

Paul Robeson, Blinded By Commie Hoey, Not Fit For Debate On TV

By BRUCE BLOSSAT

Scheduling Paul Robeson, Negro singer and avowed Communist, on Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt's television program was a sad mistake. Canceling his appearance doesn't offset the error. It enables him to pose as a martyr, a role any Communist loves.

The story of this incident actually is a sequence of errors. It began when Mrs. Roosevelt's son, Elliott, who is co-producer of her television panel discussions, asked C. B. (Beanie) Baldwin to name one panel member to discuss "The American Negro's Position in Politics Today."

Baldwin is national secretary of the Progressive party which Henry Wallace heads. No more woefully-minded group exists in America. This giddy gang makes a fine specialty of avoiding reality. Elliott was wrong to rely upon Baldwin's judgment.

It should have been no surprise that Beanie's choice was Robeson. He probably delighted in naming so controversial a figure. Here was Elliott's second error; he should have vetoed the selection. No one questions Robeson's right to talk as long and as often as he chooses. But the singer has swallowed the Communist party line, with all that implies for the closing of his mind to demonstrable facts. There is real doubt, therefore, whether he is capable of contributing to any honest discussion of the Negro's problems.

To Russia's Communist leaders,

Sutherland

By MRS. BRITAIN SLACK

Don Fuegulin, who recently left Sutherland for California to join his wife, has located at Long Beach and had his personal property sent there. Fuegulin's wife has been employed in that city for several months.

Henry Bullman was taken seriously ill Thursday night after the wrestling bouts and was taken to Mercy hospital where he received medical treatment. Today he is reported as much better and is resting as well as can be expected.

Mrs. C. A. Lucas stopped and transacted business in Roseburg Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Slack went to Medford Saturday where they attended the 61st anniversary of the Union Oil company. Sunday they went to Arcadia, Calif. on a business trip.

Mrs. Henry Bullman was in Roseburg Saturday visiting her husband at Mercy hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Amie Pepiot were in town Friday displaying the two baby cribs that Pepiot and John Bratton captured the forepart of the week.

"Almost Summer," a three-act comedy, was presented Friday evening, March 24, at the Sutherland high school gymnasium by the junior class, before a capacity audience under the direction of Mrs. Wilson.

Included in the play cast were: Kenny Grimes, Veda Campbell, Bill Werts, Kayo Barnes, Annabel Liesinger, Eugene Norris, Evelyn Cornish, Avaan Weaver, Agnes Pleurard and Mary Waldron.

Settlement Of Hiring Hall Issue Purpose Of Bill

WASHINGTON, March 30.—(AP)—Senator Magnuson (D-Wash) says that a change in the Taft-Hartley labor law is needed more than ever to settle the maritime hiring hall controversy.

He predicted that the supreme court's new refusal to rule on the legality of the unions' hiring practices would speed action on a bill he has introduced to amend the labor act.

The bill would exempt from the T-H closed shop ban maritime union hiring hall agreements in effect before June 15, 1947. Under these agreements shipping firms obtain union crews for replacements.

The high court refused Monday, for the second time, to review a decision of the National Labor Relations board finding the hiring hall to be a violation of the act.

Magnuson said the appeal to the court had been "the last resort" of maritime unions and only a change in the law itself could help now. Both CIO and AFL maritime unions have urged Congress to exempt their hiring practices from the closed shop ban.

Union leaders threatened a general strike of some 100,000 seamen if the hiring hall was not abandoned. The unions said that abandonment of the hiring hall would mean a return to "cut-throat" job warfare on the waterfront. They argued that before the hiring hall was established in the early 1930s there had been "unjust and inhuman" hiring practices.

Most Atlantic and Pacific coast shippers have favored the union hiring hall. Some big Great Lakes shippers, on the other hand, op-

Large Audience Hears Talk At Kellogg Grange

A large audience enjoyed the talk and slides given at the Kellogg Grange hall Saturday evening by Miss Doreen Shaw, an English war-time nurse. She is now connected with the European Christian Orphanage Missionary society, of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

Later a reception honored Robert and Maybelle Minter, who are leaving for Edmonton and later for South Ireland where they will assist in establishing an orphanage. They will be accompanied by their little sons, Larry and Lowell.

Sunday morning Miss Shaw talked to the children of Kellogg Sunday school about her experiences with the displaced children of Europe.

New Snack Food Devised From Rice Treatment

By RENNIE TAYLOR
Associated Press Science Editor
ALBANY, Calif., March 30.—(AP)—Now you can take your rice in a crisp, crunchy curlicue instead of in soup, pudding, risotto, a la creole or Spanish.

This new snack food, comparable to potato chips or corn chips, was developed at the U. S. Agricultural department research laboratory here. It was described to the second national rice research conference in a report prepared by E. B. Kester, one of the originators.

It is called rice curls. It is good for the rice grower as well as the consumer because broken grains can be utilized in making it.

To develop rice curl the researchers took a few handfuls of ground rice and about an equal volume of hot water and stirred them together into a stiff paste. This was molded into yards of material about the diameter of soda straws and cooked in deep fat under a moderately hot fire for a little more than two minutes.

The result was a golden brown mass of crisp, porous curls which were salted and sprinkled with a little monosodium glutamate to accent their natural flavor.

People around the laboratory sampled them and called for more.

The researchers put some in covered jars and let them stand around four weeks. They did not become stale or rancid. This indicates, Kester said, that they will keep pretty well on grocers' shelves.

You can make them in the kitchen with ordinary cooking equipment but if you really want to go into the business you can set up a plant that will turn out 300

Bridges Perjury Trial May Go To Jurors Friday

SAN FRANCISCO, March 30.—(AP)—The Harry Bridges perjury trial should go to the jury Friday afternoon.

Federal Judge George B. Harris told attorneys for both sides that he intends to instruct the jury "no later than Friday morning."

The court's instructions should take no more than half a day.

Trial of the CIO Longshore union president opened Nov. 14.

Bridges was indicted on a charge that he lied at his 1945 citizenship hearing when he swore he was no Communist.

The final summation by the defense is to be completed by Wednesday noon. Bridges' attorneys agreed. The prosecution said it would require no longer than one day to make his concluding argument.

Another juror was excused. His replacement left only one alternate—a woman.

The wisdom of swearing in four alternates at the start of the lengthy trial was apparent as the case headed into what was expected to be the last week.

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The figure also was about two percent over January, 1950, after allowing for seasonal and other differences.

the American Negro has been a man whose woes could be exploited for propaganda advantage. His cause has not been espoused through any genuine concern for his welfare.

That being so, fair minded discussion of the Negro's difficulties could only be warped and distorted by the injection of Communist views. Robeson, who openly declares his satisfaction with the Soviet approach, is consequently not qualified to sit in a forum of honest debaters on this subject. Especially since the panel would enjoy the prestige lent by Mrs. Roosevelt's name.

Mrs. Roosevelt herself should have stricken Robeson from the panel list once he got past the preliminary barriers. Her undoubted desire to show good will toward men of all opinions shouldn't lead her to promote, even indirectly, the fakery the Communists offer as legitimate argument. Fostering free speech is one thing; dignifying dishonest debate is quite another.

Everyone concerned in this case, except Beanie Baldwin, ought to have had more good sense.

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