

KLAN VICTIMS AND GEORGIA PEONS LAY PROBLEMS BEFORE DEPT. OF JUSTICE

Washington, March 25 In Washington this week are victims of brutal treatment by the Ku Klux Klan in South Carolina and two escaped Negro farm workers from a Georgia peonage farm who were held in bondage for more than ten years.

They were brought here by the National Negro Congress for the purpose of presenting their complaints to officials of the United States Department of Justice. An appointment for them is scheduled for sometime during the coming week with Assistant Attorney General O. John Rogge.

At a meeting held here Tuesday of this week, at which Congressman Vito Marcantonio, president of the International Labor Defense, presided, the witnesses who came to Washington told a tragic story of brutal terror and semi-slave conditions in South Carolina and Georgia.

One witness, Will Fleming, the father of ten children, told a horror-stricken audience of Washington citizens, that he had been chained in his cabin at night to prevent his escape from a peonage farm in Oglethorpe County, Georgia. He testified before the audience that he and his wife and his children had all been forced to work on the plantation during a period of some 25 years and that in that whole period the family earnings for any one had never been more than \$10.00.

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A high point in the testimony before the audience was reached when a southern white woman told the story of how the Klan in South Carolina had left a disabled Negro war veteran naked on her front porch at night after he had been beaten by the Klan nearly to death. John P. Davis, national secretary of the Congress, in a statement to the press following the meeting lashed out vigorously at what he termed the "gross negligence of the Attorney General of the United States in refusing to bring instant federal prosecution in these flagrant cases of violations of the federal statutes on peonage and night riding."

The Congress official declared, "The Attorney General of the United States may not escape the responsibility for having failed even to investigate grave charges of violation of federal law brought before the Department of Justice by many individuals and organizations involved in these cases. In the Georgia peonage cases, despite the sworn affidavits of numerous Negro peons who escaped from a Georgia plantation to Chicago, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has refused to conduct an inquiry into the facts and has informed the organization presenting the information to them that the case is closed. In the South Carolina cases, the Civil Liberties Unit of the Department of Justice has declared that there was in most of the cases no federal jurisdiction and that they could not act. But in other cases where the head of the Civil Liberties Unit, Mr. Harry Schweinhaut, admitted jurisdiction the Department of Justice has refused even to investigate. In the latter case involving a reign of terror by the KKK against Negro children at an NYA camp in Lexington County, South Carolina, the Department of Justice has refused to act.

"We have brought these witnesses to Washington," said Mr. Davis

"to keep them here until responsible officials of the Department of Justice are willing to take enough of their valuable time to hear the stories of terror and discrimination which these witnesses have to tell. So far Department officials have not been as cooperative as they might in making themselves available to hear these stories, even though they know that maintenance of the witnesses here is costing \$40 a day. Our request for an interview with the Attorney General was refused, perhaps because he is too busy trying to become elected President of the United States. We stated to Department of Justice officials that we would be willing to present our case to Mr. Rogge, but even here there has been unnecessary delay. However, we are determined not to let the witnesses leave Washington until an official of the Department of Justice, who can speak with full authority for the Department and the Attorney General, gives us a hearing."

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DEWEY'S FARM PROGRAM HAILED

Favorable reaction rising often to the most enthusiastic applause in both agricultural states and industrial centers has followed Thomas E. Dewey's announcement of his eight-point farm program in his address at Lincoln, Neb., in early March.

Measured by editorial expressions, Mr. Dewey, leading candidate for the Republican presidential nomination, has laid down a series of suggestions on which town and country can at late unite. Along with the attractiveness of the program, many commentators found occasion for praise in the candor with which it was presented.

"Dewey's Best Speech," said a Sioux City (Iowa) Tribune headline. "Thus speaks a man of action," declared the Renville Minn., Star Farmer. The latter paper found "works, not theory," to be Mr. Dewey's method and asserted that a Dewey Administration would go far in "repairing the oss due to New Deal bungling," and putting "agriculture, our nation's greatest industry, on the road to prosperity, the balance of the nation with it."

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Each time she sang the Welsh hymn of prayer, 'Yny Dyfroedd,' Robeson was moved to tears, and as the film progressed he declared that he had never played opposite a finer natural actress. "If I am privileged to see this film a thousand times," he said to her on leaving for America, "I shall melt into tears when I watch the pit-head scene and hear your song."

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