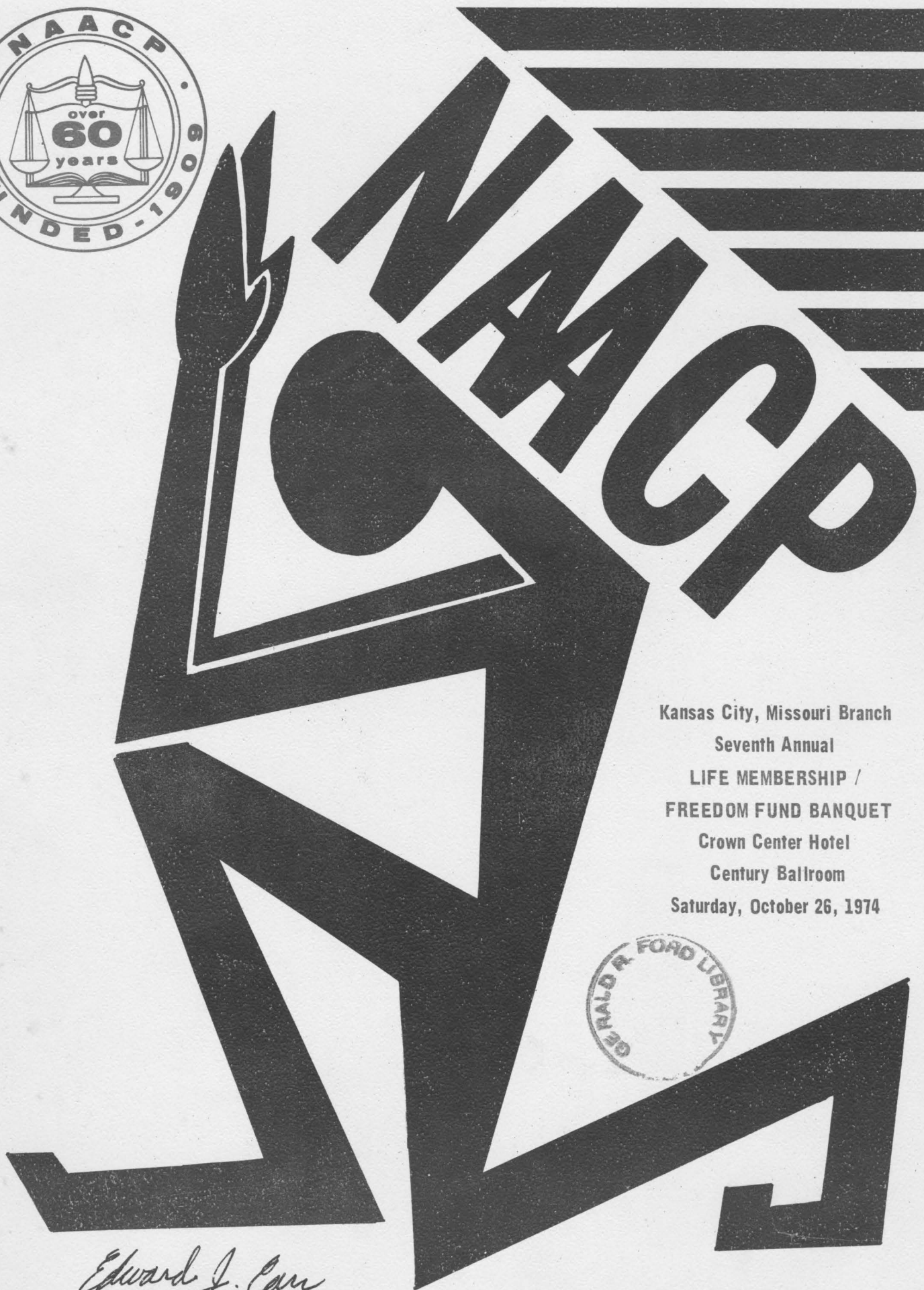
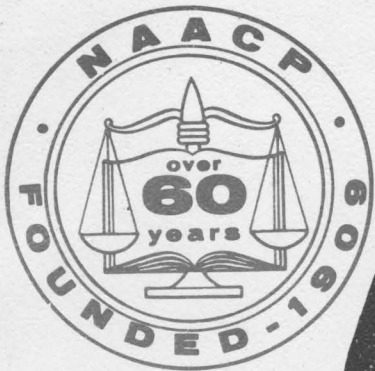


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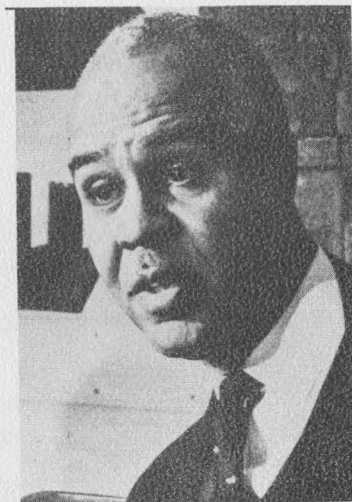
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Mrs. Quincy T. Hill
President
Kansas City, Missouri Branch NAACP
4115 East 43rd Street
Kansas City, Missouri 64130

Dear Mrs. Hill:

We wish you every success with your Seventh Life Membership Freedom Fund Dinner. Affairs such as yours have come to supply much of the lifeblood which keeps numerous current and vital programs of the NAACP in operation -- programs such as Project Rebound which helps ex-offenders, NAACP National Housing Corporation which builds low-and moderate-income housing, Afro-American Builders Corporation which creates coalitia of minority contractors to compete for major construction contracts, the on-going battle for equal employment opportunity and justice before the law, and numerous other vital efforts, both national and local. It is the strength which branches feed into the total Association which gives us our ability constantly to influence the acceptance of all individuals as full American citizens.

It is my privilege, on behalf of the officers and staff, to express appreciation to the Kansas City, Missouri Branch for the evidence of commitment to NAACP goals and objectives. An additional sense of gratitude extends to those many persons, who by their presence, have contributed to the success of this Dinner.

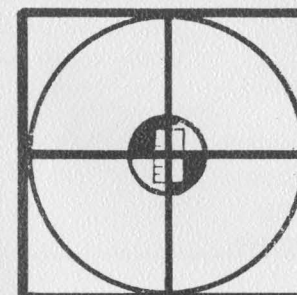
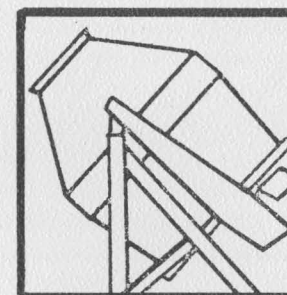
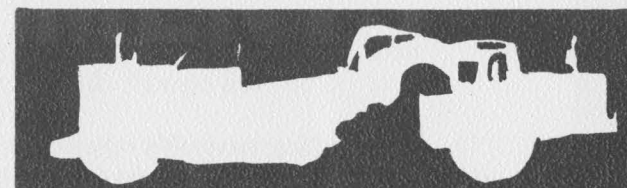
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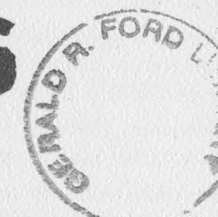
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*From the DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE
Thomas Jefferson - In Congress July 4, 1776*

"The American Negro demands equality--political equality, industrial equality, and social equality; and he is never going to rest satisfied with anything less. He demands this in no spirit of braggadocio and with no obsequious envy of others, but as an absolute measure of self-defense and the only one that will assure to the darker races their ultimate survival on earth."

*Excerpt from an editorial:
THE IMMEDIATE PROGRAM OF THE AMERICAN NEGRO
written by W. E. B. DuBois, Editor
CRISIS Magazine, April 1915*

The two quotations reprinted here, to me, represent in essence the fundamental concepts around which the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has based its efforts since the organizations's founding over 65 years ago.

Today, with the theme "'65 and STILL ON THE DRIVE'" the N.A.A.C.P. is continuing to work within the concepts of the Declaration of Independence, which brought our country into being, to insure full equality for minority people in keeping with the democratic ideals which inspired the founders of our nation. Today, the NAACP still demands for the Black American--as well as all other peoples--political equality, industrial equality and social equality.

Due to a great extent to the efforts of the dedicated members of the NAACP, working with their many friends in all areas of American society, we are much closer to the fulfillment of these goals than we were in April 1915 when Dr. DuBois was editor of CRISIS magazine.

However, there is still much work to be done before we can, truly, say that America grants to all its citizens equal access to "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" as outlined in our Declaration of Independence almost 200 years ago.

Nevertheless, we remain optimistic that through the joint efforts of all Americans, working hand in hand, we will eventually develop a democratic society where all men who have been "created equal" are also treated equal.

As president of the Kansas City, Missouri Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, I consider it a great privilege that the members of our local chapter permitted me, through this office, to become involved, personally, in our attempts to achieve these goals.

During the three years I have been president, and the many other years I have worked as a member of our local NAACP branch, we have seen many advances for Black Americans and other minorities in the areas of civil, economic, educational and social rights.

It has been extremely rewarding to work with the loyal and dedicated members of our Kansas City, Missouri chapter. Without their inspiration and assistance I would never have been able to develop the community programs which proved so successful in focusing fellow Kansas Citians attention on the inequities which exist within our area.

As we dine together, this evening, in universal fellowship let us, separately and jointly, remember that with our combined strength we can make it happen.

We can build a democratic society which truly demonstrates that each of its citizens are "created equal."

On behalf of the Executive Board and the members of the Kansas City, Missouri Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People I thank you for your support by your presence at our Seventh Annual Life Membership/Freedom Fund Banquet. We look forward to a long association in our continuing fight for justice, freedom and equality.

GREETINGS FROM THE GOVERNOR

NAACP
Kansas City, Missouri Branch
4115 East 43rd Street
Kansas City, Missouri 64130



EXECUTIVE OFFICE
STATE OF MISSOURI
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September 19, 1974

Dear Fellow Missourians:

As Governor of the State of Missouri, it is my pleasure to extend greetings to each of you participating in the Seventh Life Membership Freedom Fund Dinner in Kansas City.

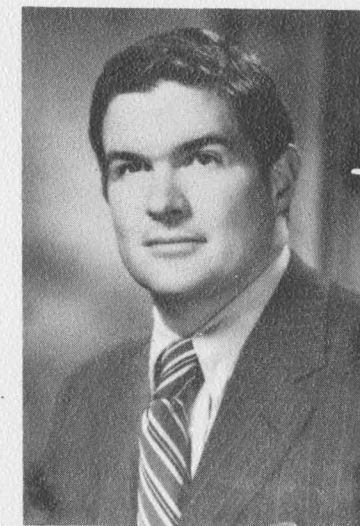
May you have a most successful and enjoyable evening as you kick-off your year's activities for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

My best wishes to each of you as you continue your good work.

Sincerely,

Christopher S. Bond
GOVERNOR

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Greeting To The Members
Kansas City, Missouri Branch NAACP
And Their Guests At The
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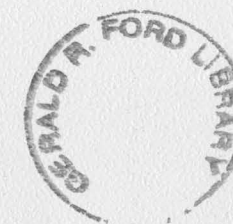
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October 2, 1974

Greetings:

I salute you on the occasion of the Seventh Annual Freedom Fund Dinner.

The struggle for equity and equality continues and by your presence you show your commitment and concern.

May you always believe in the principles of justice for which so many have given their lives. One day we will no longer fear each other and the true meaning of sisterhood and brotherhood will be heard and felt throughout our land.

With warm regards,

Mamie F. Hughes

Mamie F. Hughes, General Chairman
1974 Freedom Fund Dinner



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You have my best wishes for abundant success in your Freedom Fund Banquet scheduled for October 26th. Over the years, the Kansas City Branch has been part and parcel of our continued fight for freedom for all Americans. Although the struggle is long and arduous, we pray that you and your associates will not become wearied in this battle and that your membership gains in 1974 will bring us well over the half million mark that we set out as our goal in the beginning of the year,

With best wishes, I am

Yours very sincerely,

Stephen Gill Spottswood

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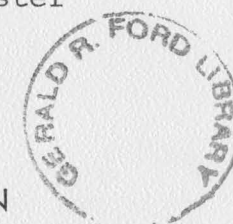
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Mrs. Quincy T. Hill, President
 Kansas City, Mo. Branch NAACP
 4115 East 43rd Street
 Kansas City, Mo. 64130

October 1, 1974

Dear Mrs. Hill:

Please accept the felicitations from the Board of Directors and the nationwide family of the NAACP, on the occasion of the 7th Annual Life Membership Freedom Fund Banquet.

For more than 65-years, the NAACP has been on the frontline in an organized effort to create the kind of society where opportunity is real for all.

There is not gainsaying that we made tremendous progress, yet, it is clear that we have a long way to go. Many of our hardwon gains are continuing under attack. Thousands of Black children are deprived of equal educational opportunities and unemployment among Blacks is twice higher than whites. The current inflationary spiral affects Blacks mostly, as well as the poor and the elderly. The number of Black Elected Officials while showing dramatic increases for the past decades is still less than 1% of the total elected officials in the fifty states of the Nation. Only 50% of the eligible Blacks voted in the last general election. These are but a few of the challenges that we face.

We are confident that the Kansas City Branch will continue the outstanding contribution to the vital work of the Asso.

Sincerely yours,

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Greetings To The Members
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September 19, 1974

Mrs. Quincy T. Hill, President
Kansas City, Missouri Branch NAACP
4115 E. 43rd St.
Kansas City, Missouri 64130

Dear Mrs. Hill:

I am pleased to have this opportunity to express my greetings to all those who will be attending the Seventh Life Membership/Freedom Fund Dinner. I am confident that this gathering will be most enjoyable and highly successful in raising the necessary funds for the many worthwhile NAACP projects.

You are to be commended for your outstanding leadership in furthering the cause of civil rights throughout the nation, as well as in the Kansas City community.

With warmest regards,

Yours very truly,

Tom Eagleton

THOMAS F. EAGLETON
United States Senator



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GREETINGS From Senator Symington

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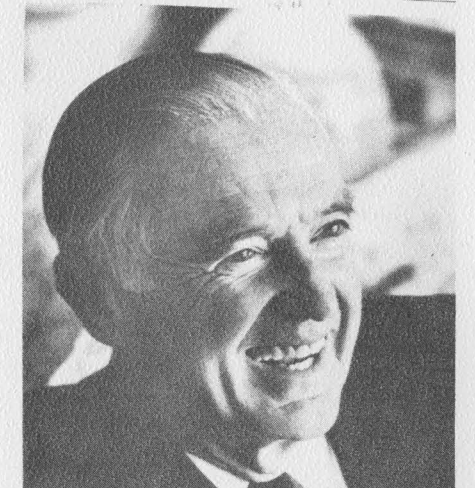
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Greetings to the members and friends of the Kansas City Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on the occasion of your 7th Annual Life Membership-Freedom banquet.

For many years, nationally and in Kansas City, NAACP has been in the front line in the cause of freedom, equality and justice. May this annual banquet be the start of the best year ever in the life of the NAACP chapter in Kansas City.

Sincerely,

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September 18, 1974

Charles B. Wheeler, Jr., M.D., J.D., Mayor

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The National Association For The Advancement of Colored People
Kansas City Missouri Branch
4115 East 43rd Street
Kansas City, Missouri 64130

Greetings!

As Mayor of Kansas City, Missouri, I am pleased and proud to extend greetings and best wishes to everyone in attendance at the 7th Life Membership/Freedom Fund Dinner of the Kansas City, Missouri Branch of the National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People.

The National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People is the oldest, largest, and most responsible civil rights organization in the nation. I would like to commend all of the members of the Kansas City, Missouri Branch for their outstanding contributions to our community.

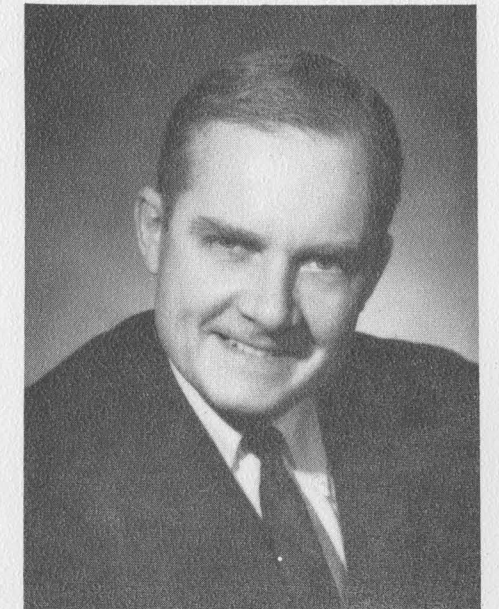
I am very proud of the work being done by the National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People, and would like to take this opportunity to offer my congratulations and best wishes to you as you celebrate the 7th Anniversary of the Life Membership/Freedom Fund Dinner.

Sincerely,

CBW/cc

Charles Wheeler

Charles B. Wheeler, Jr., M. D., J. D.
Mayor of Kansas City



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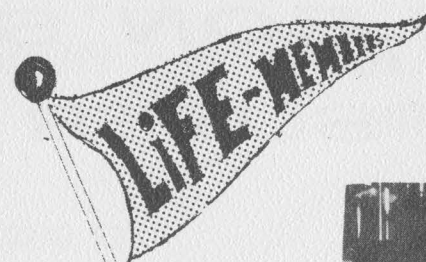


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MS. TUCKER is a member of the Executive Committee of the Democratic National Committee, National Women's Political Caucus; Vice-Chairman of the Pennsylvania Democratic State Committee, and Vice-Chairman of the Pennsylvania National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

MS. TUCKER is a graduate of the Philadelphia School for Girls, studied business administration at Temple University, attended the University of Pennsylvania, and holds an Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from Villa Maria College. Before becoming Secretary of State, she was president of C. Delores Tucker Associates, a Philadelphia public relations firm, and served as a member and secretary of the Philadelphia Zoning Board of Adjustment.

**MS. C. DELORES TUCKER
Secretary of State
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania**

MS. TUCKER participated with Dr. Martin Luther King in the 1965 Selma-Montgomery March, and was a delegate to the White House Conference on Civil Rights. She was the recipient of the 1961 NAACP Freedom Fund Award.

HER other activities include membership on the Board of Directors of: The Philadelphia Urban Coalition; Commonwealth Board of the Medical College of Pennsylvania; the New School of Music; the United Fund; the Philadelphia Tribune Charities, Inc.; the Philadelphia YWCA and the Messiah College Board of Associates.

MS. TUCKER received the National Association of Television and Radio Artists (NATRA) Woman of the Year Award, 1972; the Martin Luther King Award by the Philadelphia Trade Unions Council, 1972; the NAACP Service and Achievement Award; the National Opportunities Industrialization Center, Inc. (OIC) Achievement Award; and the "100 Most Influential Black Americans List" for 1973, **Ebony** magazine.



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Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us.
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
Let us march on till victory is won.

God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who has by Thy might
Led us into the light
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee,
Shadowed beneath Thy hand,
May we forever stand,
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Pastor, Zion Grove Missionary Baptist Church
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Solo - "No Man Is An Island" Mrs. J. LaVon Kincaid, Sr.
Accompanist Mrs. Stanley L. Counts
Recognition of NAACP Life Memberships Dr. John W. Williams
Life Membership Chairman
Musical Selections The Wilma McClellan Singers
Director - Dennis Moore Accompanist - Mrs. Wilma McClellan
Presentation of Special Awards Mrs. Quincy T. Hill, President
Kansas City, Missouri Branch NAACP
"Freedom Fund Dinner Service Awards" "NAACP Continuous Service (20 Years)"
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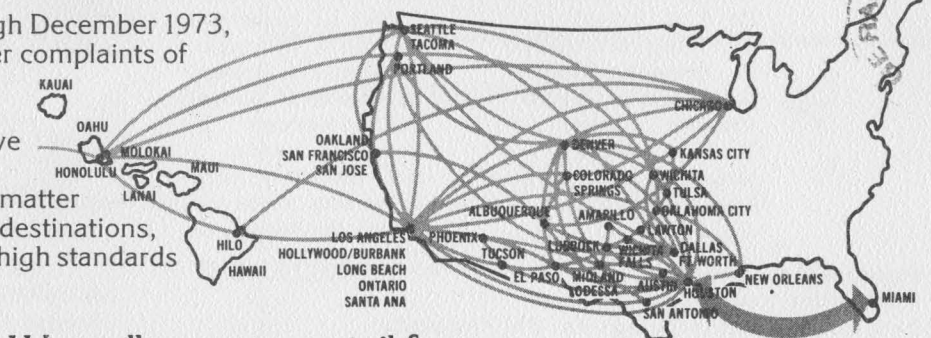
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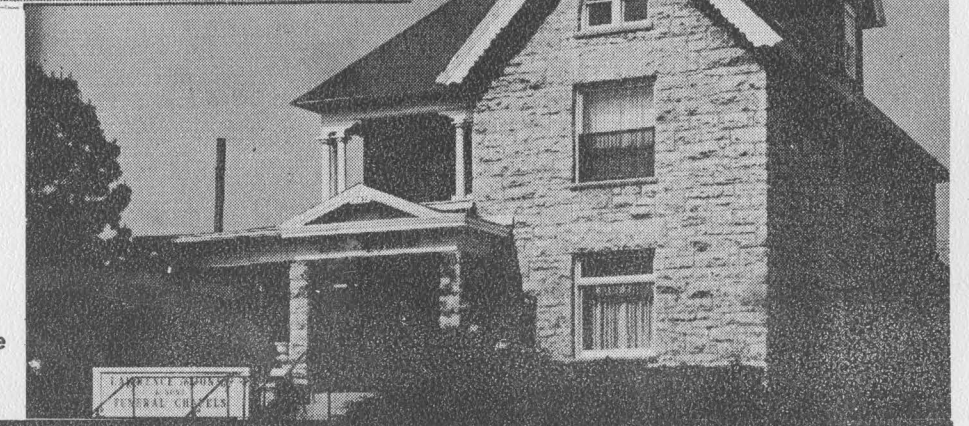
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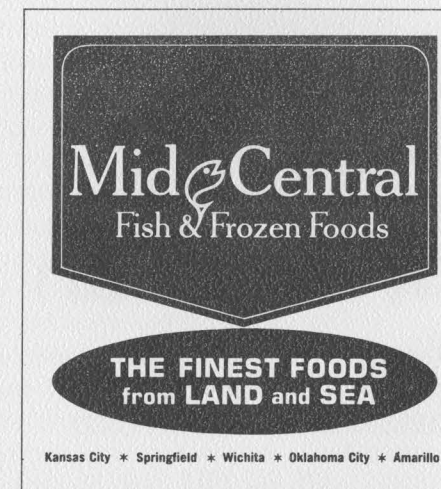
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1973 ACHIEVEMENTS

- Supported a resolution strengthening and clarifying the Kansas City, Mo. school district's policy on racial integration;
- Pointed out glaring inequities in the school district's racial and hiring practices;
- Documented and forwarded to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare inequities in both the Kansas City, Mo., and the Metropolitan Junior College District policies in the hiring and promotion of minorities and women, as well as their failure to provide meaningful Affirmative Action plans or substantial faculty integration;
- Monitored the budget and faculty integration of the Kansas City, Missouri school district;
- Appeared before the Kansas City, Missouri School Board several times to protect the minority community interests and to request pertinent information on such matters as personnel, salaries and integration of pupils and teachers;
- Filed a formal complaint with HEW requesting an investigation of the hiring practices of the University of Missouri at Kansas City and their lack of affirmative action;
- Continued to monitor activities of the police in the Black community and successfully assisted in representing two minority couples in their complaint of brutal treatment by members of the police department;
- Publicly deplored the indiscriminate shooting of Black people by members of the Kansas City, Missouri police department;
- Publicly supported the new Chief of Police in his efforts to create a police department which all citizens can respect;
- Sponsored a successful Justice Rally on the Branch president's birthday, September 28, for the purpose of securing funds to help promote the causes of justice which the NAACP supports;
- Initiated program challenging the F.C.C. Renewal Licenses for television and radio stations who are not in compliance with the rules and regulations on Equal Employment Opportunities under the Federal Communication Act of 1970. Members of the Labor and Industry Committee called upon television and radio stations and reviewed their Affirmative Action plans and their programming formats, and;
- Initiated program investigating complaints from minority employees of grocery chain stores.

1973 HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

- Recipient of the NAACP Missouri State Conference Plaque for the greatest increase in memberships;
- Recipient of the 1973 Thalheimer Award for successful program activities without professional paid personnel;
- Held the most successful Freedom Fund Banquet of our history and
- Played an active role in supporting the Wilbert Neals in winning their police brutality case.

1974 ACHIEVEMENTS

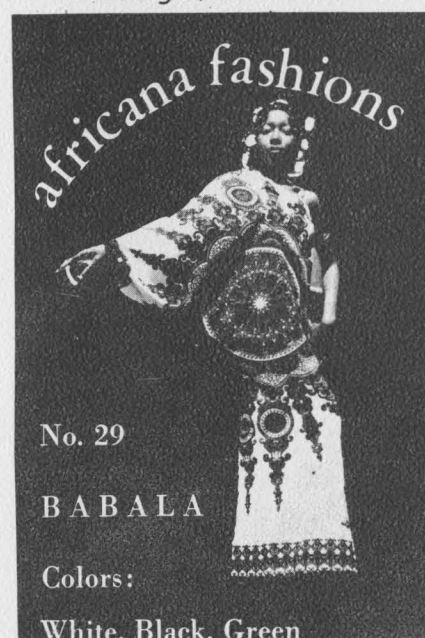
- Continued to monitor the Affirmative Action Program of the School Districts of the University of Missouri at Kansas City, Metropolitan Junior College and Kansas City, Mo.
- Continued the program challenging the F.C.C. Renewal Licenses for television and radio stations;
- Continued to investigate the complaints of minorities working in super markets;
- Successfully supported the case of a super-market checker who was terminated from her job. The employee has been reinstated with back pay.
- Participated in the United States Army Recruiting program effort to interest more Blacks in joining the armed services and in becoming Army Officers;
- Initiated dialogue with a local daily newspaper regarding NAACP news releases and other items pertinent to the interest and welfare of the Black community;
- Supported the investigation of the Richards-Gebaur Air Bases' Affirmative Action Plan;

1974 HIGHLIGHTS

- Conducted one of the most successful membership campaigns of the Branch's history;
- Received the Thalheimer Award at the National Convention - 1st Place, Honorable Mention, For Outstanding Program Activities with Paid Personnel;
- Contributed over \$1,684.60 to the Community Leon Jordan Memorial Statue Fund;
- Supported the Kansas City Plan's investigation of equal employment opportunities in the Construction Industry;
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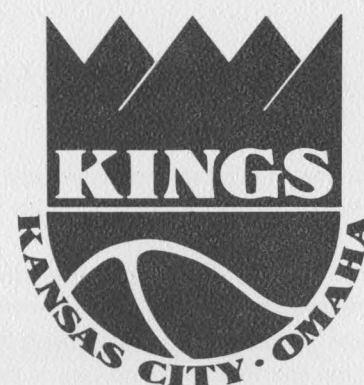
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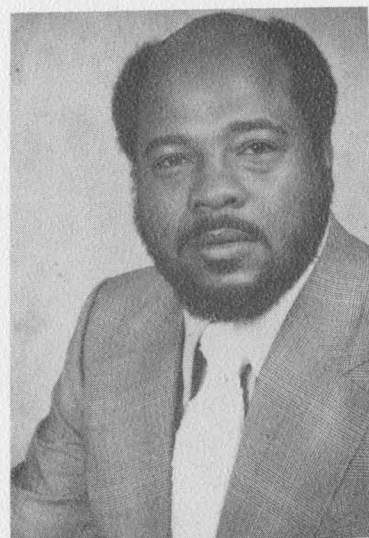
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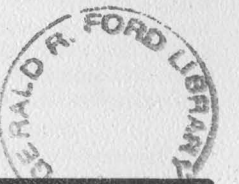
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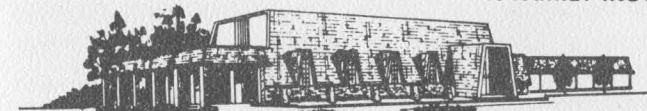
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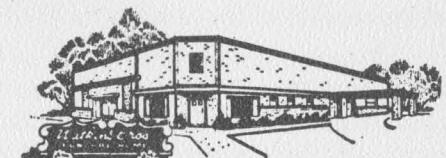
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The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is, in actuality, 65 years old; however, the papers of incorporation in the State of New York were taken out in 1910, at which time the one-year old organization calling itself the National Negro Committee was christened by the name which now provides us with, as little as you might think it, the most famous initials in the United States: N - A - A - C - P .

Other famous initials like FDR, NRA, JFK, LBJ have come and gone, but the NAACP, like Alfred Tennyson's **Brooks**, seems destined to go on forever. However, not many people who belong to our organization, or who throw bricks at our organization, or comment about our organization, know very much about how the NAACP actually began.

As Langston Hughes has said so well, the NAACP is not only the most famous initials in this country: they refer to the most talked about non-political organization; the most written-about voluntary association of people of all races; and the most damned and equally praised group of freedom-loving people in this nation. What took place when W. E. B. DuBois, Mary White Ovington, Oswald Garrison Villard, John H. Holmes and Walter E. Sachs signed the incorporation papers in May 1910 was really one more piece of evidence of what slaves and sympathetic white people had been doing for years.

The NAACP was effectively founded in 1909 because of the meshing of two groups which had the same purpose, one black and one white. Out of the American Negro Academy, founded in 1907 by W. E. B. DuBois and consisting mainly of Black intellectuals, came the famous Niagara Movement, meeting on the Canadian side of the Niagara Falls in 1905; at Harper's Ferry in honor of John Brown in 1906; and in Boston in 1907--to act upon DuBois' words: "The time seems more than ripe for organized, determined and aggressive action on the part of men who believe in Negro freedom and growth." Invited to the Harpers Ferry meeting of the Niagara group and to a conference in Atlanta, Mary White Ovington saw first hand how Blacks were treated in the South and that there were Blacks willing to do something about the abuse of other Blacks.

This wealthy New York social worker, Mary White Ovington was to be the founder and first member of the NAACP. Living in Brooklyn among Blacks and having seen the conditions in the South, her book **HALF A MAN** was to describe what was then true of Blacks and what is still all too true.

A Southern Jew, who had experienced mistreatment in Russia, William English Walling, wrote an article called "Race War in the North" in which he asked the question which takes us back to DuBois' statement; "who realizes the seriousness of the situation, and what large and powerful body of citizens is ready to come to their aid."

In Walling's small apartment in Manhattan in January, 1909, Mary Ovington, another Jew, a social worker by the name of Henry Moskowitz, and Walling decided to put forth THE CALL--really a call to arms--to be released on the 100th anniversary of Lincoln's birthday, February 12, 1909. That famous call was written by the grandson of the great abolitionist William Lloyd Garrison--Oswald Garrison Villard--and signed by some of the most distinguished men and women in America: John Dewey, Ida Wells Barnett, an outstanding Black woman journalist, W. E. B. DuBois, Rabbi Stephen Wise, William Lloyd Garrison, Bishop Alex Walters, J. G. Phelps Stokes, and Lincoln Steffens.

In summary The Call deplored the fact that despite all Lincoln had done, Georgia was, at that moment, disfranchising Blacks; that the Supreme Court was denying Blacks equal protection under the law; that Blacks were being segregated all over the land and being deprived of the rights of citizenship. It concluded: "Hence, we call upon all the believers in democracy to join in a National Conference for the discussion of present evils, the voicing of protests, and the renewal of the struggle for civil and political liberty."

That national conference met on May 30, 1909, with most of the members of DuBois' Niagara Movement joining the National Negro Committee. And so the National Negro Committee of 1909 became the NAACP at the May meeting of the following year, with Moorfield Storey as president and Dr. W. E. B. DuBois as Director of Publicity and Research. Dr. DuBois later became the first editor of the **CRISIS** magazine.



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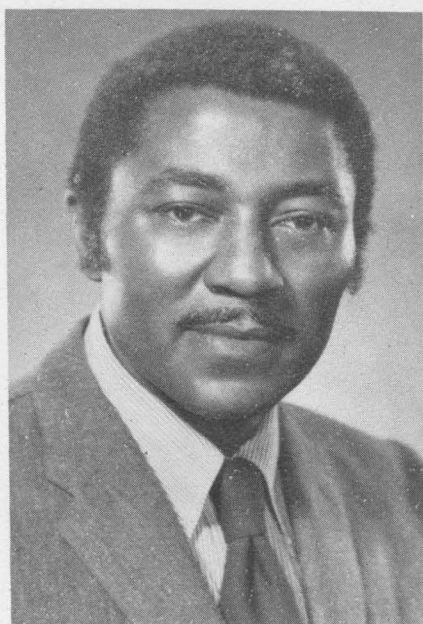
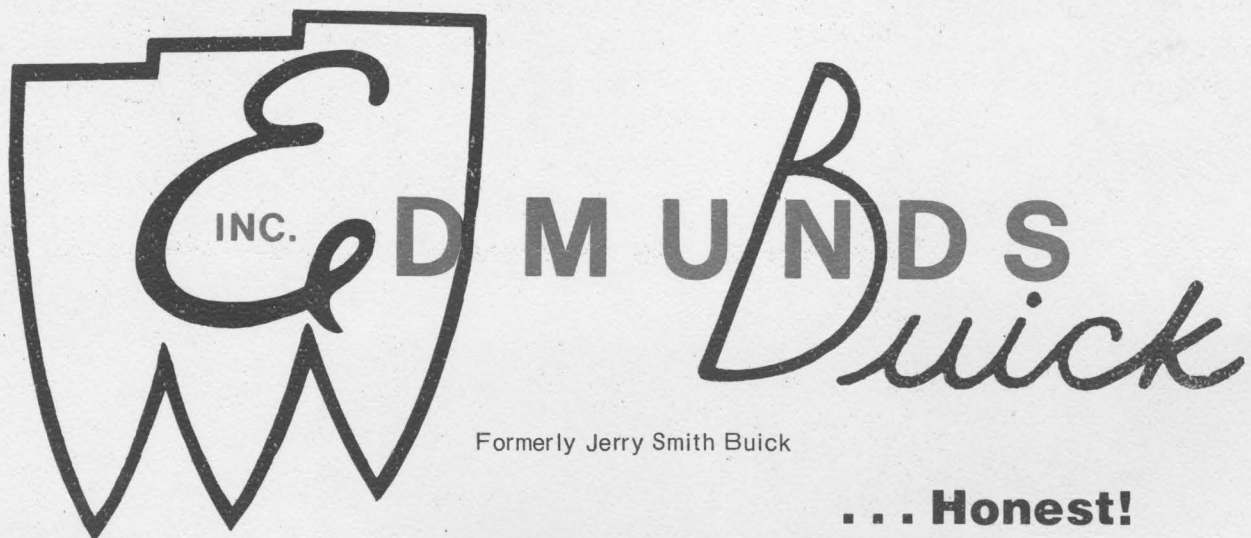
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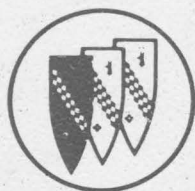


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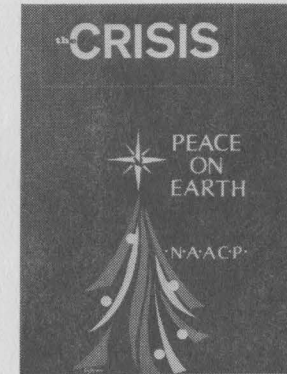
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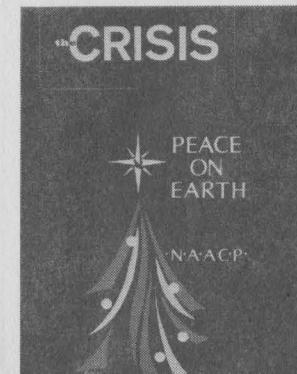


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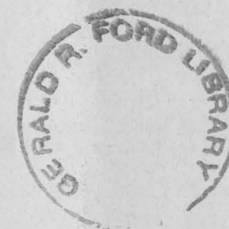
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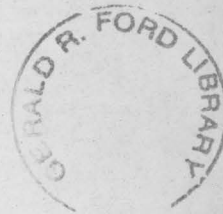
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Honorable Stanley Scott
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
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Dear Stan:

Attached is a copy of a letter I have sent to the President thanking him for our meeting. I thought it was very productive and hope very much that we can follow through on some of the items mentioned. Two of the most important ones, from the time stand point, are the matters of the National Alliance of Postal and Federal Employees and the problem of veterans who have unfavorable discharges.

So far as the Voting Rights Act is concerned, I am maintaining liaison with the Department of Justice, United States Civil Rights Commission and the appropriate committees of Congress. I note that several groups are becoming active on the matter of extending the Voting Rights Act. This is very fine and I hope that the various efforts will be coordinated.

As far as I am concerned, there are two very important considerations that must be kept in mind on this legislation. First, we must be certain that we can muster a sufficient number of votes to assure extension of the vital sections 4 and 5. Second, we must be sure that any proposed changes are really necessary and also will not prevent passage of the main extensions. It is also my opinion that some problems that may be suggested as evidence of need for changes are now covered by existing law. This is particularly true in northern communities. Therefore, before seeking amendments that apply to the north we ought to know exactly what the advocates of such amendments are trying to correct.

Sincerely yours,

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Clarence Mitchell
Director
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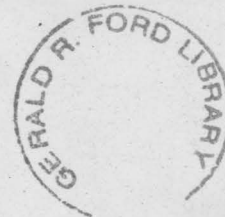
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Honorable Gerald R. Ford
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Dear Mr. President:

As I stated at the opening of our meeting with you on Friday, October 22, I would like to commend you for the wholesome and straight forward image that you convey to the public and to those of us who have had the good fortune to meet with you since you have assumed the office of President. The matters that we presented to you are of vital importance and I look forward to implementation of some of them through joint meetings with appropriate members of your staff and officials in the Executive branch of government who are in a position to take follow up activity.

It was especially pleasing to me that you expressed your support for continuing the vital provisions of the Voting Rights Act of 1965. Also, because I was speaking that night at a large dinner meeting in Cincinnati and thereafter on the following day at the Harvard School of Business Administration in Boston, it was especially reassuring that you indicated your intention to give full enforcement to statutes protecting the right of children to attend public schools.



Honorable Gerald R. Ford

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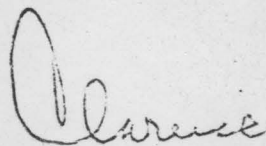
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At the press conference in the White House which I attended before getting my plane to Cincinnati, I publicly expressed appreciation for your assurances on enforcement of the law in Boston. It is my hope that there will be a continuing dialogue on the kinds of important domestic problems that we presented to you. Also, I hope that as in the past, under other administrations, it will be possible to have day to day liaison with White House staff members.

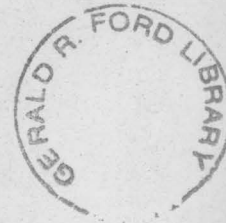
I am sure I am expressing the views of my colleagues and many others when I say that we continue to hope for the best of recovery for Mrs. Ford. Some of us who have been faced with similar medical problems in our families can understand what concern you felt at the time of the operation. Personally, I thought that your continued close attention in matters which required your official action at that time was most commendable.

I would like to thank you for the cuff links with the Presidential seal that you were gracious enough to give to the male members of the group. Some of the members of my family are preparing a kind of museum of historical items. I shall place these in that institution when it is opened.

Respectfully yours,



Clarence Mitchell
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Dear Roy:

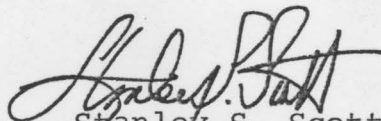
On behalf of the President, I would like to express our deep appreciation for the opportunity to initiate meaningful dialogue with you and other representatives of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights.

The President asked me to assure you that your concerns in the area of civil rights and social welfare are his concerns, and he looks forward to working with your coalition in finding solutions to our domestic problems.

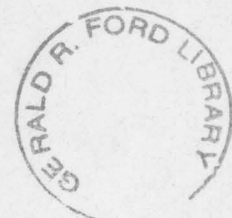
At the President's request, I am attaching a copy of the proposed legislation to extend the Voting Rights Act, which you will recall came up for discussion during your meeting with President Ford.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely,



Stanley S. Scott
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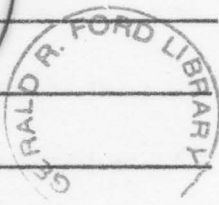
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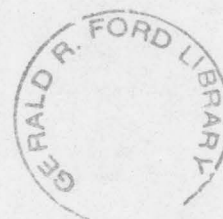


VICE PRESIDENT ROCKEFELLER ATTN STANLEY
SCOTT
WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON DC 20500

DEAR MR VICE PRESIDENT IT IS MY PRIVILEGE TO INVITE YOU TO BE THE
KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT THE FIRST ANNUAL AWARD DINNER OF THE NAACP HONORING
G WILLIAM MILLER, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF TEXTRON AND HOBART TAYLOR JR
FOR THEIR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT OF THE NAACP CONTRIBUTION FUND AND THROUGH
IT THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT. THE DINNER IS SCHEDULED APRIL 23 1975.
YOUR ACCEPTANCE AND PRESENCE WILL INSURE THE SUCCESS OF THIS MOST
MEANINGFUL TRIBUTE. I SINCERELY HOPE YOUR REPLY WILL BE FAVORABLE.
RSVP. NAACP, ATTENTION MR JAMES TARTER, 1790 BROADWAY NEW YORK NEW YORK
10019 OR PHONE 212-245-2100. SINCERELY
ROY WILKINS

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THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

February 17, 1975

Dear Roy:

Stan Scott has passed on your very kind invitation to address the awards dinner of the NAACP in New York on April twenty-third.

I am honored to be invited to keynote this important event, and it is with the greatest regret that I must decline. I have a conflict on my schedule that evening and unfortunately, it cannot be changed. This is a long-standing commitment to speak at an awards dinner in Washington that same night, and is a date I've had on my calendar since before my confirmation. I am sorry and hope you will understand.

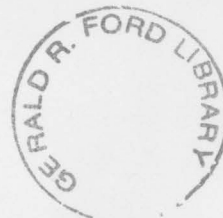
With my warm thanks -- and best personal regards,

Sincerely,

/s/ Nelson A. Rockefeller

Mr. Roy Wilkins
President
National Association for the
Advancement of Colored People
1790 Broadway
New York, New York 10019

bcc: Stan Scott



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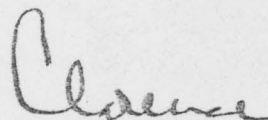
March 26, 1975

Honorable Stanley Scott
Special Assistant to the
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The White House
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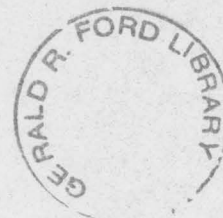
Dear Stan:

As I mentioned on the telephone, I am attaching a copy of Roy's letter to President Ford asking that he speak at our National Convention in Washington, June 30 - July 4, 1975. You will note that we have offered a selection of days. Also, as I mentioned, we would be pleased if the President cares to handle it as a greeting or a speech. If it is to be a speech we would like to know that in advance in order that we might not have any appearances competing with it.

Sincerely yours,



Clarence Mitchell
Director
Washington Bureau



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P. S. The man whose name I could not think of at the time I talked with you is Calvin Johnson, a lawyer who, as I understand it, is on Allen Woods' staff. I would appreciate it if you would let me know if this is correct.

March 21, 1975

Honorable Gerald Ford
President
White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

This year the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will hold its 66th Annual Convention in Washington, D. C. at the Sheraton Park and Shoreham Hotels, during the week of June 30 - July 4, 1975, inclusive. More than 3,000 official delegates are expected, representing the majority of the Association's 1,700 branches and youth units. The Convention is the policy-making body of the NAACP, and the resolutions it adopts serve as guides for National and local action throughout the ensuing twelve months.

The Convention also serves as a platform from which our delegates and their visitors from the host city may be enlightened and inspired by leaders of government, business and civic affairs.

We would be enormously gratified if you could speak to us at one of the following sessions:

Tuesday, July 1, 1975 - 10:00 A.M.
Wednesday, July 2, 1975 - 10:30 A.M.
Thursday, July 3, 1975 - 2:30 P.M.

The NAACP is the largest (some 450,000 members) continuing civil rights organization and also the oldest, founded February 9, 1909. Our Convention has added significance as it is one of the few occasions during which our people from far and near gather to exchange ideas and renew commitments.

We, therefore, believe that it provides an excellent forum and we hope very much that you can join us.

Sincerely yours,

Roy Wilkins
Executive Director

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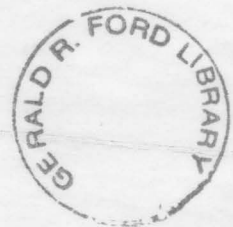
June 13, 1975

Dear Mr. Wilkins:

America is deeply indebted to the NAACP for its contributions in the field of civil rights under your effective leadership. These contributions have grown out of a deep commitment to the Constitution of the United States and from a determination to travel the difficult second mile in order to implement the guarantees of equality envisioned by our Founding Fathers.

I welcomed the opportunity to join with the NAACP and other civil rights leaders in urging the Congress to extend the Voting Rights Act. This Act has made it possible for millions who were disfranchised because of race, color or national origin to become citizens in fact as well as in name. Today, as a result of this extension, these individuals are now represented in rapidly increasing numbers in positions of responsibility and prominence at all levels of government. But the job is not finished. This Act must not be permitted to lapse.

We have reached a significant crossroads in the civil rights movement. Laws have been passed and decisions have been made by our courts which spell out the equality guaranteed under our Constitution. This is a time that tests the strength of our resolve to implement these laws and decisions. Reasonable people differ as to the best methods to follow. This often results in sharp debate. I believe that out of such debate will emerge a broad consensus that will prove the strength of our resolve, not only as individuals, but as a nation, to translate the philosophy of the Constitution into effective actions which benefit all our citizens.



In the area of employment alone, we know that we are still confronted with discriminatory practices which are sadly reflected in both our employment and unemployment statistics. We can effectively move to correct this situation by vigorously enforcing existing equal employment opportunity laws. This has, and will continue to be, my policy.

Working together, I am convinced that we can replace despair with hope and discontent with self-fulfillment in the lives of those fellow citizens who are still victims of discrimination in our society. I call upon your experienced counsel and look forward to our close cooperation in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Roy Wilkins
Executive Director, NAACP
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New York, New York 10019

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cc: D.E. Downton/R. Nessen/S. Scott/J. Calhoun/E. Hasek/CF

DUE: ASAP

Requested by Organization through Stan Scott and John Calhoun

Text approved by P. Theis, S. Scott and Dr. A. Fleming



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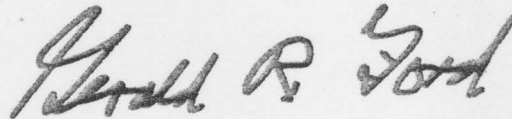
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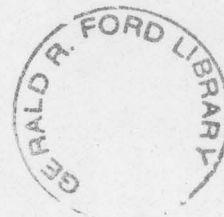
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A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Gerald R. Ford". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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August 19, 1975

Honorable Stanley S. Scott
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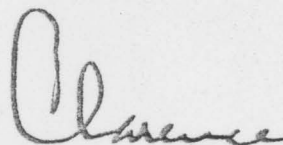
Dear Stan:

On learning that the President of Liberia may be visiting the United States in September, I decided to pass on to you a suggestion that may be helpful in our relations with African nations.

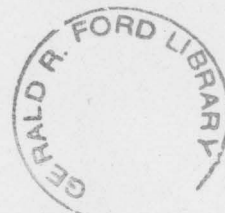
It is my assumption that the emerging countries in Africa want to be recognized as contributors as well as beneficiaries of international progress and world peace. A dialogue between President Ford and the heads of the important nations in Africa should produce many constructive results.

I suggest that the possibility of having Liberia begin working for such a meeting should be explored when the President of that country comes to the United States.

Sincerely yours,



Clarence Mitchell
Director
Washington Bureau



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