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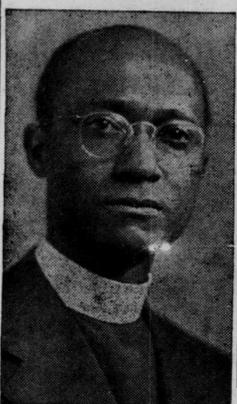
The recent report of the President's Advisory Commission on Universal Training is one of the grimmest and most thought-provoking documents ever made public in this country. There is certainly nothing new in compulsory military training—the armed services were urging it long before World War II began. But the reasoning behind this report—which was the result of six months' study by the Commission—gives it an unusual degree of force. So does the Commission's membership. It did not include a single military man or professional jingo. Its chairman was the distinguished physicist, Karl Compton, president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Other members included Daniel Poling, editor of the Christian Herald; Charles E. Wilson, president of Princeton; and ex-ambassador to Russia Joseph E. Davies.

It is stated that, at the beginning, there was a wide diversity of opinion among the various members. But, at the end, all of them came "reluctantly" to the same conclusion: that of an eight-point compulsory program of military training for all males at the age of 18, or after finishing high school, is the keystone. That would affect from 750,000 to 950,000 young men each year, and the annual cost of this part of the program alone is estimated at \$1,750,000,000.

The suggested training plan is an interesting one and in some respects it is novel. The Commission believes that it should be placed under the control of a three-man commission, reporting directly to the President, of whom two would be civilians and only one a military man. Training would be in two parts. Part one would be of six months duration, and would consist of military training in an Army camp or aboard a Navy ship. Part two would offer a number of options, including enlistment in the Army or Navy for a two-year period, enrollment in the National Guard or the Reserves with 48 evenings (Continued on Page Two)

Tune in—
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WINGS OVER JORDON

Chicago's First Negro Priest



The Rev. Herman Porter, of the Society of the Sacred Heart, was ordained in Chicago at St. John's Cathedral by the Most Rev. Moses E. Kiley, archbishop of Milwaukee. Rev. Porter, one of three Roman Catholic priests slated to be ordained in the United States this year, offered his first solemn high mass Sunday at St. Elizabeth's church. He is Chicago's first Negro Catholic priest.

SAVINGS OF INDIVIDUALS INCREASED OVER THREE BILLION DOLLARS

The first quarter of this year showed that the increased savings by individuals totaled a little over three billion dollars. To an all time high of \$154,600,000,000 on March 31, this estimation was reported by the Institute of Life Insurance in its report on savings, June 17.

United States Savings Bonds were the greatest single contribution to the growth of savings. A net increase of \$1,200,000,000 of these securities compared with the net gain of \$1,500,000,000 in all of 1946.

AGENTS SOUGHT IN INTELLIGENCE

An announcement for the appointment of specialists for the Central Intelligence Group was made by the United States Civil Service Commission on Thursday, June 19.

These jobs pay from \$7,102 to \$9,975. The plans are for 1,500 to 1,800 agents in this country and around the world by the CIG.

\$12,750,000 and \$15,300,000 on salaries spent by this department. Under a Presidential directive issued in 1946, the CIG operates. Before Congress adjourns in July, the CIG hopes to become established by law.

OFFICERS OF AARON BROWN LEGION POST ARE ELECTED

At the election, Thursday night, June 26, the following officers were elected to the American Legion Aaron Brown Post 190 at the Post headquarters, 5212 South 25th st. The commander, John Wakefield; first vice commander, Armour Wright; second vice commander, Ed Wright; sergeant-at-arms, Steve Rutledge; historian, Frank Jefferson and finance officer, James Wormack. Members of the executive committee are George Wright, Webb Alston, and Charles Hilton.

Sam Flax Tavern Robbed June 18

H. Silverman reported to police on Wednesday, June 18 that his tavern at 1402 North 24th st. was broken in by burglars, who got about \$75 in coins. The burglar alarm was tripped after the burglar had entered the building through a manhole. In his hurry to get away, the burglar dropped two dollars in nickels and a cigar box containing \$4.50 in pennies. Several tools, a hammer, a hatchet, and a flashlight were found at the scene of the burglary.

Democracy in Action Group Meet at Jewish Center; Draw Resolution Against Restrictive Covenants

At the democracy in Action Committee at the Jewish Community Center Tuesday, June 17, 1947, a resolution was drawn up containing the condemnation of the restrictive covenants in certain sections of the city of Omaha.

This Committee, after hearing various reports from members of the group, decided that such action was imperative because of the gravity this situation, that is against the democratic ideals of the American system of government.

Democracy in Action Committee is dedicated to fight all un-American activities, such as restrictive covenants etc. that seek to undermine the American way of life.

Mrs. H. Cohan, president of the Democracy in Action Committee, and members of this organization voted unanimously to adopt the resolution calling the citizens of Omaha to fight the spread of restrictive covenants in the city of Omaha.

Other members of the organization, not only called for the people of Omaha to support the condemnation of restrictive covenants, but called upon every organization of any strength that loves a Democratic system of government to stand by Democracy for Action Organization in this fight against restrictive covenants. The president and members of Democracy in Action, by their action, go on record and want it to be known that restrictive covenants against race, color, or creed cannot and should not be tolerated by any law abiding citizen of the city of Omaha. The Committee drew up the following resolution:

Democracy in Action in accord with its stated belief in justice, equality, and fair play for all races and creeds vehemently condemns the protective covenants restrictive Negroes from attaining property in certain sections of the city of Omaha. The organization considers these covenants device

of the Democrats principles of equality, and a violation of the spirit and letter of the 14th and 15th amendment of the constitution of the U.S.

We call for the support of all groups and people in the city to protest and take action against the continuance of their pernicious covenants.

Deadline Sept. 1 Driver License

Drivers licenses expiring before September 1 must be renewed on that date or before if drivers wish to continue to enjoy the privilege of driving in the city of Omaha.

This warning was given by the State Highway Patrol Officers to motorists.

Many people, according to these officers, have the idea that they need not renew an expired license until September 1, when a license law goes into effect. License must be renewed immediately, they stress.

In 60 days after September 1, all automobile driver licenses will expire. Any license that runs out before that time must be renewed immediately.

MAGAZINE EDITOR WRITES BOOK ON NEGRO IN THEATRE

NEW YORK—Edith J. R. Isaacs, editor of Theatre Arts Monthly, has just finished a history of the Negro contribution to the theatre covering 125 years. Profusely illustrated, the book is to be published by Theatre Arts, Inc., late this summer.

PARTITION OF INDIA

CALCUTTA—Hindu and Moslem representatives, meeting in one joint and two separate sessions, Friday cast a series of ballots which had the effect of partitioning Bengal.

AMERICANS ATE ON THE AVERAGE OF 16 QUARTS OF ICE CREAM IN 1946

The Encyclopaedia Britannica, 1947 book of the year, estimated that 750 million gallons of ice cream was produced in the United States this year against 471 million gallons in 1945.

Sixteen quarts of ice cream or about twice as much as he ate each year before the war was consumed by the average American in 1946.

IOWA BYSTANDER 53 YEARS OLD

DES MOINES, Ia.—With the June 19 edition, the six page Iowa Bystander, oldest newspaper in Iowa entered its 53rd year. The anniversary issue featured high school and college graduates as well as other educational items. The Bystander is edited and published by James B. Morris.

DR. RALPH BUNCHE LEAVES FOR PALESTINE

NEW YORK—Dr. Ralph Bunche, along with 23 other United Nations representatives, left La Guardia field this week for Lydda airport, Jerusalem, aboard a TransWorld airliner. Dr. Bunche is acting as special assistant to Dr. Victor Hoo of China who is representing Secretary General Trygve Lie. The Palestine committee is holding its first meeting in Palestine next Monday.

NOTED SCIENTIST QUILTS JEWISH SCHOOL

Professor Albert Einstein, noted scientist and world lecturer, resigned and discontinued his financial support from the Brandeis University under establishment of Waltham, Mass.

He has asked that his name be removed from the fund raising group of the university, formerly known as the Einstein Foundation.

S. Ralph Lazrus made the announcement Saturday, June 21. Since last August, Mr. Einstein's interest in the university has decreased due to certain matters and problems carried out by the university administration that he (Mr. Einstein) was dissatisfied with, therefore he felt the best thing to do was to withdraw.

MAN BITES DOG!

Because business conditions "do not warrant a general wage increase," delegates representing 100,000 members of the Textile Workers Union (CIO) recently agreed that no such wage rise will be sought in forthcoming negotiations for a new contract.

Wings Over Jordan to Appear Here at City Auditorium

WINGS OVER JORDAN, outstanding radio and concert choir of Negro voices, will be heard in concert on Thursday July 3rd at the City Auditorium by arrangements made with International Artists Corporation of New York.

The internationally-famous group has just completed a ten month extended tour of Italy, France, Germany, and Belgium for USO Camp Shows, Inc. They played before virtually every large Army group in the European Theater of Operations.

The chœurs, which is under the guidance of Reverend Glynn T. Settle of Cleveland. Since then, WINGS OVER JORDAN has been heard each Sunday by listening audiences of over 10,000,000 from coast to coast, and by millions more in England and Europe through British Broadcasting Co. rebroadcasters.

Their nine years over CBS were interrupted in March 1945, when the group was asked to go overseas for the entertainment of the American soldiers. The choir was so successful in their "good-will mission" that General E. M. Almond was able to extend their original six month tour into ten morale building months.

At each Army Base, Reverend Settle organized community sings and their soldier trios and quartets during many of the programs. In every place that the choir appeared, they discovered among their audiences radio fans and admirers who had heard WINGS OVER JORDAN on their Sunday broadcasts, before the war.

There were always requests to sing old favorites such as "Deep River," "Didn't it Rain," and "Old Ark's A-Movin'".

Even the civilian populations of the countries visited by WINGS OVER JORDAN commented to the Special Services Officers that they had never realized before that the true American music consisted of more than just jazz.

The Army newspaper, "Stars & Stripes," summed up the attitude of those civilians in the story which declared: "A lot of Italians who used to think that 'Pistol Packin' Mama' was the sum and substance of American music, are changing their ideas—and much of the credit for that change belongs to America's famed WINGS OVER JORDAN choir."

MAN WOUNDED

Harvey Pete Walker, 38, 1810 North 25th st., early Sunday was wounded when he had an argument with a friend.

Walker said he and his friend had been drinking. They began to argue, which Walker said was a friendly argument; and on their route home, his friend stabbed him at 25th and Burdette sts. Walker was given treatments at Doctor's hospital.

"TUT, TUT, NOTHING BUT BUTTER-NUT BREAD"

Cigarettes Due for 3-Cent Price Hike on July 1st; Many Make Big Purchases to avoid Tax

MID-CITY COMMUNITY POPULATION ASKED FOR INCREASED JOB CHANCES

At the industrial and economic conference held on Tuesday, June 17, at the Omaha Urban League, eight speakers called for increase in employment opportunities for members residing in the Mid-City community.

These speakers, representing various organizations, stated that war veterans, as well as civilians, in this community still find many doors closed to them in business firms when they seek employment. The future of the operation of businesses by the members of this community according to Attorney Charles Davis, is bright. An increased payroll would do much to raise the standard of living, he said.

Mr. M. M. Taylor announced the formation of Industrial Economic Council will seek more job opportunities and better working conditions.

Speakers were as follows: Miss Mildred Brown, Wilton Hogan, Miss Jamie Norman, V. D. Watson, James LeHood, Charles Davis, Mrs. Anetta Hays and the Rev. J. B. Brooks.



The Rev. Morris H. Tynes of Greensboro, N. C., who was awarded the bachelor of divinity degree from Yale University last week. The young minister was awarded the Merick Scholarship award for excellency in public speaking while attending the famed New Haven, Conn., university. Active in student affairs on the campus, he was a member of the Yale College Dramatic Society, being the first and only Negro to have participated in this activity. During the past year the Rev. Mr. Tynes assisted the Rev. J. B. Pharr, pastor of the Community Baptist Church of New Haven.

Reverend Tynes received his bachelor of science degree from the A. and T. College in 1943. A minister's son, his father is the Reverend J. W. Tynes, pastor of Greensboro Providence Baptist Church.

Both the seller and buyer Saturday were reported getting ready for Nebraska's new cigarette tax law. The three-cents-per-package tax becomes effective July 1. Readiness for the wholesalers included an Omaha meeting this week with Agriculture Department Director Rufus Howard and Robert H. Dreadick, Cigarette Tax Division head, to plan operations under the new law.

Readiness for the buyer consisted of purchasing trips to drug stores and other retail outlets. One downtown druggist said several instances had been noted this week of buyers coming in for cases of cigarettes. Cases, not cartons. He expects this trend to intensify as July 1 approaches.

Although a case may be either 10 thousand or 12 thousand cigarettes, one druggist doesn't regard these purchases as excessive. Cigarettes will not go stale for two months or so, he explained, and with three or four persons smoking in a family, a case will be used up before that time.

For wholesalers, the new law means considerable cash outlay. Many of them are purchasing stamping machines, which cost between seven hundred and eight hundred dollars. In addition, they will have to lease from the State a metering device.

Stamping the cigarettes and re-packing them, according to one wholesaler will necessitate the hiring, for most wholesalers, of three additional people.

Under the new law, cigarette wholesalers will be paid for stamping the cigarettes. The allowance will be four per cent of the tax money if the smokes are stamped by machine, five per cent if by hand.

The new law reads that all packages of 20 or less must bear the 3-cent stamp. Manufacturers currently are preparing to hold up samples until it is determined whether this holds on free cigarettes.

Questions of price apparently is in doubt. Cigarettes now are selling up to 20 cents a package. Some think there may be a flurry of differing prices with some dealers absorbing the tax or a part of it and others passing it on.

BEDFORD PARK CONDEMNATION ORDINANCE PASSED

Ordinance for the condemnation of the property of the Bedford Park was passed. It provided for the naming of appraisals to estimate property value.

Several other ordinances were passed issuing a 142 thousand dollars in bonds received final City Council Approval. This ordinance included the following:

For street planning, 40 thousand dollars; for city port and terminal 30 thousand dollars; for fire equipment, 50 thousand dollars; for police equipment, 22 thousand dollars.

THEY GO ON THE RED LIGHT



Members of the 555th Parachute Infantry Battalion at Fort Bragg, North Carolina are among the best trained, best disciplined and hardest men in the Army. All volunteer airborne soldiers they are shown (1) lined up in front of a Troop Carrier C-52 (flying boxcar) for a final briefing and checking of equipment before taking off for a practice jump. (2) On command the men board the plane and (3) sit in single rows, twenty on each side of the giant aircraft. After they have fastened their safety belts, the signal is given and the plane rolls down the runway. Slowly at first, then gaining momentum it becomes airborne. (4) Minutes later when the command is given each man pulls himself to his feet, carefully snaps the Static Line Fastener to the cable directly over his head. For the final time each man glances over the equipment of the buddy next to him and gives him a reassuring tap on the shoulder. The little green light between the rear door of the plane which has been staring at them disappears and a red light accompanied by a harsh buzzing is their signal. (5) They are over the "Drop Zone," then it's a one way ride, for landing with the plane just isn't the object of parachutists. A Paratrooper is one-tenth Airborne and nine-tenths Infantry. The only difference is the way they reach a given objective. So once on the ground, the men assemble their weapons dropped in equipment bundles, form into their respective combat formations and prepare to carry out their assignment. Signal Corps Photos, War Department Public Information Division.