U.S. Fights Hate Ban In UN Unit

Soviet Anti-Racism Proposal Killed, 5-5

LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y. — The fight led by Jacob M. Lomakin, Soviet member of the United Nations subcommittee on freedom of information, to place a specific world ban on publications that incite race-hatred was lost here Monday when the motion was squashed by a 5 to 5 tie vote.

Because of the opposition to the ban led by Zachariah H. Chafee of the United States and Archibald MacKenzie of Great Britain, the clause outlawing race baiting in publications thus will not be included in the proposed international convention on human rights.

Chafee argued that such a provisio is "vague and unworkable," saying: "One of the obstacles to outlawing jim-crowism in this country (the United States) is the difficulty of talking about it even in the calmest way without fanning existing prejudices."

There was an unwritten taboo on the discussion of most racial issues, he pointed out, leading delegates from the Netherlands, China and Canada, along with Great Britain's delegate to form a block to reject the ban.

The Soviet representative, supported by the delegates from Czechoslovakia, France, Panama and the Philippines, held that racial discrimination was "one of the greatest evils" and should be referred to international covenants to be drawn up.

FOR NAACP DRIVE—Mrs. Thomasina W. Johnson (lower photo, right), chairman of the local NAACP drive for 15,000 members in Washington, is shown with members of the night club and sportsmen's committee which met at Louis and Alex's last week. The photos show: top, Paul Mann, Louis Murray, Benjamin Caldwell; below, Roger Simpkins, Sigmund Heard, and Mrs. Johnson.

Coming Events

CALENDAR OF EVENTS—Hedup

Below is a list of civic and public events scheduled for the coming week. Notices of such programs are printed free of charge. They should be addressed to the AFRO City Editor.

Jan. 30 — PCA Roosevelt Memorial dinner, 8 p.m., NMU Hall, 1012 E. Baltimore St. Speaker, Dr. W. E. B. DuBois.

— Recital, Miss Charlee Jones and James Owings, 8 p.m., Ames Methodist Church.

— Girl's Choir of East Baltimore, Choir Union Program, 8:30 p.m., Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Bond and Jefferson Sts.

Jan. 31 — Athletic Show, 5th Regiment Armory, 8:30 p.m., for March of Dimes.

— Fraternity Meeting, Kappa Alpha Psi, 305 Freeman St., 9 p.m.

Feb. 1— Worship Service featuring Morgan College choir and the Rev. Howell O. Wilkins of Camden, Del., 3:30 p.m., North Ave., Methodist Church.

— Brotherhood of Enon Baptist Church, program, 8 p.m. Speaker Vincent Tubbs, AFRO City Editor.

Feb. 1 to 29—Belgian Children's Art Exhibit, Baltimore Museum of Art.

Feb. 1 to 22— Drawings from the Museum of Modern Art Collection, Baltimore Museum of Art.

— Labor Discussion, 3 p.m., Master Beauticians Center, 1522 Madison Ave. Speaker George Morris, labor editor of "The Worker."

Feb. 3— Kappa Chapter, Child Study Association, 8:30 p.m., Douglass Homes. Speaker, Mrs. Arm and Kemper.

Feb. 4—Stork Club, Child Study Association, 8:30 p.m., 1912 Madison Ave. Discussion, Mrs Waters Turpin.

Feb. 4 — Talk, "The Federal Government in Labor Relations," Dr. E. W. Mounce, U. of Md., professor of law and labor, 12:30 p.m., Central Pratt Library.

— Discussion, "Gerald Manley Hopkins," the Rev. William M. J. Driscoll, 4 p.m., Poe Room at Pratt Library.

— Story Hour, Miss Dorothy Cooper, 3 and 4 p.m., Children's Room at Pratt Library.

Feb. 5—Bishop's Dinner, 8 p.m., Bethel AME Church.

Morgan College Choir to Sing at North Ave. Church Service

The Morgan State College Choir, directed by Orville Mosley, will be featured at the worship service at 3:30 p.m. Sunday at North Ave. Methodist Church which climaxes the observance of Christian Youth and Christian Endeavor Week.

Speaker will be the Rev. Howell O. Wilkins, pastor of Whatcoat Methodist Church in Camden, Del., who was a delegate last summer to the Second World Conference of Christian Youth held in Oslo, Norway.

Other participants on the program sponsored by the Christian Endeavor Union and the Christian Youth Council will me:

The Rev. Norman Scribner, Miss Joyce Davis, Miss Edna DeCoursey, Miss Juanita Holsey, Joseph Atkins, Robert Schafer and Kelso Dodd.

A banquet was held Monday featuring the Rev. T. Guthrie Speers of Brown Memorial Presbyterian Church. Jack Rogers is chairman of the Youth Week celebration.

State Welfare Aid Reaches Million Mark in December

Payments for all types of assistance through the State Welfare Department, reached the million dollar Mark during December, the agency's monthly report shows.

Jumping from 1962,356 reported this time a year ago, payments for December totaled $1,029,717, from which the largest amount, $394,604 was paid out in the division of aid to dependent children.

Second largest amount of payments last year was in November when $995,836 was given out; lowest month was August, reporting $932,557.

In other monthly categories for December, the report shows $388,206 paid in old age benefits; $16,253 in public assistance to the needy blind; $160,982, general public assistance; and $69,672 for foster home care.

Mrs. The department reports 1084 homes, licensed for foster care, are under supervision, with 1790 children benefiting from the system.

In Baltimore, average grants during December for old age assistance were $37.64; aid to dependent children, $26.37 per child; and aid to the nesly blind, $38.18 per individual.

Under general public assistance, Baltimoreans received a total of $123,152.21, averaging $47.57 per grant. Some 696 children in foster care shared in $37,595.87, with an average grant of $53.73 per child. This was higher than the State average of $45.30 per child.

Hawkins: "I understand that the

Methodist Institute in Cleveland, Feb. 3-6

CLEVELAND—A Methodist institute devoted to the theme, "Our Cities Today and Tomorrow," will be held here Feb. 3-6 at Cory Methodist Church, Dr. O. B. Quick, host pastor, sponsored by the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.

physicians held a consultation over your case, but I see you are still alive."

Robbins: "Yes, I have since learned that the vote stood two for me and one against."

'Big 3' Uncover Vice Evidence

Tracing a motion picture machine stolen from School No. 100, the "Big Three," Detectives German, Butler and Johnson, came up not only with the machine, but also with rolls of obscene film, narcotic evidence and a man judged guilty of operating a disorderly house, John H. Thompson.

Judge Herman Moser, in ordering a probation report before sentencing Thompson, told the man had better find someone else to run his club-restaurant at 1715-17 Cairo St., which Lieutenant German described Tuesday as "strictly a joint."

It was there that the detectives said they found the missing machine, the film and marihuana cigarettes.

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Is Prohibition Coming Back?

AFTER the first World War, Prohibition was slipped over on the people of the United States by propaganda, started during the war, that it was necessary as a war emergency.

The fighting in World War II has been over for more than two years. Now many thoughtful people are wondering if we are threatened with Prohibition again. Certainly the dry propaganda mill is working overtime again, but it isn't quite clear whether the 1948 "party line" is that Prohibition is necessary because the last war is not over, or because there is a third World War just around the corner.

In any event, the Congress is being asked to extend legislation to restrict distillers to a few days' grain supply each month.

This would be a long step toward bringing back Prohibition.

It cannot be for any other purpose.

It cannot be to save grain.

The use of corn for distilling does not deprive America or the world of a single slice of bread.

As for wheat, the distilling industry uses less than one thousandth of one per cent of the total supply.

So the purpose must be Prohibition.

Even a school boy economist knows you do not save any grain when you restrict only *one* industry that uses about 1% of the total.

This is true because restricting one industry's 1 per cent sounds a warning to the users of the other 99 per cent of the possibility of allocation in their industries and actually encourages them—in the absence of any restriction—to process or pile up as much grain as they can. Just tell anybody that something is going to be scarce, and he will buy more than he normally uses.

The fact that grain could be distilled anywhere in the whole wide world including countries which import our American grain—while American distilleries were shut down—proves that ours was the only country that fell for such economic nonsense.

No other country is destroying a source of governmental revenue big enough to pay half the cost of the Marshall plan.

No other country is destroying an industry employing, directly and indirectly, more than two million of its citizens.

The claim that the restriction of American distillers has any humanitarian or economic basis is dry propaganda—and nothing else!

It might be hard to persuade the American workers who are out of work in Lawrenceburg, Indiana, to agree that the shipment of our grain for distilling in Canada or any other country by foreign workmen could serve any humanitarian, economic or social purpose.

America has sixty Lawrenceburgs!

American Distilleries were shut down in 25 states.

Canadian distillers ran at capacity.

British distillers ran at capacity.

Distilleries behind the Iron Curtain were reported running with American grain.

The very countries that are asking America for food are ***asking for more American grain for distilling and brewing than the whole American distilling industry has ever used in any year.***

When the American distillers were shut down in November and December, Canada doubled its imports of American corn. Canada is not a starving country.

In the last four months of 1947, which included the American shutdown period, Canada imported almost one and a half million bushels of American rye. In the same period the year before they imported none.

If the American distilling industry were unrestricted it would use at the most as we have said, less than 1 per cent of the grain. The Secretary of Agriculture has issued an order, now in effect, cutting this down to ½ of 1 per cent. This ½ of 1 per cent is supposed to save the world, yet the Secretary of Agriculture tells a committee of the Senate that we will have plenty of grain.

But our processing of even this small amount of grain would not remove it from the food economy. Only the foreign governments seem to appreciate the fact that distilling not only keeps men and women employed, and adds to government revenue, but also results in by-product feed supplements which are returned to the food economy in the form of more meat, milk, butter, eggs, poultry and pork.

Some say that at least 45 per cent of the grain we use is thus returned to the food economy in the form of animal feeds. And some say more than 100 per cent is returned in the feeding value of the vitamin-rich high-protein residue.

As we said in the beginning—the restriction of American distillers can have no other purpose than prohibition! The dry propagandist will try to tell you that there is an enormous gallonage of whiskey in this country. Actually, all during the war, this industry converted all its facilities to making alcohol for ammunition and synthetic rubber. After the war it was closed down month after month on account of European needs for grain.

The truth is that there is today in the United States just about one year's supply of whiskey four years old, or older. The rest is green whiskey, not yet matured and ready for market.

The distilling business needs no defense by us. The people and the Congress of the United States decided through the Twenty-First Amendment to the Constitution that it is a legal business and a recognized part of our economy. More than a hundred thousand American citizens invested their savings in this industry on this assurance.

Don't let anyone tell you that the distillers are against aid to Europe.

Last year, this was the only industry that made a separate and voluntary contribution for the feeding of hungry people in other lands. The Distillers bought and paid for 20 million pounds of grain for Europe.

From October 25th to December 25th, we shut down voluntarily in answer to the plea that it would encourage others to make sacrifices. Schenley paid full wages—over a million dollars—to its employees who were thrown out of work.

We believe that hungry people everywhere should be fed. It is the American tradition to give of our resources to succor the needy and the unfortunate wherever they may be.

We are ready and willing to contribute on the same basis as every other American industry to the cost of providing relief to the people of Europe. But we do not agree that this can best be done by a partial or complete return to Prohibition. We do not believe it can be done by destroying or restricting an industry which the American people expressly voted into existence.

We do not believe it can be done by weakening our home economy through the loss of billions of dollars of revenue for National, State, and Local governments; or by throwing hundreds of thousands of American workers out of their jobs.

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City Hospitals Branded as 'Fire Trap' After Tour

After an inspection tour of tuberculosis wards at City Hospitals, Thursday, members of the Baltimore Urban League Health Committee agreed that conditions there were "deplorable" and that the building was a "fire trap."

A similar statement was made by Major D'Alesandro, several months ago after he made an impromptu inspection of the wards.

New Building Promised

The Mayor immediately set machinery in motion for a bond issue which will make two and a half million dollars available for a new building. The matter will be taken to the people on the ballot in the fall election.

On Thursday's tour the committee members were favorably impressed by the occupational therapy work being done at the hospital, though it was generally agreed that more of this was needed.

Patients Must Wait

Hospital officials revealed that 85 persons are now on a waiting list for entry to the TB wards. Due to overcrowded conditions patients wait from a few weeks to three months before being admitted.

After first-hand view of conditions, members of the visiting committee, agreed to support the bond issue for additional facilities at the hospital.

Those making the tour were: Alexander J. Allen, Mrs. Annie W. S. Wells, Marion Johnson, Miss Frankie W. Jacobs and Mrs. Nellie Schuh.

Other members of the health committee are Mrs. Estelle Dye, Miss Elsie Minor, the Rev. Baxter L. Matthews and the Rev. Reginald Daniels.

F. J. McMillin, superintendent of the TB hospital, explained that the out-of-date construction of the building creates a "serious" fire hazard, especially in the case of non-ambulatory patients.

Islanders Rap Change of Naval Properties

ST. THOMAS, V.I. (ANP) — Many islanders recently expressed displeasure over the manner in which the transfer of 17 million dollars in naval properties was made by the Government in Washington to the islands.

Two objections to the method of transfer were raised, that Governor Hastie should have given notice of the transfer without getting the authority of $7,500, announced other speakers as Vincent Tubbs, editor of the Baltimore AFRO, and Paul T. Hillman, chairman of the Baltimore campaign.

Report Sessions Listed

The drive opens officially on Feb. 16. District 5 will have its report meetings on March 9, 15 and 22 at headquarters where Mrs. Clara Harris is secretary and William Jones, treasurer.

Mr. Allen will meet his executive committee at lunch Thursday at 12:30 p.m. at the Madison Avenue YWCA.

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Dr. Imes, AFRO Editor to Speak at First Red Cross Drive Rally

Dr. G. Lake Imes, member of the Baltimore Red Cross Executive Board, will be among the speakers at the kick-off meeting of District 5 on Feb. 11 at the Masonic Temple, McCulloh and Mosher Sts.

Willard W. Allen, chairman of the Division which has a 1948 quota

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Charm Clinic Gets Pointers on 'New Look'

The "new look," what to wear and how, were discussed by Miss Minnie McNeal saleslady, and Miss Iva Ambrine, general manager of a Pennsylvania Ave., dress shop, at Provident Hospital's Nursing School Charm Clinic on Tuesday.

Accepting Miss Amrhine's proposal of staging a fashion show with Provident students as models, the group organized to plan the project. Proceeds will be used for the school's educational program.

5-Week Clinic

The clinic has been aided by Miss Marie McKnight, nursing school director; Miss Gertrude Quinton, who planned and executed posters, and Miss Serena Pearsall who obtained speakers.

The eight-week clinic purposes to stress charm, good grooming and correct manners to nursing school students. The formation of a charm club is planned at the end of the series.

Miss Rose Davis of the Lauretta Beauty Salon will lecture and demonstrate hair styling for nurses at the next session.

Md. VFW to Back Training Bill

All members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars have been instructed to urge their respective Congressmen to do all possible to fight for the passage of the proposed Universal Military Training bill.

Department Commander Charles Buscher stated that unless the people of this country do something now, the bill will become a dead issue.

Only Means to Peace

Although efforts are being made in Washington to pass an Air Supremacy bill, the only way peace can be maintained is for the United States to be prepared for any emergency, Commander Buscher stated.

The annual encampment of the State posts in Hagerstown in June is expected to be the largest encampment in the history of the VFW in Maryland.

Illness Blamed for Suicide Attempt

Despondency over a lingering illness drove Edward McClenden, 25, registered at the New Albert Hotel on Pennsylvania Ave., to attempt suicide, late Monday, police reported.

Called to the hotel from across the street, police found the young man seemingly critically ill from poisoning.

At Provident Hospital, McClenden repeatedly told police he had swallowed a quantity of iodine because he wanted to end it all. This was not his first attempt, officers stated. He was released after receiving treatment.

100-Piece Band Objective of Douglass High Teacher

A 100-piece band of Douglass High School is the objective of teacher of instrumental music there, is working.

Scores of interested pupils have been given aptitude tests and at least 75 have signed up to purchase small instruments. He has made arrangements with a local music store for the pupils to have the use of certain instruments for an eight-week trial period.

School Furnishes Some

At the end of that time, the pupil may either make arrangements to purchase the instrument, or he may return it. Larger instruments such as bass-cellos, cellos, and the bass horns are provided by the school.

Instruction in music is now a regular activity at the school. Pupils report for lessons during free periods. Mr. Williams feels that the group will be able to give a small concert in eight weeks.

Assigned to Douglass last September, Mr. Williams, a native of Muskogee, Okla., is a graduate of Langston University, and has done post graduate work at the University of Minnesota. He taught 10 years in the Oklahoma school system and served three years in the Navy as assistant bandmaster.

Dr. Young Named to Aid With Study on Prison

Dr. Ralph J. Young was among 14 persons appointed this week to a citizens committee to assist the Legislative Council in studies of prison labor and the education and rehabilitation of prisoners.

Chairmanship was named to State aid to chronic alcoholics. Both groups are asked to make reports and recommendations to the Council by Nov. 1 so that action may be taken prior to the next meeting of the State Legislature.

Watch Theft Alibi Too Thin to Win

Judge Gives Suspect 60-Day Jail Sentence

George F. Nelson, 100 block of I St., N.E., will have 60 days to think of a better alibi than the one he gave Judge Armond W. Scott and a Municipal Court jury last week, when queried about the theft of a woman's wrist watch.

The watch, which Nelson was charged with having stolen from the home of Miss Brewer of the 600 block Massachusetts Ave., N.W., brought forth the following story from the defendant:

"I didn't mean to take the watch. I was just leaning on the desk to make a telephone call, and the watch stuck to my sleeve when I got up to go."

Why The Hurry?

When reminded that Miss Brewer, the complainant, had testified he had left in a hurry and never returned, Nelson explained that he suddenly remembered he had to go to work. He then offered the excuse that he retained the watch because it needed repairs.

Judge Scott in sentencing Nelson to jail remarked that Nelson gave the "most fantastic story" he (Judge Scott) had ever heard.

Wrong Address Given in High Court Papers Staying Man's Death

WASHINGTON

The statement to the effect that Baxter Griffin, 42, convicted of the slaying of Lee Hunter in the Supreme Court, which recently granted a stay of execution to Hunter while it considers whether or not to review his case.

Mrs. Piper avers that the dwelling at 1718 Eighth St., N.W., is a private home and that neither Griffin nor Lurine Best, involved in the fatal shooting, ever lived there.

The address appeared in papers filed in the United States Supreme Court, which recently granted a stay of execution to Hunter while it considers whether or not to review his case.

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