

round-about Roundup...

(by Charles Jackson)

After being pressured into a very bad spot when it became public that 132 homeward bound Negro troops were denied passage on the aircraft carrier Croatan, Secretary of the Navy Forrestal announced the following order:

"In their attitude and day to day conduct of affairs Naval officers and enlisted men shall adhere rigidly and impartially to Naval regulations (?) in which no distinction is made between individuals wearing the Naval uniform or the uniform of any of the Armed Services of the United States because of race or color."

The slightly overdue discovery of such "regulations" will indeed be news to the hundreds of thousands of Negro sailors who were relegated throughout the war to the dirtiest, most dangerous and most servile assignments under most rigid conditions of enforced segregation. It will be news to the many qualified Negro and Jewish college graduates, pharmacists, dentists and doctors who were forced to serve as menial laborers and were denied commissions reserved for white gentiles. The existence of such a liberal Navy policy should also be quite informative to the 50 Negro sailors of Port Chicago who protested the all-Negro assignment to the ammunition depots where 300 of their comrades were blown to bits. The honorable Secretary Forrestal can contact these boys in the various federal penitentiaries where they are serving 8 to 15 year stretches for "mutiny."

"The struggle of the Indonesians, the Indians and the peoples of the colonial countries for independence is directly related to the fight of the American Negro for complete democracy in the United States." So said Gloster Current, executive secretary of the Detroit National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Bravo! Brother Current. Truer words were never spoken. Now when will you and the rest of the leadership of this powerful organization begin really turning your weight against the real enemy of Negro equality and of colonial liberation—American monopoly capitalism with its expanding imperialist trend?

One practical part of that program would be the launching of a campaign now by the NAACP for the formation of an independent Labor Party, to show that the Negroes are ready to break with the old-line capitalist parties, the stooges of Big Business and the benefactors of both Jim Crowism and continued colonial slavery.

The Washington branch of the Stalinist-controlled National Negro Congress recently picketed the White House demanding the ouster of Secretary of State Byrnes and the retention of the Fair Employment Practices Commission (FEPC). During the recent "peoples' war" when tens of millions of the world's workers paid with their lives for the four-fold enrichment of Wall Street corporations and for the continued enslavement of two-thirds of the earth's population in the colonial countries, these local stooges of Stalin were spending their time dissuading Negroes from making any militant move against army Jim Crow as "subject to embarrass Roosevelt"—who, in truth, appointed Truman who appointed Byrnes.

Not content with giving up the struggle against discrimination, the Stalinists also had to utilize their talents in manufacturing a bedtime story of how the "little Hitlers" over here would all melt away as soon as we got enough "unity" with the American ruling class to go across the pond and make "big Hitler" bite the dust. Of course, people like A. Philip Randolph who wanted to march on Washington to demand fair employment practices, and an end to government Jim Crow at that time were condemned as "under the influence of those lowest of snakes... the Trotskyite fifth columnists." Such is the degeneracy of the Stalinist betrayers who openly stand for such bare-faced hypocrisy on so fundamental an issue as the struggle for minority rights

George Schuyler, columnist for the Pittsburgh Courier, takes the cake for literary sleight-of-hand. He castigates with equal fury monopoly capitalism and its opposite, Socialism. Given a wealth of ammunition by the flip-flop tactics of the Followers of Stalin who fraudulently call themselves "communists" Schuyler has developed lately into one of the most vicious red-baiters in the country, back or white.

He recently stated that none of the "political" groups was objecting to the slaughter of Indonesians. Evidently someone informed him of the present and past activity of the Socialist Workers Party in fighting against the imperialist subjugation of the colored colonial for he made this slurred and contradictory correction the following week: No political groups were fighting for immediate freedom of the colonial people... except those who had a motive of "Political partisanship."

The Negro left-wingers, says Schuyler in the Dec. 22 issue, "... have no real program for their people and never had." Although this super-cynic does not counterpose his program for the elimination of racial discrimination, he should at least review some of his own statements of the past before jumping to such erroneous conclusions.

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CANCELS TOUR

AWAITS BLESSED EVENT

(CNS Photo)



Mrs. Powell

New York, (IPS): Hazel Scott recently informed her husband, Congressman Adam C. Powell, Jr. that she was going to have a baby. The idol of Cafe Society and popular star of radio, stage and screen admitting the stress of appearing before the concert stage and preparing to meet the stork had her in a whirl to the writer that she had cancelled her tour which was to have extended through 1945, 1946 and 1947, with bookings in many European cities.

More than 100,000 persons in various sections of the US and Canada have witnessed the artist in her latest triumph. It has been reported that the gross receipts was the greatest received by any pianist for such a stellar performance. Playing to capacity crowds, every engagement was a complete sell-out months in advance.

In only one instance did the tour hit a snag—if it might be termed as such, that was when the artist was barred from Constitution Hall in the nation's capital by the DAR. The deplorable incident, if it was intended to besmirch Miss Scott, or even her congressman husband, did nothing of the sort. In fact, the publicity aided the nation's No 1 concert pianist in becoming a box office smash success with distinction.

The tour netted unanimous praise from the press. Besides being a financial success it proved that both Miss Scott and her husband, the handsome congressman-preacher-publisher were America's sweethearts, inasmuch as the couple were the target of many sensational yellow journals. Climaxed with an engagement at Carnegie Hall on November 26 last, the tour provided entertainment super-duper. Engaging in classics by noted composers and highlighted by her own original compositions, Miss Scott was accompanied at intervals by an instrumental trio led by Gene Cedric.

But to Miss Scott having a very grand baby is more important than having a baby grand!

RANDOLPH SAYS FIGHT FOR FEPC CAN BE WON

New York, NY, December 29.—In the office of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters in New York City, A. Philip Randolph, International President stated that nothing was ever more plain than the fact that bills S101 and HR 2232 for a permanent federal fair employment practice committee can be enacted in the 79th Congress. The only thing necessary to put this legislation through Congress over the rabble-rousing

Ask Coast Guard Probe In Mulzac Treatment In Smuggling Southern Conference No. 1 Enemy of the South, Says Theodore Bilbo

Washington, D.C.—A request that a full investigation be made of the incident reported from the seiloff November 23-24 in which Captain Hugh Mulzac, of the Liberty Ship Booker T. Washington was accused of trying to smuggle a German woman into the United States has been telegraphed to Admiral Joseph F. Farley of the United States Coast Guard by the NAACP.

The facts in the case are very meager, but according to crew members a German woman was found aboard the Booker T. Washington before it sailed, and her luggage was discovered in the custody of the ship's butcher, A lieutenant (j.g.) of the Coast Guard at Marseilles is reported as having accused Captain Mulzac of giving the woman shelter aboard the ship for the purpose of permitting her to attempt to enter the United States illegally. The Booker T. Washington was said to have been detained 29 hours at Marseilles while the Coast Guard officer conducted a trial of Captain Mulzac. The woman is reported to have come aboard ship up the main gangplank under the eyes of US military police.

The NAACP wire said that in view of Captain Mulzac's exemplary record during the war we demand complete investigation of incident and proper disciplinary action if Coast Guard officer behaved as reported in Marseilles.

Filibuster of Bilboism and southernism and also the die-hard Toryism of the Manufacturers Association, is for the Negro masses and other minorities including Jews, Catholics etc. to rear upon their hindlegs and fight with all their might by holding endless mass meetings and sending letters, telegrams, postcards and make telephone calls to the White House, the Senate and House in the interest of these bills. The National Council for a Permanent FEPC headed by Ann Arnold Hegeman is leading the way and has built the foundation upon which victory in Congress for such bills can be achieved concluded Mr. Randolph.

IMPERIALISTS THRILL LARGE CROWD AT URBAN LEAGUE

Omaha packed the auditorium at the Urban League and were delighted with the initial recital of the Imperialist Choral group Sunday, December 30. The group was presented by the Omaha Urban League and the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority.

The programme opened with a saxophone solo by Mr. Willie Davis accompanied by Mr. Booker T. Washington at the piano. Mr. Washington then rendered a piano solo. Miss Young Lee Sims was the soloist in Mr. Paul Briggs' arrangement of "Rocka My Soul" and the group then sang "I'm so Glad" and "Until I Found The Lord", both arranged by the brilliant director of the group, Mr. Bell. Then "Please, Jesus" arranged by Briggs was rendered to complete the first group.

The second group included "Oh Holy Night", Mrs. Colleen St. Clair soloist and "The Lord's Prayer" with Mr. Briggs soloist. "Joy to the World" and "Silent Night" with Mrs. St. Clair again in the role of soloist and "Poor Little Jesus Boy" was sang in the background as Mr. Duward R. Crooms narrated the story of Christmas.

A male quartet composed of Bell, Briggs, George Miles and Clarence Smith then thrilled the audience with two of Bell's arrangements, "Go Tell it on the Mountain" and "Jingle Bells". For the closing group, the chorus sang "White Christmas" and "O Come, All Ye Faithful" as arranged by Bell and closed with the audience joining in the singing of Berlin's "God Bless America".

All present were liberal in the praise bestowed on the group and their young director, Mr. Walter Bell. They are looking forward to

The Bilbois plague is still menacing democracy in the United States. The most recent outburst is the violent attack on the Southern Conference for Human Welfare in which Bilbo says, if I were called upon to name the Number One Enemy of the South today, it would be the Southern Conference for Human Welfare. The question may be properly asked as to who would call on Bilbo for such a designation. The people who know Bilbo would have little doubt as to who was the South's number one enemy. The letter from Senator Bilbo in full follows:

UNITED STATES SENATE
James A. Dombrowski
Executive Secretary
Southern Conference for Human Welfare
506-507 Presbyterian Building
Nashville 3, Tenn.

Dear Dombrowski:
I have just received through a friend of mine in Jackson, Miss., two sheets that your un-American negro social equality, communist, mongrel outfit is sending out throughout the country in your mad desire to build up a factual case against the right and prerogative of a United States Senator or Senators to filibuster any objectionable legislation that is proposed in this great body.

Of course your immediate aim is to secure the passage of the undemocratic, un-American anti-poll tax bill which is now pending on the Calendar of the United States Senate by defeating the right and power of Senators to object by filibuster. In other words you are trying to bulldoze and intimidate members of the Senate who are conscientiously opposed to this un-American piece of legislation. Filibustering in the Senate has been a right and prerogative since the adoption of the Constitution of the United States and it has been resorted to by Senators of great renown in the past to defeat vicious legislation and it can be truthfully said that there has never been successful filibustering throughout the 150 years of the Republic but what time has shown that it was wise and best for the people and the Nation.

Beginning last December 1 personally stopped the passage of the so-called Land Grant Railroad bill by a threatened filibuster and by continuing this fight this session; hearing this group in future presentations.

VAL PETERSON Files For Governor



VAL PETERSON
ELGIN PUBLISHER
TOSSES HAT IN RING

ELGIN, Nebr.—Val Peterson, former lieutenant colonel in the army air forces and publisher of the Elgin Review, this week filed for the Republican nomination for governor.

The stocky, 42-year-old World War II veteran filed at Neligh, county seat of Antelope county, and at the secretary of state's office at Lincoln.

Peterson is not a newcomer to Nebraska politics. He was manager of Sen. Hugh Butler's success. I was able to secure an amendment to this piece of legislation fixing the date of its effectiveness on October 1, 1946, and through this period of 22 months that I kept this bill from becoming law. I was able to place in the Treasury of the United States for the benefit of the taxpayers of this Republic about one-half Billion Dollars, and then you tell me that filibustering is not a wise thing to do and besides since I have been in the Senate I have personally assisted in filibustering to death on different occasions the so-called anti-lynching bill as well as

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ON MARCH OF DIMES COMMITTEE



From January 14-31 contributions to a Mile O'Dimes stand in front of the Apo Theatre, 253 West 125th Street, New York City, will be made by many persons who want poliomyelitis conquered. Under the auspices of the Greater New York Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, this Mile O' Dimes stand is being conducted by the Upper Manhattan March of Dimes Committee, an interracial group of leaders.

Pictured here are some of the committee members, namely (left to right), Mrs. Gertrude A. Robinson, president of the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, co-chairman; Edward J. Bernath, principal of P. S. 186, Manhattan, co-chairman; Mrs. Estelle Massey Kiddle and Mrs. Bessie Buchanan. Others on the committee are Jack Blumstein, the Rev. John H. Johnson, Col. Leopold Philipp, Miss Susan B. Plant, Frank Schiffman and Atty. Hope R. Stevens.

Contributions to the 125th Street Mile O' Dimes stand will provide aid for infantile paralysis victims, regardless of age, race, creed or color. Only through your continued support will the National Foundation be able to carry on and intensify its efforts to strike down infantile paralysis, the common enemy of all the people.—Photo by Morgan Smith Studio, New York

JOINS GUIDE'S STAFF AS
News Reporter



MISS DELORIS E. HALL, lovely daughter of Mr. George Hall, born and reared in Omaha who lives at 2208 Charles, has been added to the staff of the Omaha Guide in the capacity of news reporter and subscription solicitor. If its news, we want it! Give Miss Hall a ring, JA 3217.

school as "Val". He filed under the name, Val.
He attended high school at Wayne and was graduated from Nebraska Teachers College at Wayne in 1927 with an A. B. degree. He received a Master of Arts degree from the University of Nebraska in 1931. He did three years of graduate work at the university while instructing classes in government.

He was superintendent of schools at Elgin for six years and has 13 years' teaching experience. He coached athletics and taught at Carus, Madison and Kimball.

In 1936 Peterson purchased the Elgin Review of which he is still editor and publisher.
Peterson worked his way through high school and college carrying the load, plowing corn and one summer cooked on a Northwestern Railroad bridge gang.
A former president of district three of the state teachers association, Peterson has been secretary and president of the Elgin Commercial Club and a director of the Nebraska Association of Commercial Organization Secretaries. He served as a director of the Northeast Nebraska Press Association and as secretary for the Oakdale Scribner Branch Organization to fight train service removal. He is a member of several honorary and professional clubs and fraternities.

Peterson was married in 1929 to Elizabeth Pleak, a native of Omaha. Mrs. Peterson lived in Omaha during her husband's military service.

January 31 THE LAST DAY FOR MEN NOW IN THE ARMY TO RETAIN THEIR PRESENT GRADES BY REENLISTING...

Men now in the Army who reenlist before February 1 will be reenlisted in their present grade. Men honorably discharged can reenlist within 20 days after discharge in the grade they held at the time of discharge, provided they reenlist before February 1, 1946.

There's a long list of attractive reenlistment privileges in the new Armed Forces Voluntary Recruitment Act of 1945. The ability to keep your present grade is only one of them, but this privilege expires on January 31.

There are plenty of other reasons why many thousands of men have enlisted, and more thousands are enlisting every day. You'll certainly want to know all of the opportunities open to you. If you'll read them carefully, you'll know why a job in the new peacetime Regular Army is being regarded today as "The Best Job in the World."

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