

**INVENTOR CHOSEN PRESIDENT OF \$500,000 CORPORATION**

**William Solder Occupies Unique Position on Board of Directors in Half Million Business Concern.**

Boston, Mass., March 17.—One of the highest positions ever held by a colored man has been recently given to William Solder, colored inventor, by the Soldier Improved Stove company, when they elected him president of their \$500,000 corporation.

This is all the more remarkable when one considers that all of the other directors are white men, and well-to-do business men of Boston. They have backed Mr. Solder in his invention, and are doing all in their power to promote the company.

This stove is one of the most remarkable inventions that have appeared for some time. Mr. Solder has perfected what hundreds of others have been working on for years—combine a cooking and hot water heater capable of using either gas or coal. This stove also does away with the large cumbersome boiler. The stove is but slightly larger in size, and no different in appearance from the common cooking range in everyone's kitchen, but is capable of heating a house of seven rooms through a system of radiators.

**Lexington, Ky., March 17.—No INDICTMENTS FOR LEXINGTON RIOTERS**

**Jury Finds Sufficient Evidence But Decides Not to Bring in True Bills Because It Might Engender More Passion and Bitter Feeling in the County.**

Indictments will be returned against the persons who led the mob here February 9, when six men were killed and more than a score wounded. At the time a mob attempted to storm the court house and lynch Will Lockett, murderer of a child.

The special grand jury reported that sufficient evidence had been secured to warrant the finding of indictments, but it had decided not to bring in true bills because such action will only engender more passion and bitter feeling in the county and state and keep alive such as now exists.

Threats against the lives of the officials responsible for bringing the troops here have been made. Governor Edwin P. Morrow also has been threatened.

**SEGREGATION ACT CONCEDED TO BE VALID**

**Baltimore Magistrate Informs Delegation Who Demand Relief From "Invasion" of Colored Folk in Their Block That Such Residents Cannot Be Lawfully Excluded.**

(By Associated Negro Press.) Baltimore, Md., March 17.—Saying they feared an invasion by Negroes in the 900 Block, North Wolfe street,

a delegation of women visited Justice Rohleder at the Northeastern police court, and asked if something could be done.

They told Justice Rohleder that 3 weeks ago white people living at 933 North Wolfe street moved and that after the house had been repaired the landlady brought several Negroes to the house and they agreed to rent it.

The climax to their feelings came yesterday when the new tenants appeared at the house in possession of the keys and went inside to clean up preparatory to moving in.

The women told Justice Rohleder that all of them owned their houses and had lived in that block for years. After listening to the story of the women, the magistrate told them that there was nothing that he could do to prevent the people moving in because the higher courts had ruled that the segregation act was no longer valid.

**FRANCE MODIFIES ITS STAND ON GERMAN LOAN**

Paris, March 17.—The instructions sent by the French government to its delegates at London regarding the inability of France to accept in its entirety the proposed economic declaration of the allies, with the proposition that a loan be made to Germany guaranteed by German assets in priority to reparation payments, have resulted in the revision of that declaration, according to advices received here. Some of the proposals of the original declaration, notably the loan proposition, were regarded by France as an indirect attempt to revise the treaty of Versailles.

It is stated that negotiations are continuing for further modifications in the declaration.

**ODD FELLOWS TO BUILD \$100,000 HOME**

(By Associated Negro Press.) New York, N. Y., March 16.—Odd Fellows of Harlem are out to raise \$100,000 to build a lodge hall which is to provide a suitable meeting place for them. It will contain an auditorium, reception room, restaurant, and other conveniences. Headquarters have been established at 2340 Seventh avenue, where the drive is being conducted.

**LA GRANGE, TEXAS.**

Last Monday the residence of Mr. Preston Williams and all his household goods were destroyed by fire. Total loss is estimated at \$21,500, small insurance. Several small fires broke out due to the high wind.

Mrs. Joyce Ruffin and daughter, Mrs. Mary Henigan, spent a few days in the city at the bedside of Mrs. Lovie Simpson, who is Mrs. Ruffin's sister.

Mrs. Hattie E. Hatton left last week for Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Victoria Nunn of Giddings is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Sutton.

Mrs. C. L. Rhone and little grand-

son have returned from Richmond where they visited Mrs. Rhone's brothers, Messrs. Benjamin and William Knotts, the past week.

On account of the very severe weather no religious services were held at any of the churches last Sunday.

Mmes. Gates and Mamie Prince left last week for an indefinite stay at Fort Worth and other points in Texas.

Our sick: Mmes. Easter Phearse, Pollie Smith, Lovie Simpson, Charlotte Williams, Libia Alcue, Vinie Phillips, Emma Mosley and Harriett Sutton.

**PALESTINE, TEXAS.**

Rev. J. E. Ellis went to Trinity last week on church business.

Rev. William White of Jacksonville was in the city on church business recently.

Rev. R. W. Wells, the great evangelist, is conducting a series of services at South Union Baptist church. Every one is invited to hear him.

Rev. S. M. Bolden is still improving.

Mrs. Willie Gibson is able to be out after a few weeks illness.

Rev. I. W. Watters is also recovering from a recent illness.

Mrs. Annie Jones, Mrs. Ulra Caston and Mrs. M. L. Garland are still on the sick list.

Rev. J. W. Albright passed through the city enroute to Crockett, where he will conduct services. Rev. Mr. Johnson of the Fulton Christian church filled the pulpit last Sunday.

Rev. George Davenport went north Sunday to fill an appointment.

All will be glad to learn that the public school will continue full time this year, enough money having been subscribed for this purpose. The kiddies will not be idle.

**Character of Future Naval Attack.**

Rear Admiral W. F. Fullam summarizes the method of naval attack of the future as: Plunging fire from long-range guns; attack by bombing from aircraft; attack by submarine mines; attack by torpedoes fired either from submarines or destroyers or by torpedo planes. He believes that aircraft will become increasingly a determining factor in ranging and he believes that sea power or fighting power will be largely dependent upon control of the air and that the fleet which secures this control must win, other things being approximately equal.—Scientific American.

**Germany's Air-Post Plans.**

Negotiations are being carried on between German and foreign firms with the object of securing Germany's participation in an international air-post service. Regular air-mails between Berlin and Copenhagen are expected to begin shortly, and arrangements are being made with the other Scandinavian countries. An important part of the service will be the conveyance of "airgrams" to relieve the telegraphic service. The shortage of gasoline in Germany at present is restricting the use of aircraft for mail purposes.—Scientific American.

**Popular Way.**  
One of the meanest ways to spend an afternoon off is to bother a friend who is busy.—Toledo Blade.

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