

Drive Underway For Anti-Lynch Measure

NEW YORK, Oct. 21.—Warning that supporters of the federal anti-lynching bill must not be lulled into inactivity by the predictions that the bill is sure to pass, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People launched today a new drive for passage of the bill in the Senate during the special session of Congress which has been called for November 15 by President Roosevelt.

On all sides, even in the deep South, the word has gone out that there is little chance to stop the passage of the anti-lynching bill. The NAACP urges colored people and their friends not to be caught napping by this propaganda. Senators who happen to be in their home districts should be visited by committees of citizens and personally urged to support the anti-lynching bill and to resist a filibuster if one develops. The NAACP pointed today to the newspaper reports from Washington all of which state that the anti-lynching bill is a "complication" in the special session.

"The anti-lynching bill is definitely on the calendar as the number two item of business,"

the NAACP statement said. "and it will come up for consideration immediately after the farm bill. However, it must be remembered that there is always a possibility that a filibuster will be conducted against the bill and senators favoring this legislation must be prepared to resist a filibuster until victory is won. Filibusters are not as effective in the early part of the session as they are at the end, when everyone is trying to get his favorite legislation through and go home, therefore a filibuster is more easily beaten in an early session than in the closing days."

"We must expect that all kinds of last minute propaganda will be used in an effort to postpone action on the bill, but we must accept no excuse. We have the votes to win and if we maintain steady pressure the bill will be passed."

The association also stressed the ever-present need of funds to carry on the work. The vacation period always brings a drop in income which is not resorted until December. With a special session scheduled for November, money is urgently needed to press the fight before Christmas.

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wage differentials in the wages and hours bill. On October 14, Walter White, NAACP secretary, telegraphed John L. Lewis, chairman of the Committee for Industrial Organization, which is holding its convention in Atlantic City, urging the CIO to pass a resolution "opposing any geographical differentials which would not only do great harm by freezing present below subsistence wage hour and working conditions of majority of eight million Negroes in south but would establish dangerous precedent of federal approval of such differential."

Secretary White also expressed the hope that the CIO would endorse the passage of the Wagner-Nyu anti-lynching bill as had the A. F. of L.

FORMER N. C. COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER DEAD

NEW YORK.—(C) Hon. Ogden L. Mills, Secretary of the Treasury under President Hoover, and commencement speaker at the North Carolina College of Durham on June 1, '36, died of a heart attack Monday.

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Says Three Groups Will Unite To Fight Revival of Intolerance

WASHINGTON, October 21.—(ANP)—A warning against revival of religious or racial intolerance in America was voiced by former United States Attorney Leo A. Rover, white, principal orator at Columbus Day exercises held by the Knights of Columbus at the base of the explorer's statue.

"There is no place in America for any man or set of men who discriminate against any other man because of creed or race," as, praise God, some recent developments have so eloquently shown," Rover said.

"If there are those in this country who are attempting to

revive a movement having for its object political and business discrimination against Jews, Negroes and Catholics, we give them fair warning that these groups do not propose to tolerate such discrimination and what is more, in our refusal to tolerate it we will be joined by countless numbers of our fellow Americans.

"It is true" as has been said, that there has been unloosed a concerted campaign to rekindle the flames of religious and racial prejudice, it was not started by any one of these classes of citizenry; for no matter how saddened they may feel concerning the event that gave rise to the current discussion, these same three classes of respected, honorable citizens, irrespective of party affiliation, proclaim with joy in their hearts the utmost absence of the faintest trace of

religious or racial bigotry in either the character or career of President Roosevelt.

Stormy Session Is Expected; Congress Considers Mob Bill

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—(ANP)—When congress convenes November 15 in special session at the call of President Roosevelt, plenty of fireworks are expected and not the least of these will be caused by the Justice Black controversy and the federal anti-lynching bill.

The Wagner-Van Nuys measure now has No. 2 place on the senate calendar. At the recent regular session, this bill of far reaching political significance was shunted aside for the coming session. Administration leaders hoped Southern Democrats might change their position or something would develop permitting them to avert what threatens to be a party split.

But Southern plons themselves desire action for political reason. Roosevelt has alienated himself from conservative Democrats and they have carried the anti-administration fight to their own districts. If the bill is passed and is signed by the chief executive, they can offer this as proof to their constituents that the president is "against the principles of true Democracy" and deserves to be fought. For this reason, no genuine old-time filibuster is anticipated.

On the other hand, if the bill is passed and Roosevelt does not sign it, then Negro voters the North over will in all probability repudiate the New Deal Administration leaders are aware of the dynamite in the situation but thus far do not see any way out despite their headaches.

It is also expected there will be a move made to impeach Justice Hugo Black of the supreme court. At least angry speeches will be made, and the judges Ku Klux Klan affiliations will come in for much mention.

Other controversial matters of special interest to Negroes come in at the special session in-

clude the farm production control bill, wage-and-hour bill, Wagner act amendments, security act amendments and crop insurance.

PLEADS GUILTY TO STEALING \$3,500 DIAMOND RING

NEW YORK.—(C)—Harward Edwards, 37, pleaded guilty to burglary in the third degree in General Sessions court Wednesday and was remanded to the Tombs for sentence October 22. Edwards entered his plea after Cynthia Haynes, 11, testified Edwards was the man whom she came upon on the third floor of home at 69 E. 80th st. on May 7.

Better Jobs For Subway Men Are Asked

NEW YORK, Oct. 21.—A request that Negro employees of the Interborough Rapid Transit subway system be given better jobs than porters and elevator operators was sent to the first annual conference of the Transport Workers Union here by the NAACP last week.

The TWU, an affiliate of the CIO, was chosen last spring by employees of the IRT as the union to bargain with the company and for that reason the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People felt that the TWU should take the initiative in opening up new job opportunities for the colored members of the Union. Although the municipal Eighth Avenue subway employs Negroes in all capacities (just recently having added eleven Negro motormen), the IRT for years has restricted Negroes to jobs as porters and elevator operators.

The NAACP believes that if the C. I. O. unions are going to be of maximum service to Negro workers they must not only admit them to unions without any color line, but must see that they have opportunity to work at jobs which they may be qualified. The CIO no-color line unions will not be very valuable to Negroes if they admit them to membership, but continue the restrictions on the grade of employment they can win.

The specific protest of the NAACP was made on the fact that

NEW WARNING SOUNDED ON WAGES-HOURS BILL

NEW YORK, Oct. 21.—Now that the special session of Congress has been called definitely for November 15, for the primary purpose of enacting an agriculture bill and a wages and hours bill, the NAACP sounded again a warning for colored people to be on guard against attempts that are sure to be made to draft a wages and hours bill more acceptable to the South than the one introduced in the last session.

The wages and hours bill, as drafted and introduced by Senator Black and Representative Connelly, was fought bitterly by congressmen from the deep south who are afraid the bill will benefit Negro workers in Dixie. The NAACP has joined with those who are opposing any geographical wage differentials on the theory that just as was the case with the NRA geographical differentials in wages will be used to enforce what are in reality racial differentials.

The American Federation of Labor convention in Denver last week went on record against there were 75 openings for station agents on the IRT but Negroes were not allowed to qualify for those positions. Attention of the company was also directed to the restrictions against Negroes.

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