

WANTED
 Club, Fraternal and Social News
 This is YOUR Newspaper . . .
 so help make it yours by send-
 ing in these happenings.

LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
 OCT 23
 PORTLAND, OREGON

Portland Inquirer

Oregon's Negro Weekly

SUBSCRIBE TO
 YOUR
 PROGRESSIVE
 NEGRO NEWSPAPER

VOLUME 1 Published each Friday PORTLAND, ORE., OCTOBER 20, 1944 PRICE 10c NUMBER 15

CHANCE TO LIVE PROMISED BY DEWEY

NEW YORK—The tragedy of a man or woman earning scarcely enough to keep soul and body together being required to pay income tax in order to sustain the mountainous New Deal bureaucracy will be wiped out with the election of Governor Thomas E. Dewey as President of the United States.

The Republican Presidential nominee last Tuesday, in a radio address heard from Coast to Coast over the Mutual network, in announcing the tax policy the new administration will adopt, bitterly assailed taxes "which eat into the income of those who are already below a decent American standard of living."

The Governor proposes the establishment of a consistent national tax policy, directed toward achieving full employment and a rising national income which will assure our solvency and ultimate reduction of the national debt.

Of tremendous interest to the little wage earner is Governor Dewey's promises to revise personal exemptions so that a person earning as little as \$11 a week will not have any income tax taken from his pay envelope.

The discussion of taxes is a dull subject, but when it is considered that the power to tax is the power to destroy, it is readily understood how important the subject is. A person may earn a fairly decent wage, but taxes, some hidden, might easily reduce the income to a mere pittance. Taxes are largely responsible for the financial condition in which a person finds himself when he says, "What on earth did I do with that money I had." What he doesn't realize is that taxes got a great part of it, and therefore, he has nothing to show for his expenditures. At present a great part goes to run the war, but before the war, and in many instances now, a large part of our money was used to sustain the New Deal in power.

Other proposals of Gov. Dewey include:

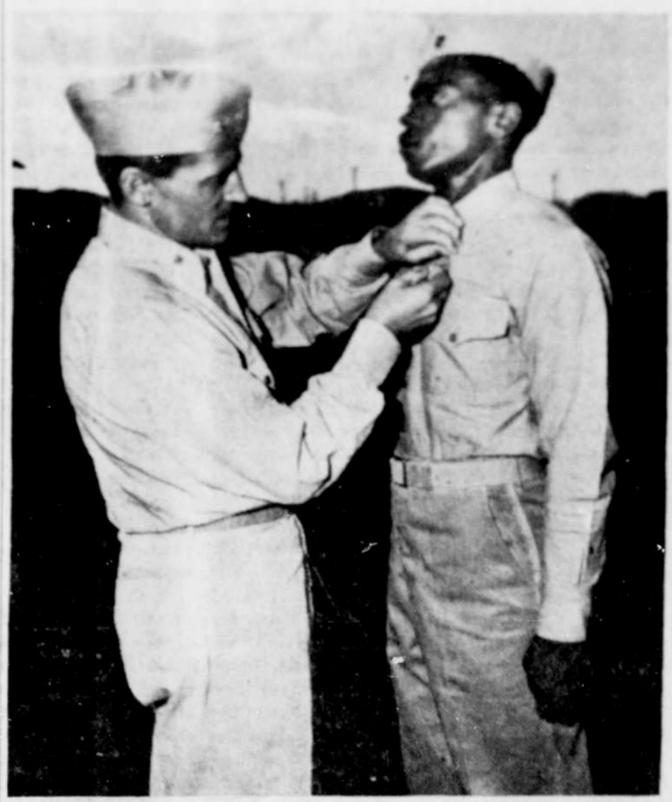
Reduction of personal income tax rates.

Alteration and reduction of the income tax on incorporated business and termination, with the end of the war, of the special wartime taxes which now rise as high as 95 per cent.

Elimination, as soon as possible, of all excise taxes, except those on alcoholic beverages, tobacco and gasoline.

Negroes, who make up a fair percentage of small business men, will be elated to hear of the tax revision, because the New Deal tax policy has just about driven little business to the wall. (Cont. page 4)

Marine Awarded Purple Heart



Somewhere in the Pacific Marine Private First Class Jeff Smith, 29, of 1608 Loyola Avenue, New Orleans, La., is one of the first Negro Leathernecks to receive the Purple Heart. Smith, who was wounded at Saipan on D-Day, is receiving his decoration somewhere in the Pacific from Marine Lieutenant Colonel E. T. Peters, of Danville, Calif., which he reviewed with his commanding officer.

OFFICIAL U. S. MARINE CORPS PHOTO

Cal. Voters' League Opens Campaign

LOS ANGELES—A state-wide corps of precinct workers and district managers, acting under the guidance of the California Negro Voters' League For Dewey and Bricker this week, embarked on an intensive voters' campaign in behalf of the Republican standard bearers election on November 7.

Mrs. Echo Stanton Robinson heads the Women's Division of the league with Louis V. Cole, County Central Committeeman in charge of Men's Activities.

Executive headquarters of the organization are located at 1063 East 55th St., Telephone Adams 4302, Los Angeles. B. B. Bratton is campaign manager.

Working in close coordination, Bratton and his two assistants have mapped out a streamlined campaign, calculated to reach every possible voter through the state. Door to door precinct workers are being immediately placed in the field; follow up telephone calls will be made and personal letters accompanied by literature to each

U. L. Representative NAACP Guest Speaker

Mr. Reginald Johnson of the National Urban League was the guest speaker at the regular monthly meeting of the local NAACP on Sunday, October 15th. Mr. Johnson who is in Portland making a survey for the Urban League, explained in his discourse the difference between the functions of the NAACP and the Urban League. The subject has been a controversial one among the local intelligentsia and Mr. Johnson's speech aided considerably in clearing a situation that has become notoriously bad.

Mr. Johnson will be in Portland for some time and is working in close cooperation with the Council of Social Agencies.

TRUMAN PROCLAIMS HIS SOLID SOUTH ALLEGIANCE DURING HIS DIXIE VISIT

NEW ORLEANS—While northern Democratic press agents are strenuously seeking to impress northern liberal and colored voters that Senator Harry S. Truman is a liberal, the vice-presidential candidate himself is seeking just as strenuously to impress Dixie that he is a reactionary. Solid-South Democrat. That South, assured before and reassured now again, is going today for Truman in a big way.

Truman in a statement here declared that "the Solid South could not go for a fellow like Dewey." A daily press correspondent adds that Truman found himself "in agreement with three Southern Senators: John H. Overton of Louisiana, Theodore Bilbo of Mississippi and John McClellan of Arkansas." His statement, the reporter continues, "was echoed" by these Senators.

Truman, himself, has left no one in doubt at any time concerning his strong race-bias convictions. Sen. Bankhead and Gov. Sparks of Alabama, stated in the Birmingham News of July 23, that the Truman victory over vice-president Wallace was a "real" victory for the South. They assured Dixie that he was "safe on state's rights and the rights of the states to control qualifications of its electors."

"In the matter of race relations," Gov. Sparks continued, "Senator Truman told me he is the son of an unreconstructed rebel mother."

Truman is a rabid race reactionary, according to Morris Milgram in

Common Sense Magazine for October. Under the date line of "Independence, Missouri" — Truman's home — after an interview, Milgram says:

"Senator Truman believes:

"1. The Permanent Fair Employment Practice bill will NOT be passed because the southern Senators will start a filibuster and stop it.

"2. That if Negroes sat down to eat a counter in a downtown drug store in Independence, Mo., they would be booted out' because the management of these places have the right to refuse to serve anyone they please.

"3. In equality of opportunity, but not social equality. . . There never will be social equality. Some (Negroes) are going too far in St. Louis. There Negroes have started a 'push day' once a week, when they shove white people out of the bars. Why, St. Louis is sitting on a keg of dynamite.

"4. They've even got a 'push day' in Washington. . . I won't let my daughter go downtown on the street cars on Thursdays any more. It's not safe. They push people off the street cars."

President Roosevelt, as a matter of policy, has let the Solid South have its way in disfranchisement, jim crowism and patronage.

Senator Truman, if elected, and should he succeed to the Presidency under any eventuality, would let the Solid South have its way, not only as a matter of policy, but as well as a matter of his born and bred convictions.

JUDGE WM. H. HARRISON

Prominent Colored Chicago Attorney

will speak

Friday, October 20th, 8:00 p. m.

at

UPPER GRADE AUDITORIUM

N. Broadacres and Force St.

Vanport

Saturday, October 21st, 8:00 p. m.

ELKS HALL

2504 N. Williams Ave. (at Russell St.)

Sponsored by the Colored Republican Club

Sec. 562 P. L. & R.

Central Library Office
 Attn: Miss Nell Unger
 801 S. W. 10th.,
 City 5