



Alpha Alpha chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta sorority of Greater Kansas City plans its year's program of activities at its annual workshop. Instructors included Alyce Monroe, central regional director; Naomi R. Cherot, chairman of the national scholarship board; and Beatrice E. Penman, national treasurer, at whose home the sessions were held.

THE TRUMAN LABOR SPLIT

The blistering and sweeping attack which CIO President Phillip Murray made upon President Truman's so-called fact-finding proposals for labor peace should receive careful attention of the Negro public.

At stake are not only the economic rights and opportunities for millions of Negroes, but the future line-up of the Negro vote in such industrial states as Michigan, Illinois, New Jersey, New York, and Indiana.

The majority of Negro voters are strongly Democratic believing among other things that the Democrats are strongly pro-labor. As a matter of fact tens of thousands of Negroes vote Democratic not because they saw a difference in the racial policies of the two major parties, but because they thought they could thus protect their interests as workers if not as voters.

Moreover, the CIO was as active in appealing to Negro voters as were the Democrats.

At Truman and the attack raises several difficult questions. How the CIO and the Negro public opinion on the way out?

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so distrustful of Mr. Truman's influence and ability as a leader, that many would accept

any opportunity to change the situation.

Not that Mr. Truman is entirely responsible for the anti-administration attitude among Negroes, but Negroes have not liked the trend of things in Washington for a very long time. This dissatisfaction could not crystallize or come to head because of our attachment to the Roosevelts and to our appreciation of the administration's labor and social security programs.

Despite all this, Negroes chafed and smarted bitterly over the treatment of Negro soldiers and sailors and over the scuttling of FEPC. Mr. Truman himself is now taking a hand in the latter piece of dirty work.

Th conclusion seems sound that if Murray and Hillman want to pull the Negro vote out of the Democratic party, they will not have to try very hard.

But does the CIO leadership really want to do so? That's the \$64 question. Murray has not said so but it is logically possible for CIO to support a party which in Murray's own words is "appeasing business" and "trying to destroy the labor movement," and with regard for the "interests of the common people".

Even in the labor movement this is strong language and coming from Phillip Murray it is astounding.

The CIO has become so deeply interwoven into Negro life that Negro leaders will be wise to find out what is really on Murray's mind. If a major labor-political shift is taking place, we want to know why and the direction it will take. A pertinent question from Willard S. Townsend, would be most interesting.

Pres. Tubman Denounces Report Of Col. West

MONROVIA — (ANP)—In an address before the joint assembly of the Liberian congress which was shortwaved abroad on Friday afternoon, November 9, President Truman of Liberia denounced the report of Col. John W. West, director of the United States Public Health mission to Liberia, in which Dr. West is alleged to have claimed that "nearly 100 per cent of the population of Liberia was afflicted with venereal disease."

Col. West had been under fire for some time in Liberia since it was charged and never denied that 400 cases of ammunition were received by him labelled "medical supplies." Cartridges have been sold to natives in return for gold, ivory and other minerals, and were also issued to natives in the employ of the public health mission in lieu of pay.

The presidential denunciation of the former Harlem physician and one time employee of the Ethiopian government came like an atomic bomb. Diplomatic circles in Monrovia have kept a discreet silence. While the president spoke, officials of the foreign legation at Monrovia seemed to have recoiled by the shocking disclosure. At the American legation, officials would not comment because of the delicacy of the situation, involving as it does a major representative not only of the U. S. but of the Afro-American in the United States.

Rumors of ammunition smuggling along Liberia's coast were rife for some time, and the refusal of a ship captain to allow Liberian customs officials on his ship last June caused a watchful eye to be centered on custom exempt supplies brought in allegedly to construct a naval base at Monrovia.

It is widely circulated in Mon-

rovia that coded drum beats reaching from Monrovia to the interior were a signal for an uprising which would have given marines the excuse for a landing and occupation of Liberia. Natic decoders tipped the officials off and much of the ammunition is now in the possession of the Liberian government.

Col. West left Liberia for the United States a few weeks ago on the wave of adverse publicity in the local press. It was then said that he had taken suddenly "ill" and had to be flown to the United States supposedly for an operation.

The Afro-American colony in Monrovia has become disturbed over the incidents leading to the public attack on the colonel by the president of the republic. It is said that the health mission has done little work since it came to Liberia, and that Dr. West could not have known that a population of whom he had seen little of was "100%" diseased.

Hush hush circles have it that most of the social diseases in

Liberia is of recent import and that villages close to the U. S. army camp are important sources of infection, many of the men having undergone treatment for such sex diseases before coming to Liberia. It is not believed that Dr. West will return to Liberia, but that some other colored American will take over the U.S.P.H.M. in Liberia.

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National Travel Guide for Negroes

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The publisher, Bert E. Grayson, who at one time edited a travel column for the Negro Press, also published a travel guide but with the approach of World War II, suspended publication and was inducted into the armed forces.

Grayson is a graduate of Northwestern university and a member of "Quill and Scroll" the national honorary journalistic society.

The guide, which the publisher says is not published for profit, lists, free of charge, business establishments which are necessary to the well being, comfort, enjoyment and safety of the colored traveler. It is a simplified national directory, the states being listed alphabetically with a geographical and historical resume of places and people interesting to the traveler.

The cities are listed together with the approved places of accommodation, which will be inspected each year before being approved. Since there is no charge for listing, only places measuring up to the required standard of efficiency will be so listed. An emblem bearing the words "Approved Establishment," similar to that displayed by the "AAA" will be posted by the scouts making the inspection.

The guide, which will be published annually, will also contain a list of "dated events," giving the dates and cities in which fraternal and social conventions and special events will be held. This information will be supplied from organizations and published free.

Mr. Grayson, whose address is 802 E. 6th street, Room 40, Los Angeles 21, expects the first 5000 off the press early in 1946.

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World Brotherhood Must Take Place of Bigotry, Says War Secretary

NEW YORK—(ANP)—The basis for a lasting peace will be the substitution of prejudice and hate for world brotherhood.

That formula for permanent world peace was given here last week by Secy. of War Robert P. Patterson during a dinner tribute to Basil Connor, leader of a national brotherhood movement, at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel and was echoed by other prominent speakers. He remarked that the world looks to the United States for guidance, "because we pioneered the democratic way of life."

"Our armed strength and world organization will be ineffective for peace," Patterson said, "if, here at home and in our foreign relations, we permit prejudices and hates to warp our attitudes toward those who possess and edelbow the earth with us. Prejudice and hate, the ingredients the totalitarian gangsters used in their effort to subvert the world, must be eliminated if we are to rebuild it."

A Final War "Intolerance, failure to recog-

nize that 'of one blood are all nations of men,' will promote another wave of the brutal and degraded racism that inspired the Axis conspiracy, another world war whose outcome may well be the end of civilization."

The war secretary's plea for world brotherhood was backed by Rear Adm. Lewis L. Strauss. The advent of the atomic bomb presented "an immediate challenge to statesmanship and to spiritual leadership—a challenge with civilization itself as the price of failure," he said.

O'Connor, lauded for pushing the brotherhood movement, was presented a scroll "in grateful recognition of a life dedicated to the welfare of his fellows from the National Conference of Christians and Jews. He is the president of the International Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, chairman of the American Red Cross and the Red Cross societies' board of governors, as well as a member of the National Conference of Christians and Jews."

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