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"THANK YOU" TO RUSSIA DRIVE

The American people, like the British, have built an aid-to-Russia movement which Canadians would desire to emulate. Mrs. Churchill's aid-to-Russia fund, which is the leading fund in England, collected within 12 months over 2,000,000 pounds (\$10,000,000), and has shipped large quantities of medical and surgical supplies, blankets, clothing, food and other necessities to Russia.

Reaching \$10,000,000 Mark

In the U.S. to date Russian War Relief, Inc., is reaching the ten-million-dollar mark in its collection of funds and has shipped large quantities of medical and relief supplies to Russia. A campaign for \$6,000,000 is now being completed and after this there are plans to launch a nationwide appeal for \$9,000,000.

Six months after Russian War Relief commenced operations, it had dispatched seven shipments of medical and surgical supplies to Russia.

Of special interest to Canadians is fact that Russian War Relief, Inc., has purchased in Canada thousands of kerosene stoves for the front-line hospitals and for shelters of bomb victims in Russia.

It is interesting also to learn that they came to Canada for seeds needed by the Russian people to replant their scorched soil and received the co-operation of Dr. N. L. Newman, the Dominion cerealist.

Gather All Kinds of Supplies

In addition to raising funds, Russian War Relief, Inc., in the United States is constantly gathering and shipping clothing, medical books and journals and other articles needed in such vast quantities and so desperately in the Soviet Union.

Canada Feels Indebtedness

Canadians also feel a deep indebtedness to the hard-fighting Russian people. They want to help them as the Americans and Britons are helping. Canadians now have this opportunity to help Russia on a continuous basis, through the newly established Canadian Aid to Russia Fund, Inc.

There are articles needed by the Soviet people which Canada is well able to supply. Canada is able to send clothing, blankets, home knitted goods, kerosene stoves, seeds, dried milk and other foods, and all the medical and hospital supplies that can be spared. These articles are messengers of mercy and friendship and should be speeded to the Soviet people as tokens of gratitude and admiration from their Canadian ally.

The Canadian Aid to Russia fund is registered under the War Charities Act. The president of the fund is J. S. McLean, of Canada Packers, Limited, and the vice-chairman is Clifford Sifton. The headquarters of the fund is 80 King Street West, Toronto, where contributions and inquiries may be sent today.



THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

I question if Christmas can ever be "merry."

Except to the heart of an innocent child.

For when time has taught us the meaning of sorrow,

And sobered the spirits that once were so wild,

When all the green graves that lie scatterel behind us,

Like milestones are marking the length of the way,

And echoes of voices that no more shall greet us

Have saddened the chimes of the bright Christmas day.

Hence, I shall not wish you the old "Merry Christmas."

Since that is of shadowless childhood a part,

But one that is holy and happy and peaceful—

The Spirit of Christmas deep down in your heart.

Annie Johnson Flint

D. A. R. GETTING ANDERSON CONCERT

NEW YORK — (A.P.) — Marian Anderson, Negro contralto, has agreed to sing at a benefit concert by the daughters of the American Revolution in Constitution Hall, Washington.

Her manager, S. Hurok, wrote Fred Hand, managing director of the hall, yesterday that Miss Anderson agreed that her appearance there would "not necessarily be considered as a precedent in so far as her future engagements at Constitution Hall are concerned."

He said that since the D. A. R. had not referred to Miss Anderson's other stipulation that Negroes not be segregated, she understood that "this is no barrier." She previously made these conditions in accepting the D. A. R. invitation. The D. A. R. replied that it regretted the invitation had not been "accepted as extended."

GALLON OF PENNIES GOES LONG WAY TOWARD BOND

LOUISVILLE, Ky., (A.P.) — Just in case you are interested, there are 5,154 pennies in a gallon.

Mrs. Kate Orm has been saving pennies for five years and yesterday poured them from a four-quart keg at a post office money order window. Four clerks spent 30 minutes counting the pennies and then Mrs. Orm added \$17.76 to the total and purchased a \$100 war bond.

LIFE

Life is mostly froth and bubble—
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Courage in your own.

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Christmas

The true happiness of Christmas is bound up with the children, and it all centres around the birth of the Holy Child, "very God of very God, Who for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven and was in-

carnate, by the Holy Ghost, of the Virgin Mary, and was made man." It follows, therefore, that the principal feature of our celebration of this happy day should be the offering of our homage to Him Whose birthday it is. Any neglect of this surely deprives Christmas Day of all real meaning.

Regarding the coming of a new year, may I point out that this is a most appropriate time for an audit of our personal affairs in a spiritual sense? The only valid hope for a brighter and better future for the world lies in a more general acceptance of God's rule and guidance by the nations of the world. We can each do our part towards bringing this about, by a firm personal resolve to profit by the experience of past mistakes, slackness and misdoings, and to be more sincere and active in living the Christian life during the days which God may yet grant to us upon earth.

These two thoughts I offer to you as the only sure ways of bringing to fulfilment the wish for a happy Christmas and a bright New Year.

The Light Still Shineth in Darkness

The Christmas story which is a song of joy out of the heart of the world comes to us each year just as fresh and new as when we first listened to it with the starry-eyed wonder of little children. It never grows old. It never loses its appeal. Where in all the world is there any story like that coming to us as it does on the wings of music, with angel faces in the background, all wrapped in the glamour and haze of ineffable beauty. Something deep within us recognizes that here is truth so profound that we can hope to understand it only as we lay aside our towering pride and look out again through the wondering, appreciative eyes of childhood. That is why the old familiar hymns and carols are so dear to us—they are a permanent part of the world's spiritual treasure. They defy the barriers of race and nationality. "Holy Night," whether it be sung in English or Chinese, still gives expression to the reverence we feel as we stand in the presence of Divine mystery with the light of another world shining in our faces.

Vast changes have come over this world since that humble birth in Bethlehem. But the voice of Christ still speaks with timeless and universal appeal. We sense the reality of His prophecy, "Heaven and earth shall pass away but my words shall not pass away." The Gospel which means literally "Good News" is still the most urgent and important news the world has ever heard. For at the heart of it is the assurance that this is God's world. A thousand ugly facts may seem to deny it—the throb of pain in our own experience often makes us wonder if there be any God. But Christmas comes and reveals to us divine possibilities both for ourselves and for this weary world. If suspicion and fear and intolerance seem to dominate the world situation, there is no occasion to despair when we remember that with God "A thousand years in Thy sight are but as yesterday." When we get panicky at the trend of events it is comforting to stop and take a long look at things. Time is always fighting on behalf of what is true and beautiful and good. There are temporary setbacks—like the trough of the ocean waves, but the current sweeps on. This does not suggest that progress is automatic—that we can stand still as if we were on an escalator, and let time carry us up to the next floor. On the contrary, there can be no progress without determined, persistent effort. God uses this poor humanity of ours to get His work done. This is not a fool proof world. The price of our freedom is that we can misuse it. We can blow ourselves to bits if we are silly enough to think that war can settle our problems. No, progress is not automatic. Nevertheless this is God's world. The Christian religion stakes its life on that. And because it is God's world, even in our darkest hours we can dare to believe that the final chapter will record a victory for truth and right. Little men drunk with power can strut up and down the earth, rattling swords and threatening all who stand in their way, but in the long run, good will is more powerful than hatred and right will outlast wrong.

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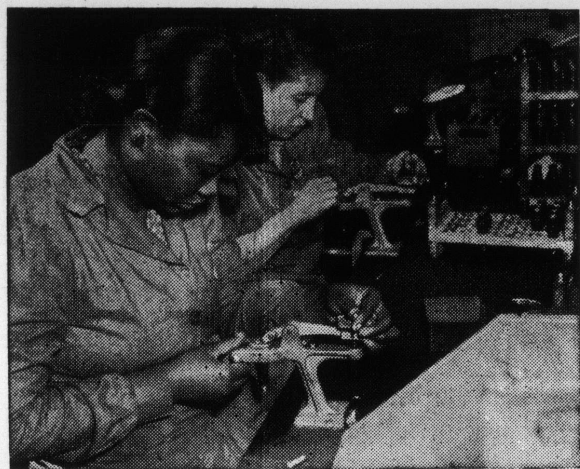
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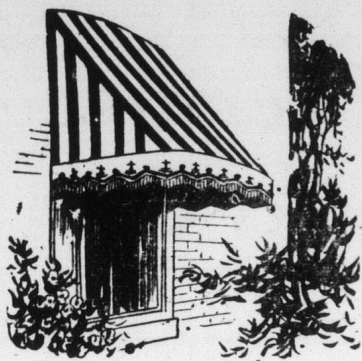
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SEGREGATION; DENIES
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New York, N.Y. — Pointing to Mary McLeod Bethune's consistent life-long record of opposition to any form of limitation of the Negro's citizenship and human rights "as sufficient record to refute any implication that she favored the segregation of Negro and white WAACS at Fort Des Moines, Walter White, NAACP Executive Secretary this week told the press:

"When it was stated to me that Mrs. Bethune explicitly or implicitly had given her approval to segregation at Des Moines or anywhere else I knew a mistake had been made somewhere. Mrs. Bethune has always fought for complete integration of the Negro.

"We understand that the officer who stated that Mrs. Bethune and Lieutenant Harriet West had favored the Des Moines arrangement later denied that he had made such a statement despite the fact that he made his original statement to a number of colored WAACS."

POPULAR MAGAZINES
DISCUSS NEGRO LABOR

New York, N.Y. — In the second of two articles appearing within the last two weeks in popular American magazines, Wm. A. H. Birnie writes of the "Black Brain Trust" in the January issue of the American Magazine. This article and an earlier article in Colliers by Walter Davenport, speak of the Negro leadership in America and the Negroes' fight for the total abolition of second class citizenship in the United States. The American Magazine which lists its circulation as above two million for the first 3 months of 1942 calls attention to "25 Negro leaders who have assumed command of America's 13,000,000 Negroes in their fight for equality. They hold informal meetings to plan their strategy, whether it is to defeat a discriminatory bill in Congress, or to overcome prejudices against a black private. Few white men know it, but they have already opened a second front in America—a front dedicated to the liberation of the dark races."

DEMANDS STOP TO
ANTI-NEGRO RADIO SLURS

New York, N.Y. — Labeling a recent CBS radio portrayal of a Negro messman as a stupid frightened clown, as vicious Nazi propaganda and as a valuable contribution to the anti-war forces of Senator Rankin and the League for White Supremacy the NAACP this week demanded an apology and the barring of such treasonous propaganda from the air. William Robeson of WABC said that he realized too late that the skit would be offensive to Negro listeners and promised that there would be no recurrence of such offense.

In sharp contrast to the actions of Pearl Harbor's hero Dorie Miller, Ronald McDougal, writer of the so-called documentary drama "The Man Behind the Gun", has a terror-stricken Negro Messman faint in the face of danger.

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BRITISH MAGAZINES

URGED TOLERANCE

New York, N.Y. — To the attention of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was brought this week several fall issues of British periodicals featuring articles on the treatment of Negro troops stationed in England.

One of the publications, "New Review" the first British News Magazine" English counterpart of Time states "American Negroes at the instigation of American military authorities have had a ban put up to them in certain dance halls and other places of entertainment. Fortunately most British people resent racial intolerance and are doing their best to break it down." The article continues to point out instances in which the British have endeavored to show friendship to the Negro and have come upon the disfavor of prejudiced American officers. War Commentary, another publication carries an article Down with Color Bar and the News Leader carries comment on this article and a friendly interview with a pair of Negro soldiers.

ROY WILKINS CALLS FOR UNITY BETWEEN RACES

Pittsburgh, Calif. — Urging colored old settlers and all liberal white people who can be enlisted to work out a definite program for the adjustment of incoming black and white workers to California from southern states, Roy Wilkins Assistant NAACP Secretary and Crisis Editor told a large responsive audience here this week that the "main problem of the Negro workers in war industries is not the getting of employment but getting work at their trades and getting up-graded on the job to better paying categories."

Mr. Wilkins has noted the difficulty also in the defense employment of Negro women although hopeful beginnings have been made. He said that he has found a growing problem of adjustment for Negro and white workers coming from the south to communities which had had very little racial friction. Mr. Wilkins is on a western trip which began in Denver, Colo., and continues through the Pacific Northwest down to the Coast to the Los Angeles area where from Nov. 20 to November 29 he addressed NAA CP branches. On his return eastward, Mr. Wilkins will visit Fort Huachuca, Ariz., where the 93rd division is training.

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No Greener Pastures

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He has been called — this man whose parents were Negro slaves — "the first and greatest chemurgist." (Chemurgy is that branch of chemistry devoted to the utilization of raw materials, especially farm products, for industrial purposes.) Million-dollar businesses have been built all or in part from his discoveries — largest among them being a \$200,000,000-a-year peanut industry. His crop-pioneering puts many millions every year into the pockets of southern farmers.

He has been showered with honors. Thomas Edison invited him to join his staff at \$50,000 a year. Henry Ford has given him a laboratory for war-time food research. Last June The Progressive Farmer gave him its annual award for "outstanding service to southern agriculture." The Theodore Roosevelt Medal came to him in 1939 as "a liberator to men of the white race as well as the black."

"What other man of our times," asked the New York Times, "has done so much for agriculture in the South?" The world that thus seeks out Dr. George Washington Carver still finds him in the scientific parish where he has worked for 46 years: Macon County, Alabama, and the campus of Tuskegee Institute, famed Negro school.

It is his own philosophy that keeps him there: his belief that there are no greener pastures than those nearby. Science-wise he has reduced that belief to a formula: "Start where you are, with what you have, make something of it, never be satisfied." Now, approaching 80, he is still making that formula work.

He took me recently through the George Washington Carver Museum at Tuskegee — built from his savings to house the results of his nearby explorations and discoveries. He still wears the familiar battered cap and the frayed gray sweater. His voice is frail and his shoulders stooped. But there are no signs of frailty in his mind and spirit.

In a small field behind the museum he pointed out half a hundred strips of pine board, exposed to the sun. They were freshly painted: bright blues, yellows, reds, greens.

"The reason farmers down here do not paint their homes," he said, "isn't because they are lazy or don't care. It is because they don't have cash money to buy paint: The paint that's weathering on these boards costs next to nothing. The color comes from the clays right here in Macon County. The base is used motor oil."

This home-grown paint, made and proved by Dr. Carver at Tuskegee, is now being used by the Tennessee Valley Authority in a demonstration of rural home beautification in 14 TVA localities.

Dr. Carver was the first and still is the greatest exponent of the use of the South's idle lands and waste products

to balance the southern farm diet. This required more than agricultural knowledge, so he learned to be an expert dietitian and cook. His 43 Ways to Save the Wild Plum Crop is a collection of Carver-proved recipes: marmalade, syrup, vinegar, soup, croquettes.

His famous experiments with the peanut led to the production of more than 300 useful articles. Among those now being commercially manufactured are his peanut butter and peanut flour, besides various oils and fertilizer. Widely used is a pamphlet for the farmer's wife: 105 Different Ways to Prepare the Peanut for the Table, including recipes for peanut soup, bread, patties, piecrust, doughnuts, cheese. With such wider use the peanut crop increased from 700 million pounds in 1921 to 1400 million in 1941.

Last March Dr. Carver published his own Victory Garden bulletin: Nature's Garden for Victory and Peace. Its frontispiece quotes from Genesis: "Behold I have given you every herb . . . to you it shall be for meat." Inside is a list of more than 100 grasses, weeds and wild flowers which can be used for food and recipes showing how to use them. They include chicory coffee — "some prefer it to real coffee" — pie "similar to apple or rhubarb" from sour grass; "asparagus tips" from the stalks of silkweed; wild clover "for delicate and fancy salads"; grass-salad sandwiches which have a considerable vogue on the Tuskegee campus.

Born in Missouri around 1864, Dr. Carver never knew his father and mother — they were carried off by slave raiders when he was a baby. A white planter, Moses Carver, raised the child, gave him his name, and because of the boy's poor health let him do women's work: cooking, sewing, laundering.

But a strange fire burned in him. The only book he remembers in the Carver home was Webster's Speller. He memorized it. Having fallen on hard times themselves, the Carvers were unable to send him to school. He went on his own; slept in barns and haylofts; worked for his food at whatever jobs turned up; took in all the learning that the one-room school-house had to offer. "White folks' washing" paid his way through high school.

He was admitted by mail to the University of Iowa, only to be rejected, when he arrived, because he was a Negro. Whereupon he opened a small laundry and at the end of a year had accumulated funds enough to obtain entrance to Simpson College at Indianola, Iowa. He washed, scrubbed and house-cleaned his way through three years at that school and went on to finish four years of agricultural studies at Iowa State College. There his genius with soils and plants won him, on graduation, a place on the faculty.

Down in central Alabama, at about this time, Booker T. Washington — founder and president of Tuskegee Institute — was dreaming of economic emancipation for the Negro farmer. The dreams needed a man. Washington chose young Carver.

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Washington wanted an agricultural laboratory; there was neither equip- ment nor money. He wanted a school farm; the soil was defiant. He want- ed grass on the Tuskegee campus; there was only sand.

Today in a glass case in the mus- eum are the materials with which Carver made his first laboratory. For heat he rigged up a salvaged barn lantern. His mortar was a heavy kitch- en cup; he used a flat piece of iron for a pulverizer. Beakers were made by cutting off the tops of old bottles rescued from the school dump. He urned an ink bottle into an alcohol lamp and made his own wick.

The soil on his 16-acre "experiment- al farm" was sandy, eroded and im- poverished. He sent his students into the swamps and woods armed with baskets and pails. Day after day they brought back muck and leaf-mold and covered the ground with it. On those acres he demonstrated that the south's worst soil can be made to produce— not one sweet-potato crop per year but two. There also he harvested one of Alabama's first bale-to-the-acre crops of cotton.

"Everyone told me," he says, "that the soil was unproductive. But it was the only soil I had. It was not un- productive. It was only unused."

He found other uses for it. From Macon County's multicolored clays he made pottery, wallpaper inks, coloring for ornamental cement blocks. An inveterate enemy of waste, he turned corn, cotton and sorghum stocks into insulating boards; produced paper from the branches of wistaria, sunflow- ers and wild hibiscus; wove decorative table mats from swamp cattails; made table runners, using bright clay dyes for color, from feed and seed bags.

To carry his Green Pastures gospel to the farmer he converted a second- hand buggy into a mobile agricultur- al school, loaded it with exhibits, bor- rowed a horse and made regular tours of the countryside. This was the first of the "movable schools" which today, housed in truck and trailer and spon- sored by the U.S. Department of Ag- riculture, cover all of Alabama.

Macon County then, like most of the South, grew cotton and little else. To save the soil and add to farm income, Carver advocated growing sweet potatoes and peanuts. Today the sweet potato is a southern farm staple; and our peanut farmers of the South will this year get close to \$70,000,000 for their crop. More than any other person, Dr. Carver has helped to break cotton's throttle-hold on southern agriculture.

In his Macon County pioneering, he found scarcely any vegetable gardens. few pigs, chickens or cows. Pellagra —produced by an unbalanced diet — was widespread. He therefore preached kitchen gardens and worked out recipes showing how to prepare and serve vegetables. Today, accord- ing to the county agricultural agent, there is hardly a Negro farm in Ma- con County without a vegetable gar- den. pigs, chickens and at least one cow. Pellagra has virtually disap- peared.

Dr. Carver insists that the start- where-you-are formula will work any-

where. Some years ago he spoke be- fore a Negro organization in Tulsa, Oklahoma. For illustrative materials he spent an early morning on Sand Pipe Hill, near Tulsa. He came back with 27 plants, all containing medic- inal properties.

"Then," he said, "I went to Fergu- son's Drugstore and bought seven pat- ent medicines containing certain ele- ments found in those plants. The medicines had been shipped in from New York. They should have come from Sand Pipe Hill. 'Where there is no vision the people perish.'"

The Bible, Dr. Carver told me, is as important to his work as is his laboratory. He has two favorite Scrip- ture verses. One of them he calls his "light" passage. It is Proverbs III, 6: "In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths." The other is his "power" passage. It is Philippians IV, 13: "I can do all things through Christ which streng- theneth me."

"This is the only question colored people have to answer," I heard him say to a group of Negro preachers: "Have we got what the world wants?" He told about hearing a group of white men in search of a man who could locate oil. "They forgot to say whether they wanted a white man, a red man, a yellow or a black man; they said only that they wanted a man who could locate oil."

"Don't go looking for Naboth's vine- yard," he said. "Every one of you probably has all the vineyard he needs."

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Lillard Icel Smith, a Negro registrant with Local Board No. 9, Washington, D.C., had to go to work when quite young and did not get much "schooling," but he has abounding patriotism and consequently was keenly disappointed when, on volunteering for induction in the Army in April, 1941, he failed to pass the literacy test.

"I want to fight for my country and I'm going to fight for it," he told his local board at the time. "If I've got to read and write to get in the Army, I've just got to learn how."

Recently Smith again presented himself at the local board offices, 2227 M. Street, N.W., proudly displaying papers to show that he had been accepted for enlistment in the Army. Questioning by Chairman James D. Hayes of the local board revealed that Smith, following his rejection in April 1941, had gone to night school, while continuing to work, for a year and a half, using his own funds to obtain sufficient education to qualify for military service.

"He is an outstanding example of the courage and patriotism of the American Negro," declared Chairman Hayes, "and this board is confident that he will be an exemplary soldier."

OFFICE OF WAR INFORMATION FEDERAL WORKS AGENCY

Negro workers have received more than \$1,500,000 in the construction of schools, hospitals, recreation buildings and other community facilities in vital war areas, according to a recent report to Major General Philip B. Fleming, Federal Works Administrator, by William J. Trent, Jr., Racial Relations Officer. This amount represents payments to skilled and unskilled Negro labor employed on war public works during the first ten months of 1942.

More than half of the total payrolls on projects in North and South Carolina was earned by Negro labor; more than a third in Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, and Virginia. In South Carolina Negro workers earned 23 per cent. of the skilled payroll, in Kentucky, 22 per cent.; and in North Carolina, 16 per cent.

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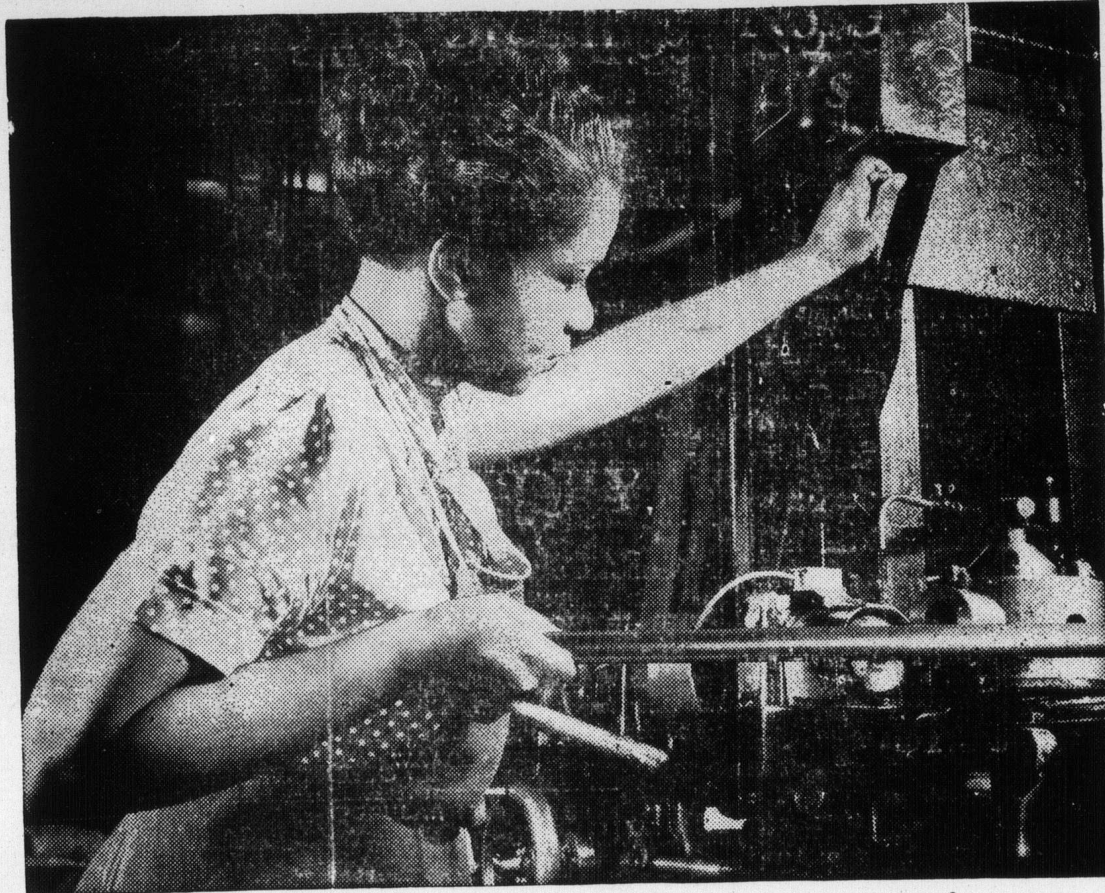


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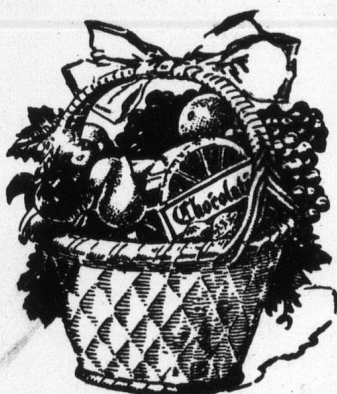
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New York, N.Y. — Discussion of Indian independence has been marked by a general ignoring of the plight of the 70,000,000 Untouchables who are to the other Indians what the U.S. Negroes are to American whites. In The Crisis for December, Harry Paxton Howard, Far East expert, tells all about these oppressed people in an article entitled "the 'Negroes' of India". They are the Indians who do the dirty work, who live in horrible crowded ghettos, who eat the worst fare, have the least schooling and are most frequently humiliated. Mr. Howard tells how they got that way and how they are awakening into a political force to be reckoned with in the Far East.

INVESTIGATION OF LAY-OFF

Savannah, Ga. — Urging the investigation of a lay-off here of 800 laborers, 500 of which are Negroes, the Savannah Branch of the NAACP this week wired the War Manpower Commission. "Strongly protest lay-off of 800 laborers at South-Eastern shipyards for failure to sign agreement which smacks of collusion between company and union and which would deprive workers of rights."

The Savannah NAACP Committee on Labor and Industry stated that these unfair labor practices in Savannah can be traced to the union bosses, who, having a closed shop agreement with Southeastern Shipyard, are using all methods of intimidation in an effort to frustrate plans of a rival Labor Union

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QUARTERMASTER DEPOT.—The tradition of Betsy Ross is being kept alive in this quartermaster corps depot where this young woman worker assists in the creation of American flags for military activities.

NAACP PICKETS CLOSE "BIRTH OF A NATION"

New York, N.Y. — Three hours after the NAACP had thrown a picket line around the 55th Street Playhouse on December 2nd, the infamous motion picture "Birth of a Nation" which was being shown at the Theatre was withdrawn from the screen and posters advertising "Abraham Lincoln" as the Theatre's next attraction went up.

The NAACP was first informed of the revival of the ancient silent motion picture by one of a group of white army officers who telephoned protests against the pictures on behalf of the group who had wandered into the theatre without realizing what was being shown.

The action was taken after a representative of the management failed to discontinue the film after making such a commitment and announced that the picture would be shown "indefinitely."

SCORES LUCKY STRIKE MAKERS FOR RACIAL SLUR

New York — Discontinuance of the sale of a pipe tobacco obnoxiously labelled "Nigger Head Tobacco" was insisted on this week by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. A formal protest was made to George Washington Hill, president of the American Tobacco Company, 111 Fifth Avenue. The American Tobacco Company which distributes the pipe tobacco in a number of Northwestern States including Oregon, Washington and Wisconsin is also the distributor of Lucky Strike

Cigarettes. The sections in which the pipe tobacco is sold are areas only sparsely populated by Negroes.

Declaring that it was needless to point out the fact that such a name for a product is repulsive to all Negroes including smokers of Lucky Strike Cigarettes the statement concluded that the NAACP "is confident that the American Tobacco Company will immediately discontinue this method of holding up the Negro race to ridicule and insulting the many Negro smokers of Lucky Strike Cigarettes."

LONDON NOTES

Mr. John Wanner spent the week end with Lloyd Kelly at his home in the city.

During Cab Calloway's appearance at the London Arena pictures and autographs were obtained by Bob Moxley, Lloyd Kelly and others.

Mrs. Kay Livigstone of Ottawa is expected home for Christmas to visit Mrs. F. Howson and family.

The funeral of Mrs. H. Smith was held at Evans Funeral Home Dec. 7. The B.M.E. annual Christmas concert will be held at the church Dec. 20 under the supervision of Mrs. F. Jones and H. Johnson.

Supt. T. Dawson of Toronto and Rev. T. Jackson of Windsor officiated at the General Conference Board paid their official visit Dec. 6. Rev. Jackson delivered a very inspiring sermon. At the end of the service the ladies of the church served a dainty lunch in the basement of the church in honour of the guests.

NEGRO CORPORAL CUTS FINAL LINK IN ALASKAN HIGHWAY

Whitehorse, Yukon Territory — In the spruce forest of Yukon Territory the final link in the Alaskan Highway was completed with dramatic suddenness when Corporal Refines Sims, Jr., Negro of Philadelphia, driving a bulldozer from the north, saw trees starting to fall toward him. As he quickly backed his big machine away, a bulldozer driven by Private Alfred Jafuka white, of Kennedy, Texas, broke through the underbrush.

Working from the north and the south, the crews on the highway at last had met. Corporal Sims, leaped from his bulldozer and warmly shook Jafuka's hand. It was the Yukon Territory version of the driving of the golden spike.

Three men were nearby when the historic moment occurred, Lieutenants Ralph W. Hunt and G. H. Jones and Harold W. Richardson of Chicago, Western editor of the Engineering News-Record. "I never saw anything so exciting and filled with history," Richardson said.

Immediately after the Negro corporal and the white soldier clasped hands they turned their bulldozers around and began to widen the trail they had opened. In fact Jafuka had been forcing his machine through the forest so fast that his face was bloody from branch scratches.

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