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Halfway Mark

We are heartened to learn that the Oregon civil rights bill has reached the halfway mark toward becoming law, having passed the Senate, Monday. The fight, however, is not over since it is expected that there will be more opposition to the bill when it reaches the House floor.

During the debate in the Senate, Warren Gill, senator from Lebanon, voiced a disturbing criticism of the bill. He felt that the bill, while insuring the rights of minority members, was also taking away the rights of others to discriminate individuals on a personal basis.

Fallacious Notions

Here and now, we want to dispel, as much as we can, any such notion. Senator Gill seems not to understand that the bill seeks to do away with discrimination against individuals on the basis of their color, religion, race or national origin. These minorities are deserving of the same human dignity afforded other Americans by the Constitution. There is room for personal differences in a good old Democracy, but when an individual attempts to discriminate against members of minorities described above simply because they are members of these minorities, then he is indeed being un-Democratic. It is only because of this individual that it is necessary to have civil rights legislation.

Social Laws Work

The worn-out argument that social legislation is ineffective was attempted too. Once again the legislators had to be reminded that social legislation has done a good deal of good. Senator Hitchcock, Klamath Falls, pointed out that there are punitive provisions for murder also, even though it is a violation of the brotherly love principle.

Just a reminder, in closing—we still need to have your letters to legislators, encouraging them to vote for passage of the bill. Efforts can now be concentrated on the representatives. Let's all deluge them with letters.

Bogle Says:

Moral victory the real issue in
Far Eastern Conflict

BY RICHARD BOGLE

Of late there has been considerable talk of giving Chiang Kai Chek's forces on the island of Formosa the green light to invade the Chinese mainland.

With the change in administration, changes in foreign policy should more or less be expected. During the Truman-Acheson regime, the basic countermove against the spread of communism was containment. This was the foundation of all our foreign policy. In other words, stop new aggression with force if necessary and keep the Reds within their already-occupied territory.

This new proposition would have a wide variance with the old policy for it would be hitting at the communists where they have already indoctrinated the people and are firmly in the saddle.

I sincerely hope such a plan of encouraging Chiang to recapture the mainland will not crystallize at any time in the near future.

Many, many risks are involved. According to some of our own American army officers who serve as advisors to Chiang on Formosa, the General is not militarily prepared to launch such an attack. True, his troops are better equipped and trained than when first forced to evacuate to Formosa but they face serious lacks in communications, ships and air power. Now a serious defect in any one of the

above mentioned factors can spell defeat for a military venture.

These lacks—known now by both Chiang's and our own high command—will call for a solution. Those most likely being American support where needed. That could mean more of a drain on our manpower supply. With American men committed to action in both China and Korea what would happen if a Soviet directed attack was launched on a country of the free world on another part of the globe.

To regain China and her millions to the side of democracy is more than a wonderful idea but extreme care must be taken in making the innumerable decisions that would concern such an event. First, since we are engaged in a battle of ideologies, the right psychological moment must be chosen for a strike at the Reds. Secondly, but far more important, the United States should ally itself with Chinese leaders who can gain the sympathy, confidence and understanding of the mainland Chinese. Chiang Kai Chek is not so fortunate as to have the faith of those people. Since the whole conflict evolves around a moral issue, America must take care to see that no effort is spared to insure a true moral victory in China when the time is ripe.

Kay's Notations

Couples Frolic At Social Ball

Pink Champagne

"A 'pink champagne' ball was the name members of the Twilight Social club selected for their second anniversary dance. The club made a contribution to the civil rights fund and then invited about 200 of their friends to frolic with them Saturday evening at the Neighbors of Woodcraft hall.

Club members, twelve of them, all in pink or rose gowns were Mesdames Wilber Randle, Harrison Miles, Samuel Durley, Edwin C. Riggs, Alt McNeal, Eddie Glover, Morris Graves, Alphonso Westley, Clark Dean Jr., Robert L. Lipkin and Merle Johnson, and club president, Mrs. Walter B. Fielder. Mrs. Benny Carson, also a member, was unable to be present.

After the ball was over, Mr. and Mrs. Clarke Dean Jr. entertained about 35 guests at a complete turkey supper with exotic accompanying dishes. Special guest of the Deans was Mrs. Clarissa Allen of Seattle, who spent the week end with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Randle also were after-dance hosts to a houseful of guests. At their home, Spanish and Mexican foods were featured supper dishes. Some guests managed to attend both parties!

Letters To the Ed.

To the Editor:

In your last issue of the Challenger there appeared an article about the coming NAACP Fashion Show listing the models who are to participate. The list shown is incorrect. As Chairman of the models, I would like to ask that you run a new article in your coming issue stating as such.

If you would kindly rerun the article, stating that the show will be held on April 4th at the Sunken Ballroom of the Masonic Temple and giving the correct list of the models, we would be most grateful.

We have and are working very hard on this program and all the women listed are working equally as hard to make this the biggest and finest fashion show we have held to date, therefore I do feel that they should receive some mention of their participation.

Thank you for your attention.
VIKKI JACKSON
302 NE Fargo street.

To the Editor:

Since your first publication, we of the NAACP have been very grateful for the excellent cooperation and coverage you have given us. Your editorials are fearless, honest and forthright, a most admirable position for an editor to take.

However, it is odd how errors will creep up despite all our honest efforts; I refer to the Franklin Williams "incident." We were amused and thankful that the printer did not unknowingly run a picture of L. K. Gerald Smith or Gene Talmadge.

Thanks again for your good coverage and excellent cooperation and be not too perturbed about the error. We are confident it was no fault of yours.

OTTO RUTHERFORD,
President,
Portland Branch NAACP.

Civil Rights Legislation On the National Scene

The Indiana house of representatives approved a bill that would give three-way penalties for discrimination in public places. The bill, passed by a vote of 74 to 11, would make possible fines of \$350 to \$500, jail sentence up to 30 days, public nuisance injunctions, and revoking of licenses after three convictions.

It forbids restaurants, theaters, hotels and all other public places from barring service to Negroes.

Negro members of the Indiana house of representatives that were instrumental in the passage of the bill are Jesse L. Dickinson, William D. Mackey and James S. Hunter.

The bill is now before the Indiana senate.

The Alaskan house of representatives passed a fair employment practice bill by a vote of 22 to 3. The bill now goes to the Alaskan senate.

The public schools committee of Missouri reported favorably

on a bill which would end segregation in state-supported schools in that state. The actions of the committee followed a hearing at which civic groups urged favorable action in the interests of "human rights and democracy."

Funeral Services Held for Taves

Last rites were held here recently for an old time Portlander, Tom Taves, who died February 27 at Veterans hospital. Taves lived at 1429 N. Ross avenue. Interment was at Willamette National cemetery.

The Oregon Journal, Portland daily newspaper, recognized Taves' death in an editorial in which they noted the racial mixture of his friends who attended his services.

The Journal's editorial noted this mixed attendance as true democracy and recognition of individual friendship.

News In Brief

By William Wright
Challenger Staff Writer

Pvt. James Winters reported back to Camp Roberts after spending furlough time with his parents. Pvt. Winters is slated to report to Camp Stoneman for probable shipment overseas. His wife, Patricia, is to remain in Portland.

Miss Edythe Earline Minor, former Portlander and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Minor, 3105 SE 29th avenue, graduates from University of Washington School of Nursing Friday, March 20.

Miss Minor is a reserve in the Army Nursing corps but hopes to be able to take the Washington state board examination before her induction.

Jackson Winters is back in Portland after a season of Globe Trotter play. Winters will be home until June when the famed Trotters start their around-the-world tour. The Portland cage star has a good chance of making the tour with the Trotters.

Phil Reynolds, red cap supervisor at the Union Station has been confined to his home with a cold. Other cold casualties include: Mrs. Mae Harris and daughter Rita Sharon; and John A. Nichols.

Louis Fuller, Challenger staff

artist, is reportedly planning to return to Portland. He and wife Jureta, reports say, will return to Portland to live.

Miss Lillie Algerina Evans and Benny Webb recently became engaged. The couple plan to marry during the latter part of May. Miss Evans is the niece of Mrs. James Watson, 66 NE Tillamook street. Webb is the son of Mrs. Novella Donaldson, 7516 NE Everett street.

Back home after a two-year hitch in the army, is Atwood Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Jones, 123 N. McMillen street. Jones spent most of his time on the island of Okinawa. He is the husband of Mrs. Rita Jones.

Another Portlander out of the service is Francis Fair.

Elder Relates Experiences Of Travels in Northwest

By ELDER ROBERT SEARCIE
Minister, House of Prayer

Peace be unto you in Jesus name. In the early part of February we took a little missionary trip through Eastern Oregon and part of Washington. Our first stop was at LaGrande, Ore., where we spent about ten days with Elder John Jenkin and also to many in their homes for sick and salvation of their souls.

We earnestly pray for their need. The Baptist people were moving with the times, putting a basement under their church for social good of the community. They were progressing very nicely; we also spent a week in Yakima, Wash., and had religious services in the Temple Prayer.

Welcomed to Homes

We received a welcome to several homes and met some of the ministers of the city, Elder Williams, Elder Young, Elder Noble and Sister Freeda Roberson and company, whose church we served and home we abode.

Mr. and Mrs. Roberson showed a thrifty spirit by installing a

launderette, three automatic tubs and dryers. It's very handy and easy, good for Yakima.

Then we spent the last week of February in Tacoma and Kenndale, Wash. We visited with Elder Jones, ministering to the sick and some happy time studying the word of God's prayer. We met with his chorus of about 23 voices. It is a good choir and they can sing Gospel Praise. Just hear them once and you will want to hear them again. You can feel them when they sing.

God Truly Great

March 1st, Sunday night, we were part of a soul-stirring service at Elder Dennison's Mission of Prayer for All Nations. We preached from 139th Psalm, "Whither Shall I Go from Thy Spirit," or "Whither Shall I Flee from Thy Presence."

Truly our God is great. Let us praise him. We are back home again. Thank God for the goodness to us. Let us work with untiring zeal and love for Christ. Amen.