

OUR GUEST Column

Edited by Verna P. Harris THE HATED VICTOR

The fighting man has done with war. He has been thru the impartial fury of mechanized battle. He has met the forces of fascism and conquered them. Now he is home.

Is there an American who will deny the homage we owe the soldier a there an American who will deny him the right to a job, the right to establish a home, to raise his family in reasonable security?

Is there a citizen of America who would hold back the freedoms from the soldier whose life was offered in the name of democracy?

It seems an absurd question.

No voice will defame the soldier's name or deny his rights—as long as he is a figment of editorial imagination. But let him become a reality, let him face one hundred and thirty million people, and he will have enemies.

If he is a Japanese-American who fought furiously against the Germans in the hope he would be chosen for the push against Japan, if his mind was troubled by more than the fear of personal danger because mail from his family had an internment camp for a return address—he will have enemies.

If he is a Negro whose latent skills were developed along with a sense of responsibility and leadership, for the purpose of winning a war—he will have enemies.

If he is a Jew, or a Catholic, or a Protestant, or a descendant of the Latin peoples, the Anglo-Saxon peoples, or the Oriental peoples—he will have enemies.

The enemy abroad wore a uniform and said "Heil" or "Banzai." He was a tough enemy but easily identified.

The enemy at home wears civilian clothes and spits words of intolerance. He is not always easily identified. He is sly enough to talk against the Jew to the Italian, against the Italian to the Negro, against the Negro to the Catholic—and on and on in a vicious cycle.

He is the soldier's enemy because he is the people's enemy and the soldier has fought a people's war.

He is the soldier's enemy because he seeks to spread intolerance in the nation that has led the world's search and the world's fight for freedom from intolerance.

He is the soldier's enemy because he would ration the soldier's share in freedom according to the color of his skin, his creed and his race.

We at CIO are ever aware that the soldier fought the people's enemy abroad. We believe it is for the people to fight the soldier's enemy at home.

We can do this by demanding a permanent FEPC.

We can do this by demanding equal wages for equal work.

We can do this by demanding equal opportunities for all veterans seeking jobs, housing, medical attention, education, etc.

We must ask that the Constitution of the United States conceived in liberty an equality, become a reality.

We must ask the man on the street to search his heart for justice and give us the answer.

APA JIM CROW TRAVEL CASE OFF TO MARCH 25-27

Washington, D. C.—The oral argument in the Irene Morgan case testing the segregation of passengers in interstate travel, has been postponed by the US Supreme Court until the week of March 25. It was announced on March 7. The case will be argued by William H. Hastie and Thurgood Marshall, of the NAACP legal staff. The case will be reached on March 27.

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NAACP RADIO PROGRAM

W. O. W. Sunday, March 17th—10:30 P. M. 1. Treble Clef Chorus. (a) Sylvia—Speaks (b) Balm in Gilead—Burlough 2. Address—Mr. H. J. Pinkett 3. Appeal for Memberships—Miss Bernice Grice, (former Red Cross worker, I. B. Ticeaier). 4. Piano Solo—Booker T. Washington.

TRUCKER DENIED LIABILITY INSUR.' POLICY ISSUED AFTER INVESTIGATION BY URBAN LEAGUE DIRECTOR, DUWARD CROWDS

NAACP CONGRATULATES YWCA ON INTERGRATION POLICY

Atlantic City, N. J.—A telegram of congratulation on the adoption of a program calling for the full integration of Negro women and girls in the YWCA was received last week by Mrs. Perry...

Mr. Alonzo Crawford, 1911 Paul Street, trucker, reported to the Urban League that he had been denied the opportunity to purchase liability insurance on his truck and as a result he could not license his truck for 1948...

have thereby implemented more effectively than any other religious organization the tenets of true Christianity. •KNOW YOUR RACE A new feature of The Omaha Guide on page 5 of this issue.

Former Omahan JOINS USO STAFF AT LEIGH ST. CLUB



MRS. A. C. BURROUGHS

It was announced this week by Wesley F. Taylor, Director of the Leigh Street USO Club, that Mrs. A. Christine Burroughs of Omaha, mother of Mrs. Celestine Ransom, of 2922 North 24 St., has been added to the USO Staff as Staff Assistant at the local club, 212 E. Leigh St., Richmond, Va.

Mrs. Burroughs is an alumna of Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia. She has had considerable experience in education and also in the Social Work Field. Coming into USO work four years ago as a professional worker of the YMCA-USO, she has served USO in Kansas, Texas, Louisiana, North Carolina and now in Richmond, Va.

Mrs. Burroughs was honored last week by being certified as Secretary of the YMCA of North America. She is a native of Atlanta, Georgia, but for a number of years she has made her home in Omaha. Mrs. Burroughs' work at the Leigh St. Club will be largely that of organizing, training and supervising volunteer hostesses groups in larger program services for men of the armed services.

FEDERAL COUNCIL PRAISED FOR ANTI-JIM CROW STAND

New York—Praise for the adoption of a resolution renouncing the pattern of segregation in race relations was sent to the Federal Council of Churches upon its adoption of resolution to renounce unequivocally the pattern of segregation in race relations as unnecessary and undesirable. Passage of this resolution and its subsequent implementation will go far both in this country and throughout the world in demonstrating that the Federal Council and many American Christians believe in practicing practical Christianity without a color line. We trust that the 25 million Protestants represented by the Federal Council will follow your courageous lead.

ARMY DENIES BAN ON MIXED MARRIAGES

New York—US Army theatre commanders abroad have not prevented the marriage of American Negro soldiers and women of the countries in which they were stationed according to Robert F. Patterson, Secretary of War. Repeating a letter from the NAACP, Sec'y Patterson said no incidents have come to the attention of theatre commanders. Sec'y Patterson suggested that specific facts such as names, ranks and serial numbers, and location of the unit of complainants would be helpful in conducting a thorough investigation.

ELGIN VAL PETERSON for GOVERNOR CLUB Elgin, Nebraska

Dear Fellow Republican: Judge Carroll Stauffer, prominent Oakland citizen and former District Judge, has known Val Peterson since his birth and is thoroughly familiar with Val and his family. Speaking before a rally of our club he said: "By ancestry, nature, education, training, experience and character, Val Peterson is the best qualified candidate for Governor that Nebraska has ever had in my experience."

"He is one of the common folks who has elevated himself entirely by his own efforts. "He is young enough for vision and mature enough for balanced judgement and his patriotism was amply proved during the recent war."

The people of this community, where Val has established himself as an outstanding citizen, endorse Judge Stauffer's comment and wholeheartedly recommend Val to you and the people of your community. We believe he will make Nebraska an outstanding Chief Executive.

Yours very truly, Signed—Cleop Pratt, Sec'y Officers—S. M. Huffman, president; H. C. Mignery, James Squire, vice-presidents; Cleop E. Pratt, secretary; D. J. Sass, treasurer; and George A. Wright, Activities chairman

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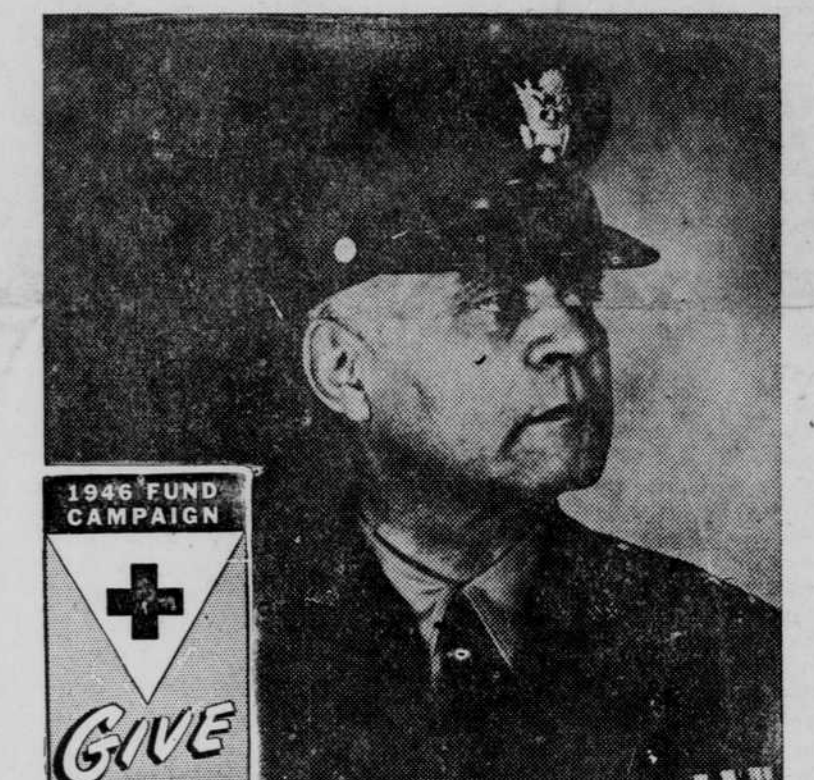
NEW NORTHSIDE BRANCH Y. M. C. A. Sec'y Appointed

W. H. Mead, General Secretary of the Omaha YMCA together with Charles Davis, chairman of the Committee of Management of the New Northside Branch of the YMCA are announcing the appointment of John R. Butler of Springfield, Ohio as Executive Secretary of the Branch YMCA with temporary headquarters in the former USO Club 2221 No. 24th St. Butler arrived Friday from Wichita Falls, Texas where for the past two months he had been serving as Staff Assistant of the Redwood USO Club serving approximately 6500 soldiers. He brings to the Association 23 years of experience beginning his work in Springfield, Ohio in January 1923 as Boys and Physical Director, in 1929 moved to Columbus, Ohio as Boys Work Secretary later becoming Executive of the YMCA there. In 1923 returned to Springfield as Executive Secretary of the Center Street Branch YMCA and in 1941 transferred to the Army and Navy Department of the YMCA working with USO serving in Savannah, Illinois, Little Rock, Ark., Omaha, Lawton, Oklahoma and Wichita Falls, Texas. He has attended Wilberforce University, Wittenberg College, Ohio State University and YMCA Summer Schools. He feels highly elated over his return to Omaha and senses the great challenge and need for a well rounded YMCA program in this community. He is a member of the Methodist Church, NAACP, Urban League, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Masonic Lodge and several other civic and fraternal organizations. He is married and has a daughter attending Ohio State University.

NO HOPE FOR COLORED PEOPLE IN CHURCHILL SPEECH—NAACP

New York—The speech by Winston Churchill, wartime premier of Great Britain, at Westminster College in Missouri on March 5 "would virtually insure continuation of imperialism," it was declared last week in a statement by the NAACP. "Great Britain's policies toward colonial peoples which have been continued by the present Labor government," said the NAACP, "can only cause shudders of apprehension as far as Churchill's proposal of an Anglo-American coalition is concerned." The complete statement: "Mr. Churchill's address is beyond question one of the most dangerous and cynical made in contemporary history by a presumably responsible spokesman. It calls for an Anglo-American bloc which, if successful, may destroy the United Nations Organization and plunge the world with in a short time into another war, with the splitting of the atom, it would make the destruction of the last war seem trivial by comparison. "As far as colonial peoples are concerned, and particularly colored peoples of the world, the proposal would virtually insure continuation of imperialism. Great Britain's imperialist record in India, Indonesia, South Africa and in other parts of the world, and its policies toward peoples which have been continued by the present Labor government can cause only shudders of apprehension so far as Churchill's proposal of an Anglo-American coalition is concerned. This would have direct and immediate effect on all Americans in its underwriting of empire. It would have particularly disastrous effects upon the fate and fortunes of colored peoples."

BRIGADIER GEN. BENJ. O. DAVIS PRAISES RED CROSS



Brigadier General Benjamin O. Davis, highest ranking Negro in the United States Army, has this to say for the Red Cross: "The American Red Cross stands high with Army officers and with the enlisted men. Its directives are fair and without favoritism or discrimination, and because the veteran has formed the habit of looking to the American Red Cross for help in his problems, that organization promises to be of great service now that peace has come."

And in the words of the Great Emancipator, Abraham Lincoln, "Let us strive to finish the work we are in: to bind up the nation's wounds, to care for him who shall have done all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations."

Lincoln could see, as we do now, the stirrings of other interests. Money and jobs and the newest inventions demand attention, once the fighting has stopped. But war doesn't leave an area we can build a fence around and forget. This war left us with the atomic bomb. It left us, too, with the soldier who must spend weary months learning to get along with a paralyzed back. The veteran who must catch up somehow with the years he lost while patrolling the Pacific. The MP who must walk the streets of Berlin carrying a sub-machine gun.

We, as individuals, cannot stop the business of life to help all these men; but their happiness, and ultimately ours,—depends on making them available. A simple design, just a red cross on a field of white; yet such a mighty symbol of a friendly hand given by man to man. For whatever the race, for whatever the country, your Red Cross carries on. Yet it must have the support of the people who constitute the Red Cross so that its work in the interests of humanity can continue forever.

The Red Cross appeals on a basis of continuing need for services to the armed forces, and the veterans, with added emphasis on the need of advancing its health, safety and disaster preparedness program.

Your contribution will be your way of standing by when the need is great. GIVE TO THE RED CROSS, and GIVE generously for YOUR RED CROSS MUST CARRY ON.

HAT IN RING FOR GOVERNORSHIP



VAL PETERSON, ELGIN, NEBRASKA, REPUBLICAN FOR GOVERNOR, TRAINED FOR THE JOB. Born at Oakland, Burt County, Nebraska, July 18, 1903. Father was Henry C. Peterson, well known C. St. P. M. & O. Railroad agent and Northwestern traffic representative. He was mayor at Bloomfield and also Oakland. Grandfather, Rev. F. N. Swenberg, was an early day leader in the Augustana Lutheran Church serving at Lincoln, Mead, Swede, burg Oakland and Holdrege. EDUCATION Wayne High School A. B. Wayne State Teachers College and A. M. University of Nebraska. Has done additional graduate work. Specialized in government doing research work in public administration. Among other duties wrote a thesis on the Governor's office. Worked his way through high school and college by carrying the hod, cooking on railroad bridge gangs, plowing corn and "smashing baggage."

PUBLISHER-BUSINESSMAN

Owner and publisher of the Elgin Review since 1936. Operates a successful commercial printing plant. Former district superintendent for a large oil company. Operated out of North Platte and Ogallala.

POLITICAL ACTIVITY

Active in political affairs for many years. Campaign manager for Senator Hugh Butler in 1940. Secretary to Governor Dwight Griswold January 1941 to May 20, 1942 when he resigned to enter the armed service. Was administrative assistant to Governor Griswold for 15 months and is thoroughly familiar with all problems that a governor must meet.

OVERSEAS VETERAN

Served in the China-Burma-India theatre for twenty-four months in World War II. Was in the service for forty-two months. Is one of five brothers, all of whom saw service during the war. Three were overseas and one was killed in the breakthrough at St. France. Their mother, Mrs. H. C. Peterson, lives at Oakdale, Nebraska.

Peterson was Chief of the Plans and Operations Division of the Northern Air Service Area Command and as such deployed troops and supplies to support the 10th Air Force in Burma and participated in supervising the movement of supplies over the Hump into China. Was in the first Civilian Military Training Corps camp held in

★Awarded Hash Mark



JARGEANT CHRISTINE BOYD Camp Stoneman, San Francisco Port of Embarkation, Pittsburg, Calif. March 6—Sergeant Christine Boyd of Omaha, Nebraska, has recently been awarded a hash mark for three years service with the Women's Army Corps, as of 18 January, 1946.

Sgt. Boyd took her basic training at Fort Des Moines, Iowa, and has since been stationed at Fort Devens, N. J.; Ft. Des Moines, Ia.; New York Port of Embarkation; and Camp Knight, San Francisco Port of Embarkation. She is now assigned to the 106th WAC Detachment of Camp Stoneman, where she is serving as clerk-typist in the Dearbeek Personnel Section, processing records of Pacific veterans.

Sgt. Boyd is the niece of Mrs. Hattie Riley of Century, Florida, the midwest at Ft. Snelling, Minn in 1921.

CIVIC ACTIVITIES

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 of the Oakdale-Scribner Branch Organization to fight train service removal. He is a past president of District Three of the Nebraska State Teachers Association and is a member of numerous honorary and professional clubs and fraternities.

WHAT OTHERS THINK—

Val is just a common fellow with uncommonly fine intelligence and high objectives. His feet are on the ground.—WAYNE HERALD. Mr. Peterson is expected by most observers to be one of the strongest candidates in the race.—OMAHA WORLD-HERALD. At the age of 42 years, he is old enough to have had valuable experience and yet young enough to bring virile effort into the office.—LEIGH WORLD.

Val is not only a "G. I." but a "right Guy" and for our election vote would make Nebraska a top notch state executive.—HOOPER SENTINEL.

As manager of Senator Butler's successful campaign and working with Ken Wherry, (now Senator Wherry) who was state chairman in the campaign of 1940, together they pulled the republican party out of the "doldrums" into which it had fallen. As a result, Nebraska has been safely in the republican line-up ever since. His experience therefore is sure to make it interesting for any candidate who may oppose him.—AINSDORF STAR-JOURNAL. We believe that Nebraska would profit greatly by his leadership as chief executive.—GENOA LEADER-TIMES. TRAINED FOR THE JOB.

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