

IN THE WAKE OF THE NEWS

BY ATTY. ROGER D. O'KELLY

TRUTH CRUSHED TO EARTH WILL RISE AGAIN

Note: First reports released by the press was that all the stealing was done by Negro troops, and a few whites.

"MILLIONAIRE BATTALION"

"Good soldiers winned, like the folks at home, when they heard that U. S. service troops in France had been systematically stealing and selling cigarettes, foodstuffs and other necessities to the enemy. Last week the Army (and court martial witnesses) told more about one of the sorriest scandals in recent military history.

One hundred and eighty-two soldiers and two officers had been charged with taking some \$200,000 in black-market cigarettes alone. The trials had begun and some of the defendants had already spoken up. As they talked the line of uniformed racketeers seemed to grow.

Said one 21-year-old private, "They seem to think us fellows of the 716th (716th Railway Operation Battalion) were the only ones that did anything. That ain't right. All along the line the railway leading from Cherbourg to Paris there were any amount of men doing the same thing, maybe on a higher scale."

Further details from men in other units rounded out the ugly story. French blackmarket operators had made tempting propositions to susceptible Yanks. At first the soldiers had committed petty thefts for petty cash. Then some had grown more ambitious. They had diverted or delayed whole trains and looted them. Truckloads of supplies had been sold for \$3,000 and up, when trucks were added they sometimes brought another \$3,000.

In their heyday, the G. I. rackets had waded in cigarettes and candy, traded fistfuls of U. S. money for poker games. The 716th had

Senator Mead's Aid Sought For Negro Technicians

NEW YORK (CNS) — Solomon Harper, Negro engineer and inventor, has appealed to Senator James Mead and head of the State Defense Committee which investigates the efficiency of war plants to take active steps to insure an end of the war manpower shortage. Mr. Harper, by indirect implication, charged that there are thousands of Negro handymen - mechanics now working as janitors and that the United States Patent Office is months back in its examination of vital war inventions including his Mr. Harper's telegraph to Senator Mead read as follows:

"Reference Patent application 532,998 interchangeable parts and reversible action thermostatic controls filed April 27th after being advised on April 22, 1944, that drawing could be used for examination purposes. However, no examination had been made due to large amount of work and lack of examiners. Success of war and peacetime employment depends on more trained Negro and white scientific employees in patent office, war plants and armed services."

(Signed) Solomon Harper

BOND SET FOR DUNN MEN

DUNN — Bond of \$1,000, each, were set in the cases of Harold Stewart, 33, white truck driver of Dunn, and Sunny McIntyre, Negro, 27-year-old mechanic, on State charges of breaking and entering the office of the Harnett County recording board.

A separate bond of \$5,000 was set in Stewart's case by U. S. Commissioner, A. H. Adams on a charge of conspiracy to kidnap a U. S. Government official. He is scheduled to appear in District Federal Court in March.

No federal charge has been lodged against McIntyre, Raleigh District U. S. Attorney, Theodore S. Johnson announced. Stewart and McIntyre were taken into custody last Wednesday morning while they were in the act of turning the dial on a safe containing currency and ration coupons in the Harnett County War Price and Rationing Board house. The two were arrested by members of the State Bureau of Investigation, State Highway Patrol and OPA investigators.

According to a statement by Director Johnson, Stewart had offered Edward E. Rothe, chairman of the Harnett County price and enforcement board, \$4,000 on several occasions in exchange for the board's seal combination.

Upon first being arrested by Stewart, Rothe, notified authorities in Raleigh. After several approaches, Rothe, finally "accepted" the bribe on last Monday, and the money was turned over to an OPA attorney here.

The office was watched from Monday night until early Wednesday morning, when the attempted robbery took place. Rothe was lauded by Johnson for his alertness in "doing all he could to bring about the arrest of persons attempting to bribe government officials."

College Student Get Fines On Charges Of Disturbance

RALEIGH — Two North Carolina State students — James Rogers and James Bolden — were fined \$25 and costs, each, in City Court this week, when Rogers, charged with disturbing the peace, and Bolden, charged with disturbing the peace, pleaded guilty to public drunkenness and disorderly conduct during a basketball game between State and Shaw University Saturday night.

Bolden, a discharged veteran attending college under the GI Bill of Rights.

According to testimony given by H. C. Perrin, a professor at Shaw, Rogers was seen by him jumping over the college gymnasium fence. Rogers, after he went to the gym, and in spite of being told that he could not enter, he entered the building. Perrin then called the police.

Two MPs and Plainclothesman John Baker tried to arrest Rogers, who stretched out on the steps and refused to move. In the meanwhile, Baker went inside and arrested Bolden. When he returned, he and the Military officers put Rogers in their car.

Attorney M. Hugh Thompson, defense lawyer for the students, stated that he believed that the boys did not realize that Baker was an officer. This, Baker denied loudly, saying that he had displayed his badge to the offenders. It was necessary for the judge to rap for silence here.

Baker testified that when he removed an opened pocket knife from Rogers' pocket, the student struck at both him and the MPs. Baker's watch was broken by Rogers, he said.

In response to Thompson's plea that the students not be placed on probation, since this would cause them to leave school, Judge West retorted that "college boys should be charged with more responsibility than those who have not had a chance beyond the third grade."

Solicitor Wilbur Royster recommended that students should not hide behind the GI Bill and should be tendered the same treatment as others.

At this point the fines were announced by the Judge.

FIRE COMMISSIONER'S DETECTIVE POINTS TO ORDER BANNING JIMCROW

New York—Passage of a resolution by the United Firemen's Association of Greater New York outlawing discrimination in its conformance to Section No. 222, Firemen's Rules and Regulations, was called to the attention of all Deputy Fire Chiefs recently by Fire Commissioner Patrick Walsh. The resolution putting "any religion or racial discrimination in any form" followed investigation of charges alleging specific acts of discrimination on the part of certain officers in charge of fire houses.

Protests were lodged originally with the Fire Commissioner by the Vulcan Society (group of Negro Firemen) through their representative, NAACP Assistant Special Counsel, Edward R. Dudley, at a meeting last October 20. Authorization for full investigation was given at that time and report of findings was made December 21.

Besides promising to do all within his power to combat discrimination within the ranks, the Commissioner ordered circularization of his directive to all officers and members of the department. The NAACP is prepared to take further action in the event of non-compliance with provisions of Section No. 222, of the Firemen's Rules and Regulations-19-37.

Blood spots in eggs do not indicate a diseased condition of the chicken laying the egg, says Prof. Roy Dearnstey, head of the poultry department at State College.



GETTING FITTED for her new WAVE uniform at the U. S. Naval Training School (WAVE Branch, N. Y., where she is a "boot" is WAVE Apprentice Seaman Jessie Richardson (left) 4327 Vinson Avenue, Chicago, Ill. U. S. Navy Photo released thru Continental Features.

Share With The Common Man, Says Dean Lanier

HAMPTON INSTITUTE, Va. — American-born Japanese in Oregon (These are the problems of the people. We must identify ourselves with them and be willing to pay the price for our conviction that the fruits of the democratic process should not be denied any group, race, or nation.)

"Education, instead of taking us away from the problems of the people, should bring us nearer to them with an unflinching desire to stay close to the people. If you forget anything else, do not forget to keep the common touch, the touch of ordinary folks."

At the commencement exercises, President Ralph P. Bridgman of Hampton Institute conferred the Bachelor of Science degree upon 22 young men and women and awarded the trade diplomas in printing to Howard B. Trigg of Bluefield, W. Virginia.

The bachelor's degree with highest honors went to Miss Catherine Cowell of Reading, Pa., while Miss Samella Sanders of Los Angeles, California, Miss Velma Dunnville of Roanoke, and Miss Thelma Hayes of Norfolk received a bachelor's degree with honors.

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Boy Scout News

BY G. F. NEWELL

Duties of a Troop or Pack Committee

With our rapidly expanding program it is perhaps fitting that we set forth the responsibilities as outlined by the Boy Scouts of America for the Boy Scout Troop Committee or the Cub Pack:

1. The selection of a Scoutmaster and one or more Assistant Scoutmasters.

2. Providing proper facilities for meetings.

3. Advising with their Scoutmaster from time to time on questions of policy affecting the proper interpretation of Scouting and the requirements of the institution with which the troop is connected.

4. The observance of the rules and regulations of the National Council, Boy Scouts of America. They will seek opportunity, thru literature and training courses to become familiar with the regulations and fundamental policies of Scouting in order that they may render this service to the Scoutmaster more effectively.

5. The operation of the troop in such a way as to insure its success and permanency.

6. Care of Troop property.

7. Securing suitable opportunity for the members of the Troop to spend one or more weeks in camp, with adequate facilities and supervision.

8. Assuming active direction of the Troop in case of the inability of the Scoutmaster to serve, until his successor has been appointed and commissioned.

As a part of Boy Scout Troop 55, of Durham, observance of Boy Scout Week, a Father-Son Scout Banquet will be held at the White Rock Baptist Church of Monday of February 12th. N. B. White is the Scoutmaster and J. C. Hubbard is the Chairman of the Troop Committee. Several scouts will receive awards with this Anniversary Observance.

Oconee County Council registers 100 Scouts and Cubs

During the past week the Oconee County Council reached the all time record of 100 Scouts and Cubs registered in the eleven counties covered by the Council. With the close of the current week 37th Scout Troops and seven Cub Packs were entered into the Council. With this enrollment the Oconee County Council leads by far all twelve of the Area Councils in North Carolina in its Negro Membership.

Troops re-registering the past week

Boy Scout Troops 111, sponsored by the Union Baptist Church of Durham and Troop 102 sponsored by the Shawtown High School of Lillington were re-registered the past week with an increase in membership. New scouts and Cubs were enrolled by Troop 53 of Durham, 57 of Raleigh, 55 of Raleigh, 119 of Henderson, 101 of Henderson and 100 of Raleigh.

Forty Fifth Unit Organized

The past week the forty fifth Scout unit was organized at the State School for the Blind with M. H. Crockett, Principal of the School as the Scoutmaster of this 37th Scout Troop

Beauticians Buying 3 B-29 Bombers By \$2,000,000 Bond Sale Drive

NEW YORK (C) — Mrs. Alma Grant, Treasurer of the National Beauticians Volunteer Corps, announced this week that beauty schools, shop owners, operators, students and friends of the BVC have sold and bought well toward a million dollars in bonds and stamps the announcement of the Madam C. J. Walker Ship Drive was made on December 12th.

Mrs. Grant is President of the Almonello Beauty School at 2137 Seventh Avenue, New York City. Graduates are members of the Almonello Local of the New York State Beauticians Association. The Locals this week voted to help sponsor a special Beauticians Educational Week and as a part of the work of the National Beauty Culturist League to further implement the bond sale campaign under the leadership of Mrs. Cordelia Green Johnson, National President, with headquarters at 67 Belmont Ave., Jersey City and Mrs. Maude Gadsen, founder of the Beauticians Volunteer Corps with headquarters at 167 West 136th Street, New York City.

Mrs. Grant urges all independent schools — Apex, Warner, Para Systems and beauticians to help buy B-29 bombers and in this way support our heroic 98th Air flyers and make the original proposed Walker Ship Campaign one for the honor of an example of the cooperative

The Four Great Scout Duties

To do my duty to God and my country, and to obey the Scout Law; To help other people at all times; To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight.

The Boy Scout Oath is a very clear statement of good citizenship. In it are the Four Great Duties of Life: I. Duty to God; II. Duty to Country; III. Duty to others and Duty to self.

The Scout Law

1. A Scout is Trustworthy. A Scout's honor is to be trusted. If he were to violate his honor by telling a lie or by cheating, he would be no longer a Scout.

2. A Scout is Loyal. He is loyal to whom loyalty is due, his Scout Leader, his home, and parents and country.

3. A Scout is Helpful. He must be prepared at any time to save life, help injured persons, and share the home duties. He must do at least one Good Turn to somebody every day.

4. A Scout is Friendly. He is a friend to all and a brother to every other Scout.

5. A Scout is Courteous. He is polite to all especially to women, children, old people and the weak and helpless. He must not take pay for being helpful or courteous.

6. A Scout is Kind. He is a friend to animals. He will not kill nor hurt any living creature needlessly but will strive to save and protect all harmless life.

7. A Scout is Obedient. He obeys his parents, Scoutmaster, Patrol Leader, and all other duly cheery. He never shirks nor grumbles at hardship.

8. A Scout is Cheerful. He saves his money so that he may pay his own way.

10. A Scout is Brave. 11. A Scout is Clean. 12. A Scout is Reverent.

Dentists Hold Clinic

The first clinic of the Charles A. Dunston Clinical Society, comprising Negro dentists of North Carolina, was held last Monday at St. Agnes Hospital, Dr. R. M. Tribbit, of Columbus, Ohio, the guest clinician, gave a demonstration of the use of acrylics in the construction of crown and bridge work.

Dr. Paul R. Danks, of Reidsville, is president of the society, which was named in honor of the late Dr. Charles A. Dunston, of Raleigh a pioneer Negro dentist among Negroes in this state, and friend and counsellor of many young practitioners. Dr. Maurice Watts, of Raleigh, secretary-treasurer of the society, was in charge of arrangements for the meeting.



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We are making this plea to you because we know you and your neighbors are dependent upon electricity for a lot of important services... refrigeration to keep fresh meats and other foods, water pumping to save time and labor, wood sawing, feed chopping, radio, and still others. So you are not just helping us at a time when we too are shorthanded, but you help yourself and neighbors along your line.

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