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Refugee Plight Described By IRO Official

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (ANP) — Except for conditions in Czechoslovakia the plight of displaced persons and refugees in Europe is improving, Ligon Buford of the International Refugee organization revealed here last week.

In Louisville to visit his uncle during the holidays, Buford gave a word picture of how the IRO is taking care of the refugees in the old world. His uncle is W. C. Buford, chairman of the board of Mammoth Life and Accident Insurance Company.

Young Buford has spent 6 years in overseas relief work. He heads a large staff of workers of 14 nationalities in Area 6 of the IRO. He will return to his post in Munich after the first of the year.

Large numbers of refugees from Czechoslovakia since the recent coup has increased the work of the IRO he said. More than 15,000 have left the country as a result of the communists taking it over, he reported.

Unless a similar "incident" occurs in another country, he added that the IRO expects to clean up the refugee problem by 1950. He hinted that special efforts were being made to aid those escaping the communists.

The 250,000 refugees still left in Germany want to go to the United States, Canada, Australia, South Africa in that order, he said.

Declaring that this unrest is caused by a desire for a free life, he pointed out: "The same thing that produced the population that is American is now in effect in Europe. They are tired of not knowing when they may have to run."

He also noted that 99 percent of the refugees are considered a "safe investment" mainly because they are anti-communist and many of them are well qualified to be useful in a new community. Most of them, he said, are willing to work to prove themselves.

Speaking of the Jews, Buford related that most of them want to go to Palestine even over the United States. Only a few with relatives in America want to come here, he said. About 4,000 are being sent to Palestine each month.

"But then there is the problem of the 60,000 displaced Arabs," he added. "Plans are being made to do something about him. They may or may not come under the IRO."

Summing up the character of the refugees and their desire for freedom, he concluded, "It is amazing and touching how many of them know and quote our constitution and bill of rights."

18-YEAR-OLD HELD IN 13 ROBBERIES

ENFIELD — An eighteen-year-old boy identified as Samuel Miles of Pleasant Va. admitted in Mayor's court here this week that he had broken into and robbed 13 stores in and around Enfield during the past several months.

The youth said that in his robberies he had never found it necessary to use force in gaining entrance to a store. He reported that he has used only his hands "taking advantage of the carelessness of the merchants."

In court, Miles confessed the following robberies: La Fayette Cafe, Rollrock Motors, Overton Motor, Stedman Store, Wood's Grocery, New York Cleaners, Davis Supply Store, Taylor's Wine Store, Service Grocery, Adcock Service Station, Sherrod's Grocery Store, Saunders Jewelry and Anderson's Garage.

Thefts ranging from a carton of cigarettes to $75 in cash and goods were reported.

Miles came to Enfield last Aug. Since that time he has gone to school and has done some farm work. He is said to have returned to his home in Virginia several times, where he also committed two robberies.

AUTOMATIC PENCIL SHOOTS WOMAN IN FREAK ACCIDENT

CHICAGO (ANP) — Mrs. Katy Johnson, 30, is convinced that there are many more ways of being shot than by a gun, as a matter of fact, she knows that it is posible to be shot by an ingenious contrivance made up of an automobile and an automatic pencil.

Last Wednesday, Mrs. Johnson paused at the corner of a busy intersection here to let an automobile pass. As it went by, she felt a sharp pain in her left hip. Rushed to the county hospital, she learned that the tip o' an automatic pencil, found buried in her hip, hand caused the pain.

Reconstructing the odd chain of events, she found that the car had run over the pencil and the pressure of the tire had thrown the point out with the force of a small calibre pistol.

WORK ON FOR EQUAL RIGHTS

By William Henry Huff for ANP

One does not have to be a Red
Because he works for equal rights.
Such epithets have often led
To hot retorts and brutal fights.
Somehow, I think one ought to know
What of he speaks before he speaks...
Then he would shroud no one with woe
But leave a smile upon the cheeks
Of every one he meets
In paths, on pikes, or streets.

New Bill Would Curb Powers Of House Rules Committee

WASHINGTON (ANP) — A scheme to curb the powers of the house rules committee will be introduced by Rep. George M. Grant (D. Ala.) as soon as cognress meets January 3.

His aim is to move that the committee cannot change any legislation that is referred to it. Rep. Grant said he could not go so far as one group suggests, that of taking away all the rules committee's powers except that of fixing dates for bills to be debated.

Rep. Grant hopes to get his motion passed before the house passes on its own rules of procedure which are usually those of the preceding house.

At present the rules committee must pass on any bill before it gets a chance to even reach the house floor.

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Bureau Cited As Bias Example In Federal Govt.

BY ALICE A. DUNNIGAN

WASHINGTON (ANP) — The President's Executive Order to abolish segregation in the Federal service might have been issued in good faith, but the machinery set up to carry it out is not functioning properly according to a number of federal employes who still find themselves working under the blanket of discrimination.

Perhaps the most glaring example is found in the most important of all government agencies, the Bureau of Printing and Engraving where the United States currency and postal stamps are made.

This Bureau employes around 6,000 persons, about 50 percent of whom are Negroes. Its employees are responsible for the perfection of the U. S. money and stamps, still they must constantly work under the strain of prejudice and segregation.

The most recent example is found in the printing department, where Negro girls who have served for a number of years as printers' assistants are now being forced to take another examination in order to maintain their jobs.

Although the results of the examination have not been made available, these girls claim that if they do pass the examination successfully they have no guarantee that they will be allowed to maintain their jobs for the following reason:

1. Their names will be placed on a civil service register, and persons will be assigned to the jobs from the top of the register.

2. The state quotas, which is supposedly practiced by the civil service commission, will force many to leave their jobs as the majority of them live in the District of Columbia. They will be replaced by persons who claim legal residents in the various states.

A petition bearing close to 1,500 signatures, requesting that these printers assistants be blanketed in as permanent employes rather than be subjected to another examination and a possibility of losing their jobs to entirely new workers, has apparently been ignored by the personnel department.

The petition bears the signature of a number of printers themselves, who would prefer working with these girls who have already had some five or six years of experience than to have the trouble of breaking in entirely new assistants.

Many other examples of discrimination were cited by the workers at the Bureau. For instance, the seating arrangement of workers is discriminatory. The white workers sit in front and the colored in the back. Separate locker rooms are used for colored and white girls. Although the printers assistans are largely responsible for the perfection of printing the money-bills, the printers, who are now requesting another raise, make almost three times as much as the assistants.

Recently the white girls have been replaced by colored girls on the laborous stitching machines in the postal stamp department.

The last straw comes with colored girls not being permitted to attend the Christmas parties held at the agency. Gifts for white workers are being placed on the Christmas tree, while colored workers must either leave the party or sit there and be embarrassed by watching other workers enjoy a party in which they are not allowed to participate. One instance was cited where Negro workers were forced to continue working while white workers attended the Christmas party.

The union claims it has tried in vain to take the problem to Albert W. Hall, director of the Bureau, but he is supposedly too busy trying to see that the wages of the printers be increased, to concern himself with the problems of Negro workers. Representatives of UPW have talked with the director's assistant, a Mr. O'Neal, who assured them that he would do nothing to injure the merit system of the Civil Service commission.

After a conference with James Hard, FEP officer of the treasury department and also the personnel director of the bureau, all union chairmen were called in for an interview regarding conditions at the bureau. After working weeks with no result toward remedying these conditions, union officials hope to carry their problem directly to President Truman.

Ex-Hampton Dean To Head Chicago Center

Chicago (ANP) — Mrs. Faith Jefferson Jones, former dean of women at Hampton institute, was appointed acting director of Parkway Community house last week by the center's board of directors.

Mrs. Jones will direct Parkway during the one-year leave of absence of Horace S. Cayton present director. She held her post as dean of women at Hampton for three years.

Before then she served as assistance division of the Cook County Bureau of Public welfare. She is a member of the executive committee of the National Conference of Social work.

INTERRACIAL RESTAURANT

Keokuk, Iowa — There wasn't a decent place in downtown Keokuk where a Negro could stop for a meal. That was before Dr. W. H. Harper, white, opened up an interracial restaurant and named it for Blessed Martin de Porres.

De Porres restaurant has been a two-fold success. It's recognized as a good place to eat, and it has become a meeting ground where both white and colored are coming to understand each other.

It is a first rate restaurant. The Junior Chamber of Commerce has come there for dinner. Both white and colored can discuss their problems over a leisurely chicken or steak dinner. Keokuk white restaurants had never before served colored people.

"Having treated both races and never having found any difference in the races other than what a man himself makes, I wanted to bring the races together in a practical way as well as to spread devotion to Blessed Martin, and I thought of a saint named in his honor," Dr. Harper said.

Pemquimans County has been selected for the South's first trial of the multiple crop insurance, a program which offers the farmer protection on more than one crop on the same farm. Only two other counties in the United States, both located in the Middle West, have ever tried such a plan.

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My Neighbors

By Bill Paulson

"Socialism, matey, is like an empty whiskey-bottle. The promise was grreat . . . the fulfillment small but the headache . . . MAGNIFICENT!"

S. C. CITY SEEKING MORE NEGRO COPS

Columbia, S. C. (ANP) — Having approved the employment of 1 colored cop to the Columbia police force. Effective in January of 1949, city fathers pondered this week what to do about getting some four to six more colored men needed to complete a 2-man patrol and distribute for a half a man regular beat. They hoped to get to work on the unusual detail.

The two already on the waiting list were among both white and colored veteran servicemen seeking work. They are Clarence E. Tenson, 29, and George Leroy Eleazer, 26.

One city official said if six officers had taken the place of the cranks, they would be divided also. The city planned to put to work a colored detail which would carry two men on a 24 hour patrol, at first in the predominantly colored waverly section, later to be applied to other sections of town.

Officials expect the prospect of work should attract eligible applicants. A special constable would be sworn and a special examination conducted.

FREETOWN, Sierra Leone (ANP) — More than 17,000 monkeys have been slain in the past three months in Kanema district. The monkeys were damaging the cocoa crop badly and the district council offered a reward for every monkey killed.

CHURCH GROUP WILL ISSUE NEW REPORT ON D.C. SEGREGATION

WASHINGTON (ANP) — A new, more complete report on segregation with remedies for problems in the nation's capital will be out soon, Dr. Frederick E. Reissig, executive secretary of the Washington Federation of Churches, told the NAACP last week.

Dr. Reissig was a member of the committee which recently published a report depicting the evil effects of segregation on Washington. The next report, he said, will be "more dynamic, more controversial" and it will recommend improvements.

As the group's first step to get action on civil rights in D. C., Dr. Reissig said, it will see that every member of congress gets a copy of the report. Three groups — the government, the educational institutions and the churches — are responsible for spreading the "truly democratic" ideals in this nation, he added.

"Some of these," he continued, "are living up to these American ideals as they should. The whole world is watching our American experiment in democracy. All errors are played up."

As a "Christian minister" he pointed out, his only duty was to condemn segregation. He declared, "I in the church live in a glass house."

On the topic of segregation, Dr. Howard Jenkins of the Howard University law school faculty, denounced a report on the school building needs in the district recently made by Dr. George D. Strayer of Columbia University for Congress.

This report, Dr. Jenkins said, struck to the same old pattern of segregation. He did laud the report, however for its recognition of the "inadequacy" of colored schools.

This point of view, he said, helped to prove the falsity of the "separate but equal" facilities myth.

Tenn. A. and I. To Stress Music Education

Nashville (ANP) — Introduction of a curriculum leading to the bachelor of music degree and the bachelor of arts degree in all branches of music including music education at Tennessee A. and I. college, has been announced by Dr. Herbert E. Mells, newly appointed head of the department of music.

In commenting upon the expansive music program President Walter S. Davis said: "In view of the rich heritage that music has played in the schools of the state of Tennessee, it is apparent that the State college can render further service by preparing its future educators to carry on this tradition."

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DRIVER DIES, 2 HURT IN PRE-XMAS CRASH

WASHINGTON, N. C. — In a two trucks on U. S. [illegible] near Chocowinity, a truck driver was killed instantly last Friday night and two white men were injured.

The victim was said to be Barrus Spivey, 36, of Chocowinity. The injured were identified as Julius "Peewee" Woodard of Washington, and David Jefferson of Grimesland.

The cause of the wreck has not yet been determined, but an investigation is being made by Highway Patrolmen Pat Herring and Roland Tripp.

Spivey was married, it was reported, but had no children. He operated the truck for E. M. Early of Chocowinity who has the contractto deliver the mail from New Bern to Chocowinity.

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