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National Negro Educational Congress
Enthusiastically Declares For
Hughes and Fairbanks.

HANNIBAL DEMOCRAT LEAGUE

Flatters Wilson and Themselves by
Assuring Him That Colored Voters
Will Support Him.

Washington, Sept. 8.—The Negro Educational Congress declaring itself for Hughes and Fairbanks and a small delegation of Colored men telling President Wilson that they are with him are among the most recent outstanding features in politics as it regards the race.

The Educational Congress at its closing session Saturday, Aug. 26, held a lengthy debate over the acts of the present Democratic administration. Its general attitude toward the Negro since Wilson became President was strongly criticised and the party condemned for its shortsightedness regarding the race. It was pointed out that under the Wilson regime the race had lost the Haitian portfolio, consular positions, the position of Register of the Treasury and other important posts. Segregation was also scored.

Hughes Endorsed.

The Congress adopted the following resolution:

Whereas the condition of the American Republic has been made almost intolerable in consequence of the Democratic misrule and graver than it has been in the history of the Government, and,

Whereas the continuation of that party in power would threaten the existence of our most cherished institutions, and,

Whereas that race progress has ever been retarded under Democratic rule, and,

Whereas the splendid and patriotic record of the race in peace and war demands a fair chance.

Therefore we appeal to the patriotic men and women of the race to give their united support to Hughes and Fairbanks for President and Vice-President of the United States. Not for the purpose of taking from any race of men their God-given immunities of human endeavor, but that we may at least enjoy an equal chance in the race of life under the flag of a common country.

Wilson Flattered.

A delegation claiming to represent the Hannibal National Negro Democratic League called on the President Monday and presented a long address assuring support for him and the national ticket.

Giles B. Jackson, of Richmond, Va., is the president and Rufus L. Perry, a Brooklyn lawyer, is the secretary. Others in the delegation were: Benjamin S. Smith, supervisor of Colored schools in Washington county, Md.;

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DOUGLAS REPUBLICAN CLUB TO MEET

The Douglas Republican League will meet next Thursday night, September 14, at Peterson Hall, 24th and Burdette streets, at 8 o'clock. Good speakers will address the meeting. Speeches will be delivered by Dr. L. E. Britt, Attorney Will N. Johnson, M. F. Singleton and others. Everybody come.

CANDIDATE FOR LEGISLATURE.

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 25.—Col. Roscoe Conkling Simmons, one of the best orators in the country, is a candidate for the legislature, representing the Tenth ward. He came to Kentucky from Mississippi. At one time he was editor of the New York Age.

A Challenge to Your Race Pride

An effort is being made by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People to raise a \$10,000.00 Anti-Lynching Fund. Two conditional gifts of \$1,000 each depend upon the entire amount being raised by September 15th. How much will Omaha give?

For Anti-Lynching Fund.

S. L. Bush	\$2.00
Rev. Jno. Albert Williams.....	2.00
William G. Haynes	2.00
Jos. B. LaCour, Jr.....	1.00
Sergt. Isaac Bailey.....	1.00
A. N. Wade	1.00
Total	\$9.00

CLOSES CONFERENCE YEAR

The Rev. W. T. Osborne, who for four years has been pastor of St. John's A. M. E. Church, is just closing his conference year. Tuesday night it has been planned to have an entertainment in which all who appreciated his faithful work during his pastorate here will have an opportunity to extend felicitations, wish him Godspeed as he leaves for conference and express their wishes for his return. An interesting program will be given Tuesday night, Sept. 12, at 8:30 participated in by the various pastors and representatives from their congregations.

SHAKESPEAREAN CELEBRATION

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 1.—The presentation of Julius Caesar and a Negro Folk Song Festival showing the half century of Negro development will take place here at the Coliseum, Sept. 4 to 11. Well known stars of the musical and dramatic world will appear. Among them are the Fisk Jubilee Singers, Mme. Anita Patti Brown, Antoinette Smythe and Richard B. Harison.

Miss Louise Anderson, of New York City, is making a one week stay with her friends, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wilkinson, 2218 Seward street.

SIDETRACK LYNCHING BILL.

Georgia House Tables Measure Aimed
at County Sheriffs.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 25.—A bill providing that the sheriff of any Georgia county in which a lynching occurs be removed by the governor was tabled 113 to 29 by the Georgia house Aug. 16, a few minutes before the close of the legislative session, after it had passed the senate.

NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION.

The National Baptist Convention will be held at Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 6-12, 1916. Those contemplating attending, should notify the committee, J. W. Hulse, Ch. 800 Independence Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

Memorial Tablet to John Brown Unveiled

Lake Placid, N. Y. Sept. 1.—A memorial tablet to John Brown, the American abolitionist, was unveiled with appropriate ceremonies Aug. 23 at his grave near the village of North Elba, N. Y.

Addresses were made by Myron T. Herrick, former ambassador to France; Rear Admiral Frank F. Fletcher, U. S. N.; Rabbi Stephen S. Wise of New York city; H. G. Warmuth, former governor of Louisiana; Frank B. Sanborn of Concord, Mass.; Kelly Miller, Dean of Howard University, and John E. Milholland.

FOUND NOT GUILTY

Percival Rountree, 1125 North 19th street, who, with Bennie Seaire and Morris Putrin, two white boys, was arrested charged with robbing a drunken man was found not guilty. The two boys who are much older than Percival were manly enough to say that he had nothing to do with it and was not with them at the time. They received suspended sentences in juvenile court.

LIVED TO BE 121 YEARS OLD.

Kansas City, Mo.—Louis Merriam, colored, who was born when George Washington was president of the United States, died at his home in Kansas City, Kan., recently. Merriam was the oldest man on the United States pension rolls and claimed to have substantiated the fact that he was born 121 years ago at the Sopher plantation in Virginia, in 1795.

CHILDREN WIN PRIZE

West Chester, Pa., Aug. 18.—Fifty-four children competed for prizes in the baby show on the playgrounds, which brought out over 200 competitors. These children made a splendid showing against their white brothers. The prize winners were Oscar W. Ray, Jr., Dorothy Coulston and Arietta Johns.

Historically Critical For Colored Citizens

Boston Editor Believes the Psychological Hour Has Struck for United States for Equal Rights.

WILLIAM MONROE TROTTER

Sends Strong Message to Race
Throughout the Country to Assemble in Epoch-Making Congress.

Boston, Mass. This year, 1916, for Colored Americans is historically critical. It marks the accountability year of the first Southern president since freedom, and the half-century since the passage by Congress of the Civil Rights Bill and of the 14th Amendment creating their Citizenship.

For some years we have been losing on rights of citizenship, in law or practice, South and North, an ominous sign. At the height of such a year what is to be the answer of Colored America, itself, what its historical record?

It is not enough to vote against the perfidious Wilson. Even so he might be re-elected. Shall the historian of tomorrow, and he will be a white man, perhaps this same Wilson, record that under a race proscription suffered not so much by any other race, 50 years after receiving citizenship, 12 million strong, this Colored race, alone of like race groups, was incapable of itself creating and maintaining organized self-defense of rights on a national basis?

How Record of Race Can Be Saved.

Religious, fraternal, charity, business organizations, local organizations for rights or national by the philanthropic aid of noble friends, are all most excellent, but do not sustain our historical record as a race. This can be easily done, however, by the formation of an Equal Rights Committee by Colored Americans in each Colored community. Have it understood that these committees are for co-operation with other organizations and all difficulty is removed. They are to prevent the charge of no self-fight or initiative, are for members of all other organizations to join, and are not to interfere.

The great opportunity comes NOW. Every Colored community should form an Equal Rights Committee at once, and send a delegate to the National Colored Citizenship Rights Congress called for Washington, D. C., in one month's time by the National Equal Rights League, whose branches hold up this cause but in not enough places. Through the Congress or league these Equal Rights Committees—the very name has power—can be nationally connected. Send either a delegate or a message to the Congress. Thus without any interference with existing agencies our race can save its own historical record and by self-help and spirit retain a valid claim before mankind to Equality of Rights.

Act now, Colored America.