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## Holdups Mustn't Pay

Negotiations between the three unions whose threatened strike forced Government seizure have broken down. The union heads now seek a congressional investigation.

Why this stubborn persistence on the part of these labor chiefs? Why the equally stubborn immovability of the railroads? Why the refusal of the Government to become involved other than as mediator?

Consider the plight of Messrs. Alvanley Johnston of the Engineers, David B. Robertson of the Firemen and Engine-men, and A. J. Glover of the Switchmen. They are out on a long, long limb. They have, inescapably, pulled their unions with them. To a degree, all of labor shares their precarious perch.

They parted company with 18 other railway unions and refused a settlement all the others accepted. They by-passed the chance for arbitration. They rejected the recommendations of the emergency fact-finding board. They ignored an appeal from the President. They forced Government seizure of the railroads and brought upon themselves a Federal injunction. They have revived talk in Congress and elsewhere about the necessity of further curbs on labor unions.

Consider their position with their own men and with labor in general if, with a record of such dubious accomplishment behind them, they have to climb down from that limb with no more allies in their hands than the other unions gathered without damaging the good name of rail labor!

We do not presume to pass judgment on the demands of these three unions. Perhaps some of what they want, all rail workers should get in due time. We do not know. But of one thing we feel very sure: they should not get it now.

For if they do, it would be tantamount to telling the 18 unions who accepted the best they could get through the give-and-take of the bargaining table that they are saps—that the way to get results is to create a national emergency, and put the squeeze on the Government.

To make sure nothing like that happens now transcends any and all of the merits of the dispute itself.

## Minnesota Meets the Challenge

There is no indication that Governor Luther Youngdahl of Minnesota is even thinking of becoming a candidate for President on the ticket of any party, and yet he has come forward with a demand that colored men be integrated into the National Guard of his State.

The Governor of Minnesota thus takes his stand beside the Governor of New Jersey in demanding that jim crowism be abandoned in the armed forces under his command.

Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York, who is trying to get in the White House, has been careful to say nothing in favor of abandoning jim crowism in the National Guard of his State, although a bill to that effect was introduced by a Negro representative in the Assembly last spring.

The big enemy of this democratic step is Army Secretary Kenneth Royall who hails from the South and lives up to the Negro-phobic reputation of his area.

Mr. Royall bases his refusal to sanction the recommendation of the Governor of Minnesota on "a report of competent and experienced officers" under his command, presumably the Gillem report.

Superior to Secretary Royall, however, is President Truman, the Commander-in-Chief of the armed forces who has been loudly advocating a complete program of civil rights.

President Truman has emphatically declared that his program will be applied to the armed services but so far he has failed to issue any orders to his subordinate, Secretary Royall, to carry out the civil rights program in the National Guard.

The Governor of Minnesota has met the challenge to the extent of his ability but one wonders when and if the President of the United States will do likewise.

Secretary Royall has inferred that he will resign rather than carry out a policy of integration in the National Guard.

We think he should if he is not big enough to measure up to the demands of the times.

## Landmark In Negro Progress

Last week's most significant news was the announcement from New York City that a group of prominent Negroes has established there the Midway Technical School in the heart of Harlem for the training of young Negroes in radio service and repair, preparatory television, radio mathematics and frequency modulation.

Headed by Director Jerome Morgan and with accommodations for at least 1,000 students, the new school will fill a great need in Negro life.

There will be a separate floor for the various skills being taught, with complete units of class rooms, shops, and laboratory provided for each trade.

The new school will have the latest equipment and furnishings, and funds have been appropriated to make it a school measuring up to the best in the field.

This school is not simply a local institution because such men as Dr. C. B. Powell, New York capitalist and publisher; Dr. Haley Bell, Detroit Physician; Oscar Brown, Chicago lawyer, and Alan Dingle, New York attorney, head the project.

We live in a technological age and unless Negroes are trained to meet the requirements of this age it will be impossible for them to hold their own.

Lacking the normal opportunities for apprenticeship and training, it is up to Negroes to fill that lack, and this the New York group has done to its credit.



## FRATERNITIES & SORORITIES MAKE BOW AT THE TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE

Seven undergraduate chapters of national fraternities and sororities were set up at Tuskegee institute during the spring quarter of the scholastic year 1947-1948 following favorable action by Tuskegee's Executive Council. The organizations establishing chapters and the names of the chapters follow:

Zeta Phi Beta, Theta Beta chapter, Miss Frances Roy, the president, bottom left.

Delta Sigma Theta, Gamma Tau chapter, Miss Vivian Little, president, middle row left. Alpha Kappa Alpha, Gam-

ma Kappa chapter, Miss Jean Lowe, basileus, middle right; Phi Beta Sigma, Beta Kappa chapter, Ernest Lamb, president, top, left.

Kappa Alpha Psi, Gamma Epsilon chapter, Robert G. Brown polemar, top, right; Alpha Phi Alpha, Gamma Phi chapter, Robert L. Owens, president, top, center.

Omega Psi Phi, Lambda Epsilon chapter, Richard Walker Jr. basileus, middle, center. The initiation ceremonies were under the supervision of national representatives of the various organizations and were carried out in cooperation with the graduate chapters already on the campus of Tuskegee institute. The undergraduate ch

All Omaha is looking forward, with eager anticipation to the 43rd Annual convention of the Nebraska Federation of Colored Women's Clubs. The South Side Civic Club and the Work Basket Club will be the Hostess.

The Session which will be held at Bethel Baptist Church 30th and S. Streets, South Omaha, will open with a Pre-Convention mass meeting on Sunday, June 27th, at 3:00 P. M. Speakers will be Mrs. G. Aneita Hayes and Leo Bohanan, Executive Secretary of the Omaha Urban League, Mr. Bohanan will use for his subject, "A Challenge to Women"

Following the Executive Board meeting at 5:00 p. m. Monday June 28th, a program will be rendered and the following speakers will appear, Hon Glenn Cunningham, mayor of Omaha, Mrs. S. B. Northcross, Mrs. Linda Broadus and Mrs. Estella Davis of Lincoln. Mrs. Luda Crumbrly will be the soloist and the Federation Chorus will render selections.

At the 12:30 luncheon on the Tuesday of June 29th, Mrs. James M. Northrup, president of the Omaha Woman's Club will be the guest speaker. The highlights of the Tuesday afternoon session will be a Polio demonstration, the presidents' annual address and a round table discussion on the subject; "To secure these rights"

The session will close Tuesday night June 29th with the installation of officers.

The General Chairman Mrs. Mary Alice Duty and her Co-chairman Mrs. Linda Broadus and committee are sparing no pains in making this session one of the most outstanding sessions ever had. Delegates from out-state will be in attendance also a delegation from Iowa.

## UNCLE BILL COULD DANCE ALL NIGHT—BUT



Bill Robinson and Pete Robertson—its always fair weather when good friends are together.

New York City (CNS)—Special Whenever Bill Robinson, who recently turned 70, drives his ancient Duesenberg down Seventh Avenue, he usually stops 20 blocks from home in front of Pete's Creole. He jumps out of the black German-styled car and walks briskly into the restaurant.

He taps on the door and asks "You allow any dancing in here?" And before Pete can answer, he'll dance up to the juke box pour in three or four handy nickles and soft-shoe down the first aisle and up the second.

He'll totally upset the place for all the guests will get up to try and follow his intricate foot-work.

Soon all the kids in the neighborhood will crowd in the doors to watch Uncle Bill. He never gets tired of dancing and he never seems to run out of nickles. So wise Peter Robertson brings out fried ham sandwich and vanilla icecream. The effect never fails. Bill forgets all dancing and settles down with a big spoon and choice bits of ad-libbing.

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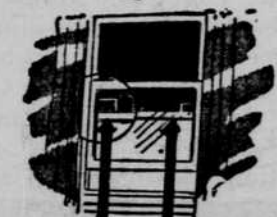
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Or he thinks he's not having fun unless he's "buzzing" the swimming float. His favorite sport is **SHOWING OFF**.

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*Don't be a "Lem" Lubber*

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