The President today designated the following members of the
President's Committee on Equality of Treatment and Opportunity in the
 Armed Services:

Mr. Charles E. Fahey (Chairman)
Former Solicitor-General of the U.S.
Washington, D.C.

Mr. Ephraim B. Hendron
President
Southern Pacific Corporation
San Francisco, California

Mr. Edward C. Bloom
Chairman
Socony-Mobil Corporation
New York City

Mr. Charles Laughran
President
Petersen's
Washington, D.C.

Mr. Charles L. Loseke
Publisher
Chicago Defender
Chicago, Illinois

Mr. William L. Johnston
President
Cochin College
South Bend, Indiana

The President's Committee on Equality of Treatment and Opportunity in the Armed Services is provided for by Executive Order 9937, which named an advisory commission of seven members in the National Military Establishments.

The Committee was authorized by the President to examine the rules, practices, and procedures of the armed services in order to determine in which respect they ought to be clarified or improved with a view toward carrying out the policy of the order.

The order declared it to be the policy of the President that
there should be equality of treatment and opportunity for all persons in the armed services without regard to race, color, religion or national origin.

The Committee was instructed to confer and advise with the
Secretary of Defense, Secretary of the Army, Secretary of the Navy, and
the Secretary of the Air Force and to make recommendations to them and to the
President.

Under the executive order, the Committee will continue to exist until terminated by the President.