

This unfortunately is unpleasant proof that those workers who can get someone in authority to intercede for them get attention for their problems. Others suffer.

In the mid west and far west where the races are mixed on projects, some race relation problems have cropped up relating to Negro supervision over white workers and vice versa. The volume of these problems is not such as to indicate other than the to be expected difficulties of administration.

Skilled Labor. The following two excerpts from workers' letters are typical of skilled labor complaints:

Boston, Mass.
April 12, 1937.

"There is one project at the Army Base which employed about 400 carpenters and only 2 colored carpenters working there. Many other job with less men have one or more on it. I was on that project mention above for a few months. I was drop I reply and was inform that there is only common labor job I can get."

Cincinnati, Ohio.
April 26, 1937.

"I have worked 143 hours on the job and received common laborer wages. The Superintendent said that my slip got lost every since the 22 of March. My color is the reason I dont get paid for the work I do. I would like to know what is the wages I should draw for laying stone and cement finisher. If anything went wrong with the work they would see me."