

# General Race News

## ANTI-LYNCHING FUND OF \$10,000 WANTED

A campaign to raise an anti-lynching fund of \$10,000 has been inaugurated by the N. A. A. C. P., with headquarters at 70 Fifth avenue, New York City. This campaign is projected, following upon the distribution of 50,000 copies of the story of the horrible lynching recently enacted at Waco, Texas, when Jesse Washington, a Negro boy, 17 years old, sentenced by the court to be hung, was taken from the court room while the court was still in session, mutilated in the most horrible manner, strung up to a tree with a trace chain around his neck, and the body burned to a crisp.

The subscription has been headed with contributions of \$1,000 each from Judge Moorfield Storey, former president of the American Bar Association, now national president of the N. A. A. C. P., and Philip G. Peabody, of Boston, these contributions being made on condition that the remaining \$8,000 be raised by August 1. Contributions should be sent to Oswald Garrison Villard, treasurer, 70 Fifth avenue, New York City, and all classes of the citizenry are requested to aid in the raising of this fund.

## "HOBSON CITY" IS COLORED TOWN

Birmingham, Ala.—After several years' struggle against heavy odds, including local unsympathetic sentiment and gloomy predictions of failure by white persons of neighboring towns, Hobson City, the only municipality in the United States, with one exception, which is wholly populated and conducted by Colored persons, has won its battle by demonstrating that it is a pronounced success.

When the plan to found an exclusively Colored town in the south was proposed, scarcely any white residents in the Anniston district, where it is located, dreamed it would work out. But the Colored folk were not discouraged and went ahead. Now Hobson City is firmly established as a progressive town and governs itself successfully both in a financial way and in law enforcement and observance.

The town has four churches with a combined membership of 700, a good public school with 250 pupils, a dozen progressive stores, waterworks, electric lights, police and sanitary department, a well-built jail and a governing board, elected every two years. It is the only town in the state that is out of debt and has money in the treasury. More than half the citizens own their own homes.

## BOY WINS BRONZE MEDAL

New York, July 22.—The only Colored boy in his class, Henry Parker, Jr., son of H. C. Parker, of the real estate firm of Nail & Parker, was awarded the prize for excellent craftsmanship at public school 179, West 102d street. Young Parker submitted a Morris chair, which was unanimously agreed upon by the judges as the best example of workmanship presented for consideration.

He graduated this term from class 8B, at the age of 14 years. The prize awarded is a handsome bronze medal, and the chair is being exhibited by the school authorities.

## LYNCHING RECORD FOR SIX MONTHS OF 1916

Tuskegee Institute, Ala., July 15.—According to the record kept by the Division of Records and Research of the Tuskegee Institute there have been during the first six months of the year 25 lynchings. This is 9 less than the number, 34, for the same period last year. Of those lynched 23 were Negroes and 2 were whites. In the first six months of 1915 there were 24 Negroes and 10 whites lynched.

Five, or one-fifth of those put to death were charged with rape. Other causes of lynching were slapping a boy, brushing against a girl on the street, insult, charged with attempting to assist son accused of murder to escape, robbing store, killing officers of the law, and murder. Eight, or almost one-third of the total lynchings occurred in the State of Georgia.

## FARM EMPLOYEE FINDS BURIED FORTUNE OF GOLD

Elberton, Ga., July 22.—A. H. Womack, who, with his family, recently moved back to Elberton from Tehena, Tex., tells this:

A few days ago, a Negro farm hand of Mr. Young's while at work in the field stepped into a hole and discovered a pot of gold containing \$35,900. The Negro kept the gold and has given up his job and is happy on the way to where he is going, but just where that is neither the Negro nor his employer seems to know.

## MAJOR LYNCH SPEAKS

Greenville, Miss., July 22.—Hon. John R. Lynch, an old Mississippian, was given a smoker from 9:30 to 12:30 Saturday night. After several short speeches by several leading race men Major Lynch was introduced by Judge N. S. Taylor. The major made a short talk on the needs of the race man qualifying himself by paying his poll tax, and requesting that he be in shape to be called by the white man to help share his own destiny.

## BERT WILLIAMS TO BE SEEN IN THE "MOVIES"

New York, N. Y., July 22.—In addition to his duties with Ziegfield's Follies now playing at the New Amsterdam theatre, New York, Bert Williams has signed a contract with the Biograph Co. to appear in a series of two-reel comedies. These new photo-play attractions will be sent out on the General Film program.

## BISHOP WALTERS RECOVERING

New York, July 22.—Bishop Alexander Walters, senior prelate of the A. M. E. Zion Church, is recovering from illness due to overwork. He has received messages from all parts of the country wishing him an early recovery.

Two very helpful talks were given Thursday of last week by Mrs. Hall, president of the Home Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church, and Mrs. J. H. Picard, president of the Nebraska Conference before the Home Missionary Society of Grove M. E. Church, of which Mrs. R. D. Allen is president.

## REPORT OF THE FREE TRIP CONTEST COMMITTEE

Of the N. W. C. A. Expenses to Date.

Advertising in The Monitor...	\$ 27.24
Hall Rent .....	14.50
First Prize .....	29.10
Second Prize .....	20.00
Three Minor Prizes .....	3.00
Incidental Expenses .....	24.20

Total .....\$118.54  
Total Amount Taken In.....\$851.65  
Total Amount Paid Out ..... 118.54

Balance .....\$733.11

"The Realization of a Negro's Ambition," a two reel drama, owned produced and acted by Colored people, will be shown at the Alamo Hall Wednesday evening, July 26.

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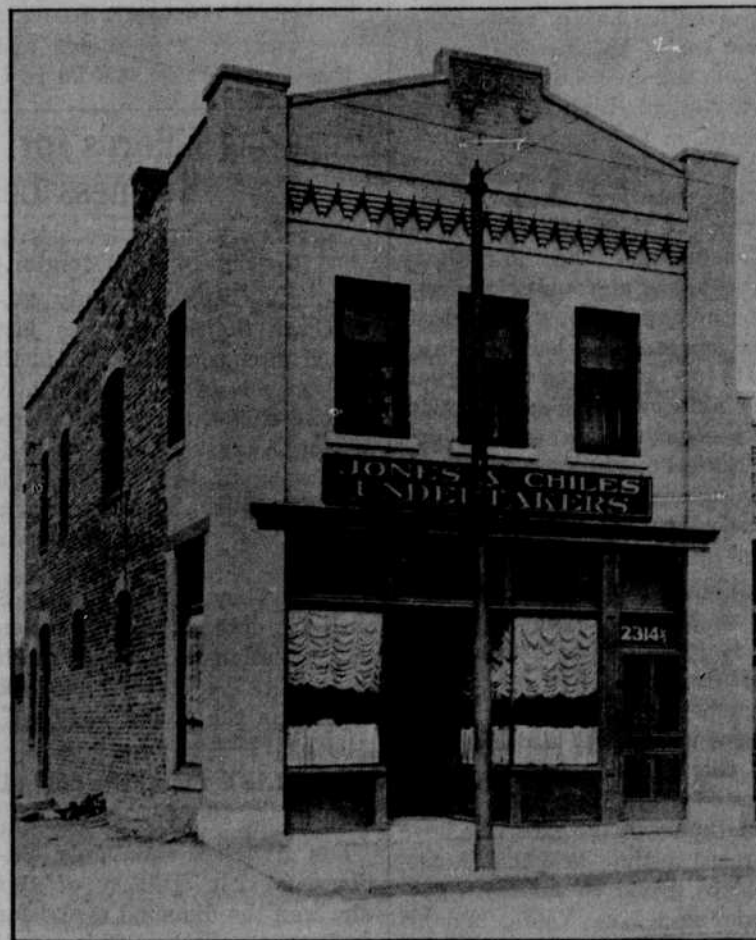
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