

Negro Vote Lawyer Put In Jail Here

4/9/44
Arthur H. Madison Of
New York Is Arrested
For Violating Statute
Faces \$2,500 Fine

Act Forbids An Attorney's
Appearing For Person
Without Being Retained

Arthur H. Madison, a New York
lawyer, recently active in
bringing appeals in Montgomery
court on behalf of mem-
bers of his race refused registra-
tion by the County Board of
registrars, was arrested here last
night by deputies of Sheriff G. A.
Osley's office on five warrants
charging as many violations of
the 50-year-old Alabama statute
making it illegal for an attorney
to act for a person without being
employed.

Madison was removed from the
home of a kinsman on Hall Street
and locked up at the county jail
until five bonds, each in the sum
of \$500 had been furnished and
approved when he was released.
Hearing in Common Pleas Court
beginning this week is indicated.

Signers of the bonds were Lew
Sanderson, local attorney, and
Ernie Sanderson, white, and
W. F. Madison, David L.
Madison and E. L. Madison, ne-
groes.

The warrants, all of which are
identical, accuse Madison of
bringing appeals from the Board
of Registrars' action on behalf of
persons who had not been em-
ployed him. It was recalled that
of the eight negroes, on whose
behalf the first batch of appeals
were entered, five subsequently
came into circuit court and made
affidavits that they had not em-
ployed Madison or authorized him
to take the appeals. Thereupon
the appeals were dismissed.

Meanwhile, however, Madison
continued to busy himself among
negroes who had been refused
registration and at the present
time possibly a dozen appeals are
pending. They are set down for
hearing on April 19.

Hill Firm Takes Hand

The firm of Hill, Hill, Whiting
and Rivers has volunteered its
services without cost in defend-
ing the cases, that is in acting
for the Board of Registrars. A
spokesman for the firm who said
it had been invited to act fol-
lowing the proffer of its ser-
vices, added that Senator Lister
Hill, who was in Montgomery
when Madison's activities first
attracted notice, asked his kin-
dness in the firm to keep a sharp
eye on the situation and, if it
seemed feasible, to take some ac-
tion.

The statute under which Mad-
ison was arrested, Code of 1940,
title 46, section 55, reads:

"Any attorney appearing for a
person without being employed
must, on conviction, be fined not
less than five hundred dollars,
and shall be incompetent to prac-
tice in any court in this State."

At the county jail attention was
called to the wording of the
statute which sets a minimum for
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Reds Stand At Czech B 92 Nazi Planes Dest

U. S. Fighters And
Bombers Blast
Brunswick

Plants Burn
American Losses
In Bitter Fight
59 Planes

LONDON, April 8 -- (AP) --
American aerial fleets totaling
about 1,500 planes surged over
Germany today, with U. S. heavy
bombers ripping two already-bat-
tered aircraft plants at Brun-
swick and five andromes north of
the Ruhr while American fighters
shot down 92 German planes and
destroyed and damaged many
others on the ground.

From all the day's operations,
which included an attack on the
Belgian rail center of Basselt and
sweeps by Thunderbolts and
lightnings against andromes in
the Frankfurt area, 34 U. S.
bombers and 25 fighters are mis-
sing, an Army communique said.

No fighter opposition was en-
countered over the andromes, as
the German air force concen-
trated its interceptors for a des-
perate defense of the Brunswick
targets, where the war bulletins
said the U. S. Flying Fortresses
and Liberators bombed their ob-
jectives "usually with good re-
sults."

Bitter air battles raged over
Brunswick and along the return
route. Escorting American fight-
ers there destroyed 81 enemy air-
craft. Thirty of the missing bom-
bers were lost in the Brunswick
operation.

Returns Not All In

No tabulation yet has been
made on the number of German
aircraft to fall before the guns of
the heavy bombers. Nearly 1,000
American Flying Fortresses, Lib-
erators and medium Marauders
participated in the widespread at-
tacks.

The andromes which were at-
tacked north of the Ruhr were
Oldenburg, a base for single en-
gine German fighters; Rheine, a
night fighter depot; Achmon, an
air repair depot; Quackenbruck,
an air repairs depot, and Ham-
dorf, a storage and repair depot.

The announced purpose of the
Brunswick attack was to disrupt
the reconstruction work the Ger-
mans had been doing at the im-
portant fighter reproduction cen-
ter whose factories had been dam-
aged in previous raids this year.

The Nazis probably feared the
heavy bombers were heading for
Berlin which is one possible rea-
son why they put up such a stub-
born defense over Brunswick.

The German radio asserted the
Americans suffered "one of their
heaviest defeats," and that the
bombers were "trying to attack
Berlin."

Other Areas Pounded

The rest of the fleet of 500 to
750 four-engined bombers belted
German fighter fields in North-
western Germany.
Some 200 medium Marauders

British-Indian Army Beats
Off Jap Before Imphal Base

Smash Into One Enemy Strong Point North Of
Base; Nips Abandon Second Under Fire

NEW DELHI, April 8 -- (AP) --
Allied forces battling the Japa-
nese invasion of India have
thrown the enemy out of one
vital position dominating the
plain of Imphal in the north, oc-
cupied another one which was
abandoned and otherwise im-
proved their positions in the area.
The Southeast Asia Command
announced today.

Although the location of these
successes was not given spec-
ifically, it was apparent the
Japanese had encountered stren-
uous opposition in their adven-
turous effort to mount an all-out
assault on Imphal and had been
stymied, at least temporarily, in
their westward drive across the
Imphal-Kohima highway some
35 miles east of the Bengal-As-
sam railroad, American-operated
supply artery to the north.

The Allies also pressed coun-
ter-offensive action against en-
emy communications west of the
Chindwin.

The Allied communique said in
so many words that no important
engagement had occurred in the
Kohima area, 60 miles north of
Imphal. But its statement that
Japanese pressure continued in
the area indicated both sides still
were sparring desperately for ad-
vantage in the expected decisive
battle.

Japs "Prowling"

Japanese action in the Kohima
area was of a "prowling" nature,
it was said here.

The Allied communique de-
clared that operations on the
Arakan front to the south were
"particularly successful" yester-
day, an English battalion captur-
ing "an important village posi-
tion, inflicting heavy casualties,"
southwest of Rethedaung.

In this area the British are
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Simpson Blasts
Hill's Record As
'Stab At South'

Support Of Rooseveltian
Bureaucracy Charged
To Alabama's Senator

State Senator James A. Simp-
son, candidate for the U. S. Sen-
ate, told large crowds in North
Alabama last week that "Lester
Hill's principal activities as Ala-
bama's senator have been to
align himself with accused re-
formers, approve the pyramiding
of vicarious and dictatorial bureaus,
and favor any and all legislation
which obviously is stabilizing at
the South's sacred segregation
laws."

Returning to Birmingham, fol-
lowing "a most successful and
favorable tour of North Alabama
counties," Jim Simpson said he
had found a "satisfying reaction
in his favor in the Tennessee
Valley region, where hundreds of
persons told me I am gaining
ground rapidly."

"Senator Hill and his workers,"
Simpson declared, "had sowed
seeds of error and misrepresenta-
tion throughout North Alabama,
but, as useful in such tactics, Hill
completely overplayed his hand.
My record unquestionably points
to a support of the T. V. A., in
which I differ with Senator Hill
in only one particular. This is
that I favor moving the principal
office of T. V. A. to the vicinity
of Muscle Shoals. Senator Hill
does not favor this, as has been
indicated by the fact that he
claims to be all-powerful in
Washington yet is unable to do
anything about his promise to

Allied Patrol
Action Brings
Mile Advance

Anzio Beachhead Sector
Flares With Battle;
Planes Strafe Nazis

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS,
NAPLES, April 8 -- (AP) -- An
American combat patrol blast-
ing its way forward with hand
grenades into an improved posi-
tion northwest of Padiglione on
the Anzio beachhead gave the
Allied battlefront forces their
first gain in about two weeks, and
provided the first really pleasant
news from that shell-swept
area in many days.

There was no tendency here to
place undue significance on this
action, which was merely a local
improvement of position, but it
was the first successful, aggres-
sive Allied ground action since
the great attack upon Cassino to
the west bogged down in failure.

Allied airmen continued ham-
mering at Nazi supply lines, fly-
ing 1,700 sorties Friday and
downing 31 enemy airplanes.

Padiglione is in the central sec-
tor of the beachhead.

Beyond this encounter, there
was little important activity on
the sun-bathed Italian front.
The Germans showed no signs
of moving from their defensive
positions, and patrols moved back
and forth between the two lines
from the Adriatic to the beach-
head.

Occasional shells kicked up the
dust in Cassino, and there was
considerable shelling along the
Garigliano River. Guns duelled
along the Anzio beachhead.