCCR, which is comprised of representatives from about 20 of the member organizations meets on a regular basis. u

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Dr. JAMES EDWARD JACKSON, Jr., is Former Southern
Regional Director and Alternate Member of the National

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Committee, CP, USA, who was indicted on June 20, 1951, by the Federal Grand Jury, Southern District of New York, for violation of the Smith Act of 1940. JACKSON voluntarily surrendered December 2, 1955 and is presently being tried for violation of the Smith Act of 1940 in the Southern District of New York.

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NORTH DAKOTA

At Minneapolis, Minnesota

No information has been received indicating any Communist infiltration of the NAACP in North Dakota.

OHIO

At Cincinnati, Ohio

No information has been received indicating any CP influence or infiltration of the NAACP branches in the Cincinnati Division.

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Youngstown Chapter, NAACP

An article in the "Youngstown Vindicator," a leading daily newspaper in Youngstown, Ohio, for December 15, 1955, carried an article stating that NATHANIEL LEE had been re-elected as President of the Youngstown Chapter at the annual meeting. u

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At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

No evidence of Communist infiltration of the NAACP in Oklahoma has been received. u

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At Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

No additional information has been reported to indicate that the CP has accomplished any infiltration of the NAACP in the Pittsburgh Division.

RHODE ISLAND

At Boston, Massachusetts

No information has been received to indicate

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any Communist infiltration or domination of the NAACP in Rhode Island. u

SOUTH CAROLINA

At Savannah, Georgia

No information has been received to indicate that the CP has infiltrated the NAACP in South Carolina. u

SOUTH DAKOTA

At Minneapolis, Minnesota

No information has been received to indicate any CP infiltration of the NAACP in South Dakota. u

TENNESSEE

At Memphis, Tennessee

No additional information has been received to indicate that the CP has infiltrated or dominates the NAACP Branches located in the Memphis Division. u

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At El Paso, Texas

No information has been received to indicate that the CP has infiltrated or dominates the NAACP branches in the El Paso Division.

At San Antonio, Texas

No information has been received to indicate that the CP has infiltrated or dominates the NAACP Branches in the San Antonio Division.

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UTAH

At Salt Lake City, Utah

Salt Lake City Branch

[REDACTED] of the Salt Lake City Branch NAACP, which contains [REDACTED] members.

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It was noted that among those listed as members were the following individuals:

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Utah [redacted] Members NAACP b7D
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Informant advised that none of the above people whose names are listed take an active part in the affairs of the Salt Lake City Chapter or have any controlling influence over its officers. u

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VERMONT

At Albany, New York

No information has been received that would indicate any CP infiltration or domination of the NAACP in Vermont.

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Member NAACP

WASHINGTON

At Seattle, Washington

No additional information has been received to indicate any CP infiltration or domination of the NAACP in Washington.

WEST VIRGINIA

At Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

No additional information has been received which would indicate that the NAACP in West Virginia has been infiltrated or is dominated by the CP.

WISCONSIN

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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MICHAEL JOHN ONDREJKA, self-admitted member of the CP of Wisconsin from October, 1949, to 1953, at public hearings of the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HUCA) held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on March 28, 29 and 30, 1955, identified MORTIMER ALTMAN as a member of the CP. u

MARY LEIGH PHILLIPS was identified as a member of the CP of Wisconsin by MICHAEL JOHN ONDREJKA at public hearings of the HUCA held in Milwaukee on March 28, 29 and 30, 1955. u

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WYOMING

At Denver, Colorado

No information has been received to indicate that the NAACP in Wyoming has been infiltrated by the CP.

DISTRICTS OF PUERTO RICO AND VIRGIN ISLANDS

At San Juan, Puerto Rico

No information has been reported of any active NAACP Branch in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

The suitable pretext call made to an executive of the NAACP was made on 1/6/56 by SA █ b7c
to Mr. HENRY LEE MOON, Director, Public Relations, NAACP, 20 W. 40th Street. █ b7E
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The suitable pretext call made to an executive of the NLCCR was made on 1/9/56 by SA █ b7c
to Mr. ARNOLD MARONSON, Secretary of the NLCCR. █ b7E

It is to be noted that info concerning NAACP activities in the Richmond, Va. area has not yet been received by the NYO. Pertinent info from Richmond will be included in a subsequent report.

LEADS (INFORMATION)

One copy of this report is being forwarded to the Albany, Baltimore, Buffalo, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, Detroit, Los Angeles, Newark and New Haven Offices in view of the indicated activity on the part of the CP to infiltrate branches of the NAACP within these respective territories.

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NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will continue to follow CP infiltration of the NAACP on a national scale and report results as of April 15 and October 15, of each calendar year. u

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Bureau letter to New York, 2/10/54. b7c
Report of SA [REDACTED] 1/17/56, NY.
NY letter to Director, 5/16/56. u

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National Headquarters for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) continues to be located at 20 W. 40th Street, NYC. "NY Times" article of 1/8/57, states NAACP income for 1956 exceeded one million dollars and membership surpassed 350,000 members, both figures are records. Total of 40,000 new members were enrolled in 1956. Strong points of NAACP membership are Detroit, Los Angeles, Cleveland, Baltimore, New York, Washington, Philadelphia and Chicago. The article reflects that the officers and directors of the NAACP were re-elected. NAACP 47th Annual Convention held June 26 to July 1, 1956, in San Francisco, California. Convention reaffirmed and extended 1950 resolution against Communism. Resolution bars NAACP membership to individuals with Communist affiliations.

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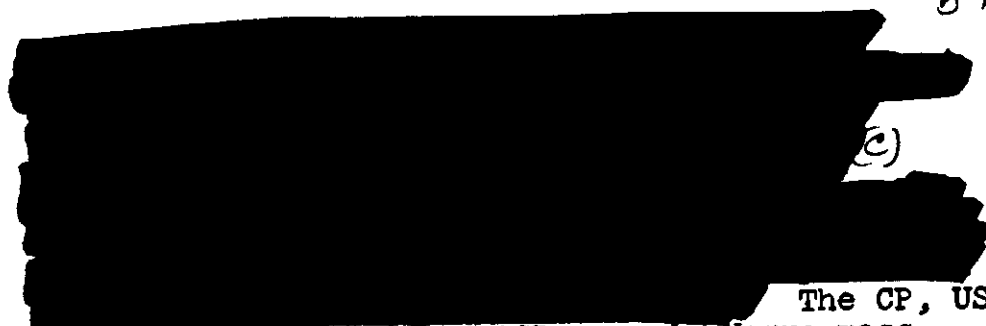
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The CP, USA continues to consider NAACP as main Negro mass organization and desires program to win leadership among Negro organizations. September, 1956 issue of "Political Affairs" carried an article entitled "The NAACP Convention." Various attempts have been made by the CP to infiltrate and dominate certain NAACP branches throughout the

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United States and its territories. Identities of known CP members in various branches throughout the United States set forth. ✕

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DETAILS: This investigation is predicated upon information received that members of the Communist Party (CP) have infiltrated the captioned organization. Our investigation is directed solely toward establishing the extent and the result of this infiltration. The FBI is not investigating the legitimate activities of this organization. u

For the purpose of brevity, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will henceforth be referred to as the NAACP. u

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The following organizations utilized in this report have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450: u

- CP
- Communist Political Association (CPA)
- Civil Rights Congress (CRC)
- Independent Socialist League (ISL)
- Jefferson School of Social Science (JSSS)
- Labor Youth League (LYL)
- Socialist Workers Party (SWP)

The following organizations and/or publications which are utilized in this report and which have not been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450 are characterized in the attached Appendix section: u

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National Lawyers Guild (NLG)
"Political Affairs"
Teachers Union of New York City
Westchester Citizens for Justice (WCJ)
Young Socialist League (YSL)

NATIONAL SECTION

Address

The current Manhattan Telephone Directory reflects that the address for the NAACP continues to be 20 West 40th Street, New York City. u

Growth and Membership

"The New York Times," issue of January 8, 1957, page 19, columns 3, 4 and 5, carried an article entitled "N.A.A.C.P. Income Rises to Million." This article reflects that the NAACP reported at its annual meeting on January 7, 1957, that its income in the year 1956 was more than one million dollars and that the membership surpassed 350,000, both of these are records.

✓ ROY, WILKINS, Executive Secretary, NAACP stated that it could not be determined whether increased financial support had come about despite bitter opposition to the Association or because of it. Last year, for the first time the Association was attacked directly as an organized body in state legal and legislative actions. Thus it was crippled or made inoperative in Louisiana, Alabama, Texas, Georgia and Virginia. u

The article continues that nevertheless, the NAACP had received at its headquarters the sum of \$682,906 from all sources in the year 1956. This sum was the highest total in the history of the NAACP and was

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\$48,000 larger than the figure in 1955. Of the total, \$364,000 was income from membership fees from branches, an increase of \$57,000. The branches themselves kept a total of \$250,000. U

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In addition, the article reflects other fiscal items, such as life membership payments, brought in \$98,838, which was \$14,000 more than the year 1955. The NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, which is incorporated separately, received \$300,000. U

A total of 40,000 new members were enrolled by the Association in the year 1956. The strong points of membership for the NAACP were in Detroit (18,204), Los Angeles, Cleveland, New York (11,871) and Baltimore, Washington, Philadelphia and Chicago. U

THURGOOD MARSHALL, Special Counsel, ^{NAACP} announced that in 1957 efforts would be directed toward integration in the Southern states. In the South, he explained, the process would be one of steady progress. U

The article also contains the following statement: U

"Prejudiced state officials are requiring us to establish precedents in the federal courts which will affirmatively block them from continuing to use so-called legal means in an effort to accomplish unlawful purposes. Before long we will have precedents enough to protect ourselves against all such methods. We will then be free to operate with the full benefit of the law of the land. We will not be prodded to move more rapidly than wisdom requires us to do." U

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Officers and Directors

The above article also contains information that the officers and directors of the NAACP were re-elected. J. WESLEY DOBBS of Atlanta was elected a vice president and ROBERT L. CARTER was named general counsel to assist Mr. MARSHALL. *u* no loc

NAACP National Convention

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[REDACTED] that there was no activity at the convention which could be termed Communist activity or Communist inspired. The informant stated that the keynote address of THURGOOD MARSHALL, which included statements to the effect that there was no place in the NAACP for CP members or sympathizers, set an anti-Communist theme for the entire convention.

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[REDACTED] that the reaffirmation of the 1950 resolution was meant to impress upon the people that the NAACP-sponsored legislation and activity is not Communist inspired.

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[REDACTED] that he had heard rumors that there were Communists at the convention, but had heard no specifics in this regard. The informant stated that resolutions favoring the Communist cause were voted down before they reached the convention floor.

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The "Political Affairs" issue of September, 1956, carries an article entitled "The NAACP Convention." The article points out that the NAACP is the most vital

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and authoritative center of Negro militant protest, organized mass struggle, and democratic unity of Negro and white Americans in the struggle for equal constitutional rights. u

Board Chairman CHANNING T. TOBIAS, in his greetings to the convention, noted that the membership had increased as well as the income to the organization. Most significant was 480 of the Association's branches (and more than fifty per cent of its membership remain on) the front line of battle in the South. u

Under a subtitle of "Increased Militancy," the article states that the convention adopted what appears to be a more militant posture in the fight for Negro rights than at any time in the recent past. u

The convention speeches were echoed in the first substantive resolution of the convention, the preamble of which equated the popular concept of moderation with stagnation and declared: u

"Action is what we seek.....action to demolish the whole jim crow structure. Action to assure forever the equality of rights and human dignity proclaimed in all the great ethical political documents of humanity. Action to end forever inequality of rights among mankind of whatever race, of whatever faith."

According to the article, this was a prime evidence of the militant character of the NAACP convention which was unanimous and resounding in its rejection of the doctrines of gradualism and moderation. u

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At the convention, the Montgomery boycott issue became a prime factor. The question confronting the convention was not what attitude to take toward the Montgomery or the Tallahassee bus boycotts. These were already in being, largely successful, and enjoying wide public support. The question, as placed in the keynote speech of THURGOOD MARSHALL, was to make the most careful evaluation of this technique (non-violent resistance to segregation) to determine to what extent it can be used in addition to other means of protest.

The article states that the reasons why such a "careful examination" is required, were as follows:

1. The boycott, a practically unanimous movement, provided a graphic demonstration of the all-class, all-denominational, all-party unity of the Negro people in action.
2. The unity had effectively undermined the contention of the White Citizens Council forces that the demand for inter-gration was fostered among Southern Negroes by "outside agitators" bent on destroying the "peaceful relations between the races" in the interest of some alleged sinister "Communistic" objectives.
3. The movement had attracted to itself the enthusiastic morale and material support of the entire Negro people.
4. The insistence on non-violence and the phenomenal discipline of the boycotters had disarmed the minority of active white supremacists who could not succeed in

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manufacturing the provocation with which to arouse masses of whites and to blackmail the municipal, county and state police forces to drown the movement in the Negro protestants.

5. The mass action of the Negroes had won the active support of a small minority of white people and had served to neutralize or stimulate the grudging and passive sympathy of a probable majority, despite deep-rooted prejudices.

All these factors seemed to provide an important part, though not all, of the answer to the prime question facing the Negro freedom movement.

The article, under the title "The Ideas of Dr. King," states that this problem received a remarkable contribution from Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, President of the Montgomery Improvement Association. Dr. KING visited the convention for the purpose of telling the Montgomery story and in so doing he gave voice to the philosophy of struggle which had been taking shape among the leadership of the Montgomery Improvement Association in the course of the boycott. Some of the main elements are as follows:

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1. It places major emphasis on the "new Negro." One can never understand the bus protest without understanding that there is a new Negro in the South who has a new sense of dignity and destiny.
2. Its a philosophy of active mass struggle.

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5. It envisions and calls for a movement of all classes in Negro life sharing equally the burdens, tasks and rewards of the struggle for freedom. It urges the muting of internal class antagonisms and struggles among the oppressed Negro people.
4. It recognizes the need for white allies in a general sense, but does not emphasize the need for forging a special alliance between the Negro people and the white workers in order to achieve the particular as well as the common aims of both in a joint struggle against an identical foe, monopolized big business and the plantation oligarchs.
5. It places prime reliance on the Negro people themselves in the battle for equality.
6. It places the American Negro liberation movement within the framework of contemporary colonial revolutionary upsurge and draws inspiration and precept from the example of India and GANDHI.
7. It draws heavily upon the bourgeois-pacifist interpretation of the redemptive power of idealistic "love as the regulating ideal."

Under the title, "On Non-Violent Resistance," the article states that it was against the background of this philosophy, then, that Reverend KING placed before the NAACP convention the challenge of adopting the method of non-violent resistance as a mass technique in the

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struggle for Negro rights. The question of what action should be taken was put in a resolution which indicated that even though the NAACP has examined to some extent the effectiveness of the passive non-violent resistance on a local level, the NAACP is not ready to take a position on this as a national project.

The convention action in postponing decision on non-violent passive resistance registered the fact that, on this issue, the groupings which make up the more resistant and politically conservative trend, had the upper hand in the convention. It is unlikely, however, according to the article, that the Association will be able to maintain this posture of indecision for very long. The prospects of affirmative action on the resolution will depend, among other factors, on the steady increase in the Association of the influence of the more militant forces merging in the Southern struggle and of the trade-union spokesmen of the working class.

The article also treats "Labor and the NAACP" as a title and the viewpoint of labor was most strikingly presented at the convention in an address by A. PHILIP RANDOLPH, Vice President of AFL-CIO and President of the Sleeping Car Porters. In the following terms, he pointed to the most urgent unfinished business on labor's agenda:

Philip Randolph
"Obviously, the development of a strong and aggressive movement in the South, embracing black and white workers; is the key to the transition of control of Southern economy, state and local politics and governments from the weak and palsied hands of a rural, semi-feudalistic sharecropper and tenant farming economy, the breeding ground of Ku Kluxism, White Citizens Councils, racism, lynch-law

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"and illiterate emotional white masses to an urban industrialism and labor unionism where the paramount social struggle will shift from racialism to economic, social and political reformism in the interests of higher wages and improved living standards and better government for all citizens, black and white."

According to the article, RANDOLPH's speech was well received by the delegates of the convention and it states:

"It must remain a concern of the Left and Party forces in the labor movement that we tend to 'lag behind' the possibilities in the fight for Negro rights in the recent AFL-CIO merger. The fact is that in many areas our forces did not see the realistic opportunity and did not press for the election of one Negro to an AFL-CIO presidency, not to speak of two. There was a tendency to underestimate the readiness of the white membership of local unions to struggle for Negro rights and therefore to see the placing of the demands of the Negro people in connection with the merger as a divisive rather than a uniting factor. This represented a Right opportunist weakness which persists in our Negro work and must be eliminated at the same time that we continue and intensify the struggle against the major 'left' sectarian errors which have characterized Party practice generally in the past several years."

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It is noted that here the article refers to the Negro vice presidents of the AFL-CIO, RANDOLPH and WILLARD TOWNSEND, President of the United Transport Service Employees, who are also vice presidents of the NAACP.

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The article, under the caption "Labor and Industry Committees," states that the participation of these trade unionists in the convention underscores the growing importance of the labor and industry committees of the local branches of the NAACP. These committees provided the most direct liaison between the community branches and the labor movement. In a number of areas, they have spearheaded important membership growth of the branches and strengthened the militant, mass character of their activities. u

In some instances, leaders of the labor-industry committees, by their good work in building the Association and winning for it the active support of the trade unions, have been entrusted with decisive positions of leadership in the NAACP branches as a whole. By building these committees is the practical way of carrying into life the leading role and special initiative of the Negro workers in the Negro liberation movement. u

Under "Civil Liberties," the article treats the anti-Communist resolution passed at the convention as the strongest adopted since the original one was introduced at the 1950 Boston convention. u

"Undoubtedly, in the view of the top national leadership of the Association, the resolution was also seen as a means of 'clearing their skirts' of NAACP in face of the mud-slinging campaign of the white citizens councils....." u

"We contend that the hard blows of experience will eventually convince the NAACP that such measures are futile, that civil liberties are indivisible, that their own attack upon the Communists weakens rather than strengthens the NAACP in its battle with the Dixiecrats." u

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The article concludes by stating that the 47th Annual Convention of the NAACP represented an important landmark in the historic struggles of the Negro people for freedom. Its deliberations and resolutions provided the basis for furthering the militant unity of the Negro people, their alliance with the working class and the speedy end of the hated Jim Crow system. u

STATE AND LOCAL

There follows hereafter a summary of the efforts of the CP, USA, to infiltrate the NAACP. This information is being submitted geographically by states and territories. u

ALABAMA

At Birmingham, Alabama

No additional information has been received indicating Communist infiltration of the NAACP in the Birmingham Division. There are no known Communists in the Birmingham area who are members of the NAACP. u ok

At Mobile, Alabama

No additional information has been received indicating Communist infiltration of the NAACP in the Mobile Division. ok

ALASKA

At Anchorage, Alaska

No indication of Communist infiltration of the NAACP chapters located in Anchorage and Fairbanks, Alaska, has been reported. u

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ARIZONA

At Phoenix, Arizona

No additional information has been received that would indicate that the CP has accomplished any infiltration of the NAACP in Arizona. *ok*

ARKANSAS

At Little Rock, Arkansas

No additional information has been reported which would indicate that CP members have infiltrated any branches of the NAACP in Arkansas. *ok*

CALIFORNIA

At Los Angeles, California

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At New Haven, Connecticut

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~~Mr. JACOB GOLDRING~~ is publicly known as one of the CP leaders in Connecticut who was convicted of violation of the Smith Act of 1940 in United States District Court, New Haven, Connecticut, on March 29, 1956. U

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

At Washington, D. C. *ok*

No additional information has been received to reflect any Communist infiltration of the NAACP in the District of Columbia. *u*

FLORIDA

At Miami, Florida *ok*

No additional information has been received to reflect any Communist infiltration of the NAACP in Florida. *u*

GEORGIA

At Atlanta, Georgia *ok*

No additional information has been received reflecting any Communist infiltration of the NAACP in the Atlanta Division. *u*

At Savannah, Georgia *ok*

No additional information has been received to indicate any Communist infiltration of the NAACP in the Southern District of Georgia. *u*

HAWAII

At Honolulu, Hawaii *ok*

Information has been reported that the NAACP is non-existent in the Territory of Hawaii. *u*

IDAHO

At Butte, Montana *ok*

No information has been reported indicating any attempts of the CP to infiltrate chapters of the NAACP in Idaho. *u*

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At Springfield, Illinois

No information has been received indicating any Communist infiltration of the NAACP in the Springfield Division.

INDIANA

At Indianapolis, Indiana

No additional information has been received indicating any CP infiltration of the NAACP in Indiana.

IOWA

At Omaha, Nebraska

No additional information has been reported to indicate any CP infiltration of the NAACP Branches in the State of Iowa.

KANSAS

At Kansas City, Missouri

No information has been received reflecting any attempts on the part of the CP to infiltrate the NAACP in Kansas.

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KENTUCKY

At Louisville, Kentucky

No additional information has been received of any Communist infiltration or control in the NAACP in the State of Kentucky.

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At New Orleans, Louisiana

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MAINE

At Boston, Massachusetts

No information has been received indicating any CP infiltration of the NAACP in Maine.

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MASSACHUSETTS

At Boston, Massachusetts

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No additional information has been received to indicate any CP infiltration or domination of any NAACP Branches in Massachusetts.

MICHIGAN

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MINNESOTA

At Minneapolis, Minnesota

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No further information has been received which indicates any CP infiltration or control of the NAACP in Minnesota.

MISSISSIPPI

At New Orleans, Louisiana

No additional information has been received to indicate any CP infiltration of the NAACP, Southern District of Mississippi.

At Memphis, Tennessee

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No information has been reported that would indicate any CP infiltration of the NAACP in the areas of Mississippi covered by the Memphis Division.

MISSOURI

At Kansas City, Missouri

No information has been received that would indicate any CP infiltration of the NAACP Branches in the Kansas City Division.

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MONTANA

At Butte, Montana

No evidence of any attempts by the CP to infiltrate the NAACP in Montana has been reported.

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At Salt Lake City, Utah

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NEW HAMPSHIRE

At Boston, Massachusetts

No information has been received indicating any CP infiltration of the NAACP in New Hampshire.

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Yonkers, New York, NAACP Branch

The Yonkers, New York, "Herald Statesmen" issue of December 18, 1956, page 14 contained an article entitled "NAACP Here Re-elects E. O. AUSTIN." The article states that EDMUND O. AUSTIN, JR. was re-elected president of the Yonkers Branch, NAACP. Other officers elected were as follows:

- Mrs. MAY ROBINSON, First Vice President.
- CURTIS GIDDINGS, Second Vice President.
- Mrs. JUANITA DAVIS, Recording Secretary.
- Mrs. MABEL CRIER, Treasurer.
- Mrs. BEA SEITZMAN, Financial Secretary.

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At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

No evidence of Communist infiltration of the NAACP in Oklahoma has been received.

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RHODE ISLAND

At Boston, Massachusetts

No information has been received to indicate any Communist infiltration or domination of the NAACP in Rhode Island. u

SOUTH CAROLINA

At Savannah, Georgia

No information has been received to indicate that the CP has infiltrated the NAACP in South Carolina. u

SOUTH DAKOTA

At Minneapolis, Minnesota

No information has been received to indicate any CP infiltration of the NAACP in South Dakota. u

TENNESSEE

At Memphis, Tennessee

No additional information has been received to indicate that the CP has infiltrated or dominated the NAACP branches located in the Memphis Division. u

At Knoxville, Tennessee

No additional information has been received to indicate that the CP has infiltrated or dominated the NAACP branches located in the Knoxville Division. u

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At Dallas, Texas

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At El Paso, Texas

No additional information has been received to indicate that the CP has infiltrated or dominated any of the NAACP branches in the El Paso Division. u

At Houston, Texas

No additional information has been received to indicate that the CP has infiltrated or dominated any of the NAACP branches in the Houston Division. u

At San Antonio, Texas

No additional information has been received to indicate that the CP either has infiltrated or dominates the NAACP branches in the San Antonio Division. u

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VERMONT

At Albany, New York

No information has been received that would indicate any CP infiltration or domination of the NAACP in Vermont.

VIRGINIA

At Norfolk, Virginia

No additional information of a specific nature has been received that would indicate the CP has either infiltrated or dominated chapters of the NAACP in the Norfolk Division.

At Richmond, Virginia

No additional information has been received which would indicate that the CP has infiltrated chapters of the NAACP in the Richmond Division.

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At Seattle, Washington

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Spokane Chapter

The "Spokane Chronical", Spokane Washington, issue of March 28, 1956, reflected that the president of the Spokane Chapter was JAMES E. CHASE and the Legal Counsel of the branch was CARL MAXEY.

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WYOMING

At Denver, Colorado

No information has been received to indicate that the NAACP in Wyoming has been infiltrated by the CP. u

DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO AND VIRGIN ISLANDS

At San Juan, Puerto Rico

No information has been reported of any active NAACP branch in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. u

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EMMA LAZARUS FEDERATION
OF JEWISH WOMEN'S CLUBS

"The Jewish Fraternalist" dated October, 1947, self-identified as the official publication of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order (JPFO) of the International Workers Order (IWO), on page 6, contained an article which reflected that the Emma Lazarus Division (ELD) of the JPFO was to hold its first national convention in New York City on November 15 and 16, 1947, after having been first established at a National Women's Conference called three years previously by the JPFO.

The "Morning Freiheit" on January 25, 1951, contained a report on the National Convention of the ELD of the JPFO which took place in New York City on January 20 and 21, 1951. At this convention it was noted the ELD changed its name to Emma Lazarus Federation of Jewish Women's Clubs (ELF) and adopted a new constitution.

The address of the national office of the ELF is 160 Fifth Avenue, Room 911, New York City.

Both the IWO and the JPFO have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The "Daily Worker", an east coast Communist newspaper, in its issue of December 9, 1946, page 7, column 1, in an editorial, referred to the "Morning Freiheit" as a Jewish-language Communist paper.

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POLITICAL AFFAIRS

Is the official monthly theoretical organ of the Communist Party, United States of America, according to the testimony of ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, self-admitted member of the National Committee, Communist Party, United States of America, on October 20, 1952, in connection with the trial of the United States vs ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, ET AL. 4

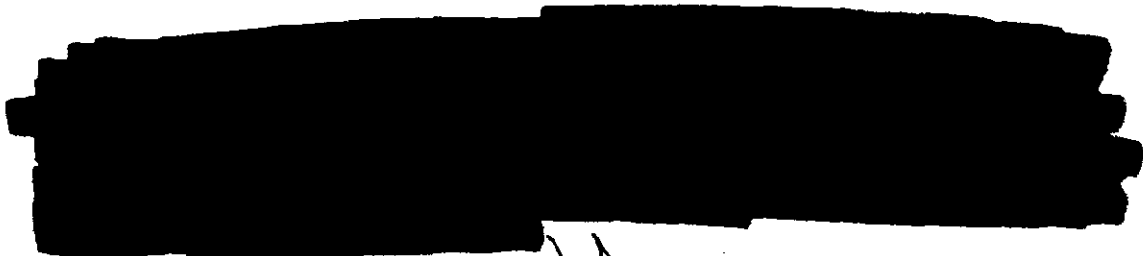
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TEACHERS UNION OF NEW YORK CITY



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The 1942 report of the Sub-committee Relative to the Public Education System of the City of New York, New York, New York States Legislature, (Rapp-Coudert Committee) page 178, states as follows concerning the TU:

"The history of the Communist movement in the New York City school system is primarily the history of the so-called Teachers Union of the City of New York, formerly Local 5 of the American Federation of Teachers, a national trade union affiliated with the American Federation of Labor and of its subsidiary, the College Teachers Union, formerly Local 537 of the American Federation of Teachers, which was founded by Local 5 in 1938. In the following pages we trace machinations of the Communists in Locals 5 and 537, showing how they began in Local 5 in a small way in the 1920's, grew, precipitated internal strife within the organization and finally brought affairs to such a pass that the founders and leaders of the union could tolerate the situation no longer and withdrew in 1935, leaving the Communists in complete control.

"Thereafter, the union was used solely as a vehicle for Party line propaganda, and revolutionary agitation, until, as a result of the labors of

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"persons in the teaching profession following the revelation of this Committee, the members of the AFT revoked the charters of Local 5 and 537 in 1941 by referendum, on the ground that these locals were under the control of the Communist Party and had consistently engaged in practices inimical to democracy."

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The "Daily Worker" issue of February 16, 1953, page 2, column 5, noted that the New York TU "acting in accordance with a joint membership and special delegates meeting of February 8 (1953)" had announced it would henceforth be an independent organization of teachers and had ended its affiliation with the United Public Workers.

The "Directory of National and International Labor Unions in the United States, 1955" pages 3 and 4, reflects that the United Public Workers of America was one of 11 unions expelled from the CIO on charges of Communist domination. According to this pamphlet, the United Public Workers of America was expelled on March 1, 1950, and disbanded in February, 1953.

BELLA V. DODD, former Legislative Director of the TU from 1936 to 1944, and who left this position to become Legislative Director of the New York State Communist Party, makes the following characterization of the TU in her book "School of Darkness," page 160:

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"...this union, now a sturdy arm of the Communist Party,..."

BELLA DODD, in her book on page 161, also noted that following her leaving the TU she retained her membership as an honorary member of the TU, and at the direction of the Communist Party she remained on the top Communist Committee of the TU. Miss DODD was expelled from the Communist Party in June, 1949.

BELLA DODD, in her book "School of Darkness" also noted that the TU has been known as Local 5 (American Federation of Teachers) of the American Federation of Labor and Local 555 (State, County, and Municipal Workers of America) (United Public Workers of America) of the CIO.



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The "New York Teacher News," official newspaper of the TU, issue of May 5, 1956, reflects that ABRAHAM LEDERMAN and ROSE V. RUSSELL continue to be officials of the TU.

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WESTCHESTER CITIZENS FOR JUSTICE (WCJ)

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furnished an undated letter captioned, "Westchester Citizens for Justice," 278 Warburton Avenue, Yonkers, New York. This letter reflected that the WCJ was established in an effort to rid Westchester County of discrimination and alleged police brutality toward Negroes. The letter listed BEATRICE MILWE, Mamaroneck, New York, as Executive Secretary of the group.

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The "Yonkers Herald Statesman" issue of October 25, 1952, contained an article stating that a delegation of 26 persons representing the WCJ filed in Governor DEWEY'S office yesterday a petition asking a special Grand Jury investigation of law enforcement agencies of Yonkers and Westchester County, and appointment of a qualified Negro to the Westchester District Attorney's Office.

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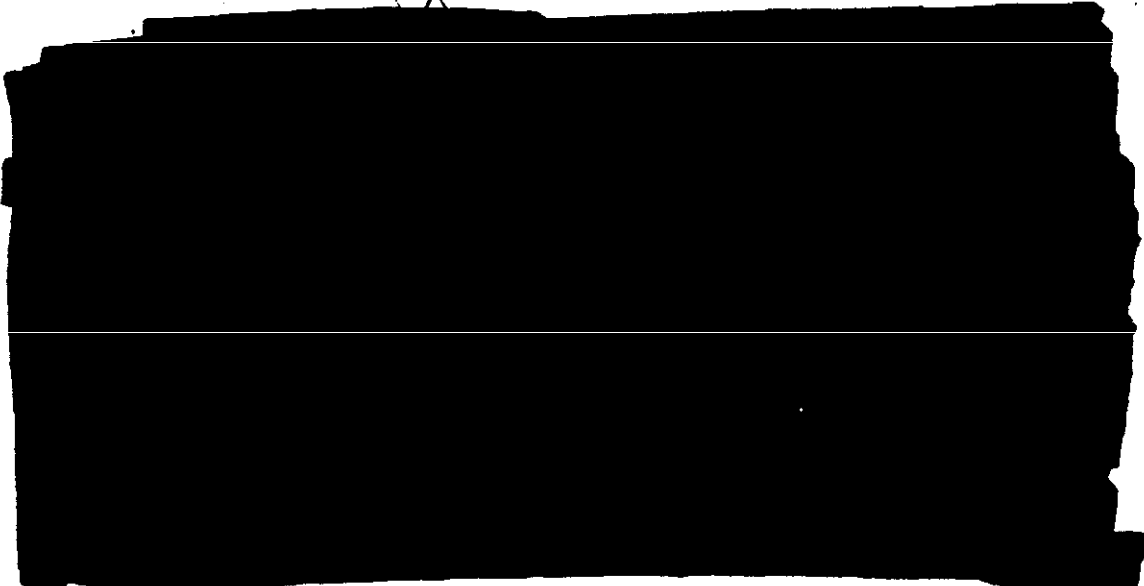
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YOUNG SOCIALIST LEAGUE (YSL)

The national headquarters of the YSL is located at 114 West 14th Street, New York City.

The March 1, 1954, issue of the "Young Socialist Challenge," published as page 3 of "Labor Action," contained an article concerning the creation of the YSL, which pointed out that at a unity convention occurring February 12-14, 1954, at Labor Action Hall, New York City, a merger occurred between the Young People's Socialist League (YPSL) and the Socialist Youth League (SYL). The new organization was named the YSL.



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On April 9, 1956, another confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised as follows: U

The YSL has frequently worked in close sympathetic cooperation with the ISL towards similar objectives, although each major issue given mutual consideration is decided upon by these organizations individually. The YSL serves as an apprenticeship for the ISL, but ISL selection of members from YSL ranks is made on an individual and personal basis.

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In many instances YSL members are also members of the ISL. The YSL and the ISL utilize the same printing house in New York City, and the YSL publication is printed as an insert in the ISL publication "Labor Action." Frequently, lecturers before the YSL are ISL members. u

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indicated activity on the part of the CP to infiltrate branches of the NAACP within these respective territories. u

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At New York, New York

Will continue to follow CP infiltration of the NAACP on a National scale and report results as of April 15 and October 15, of each calander year. u

REFERENCE: Bureau letter to NY, 2/10/54.

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Synopsis:

Memphis Branch NAACP has continued opposition to Communist efforts to infiltrate. [REDACTED] Information set out regarding several NAACP Branches in other parts of Miss. and Tenn., and no information is available indicating any pro-Communist influence.

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DETAILS:

I. SCOPE AND GENERAL ACTIVITIES

A. MEMPHIS

The Tri-State Defender, a newspaper published in Memphis, Tennessee for the Negro people, contained in the issue of March 2, 1957 on Page 16, an item captioned "NAACP Locals Urged to Adopt One." This article reflects that GLOSTER B. CURRENT, NAACP Director of Branches, had urged branches outside of the South to adopt branches in one of the three southern states where the association has been banned. This was designed,

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according to the article, to offset a severe loss in membership and funds.

The March 2, 1957 issue of the Tri-State Defender contained a news article reflecting that JACKIE ROBINSON, former baseball star, was to speak in Memphis that evening on behalf of the NAACP annual membership drive.

The March 4, 1957 issue of the Press-Scimitar, a daily newspaper of general circulation in Memphis, reported on the above appearance of JACKIE ROBINSON at a Memphis NAACP meeting. The article reflected that there were 3000 people at the meeting at the Mason Temple in Memphis. The article indicated that Dr. J.E. WALKER, President of the Tri-State Bank of Memphis and Chairman of the Board of the Universal Life Insurance Company, Memphis, both allegedly owned and operated by Negroes, explained to those in attendance the lifetime NAACP memberships would cost \$500. The article indicated that Dr. WALKER was one of four Memphis life members.

The article indicated that Lt. GEORGE W. LEE, "Republican Old Guard Leader" called on the Negroes of Memphis to use the ballot box to win their rights.

The article quoted JACKIE ROBINSON as urging the members to "do everything short of violence to obtain our rights as citizens." ROBINSON also noted there are 180,000 Negroes in Memphis and the goal of 5000 members in the NAACP was not very good.

After ROBINSON's speech, according to the above news article, Reverend ROY W. NORSWORTHY, Pastor of Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, Memphis, took over and organized a system whereby all filed past tables to contribute and that \$4000 was raised.

The Memphis World, a semiweekly newspaper published in Memphis by and for the Negro people, in the March 6, 1957 issue, reported that in addition to the above, the following appeared on this program: Reverend HENRY C. BUNTON, Reverend S.A. OWEN, Bishop J. O. PATTERSON, and Attorney H.C. LOCKARD, Memphis NAACP President.

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The Memphis Commercial Appeal, a daily newspaper of general circulation published in Memphis, in the November 15, 1956 issue reported that Federal Judge WILLIAM E. MILLER had taken under advisement the Nashville School Board's proposal for gradual desegregation of city schools in Nashville. The article noted that the case was brought by the NAACP. The article reflected that Z. ALEXANDER LOOBY of Nashville is an attorney for the NAACP.

The Memphis Commercial Appeal in the December 23, 1956 issue reported that the Shelby County, Tennessee Delegation to the January 1957 State Legislature would propose legislation to require the NAACP to "bare its treasury sources and membership rolls in the state." The article indicated that the bill was expected to receive strong support throughout the state and would require the NAACP in order to do business in Tennessee to file a list of members, disclose sources of all revenue and appoint an agent for the service of process in each grand division of the state. The article indicated that although the proposed bill would be directed at the NAACP, that that organization would probably not be mentioned at the legislation.

The Commercial Appeal in the December 27, 1956 issue, in regard to the above matter, stated that Reverend J.F. GRIMMETT, President of the Tennessee Branch of the NAACP, "hoped enough good judgment and reason will prevail in the Legislature so that a fight won't be needed." The article stated that the NAACP, according to GRIMMETT, would meet in January to decide on a policy in this matter.

The January 23, 1957 issue of the Nashville Tennessean, a daily paper of general circulation published in Nashville, stated "the state president of NAACP termed grade-at-a-time desegregation 'procrastination' yesterday but said the organization has not decided if it will take further action in Nashville's school desegregation lawsuit." The article further stated that Reverend J.F.

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GRIMMETT, Baptist Pastor of 1306 10th Avenue, N, Nashville, denied saying that the above decision "may be appealed to the U. S. Supreme Court." The article also quoted Z. ALEXANDER LOOBY as stating he did not know whether or not the decision would be appealed.

The Commercial Appeal in the February 14, 1957 issue indicated that the Tennessee Legislature in Nashville was preparing to take action on two segregation bills, one of which it stated was aimed at the NAACP and would outlaw barratry, which it defined as stirring up litigation. The article indicated that any corporation convicted of the offense of barratry would be subject to a \$10,000 fine and lawyers so convicted could be disbarred. It indicated that the other "anti-NAACP bill" was the one designed to force the organization to disclose its members and sources of revenue.

The Nashville Banner in the March 12, 1957 issue reported that Governor FRANK CLEMENT had signed the above anti-NAACP Bill.

C. OTHER BRANCHES IN SMALL TOWNS

The Jackson, Tennessee Sun, in the issues of October 19 and October 21, 1956, reported on the 10th Annual State Conference of the NAACP which began in Jackson on October 19, 1956. The articles noted that Reverend U. Z. MCKINNON is President of the NAACP Chapter in Jackson. The article stated that delegates were in attendance from Alcoa, Memphis, Chattanooga, Clarksville, Jackson, Murfreesboro, Nashville and Knoxville, Tennessee. Rev. GRIMMETT, the State President, was quoted as urging the members to convince the pastors of their churches and then they could convince the members of the churches.

The Commercial Appeal in the October 20, 1956 issue, in discussing the above State Conference, reported that talks were made by JUANITA CUMMINGS, Reverend F. D. COLEMAN, J. S. MERRY, all of Jackson, Tennessee, and H. T. LOCKARD, Attorney and President of the Memphis Chapter.

The Memphis World, in the October 24, 1956 issue, quoted Reverend GRIMMETT at the above meeting as having stated it was the first conference to be held recently in West Tennessee, which he described as "the heart of prejudice, the most troubled area in the state."

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The Clarksdale, Mississippi Press Register, a daily paper published in Clarksdale, in the January 21, 1957 issue, reported on a meeting of the Coahoma County Branch of the NAACP held on January 20, 1957 at the Haven Methodist Church in Clarksdale. The article reported that the meeting was attended by about 275 people, and that seventy-four members paid dues for the coming year, and that an offering of \$200 was made to the NAACP. It further reported that persons who feel economic pressure because of their membership could contribute financially without having their names placed on the Association's rolls. The article quote AARON HENRY, the re-elected President of the County Branch, as stating the NAACP was the only solvent organization which he knew of that wanted to go out of business, which it would do according to HENRY, "when the Negroes get their freedom."

II. OFFICERS

The Memphis World, in the December 1, 1956 issue, reported that the officers of the Memphis Branch of the NAACP were re-elected, they being as follows:

H. T. LOCKARD, Attorney, President; Reverend D. S. CUNNINGHAM, Vice President; Reverend ALEXANDER GLADNEY, Second Vice President; Miss ELSIE VAUGHN, Secretary; J. C. STAFFORD, Treasurer; and the Reverend F. T. STEWARD, Chaplain.

The article also indicated that EDGAR DAVIS, a member of the board, was present at the time of the election held at the Mt. Olive Cathedral in Memphis on Sunday, November 25, 1956.

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C. OTHER BRANCHES

There is no information available to this office regarding any Communist activity or influence in the small rural branches of the NAACP at Jackson, Tennessee or Clarksdale, Mississippi

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AT MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

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