

CLARK COUNTY NEWS

A special Halloween motion picture show, including a horror picture, a comedy mystery, and short subjects, will be shown to three audiences Tuesday, October 31, at the McLoughlin Heights community center, Walter Pollock, project services director for the housing authority, reports.

The first performance will be given for young children and will be followed by a costume party. Children will arrive at 7:30 p. m. A second show will follow the junior matinee and last until 11:30 p. m. or midnight, and will be for teen-agers only.

At 1:30 p. m. Saturday the show will be repeated for swing shift workers, followed by the weekly Saturday morning dance.

An all-colored orchestra is being organized by Frederick Dunn, formerly of the Casa Blanca Club in Chicago, who asks musicians to register with Harvey Haynes or other recreation workers at the Bagley Downs Community center. Registration will close October 31.

Charlie Merritt's seven-piece all-colored band played for the Bagley Downs Community Center dance last Saturday night and has been secured for the weekly dances in the future, according to Leo Randall, housing authority project services advisor.

The band is managed by Eugene Mosely and the dance sponsored by a committee of Bagley Downs residents.

Merritt's band plays at the Port-

land Casa Blanca club and for Portland radio programs, and was enthusiastically received at last Saturday's dance, Randall said. Dancing hours are from 9 p. m. to midnight.

Ethel Bowers, eminent author of social recreation books and considered the outstanding authority in this country on the subject, will conduct a course in recreation in Vancouver during a week early in January, Carl Gustafson of the recreation association disclosed today.

Miss Bowers will conduct a similar course in Portland in January, and will teach in several cities on the West Coast, having large war industry populations. All members of the recreation association will attend the weeks' sessions.

New Recreation Advisor

Jack Henderson assumed duties as recreation advisor at the Mill Plain community center this week, succeeding Erven Jourdan who will leave soon for Palm Springs, California, recreation association officials report.

The new advisor has served in the United States Navy in the athletics service, and was a recreation worker at Vanport City prior to accepting the Mill Plain position. His specialty is boxing and wrestling. He is a native of Scotland.

Henderson said today that he is interested in enlarging the adult program at the center, and will organize badminton and volleyball league teams there.

Halloween Party

A big Halloween party for children and adults, with an all-colored cast of entertainers is planned for 8 p. m. Tuesday, October 31 at the Burton Homes community center, Fred Bowman, recreation worker, said today.

Professional and amateur artists will present a lively stage show, including jive and popular piano numbers, imitations, tap dancing, and singing, Bowman said.

A special feature will be a jitterbug contest for both adults and youngsters. First, second and third prizes will be five, three and two dollars in cash respectively.

Attendance is not limited to Burton Homes residents; all persons living in the Vancouver area are welcome to attend, Bowman said.

Bagley Downs Junior Chorus

Two appearances were made by Bagley Downs Junior Chorus, Mrs. Josephine Hasbrook, music director for the recreation association and chorus leader, reports.

The group sang during services at Bagley Downs United Church, and at 8:30 p. m. for the swing shift at Kaiser Vancouver shipyard.

Membership includes 22 children between the ages of eight and 14 years.

Florence Krein was singing contralto solos.

Accompanist for the chorus is Mrs. Nellie Moe, of the association's music department.

OKLAHOMA SWINGS TO GOP

OKLAHOMA CITY—Describing Oklahoma as being possibly the first southern or border state that will break away from the customs and traditions of the Old South, Negro leaders here are optimistic that the voters will put this state in the Republican column for president in the election next month.

Here there is a strong Republican trend, which has led G. O. P. chieftains to the conclusion that not only will Gov. Dewey carry the state, but that another Republican United States Senator will be elected. Two years ago, the Republicans of Oklahoma elected Ed Moore to the U. S. Senate.

In Supulpa, childhood home of Governor Dewey's wife, the Republicans have been gathering strength in a community that has been normally Democratic.

D. Adolph Williams, principal of the Booker T. Washington school, while not active in politics, said the sentiment for the New York Governor has been steadily growing. Other Negro leaders in the state feel the same way.

"The Negro vote played a tremendously important part in the election of Senator Moore, who piled up a 47,000 majority on the Republican ticket," said J. T. Armstrong, G. O. P. leader and wealthy businessman of Duthier, Oklahoma. "The Republican Party has its greatest opportunity in Oklahoma this year."

Attorney A. G. W. Sango, of Tulsa, echoed the optimistic note sounded by Mr. Armstrong.

"Negroes in Oklahoma are an independent group," Mr. Sango said. "They understand the value of the ballot and they know how to use it. There is considerable organization work to be done here among Republicans. But there is every reason to believe the job will be done."

"We in the South know which party offers the most to our people and we are going to do everything we can to help that party—the Republican Party—get back into the White House," Mr. Sango concluded.

practices, wiped out a state deficit, speeded up industrial insurance payments, simplified and increased old-age pensions and has eliminated waste—all with a minimum of political bickering in Olympia.

Arthur Langlie's actions speak louder than any politician's words.

Georgia Cop Held For Killing Soldier

The Department of Justice announced the filing on October 9 in the U. S. District Court at Dublin, Ga., of an information charging James Mitchell Bohannon, Chief of Police of the town of Summit, Ga., with a violation of the Civil Rights Statutes in the killing of Willie L. Davis, a Negro soldier.

The information, filed on behalf of the Government by U. S. Attorney J. Saxton Daniel, alleges that Bohannon, "acting under the color of law," shot Davis without provocation on the night of July 3, 1943. The police official had been called to a Negro roadhouse on the outskirts of Summit to restore order, the information states. After order had been restored, but while still acting as Chief of Police, Bohannon "wilfully, unlawfully and without provocation" shot and killed Davis with a pistol, according to the information.

A coroner's inquest was held after the shooting, but no prosecution action was taken by State authorities. The case was then referred for action to the Department of Justice by the War Department. The Federal Government takes jurisdiction because the slain man was deprived of his life without due process of law in violation of the Fourteenth Amendment, and charges the defendant, Bohannon, under Section 52, Title 18, U. S. Code.

The legal action was authorized by Assistant Attorney General Tom C. Clark in charge of the Criminal Division, after investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Army authorities.



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Negro Art Exhibit Opens in D. C.

The Barnett Aden Gallery, of Washington, D. C., which has recently exhibited the works of a number of noted Negro artists now serving in the Army, Navy and Coast Guard, this week opened an exhibition of the paintings of Candido Portinari, internationally famous Brazilian artist, at 127 Randolph Place, N. W., Washington.

The exhibition, featuring Portinari's paintings of Negroes, Indians, Portuguese and Italians, opened Sunday, October 15, and will continue through December, 1944.

Hailing the exhibition as a symbol of Inter-American understanding, Carlos Martins, Brazilian Ambassador to the United States, declared:

"It is a real pleasure for me, as I feel sure it is for any Brazilian concerned with the constant development of the close relations existing between our country and the United States, to see what can be accomplished in the everlasting field of art by so great a painter as Portinari, whose chief works, so typically Brazilian in their subjects, have met with perfect understanding in this country."

Robert C. Smith, curator of the Archive of Hispanic Culture, Library of Congress, said:

"Portinari's Brazil is a land of workers, Portuguese, Italians, Negroes, Indians and Mulattos. You can see them in his murals at the embassy and on the walls of the Hispanic Foundation at the Library of Congress. You can see them in the pictures of this exhibition, which Portinari painted four years ago. Since then his style has changed and his subject too. These works have thus become historic documents of a moment in the evolution of the people of Brazil."

Within recent months, the Barnett Aden Gallery has exhibited the works of a number of Negro artists in the armed forces, including those of Jacob Lawrence, young combat artist now serving with the U. S. Coast Guard on a North Atlantic patrol vessel. Lawrence's Negro labor migration portfolio, reproduced in color by a national magazine in 1941, is now on exhibit at a New York City gallery.

Other Negro artists exhibiting at the Washington gallery included Charles Seabree, U. S. Navy, and Jack L. Berkman, Albert Carter, Frederic Flemister, Bernard Goss, Charles White, Joseph Kersey, Chet LaMore, and Henry M. Letcher, all of the U. S. Army.

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