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Recently a Negro, who has been employed in the shipyards for the duration of the war, applied to the Oregon State Liquor Commission for a license to sell beer in his newly opened Restaurant. The Liquor Commission followed its usual custom in the case of Negro applicants and gave a flimsy excuse and of course did not grant the license. This Negro was not satisfied with the usual procedure and demanded to know why he could not get the license. Then the Commission pulled this prize boner—they voted to contact "responsible leaders of Negro organizations" for further information on the petitioner.

That was a "Prize Boner" in several ways. First of all, who are the leaders? Will the Liquor Commission kindly furnish us with a list of these "responsible leaders" when and if they find them. There just "ain't no sich animule" hereabouts. Next,—if and when they should find anybody who has the temerity to call themselves a leader, just what would they know about the newcomers. The Commission evidently is not aware of the fact that not even the ministers of Portland have made an effort to become acquainted with the newcomers. They apparently do not know that there is not one organization composed of Negroes in the state of Oregon interested in the civic advancement of the Negro race. OR DO THEY? We think they know all of these things and are using their power to help continue the pattern of discrimination against Negroes so evident here in Oregon. This is not the first time it has happened. We know of one Negro at least who waited for a year to get a license from this body. We know of others who have been attempting to get licenses and we also know of the procedure used by the Commission to force Negro applicants into compromising positions that will forever bar them from getting a license.

It is high time that the Negroes do something about this appalling situation. How long are the Negroes going to stand idle and see their race browbeaten? The Constitution of the United States guarantees all citizens the right to make an honest living. The Oregon State Liquor Commission is denying the Negro this right.

This is one more proof that Oregon is a Jim Crow state and will continue as such until the Negro himself puts an end to it by showing a united front.

So many things have happened in the past few months to show that the Negro here must fight for his rights that it should not be hard for even the blindest person to see the need for uniting. To cite a few, the recently closed Jones killing in Guilds Lake; the action of the Lipman Wolfe store in refusing to permit a Negro girl, graduate of the University of Oregon, to eat in the Tea Shop; no Negro holding anything but servile positions in the city government; signs in restaurants stating "we cater to white trade only"; Negroes refused work in all the major industries of the area; attempts to segregate the Negro in housing by refusing to sell to Negroes except in certain localities; refusal entrance to business colleges and other branches of training including Negro girls for Nurse training. These and a dozen other things both large and small place Oregon in the category of Jim Crow states that in some cases outsouths the Jim Crow south.

The one hope of the Negro in this area is to stop letting the practice of "Divide and Conquer" work so well. Begin to show that we can work together for the common good of all. Begin to show a united front.

LAST CHANCE

Both labor and management will be definitely on the spot if improved industrial relations do not result from the Washington labor conference. Their success or failure in achieving greater harmony can well spell the difference between prosperity and progress or doles and depression in the years immediately ahead.

Industrial strife between employers and employees has already been carried to the point where it seriously threatens the reconversion program. So the need is for agreement not only in principle but in actual practice.

If labor and management cannot reconcile their differences, if they cannot learn to give and take in the democratic spirit, then both the free enterprise system and labor unions as they now exist are in jeopardy.

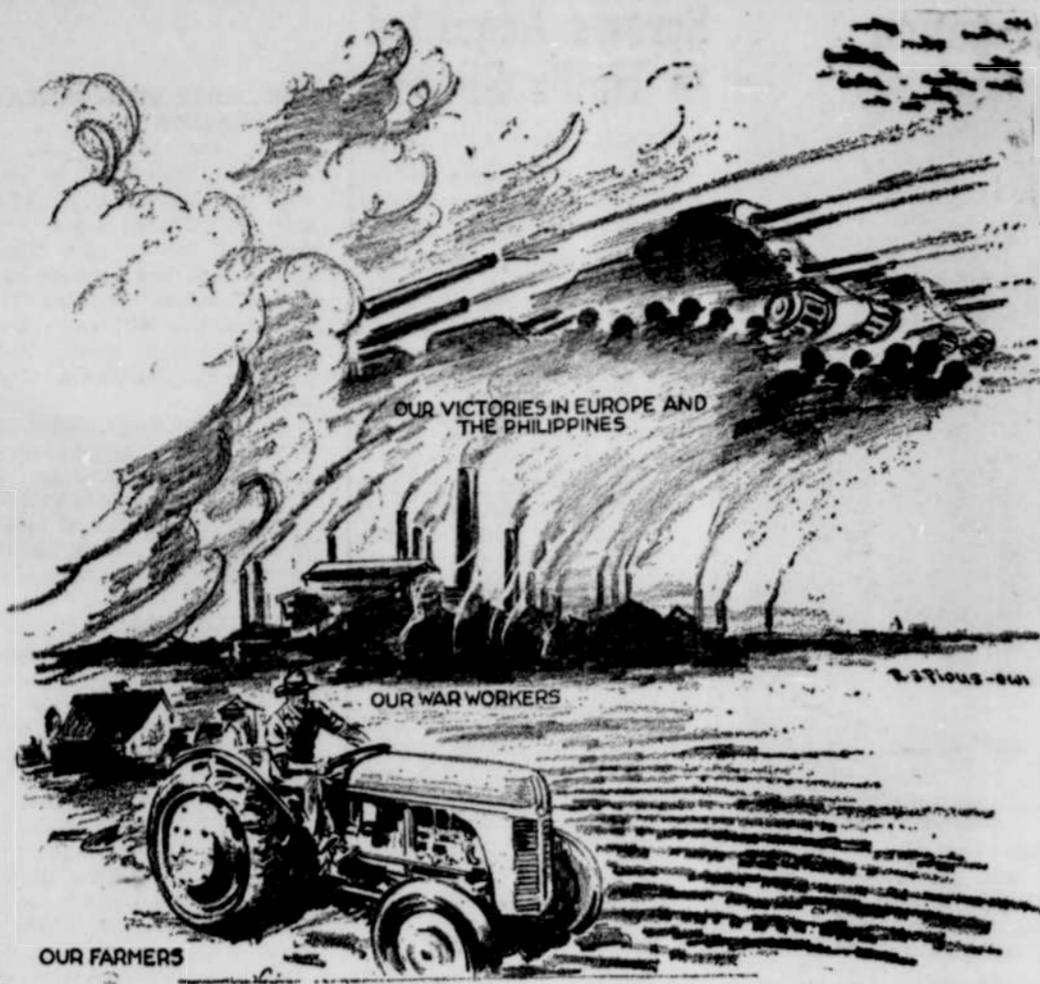
Why? Because continued disagreement may well result in an era of industrial warfare which will produce atomic results. And this warfare could lead to laws that would put both capital and labor under the complete dictates of the government.

what may be their last chance to put their house in order, or find themselves in the street with the government taking over in order to prevent complete chaos and economic collapse.

President Truman has made it clear that he prefers to let labor and management work out their own problems. They can do this if each faction will put aside pettiness and prejudice and make a sincere effort to understand the other's viewpoint.

Our fighting men made incredible sacrifices to win the war. It is unthinkable that we would now permit selfishness to prevent us from winning the peace.

OREGON FRATERNAL ASSOCIATION 1412 N. Williams Avenue



"FOR THESE WE GIVE THANKS"

Sentence Sermons

By REV. FRANK CLARENCE LOWRY for ANP

- 1. The way to progress is to procrastinate less. 2. It takes more brains, will-power and self control, for a man to run his life straight, than it does to fly an airplane at a fast rate. 3. A flyer can climb down from his cockpit and without proper soul balance is likely to prove to society that on these mundane shores, in many things, he is morally unfit. 4. It is when men come down to earth, that they prove their moral worth. 5. Many people spiritually think they are flying high in their own way, but have not discovered the secret that their own conscience they must learn to obey. 6. In the one great job of living, one certainly ought to be able to see that there is scarcely any time for sinning. 7. So many church people are putting lead into their Golden Rule and Christianity until undoubtedly to the man outside, it must be looking funny. 8. Satan has no manpower shortage in his business, and his full-employment deal traps many ordinary church-folks almost daily, right off the reel. 9. There are some folks, we feel that even Satan would be slow to accept, but don't you worry, he even snatches such as these, in a hurry. 10. Any man's "good enough" religion suits Satan just fine, for he knows there is not the slightest danger of him getting off of his line. 11. Satan plays ball with his followers, and he knows right off-the-bat who is getting ready to come to him from this terrestrial ball. 12. On the other hand, Christianity is no game, and God requires of His followers if in His heaven they would reign, not to two-time Him, nor be sometimes, but always the same, and plain.

Report for the Month of October Shows U.S.O. Very Busy Place

Special Events—The weekend of the 6th and 7th were dedicated in honor of the 555th Paratrooper Battalion stationed at Pendleton Army Air Base, Pendleton, Oregon. The tribute was a farewell gesture to these men who had fought forest fires throughout the summer, protecting the greatest natural resources of our Northwest. Every man of the Battalion, except those on Skeleton Station Complement Duty, attended and participated in these activities. Saturday afternoon, we had a very enjoyable indoor weiner roast with approximately forty-five junior hostesses participating. Saturday evening, the USO sponsored a very enjoyable party. The decoration scheme was built around parachutes and the 555th Battalion Emblem. Sunday morning, the senior and junior hostesses served breakfast to all the servicemen who cared to attend. Following the breakfast, we are informed that a number of servicemen in the company of junior and senior hostesses attended various church services in the community. Sunday afternoon, sixteen professional entertainers gave a variety show which was beautifully tied together by an able Master of Ceremonies. In cooperation with the Mountain Home Idaho USO and the Mountain Home Army Air Base, we arranged to transport by airplane, sixty junior hostesses and chaperons on the 12th. Insurance for the person's making this trip was secured and the girls came to the club prepared for the trip, which had to be cancelled because of poor flying conditions. The cancellation of this trip was a matter of deep regret to all concerned, especially the strivemen who are located in such an isolated spot and who were so eagerly looking forward to an evening of pleasure. October 24th the Steward's Crew from the USS Independence, with our assistance, sponsored a delightful Halloween party for all servicemen in the area. These men had just returned from twenty-one months of duty in the Pacific and expected to be in Portland only five or six days. This was quite interesting and, I believe, highly significant. They were anxious to do for others rather than expect to be done for. I believe that this selflessness and generous spirit pervaded the atmosphere of the party to the end that everyone had an usually good time. October 27th, in keeping with Navy Day, we held an open house from 2:00 to 5:00 and a formal dancing party during the evening. Both affairs were highly successful.

Regular Scheduled Events—The Monday game nights continue with a great deal of interest. Servicemen and hostesses joined in the games with great energy. The October birthday party honoring servicemen and hostesses born in the month of October maintained a high level of interest as usual. The VSO, which is an organization of girls, ranging in age from twenty to twenty-seven, meet Wednesdays. One portion of their meetings is given to the discussion of current topics. The basic material for these discussions come for our subscription to the weekly TIME Magazine Forum Discussion Series. It is indeed gratifying to find the degree of interest displayed in some of the discussions on current topics of public interest. The Saturday night dancing parties continue to draw the largest attendance and represent an activity which requires less urging than any other to get a high percentage of participation. Outside Activities—October 25 twenty-eight junior hostesses and four chaperons attended a dancing party at the Port of Embarkation. October 28th twenty-four junior hostesses and three chaperons were the guests of the Steward's crew on the USS Independence. An enjoyable time was reported by all who participated in these activities. Volunteers—During the month of October, there has been a slight increase in the number of hostesses giving the required hours of service to be counted as a hostess. Junior hostesses must give a minimum of ten hours and senior hostesses a minimum of six hours during a calendar month to be accredited as active. Many of the hostesses give far more than the required number of hours per month. We have instituted a training program for volunteers with special emphasis on understanding and relating their service to a peacetime navy and army. Community Relations—The community at large continues its very fine support of our efforts. The Portland Navy Day Committee enlisted our aid in carrying out its program for the activities of Navy Week. The chairman of this committee has indicated his appreciation for the service which we rendered in this connection. Maintenance—The building is in a good state of physical repair and we have received an actual bid for renovations authorized by national USO. It is expected that the actual renovation will begin in the next week or ten days. General—The total October program gives every encouragement for the job we approach in November. The total attendance for October is 4069, greater than it was for September. Respectfully submitted: Kenneth F. Smith, Director

THIS IS HOLLYWOOD

By Floyd G. Snelson LOS ANGELES—(ANP) — Big surprise of the moment was splicing of Eddie Green, radio comic of Duffy's Tavern program, and the beautiful Norma Amato, songstress, at Les Vegas, N. M. Eddie and his charming wife were my guests at Shepp's Club celebrity, and she sang like a lark, while the ole boy had the audience in stitches of laughter. Avon Long, late star of Memphis Bound, Porgy Bess, etc., here to do some heavy roles in flickers for BGM and 20th Century-Fox... received high praise comments from the cinema critics. One of the new thrills of Hollywood, EDDIE HEYWOOD, wizard of the ivories, and trio will head for SHEPP'S PLAYHOUSE early next month for the Yule MELBA BROWN, former songbird of the trio BROWN SISTERS, is now operating a fastidious beauty salon in Bronville. L. A.'s "Sugar Hill" aristocrats of society, radio, stage and screen in a dither over threat of being evacuated from their spacious mansions re; covenants forbidding occupancy of other than Caucasians... Hattie McDaniels, Louise Beavers, Ethel Waters, Ben Carter, Juan Tio, Bonnie Carter, Russell Smith and other performers involved. Lionel Hampton played the current week at the Orpheum to

the tune of 44 G's splitting the receipts with the house, according to his manager, Joe Glaser, who planned in from NYC. At Gladys and Lionel's welcome home party were Champ JOE LOUIS, Leonard Reed, and Bill Watkins just arrived from Chicago; Valaida Snow and her husband, Earle Edwards, Les Hite, Herb Jeffries, Major and Mrs. Wilbur Strickland, of Philadelphia; Ralph Weaver, Bea De Vaughan, Ed Peters and Sisters, Russell Jaquet, Muriel Andrade, Eddie Green and his bride Norma Amato, Floyd Ray, Earl Dancer, Mrs. Willie Smith, Madelyn Green, Mrs. Gerald Wilson, Dr. Calvin Jackson, Dr. and Mrs. Hendricks, etc. The bronze princess of song MABLE SCOTT, with Charles (Boogie Woogie) Davis are hotter than hot at the downtown Hotel Hayward, Rhythm room. Mrs. Carole Terrell, widow of the late Pha Terrell, returned from Kansas City, Mo., after final rites of the noted vocalist, accompanied by his mother Mrs. A. M. Terrell, Jeni Le Gon, former dancer, wife of PHIL (I Wanna See My Baby) MOORE, returned from NYC and Dee Cee, in town for a blind date. FLETCHER (Smack) HENDERSON and his Ork stopped off here for several days after touring west coast (Continued on Page 6)

Move to Outlaw Housing Bans

CHICAGO—(ANP)—The Chicago Conference on Home Front unity approved Tuesday during its second full session in the city council chambers a militant program for protection of minorities through adequate law enforcement and abolition of racial restrictive housing covenants.

Recommendations embodied in a report submitted by the conference's housing commission were rejected during the first session as a "watered down statement intended to mean all things to all men." The commission submitted another report during the second session that took a firm stand against restrictive covenants aimed at racial or religious groups.

The report, which also demanded easing of the explosive housing problems on Chicago's south and west sides, preceded a statement by Harry J. Walker, associate director of the Mayor's Race Relations committee.

"Because of the pressure for living space within the black belt," Walker said, "Negro families have moved into areas heretofore occupied by whites on the margins of the black belt. This movement has met with resistance from property owners' associations as well as from unorganized white citizens.

"In many instances homes have been stoned and burned; property has been destroyed and Negro families intimidated. Often we received reports of these cases after damage was done."

He urged additional special training for police officers but praised the work of the patrolmen under Capt. John Prendergast, chief of the uniformed forces, and Capt. Peter B. Anen of the Chicago Park district police. Conference members suggested that policemen who have racial and religious prejudices should be dismissed or not employed at all but Capt. Anen arose to remind the speakers that police officers have civil rights also. He took the position that they were not to allow their personal sentiments to interfere with the enforcement of law.

The law and order commission's report urged expansion of the police department and backed Walker's suggestion of special training for policemen. A report by the conference's recreation commission, which covered discrimination against Negroes in public places, was accepted.

Dr. Edwin R. Embree, chairman of the mayor's committee, revealed that the interim committee on civic unity had been created to stimulate action by the mayor's committee. Elmer Gertz, its chairman, proposed that the mayor call a meeting in the near future to report on action or lack of action by city departments on Tuesday's proposals.

Plenty of Xmas Cash in Capitol

WASHINGTON — (ANP) — Washington's Negroes will go on a spending spree this Christmas, the like of which has never been seen before in the nation's capital. On Dec. 1 the Industrial bank, the largest Negro bank in the country, releases Christmas savings totaling \$300,000, the largest amount ever paid out by the bank in its years of existence.

"We took in the final payments this week," said Jesse Mitchell, astute president of the bank, "and as soon as we can get started, we will begin writing checks. All will be mailed simultaneously."

Nearly half a million dollars from this one bank alone and with most of the depositors Negroes, indicates the buying power in the Washington Community.

Harlem Canteen Cares for Seamen

NEW YORK—(ANP)—The largest servicemen's club in the country, the Salvation Army Servicemen's club, located in the heart of Harlem, under the direction of Walter H. Roark, is doing well the cause of freedom.

The canteen, which has 300 beds and who can set up for 600 in the case of an emergency, is cooperating with the National Maritime union in housing 150 or more of the Indonesian seamen, who jumped ship and left all of their belongings rather than carry ammunition to quell a revolt of their people at home who were opposing the rule of the Netherlands.

The five story building, which has two adjoining buildings, is jammed to its capacity in an effort to care for the extra load of merchant seamen in addition to the members of the armed forces of all races and creeds that require all 19 of its services and facilities which are available 24 hours a day.

The huge snack bar which normally feeds 500 or more a day has almost doubled this amount. The Indonesian cooks are assisting the regular snack personnel due to the fact that their food is seasoned differently and to serve all, promptly and effectively.

The press, various organizations as American Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born, Political Action committee of NMU, local ministers and others are on the beam in cooperating with Director Roark, the Salvation army and the splendid staff of professional and volunteer workers in caring for the material as well as the spiritual needs of these men who have already exhibited democracy in action.

Florida Attorney Orders Negro Registration

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—(ANP)—Secy. of State R. A. Gray was advised by Atty. Gen. Tom Watson last week that supervisors must permit Negroes to register as Democrats and vote in the primaries in Florida. The directive came as a result of inquiry by Gray for a supervisor of Highlands county on the point.

Florida Negroes won the right to vote as Democrats in that state's primary elections on July 27, 1945, in a decision by the state supreme court.

The Florida tribunal's decision was based squarely and with little discussion on a ruling by the supreme court of the United States by which Texas Democratic primaries were opened to Negroes. The theory was that a party is an integral part of an election in which the constitution guarantees all citizens the right to vote.

Justice' Rivers Buford wrote the initial opinion in two companion cases in which he affirmed Es-cambia county circuit court orders directing Registration Supervisor Ben J. Davis to register Rev. R. A. Conwell and Effau Chavis as Democrats.

Florida had no law specifically prohibiting Negroes from voting in the primary. The law left to the Democratic party the right to prescribe qualifications of its members. However, following the southern pattern, Florida conducted primaries in which only white electors participated.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Christ's Temple Sunday Services as Follows S.S. 10:00 A. M.—Service 11:45 Evening Service 7:45 Week Day Service Wednesday and Friday 7:45 P. M.—All Are Welcome—Rev. M. Jefferies, Pastor 2139 S. E. 9th Ave., cor. Grant L.A. 0488 Res. TR. 4723

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