

Urges People Not to Break Faith with NPC Employees in Armed Services

"What about the 160 Nebraska Power employees in the armed forces fighting for their jobs and their homes?" asked Sam W. Reynolds, past president of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce, in an address last week on the question of political ownership of the power company. He urged the people of Omaha not to break faith with these employees and other Omaha men serving their country.

"Maybe they will want those jobs when they come home, and want those jobs left just as they were—not turned into political jobs," Reynolds said. "What about all the thousands of other Omaha boys in the service. This is their town. They are coming home to live and work here. Maybe they have some ideas as to what kind of a city they want."

After getting a good look at government ownership of industry in Germany, Italy and Japan, Reynolds said he believes Omahans now in the armed forces will want to retain the old-fashioned American way of private enterprise.

"Surely they are entitled to a voice in the matter," he said. "To socialize one of Omaha's biggest industries while they are out fighting and have no vote certainly would be breaking faith with them. Reynolds pointed to the effect of complete political control of the electrical industry in Nebraska that would result if Nebraska Power were converted to political ownership.

"Do we want Nebraska, the so-called White Spot of the Nation, to become the proving ground for state socialism?" he asked. "With the great electrical industry 100 per cent politically operated, socialists, dreamers and economic experimenters will be quick to seize upon Nebraska as a laboratory for all the new guinea pigs. Try it out in Nebraska will be the cry," he said.

"You can't get managerial skill in politics. You can't take advantage of opportunity by destroying opportunity, and you can't provide industrial jobs by turning these jobs into political patronage," Reynolds declared.

"When this war is over, this nation will either return to private enterprise or embark on full scale state capitalism," he concluded. "This war can be won on the battle field and lost on the home front. I want my home town and home state to lead the way back to private enterprise. The first step on that road is to leave Nebraska Power company alone."

ATLANTA CBS STATION BANS ANTI-RIOT BROADCAST

Atlanta, Aug. 3 (ANP) A sample of the hush policy in the matter of bettering racial relations adopted by many southern newspapers and radio stations was shown Saturday night when radio station WGST refused to carry its regularly scheduled Columbia Broadcasting system program, "Man Behind the Gun." Decision of the local station to substitute dance records for the 30 minute network program apparently grew out of the fact that Saturday's program dealt with exposing dangers of race hatred in America.

The program, featuring commentary on the race relations issue by Wendell Willkie, was completely cut off. The station received so many calls from listeners, it was necessary for the announcer to assure the public that "Man Behind the Gun" would not be heard until next Saturday.

Photo-Highlights of East-West Baseball Game



More than 51 thousand fans witnessed the East-West Baseball tilt in Chicago Sunday, Aug. 1. The West won the classic 2 to 1. Pictured above are some of the official players and fans as seen thru the eyes of the camera.

Reading left to right are Mr and Mrs. William "Little Jack" Jackson, secretary-treasurer of the famous Palm Tavern (Chicago) Beau Jack, the sensational pugilist, Alderman Oscar DePriest, Larry Amadee, (Beau Jack's trainer), and

Mrs. Paul Foster, Jr, wife of the Midwest Post's editor of Indianapolis. Second row: Dr. J. B. Martin, president of the Negro American League, Tom Walker, president of the Negro National League, Dave Barnhill of the New York

Cubans is shown being tagged at first base by Bankhead. Lower left photo shows Satchel Paige in one of his typical hurling poses. Extreme lower right is Mrs. Joe Louis (left) and her party of friends.

HOLD YOUR JOB COMMITTEE GIRDS FOR DEMONSTRATION NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS URGED TO PARTICIPATE

Washington, Aug. 3 (ANP) Local and national organizations through out the country were being urged this week to join with the National Hold Your Job committee in holding mass meetings in the interest of employment security Sept. 12-18 when the committee is scheduled to sponsor such observations.

Miss Jeanetta Welch, executive secretary, said that parades, lectures, leaflets, exhibits and various other community activities will feature the demonstrations.

Plans to press for "security in employment for Negroes now and in the post war period" have been accelerated by the mounting racial tensions and frequent flareups between Negro and white groups.

Pointing out the relationship of race animity to increase and continue job tenure for Negroes, the statement declared it viewed "with great alarm the possible mass unemployment of Negroes in the post war period," and churches, newspapers and speakers' bureaus, and labor unions put into action now a broad program which will definitely soften racial tensions between workers on the job, and in the community, this possibility will become a reality.

Organizations that have not been reached by the national committee are requested to contact headquarters at 1812 Ninth St., NW., Washington, DC.

Prominent citizens and leaders who have endorsed the hold your job program are A. Phillip Randolph, Walter White, Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, Dr. Robert C. Weaver, Claude Barnett, John Sengstacke, Frayser T. Lane, Austin



JUST A "HUG" FROM JOE Flanked by Sgt. Joe Louis Barrow, the "fistiana" king, and Harlan's Billy Rowe, a national newspaper columnist, pretty Gwendolyn Saunders appears to be enjoying it all. It happened a few nights ago in the famous Rhumboogie cafe

Scott, Willard Townsend, P. L. Pratts, Lester B. Granger, Rev. Adam Clayton Powell, Dr. Charles Iam C. Walker, C. A. Franklin and S. Johnson, Louis C. Martin, Will-Horace Cayton.

CONN, DIMAGGIO AN RUFFING TO TOUR ARMY CAMPS WITH LOUIS

Chicago, Aug. 2 (ANP) When Sgt. Joe Louis, world heavyweight champion, tours army camps he will be accompanied by three other famous sports world figures it has been learned.

Louis, in Chicago on furlough from a cavalry unit at Ft. Riley, Kan., said he would probably be in a party including Cpl. Ily Conn., who came closest to defeating the fistie kingly than any other fighter; Pfc. Joe Dimaggio, home run swatter for the New York Yankees and Pvt. Charolies "Red" Ruffing, ace hurler for the Yanks ball club.

The proposed trip was recently postponed by the war department for an undisclosed reason, but with Louis' statements it is apparent that the junket will take place.

Purpose of the tour is to boost the morale of fighting men through

in Chicago, where "cute Gwen" is employed as a 26-girl, and the Sgt. and Billy were guest of honor. "Gwen" lost a "hug bet" to Billy and Joe explains the "aqueous" (Press Photo Service.)

lectures and athletic exhibitions. Louis and Conn will probably engage in boxing bouts and Ruffing and DIMAGGIO will demonstrate the intricacies of baseball.

The heavyweight champion said he and his colleagues would probably tour United States army camps for a period of four months before embarking for foreign shores.

PENSACOLA PUTS NEGROES' NAMES IN JURY BOX

Pensacola, Fla., Aug. 3 (ANP)—The result of a bitter court battle over the issue during the last term of court, the board of county commissioners for the first time in the memory of most residents last week placed the names of Negroes in the jury box.

Judge Ernest Mason severely criticized Atty. Bert Lane, white, for raising the Negro juror issue during a murder trial at the last term of court. Judge Mason's contentions was that it would cost the "county too much money" to include the names of Negroes in the box from which juries are selected.

Mr. Lane cited that failure to include Negroes was a clear violation of a supreme court decision

NNIA TO SPONSOR RADIO SHOW FOR RACIAL GOODWILL

Chicago, Aug. 2 (ANP) Delegates to the 23rd annual convention of the National Negro Insurance association that recently closed here unanimously approved a plan for a series of radio program on a nationwide hookup to foster better race relations. Booker T. Bradshaw, the newly elected president, was authorized to set up a committee on arrangements.

The programs will feature the most popular artists and outstanding speakers of both the white and Negro race, and will be financed by funds solicited jointly from policyholders and insurance companies.

"The officers of the insurance companies realize that in case of riots and disturbances the loss of life to the Negro is always extremely heavy, therefore they feel that they should do everything within their power to protect the lives of their policyholders and the property of many of those to whom the companies have made loans in the form of mortgages.

"We believe that such a program, featuring the best artists in the race and the liberal thinking men both of our race and the white race, could do much to bring about a better feeling, and if it resulted in the saving of a single life it would be more than worthwhile."

TO ENLARGE NEGRO SECTION OF HOSPITAL

Macon, Ga., Aug. 3 (ANP) The construction contract for an entirely new Negro section of the Macon hospital has been awarded and work on it is expected to be started next week, it was announced by W. C. Turpin, Jr., chairman of the hospital commission. Facilities of the new unit will include 40 beds, a new children's ward, a delivery room and space for handling outpatients.

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The \$50,000 project was financed by the Federal Works agency, which in approving the grant for the Negro unit, turned down a similar request for the white facility.

HIRES NEGRO STAFF TO END LABOR SHORTAGE

Louisville, Aug. 3 (ANP) Owners of the Fulton Fish market here has found a solution for the extreme shortage of competent help. 25 Negro girls, a complete staff, have been employed as cashiers, clerks and stenographers, setting a precedent in this city. The market is located in a completely white neighborhood and is one of the largest in the city.

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WHAT IS MEANT BY FREE ENTERPRISE

No believer in American Free Enterprise, no business or professional man opposed to government in business, can afford to sit idly by when ANY business or industry is endangered.

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