

**RANDOLPH SAYS BAN ON MARIAN ANDERSON SHOULD STOP FIGHTING SPIRIT OF THE NEGRO PEOPLE**  
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apparent in the aggressive storm of resentment and the will to fight against racial barriers, now manifested among the Negro people. For, more important than Marian Anderson's singing in Constitution Hall or the Auditorium of any white school is the recognition by Negroes of their right to have her sing there, and an undying determination to fight for that right.

It is this growing realization on the part of the Negroes that they possess rights and a courageous health and promising spirit to enjoy that right is the heartening spirit to struggle to exercise and this whole episode. Moreover, when by sheer dint of protest and fighting, the Negroes themselves compel recognition of their constitutional rights, it endows them with a dignity and power, independence and ability of character which make for security and salvation promise and progress.

Verily, this awakening, even if

temporary, which we hope is not the case, means much more to the Negro people than of the old and decrepit women of DAR had granted Marian Anderson the privilege to sing in Constitution Hall, without a fight.

The primary significance of this whole affair lies in a developing awareness of the power of struggle through mass action and organized effort against race and color discrimination. And most important of all is the implication of possibility that this awakening and awareness may be transferred and introduced into the field of labor and political struggle, to build organizations to secure economic justice, the only sure foundation of an enduring cultural super-structure for Afro-America.

But the question logically arises "How is this deepening wrath of the Negro masses and their desire for social justice to be expressed and employed to meet the situation created by the anti-Negro policy of the DAR, and the Board of Education ban on Marian Anderson?" Much more must be done in addition to mass meetings and statements of protest and con-

demnation, though this procedure is not without a definite measure of value and should be continued.

It is generally expected, however, by the ruling whites of America that Negroes are content to meet a condition of injustice to which they are subjected by petitions and polite diplomacy, which is but another name for cowardice. It is obvious even to the blind that the breed of American whites, responsible for the rank discrimination against Marian Anderson do not give a picayune for letter writing and name calling, alone. These forms of attack are splendid, but sometimes too dignified to impress the opposition so that they will know that the conflict their action has precipitated is not a pink tea party. Have we as a group the courage to adopt the necessary drastic action to grapple with the challenge the DAR, and Board of Education have hurled into our teeth?

Now, what can be done that will get white Washington and the country as a whole thinking and thinking hard? Nothing could be more effective than for the Negro people of Washington to throw a mass picket line around Constitutional Hall and the Board of Education and keep it there for months, with placards portraying that democracy, liberty and justice in America are dead. It will show white America that the Negro people have guts and are not afraid to fight.

**PERSONALITIES IN MUSIC**  
NICK and CHARLES KENNY, A.S.C.A.P.  
*The Gold Mine Is Still in the Sky*



By Daniel I. McNamara

NICK fought in five wars. He was stroke oarsman on a sailors' twelve-oared racing cutter that never was beaten. He was star football player and all around athlete in the U. S. Navy. Today he is a powerful, smiling giant—but if you sing a song of tender sentiment, like as not you'll see a tear well in the eye of this soft-hearted swashbuckler. For Nick Kenny is himself a writer of songs of appealing sentimentality. He loves to entertain the children on his radio programs.

A success in New York journalism, Kenny insists that he is a song writer first, newspaper man incidentally. For he started writing songs when he was a youngster in the navy, and has been writing them for more than 20 years. He has written more than 50 successes, many of them among the best sellers.

Nick, however, has not cornered the talent in the Kenny family, for his accomplished brother, Charles, a violinist and composer, frequently shares with Nick the honors of creating new song successes. Nick, a native of Astoria, L. I., served two

complete terms in the navy, starting as a coal passer. He became the fastest signal man in the Navy. Three of his brothers were lost in the world war. His second enlistment ended the day of the Armistice. After two years in the Merchant Marine, he went to work as a cub reporter in Bayonne, N. J., soon became sports editor, then worked on newspapers in Boston and New York. He was a pioneer in the development of the radio column as a newspaper feature. For more than a decade he has been an authority on news of the radio.

Both Nick and Charles are members of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers and their copyrighted songs are in the Society's repertoire. Active in New York newspaper work, they have found music an avocation of great possibilities. One of their latest efforts is "Cathedral in the Pines," a song of romantic appeal, and one of the most popular numbers of current radio programs.

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**PRES. ROWLAND HAYNES SAYS NO DOLE**

President Rowland Haynes of the University of Omaha today defended work-relief against those who would supplant this program with a direct dole.

Admitting that any form of public relief will injure morale and taint the American tradition of 'rugged individualism,' President Haynes declared:

"The Country can't very well avoid the relief problem at the present time. It's very much like a flu epidemic—it's bound to have its bad effects, but you can't very well overlook it.

"I feel that if we can afford it we should keep work-relief instead of a dole. I feel that the extra cost pays for itself partly in the increased morale of the people and partly in the work done. A dole leaves nothing to show for it except some stomachs partly filled."

Mr. Haynes has himself been in social welfare work for more than a quarter of a century. Before becoming president of the University of Omaha in 1935, he was head of the Nebraska division of the Federal Emergency Relief Administration.

The president stated that work-relief, like any type of work, depends for its efficiency on careful planning and good foremanship. The WPA has been working on the University of Omaha campus since last fall. Of the work thus far completed, President Haynes said:

"Check tests show that the efficiency for the work ranks high. The men grading and the west end of the campus for an athletic field have often removed ten carloads of dirt apiece during a single day's work. Work like that doesn't give much time for shovel-levelling."

The president added that he "would like to see those who poke fun at the WPA try their own hands at shoveling. I doubt if very many of them would do the job as well as the WPA workers."

Mr. Haynes thinks the relief problem will be with us for a long time to come. England, he pointed out, has had it for a number of decades. The problem has heretofore been stalled off in the United States by the free lands of the West, the development of mass production and other similar factors. Now we can't stall it off any longer.

This new phenomenon will have its effect on American public life, Mr. Haynes believes.

Chief effect, he asserted, will be a readjustment in public expenditures. Outlays for education may be cut to make way for relief expenditures.

"The public pocketbook can contribute just so much. Most of our communities today are like a man with a wife and children whose brother in law has died, leaving an added demand on the man's income to help support his widowed sister.

"This added demand on his income reduces the amount he has for the education of his children. The pocketbook is now confronted by the same situation."

Because of his concern for the "public pocketbook" President Haynes refused this year to ask the city of Omaha for increased tax support for the municipal University of Omaha.

The army of dependent Americans will also have its effect on partisan politics declared the president. The effect will be not unlike that of any other pressure group which seeks to gain its ends by lobbying and by influencing the major political parties.

"Various organized special interest groups have milked the Treasury in the past and continue to do so today," said Mr. Haynes; "And I can't see that it's any worse for a bunch of poor people to do this than it is for any other pressure group."

The University of Omaha president sees agitation to supplant federal administration which local administration as an attempt merely to transfer control from one group of politicians to another group.

"My experience in relief and welfare work convinces me there is little to be gained by giving local administrators more control. I can't see that the rottenness of local politics is any less rotten than the rottenness of federal politics."

"In general, federal administration tends to be more and above-board—if only because the local people are on the watch for any slips on the part of the federal administrators. But when relief is in the hands of local administrators, there is considerably less vigilance."

"The present relief burden is one which only the federal government can shoulder because of its broader avenues of taxation. I think the federal government has no right to spend money without supervising its use."

"I recall that before the war, New York City gave millions of dollars to private institutions for

the care of children. There was no supervision by the city, and the result was a real waste of public funds."

Mr. Haynes believes that the trained social worker will gradually assume a more important position in the administration of relief. He declared that the strong movement now calling for special training in public administration will carry over into the field of social work.

When war comes to Europe, the two "buddies" who today make up the Rome-Berlin axis, Hitler and Mussolini, will probably be taking shots at each other from opposite ends of No Man's Land.

Such a view of the fascist bloc was given today by Dr. Shepherd I. Witman, expert on international relations at the University of Omaha. The dictators may string along together while Europe keeps the peace, said the political scientist; but when the showdown comes, Mussolini will part company with his pugnacious German "pal."

The axis will receive its first test when Il Duce reiterates his colonial demands from Britain and France. If the Duce appears more moderate in his tone Dr. Witman believes that will be indication Hitler is not giving Italy his full support.

But Mussolini engages in chest-thumping antics that will be a pretty good sign that Hitler gave the "go-ahead" signal. However, said Dr. Witman, the Latin dicta-

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tor will get little encouragement from his German colleague.

"Hitler is now most interested in pursuing the policy of eastward expansion he outlined in 'Mein Kampf'. Until he has consolidated his position in Central and Eastern Europe, he will try to avoid trouble with France and Britain."

The University of Omaha political scientist has other reasons for doubting the stability of the Rome-Berlin axis. Apparently, the German dictator made his recent junket into Czechoslovakia without informing his Italian playmate, an indication that there is very little collaboration between Berlin and Rome.

Moreover, Adolph may displease Benito by trying to muscle in on the latter's territory. As the German pushes eastward, it is likely that he will try to get Hungary and Yugoslavia under his influence, said Dr. Witman. Heretofore these countries have been considered part of the Italian orbit.

"Already the Italian position in Central Europe has been irreparably damaged with the absorption of Czechoslovakia. German control there limits Italian influence."

"Mussolini must recognize that to stick to the axis threatens Italy's position as a great power. Even if Germany and Italy waged war together successfully, Italy could expect little more than crumbs as her share of the spoils. A successful Germany might even threaten Italy's national existence."

Whether or not Britain and France give in to Mussolini's demands for expansion in the Mediterranean, Dr. Witman still believes that Italy will break the axis when war comes. Concessions to Mussolini might not have an immediate apparent effect on the axis, but the real effect will show when the crisis comes, he declared.

If Britain and France turn a cold shoulder to Il Duce's demand Italy will still side with them against Hitler when the showdown comes, said the professor, because Mussolini will have to consider that a German victory would hurt Italy more than she could gain from such a victory.

Then there is a little matter of 250,000 Germans in what was formerly part of the Austrian Tyrol and is now part of Northern Italy. Of course Hitler has promis-

ed Mussolini that he has no designs on the Tyroleans; but Benito is too smart a man to believe one of Adolph's promises.

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