

Literary Column



A BRIDGE FOR TOMORROW

An old man traveled a lone high-
way,
And came at evening, cold and
gray,
To a chasm deep and wide.
The old man crossed in the twi-
light dim;
The sullen stream had no fear for
him,
But he turned when he reached
the other side
And built a bridge to span the
tide.

"Old man!" said a pilgrim stand-
ing near,
"Why waste your strength with
your building here?
You never again will pass this
way,

Your journey will end with the
ending day.
You crossed the chasm deep and
wide,
Why build a bridge at eventide?"

The builder raised his old gray
head.
"Good friend! In the way I have
come," he said,
"A youth followeth after me to-
day
Whose feet must pass this same
highway.
The stream that hath meant
naught to me
To that fair-haired boy a pitfall
may be,
And he must cross in the twilight
dim.
Good friend! I'm building this
bridge for him."

—Anon.

**Bilbo Didn't Ask Violence
Assailed Men of CIO
Not Negroes'**

Jackson, Miss. (AP) Sen. Bilbo
(Dem., Miss.) Thursday stood pat
on his advocacy of "white su-
premacy and white control."

He denied to investigating Sen-
ators, however, that he had advo-
cated violence or illegal acts
against Negroes during his pri-
mary campaign.

The unruffled Senator, his dia-
mond horseshoe stickpin sparkling,
slipped into his stump speaking
manner.

He declared that when he said
organizers should be "ridden out
of town on a rail" and when I
suggested taking some tar and
feathers along and not forgetting
a match," he was talking about
CIO men trying to organize Ne-
groes, not about the Negroes them-
selves.

Phrase Left Out

Senator Bilbo told the Senate
Committee that he had violated
no laws when he asserted Negroes
should be kept from voting in
the primary.

He complained that newspapers
misquoted him by omitting the
phrase "by any lawful means."

Mississippi Negroes are Repub-
licans, Senator Bilbo asserted and
therefore ineligible to vote in
Democratic primaries.

Senator Hickenlooper (Rep., Ia.)
questioned the Mississippian on
accounts of his campaign, and
Senator Bilbo frequently turned
the examination into a crackling
interchange.

Denies Some Statements

Asked about a statement that
"Clare Booth Luce is the greatest
nigger lover in the North except

Old Lady Eleanor Roosevelt,"
Senator Bilbo grinned and an-
swered, "I said that."

He listened to another quota-
tion, "The people of Mississippi
are sitting on a volcano, there
is a nationwide effort to integrate
niggers into the social life of the
country."

"I subscribe to that," Senator
Bilbo said. "If I didn't say it, I
wish I had."

World Herald

Central Social Action Council

The Urban League Bulletin
spoke a word of praise to the
Central Social Action Council for
its work in the community. The
Council has as its objective in-
creasing the economic and social
opportunities of the Negroes,
Japanese and other racial minor-
ities of this community. They
recognize that these are victims
of many restrictive, discrimina-
tory practices and that because
of these attitudes they are denied
the normal existence that is the
right of every citizen in a democ-
racy.

On Monday evening at the
Methodist Student House located
at 1417 R Street the following
officers were elected: Dr. A. L.
Miller, president; Rev. M. L.
Shakespeare, Vice President; Bob
Hansen, Secretary; Rev. R. L.
Moody, Treasurer.

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