

DETROIT WELCOMES NATIONAL SOCIETY

The Twelfth Annual Convention of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Hostably Received by Citizens of Michigan's Metropolis. Notable Speakers Are in Attendance.

ISSUES IMPORTANT ADDRESS TO COUNTRY

Convention Clearly Defines Principles of Americanism for Which Organization is Contending. In Articles to Creed of Association, Which Would Save Country From Racial Strife. Newark Wins Next Annual Conference.

DETROIT, MICH., July 7.—The 12th annual conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People began its session in Detroit on Monday morning, June 27th, and continued to Friday, July 1st, in the Second Baptist church. The sessions were presided over by several of the general officers and some of the more prominent of the delegates.

The evening sessions were held in the Auditorium of the Central High School and at the great Woodward Avenue Tabernacle, which were crowded each and every evening. Where great and enthusiastic addresses were delivered by the star orators of the association. Many interesting facts were presented, some of which were very new and all very interesting.

The attendance of the convention was far below the statement sent out before the arrival of the advance guard of the organization. What was expected to be 1,500 delegates dwindled to 196. However, what may have been lacking in numbers was fully made up for in enthusiasm and inspiration.

James Weldon Johnson, secretary of the association, was prominently featured and his remarks always seem to more nearly state the desires and needs of the colored people than any other man in the nation.

Send Resolutions to Harding.
The following message was sent to President Harding:

The National Association for the advancement of colored people assembled in its twelfth annual conference at Detroit, by resolution unanimously adopted, thanks you for your message of greeting and good will to this organization. We expressly thank you for your interest in the efforts being made by the National Association to secure a just settlement of the most vital of our national questions and for the assurance that it is your design just as early as possible to proceed further along the line of your expression to Congress on the measure we had the privilege to bring to your attention.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People as a body appreciates your confidence in that you express a desire to receive from the association suggestions that may be helpful in developing a constructive policy. The association will avail itself of your invitation from time to time but at the present moment urges upon you the pressing need of a Federal anti-lynching law, in order to end as quickly as possible what is not only a crime against colored American citizens, but a menace to our institutions of law and order and shame upon the nation.

The association again urges the importance of an interacial commission to make a thorough study of race relations in the United States, free from sectional bias and making use of scientific methods and authoritative information.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will continue working, as it has done in the twelve years of its existence, through open, and legal means and through appeal to public opinion. At present an insidious attack is being made upon the association by secret and clandestine organization like the Klu Klux Klan, and sectional bodies such as the newly launched Dixie Defense Committee which attempts to spread the false impression that the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is inimical to

peace and the amicable relations of the races. Every utterance written or spoken by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has been made openly and in the light of the ideals of American democracy. This association works neither through secret meetings nor anonymous letters nor behind masks, as can be ascertained by anyone who investigates the record of the association's work, its efforts have been directed solely to the end that common justice and equal opportunity shall be assured to every American citizen regardless of color. In this effort to realize the democracy that is preached as completely as possible in the democracy that is practiced in the association invites the cooperation of all American citizens, white and black.

Thursday night the Springam Medal was awarded Charles Gilpin.

The next conference will be held in Newark, N. J.

PROMINENT BAPTIST MINISTER OMAHA VISITOR

The Rev. H. H. DeWitt and wife of Jacksonville, Ill., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John McCree, 2919 Burdette street. Mr. DeWitt has been pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Jacksonville for the past thirty years and for eighteen consecutive years has been the moderator of the Woodville Baptist Association which was founded 84 years ago and is therefore the oldest Negro Baptist Association in America.

CALLED TO MISSOURI BY DEATH OF NEPHEW

Dr. L. E. Britt was called to his home in Higginsville, Mo., last Wednesday by the death of his nephew, William Arett Lyle, who was killed by the caving in of the roof of the mine in which he was employed. His co-worker was also killed. Mr. Lyle was well known in Omaha as he had visited Dr. and Mrs. Britt a few years ago. Dr. Britt and his son Leonard E. Jr., returned Tuesday.

SPORTING NEWS

The Swastika Racket Club held a tennis tournament Monday, July 4 at their courts at 28th and Miami Sts. A large crowd of enthusiastic tennis fans were out to witness the games. The team captained by A. C. Brown, crack tennis player won four out of the five events over the team captained by Harold Bently. Miss Rae Lee Middleton, Mrs. Ada Brown, S. F. Waits, and A. C. Brown composed the winning team. The results in the singles M. H. Randall and A. C. Brown won over John Horton and Harold Bently. In the doubles, Rae Middleton and Ada Brown won over Madeline Roberts and Thelma Bently. A. C. Brown and S. W. Waits won over H. Bently and S. Yancey. In the mixed doubles, A. C. Brown and Rae Lee Middleton won over Harold Bently and Thelma Bently.

OPENS LAW OFFICE ON SOUTH SIDE

Attorney Alley W. Lewis has resumed the practice of law and has opened an attractive suite of offices at 2522 Q street on the South Side. Mr. Lewis was a successful attorney in Denver, Col., for several years. He has been a resident of Omaha for the past four years but gave up the practice of his profession temporarily on account of his health. The Monitor wishes Mr. Lewis well-deserved success.

Colored Championship Boxing at Columbia Hall Tuesday, July 12. See our ad.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. C. L. Curry Sr., formerly with the Twentieth Century Shoe Repairing Company, 1511 Harry St., is now connected with the Great Western Shoe Repairing Company at 2704 Lake St., Webster 2129. He announces that all work done by him will be strictly guaranteed and respectfully solicits the patronage of all friends and those who have shoe repairing to be done.

Nebraska Civil Rights Bill

Chapter Thirteen of the Revised Statutes of Nebraska, Civil Rights. Enacted in 1893.
Sec. 1. Civil rights of persons. All persons within this state shall be entitled to a full and equal enjoyment of the accommodations, advantages, facilities and privileges of inns, restaurants, public conveyances, barber shops, theatres and other places of amusement; subject only to the conditions and limitations established by law and applicable alike to every person.

Sec. 2. Penalty for Violation of Preceding Section. Any person who shall violate the foregoing section by denying to any person, except for reasons of law applicable to all persons, the full enjoyment of any of the accommodations, advantages, facilities, or privileges enumerated in the foregoing section, or by aiding or inciting such denials, shall for each offense be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and be fined in any sum not less than twenty-five dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars, and pay the costs of the prosecution.

"The original act was held valid as to citizens; barber shops can not discriminate against persons on account of color. Messenger vs. State, 25 Nebr. page 677. N. W. 638."

"A restaurant keeper who refuses to serve a colored person with refreshments in a certain part of his restaurant, for no other reason than that he is colored, is civilly liable, though he offers to serve him by setting a table in a more private part of the house. Ferguson vs. Gies, 82 Mich. 358; N. W. 718."

DR. GREEN RECEIVES GOVERNMENT POSITION

Dr. J. L. Green, the well-known expert mechano-therapist, drugless practitioner of this city, who in a competitive civil service examination last November stood highest in a class of more than 100 applicants, all white except himself, has recently been appointed clerk in the Quartermaster's corps at Fort Robinson, Neb. He will report for service July 11.

Dr. Green hails from the little town of Moorhead, Miss., where he began practicing his present profession after finishing the course in the American University, Chicago, Ill. He was a successful teacher in Mississippi for 22 years.

CHARLIE ANDERSON SLATED FOR N. Y. COLLECTOR INTERNAL REVENUE

(By The Associated Negro Press.)
NEW YORK CITY, June 29.—Chas. W. Anderson, a colored leader, is slated for Collector of Internal Revenue at New York City. There is pending in Congress a bill recommended by the Treasury Department, providing for an increase in the internal revenue collection districts throughout the country from 64 to 74. One of the new districts is to be established in New York, to relieve congestion in the Second District, at present presided over by "Big Bill" Edwards. The Second District is the richest one in the country in the amount of tax collected.

32 rounds Boxing at Columbia Hall 24th and Lake Streets, Tuesday July 12.—See our ad.

WOMAN RELEASED ON RIOT KILLING CHARGE

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Carrie Johnson Freed in Death of Detective Wilson
Special to The Monitor by
Walter J. Singleton.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 30.—The twentieth day of June was marked by the release of Carrie Johnson, after having spent nearly two years in prison. The circumstances and details of this celebrated case are too well-known to require repetition at this time. Charged with the killing of Detective Sergeant Harry Wilson, during the lamentable race riots in this city two years ago, this young girl of tender years has been the center of a hard fought legal battle in which she had the united support of her race. Convicted of manslaughter before the late Justice Gould of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, the case was recently reopened by Justice Siddons who granted a new trial on the grounds that the girl was in terror of her life when the shooting occurred, and United States Attorney John E. Laskey's entry of a nolle

prossure put an end to the case after these many months during which justice was permitted to suffer—as the ultimate disposition of the case so clearly indicates.

When the case was at its height and when race prejudice and hatred were at white heat, this case had the first place in the news columns with headlines that consumed pounds of printers ink, but now, when the case is closed with some show of equity, we find a brief notice tucked in an inconspicuous corner.

It is always impossible to secure justice when mob impulse cries for blood through the smouldering rancor of that unfortunate human trait of race prejudice. It is a relic of savagery which all civilized peoples should try to put out of their hearts.

Great credit must be awarded to Attorney Benjamin Gaskins, who, from the outset, gave his services without remuneration, and to whose fighting spirit and masterful handling of the case, this girl, in a large measure owes her release.

GILPIN AWARDED SPINGARN MEDAL

Is Seventh Recipient of the Medal—Starred in "The Emporer Jones."
(By The Associated Negro Press.)

NEW YORK, July 7.—The Spingarn Medal has been awarded to Charles Gilpin, the actor, who created the role of Custis in John Drinkwater's play, "Abraham Lincoln" and the title role in Eugene O'Neill's play, "The Emporer Jones."

Mr. Gilpin is the seventh recipient of the Medal, those who received it previously being: first, E. E. Just, in 1915, for researches in Biology; second, Colonel Charles Young, in 1916, for services in organizing the constabulary in Liberia; third, Harry T. Burleigh, in 1917, for excellence in the field of music; fourth, William Stanley Braithwaite, in 1918, distinguished poet and literary critic; fifth, Archibald H. Grimke, in 1919, for seventy years of distinguished service to his country and his race; sixth, William E. Burghardt Du Bois, in 1920, for organizing the Pan-African Congress.

The Committee on Award of the Spingarn Medal is composed of ex-President William Howard Taft, Bishop John Hurst, Dr. James H. Dillard, Dr. John Hope, and Oswald Garrison Villard. The Medal was presented to Mr. Gilpin at the twelfth annual conference of the N. A. A. C. P., in Detroit on Thursday, June 30.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Chas. H. Bradford and Leon Penn have gone into the Real Estate business on the So. Side at 2522 Q St. Both men are bonded Notaries and are doing good business.
C. H. BRADFORD and LEON PENN.
Our phone—Market 0385.

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MOSIACS TEMPLARS OF AMERICA

The Mosaic Templars of America is a Negro Organization, paying an endowment of \$300 at death, and places a monument of stone at the head of each deceased member's grave. It numbers among its members some of the most illustrious men and women of the Race. The late eBecker T. Washington was a member. The Hon. Emmett J. Scott and an army of other celebrities are members. The race may well be proud of this order.

Since last Thanksgiving one year ago, 14,838 members have joined the order.

TAKES FIRST VACATION IN MANY YEARS

E. W. Pryor, steward of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce and president of the Colored Commercial Club left Thursday night for Washington, and Brooklyn and other eastern points where he will visit relatives. This is the first vacation that Mr. Pryor has taken in several years. At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, complimentary resolutions were passed relative to Mr. Pryor's fidelity and efficiency and as a recognition of his faithful services a month's vacation with expenses of a trip was unanimously voted him.

SISTER OF COUNT WILKINSON MARRIED

Saturday evening, June 18, Miss Edna May Wilkinson, youngest sister of Count Wilkinson of Omaha, Neb., and Mr. Oliver Hazard Perry, prominent in musical circles, were married at the home of the bride, Washington, D. C. by Rev. D. E. Wiseman, in the presence of relatives and several hundred friends. The bride party took a honeymoon trip to Atlantic City and New York. The presents were many beautiful and costly.

PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Wm. Franklin, Pastor.
The pastor preached two very able sermons Sunday. Attendance fine, offerings splendid, additions two.

At 7 o'clock baptizing was performed by Pastor Franklin.

Messrs. Walls, Sutton, Goodlet and Mrs. J. Robinson are the new Superintendents, general, senior, junior and primary respectively.

New clubs are being born, new organizations a.e. being launched, and older ones are being perfected. All of which means that the church is putting on new life.

Vacational and bible school begun last Tuesday, and will last four weeks.

MRS. JULIA HUDLIN APPOINTED DELEGATE

Mrs. Julia A. Hudlin, who recently resigned as Welfare worker has been appointed by Governor McKelvie as a delegate to the Northwestern Federation of Colored Women's Clubs which meets in Phoenix, Arizona, this month.

RETURNS FROM DETROIT CONVENTION

Henry W. Black, president of the Omaha Branch of the N. A. A. C. P., who went as a delegate to the National Convention held in Detroit last week returned Monday morning. Mr. Black is quite enthusiastic over the work done at the conference.

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STATISTICS SHOW DECREASING BIRTH RATE

The Total Numerical Increase in Population of Color During Last Decade Two-Thirds of a Million. Of This Increase 472,418 or Nearly Three-fourths Was In North and West.

(By The Associated Negro Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C. July 7.—The rate of increase in the Negro population, which is not perceptibly affected by immigration, is by far the lowest rate during the past 30 years, its percentage of increase having declined from 18 per cent between 1890 and 1900 to 11.2 per cent during the following decade and to 6.5 per cent during the 10 years ending January 1, 1920. Such data as are available in regard to birth and death rates among the Negroes in-

dicade that the birth rate has decreased considerably since 1900, while the death rate has not changed greatly.

The total numerical increase in the Negro population during the decade was 635,250. Of this increase, 472,418, or nearly three-fourths, took place in the North and West, while only 162,832, or about one-fourth, was reported for the South, despite the fact that about 85 per cent of the total Negro population is still found in the South.

MAY NOT REBUILD "LITTLE AFRICA"

Building Laws Will Prevent Them From Restoring Homes in Devastated District.

Promises No Officials Will Be Spared and Incriminating Evidence Will Be Given to Grand Jury.
TULSA.—An order extending fire regulations to cover 35 blocks of the devastated Negro district here was issued today by the city commission and was regarded by officials as marking the passing of the old Negro quarter. The regulations prevent the erection of any buildings that are not fireproof.

Frame structures will not be permitted in the zone, and thus, it is believed, will prevent Negroes from rebuilding homes in the area.

The action was expected to force the Negro residents into a new district farther removed from the business section.

Say Negroes Will Gain

While Negroes will be unable to erect homes on the old sites, business men pointed out that they would profit financially by the move. The property with fire restrictions, will be much more valuable for business purposes, it was said.

Prominent business men declared that Negroes who owned property in the district would be able to sell it now for more than it was worth formerly for residence uses. Then it was pointed out, they would have enough money to buy property in another district and erect better homes than they had before the riots.

City Not Liable

The legal committee of the board of public welfare today made public an opinion holding that persons who lost property as a result of the riots and incendiarism could not hold the city or county liable for damages.

Secret testimony bearing on the causes of the race riots was taken today by Attorney General S. P. Freeling who convened a court of inquiry to get names of individuals responsible for the clash.

Several prominent Negroes were among the first to be called before the attorney general. They were expected to name the Negroes who took the lead in the march upon the courthouse last Tuesday night, which precipitated the general fighting.

Attorney General Freeling declared that he would go thoroughly into any causes which might have contributed to the riot and would respect no persons or agencies.

'Law Made for All'

"This inquiry will seek to find the facts as to the inception of the riot and if it could reasonably be prevented by the peace officers. If in securing this evidence individual acts of violence such as murder, arson or burglary is found, it will be presented by me to the grand jury to be impanelled tomorrow by District Judge Biddison.

NOTICE

To insure your news appearing in the current issue be sure to have it reach us not later than Tuesday night of each week. If your news is late we cannot get it in. Our forms are locked up for press Wednesday morning. We want the news. Please see that it reaches us on time.

"The investigation will be absolutely impartial. No honest officer who has done his duty need have anything to fear while at the same time no shielding must be expected. The law was made for all regardless of color or politics and in the serious situation which confronts Tulsa no such considerations can be for one moment entertained". —Muskogee Phoenix June 7, 1921.

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DISTRICT CONFERENCE MEETS IN ST. JOHN'S

The Sunday School Convention and District Conference of the Kansas and Nebraska Conference of the A. M. E. Church attracted large and enthusiastic congregations at St. John's A. M. E. church during the interesting sessions held there last week. The sessions occupied Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Wednesday was given to the Sunday School Convention. Rev. J. A. Paine, Presiding Elder ably presided throughout. Friday night there was a special preached by the Rev. Mr. Knight. Several outside ministers were present, as well as lay delegates. The Rev. W. C. Williams pastor of St. John's contributed much to the success of the meeting.

ST PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN

Rev. Russell Taylor, Pastor.
Twenty-one persons communed Sunday. It was an enjoyable time. Among our visitors were Mrs. T. H. Slater of the Radcliffe Memorial Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, Ga., and her sister, Mrs. Emma Smith, and the Rev. and Mrs. M. H. Wilkinson.

Rev. Mr. Wilkinson assisted in the services.

Our efficient elder, John A. Hardy, has temporarily placed his boys in Father Flannigan's Home. Later he contemplates sending them to one of our schools, Swift Memorial College, Rogersville, Tenn.

Christian Endeavor services were interesting. Miss Addie Thomas, president, will lead the meeting Sunday evening. Some special features will be a recitation by Miss May Wilson, music by St. Paul's Male Quartette and other special music. Topic Service. Solo Miss Dolores Johnson.

The Sunday School will have charge of the services Sunday morning and will give a Children's Day program.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP, THE DEACON

An increasing number of strangers and newcomers are attending the services and becoming interested in the Church.

The sacrament of Holy Baptism will be administered to children at the 11 o'clock service Sunday morning.

Preparations are being made for the annual parish and Sunday school picnic which will be held at Elmwood Park, Thursday, July 21.

Mrs. W. L. Turner of 3222 Charles St. has just returned from the East where she had been visiting eight months. While away she was in Ohio and Illinois.

Miss Beatrice Black, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Black of 2923 North 25th Street returned from Oakland and Los Angeles, Calif., Wednesday, June 29, where she had been visiting for the last year.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mme. H. L. Massey is now in charge of the new millinery department of the Cooperative Department Store, 1516-18 N. 24th St. She assumes her duties with a wealth of experience and training, having been connected recently with some of the largest millinery establishments in Chicago. She solicits for her business the liberal patronage of all friends and those who have to buy millinery goods.

Madam H. L. Massey