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Atlanta Woman, Aged 125 Years, Dies; Great-Grandmother of 191 Children

NATIVE OF GEORGIA SETS AGE RECORD

Age of a Century and a Quarter-Registrar of County Verifies Date of Birth.

CHURCH MEMBER A CENTURY

Investigation Shows That Her Third Child Survives and Is Nearly 100 Years Old-Record Unsurpassed.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 2 .- Mrs. Eveline Bolton of Oglethorne county is dead at the age of 125 years, 9 months and 11 days-which constitutes a record in longevity for the state of Georgia, and is believed to set a similar record for the entire United States.

Mrs. Bolton died on December 24 1922, and the delay in telling the story of her long life is due to the fact that the date of her birth and other facts have been very carefully investigated by Justice H. H. Glenn, registrar of births and deaths for the militia district in which she died. On Friday of last week the story was given out by Dr. Davis, head of the vital statistics department of the state board of health. Dr. Davis is satisfied that the facts in the case will now bear the closest scrutiny.

In the report of his investigation Justice Glenn says "She was the age stated on the death record, or very nearly so."

· He found that her third child is still living, at the age of 98. She was the mother of sixteen children, had children.

As corroborative evidence of her age, Justice Glenn reports that the date of her birth, March 13, 1797, has been he ided down among "her folks", from child to child, for more than a hundred years. She is recorded as a member in good standing of the Mount

church stood reverted to the grand- of these three corporations. father of Justice Glenn after the build- Men of national reputation jour- CHINESE GIRL HEADS HER CLASS ing was thus destroyed.

she lived after the emancipation.

TO INQUIRE INTO OUSTING OF NEGROES

eral exodus of Negroes occurred on or- the economic life of the Colored people ders of white people following an at- of America. tack on a white girl by a Negro, has been taken by Governor McCray. Herman A. Collins, Captain of a National Guard company at Terra Haute, was ordered to Blanford to make a complete investigation of the situation. The Governor also communicated with official to see that the rights of the Negroes were protected.

DEARER CLOTHING PREDICTED

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 1-(Crusader

The Ku Klux Klan is being repudiated in the South, according to ex-

Fifth avenue, New York.

"And when that order preaches the loyalty in the company could be wish-

FOR UNITED STATES tection of the laws, because he is not secret societies and other organizathat reptilian order, we think of those up to five million dollars. graves in France. And our impulse is not one of pity for the Negroes, for God help a country that be so vile!"

BROWN FIRST TO DIE

man to go to his doom since the new penalty at 11:12 o'clock last Friday night. He passed down the corridor, and silent.

for the killing of Mrs. Anna Blaustein, a capital stock of at least \$200,000. She was beaten to death with a wrench.

NEGRO CAPITALISTS **GATHER IN ATLANTA**

48 grandchildren and 191 great grand Financial Concerns Report Remarkable Progress - The Dividends Declared Indicate Marked Economic Strides.

Zion church for the last 115 years, could well be termed the most remark- passed a resolution that the Govern-During slavery days, Mrs. Bolton was able gathering of Negro capitalists ment of the United States be requested the property of Noah Bolton and the ever assembled in America met in to assign the states of Georgia, Florinformation, on the death record was Atlanta, Georgia, January 16th, 17th ida, Alabama and the Carolinas to the lem. furnished by a descendant of Mr. Bol- and 18th for the semi-annual meetings Negro minority in the states, in order The first edifice of the church to The Service Company, and its sub- ance in their present situation of the which she belonged for so long was sidiary concerns: The Standard Life populations which are vexed by fears" burned to the ground eighty years ago, Insurance Company and the Citizens in line with the humanitarian sentiand it is known that she had been a Trust Company. The three days were ments expressed by the representative member for thirty-five years preced- spent by the officers, directors and of the American Government at Lausing that fire. The land on which that stockholders in discussing the affairs anne.

neyed from as far west as New Or-From the date of her birth, 1797, leans, La., and from as far east as Is Graduated from Public School No. North. The working outlook for the it will be seen that, despite her long Washington, D. C., the capital of the life, she lived as a slave longer than nation, to Atlanta to lend the benefit of their experience to the allied corporations and their subsidiaries.

Definite Steps Taken in Negro Economic Progress.

er Service). Action looking toward an tion of definite steps being made by public school No. 23. investigation of the threatened race this group of Negro capitalists in the trouble at Blanford, Ind., where a gen- great movement for the redemption of

The Service Company.

these organizations cover a vast section of the industrial field. The Service Company-which is the holding corporation operating The Service Laundry, The Service Printing Co., the sheriff of Blanford over the teles. The Service Realty Company, The phone and stated that he expected the Service Engineering and Construction The Service Farm Bureau, has made an enviable record since its organization. Its resources have been increased, it was reported, since last year from three million to five and one-quarter million dollars, and its Service) Prices of tailor-made cloth- capital from five hundred thousand to ing will increase from 12 to 15 per one million dollars. At the meeting cent in the near future, L. A. Banner, last week the directors declared a cash Secretary of the National Merchant dividend of ten per cent with a stock Tailor Designers' Association, stated dividend of one hundred per cent. Intoday. The Association is holding its dications are that The Service Comforty-third annual convention here. pany will doubtless again double its He ascribed the mounting price of resources during the year 1923. This wool and the scarcity of workmen as is possible since in addition to the reasons for the predicted price in- concerns already being operated its plans contemplate the establishment

of a Service Industrial Insurance Com-"INSULT TO THE WHITE RACE" pany to supplement Standard Life. The Citizens Trust Company.

In line with the general progress tracts from an editorial of the of the interests being handled by this Greensboro, North Carolina, Daily group of industrial leaders, the Citi-News, of December 18th, made public zens Trust Company, which was openby the National Association for the ed for business in August, 1921, has Advancement of Colored People, 70 also made a remarkable record. On the day of the meeting of stockhold-"The existence of the Ku Klux is ers and directors last week, the ofan insult to the white race," says the ficers reported that the Citizens Trust editorial. "It is an admission that we Company can boast available resources cannot defend ourselves except by a of more than one million dollars. No

poisonous doctrine that the Negro is ed than was shown on the day before BRITISH CONSIDER not entitled to the right of a fair trial the meeting when seventy thousand in open court and to the equal prodellars were deposited by individuals, 100 per cent American, we think of tions so as to bring the deposits up to Mrs. Eveline Bolton Died at Unusual by one of the rivers of France. And ficers and directors. Twelve thousand when officials of the government ally five hundred dollars were paid in themselves with that order, nay, when dividends to the stockholders of the a judge on the bench charged with company. It is proposed, it is said, the sacred administration of justice, during the year 1923 to bring the rewill not deny that he is the head of sources of the Citizens Trust Company Standard Life Insurance Company.

It remained for the Standard Life the Negroes have vindicated them- Insurance Company, one of the major selves. Our fear is for the nation that constituencies of this financial group, threatens to abandon its own dead. to report insurance in force as of December 31, 1922, amounting to \$22,-881,575, with a total income for the year of \$1,083,152. A surplus of \$78,-IN NEW DEATH HOUSE 910.45 was reported, being nearly double the amount of the surplus re-Ossining, N. Y., Feb. 2-The first ported last year. After careful payment of Britain's debt to the Amthought and consideration the directors voted that a semi-annual dividend cently completed death house, Henry of \$6.00 per share be declared, which statement made by a leading British Brown, a Colored youth, paid the in percentage terms means an annual Diplomat that the transfer was an stockholders and directors voted to never sell white men," is about to be of other doomed men, and entered the ard Life Insurance Company from that Britain might be willing to "sell chair at 11:04 o'clock. He was cool \$125,000 to \$250,000 so as to enable the white men" if the price was made big Brown, a man of great physique, died ern states particularly which require British official coterie.

Morris avenue, the Bronx, when she program speaks for itself. Its finan- sents the larger business and proresisted Brown's effort to rob her. cial returns, its employment of hundreds of capable colored men and is small doubt that the exchange women, and its proof that the race can would rebound to the economic beneconduct financial concerns of this fits of the islands. Having this fact magnitude justifies the slogan of in mind government officials are of "Service" which permeates the activi- the opinion that if the Washington ties of these corporations.

FIVE STATES FOR US

ish Society for the Protection of the sition to its adoption. This, however, Negro Minority in the United States, is sign positive that the plan will be an organization similar to the body in finally adopted. It only shows which for the humiliation and \$25,00 for CONCERNS IN A-1 CONDITION the United States bearing the name of way the white wind is blowing. The the American Association for the Pro- Negroes have not had any say about Atlanta, Georgia, Feb. 2.-What tection of the Armenians, recently the transfer. There is general opinof the stockholders and directors of that "safety shall attend the continu- SOUTHERN WORKERS

23 with High Scholastic Honors.

old Florence J. Lou of 43 Mott street, Building during 1922 was practically

prize in the Evening Post prize essay the present outlook. contest on "What Van Loon's Essays | Conditions throughout Illinois, In- mitted to the freshman dormitory. tory". She likes all her studies and

STABS LOVER, FAINTS

New Orleans, La., Feb. 1-An argu-

TURKS DEMAND PLEBISCITE

Lausanne, Feb. 1-(Crusader Service) Turkey has taken advantage of which Great Britain now exploits under a mandate of the League of Nations, be settled by a plebiscite.

Ismet Pasha, Turkish nationalist representative at the Near Eastern Peace Conference, has informed Lord Curzon, British Foreign Minister, that

The Turkish delegate stated that Britain wanted to keep Mosul because better expression of confidence and of the large stores of oil in the terri-

GIVING ISLANDS TO UNITED STATES

Would Pay Debt by Transferring West Indies to American Government It Is Claimed in Certain Quarters.

SUBJECT UNDER DISCUSSION

Concensus of Opinion is to the Effect That Negro Citizens of Islands Will Object to American Ownership.

London, Eng., Feb. 2.-The transfer of British possessions in the West Indies to the United States as part erican republic is now receiving favorable consideration. The recent dividend of twelve per cent. The impossible matter because "We could increase the capital stock of the Stand- discounted by a counter declaration company to do business in those north- enough to soften the qualms of the

It is true that the West Indies have government would consider a plan which involved the purchasing of the interests of the white business and property holding in the population New York, N. Y., Feb. 2-The Turk- that there would be but slight oppoion that they will not favor a transfer to the United States because they fear

Reveals the Fact that Workers Are in Great Demand

(By Associated Negro Press) Chicago, Ill., Feb. 2-The migra- HARVARD BOARD TO tion of Colored workers continues spring will be record breaking.

The Labor Department reports a maximum employment of virtually all New York, Feb. 2.-Thirteen-year- industrial plants in Chicago this year.

isn't sure what she will do after that. ers. This conditions also prevaus in it is understood the matter will be Ohio.

Wire and steel mills in Indiana are slated meeting, late in February.

ment over his relations with anothen tendent of the Chicago free employ- has been made of the president for soon swing in 41 states. Equal rights instruments, including string and woman is said to have led to the fatal ment department of labor of the state such a meeting, is believed to indicate bills have been drafted, it was said, brass, lead numbers with vocal offerstabbing last week of Noah Matthews of Illinois, reports that the ratio of there is strong feeling in the board it for introduction at sessions of the ings and play parts in "Krousemeyer's by Miss Estelle Williams, pretty mu- applicants to jobs available at the should have been consulted before ac- state legislative bodies this year. Alley". Sweeney and Rooney are a latte. The girl was charged with Illinois free employment offices were tion was taken on the case of the States in which the women's party brace of men who have danced their murder when she surrendered at the increased to 116.6 for 100 jobs avail- son of Roscoe Conkling Bruce, him- leaders will center their efforts in- way around the world, coming direct First Precinct Police Station. When able from 112.2, the November fig- self a graduate of Harvard, and the clude: Alabama, Arkansas, North from Australia to participate in Watshe surrendered, the girl did not know ures. A year ago 210.0 persons reg- policy of the university on the ques- Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, son's' program of novelties. that her lover had died. Told that she istered for each 100 jobs available— tion of exclusion of Negroes from cer- Tennessee, Texas and West Virginia. Dot Leighton is prima donna of the would be charged with murder, she more than a haundred per cent in- tain parts of university life thereby Southern whites have reconsidered singing forces. She is a girl of great

bacco and miscellaneous.

MOTHER IDENTIFIES SKELETON AS THAT OF SON WHO DISAPPEARED

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 2nd-A victim of his partner, who had secreted a ter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ray of Du- America. A company composed of R. the British plan of submitting the rich mammoth still in the fastnesses of luth, has been selected as one of the Emmet Stewart, T. J. Elliott, P. A. oil region to the League of Nations the Georgia hills, the rotting skele- committee clerks in the legislature. Lewis, George W. Davis, Goynton, and editors, who for a number of years was not acceptable to the Moslem gov- ton of William Malone was unearth- Miss Ray is an efficient stenographer G. W. F. Sawner of Chandler, will im- published the Detroit Informer, prior ed here last week and furnished a and typist, having served as steno- mediately take over the Sawner build- to becoming an attorney in which prodramatic sequence to his disappearance grapher two years during the settle- ing and remodel it. The ground floor fession Mr. Warren was quite success

was positively identified by his aged and courtesy upon inspection and has poses.

are under arrest.

In the decaying rags that clothed the bones, Mrs. Purcell, the mother, J. C. SMITH UNIVERSITY recognized stitches she had taken on the day of her son's disappearance. The cotton sewed into one of the shoes, she said, had been placed there to make the shoe fit a cripple.

'gone straight" following her earnest plea for him.

It appears that someone had tipped federal prohibition officers concerning the operation of the still, and that suspicion was fastened on Malone.

One day several months ago a touring car came to the house and William entered the car after a short talk. That was the last seen of the youth | Massey, lg. 5 0

PULLMAN COMPANY SUED FOR \$50,000 BY WAR HERO

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 26-Robert Williams, war hero, wounded four times in the Argonne battle, filed suit for \$50,000 in the Circuit Court here last week against the Pullman and St. The potential worth of this financial a large white population that repre- Louis and San Francisco Railroad

> According to the petition, Williams had a government transportation order for a Pullman berth, and presented the order to the agent for the Frisco at Caruthersville, Mo. He was told that he could not get a berth on a sleeping car to St. Louis.

> As a result, he was forced to spend the night in a sleeping coach. He collapsed and has been seriously ill

> He asks \$25,000 punitive damages actual injury to his health.

by the legislature and electors, renue to citizenship for that race.

Member Asks Dr. Lowell to Call Special Meeting to Consider Pres-

ident's Ruling.

that colored students may not be ad-Have Taught Me About American His- diana, Michigan, Wisconsin, Ohio, are It could not be learned that Presiunusually bright. The Detroit district dent Lowell had taken any step to call The varied interest represented by intends to go through high school, but reports a general shortage of work- such a meeting. Should be not do so,

apparently announced. Compared with December , 1921, Mr. Bruce's record at the univerthere were 8,404 more opportunities sity, which included winning the Phi END MOSUL DISPUTE for employment in the combined of- Kappa key, led recently to an inquiry fices of the state this year than last. as to how many Negroes have suc-The occupations in which there ceeded in winning this honor, which was a greater demand in December is one of the most envied prizes in the turbulent European situation to than November were machinery, university lfe. It was learned that MUSKOGEE, OKLAHOMA, demand that the disposition of Mosul, printing trades, food, beverages, to- forty-seven had been admitted since 1874 in chapters in twenty colleges

COLORED GIRL APPOINTED

mother, who states her belief that been assigned to three important com he had been murdered in revenge for mittees. Several requests were made a whiskey tip. Five men were named for her services. Miss Ray is an atin her accusation, and all of them tractive young lady of very refined manners and a credit to her race.

LOSES TO LUTHERANS

(By A. H. Prince) Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, N C., lost in a fast game of bas-

According to Mrs. Purcell, her son had formerly been connected with a ketball last Friday to Lutheran Colgroup of whiskey runners, but had lege, Greensboro, in a score of 29 to 26. Lutheran swiftness accounted for the loss, yet Massey caged as well as Cogdell. The game was featured by of the time.

Cogdell lf....8 Pope, lf.....1 Waldrop rf 3 Allen, rf.....1 0 Harris, c.....4 1 Long, c......1 Vanstory lg 0 Williams rg 0 1 Edl'm'n rg..0 22 3

PHYSICIAN TORTURED

Bishop, Texas, Jan. 26-Because his automobile collided with an automobile an outgrowth of the arrest here last driven by whites, Dr. J. Smith, prominent physician, was placed in the local jail and burned to death after his body had been dismembered and mutilated.

PLANS TO ORGANIZE

Field Secretary of National Aegro Press Association to Visit Publishers for High Development of Negro Journalism.

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 2-Melvin J. Chisum, field secretary of the National Negro Press Assn., has started on Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 2-(Crusad- his tour of the country in the interest Stage at the Gayety Is Braced to Sup al amendment that would, if approved men generally. Mr. Chisum, who is a He plans to make New York, Boston, ter-its dialog, action, comedy scenes Providence, Buffalo, Cleveland, Chica- and settings will be new and novel, go, then further west, south, and re- "Krousemeyers' Alley" is the scene Boston, Jan. 26 .- President Law- turn by way of the seaboard and coast- of neighborhood battles between rival whose ancestry is Chinese, was the double that of 1921, and it is estim- rence Lowell of Harvard has been al towns. Mr. Chisum is earnestly at clans of "Dutch" and "Irish" and the Perhaps the most significant fea- highest ranking girl in a class of 167 ated that more than \$300,000,000 asked by a member of the Board of work to bring all the race papers into opportunities for whirlwind comedy of Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 2—(CrusadIndianapolis, Ind., Feb. 2—(Cr All industries in and around Chicago special meeting of the board to dis- is laboring hard to make the National illimitable. Clarence Wilbur plays the Last May Florence won \$15, second will run at full force according to cuss the president's action in ruling Negro Press Convention at Nashville role of "Grogan," who heads the clan

COLORED WOMEN ACTIVE

taken up by the board at its next men are showing an active interest in the company. the nation-wide campaign for equal will be vaudeville features of high WHEN TOLD HE IS DEAD working at capacity. In Wisconsin a Special meetings are rarely called, rights for women, supervised by leadgeneral labor shortage is reported. it is said, and only on matters of ex- ers of the National Women's Party. Charles J. Boyd, general superintreme importance. That a request It is announced here that action will

> their opposition to the program and beauty and is said to be a sweetnow declare that the 'Grandfather" voiced balladist of special attainments, clause now operated against Negro winning personality and captivating men will work as easily in the case of stage graces. colored women.

TO HAVE FINE THEATRE

(By Associated Negro Press.)

Muskogee, Oklahoma, Feb. 2-A EDITOR OF DETROIT CLERK IN LEGISLATURE deal just closed here by prominent Negro capitalists will give Musko-Miss Ethel M. Ray of Duluth, daugh- gee one of the finest playhouses in ment of the Moose Lake fire claims. | will be made into a theatre and the ful. Mr. Warren was noted for his The dead youth's decayed body She was rated 100% for efficiency second floor used for convention pur- independent thinking, particularly in

ASSASSINS FORCE WEALTHY VICTIM TO DIG OWN GRAVE

California Citizen Kidnapped and Shot to Death Standing in Grave His Captors Compel Him to Dig.

SLAYERS DRUG SMUGGLERS

Federal Authorities Seeking Members of Narcotic Organization Suspected of Committing the Crime.

Calexico, Cal., Feb. 2-Roy Gibson, wealthy colored American citizen, dug his own grave, was made to get into the thrill of a tie for the greater part | it, and then was brutally shot to death Thursday on the outskirts of Mexi-J. C. S. U. B. F. L. C. B. F. cali, Mexico, just across the border of this country.

The slaying is believed by authorities to have been committed by an organization of narcotic smugglers. Gibson, it is stated, had at one time 5 been active in narcotic circles throughout the country, and had amassed a tremendous fortune in the trafficking of drugs.

The slaying, it is said, is probably week of three men and the seizure

of narcotics valued at \$30,000. Authorities say the cold-blooded execution of Gibson apparently was on the belief that he had informed the authorities of operations of the smugglers, but Gibson gave no information in this raid, the officers said. The State Department at NEGRO NEWSPAPERS Washington has been notified of the slaying and are investigating.

According to vague details of the killing, Gibson was lured into a lonely spot by the smugglers.

A pick was unearthed and Gibson was forced to dig a shallow grave. Then the kidnappers forced him to PREPARE FOR ANNUAL MEETING stand in it, and ruthlessly shot him down.

IT'S LIVE STOCK WEEK

port Tremendous Added Weight

doer of concrete things, was elected at Billy "Beef-Trust" Watson will furstrict citizenship by birth in America the last Press Association meeting to nish next week's entertainment at the STILL MIGRATING to races other than Japanese has been his position and because of his enthus- popular Gayety theatre, starting Satintroduced in the legislature here. iasm for the work is voluntarily mak- urday matinee and is scheduled for This would prevent addition to the cit- ing a visit to all the important papers the cutomary daily matinees. "Krouseizenship of the State by native-born of the country. He expects to exchange meyer's Alley" the ever-verdant source Japanese, which is now the only ave- ideas, gathers suggestions and data of merriment that Billy Watson has looking forward to the strengthening for nearly two decades presented to of the association so as to enable it patrons of Columbia burlesque theatres to function more fully. Editors or or- will serve in new and brightened form ACT ON COLOR BAR ganizations interested in having Mr. as the principal medium of entertain-Chisum call on them can have a ment the "Beef Trust Beauties" will place in his itinerary by writing 407 afford." Krousemeyer's Alley" will be Third street N. E., Washington, D. C. old only in its opportunities for laugh-

> next February the largest ever held. that disputes "Krousemeyer's" supremacy; Jules Jacobs will be the policeman who is kept busy prying the belligerents apart and Dick Griffin helps Washington, Jan. 26-Colored wo- the comedy along as leading man of

In addition to the burlesque there class introducing as stars of the list Morette Sisters, clever instrumentalists. These girls play ten different

Friday night the Beef Trust choristers will be weighed on a scale on the stage and cash prizes given to the patrons guessing nearest to the gross weight. Sunday's matinee starts at three o'clock.

INFORMER SUCCUMBS

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 1-The recent death of Frances Warren of this city, removes one of the pioneer colored