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New York, N.Y.—The NAACP acknowledged this week a gift of \$794.28 from servicemen in the U.S. Army. The gift was accompanied by a letter which said the money was to be used "to help promote the great cause which the organization represents.

"This offering," the letter continued "is given as a token by the men and some of the officers (white) of the regiment, in honor of five of the men of the regiment who were killed in action a few weeks ago. As chaplain of this regiment it is an honor for me to write a letter representing these men . . . God give us men like these who are willing to serve their fellow man and through such service we all will be able to enjoy the Four Freedoms which we are defending today.

"If there is one lesson that we should learn from the distresses of these dark days through which we are passing," the chaplain's letter said, "it is surely this: that we cannot shut our eyes and be careless of what is happening right in our own neighborhood. We cannot have prosperity while others live in misery and poverty. We shall never find security, happiness and prosperity without the greatest measure of co-operation of all mankind. We believe that such an organization as this is headed in the right direction for a better understanding of mankind.

"The future of mankind will not be determined entirely by our victory over our enemies, but by our firm mastery of ourselves to the extent that we will believe in the brotherhood of man and the Fatherhood of God," the letter concluded.

DID NOT WITHDRAW FROM LEVY CASE, SAYS NAACP

Washington, D.C.—The NAACP refuted this week the Associated Negro Press release which stated that the NAACP had withdrawn from the case of Sergeant Alton Levy.

"This is incorrect in two respects," the NAACP wire to all Negro weeklies read. "The NAACP has never formally entered the case and could not therefore have withdrawn. In fact



Speed the Victory

It should hardly be necessary to urge anyone to buy as many Victory bonds as he can find money to purchase. Common sense suggests that whenever savings can be put by it is wise that this should be done. Common sense also suggests that at no time in the lives of most of us will money prove so important as after the war ends and the world is going through the difficult and painful process of reconstruction.

Not only will savings help us to go through this time of stress without anxiety, but it will be in that period that they will have a maximum value. At present people generally are buying only what they need, although there are many so unused to having any surplus that they are piling up new records in attendance at all sports events, and in the purchase of the relatively few articles of luxury that are available.

After the war the market is likely to be flooded with new devices of all kinds which will make life more pleasant for those who can buy them. Many expect that there will be some sort of revolution in the building of houses, cars and many other articles of general if not universal use. Surely that is the time when the wise man would like to have money in his pocket or purse. The buying of Victory Bonds will help him then, just as it will help his country now. Now is the "time to save" in order that you will be prepared for the "time to buy." Don't delay, but do it today.

the NAACP still has the case of Sgt. Levy under investigation."

Levy, a white soldier, court martialled and serving four months, said in letters to friends that he was being penalized because he protested the treatment of Negro soldiers at a camp near Lincoln, Nebraska.

FIELDS JUSTIFIES PRESIDENT'S HOPE

The night before George C. Fields, 32, the nation's number one gentleman's gentleman left the White House to enter the Navy, President Roosevelt grasped his hand and said:

"Good luck to you George. I know you'll do just as good a job for the Navy as you've done for me."

That was last February. Recently, the Negro bluejacket lived up to the President's expectations when he was graduated from the Navy's Service Schools at the U.S. Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill., as honor man of his class group. He was advanced from seaman, second class, to storekeeper, third class.

Fields served as President Roosevelt's valet for four years, being advanced to the post after six years as a butler at the presidential residence. His brother, Alonzo Fields, has been head butler at the White House since the Hoover administration. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Clinton B. Fields, of 1728 Columbia Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

FIRST LADY WILL ADDRESS STUDENT FIFTH CONFERENCE

Chester County, Pa. — Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt will address delegates to the NAACP fifth annual Student Conference here at Lincoln University, October 29-31. Recently returned from a tour during which she visited Hawaii, Australia, New Zealand and Guadalcanal, Mrs. Roosevelt informed the Student Conference this week that she would be present at the conference. Mrs. Roosevelt will deliver the keynote address on October 29th. For its theme the Conference will have a "Blueprint for Action." Delegates representing a total of more than 4,000 students Negro and White have already registered.

SUPPORT YOUTH GUIDANCE SERIES

New York, N.Y.—A galaxy of stars from the entertainment world have offered their co-operation to the youth of Harlem when the NAACP Youth Guidance Series gets underway to the tune of Count Basie's fingerwork at the opening matinee dance-rally, "Savoy Ballroom, Oct. 16th, the youngsters from the high schools of New York will rub elbows with many of the swing heroes of the nation who are now honorary members of the NAACP youth councils. Included in the group are screen star Lena Horne, Count Basie, Duke Ellington, Ella Fitzgerald, Hazel Scott, Cab Calloway, Teddy Wilson and Charlie Barnett.

Distress at the lack of opportunity for useful activity offered young people in the Harlem area, Charles Buchanan, manager of the world-famous Savoy Ballroom has doctored the use of the amusement palace to metropolitan NAACP Youth Councils. Mrs. Ruby H. Hurley, National Youth Director of the NAACP announced this week that all youth regardless of race or color and from all sections of the city would find welcome at the series which will run well into the spring.

The Youth Guidance Series will hold bi-monthly Saturday afternoon meetings at which forums on topics of interest to youth will be conducted. Occasionally there will be matinee dances. Bill Robinson has been asked to assist in planning a dancing course to be attended by interested young people during these sessions.

John Hammond, member of the NAACP Board of Directors and discoverer of many now famous swing musicians has enlisted the support of performers from Cafe Society, Zanzibar, The Hurricane and other amusement spots who will appear from time to time as guest artists on the Saturday afternoon programs.

Mayor La Guardia has been asked to address the youth at the October 16 dance-rally. Thurgood Marshall, NAACP counsel, Assemblyman Wm. T. Andrews and Rev. Benjamin Richardson, assistant pastor of Abyssinian Baptist Church are among the civic leaders who have been invited

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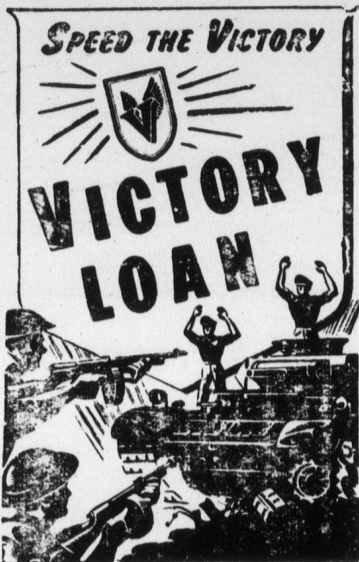
SPEED THE VICTORY.

The Fifth Victory Loan Campaign is under way, and we are urged to buy bonds to help "Speed the Victory." "Speed the boys' return," and build up security for ourselves after the war. Of all those who buy bonds, there are very few who have all these ideas in mind . . . when there is someone very dear to us over there, the uppermost thought is may it be over soon, very soon, so he may return home safely. Others buy bonds because the government is a good investment—a sure way to increase finances—and so, why not buy war bonds?

But there is still another side to what buying war bonds can mean. There are some of us who are forced to wonder that when we "speed the victory", if that victory will end at just conquering our enemies, a peace treaty, or will we also speed victory over prejudice, race hatred and racial superiority. When we speak so gloriously of speeding the boys' return just what are we intending to speed some of the boys home to!! Will the boys of a different colour who are now fighting side by side in some of the toughest battles with their white comrades be given the same opportunity to work side by side with these same comrades on their return to civilian life?

And the security we hope to find, will not all be reckoned up in dollars and cents, but the attitude and principles we adopt. We can't hope to conquer our enemies' policies, and then continue to practice these policies under a different name. When we are busy buying our war bonds, let us insure our boys, all boys, and all the nations that are our allies, that it will be a real victory that goes much further than signing a peace treaty. We might even say—"the redemption of democracy"—that we may have a security that makes a concrete brother of all races within the nations, to all the nations, so that we all may be a factor in answering "The Soldiers' Prayer" written by a Negro corporal overseas.

Help me, O God
To search my soul
That I may know for what I fight
And, knowing—may achieve the goal,
If it be worthy in Thy sight.
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On October 10th, arvest Home was auspiciously observed in Beth-Emanuel Church. There was an excellent attendance and the display of vegetables was plenteous. A Thanksgiving Dinner was served in the school room on October 11th at which everyone was pleased with the choice viands provided. The cooks were Mrs. A. Brooks and Mrs. A. Hill; pie makers were Mrs. H. Johnson, A. Brooks, A. Hill, R. Gardner, F. Jones, G. Wilson; cashier, Mrs. H. Johnson; pastry, M. Cabra, R. Gardner; Mrs. Harris, carver.

Mrs. Chase and Miss Ethel Enos, of Chatham were the guests of Mrs. J. Harris, heir aunt.

Mr. James Hill accidentally fell two weeks ago, and was taken to hospital. We are glad to state he has now returned home, but will be laid up for a few weeks.

Mr. Jack Butler has returned home from the hospital where he had been confined with a broken leg

James Brooks has returned to work after suffering from a fractured leg.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Poindexter spent their holidays visiting Madame Fraser in New York City.

Mrs. J. Hill spent her holidays in Amerstburg, Detroit, Ecorse, Mich. and Chatham, Ont. Mrs. Hill was delegate of grievance to the Baptist Convention held at Amherstburg.

LONDON NOTES

Mr. Charles Weadon spent a few days visiting friends in the city.

There was a goodly number of our group from Windsor, Chatham, Brantford and Toronto at the Arena to see hear and dance to Duke Ellington's music. After the dance Miss Christina Jenkins entertained a goodly number at her home.

The Steward's Board will hold their Rolly Oct. 31st in the B.M.E. Church.

The Missionary Society will hold their annual session the second Sunday in November.

Misses Christina and Marion Jenkins entertained a number of friends on October 13 in honor of their sister's birthday, Mrs. Kay Livingstone of Ottawa, Canada who has been visiting her parents during her holidays. Mrs. Livingstone will also spend a few days with her sister Mrs. Evelyn Turner in River Rouge, Mich.

Word was received recently of the death of Mrs. Hattie (Clinton) Labur-tice, of Chatham, Ont., an old resident of the City of London, sister of the late Rev. Harry Logan, pastor of the B.M.E. Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Anderson entertained in honor of Mrs. Livingstone. The evening was spent in cards and dancing and a very dainty lunch was enjoyed.

Mr. Richardson, of New York City was the guest of his sister, Mrs. W. Fountaine.

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WALLACE NEGRO SOLDIERS HOLD "JAM" SESSION

By Conrad Clark

Camp Wallace, Texas—More than 300 Negro soldiers crowded the War Department Theatre No. 3 last Monday evening to attend the regular semi-monthly "jam" session of the Camp Wallace Swingsters, under the direction of S-Sgt. Clarence Gray, orchestra leader.

The "Swingsters" officially known as the orchestra of the 2nd Band, colored, AARTC, kept the crowd jumping for more than 60 minutes, and also appearing on the program were members of the Negro Galveston USO players, including, Williams and Blair, Comedians, Miss Blanch Douglas, vocalist, and others.

Master of ceremonies was Pte. Conrad Clark of Hq. Detachment, a former society reporter of the Washington-Afro-American, Washington, D.C.

Numbers on the program included a comical skit by Williams and Blair, a vocal selection by Miss Douglass, "Summertime" sung by T-5th William Parr, vocalist of the orchestra, and a "jive" quartette featuring S-Sgt. Gray, clarinet; T-4th Jenkins, piano; T-5th Parr, bass violin, and Pte. John R. Brown, drums.

Other numbers included "Four or Five Times," sung by Pfc. James Crabbe, trombonist; "Flying Home", an arrangement by Pfc. Humphrey Thomas, saxophonist, and played by the group, and the finale, "Walter Fuller's No Name Jive", a composition by Pte. Walter Fuller, a former composer and

arranger in civilian life.

Before the end of the program a surprise "pre-birthday" gift was made to Mrs. Reba Bess Taylor of Service Club No. 4.

All programs are arranged by a committee of enlisted men, including T-4th James L. Hawkins of San Antonio, Tex., chairman; Sgt. John F. Wedge of Washington, D.C., Cpls. William Williamson, secretary and Aaron Martin of Cleveland, Ohio; Cpl. Lewis Johnson of St. Paul, Minn., and Ptes. Thomas Murphy of New York City, N.Y. and Floyd Rawlins, of Pittsburgh, Pa., all members of the 33rd Training Battalion of the Negro troops of the Anti-Aircraft Replacement Training Center.

NOMA JENSEN JOINS NAACP FIELD STAFF

New York, N.Y.—Miss Noma Jensen who until recently served as race relations worker with the Cleveland Baptist Association of Cleveland, Ohio is now an assistant field secretary to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, it was announced this week. Miss Jensen brings to her work with the NAACP a full background in interracial understanding.

A 1940 graduate of Temple University and the Baptist Institute for Christian Workers, Miss Jensen immediately set to work that year as a director of migrant camps for the Home Mission Council of North America. Miss Jensen is a native of Saratoga Springs, N.Y.



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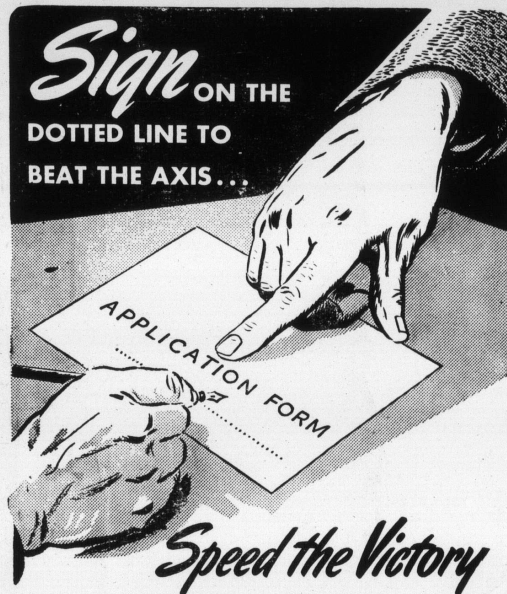
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