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## WHY SHOULD SOUTH BE GIVEN THIS ADVANTAGE?

### HENRY LINCOLN JOHNSON Speaks in Georgia

National Committeeman Makes His Promise to Return to His Native State and Reiterates Charges Made Before the Senate Committee Investigating Pre-Convention Expenditures—Speaks Truth About Disfranchisement.

### VETERAN LEADER ENTHUSIASTICALLY RECEIVED

Given an Ovation as He Appears at Meeting of State Republican Convention—Does Not Mince His Words in Excoriating Un-American Practices So Largely Prevalent in South—Wants Noose Around Every Lyncher's Neck.

(By the Associated Negro Press)  
ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 3.—The Hon. Henry Lincoln Johnson, the Georgia member of the republican national committee, fulfilled his promise made in an interview with a representative of the Associated Negro Press that he would return to Georgia and reiterate the charges which he had made before the senate committee investigating pre-convention campaign expenditures when he returned to Atlanta and addressed a meeting of the republican state central committee on Friday, January 21, 1921.

In his testimony before this investigating committee Mr. Johnson testified that 85 per cent of the colored citizenry of Georgia, who are entitled to vote under the laws of the state, are disfranchised by democratic intrigue and intimidation. He then became the object of debate in the "white primary" fight between the political forces of the vitriolic Tom Watson and Clark Howell, editor of the Atlanta Constitution, in which odious comparisons were made by Tom Watson between the two national committees in favor of the republican.

"Dame Rumor" then had it that Mr. Johnson was afraid to return to Georgia, and when interviewed by the Associated Negro Press he declared that he would return to Georgia and say the very things that he had said in Chicago and that he would extend an invitation to the editors of certain daily papers that had been bitter in their denunciation of him to be personally present and have representatives there that they might hear his remarks.

Mr. Johnson returned to Atlanta on the evening of January 20. He had been away since the last of May; and when he put in his appearance at the meeting of the state committee on the next day wild applause greeted him and rules were suspended while the members of the committee—white and black—and the several hundred visitors in attendance at this meeting crowded around to shake hands with him. Later in the afternoon his address caused storm after storm of applause.

In the course of his address he stated: "I reserve to myself the right to form my own conclusions about politics and the conduct of political parties, and when I advised friends in a distant city that practically 85 per cent of the Negroes in Georgia were disfranchised, I spoke the truth."

With reference to lynching he remarked: "They (referring to the press) said I said something about lynching. It stands to the disgrace of any state that suffers it and let mob murderers go unpunished. Greater than the question of the tariff, greater than the question of our relationship under the league of nations with Jugoslavina, is the absolute safety of the guarantees under the constitution that every man's life shall be safe and never to be taken away except by due process of law."

Taking up the matter of his residence in Washington, he said: "Yes, if you want to know why I am in Washington—I am right there and purpose to roost right on the ankles of congress—the congress that will be convened by Warren G. Harding, president of the United States—until that congress writes on the statute books a law to put the hang man's rope around the neck of any man who would place their rope around the neck of any man, of whatever hue, without the due process of law. Thank God we are going to live under a president who invoked the Almighty God to witness his commitment, when Warren G. Harding, at Marion, O., on the 22d day of July, asked God to witness that he pledged himself when he became president to use his influence to place on the statute books a law making mob violence in this country a federal offense."

With reference to the Ku Klux Klan which was reorganized at Stone Mountain, Ga., just twenty miles from Atlanta, in 1915, and chartered by the state, he said: "Incidentally, the republican party is going to pay a little attention to the Ku Klux Klan. I have the petition already framed, and when the senate convenes on the 5th day of March to confirm the cabinet nominations of President Harding—I have the petition to go to the postmaster general to ask him to refuse the use of the United States mails to the Ku Klux Klan. Oh, God! Why give legal immortality to a criminal band like that? It will not be; it is not going to be under a republican administration."

### FORMER OMAHA VICTIM OF ROBBERS; HOUSE LOOTED

William Cannon, Who Recently Visited Friends Here, is Alleged Victim of Bandits—Five Young Gunmen Bind Him to Chair and Ransack Residence.

### ATTORNEY ACQUITTED ACCUSER IS HELD

Prominent Lawyer Receives Favorable Verdict While His Accuser is Held for Perjury.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 3.—W. A. Singfield, a local attorney, was acquitted last Friday, when tried on a charge of unlawfully using interstate railroad passes. Joe Neely, white, a brakeman on the Missouri Pacific railroad, is locked up in the county jail in default of \$2,000 bonds on a perjury charge.

Neely was a witness on whose statement an indictment was sworn out against the lawyer. He said that he secured passes for himself and turned them over to Singfield, who sold them to others. At the trial Neely denied every statement he had made at the preliminary hearing.

### RIALTO MUSIC SHOP IS BOOMING IN BUSINESS

The Rialto Music Shop, a high-class graphophone, graphanola and record establishment, located at 14 1/2 Douglas street, shows a genuine spirit to serve the colored people in their line. The proprietor, Mr. Joe Hemelsten, is a courteous gentleman who knows no color and brooks no difference in his business. His manager, Mr. R. L. Lincoln, is equally courteous to colored people and is glad to serve them in the same way as the proprietor.

Many of us have to buy phonograph records and machines. These gentlemen sell them cheaper than other places, and no colored person who has ever been to their place has come out with a complaint. Whatever they do not have they will gladly get for you. Give them a trial.

### ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We were pleased to recognize several visitors in our congregation during the morning services. Come again, friends.

Miss Sarah Kyles' rendition of "Throw Out the Life Line" was quite effective and all enjoyed it very much.

Next Sunday as a special feature in the Sunday School, Rev. and Mrs. R. Taylor will sing a baritone and alto duet, by Lee G. Kratz, entitled "The Lord Who Giveth All." Miss Elizabeth Usher will read a selection, "Winning of Nigeria," portraying a phase of our work in Africa.

The Young Peoples' Society of Christian Endeavor held its initial service at 7:15. Miss Addie Thomas, president of the society, led the meeting and showed herself very efficient. The social committee, of which Mrs. Eugenia Chae is chairman, is planning for a Valentine social.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered Sunday morning. Special music by the choir, and a solo by Mrs. James G. Jewell.

The evening services will feature the women's work of the church.

### CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP THE DEACON

Confirmation instruction began last Sunday morning at the close of 11 o'clock service and will continue at this hour until further notice.

The services Sunday will be as follows: Holy communion, 7:30 a. m.; Matins, 8:30 a. m.; Church School, 10 a. m.; Holy Communion, choral, and sermon; Children's Vesper service at 4 o'clock; evensong and sermon, 8 o'clock.

Ash-Wednesday services will be holy communion 7 a. m.; Matins and Litany, 10 a. m.; evening prayer, penitential office and sermon at 8.

SOUTH OMAHA'S LARGEST DEPARTMENT STORE SELLS OUT. CREDITORS FORCE PRICE SMASHING

The Leader, South Omaha's largest and best equipped department store, must sell outright, regardless of cost, every article in its store by February 12. This means that they are offering the greatest clothing sale offered in this section. The only reason they assign for this unusual reduction sale is that their creditors demand the cash, which must be raised within the remaining nine days of this sale. The stock must be removed. They have prices and goods that fit everybody in the home—men, women and children—at prices in many cases less than one-fourth their value. Those of us who have been waiting for things to "slow down some" before we spend our money, can well afford to turn it loose at this sale. Look for the sign—The Leader—4727-29 South Twenty-fourth street, South Side.

### NEBRASKA FACING REAPPORTIONMENT

Reduction of Congressmen in State Cause of General Dissatisfaction, While Disfranchising South Is Permitted Unwarranted Representation in Face of Notorious Violation of Constitution—Some Striking Contrasts.

### MANIFESTLY UNFAIR TO OTHER SECTIONS

Enforcement of Provisions of Fourteenth Amendment Would Equalize Conditions Against Which Northern States Complain—Georgia Casts 158,000 Votes, Nebraska 286,000—Georgia Has Twelve, Nebraska Six Congressmen.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 3.—A bill to reapportion Nebraska congressional districts, as made necessary by federal action which provides for five instead of six Nebraska congressmen, was introduced in the state legislature Monday.

Under present plans it will not be rushed through legislative channels. It will be held in abeyance until there is no doubt but that Nebraska will really lose one congressman.

Politicians Show Teeth  
Nebraska politicians are beginning to show their teeth at Washington over the attempt to reduce congressmen in ratio to the federal census.

State officers here this week declared such procedure was absolutely unfair, as southern states, with less voters than Nebraska, are getting many more representatives. While the population of the southern states is greater, in many instances, their voting population is less, and, it is argued, that by the wildest flight of imagination southern representatives do not attempt to represent the large Negro population which is responsible

for the large number of representatives from those states.

In the 1916 presidential election there were 289,912 votes cast in North Carolina against 286,177 in Nebraska. North Carolina, with its Negro population, which is denied suffrage, has ten congressmen against six for Nebraska, with a threat hanging over Nebraska's head that there may be one less before this session is over.

The voting population of other southern states and the number of congressmen representing these states follow:

Alabama, 131,177, with ten congressmen.  
Arkansas, 168,310, with seven congressmen.  
Florida, 80,803, with four congressmen.  
Georgia, 158,690, with twelve congressmen.  
Louisiana, 92,892, with eight congressmen.  
North Carolina, 289,912, with ten congressmen.  
South Carolina, 65,531, with seven congressmen.

### HELD ON CHARGE OF MURDER

Mrs. Mattie McNichols and Her Husband Are Held for Death of Mrs. Emma Polk.

County Attorney Shotwell Saturday prepared information charging Mrs. Mattie McNichols and her husband, Moresell McNichols, with the murder of Mrs. Emma Polk, who was stabbed to death Sunday morning, January 23, in the home of the latter. It is alleged that McNichols, as stated in last week's Monitor, prevented the murdered woman's son going to the defense of his mother when Mrs. McNichols was making her murderous assault. It is claimed that McNichols' pinioned Henry Scott's arms so that he could not protect his mother.

### GRANDSON OF MILLIONAIRE HELD FOR ATTACK ON GIRL

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 3.—Herbert Prentice Crane, jr., grandson of the late Richard T. Crane, millionaire Chicago steel manufacturer, was held Saturday by police on charges of an attempted attack upon 13-year-old Louise Sturm in Lincoln park last Wednesday evening.

Crane, who is 37, confessed, according to the police, after the girl and her companion at the time of the attack, Marie Fisher, identified him.

### BRITISH LABOR DEMANDS RELIEF

Resolutions Asking Immediate Action to Remedy Unemployment Situation Passed.

London, Feb. 3.—British organized labor at the national conference of the labor party and trades union congress demanded immediate action by the government to remedy the plight brought about by unemployment, endorsed a policy which its authors asserted will remove the cause of industrial depression and adjourned until February 23 to give labor members of parliament opportunity to press the demand.

### STUDENTS FLOCK TO GERMAN UNIVERSITIES

BERLIN, Feb. 3.—Much annoyance has been given government officials by the question of finding accommodations for foreigners who desire to attend German universities. Foreign Minister Simons told the main commission of the reichstag during a discussion of educational problems. Accommodations at the various German universities are restricted, he said, and there is a shortage of dwellings in all towns and cities in the country.

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