Above Photo Show that Rochester Does Need Better Housing

JUSTICE OUTRAGED
(The story as told a Voice reporter by occupants of the home).

On Thursday, April 7th, at 12:30 p.m., one of the most dastardly, despicable and inhuman acts was perpetrated against a humble Negro family living in the environs of the city, in name of law and justice.

On this eventful day, all was peaceful in this humble home on Leopold Street, only one member of the family was at home, an invalid mother, who was sitting peacefully in a rocking chair in the kitchen, reading. Her grandchildren, two boys and one girl had already been home to lunch and had returned happily to school. The father was out looking for work, the mother had left early that morning to fill an engagement of domestic work in order that home might continue to be a shelter for her loved ones.

Suddenly a knock came on the front door, a number of men were demanding admittance. The elderly lady finally made it known to the men to come in. The men walked into the dining room, one Constable, one Policeman four vanmen, while outside there were two trucks backed up to the sidewalk. Immediately the men started to disconnect the radio while the officer informed the elderly invalid that they had come to take the furniture. She pleaded with them to wait until her daughter or son-in-law came home, but her plea fell on deaf ears. In the meantime the vanmen continued to remove the furniture, including dining room suite, living room suite, piano, rugs and the furniture from all four bedrooms; clothes, trinkets, personal belongings, pictures off the wall, framed diplomas and birth certificates, bedding and other articles such as books, scarfs, trays, dishes, utensils, etc.

Perhaps the worst of all was the removing of the kitchen cabinet just as it stood, with sugar, flour, coffee, etc., also the ice box with the exception of a few liquids, which they left. In the meantime some friends came to the woman's rescue and managed to get a few of the family's belongings back. The police took away all the food and clothes which had been wrinkled to iron.

In the meantime some friends with the Policeman removed the elderly mother who was helpless in her condition being very close to her coldest days of the year. A neighbor finally phoned the daughter at her work and informed her of what was happening. She immediately called the bank's lawyer who denied having any knowledge of what was at that moment taking place. He immediately phoned a neighbor near the vicinity of the eviction and asked her to tell the officer to stop and call him but the call came too late, the house was empty.

This family of six were forced to move in with relatives who have five children or more and who live in a small cottage, which by this overcrowded condition will jeopardize the health of both families. Such inhuman instances as these are an indictment against the system which allows a landlord the right to deny to any man, be he black of white, his constitutional rights.

This family stated that they had $40 to the Rochester Savings Bank on Franklin Street about 2 weeks ago and later on Friday last paid $10 to the Bank and apparently all was well. The Attorney had told her upon receipt of the above amount of money not to pay any attention to any more notices from the bank but to pay the money at his office, in the future.

Now, in order to redeem this furniture from H. E. Dailey Carting & Storage Warehouse they must pay the costs of two Moving Vans and $1 per day storage until they are financially able to redeem all to their belongings.

(Editor's Note: We appeal to all organizations, churches, social clubs, fraternal bodies, unions, and sympathizers to come to this families need. Write to the Rochester Savings Bank, ask them to make it possible for this family to regain their furniture without payment of the excessive amount of $7 a week for storage costs of same along with the terrifying inconveniences at this time of the year, in being without clothes and other necessities. Let us rally to this cause which we believe has proven definitely that there is an acute need for better housing and economic conditions for the Negro in Rochester. A delegation from the Negro Committee will take immediate steps in the investigation of this event.)

HOME ON VISIT—Mrs. Alta E. DuBois of New York City, formerly of Rochester is here for several weeks to visit her parents, brothers and relatives and friends. While here she will be a guest of her mother, Mrs. L. M. Scott of Edith St.
Tired People

“Better Housing in Rochester,” is indeed the subject of the hour and in recent days, thousands of Negroes and whites of the underprivileged groups. There are some 8,000 or more whites, some 1,000 or more Negroes in need of the advantages and benefits of better housing. From 1929 to 1937 years ago, the better the housing the more signs of desperation of always being left out or put out of everything that will make life truly worthwhile. Did God curse man by placing color in his skin? No, God is Love and color combinations can be found in every part of the world in living in this city, as a city within a city, we find a community of approximately 9,000 Afro-American people eking out an existence; patient, thoughtful, ambitions, trained, educated, tolerant of others, working, hoping and praying for an opportunity. The Negro is a restless person in the stage in his development into the full, recognized status of an American citizen with all rights and privileges which he should enjoy, although to others, he perhaps seems or appears satisfied.

A Tired People

After many years of suppressed desire and aspirations the Negro people are tired of bending, tired of striving and economic oppression, tired of poverty and thwarted ambition, tired of being looked upon as half citizens. All the want to be the greatest citizens but the masses of people living in this city. Living in this city, as a city within a city, we find a conglomeration of approximately 9,000 Afro-American people eking out an existence; patient, thoughtful, ambitious, trained, educated, tolerant of others, working, hoping and praying for an opportunity. The Negro is a restless person in the stage in his development into the full, recognized status of an American citizen with all rights and privileges which he should enjoy, although to others, he perhaps seems or appears satisfied.

Signs for Advertising

If you are a progressive business man or woman you believe in signs. The flashier and brighter your sign, the more chances you have of its being seen and noticed. Many people will pass your sign, thinking it is the city, but if the sign is not a true representation of the business or product, people will not be inclined to visit the place advertised. The sign should be eye-catching and attention-getting. The flashier and brighter your sign, the more chances you have of its being noticed.

The American population is becoming increasingly aware of the importance of signs in business and advertising. Signs are a powerful medium for communicating information and promoting products. They are a visual representation of the brand and can help to establish brand recognition. Signs can also be used to convey additional information such as the location of a store, the name of a company, or the name of a product.

Housing Petitions

Members of the Negro Housing Committee, all other organizations, and individuals who have Housing Petitions are asked to get all spaces filled in with names and addresses as soon as possible so that they may be sent in to this office not later than April 21st.

To all Rochesterians: If you feel that the City Administration should take full advantage of the Federal government’s housing program both as a means of relieving unemployment and in order to assure construction of low-rent homes in districts where present housing conditions are the worst, then sign your name to the petition when it is presented to you. It will not only benefit those who are in need but will benefit you as well.

Hort’s

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Coupons

HOUSE FOR RENT

See Mrs. Austin Walker, 30 Oregon St., Sub-agent for the Keystone Beauty preparations, including perfumes, pomades, face creams, etc., and towels. All shades of powder and the La Jar Perfumes and Jockey Club. See Mrs. Virginia Wilson, 14 Nason St., General Agent.

The quartette is composed of Rochester boys, by name Ralph and Gerald Curnow, Campbell and Roy Taylor. A few years ago this fine quartette made a tour of the State of Ohio, and was engaged to give concerts at various places, as other towns and cities the opportunity of hearing the grand old spirituals through which they have been telling the story and pleading the cause of the Negro people everywhere.

The boys are all home town boys and have a long history in the field of music. Some were members of Dr. R. Nathaniel Dett’s Choir.

At various times during the past five years the Crescent Four Quartette has featured on many programs over the air, among them the Army and Navy Amateur program and the Good Will Hour. The most of the time have been in demand at churches and concert halls throughout the State.

At last these boys have come into their own and are now being featured every Friday night by Allhart’s Electrical Appliances over Station WHIG, a continental program.

The quartette here is the abnormal, large peanut man who can be seen most any day near Clinton Avenue on Main Street, and long after the others have disappeared. Many instances where proof has been established that you can say with signs and letters (Advertising with Letters)
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Nurse From Spain to Lecture Here

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What are your beauty problems? Write Marie Downing, Miss Loretto Beauty Foundation, 408 Tappan St., Ogden, Utah. Miss Loretto will be glad to answer you.

Cosmopolitan Bridge Club Gives Party

The well-known Cosmopolitan Bridge Club gave a nice party Saturday evening, March 3rd, namely a Cabaret Party at the popular Cotton Club on Joseph Avenue.

The officers of this Club are: Lewis Scott, Pres.; Mrs. Fannie Davis, Vice Pres.; Mrs. Mabel J. Baer, Sec.; Mrs. A. J. George, Treas.

Before leaving for Spain, Miss Martin organized a training school among peasant girls, a large number of whom have since graduated and are now serving on the hospital staff.

Cosmopolitan Bridge Club gives a warm and friendly welcome to Miss Martin, who has been working toward the establishment of six American Hospitals in Spain, and supervised the work of 64 hospitals. Under the direction of Dr. Edward K. Barsky, Miss Martin organized the first mobile hospital, which saw service on U.S. front. She supplemented the work of the trained American nurses with the American Hospitals in Spain. Miss Martin organized a training school among peasant girls, a large number of whom have since graduated and are now serving on the hospital staff.

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Rev. Kearney Honored

The new Befeld C. M. E. Church at 53 Leopold St., of which Rev. C. L. Leath is pastor, sponsored a testimonial dinner in honor of Mrs. Warner Marshall at 53 Leopold St., on Monday evening, April 11, 1938. Mr. Styles, only 37, is a native of New York City, is deeply interested in the work of the St. Simon's Y. P. F. is going to have a Grand Master Frolic, and to teach its proper use.

Book Popular

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4. To secure the vote for Negroes and to retain its proper use.
5. To stimulate the cultural life of Negroes.

To STOP LYING.

City Wide Forum

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The Symposium by: C. Storrs Barrows, Architect; Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein, John J. McCarthy, Real Estate Appraiser; Henry D. O'Connell, Trade Union Leader; Kenneth Storlortd, Council of Social Agencies; Frank T. Taylor, Banker, along with Mayor Howard W. Cole, who was invited with a representative group of the Afro-American people.

Named Secretary of Local N. A. A. C. P.

Mrs. Elsie Coles, co-editor of the Voice newspaper was elected secretary to the office of secretary of the local branch of the NAACP, succeeding Miss Mary Black, who because of her extensive duties in other organizations was unable to remain in the office. Mrs. Coles, a Rochesterian, being a graduate of West High School here, also a graduate of Harlem Hospital, New York City, is deeply interested in the growth of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, locally.

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James Adams, Jr.

At this time I wish to announce that the St. Simon's Y. P. F. is going to have a Grand Master Frolic, featuring Ted Stubbs and his 12-piece Buffalo Band on April 21.

The Personality Club under the leadership of Oscar Hawkins wishes to announce that beginning Wednesday, April 13, the Club will hold weekly meetings from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the basement of the S. H. C. B. Y. M. H. on Main Street.

The editors of this publication are anxious to hear from all social clubs, particularly from the publicity and news department.

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Honored With Banquet

Friends and acquaintances of Mr. Bernard Osea, of Monroe Ave., held a banquet in his honor at the Lotus Tea Garden on East Avenue, on Saturday evening, March 25.

Some of the members are:

Messrs. Floyd Brown, Bro. Taylor and Cloyd Logan. The names of all members of the club will appear in the next issue of the Voice.

Remember, club members, send in your news each week. Thank you!

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Annual Sermon of
Rochester Lodge No. 15
The Annual Sermon of Rochester
Lodge No. 15 was held at the A. M. E. Zion Church Sunday, April 18th
at 7:30 p.m. Rev. C. J. Hander-
sen presented the sermon. The
meeting was well attended.

Mt. Olivet Church News
Special services will be held on
Good Friday evening at 8 o’clock.
Dedication and communion services
are planned for that evening with
Candle Light. The full choir will
sing and the message will be
given by a large chorus of young people
under the direction of Mr. Carleton H. Burke.
The organ will supply its vigour
organs will deliver its special Easter
musical services of the morning
service Easter Sunday morning.
Come and bring a friend.

Newsettes
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On Easter Sunday, the Colored
Musician’s Association of Buffalo,
will hold its 21st annual ball at the
Buffalo Catering Co. in Buffalo.
One hundred musicians will furnish
the music.

Orchards to those people who are
indirectly responsible for the success
of the Father and Sons Banquet by
the West Side Y on Friday, April 1.
Some who attended were: Mr. Geo.
Hancock, secretary of N.; Mr. W.
Stockton, chef in charge of meal;
Mr. Elliott Spargue, assistant to
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200 Attend Mass Meeting

About 200 attended the Mass Meeting hall at the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church on Adams St., Monday evening April 4th, at which time John P. Davis of Washington, D.C., National Secretary of the National Negro Congress, was the main speaker and urged the people of Rochester to come closer together through organizations and fight for the passage of the anti-lynch bill and for all other rights which the Negro is denied.

Lewis W. Scott, delegate to the special Anti-Lynching Conference of the Negro Congress, held in Washington, gave a very splendid report on his trip. Howard W. Coles, local editor, spoke on housing conditions in Rochester and its effect on the Negro race. Rev. Jas. E. Rose presided over the meeting.

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- 4-5 pt. $2.95; quart $3.55
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American Wines pt.
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Quintet—$1.25; $1.75; quart $2.50
Wines-Zinfandel and Barbera
- quart $1.95 and up
Champagne.
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Voice Editors Visit Syracuse

Composing a delegation of two, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Coles spent Wednesday, March 30th in Syracuse, N. Y., conferring with various persons on the very vital question of better housing. Funds for said trip having been raised, the Rochester Citizens' Committee was organized.

It so happened that Mr. Sergei N. Grimm, executive secretary of the Syracuse Housing Authority, was on that day in Washington, D. C., receiving the contract for their housing loan which had already been approved by President Roosevelt, which prevented the editors from talking at that time. They also visited the Dunbar Center there and were shown the various phases of the work being done.

A report of the year's work was given by Miss Estelle Fitzgerald, secretary of the Music Educators' National Conference, to which the group were invited to attend.

On Thursday evening, April 7, the Y. W. C. A. Branch on Clarissa Street, Rochester, is very proud of William Warfield, baritone, one of our boys who won first honors at the Music Educators' National Song Contest in St. Louis, held there recently. William is 18, and a student at the Washington High School where he has been for two years. The expenses of his trip to St. Louis, $115, were defrayed by radio station WHAM and the group were truly thankful as well as the citizens of Rochester.

William left Rochester in company with four other young High School students, representing the various schools in the city. The expenses of the trip to St. Louis were defrayed by radio station WHAM and the group were truly thankful as well as the citizens of Rochester.

On Friday evening at 6:30, William was interviewed and also sang several numbers. After sitting spellbound during the rendition of his songs, we understood why the Judges had picked him to be the winner. We could not have been more thrilled had we been sitting in Carnegie Hall in New York and been listening to the great Paul Robeson or Roland Hayes.

Again, Rochester is very, very proud of William Warfield, one of our boys who has come to Rochester through his own efforts and then by the kindness of the Judges. We are all thankful, as well as the citizens of Rochester, that the group to St. Louis was defrayed by radio station WHAM and the group were truly thankful as well as the citizens of Rochester.

Rochester is very, very proud of William Warfield, baritone, one of our boys who won first honors at the Music Educators' National Song Contest in St. Louis, held there recently. William is 18, and a student at the Washington High School where he has been for two years. The expenses of his trip to St. Louis, $115, were defrayed by radio station WHAM and the group were truly thankful as well as the citizens of Rochester.

On Thursday evening, April 7, the Y. W. C. A. Branch on Clarissa Street, celebrated its 15th annual meeting and reception. The persons connected with the event were: Mrs. S. A. LaRue, President; Miss Maxine Olney, Secretary; Betty Johnson, Ida Stewart, Harriet Williams, and Mrs. Millard Roberts, William Green, M. J. Whitley, Mamie Mahoney, Fanny Gillette, Betty Johnson, Ida Stewart, Harriet Williams, and Mrs. Millard Roberts.

The occasion was the 50th annual membership meeting and election of members to the Committee of Management and the nominating committee for the ensuing year took place, with members of the Committee serving as hostesses.

Many beautiful musical numbers characterized the program with Mr. Ernest Richardson, junior Club Adviser, leading in group singing. 4 Our reports of the year's work were given by Miss Estelle Fitzgerald, Secy.