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Those who attended Mr. Lang-

ston Hughes' lecture at Benson

He calls the attention of all

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Urban Secretary Addresses Audience

Three Hundred Listeners Hear Edwin C. Berry Discuss Negroes Responsibility to Better Relations By Chesley E. Corbett

Last Sunday night over three hundred persons crowded the Mill Plain Recreation Center in Vancouver, Washington of American Negro pilots had a to listen to a rare treat-an address by Mr. Edwin C. Berry, good score of shooting enemy Executive Secretary of the Urban League of Portland, Oregon.

Rev. Moses Guy, that dynamic, capable and efficient pastor of the United Church, Vancouver, together with his very well prepared aids, sponsored and conducted the meeting.

A well trained and willing chotheir liseners.

Mr. Berry gave several concrete sponsibility to build better rela- point. tionship. He enumerated them as follows:

1. The Negro, as well as other manner. races, must recognize clearly that segregation is evil.

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for Negroes.

should seek to acquire and keep eo the standard. the friendship of all groups ,nationalities and creeds, especially since we are a minority group.

norities and white friends.

groups.

ditional education.

He showed that while we have farms.

rus rendered many numbers that less fortunate brother and sister were gems and the audience were and try to elevate, improve and liberal in their applause in rec- educate him so that his public beognition of merit, talent, and will- havior will be improved and that ingness on their part to please he and she can teach his and her children the benefits derived.

The audience applauded Mr. and definite rules by which the Berry long and continuously as Negro can and will assume re- he ended his discussion of this

6. The Negro should use his vote in an effective and proper

He told his audience that regardless of what party they be-Touching upon this question, long to, when ti came time to vote Mr. Berry told his audience that they should scan clearly and "segregation is not restricted to painstakingly the record of the races"; it applies in a town that is candidates, their attitude towards strictly colored, if it is applied, current problems-their utterjust as if in a town where no Ne- ances and actions and whether or groes lived. Segregation is wrong not they have been fair and im-at the start-it is wrong at the partial towards minority groups, and if and when they fail to meet 2. We must work towards a bet- the test let us do all in our power, ter America; not simply better life by reason of the ballot and our own efforts to defeat these can-He stressed that fact that we didates who do not measure up

7. We must become urbanized. Mr. Berry showed that because

of the large number of workers 3. We must not only work to- who had migrated to Portland, wards a better America, but we many of them were from rural must co-operate with other mi- settlements and had not had the advantage of city life and city He stressed again the fact that improvements. That we should in many cases we can and will ob- directly or indirectly, do what we tain our objective if we will se- could to help our unfortunate cure the service and get the ad- brother and sister to adjust themvice of some member of other selves to the new change in home life and environments. That we 4. The Negro must use every should be slow to condemn them available means of securing ad- because it was not many days ago when most of us came off of

Negro Proud Of Unit's Job **Pilot Cites Record** Of 332nd Fighters

The famous 332d fighter group

Europe's skies,

but Capt. Jack

D. Holsclaw,



Capt. Holsclaw

of their assignment they lost not to menial positions, porters, jania single one of the big aircraft.

land, himself was credited with race to take some of the jobs away two terial victories and several from him. enemy planes destroyed on the

153 missions with the 12th and the centive it is to educate Negroes 15th United States air forces, and give them higher education Pilots of the group flew P-39s, if the best that they can get is a P147s and P-51s, mostly on longrange escort, strafing missions and black job?" coastal patrol.

1945, but he came back to Port- New York and Cleveland, and see and this past week for the first Negroes as clerks and tellers in time since August, 1943. He is the stores and banks, holding all on leave from his post as assist- kinds of positions in the City and New York Public Library conant base operations officer at God- County offices and at the state ducts this poll to determine those man field, Fort Knox, Ky., and capitols. Los Angeles have Neexpects to remain in the army air forces for another year.

Record of Unit Cited

"We are all proud of the record in the various Western and Postal the 332d fighter group made," said offices. In short from 5th and the Washington State college Central to 54th. and Central in graduate. "Gen. Ira S. Eaker said practically every market, store, or our 99th fighter squadron, which any form of business you will was part of the 332d, was the best find Negroes holding responsible History Week over a coast-todive bombing outfit in Europe. Our group got the presidential citation for its performance, and specifically for escorting 15th air force bombers to Berlin on March 24, 1945.

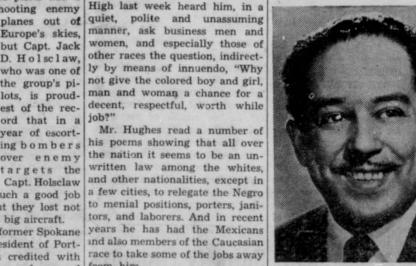
"That was the day the Germans pioneer in this field and secure rew their jet jobs at us, but our fighters broke up the attack, got credit for downing three and race in their business. damaging five more and we didn't lose a single bomber."

Portland Business City of Roses Anxiously Awaits Men Challenged N.A.C.P. Executive Secretary **By Poet Hughes** Plans Are Perfected for Walter White's

WITE ASTOCIATION

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Address to Be Given at Library Hall Dr. Robert N. Joyner and the



LANGSTON HUGHES

Honor Roll Poll For Negro History "spit-toon cleaner or a boot The ballots have gone out to all It's a pleasure to go to Chicago

sections of the country for the Hersclaw returned to the Unit that Los Angeles 7410, and the sixth annual Henory Roll of Race d States from Europe in June or two other Eastern towns, like Relations according to Dr. L. D. Reddick.

Each year the Schomburg Collection of Negro Literature ci the persons Negro and white, who, during the past year, have done the most to improve race relations ors, messenger boys and workers in term sof full democracy and equality for the Negro.

As usual, the results of the voting by a national committee of 100 experts in all walks of life Discontinued For will be announced during Negró coast radio hook-up and in the daily and weekly press.

There is, no doubt, in Portland EDITOR'S NOTE: Next week enough well thinking, Christian is "NEGRO HISTORY WEEK" This paper is putting out a "Speand firms who can and will evalucial Negro History Week Section", ate the Negro's worth, to be a under the personal direction of

other officers of the Local N. A. A. C. P., of Portland announce that practically all plans have been completed for the coming of Mr. Walter White, the Executive Secretary of the National organization, who is scheduled to speak in the city, Wednesday night, February 6th., in Library Hall, South West 10th., Ave., and Yamhill St., and a capacity crowd is anticipated. A reception committee has been appointed for the occasion. Mr. White's appearance is joint-

ly sponsored by: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

FOR ADVANCEMENT OF COL-ORED PEOPLE - PORTLAND AND VANCOUVER. Branches

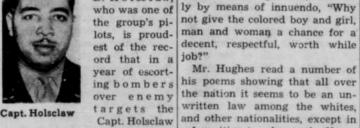
CO-OPERATION OF PORT-LAND COUNCIL FOR A PER-MANENT F.E.P.C.



Mayor Contest The Present

Your Editor is announcing that The Portland Inquirer is discontinuing the Bronze Mayor's Contest which we started several weeks ago, for the time being.

We are prompted to do this



the fighters did such a good job

Capt. Holsclaw, former Spokane years he has had the Mexicans youth and later resident of Port- and also members of the Caucasian

ground during the 17 1/2 months the business places to the fact he spent overseas. He completed and asks the question what in-

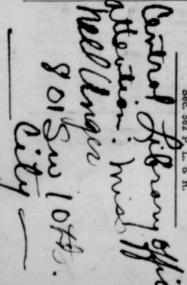
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groes as clerks in every store;

can no longer make excuses; we ship. must take advantage of the sital line.

lic behavior.

This topic was discussed by the in our program. speaker at length; he showed con-



made wonderful progress in the 8. We must purge our ranks of past 81 years of freedom, yet we dishonest and inadequate leader-

The speaker was emphatic that uation and secure the best pos- the days of the "Uncle Tom" type sible education, culture and thus has passed-that the back door, improve ourselves along a cultur- head scratching and bowing Negro, such types as Senators Bil-

5. We must improve our pub- bo and Eastman welcome and publicize, no longer has a place

Equnally is there no place for crete examples where members the leader who appoints himself of our group on cars, trains, in as such without the proper qualitheatres, and etc., have embar- fications. He stated tha there rassed all of us; that there have are black guizzlers just as there been times when we felt that we are whites and we must drive would like to "evaporate" into such so called leaders out of the space; that those of us who know, country and that they are no less must put our arms around our devastating and injurious to us

than the Uncle Tom type. 9th. We must get rid of color caste.

It was brought out that in many cases in social life, church life and etc., we raise the color question and hamper and retard the progress of members of our group solely because of his or her color. That we must stop this and do so at once.

10th. That we must succeed on our jobs.

work, but must succeed; that it is | Williams Ave. generally stated that the Negroe (Continued on Page 2)

He served as a flight leader in mirably. the 100th fighter squadron, n-

paign stars.

His wife Bernice, daughter of ture? Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Williams of Portland, who has been with him since he returned from Europe.

accompanied him to Portland. Capt. Holsclaw is a graduate of the chiropractic school of Western Now Monthly plans to enter that profession after he leaves the army.

Acme Business Club **Under New Manager**

. Mr. Cy Denton of N. E. Victory just now ready for the press. St., has been named manager of He permitted the editor to have

opened.

There are hundreds of persons who can and will fill the job ad-

hearted, far sighted business men

floor walkers, insurance collect-

Do not let the challenge of Mr. other element of the 332d group, Hunghes go unheeded, Mr. Busiand later was group operations of- ness man and woman!

ficer for the 332d. He holds the Do not have our town stamped distinguished flying cross, the as one that will not be fair, liberal

presidential unit citation, the air and equitable in the distribution medal with five oak leaf clusters of jobs that gives one an opportuand the European theater of op- nity to advance and exploit his eratons ribbon with seven cam- and her talent.

zine.

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Who will be the first to ven-

Peoples Observer

Mr. Wiliam McClendon, Editor of the Peoples Observer, of Porta weekly paper and will hereafter publish a 20-page monthly maga-

Mr. McClendon's publication is

exhausted.

the service of some of the colored Mr. J. W. Brooks. Don't fail to get a copy of this paper as it will give you some very interesting data for future reference.

Note: Since Emancipation Day is also being celebrated we shall run two issues, next week and the week following in joint celebration of Emancipation Week and Negro History Week.

Kittrell College Plans Program

week plans for the Founders' day school will observe its 60th anniversary.

A drive to raise \$1,000 is now underway, the committee disclosland, has discontinged publishing ed. The money will be used to stands ready to battle for right, improve the institution, which was founded by the North Caroline AME conference as a normal

and industrial school.

speaker will be the Rev. M. H. when the occasion permits and it He stated that we must not only the Acme Business Club, 1504 N. a "literary pre-view" of his mag- Davis, presiding prelate of the is opportune, we may resume this azine and I wish to say it is a Second Episcopal district of the contest. However at the present, He succeeds Mr. Joe Reed, who classic-a literary gem and I urge AME church and president of I am sure that you will agree with is the last hired and first fired, has been manager since the elub all to get a copy before they are Kittrell college's trustee board, us-that it is not best for all consaid E. F. G. Dent, president.

solely and only because we do not want to put ourselves and our publication in the wrong light.

By reason of the fact that for the past fortnight we have been confronted with the question of "Segregation", and the further question of whether Negroes ar Caucasions and other similar groups should have separate business places and locations, which have been publicized through the various papers, we take the position that we might be charged with attempting to have further separation if we foster the contest. It is not our purpose to encour-

KITTRELL, N. C-(ANP) - age segregation in any form. It The Founders' Day committee of is not and shall not be our aim nor Kittrell college outlined last purpose to stir up any feeling that will destroy the now seemingly program here on Feb. 7, when the friendly relations that is existing between the better thinking class of all groups.

The Portland Inquirer is an Ambassador of Good Will and and Justice and fair play for all. We will not continue the contest and we wish to thank all the contestants for their willingness to The principal Founders day enter same at a later date, if and cerned.