



**HIGH SOCIETY**—Ku Klux Klanners mingle with spectators at a shopping center in Birmingham, Ala., the second of three meetings Sunday during a five-hour motorcade through the western section of the city. About 50 hooded

Klansmen and 300 spectators rallied, burning a 13-foot cross at the first stop and listening to a rare public address by Alvin Horn, Grand Dragon, U.S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, at the last stop. (UPI Telephoto)

### Storage of Flood Waters Planned

Klamath Falls - Plans for storage of the flood waters of the Upper Klamath lake in three normally dry lake beds adjacent to Klamath lake recently were announced by California Oregon Power company officials.

The program would involve pumping with dump power by a reversible turbine generator through tunnels to a maximum height of 260 feet and a total storage capacity of 1,275,000 acre feet of water.

Copco said this stored water could, in time of need, be returned through the same system to the lake, developing peak power and would then be available for multiple use.

Use of the surface water in the upper Klamath basin has been designated for domestic use, irrigation, recreation, industrial, power, and other uses, in that order.

The three lakes are designed to be "beautiful, excellent for fishing, boating, swimming and camping." To private owners of property in the Round Lake area, officials said consummation of Copco's storage program is probably 10 years away and the company is not seeking to purchase any land in the lake drainage area at this time.

### Jimmy Doolittle Claims U.S. Is Losing Space Race

Los Angeles - UPI - Retired Air Force Gen. James A. Doolittle Monday called the space race between the United States and Russia a war. He said we were losing.

Doolittle warned that most Americans "do not yet realize the frightful seriousness of this war."

The leader of the famed World War II attack on Tokyo was joined in emphasizing the seriousness of the space race by Dr. T. Keith Glennan, head of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

in isn't any Saturday afternoon ball game with the outcome to be measured in runs, hits and errors," Glennan said at the opening session of a space symposium sponsored at the University of Southern California by the Air Force.

Glennan and Doolittle differed, however, in their evaluation of the United States' position in the space race.

Doolittle said that while he believed the United States to be the "technological leader of the world," he thought Russia was ahead in the missile

race because that country has given missile development higher priority than the United States.

"We must develop a sense of urgency," said Doolittle. "We as a nation have had it too good for too long. We want to coast and maintain the pleasant status quo. In part this naivete is due to public lethargy because we are inherently a nation of optimists."

He called for national sacrifices to fight the "space war," including extra efforts by management and labor.

### Wholesale Prices Drop 7 Per Cent

Washington, (Science Service) - Wholesale prices of prescription drugs have declined more than 7 per cent since 1949.

Prof. John M. Firestone of the City college of New York told the American Pharmaceutical association meeting here that the decline is striking when compared to the 20 per cent increase in all wholesale prices as measured by the Bureau of Labor statistics.

### Military Not What It Used To Be, Says Sergeant, 71

Los Angeles - UPI - Things aren't what they used to be in the armed forces, according to the oldest man in the United States Air Force.

M. Sgt. George J. (Pop) Hunt, who will retire from the service Wednesday at the age of 71, said the fighting men of today lack the discipline of soldiers of the past. "The young men of today don't have it as we had it," said the gray-haired Hunt. "There's a lot more monkey business. Why if we did any of the things they do now we would have been whipped right on the spot."

Hunt, who re-entered the service after a five-year stretch in the Army during World War I, is in Los Angeles for guest appearances on several television shows.

He'll return to Bergstrom Air Force base in Austin, Tex., on Wednesday where he'll officially retire from uniform for good.

At least he said it will be final. Once before he quit the service for civilian life. That was in 1920 when he retired from Gen. John Pershing's famous American expeditionary force as a first lieutenant. He went to work as a construction engineer, but the call of duty was too strong, and after Pearl Harbor he signed on with the Army.

He enlisted as a private rather than return as an officer because he remembered the problems he had running out of money while he was a lieutenant.

Hunt, who will live with a niece at Denver and do youth work after his retirement,

Havana - UPI - Premier Fidel Castro's government held marriage ceremonies Saturday for 5,000 couples who have been living together. The ceremonies, sponsored by the justice department, were part of a government program to legalize common-law marriages or cohabitation arrangements.

### Porter, Other Congressmen Attempt to End Segregation At Capitol Amusement Park

By YVONNE FRANKLIN Mail Tribune

Washington Bureau Washington - (Special) - Rep. Charles Porter led a small band of determined congressmen in an attempt to scale the wall of segregation at a local amusement park last week. The wall wasn't quite breached, but, with hardly a verbal shot fired, the management opened up a slit in the battlements for future peace negotiations.

After announcing on Aug. 15 that he intended to demonstrate support of the young people who have been picketing Glen Echo park since June 30, Porter picked up support from three fellow Democrats (two of them Negroes: Adam Clayton Powell, N.Y., and Chas. C. Diggs of Mich.), Byron Johnson of Colo. and Republican Seymour Halpern of New York.

The five showed up at 7:30 one night, borrowed signs from the regular picketers, and marched around the parking lot entrance to the amusement park. After 30 minutes, they joined other pickets at the park's main entrance. There they shook hands with the 50 young people, white and colored, who were quietly marching. They then entered the office of the young manager of the park to discuss the possibility of an end to the racial discrimination which bars Negroes.

Glen Echo is a large amusement park, with swimming pool, to which white Washingtonians, Marylanders and Virginians repair on a summer's day or night. Contrary to the public practice in the District, which has gradually integrated all public swimming pools, theaters, restaurants and schools over the past 10 years, Maryland has only token integration.

The swimming pool is

thought to be the sticking point at Glen Echo; here white District residents can bring their children if they don't want to go to an integrated pool in Washington.

Northern Virginia, where many district government workers and congressmen live (as well as suburban Maryland), only recently was the scene of sit-in demonstrations at drug stores. There the young people involved scored a victory in that shortly after they began sitting down at lunch counters in a mute demand for service, and after meeting with the management of several large chains, they were permitted to begin eating at the counters.

Maryland and Virginia beaches and amusement parks along the Chesapeake Bay are generally segregated, and the Capitol has been embarrassed by racial incidents in recent months involving brown-skinned foreign visitors, who have innocently attempted to go to the beach. One large Maryland state beach is integrated. Beach property is generally in private hands.

At Glen Echo, company-hired private policemen, on hand to keep order, and to arrest any Negro who trespassed, said there have been 15 arrests so far - Negroes who crossed the property line and tried to make a phone call, or buy a ticket, or who sat on a merry-go-round.

The demonstrators are mostly young, there are a few youngish parents with small children also placarded. One little 8-year-old on her way home at 8:30, had marched with her parents since the picketing began on June 30. She was very tired, but her parents had made her understand what it was all about.

After the meeting with the manager, Porter, who was spokesman, said that the man-

ager had promised to try to arrange a meeting with the owners, who were in Florida, because they were responsible for the racial admission policy.

Asked how and why he got involved in the picketing, Porter explained that just before Congress adjourned, on June 25 he wrote to his colleagues in the House, urging them as residents of the nation's capitol and environs to join with him in a statement of sympathy for the sit-in demonstrations.

The passive - resistance movement called the sit-in has spread from the deep south throughout the eastern seaboard and toward the end of June young people started sitting down at lunch counters in drugstores across the Potomac in northern Virginia. They quietly read books and remained unprovoked as segregationists poured ink in their pockets and burned them with cigarette ends and dropped lighted matches in their pockets.

Seventeen congressmen joined Porter in supporting the sit-in demonstrations. Rep. Edith Green of Portland signed the statement; Reps. Al Ullman and Walter Norblad did not.

When Porter returned to the capitol after the recess, during which time his party and the Republican party both wrote strong civil rights planks at their conventions, the congressman thought it time for action by leaders in the congress. He wondered why they weren't speaking up, especially since at Los Angeles, after much hot debate, the Democrats endorsed the sit-ins. On Aug. 16, he wrote another letter to the signers of the earlier statement, and asked that they join him in lending support to the young people seeking to end discrimination at the local amusement park.

"I think you should not confirm your approval of these things to just words - this is too often the case with platforms - a nice bunch of words everybody soon forgets," Porter said.

"This civil rights issue was very important at Los Angeles, and I say that it is one of the most important issues we face in this country, and it goes farther back than either party platform to our Constitution. It has a lot to do with whether we have a peaceful world, since two-thirds of the world is colored," he continued.

As he said afterward, "You know, the NAACP asked me to speak to their chapter here in Montgomery county and I almost said no because I was busy. This isn't an issue in my district, there are hardly 50 Negroes there; but I said to myself,

"Charlie, what kind of a guy are you anyway? This is something you believe in. And of course I made the speech."

"This is not a casual interest of mine. This is a matter I deeply believe in. A politician who does these things insincerely deserves his own reward," said Porter.

"But I believe that the best way to achieve anything is to go yourself. By sitting on the spot and negotiating, you get more accomplished than if you sit up there in an ivory tower and make pious pronouncements."

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