#### PORTLAND INQUIRER

## Lucky Millinder Was **Alias Punjab Millandy**



NEW YORK (IPS) :- Lucky Millinder is fond of the luxurious mode of living and once balked at staying over at a dilapidated hotel because the town's other inns discriminated against the colored race. So he wrapped an expensive towel around his head-pinned in what appeared to be a huge ruby right in the center-and marched stiffly into the town's swankiest hotel, followed by a similarly decorated lackey (his valet) who announced Punjab Millandy. Indian potentate. Millinder stayed a week, was fussed over and petted, until one night, a rumpus was heard in his room, and attendants came dashing up and broke in. Millinder was asleep but shouting in his sleep and tossing about. He was cussing in good old unmistakable Harlemese-and the masquerade was over.

# A Letter to the Editor

to cure such conditions as prompted place." Unquote. the writing, we withhold the name to protect the writer from harm, doesn't have much entertainment We agree with the writer, Portboth socially and physically.

Oct. 5, 1944. Portland Inquirer,

Portland 12, Oregon. Dear Editor:

On Sunday, Oct. 1, 1944, the servicemen and civilians of Port- their ignorance. land, Oregon had the privilege of Sincerely yours. being entertained by the famous "Delta Rhythm Boys" at the Williams Avenue USO.



Left to right: Mr. Oliver; Governor John W. Bricker, Republican Vice-Presidential Candidate, shaking hands with Ralph H. Faulk, Editor of Benson Hotel The Portland Inquirer; Mr. Joe L. DeCarzo; Mr. Eugene Moseley, Portland business men; Mr. James W. Kennedy, Mr. G. Abner, Rev. James W. Kennedy, Republican Committeeman; Mr. Richard Harris, Portland business man; Mrs. Ralph H. Faulk, business manager Portland Inquirer, and Governor Earl Snell, Governor of the State of Oregon.

Police of Portland. It then led on stated, "The unfortunate thing is to an argument with the "Delta that these men who are capable of Contrary to our usual policy of Rhythm Boys," which gave them drawing Two to Three Thousand publishing the name of the writer the opinion that they were not wel- Dollars weekly had to be subjected MENT OF SOLDIERS of any letter we print, we are print- come. One of the Rhythm Boys said to such insults and their lives ing this letter minus the name of | --- and I quote-"We come here to threatened (a gun was drawn by the sender. This is done for ob- do a treat for the soldiers and you this member of the Civilian povious reasons, Although the person want to beat us up for it. It's not lice) after doing a bit of charity who sent this "Letter to the Edi- that we have to come here but work and on the corner where the tor" did so in good faith and we that you want us and I'll be damn- USO is located." He pointed out are sure with an idea of helping ed if we ever come back to this that it could have happened on any

of its own and that it is hard for land does owe the "Delta Rhythm us to get outside entertainment Boys" an apology and a public one that the least we can do is to make at that. them welcome and happy. I really believe that Portland owes the Delta Rhythm Boys an apology for

corner but that at any rate they I believe that since Portland are sorry it had to happen here.

## NAACP OFFICIAL EXPOSES MISTREAT-

Courtesy Photo-Art

Grant Reynolds, Administrative Assistant of the Washington Office of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, has resigned his post in order to be free to protest against the mistreatment of Negroes in the Armed Forces.

Mr. Reynolds said it is his feeling that "On November 7th, America will have its last opportunity to correct the gross injustices to the Negro soldier, by voting to put in office a Republican Adminstration."

Mr. Reynolds, a Congregational Minister, served two years as a

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nel, both enlisted and commissioned, are some of the un-American practices which make Huachuca the most infamous camp in America. This condition is made more shocking because Huachuca is the bottleneck through which the only Negro combat divisions, namely: the 92nd and 93rd, have gone to the fighting fronts, namely: the 92nd to Italy, and 83rd to the South Pacific."

Mr. Reynolds is now associated with the Baltimore Afro-American for which he will write articles concerning the mistreatment of Negroes in the Armed Forces.

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turbance began to grow up between out that the affair did no occur winter and want all members to ata youth of Portland and a Civilian within the USO. As one official tend regular.

B. E. M.

After the performance a dis- exact facts of the matter. We found planned a nice program for the Washington office of NAACP, he

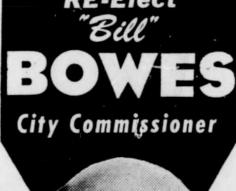
Mr. Irons has organized the captain of Army Chaplains. As a Portland Chapter of the Elite So- result of his own Army service As soon as we read the above cial Club. He was assisted by a and through information and comletter, we started trying to get the staff of fine young men. They have plaints received by him in the

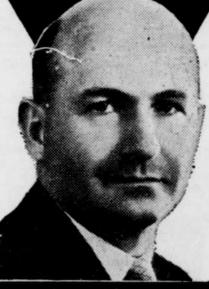
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has become an authority on the widespread abuses to which Negro troops are subjected.

He served as chaplain at Fort Huachuca, Arigona, the only camp in the United States at which exclusively Negro troops are stationed where, he states, "30,000 troops are maintained in a condition of degredation and cruelty.

"Fort Huachuca is generally referred to as being a combination of the horrors of a prison camp and a military camp in Africa where black colonials are trained. Long sentences meted out to Negro soldiers as a result of false charges, unprovoked assaults by white officer upon Negro enlisted men, segregation of Negro officers into squalid qugarters, attempted suicide by Negro soldiers because of intolerable conditions, statements by the commanding general referring to his 14,000 "niggers", jeerings by the colored troops of their division commander, and the maintenance of a white supremacy caste system over all the Negro person-





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