

General Race News

BEQUEATHS HALF OF FORTUNE TO COLORED NURSE

Jacksonville, Fla.—Florida society and business circles received a distinct shock this week when it became known that the late Robert Weldon, one of the state's most prominent business and real estate men, had bequeathed to his Negro nurse property and cash to the amount of \$125,000, which was considerably more than he left his wife. Mr. Weldon's estate is estimated at from \$225,000 to \$250,000.

The will was made January 3, 1916, and bequeaths to a Mrs. Conrad Schmidt considerable property owned by the deceased in the Security Land Company, and also some to J. H. Taylor and Dr. N. S. Burham. His will reads: "To Sarah P. Thompson, Colored, who nursed me through a severe illness without pay, I give lots 16, 17 and 18, block 22, north Miami also all property and whatsoever interest I may have in Jape's subdivision, Erickson's addition and Waddell additions to Maimi, all these being additions to Maimi. I also give her any money I may have on my person or on deposit in any bank and all my personal effects of any nature whatsoever, and direct all this to be turned over to her within one month of my death."

The closing clause of the will reads as follows: "The balance of my estate I give to my wife, Alice Welborn to be paid to her at the rate of \$100 per month for two years. Then it shall be given to her as a whole." Mr. Welborn came to Miami during its early days and his estate has been accumulated since that time.

COLORED BOY SAVES GIRL FROM DROWNING

New York.—Walter Parrot, a 15-year-old Colored boy, is the hero of Cranford, N. J.

Constance West, 12 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry D. West, 39 Eighth street, Cranford, started across the Cranford river, thinking the ice was strong. A short distance from shore the ice broke and she was plunged into water over her head.

Parrot heard her screams and ran to her rescue. He was able to drag her to safety with difficulty and only after breaking through the ice several times. Parrott is receiving much praise for his heroism.

STUDY OF AN UNKNOWN TRIBE OF BLACKS

In the Scientific Monthly for January, Hubert Lyman Clark gives an exhaustive study of the Miriamites, a black race under the protection of Queensland and far removed from all courses of civilization. They live on four little islands, Erub, Mer, Dauer, and Weier, several hundreds of miles from Australia. It is a sympathetic study and very interesting.

WANT COLORED COURT OFFICER

Dayton, O.—Appointment of a Colored person as an assistant juvenile court officer to have charge of the welfare work pertaining to Colored children was asked by a committee representing the City Federation of Colored Woman's Clubs, who visited Judge Roland W. Baggott last week.

DR. GILES DISCHARGED; WILL NOT GIVE UP FIGHT

Chicago.—Just six hours after he had assumed position as physician in the Municipal Tuberculosis Sanitarium, he was fired by the head physician, Dr. Charles P. Caldwell, last Saturday, February 3.

The 700 white patients jeered at Dr. Giles when he appeared in the ward and the white doctors left the dining room when he appeared. Giles then complained to Caldwell, who wrote out his dismissal, giving "for the good of the service" as a reason.

Caldwell says he offered the Colored physician a good position at the same salary, but the latter refused the tender. Dr. Giles passed a civil service examination with flying colors, but his prospective appointment raised a hullabaloo. It is said that a good deal of the opposition against him was manufactured. He expects to contest in the courts.

WHITE GIRL TAKEN FROM NEGRO WOMAN IS MISSING

Chicago—More than sixty hours had passed today when detectives resumed their search for Margorie Delbridge, the 14-year-old white child left by her dying actress mother to "Mammy" Jackson, a Colored woman, from whom the juvenile court recently took the girl.

Margorie knows no mother except the old Negro woman, who for many years worked hard and kept her foster child well dressed and in school. The girl protested against being taken from her "mammy," but the court held that she would be better in the home of persons of her own race. She was in the home of Mrs. Louis Brock, by permission of the court, when she disappeared.

VETERAN EDITOR DEAD

St. Louis, Mo.—The funeral of Philip H. Murray, for 25 years editor and publisher of the St. Louis Advance, was held at St. Paul A. M. E. Church Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Murray, who was 74 years of age, was born in Reading, Pa. He was one of those that advocated the enlistment of Colored troops in the Civil War, and, with Frederick Douglass, spoke in the West in advocacy of the proposition.

He was an early advocate of educational advantages for the Colored people of Missouri. He moved to this city in 1870, and soon became a prominent figure.

MOTON WRITES OF TUSKEGEE'S IDEALS

In the Missionary Review of the World for January, Robert Russa Moton, principal of Tuskegee, writes an article entitled, "Tuskegee's Ideals for the Negro." The contribution abounds in good thoughts, clear expressions and noble sentiments. It is worth reading, and if these ideals are lived up to, Tuskegee will go on producing valuable workers for the race.

LEAVES \$12,000 TO MAID

New York, Feb. 15.—By the will of Mrs. Maura B. Winslow, her maid, Louis Pache, has been left \$12,000 in cash and other gifts.

COUNCILMAN DE PRIEST WITHDRAWS FROM RACE

Chicago.—A hot fight for the aldermanic nomination in the second ward seems assured since Alderman Oscar DePriest has withdrawn from the race. Following Mr. DePriest's indictment in the alleged graft charges here, a number of the newspapers insisted that he should retire from the race.

Among those in the contest for the nomination are Louis B. Anderson, successful lawyer; W. G. Anderson, former lawyer; William R. Cowan, real estate dealer, and Francis L. Barnett, who served sixteen years as habeas corpus attorney for the city.

RETIRED MINISTER LEFT \$100,000 ESTATE

New Haven, Conn.—Franklin Coellen, attorney for the late Rev. Henry H. Johnson, a retired Negro minister and real estate dealer, in searching among the clergyman's effects, recently found in the holes and chinks of his dilapidated house notes and deeds valued at \$100,000.

The Rev. Mr. Johnson was mentioned for Minister to Haiti in the Administration of President Cleveland. He left the ministry and went into the real estate business, in which he was successful. Besides the securities found he left about \$10,000 in cash.

THE MILLENIUM MUST BE NEAR

Ashdown, Ark.—Fred Edwards, a white youth of Texarkana, Ark., was sentenced here to serve a term of 99 years in the penitentiary for criminally attacking a Colored girl.

Boys, watch the work of Fred Houston. He is one of the best barbers in Omaha. At Jewell and Phalanx, 105 So. 14th.—Adv.

BISHOP GAILOR FLAYS WHITES OF THE SOUTH

Memphis, Tenn.—Rebuking the white South for surrendering the interests of the Negro race to the clutches of the "low-brow white people," Bishop Thomas F. Gailor, best known Episcopal prelate in the South, stirred the fashionable congregation at Calvary church last Sunday morning. He was talking to the richest and most enlightened white people in Memphis.

The Bishop declared that responsibility for the Negro race rested as much upon southern white people as upon the Negroes themselves, and said that scorn of the black man was a form of murder.

WORTH ONE-SEVENTH OF MILLION

Philadelphia, February 15.—Harry Ratliff gave a dinner in honor of the ten directors of the Eureka Investment Company Wednesday night, and it leaked out that those gathered around the banquet board had a combined wealth of \$150,000 and that Ratliff was not the poorest in the crowd.

Mr. Ratliff, who is 69 years old, was 39 years in charge of a parlor car on the Pennsylvania Railroad. He was retired four years ago. During his railroad service he became known to many prominent men.

COLORED STUDENT GETS PRIZE AT MAINE UNIVERSITY

The prize for the best original oration delivered by a Bowdoin College senior this year went to David A. Lane, Jr., Colored. "The Task of the College-Trained Negro," was his topic.

All news must be in before Wednesday noon, in order to appear the following Saturday.

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