

**TOBIN SAYS LABOR DEPT.**

**STUDIES NAACP PROPOSALS**  
New York — Secretary of Labor Maurice J. Tobin told the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People this week that "every consideration" will be given to the recommendation that qualified Negro members be placed on important committees concerned with the organization of manpower for defense mobilization. He also stated that the U.S. Employment Service will recommend to state agencies that racial designations be removed from job application cards.

In a letter to NAACP Secretary Walter White, Secretary Tobin stated: "We are moving as rapidly as circumstances will permit in reviewing, analyzing, revising and adapting all present policies and operations of the Department of Labor in relation to the current defense program."

Admitting that in presently continuing "its established policies in the placement of minority groups," the Employment Service makes "no referral to a position where services to be performed or the terms or conditions of employment are contrary to federal, state, or local law," Mr. Tobin assured Mr. White that efforts were being made to promote employment "based exclusively on job performance factors."

The Secretary of Labor's letter was in answer to a letter from Mr. White, pointing out the omission of any consideration of the problems of minority groups in the department's recently issued General Order No. 48, on defense manpower.

**NAACP FIGHTS OUSTER OF TWO LEVITTOWN FAMILIES**

Mineola, L.I. — Judge Percy D. Stoddard of the Supreme Court of New York for Nassau County yesterday ordered Levitt and Sons, Long

Island builders, to show cause why a temporary injunction should not be issued to restrain them from evicting from the community of Levittown two families who have played host to Negroes.

The action was taken pending disposition of a suit filed by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Novick and Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Ross, whose leases are not being renewed. The NAACP charges that the two families are being evicted because last July they invited Negro children from nearby Hempstead to play with their children.

Last year, the Federal Housing Administration compelled the builders to remove a written restrictive covenant from deeds and leases in the town after pressure by the NAACP and other groups. Despite a Supreme Court ruling declaring such covenants unenforceable, Levittown continues to adhere to its lily-white policy.

Representatives of the American Civil Liberties Union, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, the American Jewish Congress, and the American Jewish Committee are meeting with the NAACP to discuss possible joint legal action in connection with the eviction cases.

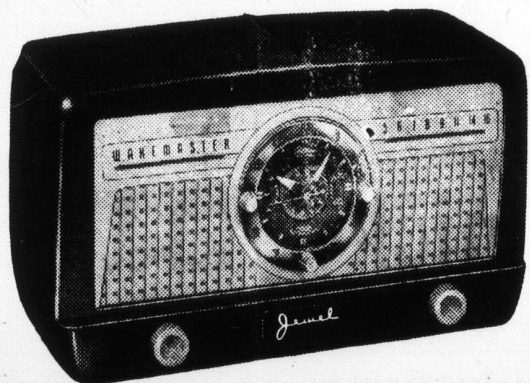
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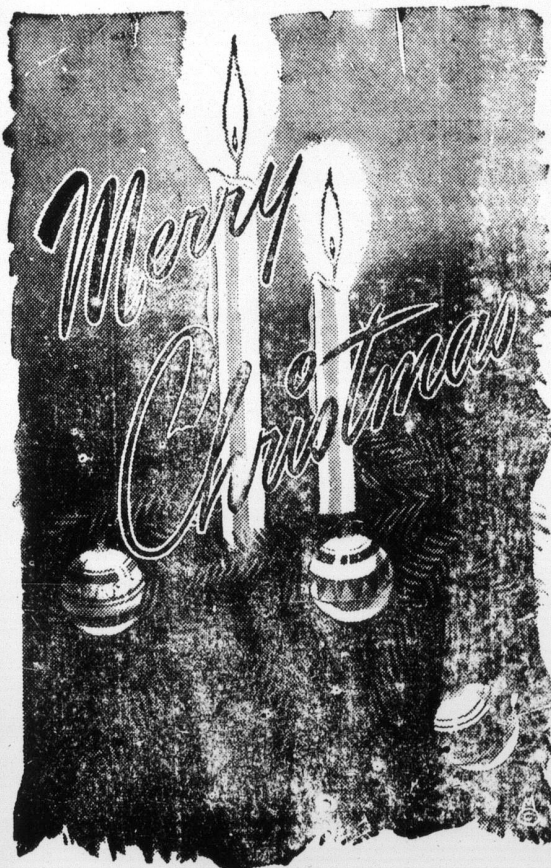
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