



Two long time NAACP workers, past president of the Portland Branch, Marie Smith and Ruth Haefner.



NAACP



The old and the new -- Roy Wilkins and Mrs. Wilkins share the podium with Benjamin Hooks.



Hooks talks with OSP inmates.



Troop 152, Scoutmaster George Simmons, presents the colors. Lewis Brown, district leader, supervises.



Delegates respond to Hooks' challenge - "Till Victory is Won".



An inspiring chorus of "We Shall Overcome".

Convention opens on cheerful note

by Ron Sykes, Jr.

Monday, July 3rd delegates from all over the United States flowed into the Memorial Coliseum to begin registration for the 69th Annual NAACP Convention.

By 10:00 a.m. the Memorial Coliseum complex was heavily populated with enthusiastic conventioners all sporting a colored name tag, which signified that they had paid at least \$7 to participate in all upcoming activities of the convention.

The first major event of the con-

vention was the Commerce and Industry Show. The Exhibit Hall, where this show took place, was a labyrinth of booths and displays representing every sort of industry imaginable. The proprietors were interested in not only displaying their products, they were also eager to give them to every passerby. There was hardly a person that left the exhibit without a shopping bag filled with posters, calendars, and other artifacts to remind them that they had attended the 69th Annual NAACP Convention.

The convention officially opened at 7:00 p.m., as the delegates assembled in the main arena for an orientation meeting and a memorial service. Everyone present took their seats in solemn reverence as such personalities as Margaret Bush Wilson, Chairman, Board of Directors, ascended to the platform to open the session. The meeting took place in an orderly fashion, and the hearts of all were swollen with pride as everyone watched and knew that the activities that are to shape the future of all minorities were beginning on a successful note.



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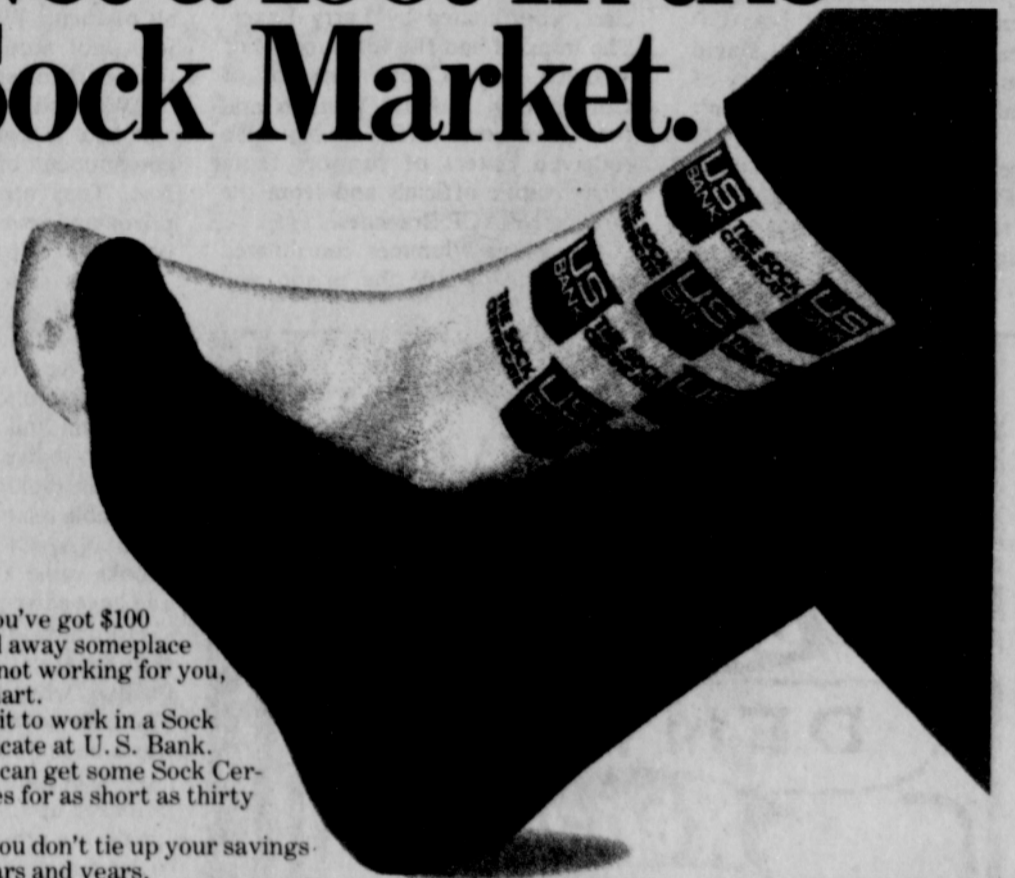
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