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# VOTE TUESDAY-DON'T SHIRK YOUR BIG CIVIC D

### KANSAS CITY CALL **CELEBRATES FIFTH** ANNIVERSARY DAY

Rapid Progress Made by Missouri Newspaper Which Has Pursued a Well - Defined Policy

### PLANT IS WORTH \$25,000.00

Chester A. Franklin, a Former Omaha Boy, Is the Energetic But Modest Proprietor of Publication

Kansas City, Mo., May 2 .- (Preston News Service.)-Almost every week news reach us of advanced steps in the publishing game among race journals. What is believed to be the most remarkable progress in race journalism is the rapid strides of the Kansas City Call which quitely celebrated its fifth anniversary last week. It now sets its own ads on its recently installed Model 24 linotype.

Plant Worth \$25,000 City Call was founded by C. A. Franklin, editor and owner, improvements and equipment have been added until the plant is now worth more than \$25,000, exclusive of the three-story brick building, which is valued at \$30,-

The plant includes a Duplex Webb press, installed last February, a model 8 linotype machine and the recently organize for the purpose of aiding added Model 24, besides other miscel- the democratic party will be held in laneous standard equipment.

staff now numbers fifteen. Recently tiona' Negro Democratic party. Mr. Franklin disposed of a large job printing office in connection with the publication in order to devote his en- OMAHA TRIMS THE tire time to the printing and publishing of the Kansas City Call.

Mr. Franklin Very Modest When a Preston News Service re- Omaha Western Leaguers Make Good porter said to Mr. Franklin, 'Celebrating your fifth anniversary?" "No, sir," retorted Mr. Franklin, "really, we are too busy getting in our new maadvertising business enough to expand and improve our publication,"

Mr. Franklin who is a native of Texas, was reared and educated in Omaha, Neb., where his father Geo. F. Franklin was editor of The Enter-

POPULAR BABY CONTEST TO CONTINUE THRU THE MONTH OF MAY

Three Prizse Will be Awarded Babies Receiving Largest Number of Votes to Help Association Cause

STANDING OF CONTESTANTS

The Omaha branch of the N. A. A C. P. will award three prizes, \$10, \$5 and \$2.50 in gold to the child up to five years standing first, second and third respectively when the contest closes Friday, May 30. The proceeds of the contest go to the work of the National Association.

The following children have been entered in the contest:

Lilian Austin, age 5,2305 Madison St., South Side. Votes reported 0. May Jefferson, age 1, 2639 Z St., South Side. Votes reported 0. Lena Paez, age 2, 1418 No. 25th

St. Votes reported 0. Mary Headdy Wiggins, age 3, 2838 Franklin St. Votes reported 540. Nonice May Williams, age 5 months 2709 Caldwell St. Votes reported 56. Lulu Divers, age 2, 2430 Franklin

St. Votes reported 0. Charlotte Hicks, age 3, 2716 Miami

St. Votes reported 0. Cecil Walls, age 2, 3026 R Street. Votes reported 0.

Richard Stanton, age 3, 2617 Erskine St. Votes reported 420. George Bullock, age 2, 2518 Maple

St. Votes reported 0. Evidently some of the contestants Were Contrary". are holding back their reports, but all are expected to report each week. its monthly consecration meeting at Mrs. Herbert Wiggins, leads Richard there? Remember your pledge. Stanton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Stanton by 120 votes. Watch the winner. Watch developments. Phone liams, chairman, Webster 4243.

UNCLE WIGGILY'S TRICKS



look nice

POSTAL EMPLOYES LOSE \$3,246

Chicago, Il!., May 2 .- (By the Associated Negro Press.)-According to government statistics the cost of living has increased seventy per cent since 1913, while the salary of postal employes has gone up only fifty per cent in the same time, leaving a net loss of twenty per cent. It is estimated that the total loss to each posta! clerk and carrier is \$3,246. Postal Since May 1, 1919, date the Kansas employees are now asking Congress to grant them a raise to range at the maximum from \$2,000 to \$2,400 a

### NEGRO DEMOCRATS CONVENE

Washington, D. C., May 2 .- (By the Associated Negro Press.)-A convention of Negro democrats, meeting to this city May 27. The convention will From four employees in 1919 the be held under the auspices of the Na-

> LEAGUE LEADERS IN THREE GAMES

Impression on Fans in Their Opening Games Here

Several thousand rabid baseball chinery so we can do some real work, fans crowded into League Park on give employment to more of our peo-ple and get out The Call, to stop to Omaha Buffaloes trounce the bald- A STORY OF celebrate. Whatever success we have headed Izzies from over Wichita way.

attained in the past five years has It was a sweet game, despite the been due to the loyal support of the gooey field, with Omaha on the winnpeople of Kansas City who have pa- ing end of the count, 11 to 5. Wedtronized our advertisers so consistent- nesday and Thursday were repititions ly that we have been able to secure of the verdict of Tuesday. Tulsa and anxious months or even years, during the week-end games.

have been accounted for.

### ST. PAUL PRESRY-TERIAN CHURCH NOTES

Boys' Sunday was fittingly observed. The address to the boys by Dr. Edwards was of he highest order, pleasing, clear and instructive. And the boys grasped his thoughts remarkably

Sunday school was well attended New workers were elected as follows: Assistant superintendent, Mr. Harry Speese; secretary, Miss Dehlia Reeves; assistant secretary, Miss Willa Mae Cruter; treasurer, Master Wayne Harris; Junior teacher, Miss Ethel Speese; Intermediate teacher, Mr. R. S. Taylor. Mrs. M. A. Johnson was retained as superintendent and Mrs. Taylor remains in charge of the primary and

At the evening service the Rev. J. B. Currens was present and gave a in secret there. very helpful talk on tithing. The Rev. Mr. Currens is in his eighties and has been a tither all his life practically. Services Sunday will be as follows: Morning, "What Think Ye of Christ?" and in the evening, "And the Winds

beginners' department.

The Christian Endeavor will have Heddy Wiggins, daughter of Dr. and The roll will be called. Will you be

Easter visitors to Quinn chapel were contest week by week and work for Miss Anita Gentry, St. Joseph, Mo.; your favorite baby. There is an Elk Mr. and Mrs. Gordon motored up from baby which it is said will be the Beatrice, Tommie Mason, Jr., and his for information Mrs. John Albert Wil- from Nehawka; Mr. Chas. Scott, Bea- no white man, however low, could be testimony of himself and that of black him, and life itself.)

### CHARLES WEST AT HOWARD MEET, MAY 20th

Washington, D. C., May 2.-Up to two season's ago, the athletic reputation of Charles West, intercollegiate pentathlon champion and captain of the Washington and Jefferson track team, was limited to his line plunging and end-running skill in footbal'. When he finished runner up to the great Legendre of Georgetown in the Pennsylvania Relay Carnival of 1922, the public began to sit up and take notice of this all-around "phenom' who already enjoyed a loca! reputation in the Allegheny Mountain Association as a baseball, tennis, and basketball player of unusual merit.

He followed up this achievement next year by winning the intercollegiate pentathlon championship at Franklin Field against such sterling athletes as Plonksky and Maroney, Georgetown; Norton, University of Kansas, and Kipp, Haskell Institute. Experts claim that he is the nearest approach o Jim Thorpe in amateur circles.

West heads the list of that great defeat into victory for his Alma Ma- trigue.

ter, hanging up a record for same. It AMERICA'S OLDEST WOMAN DIES was largely through this achievement, plus the victory in the pentathlon event that he was elected captain of ated Negro Press .- With the death of Associated Negro Press.)-Police authe Washington and Jefferson track Mrs. Maranda Cut, the claim is being thorities here are searching for two

and is a discus thrower of no mean the recent migration and was able to guests in the hotel. ability. He will display his wares in care for herself until within a few a contest with "Ned" Gourdin, Har- years of her death. vard University, at the Fifth Annual Intercollegiate Meet at Howard University on May 10th.

### TEXANS PREPARE TO GET VOTE

Galveston, Tex., May 2.- (By the G. Robinson, Chester Ferguson, A. L. Bush, J. A. Mirant and Frank Burton quartette of runners composed of to consider plans for qualifying more Bridges, Allen, Moore and West who Negro voters. A permanent organizahas made athletic history for the tion is planned which will have for Negro in the region around Pittsburgh. its main purpose the preparing of Ne-Coming from the rear in the Middle groes to break through the bar to vot-Atlantic States Championship at the ing, so that their suffrage will not be Penn Carnival last year, he turned abridged, either by law or political in-

Hayti, Mo., May 2.—(By the Associunique in the annals of Negro athle- evidence to prove that Mrs. Cute was a serious operation on him. The boy, His best event is the javelin con- persons she was said to remember not live, said the white men were test in which he has a record of 177 many of the men and events of the angered when a white woman talked middle distance events, broad jump, war. She came to this town during hotel. The men being sought were

### SCOTTISH RITE SUPREME COUNCIL MEETS IN CHICAGO

Associated Negro Press.)—Qualified and Last Degree of Ancient and Ac-Negro voters of this city were called cepted Scottish Rite of Free Masonry into formal meeting last week by L. of the Northern jurisdiction will conbe held at Bethel A. M. E. church. Dr. Summer A. Furniss, Indianapolis, 1s the grand commander and is making elaborate plans for the success of the GIRLS FRIENDLY SOCIETY convention

> Rev. H. W. Botts was an Omaha visitor last Wednesday.

### BELL BOY MUTILATED

Shreveport, La., May 2 .- (By the 130 years old. Like many other old who is in a serious condition and may

sociated Negro Press.)—The United that stood just outside her cabin. The of \$500 given by John T. Rhines, and Supreme council of the Thirty-third aged woman died last week, her age one of \$300 by Dr. M. W. Norman. in this city May 11-14. Meetings will she started life's journey, holding to 1st, at the Third Baptist church, Fifth always been a grown woman.

ATTEND UNION SERVICE

Take Part in Social Gathering and Program in Trinity Cathedral Parish House

Such a man, we may be sure, was admitted to the society by Dean Mc-Ginley in the absence of Bishop Shay-

The following candidates and members were admitted from St. Philip's Banks, Louise Scott, Catherine Wilresentatives of St. Andrew's, St.

### AKRON CLOSES BABY CONTEST

ated Negro Press.)-In what is per- Maude Elizabeth Inch and W. Rhyshaps the largest yet of a series of Herbert. In addition to the young

### FORMER SLAVE'S WILL CUTS HIS CHILDREN

Montgomery, Ala., May 2 .- (By the Associated Negro Press.)-Dan Freeman, former slave who died here re- Associated Negro Press.)-Three hunown children embittered his lot, but and proscriptions. True, he held at He knew too that failure in such a cently, left his entire fortune to the dred orphans of the Holy Name sothe sad condition of other black men's bill of sale of his persson, had ceased desperate enterprise could have for five grandchildren of his former mas- ciety were entertained Easter at a children as well. He yearned to help to be the chattel property of an in- himself but a single issue, viz., certain ter. His own children were cut off special showing of the Passion Play with nothing. They are now contest- in motion pictures at the Lyric theatre freedom which is the gift of God to which kept him, and which were inmankind. (He yearned to possess this tended to keep him and such as him, his the gain of that which alone was of unsound mind when he left Clarence Bennett. Vaudeville was also God-given boon, in its fullness and slaves of the community forever, de- able to make their lives worth the liv- the bequest to the whites, and that an presented for the benefit of the solentirely, for himself before he passed prived of every civil right which white ing, to wit, a freeman's portion, his earlier testament showed that he in- diers at the government hospital It will seen seen from this that Mary 7:00 o'clock. The pastor will lead. thence to the grave.) For he pos- men, their neighbors, were bound to opportunity for the ful! development tended to leave his fortune to his own. Easter Monday.

FORTY-THREE YEARS AGO to stand trial for a murder committed ly interested in the Boys' me in Decatur county, Georgia, in 1881.

### **HOWARD SCHOOL OF** RELIGION CAMPAIGN GETS UNDERWAY

Colored People of the District of Columbia Have Pledged to Date \$21,536.50 for Work

### INTEREST IS INCREASING

Workers Confident of Ultimate Success in Raising Prescribed Quota for the District

Washington, D. C., May 2 .- With the campaign for \$500,000 for the Endowment and Building Fund for the School of Religion of Howard University barely underway, thirty-five workteam for 1924. Both the winning of made by residents of this town that white men who are charged with haver at a dinner given Friday, April the intercollegiate pentathlon event the oldest woman in America has ing abducted Dave Howard, bell hop 25th, in the new dining hall of the and his selection as captain are honors passed away. There was documentary in a local hotel, and with performing university, reported a total of \$21-, 536.40 pledged to the fund by colored people of the District of Columbia. The workers in the campaign have set \$50,000 as the amountto be secured feet. He also excels in the dashes, period soon after the revolutionary to him too long in the lobby of the from the colored people of this city and are most enthusiastic over the success which has thus far come from their efforts. The group of workers LIVED TO SEE SIX GENERATIONS is growing each day. A large number of new teams were organized with the Selma, Ala., May 2.—(By the Asso- appointment of additional captains.

ciated Negro Press.)-No more will In the report of pledges were two children of the town go to play with of \$1,000, given by Dr. Sterling N. "Aunt" Isabella Moss under the tree Brown and George W. Robinson, one

reputed to be 115 years. It was The increased interest in the camclaimed that she had seen six genera- paign for the School of Religion is tions of Selma inhabitants come and noted in the plans for the observance go. She could not remember when of Howard Night Thursday night, May the belief to the end that she had and Q streets, N. W., of which Rev. G. O. Bullock is pastor. According to the announcement at the dinner, Dr. J. Stanley Durkee, president of the university; Dr. D. Butler Pratt, dean of the School of Religion; Dr. Sterling N. Brown, director of the extension department of the School of Religion, and Dr. Bu'lock, will address the meet-

Among those who spoke at the camimpressive service was held in Trinity Wilkinson, assistant superintendent of Cathedral where a union admission school of the District of Columbia, and service for the Girls' Friendly So- Dr. James L. Pinn. Each worker conducted by Dean McGinley, the Rev. in the matter of raising the \$50,000 E. J. Secker and the Rev. John Al- set as the amount to be secured from bert Williams. There was a large the colored people of the District of congregation present. Several can- Columbia for the Endowment and didates and members were formally Building Fund of the School of Religion of Howard Uuniversity.

> "A NAUTICAL KNOT" TO BE PRESENTED BY LOCAL TALENT

Forty-five University and High School Students Rehearsing Operetta Under Direction of Mrs. Pinkston

### WILL BE GIVEN AT BRANDEIS

For the development and encouraging of musical talent among the University and High school students of Omaha, Mrs. Florentine J. Pinkston has been training for some months forty-five students in the pleasing two-act operetta, "A Nautical Knot." Akron, O., May 2.- (By the Associ- or "The Belle of Barnstapoole" by baby contests being conducted by Wi!- men and women presenting the opliam Pickens, field secretary for the eretta, thirty small children have been National Association for the Advance- in training to present a beautiful and ment of Colored People, this city rais- artistic dance, entitled "The Awakened more than \$800 to fight lynching ing of Spring," each child representwith an expediture of only \$75. Mr. ing a spring flower. It will be one Pickens was given \$600 for the asso- of the most elaborate and artistic entertainments ever presented in Oma-There were thirty babies in the local ha, and as such should be witnessed ontest, only twenty-five having re- by an audience that will tax the caported when the above figures were pacity of the theatre. The Nautical Knot will be presented at the Brandeis theatre, Wednesday night, May 28th. Tickets go on sale next week.

### FETE 300 ORPHANS

New Orleans, La., May 2 .- (By the

### N. A. A. C. P. WILL MEET SUNDAY

The Omaha Branch of the N. A. A. Tampa, Fla., May 2.—(By the As- | C. P. will meet at the Church of St. is expected to be the special sp

## A Story of Ante-Bellum Days, Dealing With Slave Insurrection at Charleston ciety was held. The services were pledged himself to "go over the top"

It is not known for how many eager arrived for todays' game and will be Denmark Vesey had patronized the here Saturday and Sunday and a East Bay Street Lottery of Charlesmammoth crowd should greet the boys ton prior to 1800, when he was rewarded with a prize of \$1,500. With Omaha, from all appearances, has \$600 of this money he bought himself a dandy club, and as the season pro- of Capt. Vesey. He was at last his gresses, with warmer weather, great own master, in possession of a small things can be expected from the home capital, and of a good trade, carpentry, which he practiced with great in- a day. Seven home runs is the record of dustry. He was successful, amassed in In judging this black man, oh, ye hood, what was he to do? Ay, what liams, Celestine Smith, Ellen Richardthe locals during the three home time considerable wealth, became a critics and philosophers, judge him not ought he to have done under the cir- son, Lavinia Scott, and Zora Hill. Folgames, which bespeak them as slug- solid man of the community in spite hastily and harshly before you have cumstances? Ought he to have done lowing the service a luncheon was gers. Several other extra base blows of his color, winning the confidence at least tried to put; yourselves in his what multitudes had done before him, served in the Parish house and an of the whites, and respect from the place. You may not even then succeed meek and submissive folk, generations interesting program presented by rep-Join your neighbors Saturday and blacks amounting almost to reverence. in doing him justice, for while he had and generations of them, borne tame-Sunday and watch the Buffs take He married was much married it was his faults, and was sorely tempted, ly like them his chains, without an John's, Good Shepherd, St. Philip's, Tulsa from their perch at the top said, which I see no reason to doubt, he was, nevertheless, in every inch of effort to break them and break instead St. Paul's, Omaha; St. Paul's, Council of the gang. There promises to be in view of the polygamous example him, from the soles of his feet to the his lion's spirit? Ought he to have Bluffs and Trinity Cathedral, Omaha. some good things in store for the set him by many of the respectabilities crown of his head, a Man. of the master-race in that remarkably At the period which we have now existence, and to have been willing at by Miss Grace Adams.

mother, Mrs. Bell Mason, motored up in quantity and mean in quality that claim depended exclusively upon the wealth laboriously accumulated by that state, J. W. Ellis, 75, an ex-slave, the Men's Service League and deepnade to live contentedly under it for witness, however respectable.)

By Francis J. Grimke PART II (By The Associated Negro Press)

THE MARTYRS OF

plous old slave town. A plurality of reached in his history, he was in pos- its end to mingle his ashes with the children rose up, in consequence, to session of a fairly good education- miserable dust of all those countless him from the plurality of his family was able to read and write, and to masses of forgotten and unresisting ties; rose up to him, but they were speak with fluency the French and the slaves? "Never!" replied what was not his, for following the condition of English languages. He had travelled bravest and worthiest of respect in the mothers, they were, under the extensively over the world in his mas- the breast of this truly great-hearted Slave-Code, the chattels of other men. ter's slave vessel, and had thus ob- man. The burning wrong which he This cruel wrong ate deep into Ve- tained a stock of valuable experiences, felt against slavery had sunk in his seys mind. Of course, it was most and a wide range of knowledge of men mind below the reach of the grappling outrageous for him, a black man, to and things of which few inhabitants, tongs of reason. It lay like a charge concern himself so much about the whether black or white, in the slave of giant powder, with its slow match human chattels of white men, albeit community of Charleston, during the attachment, the unplumbed depths of those human chattels were his own first quarter of the 19th century could a soul which knew not fear, of a soul children. What had he, a social par-truthfully have boasted. Yet in spite which was as hot with smouldering iah, in Christian America to do with of these undeniable facts, in spite of hate and rage as is a live volcano such high caste things as a heart and his unquestioned ability and economic with its unvomited flame and lava. natural affections? But somehow he efficiency as an industrial factor in As well, under the cicumstances, have did have a heart, and it was in the that city, he was in legal and actual tried to subdue the profound fury of a white skin. "Twas monstrous in him of happiness" which the most ignor- water. to be sure, but he could not help it. ant and worthless white man enjoyed The slave iron had entered his soul, as a birthright. Wherever he moved pressors were strong and that he was

conscious of the possession, notwithstanding his black skin and blacker social and civil condition, of longings, aspirations, which the Slave-Code made it a crime for him to satisfy. He must have felt the stir of forces OUR HERO BUYS HIS FREEDOM and faculties within him, which, under the heaviest pains and penalties, he was forbidden to exercise. Thus branch: Irbie Anderson, Odessa robbed of freedom, ravished of mancontented himself with such a woeful St. Philip's number was a piano solo

right place, and natural affections for ownership of precious little of that the one with argument, as to quench his own flesh and blood, like men with right to "life, liberty, and the pursuit the hidden fires of the other with (He knew, none better, that his opand the wound which it made rankled or wished to move he was met and weak, that he had but one slender surrounded by the most galling and chance in a hundred of redressing by Not alone the sad condition of his degrading social and civil conditions force the wrongs of himself and race. all to better social conditions—to that dividual, but he still wore chains, death. But he believed that success sessed it not. He had indeed bought respect. (For instance, were he and free play of all of his powers The property is valued at \$3,000. himself, but he soon learned that the wronged in his person or property by amid that society in which was cast right to himself which he had pur- any member of the dominant race, be his lot. And for that portion, so pre- WANTED FOR MURDER chased from his master was not the the offender man, woman or child, clous, he was ready to take the one freedom of a man, but the freedom Vesey could have had no redress in chance with all of its tremendous accorded by the slave code, to a the courts, in case the proof of his risks, to stake that miserable modicum sociated Negro Press.)—Georgia offi- Philip the Deacon Sunday afternoon black man, a freedom so restrictive complaint or the enforcement of his of freedom which he possessed, the cials are seeking to have returned to at 4 o'clock. M. J. Ford, president of