

Boley, Okla. Bank Closes Doors Temporarily After Recent Holdup Tragedy

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J. Lloyd McGuire Appointed On Police Force

Run Of Depositors Feared By Officials

Boley, Okla., Dec. 23.—The Farmers and Merchants bank of Boley, Okla., the only Negro bank in the United States owning a national charter, was forced to close its doors last week because its president was killed three weeks ago by George Birdwell, famed bandit-companion of Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd.

State Bank Commissioner W. J. Barnett, announcing the closing of the institution to prevent a run of depositors, said that action was due directly to the killing of D. J. Turner, aged bank president and mayor of the town, in the attempted robbery.

Masonic Lodges To Celebrate

Pursuant to an ancient custom the members of the three Masonic Lodges of Des Moines together with their friends and members of their families will hold their annual festival in honor of the anniversary of the birth of St. John, the Evangelist, one of the patron saints of Masonry, at the Fraternal Temple, 11th and Center Sts., Tuesday evening, December 27, commencing promptly 8:15 o'clock.

The committee in charge has arranged a program consisting of addresses, musical numbers by members of the fraternity and of its ladies' auxiliary, the Order of the Eastern Star; refreshments will be served and a social hour will follow.

Smoot Blocks Wagner Bill

Washington (CNS).—Senator Robert F. Wagner of New York on Monday, December 12, introduced in the Senate a resolution calling for a survey of the peonage conditions on the Mississippi Flood Control Project. He requested unanimous consent to the adoption of the resolution to avoid it going to a committee. Senator Smoot objected and it was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Senator Smoot is quoted as saying: "I objected to the resolution because I was under the impression that the House of Representatives had directed a similar investigation to be made. I find, upon inquiry, that no such action has been taken in the House. Perhaps it will be better now to have the matter taken up in its order by the Committee on Commerce and then referred to the Senate."

"Harlem Fantasies" Musical Extravaganza, to Be In January

By Everett Wadsworth
YOUNG STAGE TALENT
PREPARES FOR GALA SHOW

Twenty-five young enthusiastic actors of school and college age are rehearsing earnestly two night after week preparing to dazzle the city with a new idea of stage show and entertainment heretofore unknown to Des Moines theatre goers. The forthcoming musical extravaganza "Harlem Fantasies," three acts of mirth, melody and novel presentation, to be given Thursday, January 12th, at the Jewish Community Center, promises to be the dramatic success of the current season.

Ambassadors Sponsor Production

The Ambassadors, local social club of young men, is sponsoring this elaborate affair. Night life, cabarets, society club dance band, blues singing, ultra modern dancing of the red-hot variety, with a well-chosen cast of local talent backed by a stage setting of appropriate scenes of dais, color and splendor, will all be included in the ninety minutes of fast moving song and dance. "Georgia Gigolos" will really strut on Lenox Avenue.

Well Known Entertainers

The personalities include: Miss Cornell, radio blues singer; Vincent Wilson, tenor extraordinary; the Leroy Lee and Fred Thomas duo comedy team; Ambassador Quartette; Grace Coyle, petite singer and dancer with "Hot Feet" Moore, supported by a talented company.

Negro Choirs To Broadcast Xmas

New York, Dec. 23.—The Eva Jessye Choir will be presented in a special broadcast Xmas Day at 7 P. M. (E. S. T.) over WJZ of New York City over a nationwide hookup.

For the first time will be revealed the part played by the dark races of the earth in the Nativity. Baltasar, the Black Magi, will be portrayed by Frank Wilson, noted actor.

The entire episode will be narrated in Negro spirituals.

KSO, the Register & Tribune station, is the only local station included in the Blue network.

TUSKEGEE CHOIR IN ROXY SERIES OPENS CHRISTMAS DAY

New York (CNS).—A new Christmas oratorio, "Voices of Millions," by Desider D'Antalfy, will be presented on the stage of Radio City Music Hall at 12:15 p. m., on Christmas Day as the first of a series of symphonic concerts.

The oratorio will be sung by four noted soloists, a children's chorus, an "Angels' Chorus" and the combined singing ensembles of the Radio City Music Hall and the Tuskegee Choir of 125 voices.

Garner Speech Hotly Challenged

New York, Dec. 23.—Attempt by Dr. Harry W. Chase, President of the University of Illinois, to excuse and explain the "white domination" speech made in Atlanta, November 26, by Professor James W. Garner, has drawn a reply from the N. A. A. C. P., inquiring whether the professor did or did not make the remarks quoted by the Associated Press.

The N. A. A. C. P. brushes aside the contention that Professor Garner is a "humanitarian" and has been kind to individual Negro students, saying: "The issue goes far deeper than that. One can be most charming in personal manner and most kindly and benevolent, but yet deny fundamental citizenship rights which would keep the objects of his kind benevolence eternally in a position of inferiority. . . . Professor Garner proposes elimination of the racial issue from politics by elimination of the Negro from participation as a voter. . . . The point at issue is whether or not Professor Garner made the statements attributed to him in direct quotes by the New York Times and the Associated Press."

Fla. Governor to Prosecute Floggers

New York, December 23.—Governor Doyle E. Carlton of Florida has written to the N. A. A. C. P. in reply to its communication of December 2, giving assurance that the brutal flogging of two citizens of Clearwater will have his early attention and saying: "I am calling upon the proper officials for a prompt investigation of the matter and punishment of the guilty parties."

Winter Tourists Leave City

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Lone Negro Robs LeMars, Ia., Bank

Oyens, Iowa.—The Plymouth County Bank here was robbed of \$220 in cash Tuesday morning by a lone Negro bandit who escaped in a blue model A Ford sedan.

The man, described as about five feet, two inches in height, entered the bank at 9:30 A. M. while Peter Fisch, cashier, was alone in the building.

The bandit flourished a gun and demanded "all the cash." He commanded Fisch to lie on the floor while he scooped up all the money in the cash drawer. The vault door was locked. No one saw the robber leave the bank.

Location—Oyens is in Plymouth County, about six miles northeast of LeMars, the county seat.

Twelve This Year—Robbery of the Oyens bank Tuesday was the twelfth successful raid on Iowa banks in 1932. Two of the robberies occurred at night.

Dixie Sheriffs Slay Three In Cold Blood

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 23.—Determined to crush the share-croppers' union, an organization formed to protect the interests of tenants from the avarice and greed of unfair landlords, rich farmers have launched a program of intimidation and terror which they hope will whip the poor worker back into bondage.

Following the failure to convict Luther Hughley, leader of the union, who was charged with vagrancy, more effective methods have been employed, and Monday three men were shot to death near Cliff James' farm, 12 miles out from Tallahassee.

Six Others Arrested

Sheriff Sam Stearns said, on his return here Monday night from Tallahassee, that the men had been killed in skirmishes with officers and possemen in Tallapoosa county and that six had been arrested.

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Flu Kills Three From One Family

In the terrific wave of the flu epidemic which has stricken the nation with prolonged sub-zero weather, one Des Moines family was the victim of three deaths all occurring within a few hours. Joyce Marie, 2 years, and James Edward, 13 months, children of Mr. and Mrs. French Brown, Jr., of 102 Arthur Avenue, died Saturday evening after a brief illness. Mrs. Elizabeth McCraven, mother of Mrs. Brown, passed away at the same time with the flu.

Funeral services for the three were held from the Wilson Funeral Home Tuesday afternoon with Rev. J. A. Alexander, of St. Paul Church, in charge, assisted by Rev. G. W. Robinson of Corinthian. Interment was at Glendale Cemetery.

Howard University Gets Another Cut

DECREASED APPROPRIATIONS
ASKED FOR HOWARD
UNIVERSITY AND
FREEDMEN'S HOSPITAL

Washington—(CNS)—Among the local institutions that are facing cuts in their appropriations for the next fiscal year, are Howard University and Freedmen's Hospital. Howard appropriation is set at \$632,500 a slash of \$420,500 as compared with last year. Freedmen's Hospital is down for \$276,130, a cut of \$17,350.

Congressman DePriest, however, on December 16th, asked the House for an additional appropriation of \$460,000 in the Interior Department supply bill to provide a power and heating plant for Howard University and Freedmen's Hospital.

The item was stricken from the Interior estimates by the Budget Bureau, Representative Frank Murphy (Rep.), Ohio, and Representative Burton L. French (Rep.), Idaho, supported DePriest in his request.

Insurance Company Deep 'In the Red'

ACTUARIES SAY
NATIONAL BENEFIT'S
DEFICIT IS \$4,014,678

Washington—(CNS)—The startling sum of \$4,014,678 is estimated as the deficit of the National Benefit Life Insurance Company, by the actuaries working under the order of the receivers.

The report was filed in the District Supreme Court on Thursday, December 15th, and represents the status of the company as of September 9, 1931. In the report attention is called to the fact that although the statement was carefully prepared, it cannot be used as a substantial basis for forecasting the future of individual claimants.

There is no present market for many of the bonds and mortgages, but increased values may come with improved financial conditions.

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Agnes Mathews Secures Position With I.S. Board

Mrs. Agnes Mathews of 178 Sheridan Avenue, Bystander society editor, has secured a position in the stenographic department of the Des Moines School Board and began work last Thursday. She was well recommended by the leading business people to Superintendent J. W. Studebaker as one of the best typists in the city.

Mrs. Mathews graduated from North High and the University of Commerce; she was employed in the offices of Chas. P. Howard, law firm, for many years and was society editor for the Bystander for three years.

Besides being well known for her business efficiency, Mrs. Mathews is a member of the leading clubs and is a popular young matron of the city's social set. She belongs to several choral groups and is member of St. Paul A. M. E. Church. Last year, Mrs. Mathews was elected state secretary of the Iowa Federation of Colored Women's Clubs.

Negroes Tells Mayor Cermak

APPOINTMENTS WILL TEST
DEMOCRATS GOOD FAITH

Chicago, December 23.—Mayor Antonio Cermak of Chicago as Democratic National Committeeman, has been notified by the Chicago branch of the N. A. A. C. P., that appointments to office of properly qualified colored citizens, will constitute a test of the Democratic party's recognition of the citizenship needs of Negroes.

"That they (colored voters) gave the Democratic party a greater measure of support than ever before," says the letter, "is indicative of their interest in Democratic government and should commend them for participation in the administrative functions of the various offices which your party now controls by virtue of the people's mandate. We submit the argument that quantitative representation in proportion to population is good from the standpoint of civic welfare and urge upon you, the appointment of Negroes to positions in each of the various departments of government."

New Civic Group Organized Here

Representatives from all sections of the city met at the Crocker Street Y. M. C. A. Friday night and formed a new civic organization to take care of the social, civic and industrial interests of Negroes. The Ministerial Alliance sponsored the meeting.

The new organization is to be known as the Des Moines Civic Institute. Its officers are the Rev. H. L. Overton, president; Gertrude E. Rush, vice president; Mrs. Joan Bullock, secretary; the Rev. A. Rose Brent, treasurer; and Luther H. Smith, press correspondent.

Members of the executive committee are Fred Morrow, Charles P. Howard, Mrs. S. Joe Brown and H. Dudley. The club is to meet monthly.

CHOCOLATE NOW MATCHED TO FIGHT BRITISH CHAMPION

New York—(CNS)—Arrangements are being made for Kid Chocolate to defend his featherweight title against Seaman Watson the British title holder in Madison Square Garden, January 27th. In the eyes of the New York State Athletic Commission Chocolate is the featherweight champion.

Second Negro Appoint- ment Made By Bane

By the Staff Writer

Among the ten policemen certified Thursday by Roscoe P. Bane, public safety commissioner, James L. McGuire, well known deputy sheriff, 1320 Laurel St., successfully passed the test and was appointed as a member of the Des Moines police force. His grade averaged 85.3 per cent, weight of 161 lbs., and height of 5 feet 11 1/2 inches.

For the past ten years Mr. McGuire was deputy sheriff under Park Findley and Sheriff C. F. Keeling. He has lived here all his life and attended West High School where he was an outstanding athlete in football and track.

His favorite diversion is golf and is a member of the Valley Golf Club which has competed in several tournaments. Mr. McGuire is an artist of

recognized ability and has won several awards. He designed the memorial to Dewey Marshall, officer-killed several years ago in the line of duty, which now hangs in the office of the sheriff.

Mr. McGuire is a World War veteran, enlisting May, 1917, with 370th infantry, old 8th Illinois regiment. He belongs to the Lincoln Post of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. He is a Mason, is married and has one son, James Lloyd, Jr.

This makes the second Negro appointment made by Commissioner Bane since March. The first one was Ben Rich, appointed at the start of the second term of Mr. Bane. Des Moines is indeed fortunate to have a courageous official in its public safety department who recognizes merit and ability regardless of race, color or creed.

Bundle Drive to Start Next Week

The annual old clothing bundle drive conducted by the four local posts of the American Legion to be distributed among the unemployed of the city will open Tuesday, December 27, for two weeks. The Lincoln Post No. 126 and ladies auxiliary will maintain a substation at the Community Center, Fifteenth and Crocker Streets.

The committee announces that there is urgent need for blankets, comforts and other articles of bedding as well as clothing of all sizes. W. V. Windsor, post-commander, and Mrs. E. R. Hall, president of auxiliary, has charge.

ALPHA PHI ALPHA CONCLAVE TO MEET IN WASHINGTON CHRISTMAS

Washington (CNS).—The Nation's Capital, city of beauty, has been selected as the convention city for the gathering of the clan of Alpha Phi Alpha during the approaching holidays. Not since 1912 has Washington been host to a convention of the oldest and largest of Negro college fraternities. Yet it was here that the second chapter Etta, was organized in 1907 by Eugene Knicker Jones, after the establishment of the mother chapter at Cornell University in 1906.

C. Heath Wins Welter Crown

Welterweight Title Scrap Thriller

Amid flying leather and knockdowns galore, champions in six weight divisions were crowned city titlists in the final round of the local amateur boxing tournament at the Punch Forum Monday night.

Fighter Is Hero

Carroll Heath, Negro boxer who was forced to spot his opponent some seven pounds in weight, was one of the highlights on the card, knocking out Bob Pike in the final round of their three-round go-for the welter crown. He was an entry in the state fray last year in the lightweight division.

Wins by Knockout

After drawing in the initial frame, Carroll Heath, flashy Negro amateur, turned the tide in his favor in the second round with a well directed body attack that nearly chilled Bob Pike. Pike, however, came back but ran into Heath's right hand in the third and took a kayo count on the canvass, giving Heath the welter crown.

The winners were awarded trips to Chicago to participate in the Golden Gloves Tournament.

Rev. Green Trans- ferred to Ottumwa

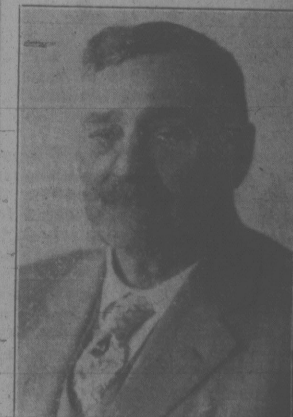
(Special to the Bystander)

Ottumwa, Iowa, Dec. 23.—Rev. E. P. Green, former pastor of the Bethel Baptist Church of Manly, has been assigned the pastorate of the Second Baptist Church of Ottumwa. He began his duties as pastor, Sunday, December 18th. The Manly congregation showered the pastor and family with many gifts before their departure.

PAUL ROBESON LISTED IN THE INTERNATIONAL WHO'S WHO

New York (CNS).—The International Who's Who for 1933 just published, containing 25,000 world notables, includes the name of Paul Robeson, "singer and actor and former all-American football player at Rutgers."

John Stewart Helps Poor



JOHN M. STEWART

Des Moines citizens are indeed fortunate to have in charge of its county relief work a man of the caliber of John M. Stewart, chairman of the pauper committee of the Board of Supervisors.

With the widespread economic depression sweeping the cities' unfortunate, Des Moines is much better situated than most cities. Mr. Stewart has complete charge of the east side commissary and through the abnormal sub-zero weather, he has done heroic work and valiant service in aiding the city's needy.

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FOR XMAS AND ALL TIMES

Two years ago, the Interracial Commission of Des Moines adopted a manifesto of good will which was approved by the Ministerial Alliance. The press, local and foreign, gave considerable publicity to it; many editors heralding the sentiments a long step in better racial understanding.

So well does it set forth what ought to be the sentiment and practice of the people today that we reprint it here:

Manifesto of Good Will

"Prompted by the Christmas spirit of peace and good will, gratefully acknowledging the Golden Rule, honoring the declaration of equality proclaimed by our revolutionary fathers, supporting the constitution and laws of our state guaranteeing equal privileges and opportunities, and mindful of the dictates of our own better natures.

"We, the undersigned, publicly pledge for ourselves and respectfully urge upon others that a friendlier and more tolerant attitude be cultivated among the races destined to live side by side in this community; that every individual be judged solely on the basis of individual character and conduct, irrespective of race, creed, or color; and that influenced by this standard alone, owners, proprietors and patrons more cheerfully grant to men, women and children of every color and nationality, the privileges now granted to those of their own race in all public places such as churches, theatres, eating houses, hotels, lecture halls, colleges and schools."

No law out of sympathy with the thinking of a country can be enforced. It is generally known that we have laws guaranteeing us every right but the public has not been educated to think that way. But sentiment is getting better and it is just such things like this which make it. We cannot get this manifesto before the public too often.

XMAS SPIRIT

Another Christmas is with us. With millions of men out of work and the country upset, one naturally wonders what will happen in the homes of many of those whose families have been reasonably comfortable in the past.

Our business and social groups have had this in mind so much that in most communities the situation will be well cared for. Des Moines is particularly fortunate. Polk County and the Family Social Service have done heroic work providing food, coal, housing and clothing for the unfortunate. While no perfect system can be devised, generally the job has been done well.

Recently Christmas, Inc., a group formed to provide toys, clothing and food for Christmas cheer, was organized. A big unselfish job they undertook. It looks as if they are going to make a good job of their work. The wise men brought gifts to the Baby Christ Jesus 1932 years ago; in 1932 the spirit of Christ in the big-hearted people is bringing gifts to their less fortunate brothers.

THE BEER BILL

Congress has passed a bill legalizing beer with 3.2 alcoholic contents. While the Bystander

HEALTH TALKS Weekly Interview

Dr. H. H. London

INFLUENZA

The seriousness of individual cases of influenza and of epidemics when the disease becomes widespread makes it necessary to keep certain of its aspects in mind. Breaking out with great severity and affecting a very great

many people every thirty years with an epidemic fifteen years back and a winter showing an increasing number of severe cases, it seems timely to mention some things which may exert some restraint on this disabling and sometimes fatal malady. Contagion playing as it does quite a role in the spread of infection does not seem to outweigh the resistance to the infection. In the fall and winter and especially in times when the disease is on the increase an attempt should be made to increase this resistance to infection and this can be done very easily by increasing certain foods or substances in the diet. It has been determined that a deficiency in vitamin A when there is a sufficiency in all other vitamins leads to certain diseases and an easy susceptibility to all infectious diseases. That is to say a well balanced diet with a variety of foods with an excess in butter, raw carrots, eggs, cream and milk (cow's milk, fresh milk, dried milk, evaporated milk), spinach, water cress cod liver oil and olive oil, will increase the resistance to the extent where influenza will be very difficult to take. A gargle once or twice daily will be an additional prophylactic means of warding off this infection.

JUDGE TONEY SUCCEEDS IN OUSTING CORNELIUS HUGHES FROM CLERKSHIP

New York (CNS). — The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court handed down a decision on Friday, December 8, ordering the removal of Cornelius Hughes, well known Harlem Democrat, from his \$4,000 position as deputy clerk of the 10th District Municipal Court. The complaint against Hughes was made by Justice Charles E. Toney, one of the two Negro judges of this court. The complaint was based on the fact that Hughes had attacked the judge in his monthly paper, "The Fraternal Review", for a decision handed down in a landlord and tenant case.

PAYS INSTALLMENTS 20 YEARS TO GET SEALSKIN COAT

Indianapolis, Ind. (CNS). An official of a local department store here relates the following story for a place in the "believe it or not" series of stories.

"A Negro woman who scrubbed floors and washed clothes for twenty years to make payments weekly on a sealskin coat costing \$1,000, has paid the last installment and received the garment.

A score of years ago, according to the store managers, the woman, whose name they refused to divulge, selected the garment and had it placed in the lay-away department. When she paid off her bill recently, it was discovered the coat she had chosen—a 1912 model—had been lost. She was satisfied, however, when the management replaced it with a 1932 style jacket-length sealskin.

favors the repeal of the 18th amendment with a provision which would keep out the open saloon, it does not favor nullifying the constitution in order to gain more revenue to balance the budget. This is dangerous business which in the end may prevent the repeal of the prohibition amendment.

Obviously the country is ready for a change. But that change should come in an orderly constitutional way and not by short cuts as are contemplated in these beer and wine bills. It is not likely that the bill will become a law at this session. In the meantime the sane legislators may have an opportunity to do the job as it should be.

By Senator E. Whitaker

Santa Claus' mail, by now, has reached a big heap. And among his mail will be found letters written to him by the following youngsters. In spite of the hardships Santa has endured during the depression, he has had demands imposed upon him that reminds one of times in prosperity. But in which period is it a more appropriate time to express our true Christmas spirit—than now?

Betty Mae Weston, age 6, 1433 Fremont St., and her twin brother, Bobby Eugene, have prevailed upon their mother to write Old Santa a letter requesting Xmas pretties. Betty said, "I want Santa to bring me a new doll, because I broke the one he gave me last Xmas, a table and some chairs, a doll buggy and some candy". Betty said that Old St. Nick would use the same transportation he has used for ages, viz.: his reindeer and sleigh. She is going to get that the fire is put out on Xmas eve so Santa won't get burned. Bobby destined to be a mechanical genius, said, "I want an electric train, automobile, wagon, and airplane." Strange, but true, Bobby doesn't like candy.

In old Santa's bag will be the most unusual gift and that will go to a very unusual girl, little Edna Mae Jenkins, age 4, 1416 Fremont, who wants Santa to bring her a Yo-Yo and of course awnts "a doll with eyes that open and close and a rocking chair."

Alberta, Edward, Delbert and Helen Roberts, ages 4, 6, 7, and 10, respectively, expect Santa to stop at their home where he will find Lucille Thomas, age 9, a cousin to the Roberts. Eloise Morrow, age 7, said, "I want Santa to bring me a writing desk, a chair to go with it, a doll, and a little doll trunk." Eloise has sent her letter to go with it, a doll, and a little doll trunk.

Religion has its skeptics, but so does our Santa Claus legend. Betty Stewart, age 10, 1317 Day, is about to be a skeptic and her future belief in Santa is to be determined by his appearance and generosity in her home this Xmas eve. He will at least have to be generous as she said, "I want a dress, doll, buggy, story book, paint box, and table". When Santa comes to Betty's home, he'll not only find her stocking in which to place toys, but also her shoes.

BRINGS ASHES OF FRIEND HOME FROM EUROPE

New York (CNS). — Mrs. Ada Wright, mother of two of the youthful defendants in the Scottsboro, Alabama, alleged assault case has just returned from Moscow bringing home the ashes of J. Louis Engdahl, former chairman of the International Labor Defense.

Engdahl died of pneumonia last month after a tour of Europe with a delegation which included, Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Mary Mooney, mother of Tom Mooney.

DR. TURNER OUSTED AS PRESIDENT OF CATHOLIC FEDERATION

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Literary Spotlights

By Senator E. Whitaker

The date of our Christmas festival is a chosen one and what could be the reason for selecting December 25 rather than any other day for this occasion? The Gospels, always meagre in dates, were silent here. Oral tradition was equally fetid and indifferent. However, ancient writers

give a few suggestions regarding the date of the birth of Christ; but these are of late origin, probably unhistorical, and above all contradictory. Clement of Alexandria claimed that many Christians reared the 20th of May as the date of nativity, others preferred the 20th of April, but he favored the 19th of November. Still others fixed March 21st as the date of the birth of Christ. There being no specific historical date on which to depend, nothing was left for the church to do but select some day of universal convenience and symbolic significance and celebrate it by common consent as Christmas day.

As it was assumed that the world was made in the spring, because it was commanded to bring forth grass and herbs and that it was made when light and darkness were divided, it was quite natural to fix the vernal equinox (March 25, according to Julian Calendar) as the exact date of the creation.

Having discovered, by this easy method, the very day on which the world was created, it was very simple to assume that it was on this same day the power of the Providence overshadowed Mary, and the "Light-spring from on high" began His entrance into the world. Could anything be plainer? Even the least imaginative of chroniclers could reckon forward from this point of the Annunciation nine months, and arrive at December 25th, as the day of the birth of Jesus. Here a remarkable coincidence meets Christ. For this is the day of winter solstice, the day when darkness begins to lessen and the light begins to grow; the day which the ancient world had long celebrated as the fifth of the sun. Could a more fitting day be found for the birth of the "sun of Righteousness?" "Behold, my brethren," said St. Augustine, "another instance of the wondrous fulfillment of the Scripture. St. John the Baptist was born on June 26th, the summer solstice, when the sun begins to decline. The Lord Jesus is born on December 25, the winter solstice, when the sun begins to ascend. And in this is fulfilled the saying, 'He must increase, but I must decrease.'"

its annual convention in New York City last September. The change was made over the objection of Dr. Thomas W. Turner, its president. This caused friction and now the executive committee has deposed Mr. Turner, charging him with having accepted re-election of the presidency of the federation knowing that it was committed to an interracial policy but later caused newspaper articles to be published deprecating the idea and attacking the influence of priests in the affairs of the organization.

Dr. Turner was at one time a member of the faculty of Howard University at present he is a professor of biology at Hampton Institute, the leader in the organization of the Federation several years ago, and has up to the present been its head.

He gained wide publicity because of his uncompromising stand for equality in the various educational institutions of the American Catholic Church, and also insisted on the education of colored aspirants for the priesthood. This brought active opposition from the white clergy of the church.

Dr. Turner was ousted at a meet-

ing of the executive committee of the federation at Chicago last Sunday called by George W. B. Conrad, of Cincinnati, first vice-president.

TO ENLIST NEGROES

AS MESSENGERS IN UNITED STATES ARMY

Washington — (CNS) — The Navy Department has authorized an enlistment quota of two Negroes each month for the messman branch of the United States Navy from certain states. Selections are now being made for applicants in North and South Carolina. Applicants for the messman branch must be between 21 and 27 years of age and unmarried. Men with previous hotel, restaurant or domestic service experience will be given consideration in making selections.

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The corporation commenced business on the 1st day of January, A. D. 1932, at an o'clock A. M. of said day, at which time said above described property is hereby advertised to be sold and pay off the amount of said execution, with interest and costs, I will sell said property, or sufficient thereof to satisfy said execution, with interest and costs, at public outcry, to the highest bidder, at the east front door of the Court House, in Des Moines, Iowa, for cash in hand to pay off said execution.

By R. L. HANSON, Sheriff of Polk County, Iowa.

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Society and Clubs= Churches, News, Features

Mrs. Beatrice Alexander New Society Editor

Mrs. Beatrice Alexander, 3635 Cornell Ave., will be in charge of the society and clubs department of the Iowa Bystander. She was formerly employed at the State Republican Headquarters.

Fifth Annual Art Exhibit a Success

In spite of the cold wintry winds and inclement weather, the Fifth Annual Art Exhibit, held at the Community Center, Friday, December 16, was a grand success. One hundred and fifty pieces of all kinds of art work were displayed by 42 exhibitors. Miss Cornelia Leonard received first prize for her art work in pastel crayons; Charles Richardson, first in oil painting. Everett Clay exhibited some beautiful pieces of cut woodwork. The Three Purpose Club had charge of the program.

Wave of Illness Attacks Office Force

Mrs. Agnes Matthew, society editor, was confined to her home Monday afternoon with an attack of the flu. She returned to work Tuesday.

Everett Wadsworth, news editor, who was ill for three days last week with a cold and tooth infection has returned to work.

Girls' Quintette Broadcast from KSO

The popular Blue Triangle quintette was a part of the Merchants of Melody program at eight o'clock last Wednesday evening over Register & Tribune radio station KSO. A large crowd attended the premier performance of this weekly variety feature.

The personnel includes: The Misses Dora Elva Mackay, Wanda Henry, Verna Jean White, Lessie Henry and Cecelia Williams, assisted by Bobby Parker.

Swanee Four Quartette to Sing for V. F. W.

The Swanee Four Quartette will appear Wednesday evening, December 28th, for the benefit of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post No. 738. This group sang previously under the name of the Capital City Quartette. They have appeared on programs for the Chamber of Commerce and over two broadcasting stations, WHO and KSO.

The personnel includes: Messrs. William Fields, second tenor and Manager; Paris Skanes, first tenor; Lloyd Morton, baritone, and Sam Walker, bass.

Missionary Union Elects Officers

The City Missionary Union met last week and elected the following officers for the new year: Mrs. Jessie Roberts, pres.; Mrs. Frye, vice-pres.; Mrs. H. Dudley, secretary; Mrs. Opal Dawsey, ast. secy.; Mrs. Howard, treasurer; Mrs. Susie Bryant, chairman of program committee. Board members elected are: Mesdames Stewart, Mary White, Fowler, Jackson and Bailey.

Mrs. Bogan Hostess To Jolly Twelve Club

The Jolly Twelve club met December 15, at the home of Mrs. Helen Bogan, 833 E. Twelfth St. Plans were made for their annual turkey dinner and Xmas trees at the residence of Mrs. Essie Davis, 1115 Eleventh St., December 22, at which their husbands are guests. Prizes were awarded Mesdames Belle Dacus and Zetta Scott. Mrs. Della Robinson was invited guest.

Clubs to Form City Federation

Mrs. Lillian Edmunds, first vice president of the Iowa State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, is calling a meeting of the representatives of the city clubs to meet at the Community Center, Wednesday, December 28, at 8:00 p. m., to organize a city federation. Each club is asked to send three representatives.

Y. W. C. A. NOTES

Members of the World-Wide, True Blue, and Laugh, Love and Lift Girl Reserve Clubs and members of the Swastika Girls gave a combined Christmas basket as an indication of their appreciation of Christmas as a season of giving. The music committee invites all fun lovers to attend a carnival on Friday, December 30, 8:00 p. m. There will be music, entertainment, and food.

Mrs. Blondell Williams entertained the "Believe It or Not" Club Friday afternoon. Plans were made for a Christmas party to be held at the home of Mrs. Gertrude Johnson next Thursday afternoon. The Club will be entertained by Radio stations KSO and KFEQ.

Mrs. Adele McGuire was hostess to the Modernistic Club, Tuesday, Dec. 20th. The club is giving Xmas baskets to the needy.

The Royal Dukes met in regular session at the Community Center, Tuesday, December 20th.

Miss Minnie Matison was hostess to the T. O. L. Club, Friday, December 23rd.

The Six Sixty Club will meet January 11th, at the home of Mr. Clarence Coleman, 1311 Laurel St.

Dr. Wm. Ritchey, dentist, 517 Mulberry Street, was confined to his home for a few days this week with illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jones, 1048 Thirteenth Street, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Musette, to Mr. Edward W. Perkins, popular baritone, of this city.

Hunter Matthews, 148 Sheridan Avenue is confined to his bed with an attack of the flu.

Miss Wanda Henry, 1516 Illinois Street, has returned to school after several days of illness with the flu.

Mrs. Lenore Cunningham and Miss Blossom Rhone attended the Business Women's Banquet at the Central Y. W. C. A. More than three hundred business girls of Des Moines were present.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Walden, 3019 Amherst Street, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Aleynette O. Walden to Samuel Miller of this city. The marriage will take place January 17, 1933.

The Mary Church Terrell Club is planning a breakfast Monday morning, December 26, at the home of Mrs. A. A. Alexander, 2991 Fifth Ave., with Mesdames Alexander and Brooks as hostesses.

The Regal Contract Bridge Club met Friday, December 23, with Mrs. Minnie Clay, 1055 Seventeenth St.

The Junior Modernistic Club met Friday, December 23, at the Center and exchanged Christmas gifts.

The St. Simon's Episcopal Mission is having their Christmas tree, Friday, December 23, at the Community Center.

The American Legion and Auxiliary met Tuesday, December 20, at the Center.

The Mary Church Terrell Club met Monday, December 19, at the Center, with Mrs. J. Davis as hostess. The club is giving Christmas presents in the form of coal to the needy.

George Brown, 1516 Illinois Street, is convalescing after a severe attack of the flu. He has been ill for three weeks.

The Merry Widows Industrial Club will have their Christmas party, Saturday, December 31, at the home of Mrs. Mary M. Scott, 1040 Fourth St. Place. Mrs. Mary M. Scott, E. Thomas, secy.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Miller of 1408 E. Eighteenth Street, wish to express their thanks and appreciation for the generous shower given them at their home last Monday evening by the Usher Board of Corinthian Baptist Church. Several members of the family have been confined with the flu for a long time.

CORINTHIAN NEWS

By Adeline Wilson

"The Three Gems", a play presented at the Corinthian Baptist Church last Sunday evening, was enjoyed by a large and appreciative audience. It was written by Clara Webb, William Smith and Georgine E. Mason and was staged and directed by Miss Mason. The cast included: Martin, religious old cobbler, Ralph Crowder; a poor woman, Atrell Jett; a poor man, Jerome Southern; a cross sinner, William Smith, and a small boy, Junior Davis. The setting was located in Martin's room.

The Junior Choir of Corinthian, under the direction of Miss Beatrice Cassell, sang at intervals during the play. Orlando Anderson was vocal soloist. The solo by the brass trio was effective. The members were: Napoleon Morrow, trumpet, Arthur Terry, trumpet, and George Robinson, saxophone. The evening was concluded by a sermonette by the pastor, Rev. G. W. Robinson. The affair was sponsored by the Young People's Council.

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH

East Sixteenth and University Ave. Rev. Jordan W. Tutt, Pastor Sunday School at 9:45. Preaching at 11:00. Sermon title: "Christ's Advent in the Flesh." The B. Y. P. U. meeting at 6:00. Sermon at 7:45. Title: "Christ the Only Source of Eternal Life." Monday evening, Official Board meeting. Saturday evening: Business, Fellowship and Watch meeting, beginning at 9:00 P. M. Open House for the pastor, Monday from 10:00 A. M. to 10:00 P. M. Wednesday evening, prayer service. Thursday evening at 7:30, Bible class. A Style Show will be held at the church Tuesday evening at 8:00. Chairwoman Mrs. Lillian Cooper; Benefit, pastor and Building Fund. The Ladies' Usher's Board met at the home of Mrs. Gladys Barker, 1330 Stewart St., Monday evening. A dainty two-course luncheon was served. Mr. N. Houston, president, Mrs. Lillian Mae Cooper, secretary.

The Willing Workers' Club will have their Christmas Exchange Party at the home of the president, Mrs. Bessie Payne, 1305 Locust St., Thursday evening at 8:00.

The J. W. Tutt Club will meet Tuesday evening. Mrs. Clara Houston, president, Mrs. Ruby Banks, secretary.

All the departments of the church's activities will make their annual report and submit the names of their elective officers for the ensuing year, to the official Board for confirmation.

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OBITUARY

Mrs. Elizabeth Bradford Thomas was born in Salsbury, Missouri, in 1869, and died in Des Moines, Iowa, December 16, 1932, at the age of 65. She joined the A. M. E. church at an early age. In 1888 she was married to Andy Thomas and to this union nine children were born. She is survived by her husband, three daughters, five sons, a brother, sister, and other relatives and friends. Funeral services were held Monday, December 19th, in charge of Rev. J. J. Evans of Bethel, from the L. Fowler and Son Funeral Home. The body was shipped to Lawrence, Kansas, for burial.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for the kindness shown at the time of the death of our loved one, Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas. We wish to thank our friends for the beautiful floral display and donation of cars, Rev. Evans for his consoling remarks and to L. Fowler and Son for their efficient services.

Andy Thomas, husband, and Family.

OBITUARY

Joyce Marie Brown was born in Des Moines, Iowa, May 18, 1930, and died December 17, 1932, at the age of two years. James Edward Brown was born in Des Moines, November 18, 1931, and died December 17, 1932, at the age of 13 months. They are survived by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. French Brown, Jr., sister, Marian, brother Eugene, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. French Brown and other relatives.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for the sympathy shown at the illness and death of our children, Joyce Marie and James Edward. We also thank our friends for the donation of cars and floral offerings, Rev. Alexander and Robinson for their consoling remarks and to Tug Wilson and his assistants for their most efficient services.

Mr. and Mrs. French Brown, Jr. Parents.

OBITUARY

Elizabeth Reeves was born May 8, 187, in Charlottesville, Va., and died December 17, 1932, in Des Moines, Iowa. She was married to Harry McCraven in 1900 and to this union four children were born. One preceded her in death two years ago. She is survived by a daughter, Gladys Brown, two sons, Marcus and Milton, two sisters, Mary Drenshaw, Anna Reeves, two brothers, William and Floyd Reeves and six grandchildren, two of whom passed away with her.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from the Wilson Funeral home with the Rev. A. A. Alexander of St. Paul in charge, assisted by Rev. G. W. Robinson, of Corinthian. Interment was at Glendale.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for the sympathy shown at the illness and at the time of the death of our loved one, Mrs. McCraven and for their floral offerings and donation of cars. We thank Rev. Alexander and Robinson for their consoling remarks, Mrs. Vivian Parker and Miss Inez Stevens for their vocal solos, and Tug Wilson and his assistants for their most efficient services.

Harry McCraven, Husband, Milton and Marcus, Sons, Mary Drenshaw and Anna Reeves, Sisters.

Mrs. Clara Adams of Kansas City, Mo., was house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Walker, 1105 School Street, last Tuesday evening. The guest and hostesses were schoolmates. Those sharing the courtesy included Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Thompson and Mrs. Willard Windsor.

The Larks Sewing Club met with Mrs. Lelia Walker, 1105 School Street, on last Friday. Mrs. Emma Mayweather, President and Lulu Weeks, Secretary.

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MORAN, IOWA; NEWS

By Mrs. Ernest Devan

Greetings from Moran. Rev. J. H. Ross finished a year of pastorate at St. John's Baptist Church this month. Twenty-two members have joined and three deacons have been ordained during this time. With Rev. Ross, Elder James Jacobs, of Church of God in Christ, also sends a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year to all.

FORT DODGE NEWS

By Earline Southall

The Seeds of Kindness Club of the Second Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. Rose Guy, Thursday. A Christmas program was rendered by members of the club. Funeral services were held Saturday for Mrs. Ruth Kennett, formerly Miss Ruth Johnson. Rev. Mac McCormick is visiting here for a few days. Rev. Davis, pastor of the Second Baptist Church, preached a soul-stirring sermon Sunday morning. Mr. John Haynes is ill. Mrs. Agnes Lewis remains on the sick list.

METCALFE IS AMONG CANDIDATES FOR SPORT AWARD

New York—(CNS)—The name of Ralph Metcalfe, American 100 and 200 meter champion is one of the ten names submitted to the Sullivan Memorial Committee to decide the winner of the James Sullivan Memorial Medal for 1932.

The tribunal, composed of a group of 600 leaders in the world of sports, will vote on the award and the athlete receiving the most ballots will be given the medal.

Beautifully lithographed 1933 calendars in striking color contrasts with photos of the establishment and its members, are now ready for distribution by L. Fowler & Son, funeral directors, 1701 Walker-Street, phone 6-2713, and Tug Wilson, proprietor of the Wilson Funeral Home, 846 Fourteenth street, phone 3-5726.

If you haven't received your calendar, they will be glad to deliver one to you at your call. They are given as compliments of the Funeral Homes.

NOTICE OF EXPIRATION OF RIGHT OF REDEMPTION

TO W. A. DOOLITTLE, REHMANN BROS., HAWKEYE COMPANY, JESSIE STATER, LEROY STATER, ZELLA DOOLITTLE, in whose name the within described real estate is taxed.

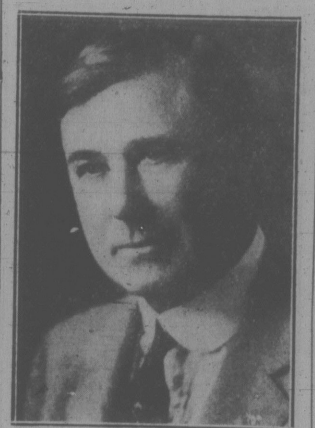
You are hereby notified that on December 15th, A. D. 1932, the following described real estate situated in Polk County, Iowa, to-wit: Lot two hundred three (203), Delaware Place, an official plat now included in and forming a part of the City of Des Moines.

was sold at a regular Tax Sale, by the Treasurer of said County to Frank S. Wells for the then delinquent and unpaid taxes of the year 1928, thereon; that the undersigned Frank S. Wells is now the legal owner and holder of the certificate of purchase pursuant to the above mentioned sale, and that the right of redemption will expire and a deed for the said real estate will be made unless redemption is made from said sale within ninety days from the completed service hereof.

Dated December 18th, 1932.

FRANK S. WELLS, B. H. Agent, J. H. Olson.

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The Season's Greetings and best wishes to all readers of the Bystander

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RECTOR BACKS N. A. A. C. P. IN FIGHT ON NURSE JIM CROW

New York, Dec. 16.—L. H. King, Rector of St. Mark's M. E. Church, backing up the N. A. A. C. P. in the fight being made against the discrimination being practiced against colored nurses under the administration of J. G. Greeff, Commissioner of Hospitals.

New York, Dec. 16.—Decision Tuesday by Supreme Court Justice John R. Vunk, awarding \$30,000 damages to Gustave Bensen (white), 42-year-old Belmore, Long Island farmer, in a \$50,000 alienation suit against William Jackson, wealthy Negro contractor, revealed, needless to say, a situation unequalled in Nassau county records.

Richard Benson, 12-year-old son of the farmer, testifying against his own mother, told of meetings between her and the race contractor over a period of more than a year.

Klan Is Active

In the meantime the countryside has been deeply stirred by the latest miscegenation scandal. A meeting Tuesday night of 800 Ku Klux Klansmen of Nassau county is believed to be the reasons by William Jackson, who is 36 years old, did not appear in supreme court, Minneola, to fight the suit of Gustave Bensen.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 16.—At its annual meeting last week the Texas State Teachers association (white) invited the State Association of Colored Teachers to take charge of its concluding program, and came out in large numbers to hear, and gave the Negro speakers and singers a great ovation.

Members of the white association, who arranged for this feature of the program were enthusiastic about the results. The occasion was felt to be significant as indicating and strengthening a fine sense of sympathy and cottons.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 16.—Robert Harris, self-styled "king" of a fantastic religious cult, was removed to the hospital at Ionia for the criminal insane Wednesday. Harris had been committed to the Ionia institution by Judge John Scallen of recorder's court after he had been declared insane by a sanity commission composed of three local physicians.

ADA WRIGHT SAILS WITH ENGBAHL ASHES

Bremerhaven, Germany.—Bearing the ashes of J. Louis Engdahl, late national chairman of the International Labor Defense, the American delegation to the World Congress of the International Red Aid which was recently held in Moscow, U. S. S. R., set sail for New York on the Bremen, Thursday, December 8. The delegation includes Mrs. Ada Wright, mother of Roy and Andy Wright, two of the Scottsboro boys, Carl Hacker, national organizer of the International Labor Defense, and Mariam Brooks, youth delegate from California.

Washington, D. C. (CNA).—In the teeth of a show of armed force by the government such as has seldom been seen except in wartime, three thousand elected delegates of the jobless paraded through Washington on December 6 and forced government officials to receive the demands of the unemployed. About 40 per cent of the total number of delegates were Negroes.

This year, as last year, the hunger marchers broke through all Jim Crow barriers on the way, and achieved complete unity of the Negro and white delegates. The delegation from Virginia forced the Salvation Army to feed and house the marchers together, although the Salvation Army made an attempt to Jim Crow the Negroes. The Birmingham delegates refused to al-

low the Negro members to be Jim Crowed at Asheville, N. C., and forced the city authorities to house them in one hotel.

The march through Washington and the presentation of the demands was followed by a conference at which plans were laid to carry on the struggle for relief and unemployment in-

By Allen Ashby

Local athletics as far as Des Moines Negroes were concerned proved several things. Among these being the fact that our Negro athletes are as good as the general run of white athletes in the city.

In basketball, the local Y league found the teams more evenly matched than ever before due partly to the fact teams were better organized. Union Baptist won the title for the third year nosing out St. Paul in a play of game after the two teams had tied during the regular schedule.

The Crocker Y team composed of the best players in the Sunday School league enjoyed one of the best seasons a Negro basketball team has ever known in this city, winning 13 out of 15 games against the leading white teams of the city. The Y team coached by the writer averaged over 30 points a game, totaling 478 points to their opponents 315. High spots were wins over the University of Commerce, and a two day series in Crookston, Minn., which marked the greatest distance ever travelled by a local Negro basketball team.

The Harlem Globe Trotters, a travelling team made life miserable for local teams and added much to the prestige of Negro athletes. Our high school had Negro players, Melvin Overton, of North, Earl Miller and Haywood Brewer at East. These boys were capable players, but not outstanding.

Track found Negroes enjoying their greatest success of the year in our local schools. Headed by Walter Thompson and Bob Webb of Drake, who won many points for their school, the list includes George Robinson, Melvin Overton, Leland Johnson, Linford Willis of North High and Earl Miller, Prezell Frazier, Emerson Redrick of East High.

The Crocker Y Sunday School meet was not up to the usual high standards of other years, but was a good meet. Ralph Metcalfe the "Marquette Meteor" also showed his waves at the Drake Relays in a manner that caused Negro hearts to swell with pride.

The baseball season was not such a success, due to the fact that too many teams were playing when there was about enough good material for one good club. Union Baptist maintained its strangle hold on the Sunday School title, after a sensational mid-season spurt by St. Paul, which resulted in a tie, making a post season play-off necessary.

Tennis found Negroes enjoying more than usual this great game. The Midwest Tennis club was organized and played several dual meets with local clubs while Earl Newcomb carried the club colors to the Mississippi Valley meet in Jefferson City, Mo., where he reached the quarter finals. Improved play made the city tournament a series of surprises which culminated in the breaking of the grip Chet Williamson and Allen Ashby held on the doubles title. The new champions are Earl Newcomb and Paul Wood who trimmed the defending champions in the semifinals. Chet Williamson kept his grip on the men's singles crown by downing Duke Proctor in the final round.

High spots in the golf season were the Midwest Tournament and the Missouri Valley meet, both of which brought some high class talent from other cities. Chas. P. Howard and the Lewis brothers, James McGuire and

Harry Walden were the best players in the city.

Football provided us with a year of good Negro school players and a crack semi-pro team. The exploits of Thompson, Webb, Coleman and Smith of Drake, the Johnson brothers, Leland and Orlando of North and Haywood Brewer and Emerson Redrick of East High are too fresh in mind to go over. But this amateur team coached by Lucius Ashby, old timer at East High, escaped notice mostly because it played out of town. The Des Moines Bulldogs played nine games, winning four, losing three and tying two against the strongest teams in the state, bringing their three year record up to 13 games won, 5 lost and 7 tied. Bunny Wilson, Toady Jackson, Bus Brown, James Allen, Paul Thomas, and Leon Bruce were consistent high class performers.

The year 1932 could truly be called the greatest year in the history of local Negro athletics and here's hoping that the coming year will prove an even greater one in every way.

Yancey, Ky., Dec. 16.—One of the most tragic mine disasters ever recorded in this state occurred here last Friday morning when 28 miners, 12 of them Negroes, lost their lives in the Zero mine of the Harlan Fuel company following a terrific explosion of coal dust which entombed the unfortunate victims.

Immediately after the explosion rescue workers and volunteers rushed into the pit and began a frantic search for the entombed men. The blast cut off communication with officials of the mine at the surface, and as the hunt

for the bodies continued the families of the trapped men rushed to the mouth of the pit, wives and mothers becoming hysterical as no immediate news came as to the fate of their loved ones.

Carrying gas masks, fire fighting apparatus and other equipment to aid them in clearing the underground passage blocked by the explosion, the rescuers worked with feverish haste, their efforts being made less hazardous by the absence of fire following the blast.

The bodies were taken to Cumberland mortuary in Harlan, and all day Saturday and Sunday thousands of people from all sections of this mining country viewed the bodies of the dead miners.

Funeral arrangements for the victims are being made as fast as identifications are completed, and Harlan county, in which the disaster occurred, is bowed with grief by the tragic suddenness of the catastrophe which snuffed out the lives of the 23 unfortunate men.

N. A. A. C. P. PUSHES FIGHT ON MOBING AND JIM CROW IN SOUTHERN FLOUR RELIEF

New York, Dec. 16.—Negroes and Red Cross workers distributing free government flour in southern states are being intimidated and prevented from reporting the discrimination practiced against Negroes according to a letter sent yesterday to Judge John Barton Payne, national Red Cross chief, by the N. A. A. C. P.

New reports from Clearwater, Fla., state that none of the mobbists who brutally flogged two members of the Colored Welfare Association has been apprehended. Colored people are being paid for relief work not in cash as are the whites—but in grocery orders and on these orders there is no allowance for meat other than "white bacon" or fat pork, no butter, no fresh milk.

ROSENWALD FUND AIDED THE CONSTRUCTION OF 5,357 SCHOOLS IN THE SOUTH

Washington (CNS)—In a recent summary of the Julius Rosenwald Fund it is stated that the money furnished by the late philanthropic, Chicagoan has aided the construction of 5,357 Negro school buildings in the South at a cost of nearly \$30,000,000.

In summarizing its work, the annual report says: "The fund has given aid on 270 school buses at 159 schools in 128 counties of 15 southern States, transporting more than 10,000 Negro pupils to consolidated high schools a distance of 8,000 miles daily, costing over a three-year period \$440,000, the fund's share being \$142,253 (32 per cent). The importance of this project has been so well demonstrated in the three-year period that the public school authorities seem willing to make over the entire expenses of operation without further aid from the fund."

Philadelphia (CNS)—Jess McMahon is spokesman for a group of Quaker City fight promoters who are willing to put up \$100,000 for Jack

Sharkey to defend his heavyweight title against eGorge Godfrey, of Leipsville, Pa.

McMahon, former associate of the late Tex Rickard, called Sharkey's manager, Johnny Buckley, on the telephone, it was stated, and offered to pay Sharkey \$50,000 when the articles were signed and the balance one week before the fight.

Buckley was quoted as saying he would talk the matter over with the champion before replying.

Washington (CNS)—The conduct of the District of Columbia police in handling the recent demonstrators in Washington was termed "outrageous and disgraceful" by Senator Blaine (Republican), Wisconsin, in the Senate on Friday, December 16.

"I've been informed by responsible members of Congress," he said, "that language was used by the police that was insulting. Language spoken to women on the public streets was in terms that honorable gentlemen would permit to be said in any other place in his presence to any woman."

The Wisconsin senator said the police had acted with "arrogance, violence and abusive language."

It is related that certain policemen were extremely harsh and abusive toward Negro marchers. On one occasion when a truck carrying white and colored delegates was sighted not less than 25 policemen, including a lieutenant, surrounded the car.

"Come out of there you lousy white trash, traveling around with blacks," the lieutenant, surrounded the car. Jack shouted a policeman.

APPEAL FILED IN DUMAS CASE ASKING RAPE CONVICTION REVERSAL

Oklahoma City, Dec. 16.—Dwight Dunje, president of the local branch, N. A. A. C. P., announces that appeal brief has been filed in the Oklahoma State Criminal Court of Appeals in the case of Charley Dumas, convicted on a forced confession of rape alleged to have been committed on a white girl, while Dumas was a road camp prisoner. The brief recites that Dumas was made to plead guilty without having any attorney, that he was under threat of mob violence, that he had only five minutes conversation with an attorney appointed by the court and that the presiding judge had remarked after imposing death sentence that "he wished he could pull the switch."

New York, Dec. 9.—A "white domination" speech made by Professor James W. Garner of the University of Illinois before an audience in Atlanta, Ga., has drawn vigorous protest to the Governor of Illinois and the President of the University from the N. A. A. C. P.

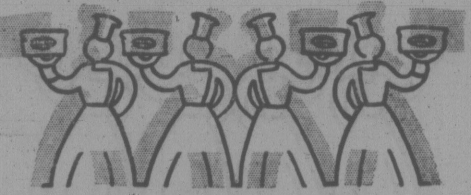
In his address Professor Garner justified white domination, declaring that intelligent northern whites did not favor depriving the southern whites of their prerogative to rule over and administer the affairs of Negroes. In the letters to Governor Louis L. Emerson of Illinois and President Harry Woodburn Chase of the University, the N. A. A. C. P. says in part:



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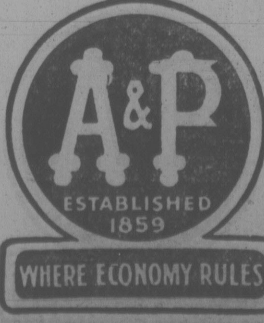
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