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BUY WAR BONDS TODAY

### Negro And White Students Crash Color Bar In Ohio Theatre

# BUS LINE HIRES NEGRO DRIVERS

### Dies Charges Bethune And Pickens With Being Reds

## CHICAGO COMPANY AGREES TO EMPLOY NEGROES ON BUSES

CHICAGO, (A N P) — That Chicago buses will soon be operated by Negro drivers was indicated this week when the Chicago Motor Coach company signed a written agreement with the All-Chicago Committee Against Discrimination that 50 colored drivers be employed.

The agreement is regarded in labor and civil rights circles as an important advance in the long fight to secure employment for Negroes in a transportation industry here in jobs other than those of menials.

At the conference where the pact was signed were Aids Benjamin Grant and Earl B. Dickerson of the 3rd and 2nd wards, Oscar Brown, committee chairman, and president of the local branch NAACP, Ishmael Flory and James Pinta, all of the All-Chicago committee. Benjamin Benjamin Weintraub, president represented the motor coach company.

The agreement states that Negroes will be given drivers' jobs as soon as seniority men on the concern's preferred list have

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## Negro Policeman Gets Appointed To Lieutenantcy

CHICAGO, (A N P) — Sgt. Harry Deas, a member of the Chicago police force for the past 28 years, has been elevated to the rank of lieutenant by Police Commissioner James P. Allman, according to an announcement of promotions this week. Lt. Deas, assigned to the Stanton avenue station, becomes the fourth Negro officer to hold this rank.

Other police lieutenants were the late William Childs, and William Middleton, and Capt. John Scott commanding officer of the Stanton avenue station. Besides the captain and lieutenant, Chicago has 10 Negro sergeants on the police force, among whom is Sgt. Carl Nelson, former bodyguard to heavyweight champion Joe Louis.

Lt. Deas joined the department Feb. 22, 1915, and became a sergeant in July, 1938. His

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## TIME OUT FOR RECREATION



Although the course of training at the Coast Guard Training Station, Manhattan Beach, N. Y., is a tough one with a full schedule, recreation is not neglected. Dances and singing take up much of the leisure in the evening. Homer Smith, tenor of the noted radio Southernaires Quartet, is director of the Manhattan Beach Choral Society, composed of white and colored enlistees. He is shown rehearsing part of his group. Also shown

is James O. Lewis, another well-known Negro entertainer, who has charge of dancing and entertainment for the Negro personnel at Manhattan Beach. — Official DWI Photo by Roger Smith.

## SHERIFF ACCUSED OF AIDING MOBSTERS IN YEAR'S FIRST LYNCHING

### WRITER GIVES INSIDE STORY OF FAMOUS NEGRO TROOPS STATIONED SOMEWHERE IN HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

BY ST. MERLE MILLER

SOMEWHERE IN HAWAII—'Harlem's Hellcats,' they were called then. They were in the Mesuse-Argonne offensive, in the siege of Sechault, in the slaughter that was Alsace-Lorraine. They were among the first Yanks to enter German territory.

From the late 1917 until the November dawn that brought the Armistice, they fought with the Fourth French Army, and when the war ended, their regiment was given the Croix de Guerre.

Fifty-five officers and men who were through it all with the original 'hellcats' are on another war front now — on the Island of Oahu, waiting with fighters as tough as their predecessors to show the Japs how Harlem men fight.

'Hooper's Troopers,' they are called on the island.

'Hooper is Col. Chauncey M. Hooper, who was with them in France. Sixty percent of his 'troop' are from Manhattan, and in addition to the veterans of '17 and '18, there are men who remember nights at Smalls Paradise and Dick Wheaton's in Harlem when they would lift their instrument to play while the hep-cats smiled.

'These studs put down some fine action,' the cats would say. At least a quarter of the Troopers were professional musicians; another 25 per cent played to anyone who would listen — for free.

Among the professionals are Cpl. Otis Johnson, who trumpeted with Louis Armstrong; Cpl. Rudy Williams, who clarineted for Fess Williams; Sgt. Regben Reeves, solo trumpet for Cab Calloway; Pfc. Dick Thompson, clarinet for Claude Hopkins, and Pfc. David Alford, who was with Cab's sister, Blanche.

As members of Hawaii's only all-Negro combat unit, they sit in the sugar cane fields beside anti-aircraft guns not too far

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## Elmer Carter To Write Column For Race Newspapers

NEW YORK — Elmer Anderson Carter, brilliant writer, for fourteen years the editor of OPPORTUNITY Magazine has been persuaded to write a weekly column for a selected group of papers beginning February 13, 1943. During his regime as editor of OPPORTUNITY he brought to that magazine the outstanding writers of America — both colored and white. He secured the active interest of Pearl S. Buck in the problem of the Negro in America and she became a regular contributor to the pages of the magazine.

Elmer Carter has been a Member of the Board of Appeals of the Division of Placement

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ALBANY, (ANP) — After an absence of two years the state of Georgia swung back into the lynch column, earning with the brief beating and a fictional conspiracy to take the life of a human being, that is so often told in the south.

Hall was arrested Friday, January 29, after he had been forced out of bed on automobile theft charges in a fake warrant served by Sheriff Claude Berens of Baker county, accompanied by Policeman Frank Jones.

Positive proof that the warrant was a fake came to light this week with the testimony of John C. Derm, owner of the truck from which the tire was allegedly stolen that no tire had been removed from the vehicle and that he had performed no charges against young Hall. Derm's testimony was corroborated by his brother, George C. Derm.

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## BAND LEADERS WIFE STARTS FIGHT AGAINST SWINGING SPIRITUALS

HOLLYWOOD, (ANP) — Because she is adept at transferring her thoughts to the printed page, Nadine Cole, clever young dancer and wife of Nat Cole, leader of the famous King Cole trio, is preparing a series of articles meant to start a drive against swinging the spirituals. Shooked by the growing tendency by arrangers and composers in rewriting some of the sweetest spirituals into dance tunes, she hopes to arouse radio listeners and dance fans into greater respect for these rhythms.

Mrs. Cole declares that although her husband submitted once to urgings to feature one of the swung spirituals, he too is adverse to its disrespect and has not erred since. In fact when one occasion a Jewish patron at the cafe where he plays insisted on one he asked him: 'Now how would you like to hear how revered, "Eli Eli, desecrated to swing music?'

## Lincoln's Birthday To Be Celebrated Over Mutual Feb. 13

BALTIMORE — A special broadcast commemorating Lincoln's birthday will be presented in a coast to coast hookup of the Mutual Broadcasting System Saturday, February 13th, from 7 to 7:30 p. m. The program will be presented under the direction of Dr. G. Lakes Imes, director of the radio program, "My People," which was heard recently from Station WEBR Baltimore.

Included in the broadcast will be a dramatic sketch on Lincoln's relations to colored people and addresses on national unity by Dr. Frank P. Graham, presi-

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## Wilberforce Students Join With Whites To Gain Theatre Admission

BY V. V. OAK

### JUDGE HASTIE RELEASE FURTHER INFORMATION ON DISCRIMINATION AGAINST RACE IN U. S. AIR CROPS

James L. H. Peck writes books and magazine articles on military and civilian aviation. He is one of America's best known authors in this field. Some of his writings have been translated into other languages. He knows his subject, for he has been a skillful flier and a close student of aviation for years. He was a fighter pilot in the Spanish civil war. A veteran in his field, he is still a young man in his early thirties. Peck

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WILBERFORCE, Ohio — Once more the members of the Committee on Correspondence (COC), a dynamic organization founded by Antioch College students in Yellow Springs, Ohio, attempted to break the colored line in Xenia, Ohio, the nearest city to the village of Wilberforce. On January 22, a group of Antioch student (white) purchased admission tickets to this theater and gave them to the students of Wilberforce who would not buy tickets themselves as the management has been refusing to sell tickets to Negroes. Over sixty white and colored students sought admission to the theatre with these tickets, and the management, after an hour's delay, permitted them to enter as they

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## TEXAS SENATOR LISTS BETHUNE CLAYTON POWELL AS COMMUNIST

### Red Cross Workers Arrive In Egypt. Two Negroes In Group

WASHINGTON, (A N P) — The safe arrival overseas of 17 additional Red Cross workers, two of whom were Negroes, was announced this week by the American Red Cross. Five of the workers arrived in Cairo, Egypt, and 12 in Sydney, Australia.

The Negro workers are Sylvester Lee Reeder, and James G. Tyson, of Washington, D. C. Both have been assigned as assistant field directors in Australia.

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WASHINGTON, (A N P) — Martin Dies, representative from Texas who is at the capital helping Hitler fight Red Russia, as a "friend of the Negro" before congress Monday before listing 40 "Communist crackpots," among them Dean William Pickens and Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune. This is the second time that the head of the Dies committee has singled out the two distinguished leaders as "dangerous Red radicals."

Dies painted himself a pro-Negro when he told of defending a Negro named Ben Wilkes in Texas when no other lawyer would go into court for him. Wilkes had been indicated as an accessory to crime after his son had killed three white men and Dies defended him and "protected him against any possibility

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