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LIBERIA DISTRICTS HAVE BEEN PLACED UNDER MARTIAL LAW

M'RARY IS MULCT \$40,000 SETTling SUIT FOR DAMAGES

Wealthy North Carolina Who Was Sued By Varner In Connection of Wife's Affection Case Sum to Stop Sensational Trial

CAN'T RETURN TO LEXINGTON

Friends Fear Mob Violence Should McRary Return South to Settle Business Affairs

CINCINNATI, O., Sept. 22.—It has leaked out that Baxter McRary, wealthy citizen of Lexington, N. C., put up \$40,000 in order to settle out of court suits of H. B. Varner, white, against Mrs. Varner. Of this amount, \$20,000, it is said, will be paid to Varner's lawyers, and the remaining \$20,000 to Mr. McRary's lawyers and to pay the court costs.

Varner is also said to have put up \$50,000, \$25,000 of which goes to his wife and the remainder to pay her attorney's fees and court costs.

It is reported that Mr. McRary feels that he has saved \$60,000 by settling the case out of court. The whites it is said, had planned to ruin him by so arranging matters with Mrs. Varner, his only witness, that she would not testify. Altogether they planned to make the case cost \$100,000.

Not Safe in Lexington

Dr. I. Garland Penn, friend of Mr. McRary and an official of the M. E. Church, in which Mr. McRary is an ardent worker, has just returned from Lexington, N. C., and reports that it is not safe for Mr. McRary to return home yet. Mr. McRary, himself, is anxious to go back because of his poor health here and because his business affairs are tied up in his home city. Mob violence, however, is threatened, should he return.

The case attracted considerable publicity last spring when Varner sued his wife for divorce and sued Mr. McRary for \$50,000 damages, charging him with stealing his wife's affections.

NEBRASKA CONFERENCE HAS SUCCESSFUL MEETING Lincoln Gives Warm Welcome to Methodists From Several States

The first Nebraska Conference convened in Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 14-21. There were some forty ministers and laymen from Omaha, Kansas City, Leavenworth, Atchison, and other towns of eastern Nebraska.

The session was held in the A. M. E. Church, Bishop H. B. Parks, D. D. presiding. The session was opened promptly and routine business rapidly dispatched.

Wednesday night a large congregation assembled to listen to addresses of welcome by Rev. A. J. McAllister of the M. E. Church, Clyde W. Malone of the A. M. E. Church and Mrs. E. J. Edwards, which were responded to by Rev. Mr. Barksdale, Bishop Parks, and others. The choir rendered splendid music.

There was much doing along business lines during the whole session. Many sermons were delivered which will not be soon forgotten. Rev. Mr. Barksdale delivered a great lecture on Saturday night, depicting the history of the A. M. E. Church from its infancy. It was highly appreciated by all. Bishop H. B. Parks delivered one of his inspiring sermons Sunday morning with a large congregation in attendance. A free-will offering of \$55 was taken up. Sunday School was held in the afternoon and was attended by many of the visitors.

Memorial services were held at 3:30 P. M. conducted by Rev. O. J. Buckhardt and the following deceased ones were eulogized by the ministers. Rev. Mr. Griffin, Kansas City, Kans. spoke of Sister Smith. Rev. Mr. Tucker of Atchison, spoke of Bishop Tyree. Rev. J. S. Payne, P. E., spoke on Rev. Wm. H. Prince. Rev. W. B. Johnson of Kansas City, spoke on Rev. Geo. W. Brown.

Rev. H. D. Rhone, a young minister of Penn. then delivered a sermon and received many congratulations. The conference met early Sunday night, listened to a sermon by Rev. Dr. Griffin of Kansas City, then appointments of pastors were in order. Many members of the conference complimented the hospitality shown them here.

PORTERS TO REPLACE WHITE CONDUCTORS

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Sept. 22.—It is reported here that the Pullman company has plans under way, whereby white Pullman conductors are to be replaced by colored porters, to collect fares and to perform other duties on Southern lines.

SOUTHERN WOMEN AGAINST LYNCHING

Prominent Social and Civil Leaders Forsee Ruin of Constitutional Ideals Unless Lawlessness Is Restrained.

PROTEST DOUBLE STANDARD

Plead For the Creation of Public Sentiment Which Will Change Conditions And Protect All Women.

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 16.—"We find in our hearts no extenuation for crime, be it violation of womanhood, mob violence, or the illegal taking of human life," declares a statement just issued by a special section of Georgia State Committee on Inter-Racial Cooperation, composed entirely of women, which has just been organized here to banish all groups which would take into their own hands the execution of justice and to set up a single standard of morals both in the white and the colored races.

This appeal condemns the protection of womanhood by criminal methods, asserting "if there is any crime more dangerous than another it is that crime that strikes at the root of and undermines constituted authority, breaks all laws and restraints of civilization, substitutes mob violence and masked irresponsibility for established justice and deprives society of a sense of protection against barbarism."

Resolutions adopted at the organization meeting outline the scope of the committee's activities and acknowledge the responsibility of sharing with all good citizens "the duty of emphasizing and perpetuating the ideals of our fathers in the founding of this commonwealth in wisdom, justice and moderation."

Then follows the appeal to the public at large to uphold public officials in the discharge of their duties, "to recognize the forces which are undermining our life, and speedily to banish self-constituted groups and agencies which presume to usurp authority, set aside the dignity of the law and constitute themselves the persecutors, jurors, judges and executors of suspected criminals."

"We have a deep sense of appreciation for the chivalry of men who would give their lives for the purity and safety of women," they declare.

"Yet we feel constrained to declare our convictions concerning the methods sometimes employed in this supposed protection. We find in our hearts no extenuation for crime, be it violation of womanhood, mob violence or the illegal taking of human life.

"We are convinced that if there is any one crime more dangerous than another, it is that crime which strikes at the root of, and undermines constituted authority, breaks all laws and restraints from civilization, substitute mob violence and masked irresponsibility for established justice and deprives society of a sense of protection against barbarism.

"Therefore, we believe that false appeal can be made to Southern manhood that the mob violence is necessary for the protection of womanhood, or that he brutal practice of lynching and burning of human beings is an expression of chivalry. We believe that these methods are no protection to anything or anybody, but that they jeopardize every right and every security that we possess.

"The double standard of morals, which society passively permits is rapidly producing results that imperil the future integrity of our national life and we are persuaded that this problem can never be solved as long as there is a double standard for men and women of any race. We appeal for the creation of a public sentiment which will no longer submit to this condition and declare ourselves for the protection of womanhood of whatever race.

"We are convinced that if there is ever to be a solution of the race problem there must be an intensive and sustained campaign to instruct whites and Negroes to respect both moral and civil law. Therefore, we recommend that all people give themselves to a definite study of these vital matters relating to justice and righteousness and that the press, pulpit, platform and school endeavor to lead public thought in bringing about a state of public opinion that will compel the protection of the purity of both races."

Among the women in the newly organized body are: Mrs. A. W. Lawton, of Savannah, who is chairman of the special women's section; Mrs. W. A. Turner of Newman, secretary; Mrs. Samuel M. Inman, Mrs. Emily McLaughlin, Mrs. J. H. McEachern, Mrs. Belmont Davison, Miss Rosa Woodberry, Mrs. C. N. Downey, Mrs. W. A. Albright, Mrs. W. Frank Smith, Mrs.

SMITHVILLE, TEX., PROHIBITS PARADE OF MASKED MEN

SMITHVILLE, Tex., Sept. 16.—Fearing a contemplated parade of the Ku Klux Klan would cause racial friction, the Council has adopted an ordinance prohibiting masked bodies of men from using the streets. Parades by Klansmen in other cities have been held recently without interference.

BISHOP SCOTT SPEAKS AT GROVE METHODIST

Prominent Prelate Who Has Travelled Widely Tells of Improving Conditions in the Southland

That the South has improved in its relation to the colored people since the large migration from that section was a statement made by Bishop I. B. Scott, Grove M. E. church Tuesday night.

Bishop Scott who for many years was editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate of New Orleans, and has written a bright chapter in missionary work in Africa and in the South is one of the outstanding figures of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Before beginning his sermon on "Prevailing Prayer," which was one of the instruction and effectiveness, the bishop expressed his pleasure at being present and asked how many of the congregation were from the South. Two-thirds of those present raised their hands. He then told them of the improved conditions. "The South has improved, since you left," said the bishop "in its relation to the colored people. I do not mean that there are no abuses, no mistreatment; but there is an element and a constantly increasing element who are seeing to it that colored people are being better treated. Inter-racial committees are conferring together for the righting of wrongs. You have helped South by leaving and you have helped the North by buying homes and putting 'the go into your northern brethren. Stay North and continue to be progressive and thrifty citizens."

In his sermon he stressed the need of prayer in every life and plead for a revival of family prayer. The Rev. Charles W. Savidge; the Rev. Saunders pastor of Grove and the Rev. Dr. Logan took part in the services, the latter introducing Bishop Scott.

OMAHA IN NATIONAL COLORED BASE BALL LEAGUE NEXT YEAR

Omaha will be represented by two men if the plans of Secretary "Mike" organized base ball teams next season. Finn of the Omaha Western league club materialized.

It is the plan of Finn to organize a colored team in this city. Should one be formed—and all present indications are that it will—Omaha will become a member of the National Colored Base Ball League, which is composed of Chicago, Detroit, Kansas City, St. Louis and at the present time Cincinnati. However, the latter city is going to drop out of the league thereby allowing Omaha the vacant franchise.

The colored teams will play in Omaha only during the absence of the Omaha Buffaloes, according to Secretary "Mike".

John Donaldson of the Kansas City Monarchs, considered one of the best colored base ball players in the country, has been secured to manage the Omaha colored team. Donaldson will take up his new duties next season.

NEWSPAPERS NOTING POLITICAL POSITION OF COLORED AMERICANS

(By The Associated Negro Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 22.—The great daily newspaper of the United States have begun to give special notice to the remarkable political conditions existing at this time among Colored Americans. The alarming and significant feature is brought out that the undented policy of "Lily Whitemen" adopted by the Administration and the Republican Party, promises to arouse reflex indignation in eastern and western states where "Negro votes count".

The Washington, D. C. Star, an Administration newspaper, calls attention to the fact that never before in the history of politics has there been such a state of affairs twelve months before the next Congressional election, and states that "This is bound to attract attention and lead to some sort of expression as to its national value and significance."

Archibald Davis, Mrs. M. Ashby Jones, Mrs. H. C. Phipps, of Atlanta; Mrs. W. J. Neal, of Cartersville; Mrs. Z. I. Fitzpatrick, of Thomasville; Mrs. C. Hinton of Macon; Mrs. T. J. Woolter, of Athens; Mrs. Hazen Smith, of La Grange, and Mrs. Luke Johnson of Griffin.

AFRICAN BLOOD BROTHERHOOD AGAINST GARVEY

Pan-African Congress Ridicules His "Back to Africa Movement" and Jamaican Leader Draws Fire of Opponent

U. N. I. A. OPPOSES P. A. C.

Cyril Briggs Speaking for Brotherhood, Says Garvey Twists DuBois Demand for Race Equality

NEW YORK CITY, Sept. 22.—Marcus Garvey, head of the U. N. I. A. and president of the Black Star Line faces criticism from a new source.

Last week the Pan African Congress, in Brussels, ridiculed his "Back to Africa Movement," as an impractical dream. Replying to this statement of the Congress which was evidently written by Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, the Honorable Marcus Garvey discusses racial equality and thereby drew the fire from the African Blood Brotherhood, known as a peace-loving, but red blooded organization created to afford immediate protection and ultimate deliverance of Negroes everywhere. Mr. Garvey's statement replying to Dr. DuBois was printed in the New York World last Friday and is as follows:

"The Universal Negro Improvement Association stands in opposition to the Pan-African Congress and to the leadership of DuBois because they seek to bring about a destruction of the U. N. I. A. and white races by the social amalgamation of both. The Dr. DuBois group believe that Negroes should settle down in communities of whites and by social contact and miscegenation bring about a new type. The Universal Negro Improvement Association believes that both races have separate and distinct racial destinies, that each and every race should develop on its own social lines, and that any attempt to bring about the amalgamation of any two opposite races is a crime against nature."

Speaking for the African Blood Brotherhood, Cyril V. Briggs declared today, Marcus Garvey in trying to answer DuBois' repudiation of his ideas, twists DuBois' demand for racial equality into a demand for "social equality" (whatever that is!) and appeals to the worst prejudices and passions of certain whites.

MOVEMENT ON FOOT FOR BRANCH Y. M. C. A.

Rev. J. Felton Bryant, Who Has Had Successful Career, Sent to City as First Secretary of Branch

Plans for a Branch of the Y. M. C. A. for Colored men have been under discussion for some months. Substantial progress has been made to the extent that an executive committee has been organized and the National Association has sent the Rev. J. Felton Bryant, of Painesville, Ohio, who has been a successful "Y" worker as first secretary of the Branch. Mr. Bryant will thoroughly survey the field and do such preliminary work as may be



J. Felton Bryant

deemed advisable before a definite location of and steps for securing a building will be taken.

Mr. Bryant, who is a regularly ordained Congregational minister is a graduate of Oberlin College and took a post graduate course at Yale. He served for nineteen months in army "Y" work overseas. He has had a most successful career in the ministry and as a social and Y. M. C. A. worker. Upon his leaving Painesville, for Omaha, the local paper spoke in most complimentary terms of his work there. A few months ago Mr. Bryant was married to Miss Margaret L. Jones, the accomplished daughter of Dr. W. T. Jones of Newport News, Va. Mrs. Bryant, prior to her marriage was engaged in educational work at Tuskegee.

The Monitor extends cordial welcome to these Christian workers who have come among us and wishes them every success.

ASSISTS NEW YORK WORLD FIGHT KLAN

National Office N. A. A. C. P. Places Important Data And Information in Hands of Great Metropolitan Daily Waging War On Kluxies

N. A. A. C. P. FIRST TO ACT

National Association For Advancement of Colored People Responsible for Awakening Nation

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—James Weldon Johnson, Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, makes the following statement:

"Just one year ago one of the staff officers of the National Association wrote a letter to the headquarters of the Ku Klux Klan in Atlanta and in reply received an application for membership blank and some literature of the Klan. This was the beginning of the fight which the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has kept up against the Ku Klux Klan ever since.

Secures Information After considerable correspondence we secured enough information regarding the Klan to give wide spread publicity to it and to show its real purposes. We placed the evidence that we had gathered into the hands of the Mayor of the City of New York, Governor of New York State, Police Commissioner of New York and the District Attorney's Office, and also into the hands of the Department of Justice at Washington. Later a member of our office staff made the trip to Ocoee, Florida, and investigated the Ku Klux Klan riots in that town in which twenty-five to forty colored people were killed.

Holds First Meeting The first mass meeting in New York against the Ku Klux Klan was held under the auspices of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on the 3rd of January. The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has not only fought the Ku Klux Klan from its National Office and through its branches by publicity, by mass meeting and by appealing to the authorities, it has also fought the Klan as it is glorified in the infamous moving picture, "The Birth of a Nation."

In return the Klan through its organ, The Searchlight, launched a vicious attack against the N. A. A. C. P. and used every means in its power to intimidate members of the Association in the South. This fight of a year waged by the Association has at last borne fruit and the battle has been taken up by a great and powerful champion, The New York World. And The World is dealing the Ku Klux Klan its death blow. Twenty other prominent newspapers in various sections of the country are associated with The World in giving publicity to the inside workings of this nefarious organization.

Gives World Data

About a little more than two months ago a representative of The World came into the National Office of the Association and told us plans for an investigation and expose which his paper was undertaking and asked us to furnish him with all the data and information possible. Our office immediately placed at his disposal its files of data, information and documents relating to the Ku Klux Klan. We are glad that we were able to render this assistance to The World in the great fight which it is carrying on. The World is performing a great service not only to the Negro but to the nation because in stamping out the Ku Klux Klan, it is conserving its institutions of law and order. The World merits the appreciation of the whole country and especially of the colored people because the destruction of the Ku Klux Klan means more to them than to anybody else.

In addition the New York American has begun the publication of a series of articles exposing the Klan. The articles are written by C. Anderson Wright, former King Kleagle of the Invisible Empire of the Ku Klux Klan. In the issue of the American of September 16, Mr. Wright made the following disclosure regarding the policy of the Klan toward the N. A. A. C. P.

Fear Negro Power

"Another subject of serious discussion was the realization that the power of the Negro society known as the Society for the Advancement of Colored People was becoming a great menace to the expansion of the Ku Klux Klan, as it was continually giving to the press publicity on the Negro phase of the Klan's activities. This society was getting active in State

TWO TEXAS CITIES PASS MEASURES AGAINST KLAN

EL PASO, Tex., Sept. 22.—The City Council adopted on first reading yesterday an ordinance forbidding public gatherings or demonstrations of masked persons. Permits from the Police Chief are necessary for masked balls or carnivals. Supporters of the ordinance say it is aimed at the Ku Klux Klan.

TWO THOUSAND WISH PARSON GODSPEED

Rev. Everard W. Daniel, Former Curate at St. Philip's Goes to St. Matthew's Parish, Detroit

IS VALIANT RACE CHAMPION

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—The Rev. Everard W. Daniel, for seventeen years curate of St. Philip's Episcopal church, this city, the wealthiest congregation of colored people in the United States, was given a great ovation in Harlem Casino, Friday night, September 9, at a reception given in his honor. More than 2,000 persons were in attendance to bid the Rev. Daniel Godspeer on the eve of his departure for Detroit, Mich., where he becomes rector of the historic St. Matthew's parish of that city. During his residence in New York "the fighting curate of St. Philip's" has been a conspicuous and commanding figure in championing the rights of his people. He was in the very forefront of every movement seeking the civic betterment and constitutional rights of the race. Recently there was a breach between him and the Rev. Hutchens C. Bishop, rector of St. Philip's, which led to his retirement as curate. Strong feeling has arisen in the parish over his retirement. Detroit will offer this manly priest a splendid field for spiritual and civic activities.

GIVES PLEASANT PARTY

Mrs. J. W. Pinkston and some of the older members of the choir of the Church of St. Philip the Deacon gave a delightful garden party at the Pinkston residence on North Twenty-second street last Saturday night complimentary to Miss Madeline Roberts. The grounds were beautifully decorated and illuminated. The young folks enjoyed themselves in a general Bohemian manner; some indulged in dancing; some enjoyed cards and games; others invaded the studio where they sang and played. In an interesting game entitled "The Wedding of the Flowers," the answers to the several questions being a flower, the prize went to Miss Ethel Jones.

GARVEYITES APPLAUD NEWS OF REVOLUTION

NEW YORK, N. Y., Sept. 22.—Crowds in Liberty Hall Sunday, September 11 applauded the news of a revolt in India against the British. Wild applause greeted the dispatch that the Moors in Morocco had massacred twenty-four thousand Spaniards.

CLIMBED TREE TO ESCAPE FLOOD

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Sept. 22.—Most of the hundred persons drowned in the San Gabriel river flood here were Mexicans and whites. Edw. Green was rescued after being in a tree thirty-six hours.

WANTS TO SELL NEWSPAPER

HUNTINGDON, W. Va., Sept. 22.—Because of illness in his family, A. M. Johnson, publisher of the Times-American is offering his newspaper for sale.

\$50,000 THEATRE CATERS TO COLORED PATRONAGE

ANNAPOLIS Md., Sept. 15.—The Star Theater, owned and operated by the J. M. L. Amusement Company is one of the theatres here catering to colored patronage.

legislative work, having already succeeded in having introduced by a Negro legislator from Chicago, a bill denouncing the Klan in the Illinois Legislature. This bill was passed. It made an appeal to the citizens of Illinois to refrain from joining or associating in any manner with the Ku Klux Klan.

This activity on the part of the Negro, in the judgment of Clarke, warranted prompt action, and it was decided to set up a rival organization to the Society for the Advancement of Colored People without delay. Clarke began with a Negro in his own employ, a man of unusual intelligence who was in charge of the servants on his farm on the outskirts of Atlanta. This servant enlisted the services of other Negroes as spies, and they attended the meetings of the society and reported everything that was said and done. Also these spies sought to create dissatisfaction and discord among the members of the society. This Negro phase of the Klan's activities I shall deal with in another article."

LIBERIA DEALS DRASTICALLY WITH HER KLUXIES

African Republic Declares Martial Law in Certain Sections of Grand Bassa County and Mobilizes Her Soldiers

SCORES OF MEN ARRESTED

Accused Will Be Tried Before Military Courts For Many Acts of Violence And Murder.

MONROVIA, Liberia, Sept. 3.—There is a Ku Klux Klan here in Liberia and the Government deals harshly with it.

According to the current issue of the Liberian News, secretary of State, Edwin Barclay, acting for President King who is in America, issued a proclamation recently suspending the writ of habeas corpus and declaring a certain part of Grand Bassa County under martial law.

The second Liberian regiment has been mobilized and is now in camp in the County to enforce martial law. Eighty-six persons have been arrested and brought to court martial and most of them found guilty of murder in the first and second degree. Several former Americans are among the number.

Under the law all guilty persons shall suffer death by being shot and their property confiscated by the state.

James W. Cooper, secretary of war, has taken charge, personally, of the affected districts. All of the criminals are members of the Negee and Human Leopard Societies, who have murdered and terrorized thousands of peaceful Liberian citizens and interfered with trade and commerce.

GRAND LODGE YORK RITE MASONS HELD AT SIOUX CITY

Installation of officers at the Friday night meeting closed the annual convention of York Rite Masons which was in session September 13-16. The delegates from all the Missouri Valley states paraded the streets of the down town section Friday afternoon. The procession was headed by Reed's Military band. Following them were the Shriners. The women's drill team acted as escorts and the Knights Templar brought up the rear. The organization has doubled its membership under the leadership of Rev. J. A. Broadnax of Kansas City, who has been Grand Master for the past two years. The delegates were entertained by the members of the organization in Sioux City. They adopted resolutions of thanks to the people of Sioux City for their courtesy while there, being especially grateful to Mayor Wallace M. Short who opened the session with an address of welcome. Atchison, Kans., was selected as the place of meeting in 1922.

VIRGINIA REPUBLICANS START NEWSPAPER

RICHMOND, Va., Sept. 22.—The Colored Republican is a new weekly newspaper established here to aid colored independent voters in securing support of the full colored ticket nominated at a State convention last week.

LARGEST PUBLIC SCHOOL IN NORTH CAROLINA

DURHAM, N. C., Sept. 22.—The Board of Aldermen have opened bids for a bond issue of \$525,000. One hundred-fifty thousand dollars will be used to erect a school building for colored children and the remainder for a new high school building for whites. The proposed building will be the largest colored public school in North Carolina.

WOMAN TURNING BLACK

JULIETTE, La., Sept. 22.—Bernice Godard, 18 years old, white girl, of Goversville, is suffering from Raynaud's disease which so far has caused the ends of her fingers to turn black.

TWO COLORED VICTIMS OF BRIDGE DISASTER

CHESTER, Pa., Sept. 15.—Two of twenty-five persons who were drowned when the Third Street bridge in Chester, Pa., fell into Chester river, are colored.

They are John E. Baker 33, Garden City, N. Y., and Richard Gordy, 35, 322 Fulton St. Chester, Pa., Mrs. Travis Farrell, 230 Market Street Chester is undergoing treatment in the hospital.