

NOTAS CUBANAS

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Poco, muy poco se ha hablado o escrito acerca de la valiosa cooperación de las mujeres cubanas de las emigraciones revolucionarias, en favor de la independencia de Cuba. Ellas fueron fervorosas luchadoras por el ideal de emancipación del pueblo cubano. En los clubes patrióticos, en los bazares benéficos para recaudar fondos para la alcañía de la revolución. Aún en sus hogares, haciendo a sus hijos menores a sacrificios, cosiendo la ropa de los expedicionarios y haciendo las escompeas con la estrella solitaria, en las horas de prender en sus albricos, los valientes miembros del Ejército Libertador.

Cuando el triunfo del ideal, esas mujeres, salvo algunas excepciones, han sido completamente olvidadas por los que debieron reconocer en ellas, abnegación, sacrificio y patriotismo a toda prueba. Por eso, son muy pocos los escritores que se han tomado el trabajo de relatar algunas de aquellas labores meritorias, realizadas por las mujeres de las emigraciones.

Como madres, como esposas, como hermanas y como prometidas, fueron el mayor estímulo que tuvieron los hombres, para lanzarse a conquistar su libertad, llegando a convencer con sus ejemplos y sus ternuras, aún a los más remisos.

Recordamos la salida de algunos expedicionarios rumbo a los Cayos, desde donde habrían de zarpar hacia las costas de Cuba las

zación del ideal acariciado, ser completamente olvidadas.

Ese Club Hijas de la Libertad fué el más antiguo de los clubes de mujeres, durante nuestras épicas luchas redentoras y en su seno se iniciaron los grandes proyectos de la Libertad, cuando cruzaban por el Cayo, en su peregrinación en busca de recursos y adeptos para mantener y defender el ideal de independencia.

A través del tiempo y del correr de los años, muchos de los descendientes de aquellas cubanas, no solo ofrendaron sus vidas en la revolución que tuvo su inicio el 24 de febrero de 1895, sino que dieron días de gloria a la Patria cubana, dándose el caso heroico y digno, de que durante los años que ya lleva Cuba de República, na ha habido un solo emigrado revolucionario, acusado de desfalco, ni siquiera cumpliendo una pequeña condena en los establecimientos penales de la Patria. Esos emigrados, aprendieron a vivir la vida tranquila de los ciudadanos conscientes, respetuosos de las leyes y de haber sido ellos los que gobernaran y dirigieran los destinos de la Patria, tras su independencia, estamos seguros y plenamente convencidos, de que se hubieran evitado muchos de los grandes disparates y de las torpes equivocaciones, que ha sufrido la Patria, por la inexperience de los que la regían, más que por poco amor a ella.

Los descendientes de aquellos excelsos varones y de aquellas santas matronas, hemos heredado la obligación imperiosa de imitarles en su noble espíritu de sacrificio, en su respeto a las leyes y en su patriotismo inquebrantable.

Acaso por eso, pocas veces han figurado en los altos cargos de la Patria, los viejos patriarcas de las emigraciones. Acaso porque donde estaba un emigrado revolucionario cubano, era preciso cumplir la Ley, ser honrado y tener el anhelo de laborar por el bienestar de la Patria, sin otro estímulo, que la satisfacción del deber cumplido.

Cuando se recuerdan los sacrificios y las renunciaciones llevadas a cabo por las emigraciones y principalmente, por el núcleo de emigrados que residía en Cayo Hueso, se siente invadida de profunda tristeza el alma, ante el

Laubscher Will Speak At Legion Meet Wednesday

Harold Laubscher, Secretary, Key West Chamber of Commerce, will be guest speaker at the regular meeting of Arthur Sawyer Post No. 28, American Legion, on Wednesday evening at the Post Home on Stock Island.

The Key West Guard of Honor will conduct an obligation ceremony for a group of new members and also conduct a Memorial Service for Legionnaire Joseph D. Surgen who recently died.

William J. Neale, 10th District Executive Committeeman, Miami, will pay an official visit to the Post during this meeting.

The officers and members of Keys Memorial Post 145, Islamorada, have been invited to attend the meeting also, it was announced.

Ike Back At Work After Day's Rest

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Eisenhower, who spent seven hours at the golf course yesterday, had an appointment schedule of about the same length today.

The federal government observed Washington's Birthday yesterday. Taking advantage of it, the President got in 18 holes of golf and, the White House said, some quiet relaxation at the Burning Tree Clubhouse in nearby Maryland.

His schedule today opened with an appointment with Howard Mitchell, conductor of the National Symphony Orchestra, and wound up with one with Secretary of Defense Wilson.

For lunch, the President invited 11 Republican and 10 Democratic members of the House.

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Bridges Calls For Check Of 'Voice' Project

By JOHN CHADWICK

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Bridges (R-NH) called today for full investigation of a Voice of America request for nearly four million dollars to equip a ship for beaming broadcasts behind the Iron Curtain.

He questioned the technical wisdom of the project and said that as chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee he is opposed to granting the money until the Voice can demonstrate that it would work.

Bridges suggested that the Senate investigations subcommittee headed by Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) look into the matter in connection with its probe for waste and subversion in Voice operations.

McCarthy said this would be done.

The subcommittee, meanwhile, called another hearing, closed to the public and to newsmen, in an apparent attempt to determine whether any employees of the Voice have Communist ties.

At the same time, reports came from the Capitol and the State Department that Robert L. Johnson, president of Temple University, had been asked to head the department's International Information Administration.

It directs the Voice of America as well as other overseas information programs. The resignation of Dr. Wilson Compton as administrator was announced last week.

Secretary of State Dulles conferred yesterday with Johnson and aides of the secretary said later they understood he had requested Johnson to succeed Compton.

Bridges wrote McCarthy to suggest that a thorough investigation be made of the Voice's ship radio transmitters before Congress consented to invest further funds in them.

Bridges said the Voice now has one ship called Vagabond A which has electronics equipment for beaming broadcasts into Iron Curtain countries and is installing similar equipment on another ship called Vagabond B.

In the budget requests for the

Coral Shores Sch. Reveals Activities Of School Year

Harry Finch, who was elected president of the ninth and tenth grades at the first of the year, has found it necessary to transfer to another school. A new election filled the space with Alice Allen as new president, Jackie Sweeting as vice-president and Sylvia Felton as secretary-treasurer.

The class rings have been ordered for the seniors. These are the first class rings to be bought by seniors of the school. Also the first annual has just about been completed. Editor-in-chief, Jerry Lowe, thinks that "it should be a very fine annual."

Last week the seniors, after having their pictures taken for the annual, visited several of the Miami High Schools. Among the schools visited were Miami Tech, Coral Gables, and Miami Jackson High Schools. Some of the students visited the Motorama.

DARDANELLES' PACT BREAKING ASKED

ANKARA, Turkey (AP)—The Turkish parliament was urged Sunday to defy the international agreement controlling the Dardanelles so that American warships could enter the Soviet-dominated Black Sea.

Deputy Ali Ihsan Sabis, a retired general and World War I hero, declared that U. S. ships "must be anchored in Black Sea ports" because Turkey is wide open to attacks from the North. He said only Russia and her satellites would disagree and "They are not our friends."

fiscal year starting July 1, ridges said, the State Department is asking for \$3,714,000 to equip a third ship to be called Vagabond C.

Bridges said that Vagabond A is anchored at the island of Rhodes in the Eastern Mediterranean and broadcasts through antennae supported in the air by a helium-filled balloon.

"It would appear," he wrote McCarthy, "that we do not actually have mobility in Vagabond A and it seems reasonable therefore that the Voice of America might perfect their original equipment before attempting other experiments."

Fla. Congressmen To Lunch With General Van Fleet

WASHINGTON (AP)—Lt. Gen. James A. Van Fleet, former United Nations commander in Korea, will be a guest of the Florida congressional delegation at a luncheon in the Capitol March 4.

Van Fleet lived at Bartow, Fla., home of Sen. Holland (D-Fla.), from the time the general was one year old until he went to West Point.

The general now owns a home at Auburndale, Fla., 12 miles from Bartow. He has an orange grove there.

Florida Congress members said Van Fleet had expressed a desire to talk with them, and they thought it would save time to have a luncheon in his honor.

Van Fleet is to testify before two House committees on March 4.

Ambassadors To Russia, Mexico Named In Release

WASHINGTON (AP)—The White House announced Mon. that President Eisenhower will nominate Charles Bohlen to be ambassador to Russia and Francis White to be ambassador to Mexico.

Both Bohlen and White are career diplomats.

At Mexico City, White will succeed William O'Dwyer, former mayor of New York, who resigned as ambassador last December.

Bohlen, now State Department counselor, will succeed George F. Kennan as envoy to Moscow. Kennan recently was labeled personally unacceptable by the Soviet Union, and has returned to this country.

Bohlen is regarded as a top expert on Russia. His prospective appointment as ambassador had been disclosed prior to Monday's formal announcement.

Marjorie Jackson of Australia was the first girl from her country ever to win an Olympic running title. She won two gold medals at Helsinki while Shirley de la Hunty, also of Australia, won one.

Local Securities Distributor Wins Top Sales Award

Record 1952 sales in this area of face-amount installment investment certificates and mutual fund shares has won top national recognition for William L. Dempsey of Key West, local representative for Investors Diversified Services, Inc., of Minneapolis, distributors and investment managers.

Mr. Dempsey will be given an award by the company for sales and service achievements qualifying him for membership in the I. D. S. group's President's Club, an annual honor roll of top investment representatives. He won President's Club membership in competition with more than 2,200 representatives it was announced by Earl E. Crabb, chairman and president of I. D. S.

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February, 1953

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(signed) NANCY CRUMPTON.

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