

"Boston, Massachusetts
May 28, 1938

"In Miss Hayward's Division there is now operating in Boston a Household Service Demonstration Project for the training of household workers. Colored workers are not only welcome on this project, but several are enrolled there at the present time.

In Missouri, the State Works Progress Administration writes in answer to charges that household training units are being established for whites and not for Negroes. They admit that this has been true in St. Louis:

"Jefferson City, Mo.
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"Mr. Williams states that no Negroes have been included in the Household Service Demonstration project whereas there is a project in Kansas City which is being operated for the training of Negro women. The Household Service Demonstration Project in Missouri has been in operation for no more than six weeks and we have been proceeding slowly. St. Louis has a unit for white women and will organize a unit for Negro women very soon.

"As a matter of fact, the United States Employment Service in St. Louis has stated that the number of calls for trained Negro women for domestic service is negligible in comparison with the demand for trained white women. On this basis it was decided to organize the first unit there for white women. In Kansas City the opposite is true and therefore we organized the first unit there for the training of colored women."

General Complaints were received in large numbers from Illinois and Missouri. This office received several copies of a handbill announcing a mass meeting in St. Louis, which reads as follows: