

## PRESIDENT COOLIDGE FAVORS FEDERAL LAW FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF MOB VIOLENCE

### STOREY SHOWS SIGNS OF SOUND SENTIMENT ON RACIAL JUSTICE

President of National Association Sends Encouraging Message to Fourteenth Annual Conference

### MUCH BEEN ACCOMPLISHED

Progress Shown in the Arousing of American Conscience Through Which Redress of Wrongs Will Come

Kansas City, Kans., Aug. 31.—Moorfield Storey, of Boston, ex-president of the American Bar Association, and now president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, has sent a message of greeting to the Advancement Association in its Fourteenth Annual Conference here, which was publicly read at the opening mass meeting, Wednesday night, August 29.

In his message, Mr. Storey said the inter-racial committees throughout the South showed that the consciences of white people were being roused against the ill-treatment of Negroes. The defeat of the Dyer Anti-Lynching Bill in the last Congress by the filibuster of southern senators was an admission, said Mr. Storey, that the crime of lynching was a southern one. Mr. Storey's message in full is as follows:

"I am sorry that I cannot meet you face to face and in person offer you my congratulations on the successful year that has passed since our last meeting, and the prospects of assured and complete success that awaits us."

"It is true that the Anti-Lynching Bill was defeated in the Senate by the refusal of southern senators to allow it even to be considered. This was an admission that lynching was a southern crime which they could not defend, and would not even discuss, but the vote in the House of Representatives, the strong backing from powerful influences all over the country, the signatures of governors and leading citizens, and the vote of conventions and legislatures were in themselves a success, for they showed what our agitation had accomplished in creating public opinion."

"The results of the election in northern states showed what our votes can accomplish, and made us a recognized power which can not be trifled with. Our success in the last election points the way for our future action."

"The inter-racial organizations in the southern states show that the consciences of people, who have probably long felt that the colored people in their various neighborhoods were ill-treated, but have been silent, are at last aroused to action, and this is most important for till the people's conscience is aroused, nothing is really accomplished."

"The Ku Klux Klan, calling itself a purely American society and organized to use lawless methods for accomplishing its ends, is on the defensive, and in the nature of things cannot endure."

"Our various branches have accomplished brilliant results in various cases which they have undertaken and the association as a whole is recognized and respected as a force which is working for good."

"The road before us is long and difficult, but look backward for a moment and see how much longer and harder is the road which has been traveled in the last sixty years. Then look forward again with fresh courage and pledge yourselves never to admit defeat but to press on till every vestige of race discrimination has disappeared, and the Negro citizens of this great country are in fact, as they are now in law, the unquestioned equals of every other American citizen."

### CALLS ON THE PRESIDENT

Washington, Aug. 31.—W. H. Lewis, of Boston, assistant attorney general under President Taft, called upon President Coolidge last week. Mr. Lewis was the first colored man named to the position of assistant attorney-general. He was a delegate to the republican national convention in 1920 and attended Amherst College with Mr. Coolidge.

### FRANCE BANS "BIRTH OF NATION"

French Prohibit Showing of Vicious Film as Negroes Show Resentment

(Crusader Service)

Paris, Aug. 31.—Because feelings of French Negroes have been outraged by the barbarities of Americans, who resented their presence in restaurants and bars, the showing of D. W. Griffith's film, "The Birth of a Nation", has been prohibited by the police.

The censor passed on the picture favorably twelve days ago, but it is understood the police ban has been clapped on as a concession to France's Negro population. Premier Poincare himself has officially recognized their complaints by publishing a general warning to Americans that the equal rights of French Negroes must be respected.

The attempt to "put over" "The Birth of a Nation" upon the French public is another of a long series of determined attempts being made by white Americans to impose their color prejudices upon the people of Europe. These attempts, backed as they are on several occasions by American officials, give the average European the impression of a war being fought out over the breadth and length of Europe between the United States of America and the Negro race.

### NEWSLETS

The lull in lynching activities for the state of Georgia became spirited last week when three colored men were hanged and two flogged.

Hon. Oliver Randolph, a successful colored lawyer of Newark, N. J., has been named Assistant U. S. District Attorney in that state.

Felix Randolph, a colored man, "assassinated" Roy Toney, white, and paid the penalty of being shot to death. His body was thrown into the river.

The Baptists proposed to erect a theological seminary for colored people at Nashville, Tenn., but the white people successfully protested against the project.

Statistical reports of the Supreme Lodge of Colored Pythians, which met last week in New York, showed a membership of 300,000 and realty holdings throughout the country valued at \$2,017,000.

Speaking at Atlantic City, Congressman L. C. Dyer of Missouri, author of the Dyer Bill, declared that upward of 4000 colored citizens had been lynched in the South in thirty-five years.

Colored farmers near Greensboro, N. C., have been granted extensive credits by the Federal Farm Loan Board for the purpose of improving their farms and purchasing new equipment.

Bertram Hodges, fifteen-year-old, recently arrived with his parents, migrating from Georgia, received a prize from a Philadelphia daily paper for the brightest answer to a want-ad query.

W. B. Butler, prominent in democratic circles, who killed William Freeman and fatally injured Mary Lou Gamble, both colored, at Fayetteville, Ala., was held under bond for carrying concealed weapons.

The Supreme Lodge of Knights of Pythias, meeting in New York last week, was insulted by the refusal of Tammany Hall to permit the thousands attending to pitch a camp in the suburbs. The local committee lost \$4,000 in preparing the camp.

### COLORED WOMAN STUDENT OF VOTER'S PROBLEMS

(From Clinton, Ia., Morning Journal). Mrs. Lena Watters Hall, of this city, has returned from the Summer School in Government and Politics, conducted by the National League of Women Voters in co-operation with Columbia university. This is the third League School of Citizenship that Mrs. Hall has attended. Northwestern university and the University of Chicago being the others.

Mrs. Hall made a tour of eight countries in Europe last year to supplement by first-hand contacts her studies of political economy.

### Big Events in the Lives of Little Men



### MINNEAPOLIS EDITOR VISITS THE MONITOR

S. Quay Herndon, assistant managing editor of The Northwestern Bulletin of Minneapolis, Minn., one of our best-edited exchanges, was a pleasant and welcome caller on The Monitor Thursday. Mr. Herndon was called to Omaha by the death of his uncle, Captain Charles C. Trent. He left for Minneapolis Thursday night.

### DAUGHTERS OF BETHEL HOLD GRAND LODGE

The Daughters of Bethel held their grand lodge here Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week. Sessions were held at Zion Baptist church. Delegates were present from several points in Nebraska, Kansas and Iowa. Reports showed encouraging growth and progress.

### STATE GRANDMASTER GOES TO ARKANSAS

D. M. McQueen, state grandmaster of the Mosaic Templars of America, left Wednesday enroute to Hot Springs and Little Rock, Arkansas, to attend the annual meeting of State Grandmasters which convenes in Hot Springs September 1-3, and the executive Council which convenes in Little Rock September 4-6.

### TEXANS OMAHA VISITORS

Mrs. H. R. Perry and sons, J. B., W. E. Jack, daughter Neva and granddaughter Jolie Mae, of Houston, Tex., motoring home to Texas from Denver, Colo., where they visited Mrs. Perry's daughter, Mrs. Ernest Sappenta, were the guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Ford, 2884 Ohio street. They left Sunday morning homeward bound by the way of Kansas City, Mo.

### CARD OF THANKS

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our friends and neighbors for their kindness shown during the brief illness and death of our dear husband and brother and for their beautiful floral offerings. Especially do we thank Rescue Lodge No. 4 of which he was a member and for the Omaha City Fire Department, who turned out in a body. May God's blessing rest upon them all.  
MADAM C. C. TRENT.  
MR. AND MRS. J. R. HERNDON.  
MR. AND MRS. R. G. TRENT.

### ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mrs. Isabelle Nance Crouch entertained twelve young ladies at her home Monday evening, at which time she announced the engagement of her daughter Blanche Zelle Nance to Mr. Z. W. Webb of Mound City, Ill. Since Miss Nance's return from Canada she has been attending Wilberforce university of which they are both graduates. The young couple will be married in Chicago early in September.

### CLAIMS DETECTIVE ASSAULTED HIM

William Smith Shows Monitor Swollen Jaws the Result of Blows from Fists of Burly Police Officer

### BRUTALITY IS UNJUSTIFIED

William Smith, 1506 South Twenty-second street, who claims to be thirty years old, but who is quite small of stature and looks like a youth of sixteen, visited the editor of the Monitor Sunday morning and showed him two badly swollen jaws which he said were the result of blows struck him without provocation by one of the city detectives Saturday afternoon about half past three o'clock at the corner of Thirteenth and Pacific streets.

According to Smith's story, which The Monitor has since verified by witnesses interviewed, he was standing on the corner in question with a radio set in his hand, talking to two boys, Clary and Ural Lee of Thirteenth and Mason street, when two plain clothes men said to be Detectives Augie and Frank, unobserved, came up behind him and one of them seizing him by the arm accused him of stealing a radio set and trying to sell it to a boy. This Smith, who makes radio sets, denied. The officers said their informant was a woman. Upon Smith's denial one of the detectives, "the older man with gold teeth", as Smith described him, struck him several heavy blows on the jaw. He was then taken to the police station, but no charges were filed against him, as the desk sergeant or chief detective told the men to take him to his home at 1506 South Twenty-second street, and if he was lying about making radio sets they could find it out. They took him to his home where they were shown his tools and uncompleted radio sets and were evidently satisfied.

The brutality practiced upon Smith was damnably cowardly and unjustifiable as he is a mere boy in stature, and even if he had been insolent to the officers, which it is claimed he was not, they would have had no right to strike him. The Monitor advised Smith to be sure of the identity of the man who struck him and file charges against him. Cases of this kind should not be permitted to drop or go by default.

### BISHOP SHAYLER WILL CONFIRM CLASS SUNDAY

The Rt. Rev. Ernest Vincent Shayler, D. D., bishop of Nebraska, will visit the Church of St. Philip the Deacon Sunday morning at 11 o'clock to administer the sacrament of Holy Confirmation. This will be the second class presented this year. Evening services will be resumed Sunday at 8 o'clock.

### RETURN FROM GRAND LODGE

Mrs. Lavinia Rose and Miss Jennie Hieronymous, delegates from the Leona Burton Royal House and Aksarben Temple, returned home Sunday from attending the Grand Lodge of U. B. F. and S. M. T., held at Jefferson City, Mo. They reported a pleasant trip and a fine session.

### VISITS COLLEGE FRIENDS

Dr. Joseph C. Daney of Washington, D. C., son of the late John C. Daney, late registrar of the United States treasury, en route to California for his health, has been an Omaha visitor for several days. Dr. Daney is very favorably impressed with the University of Pittsburgh, of which he is a graduate, with William G. Haynes and Ellsworth P. Pryor, of this city.

### ENTERTAINS AT BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. J. W. Gatus, 2731 Caldwell street, entertained at a delightful birthday party in honor of her mother, Mrs. Elmira Owens of Ft. Duquoin, Ill., who is her guest, on Wednesday afternoon. A feature of the party was a white birthday cake, upon which were placed seventy-six pink and white candles which was brought in while the guests were being served. The guest of honor was made very happy by many gifts of flowers and other tokens. About twenty ladies were present.

### ST. PAUL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Twenty-fifth and Seward Streets. Russel Taylor, Pastor.

Services Sunday were unusually good. It so happened that a goodly representation of those who are in the railway service were in.

Dr. W. H. Kearns, synodical superintendent of missions and executive secretary of the New Era movement, preached a very helpful sermon which was enjoyed by all.

Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Mattie Johnson, superintendent of the Sunday school, and Mrs. Taylor, superintendent of the primary department, picniced with the children in Elmwood park. The children certainly enjoyed their play and bountiful luncheon.

The pastor will have for his morning topic, "The Toilers". Sunday evening is the regular monthly consecration meeting for the Endeavorers. The topic and Scripture are interesting, "Lessons from the Psalms—A Singing Psalm". Psalm 94:1-13. We have made a decided step forward in attendance at our evening services. Let's keep it up!

### SAYS FRANCE WILL MAKE NO RACE DISTINCTIONS

French Professor Declares Country Owe Debt of Gratitude to Loyal Black Defenders

(Crusader Service)

Williamstown, Mass., August 31.—Speaking at the Institute of Politics here, Professor Cru, in answer to certain remarks by Count Kessler, emphasized that France owed a great debt of gratitude to her African troops and would make no distinction between colored and other troops.

Count Kessler had stated his belief that France started the new armament race. In spite of France's diminishing population, he said, France had colonial reserves of men that were increasing fast. Epen if France reduced her metropolitan army she always had the means of retaining the largest military force in the world.

Count Kessler did not object to black troops as such. From all he heard they behaved no worse in Germany than white troops. What he wanted to bring out was the development of France's reserve of manpower in African troops.

### COLORED ASSISTANT CITY ARCHITECT

Pittsburgh, Pa., Aug. 31.—Mayor Magee has appointed Louis A. R. Bellinger as assistant to the city architect. Mr. Bellinger is a college graduate and is a regular practicing architect and one of the few Negroes of the country who is registered to practice under rigid state laws. His appointment is merited because of his splendid ability and fitness for the position.

### NEW YORK COLORED MAN GETS FEDERAL APPOINTMENT

New York, Aug. 31.—Paul W. Henderson, Assistant Postmaster-General, directing head of the Railway Mail Service, has appointed Samuel Lee, a colored railway mail clerk, as supervisor of the New York terminal of the Pennsylvania railroad. The commission making Mr. Lee supervisor was brought to New York by John D. Galley, assistant chief clerk of the Railway Mail Service, who is a colored man, recently raised from the ranks of the service to the high position that he now holds.

### CAPTAIN TRENT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT DIES SUDDENLY

The community was startled Saturday afternoon by the sad news of the sudden death of Charles C. Trent, junior captain of Hose Company No. 11 Omaha Fire Department. Captain Trent who had been on night duty this month was in good spirits and apparently in good health, with the exception of what he considered a slight cold contracted at a fire Thursday night, when he went home Saturday morning. About 2 o'clock in the afternoon he became quite ill, medical aid was summoned and he was rushed to Paxton Memorial hospital, where he expired almost as soon as he reached there from cerebral apoplexy.

Captain Trent was 49 years old. He was born at Dalton, Mo., and had been a resident of Omaha for twenty-five years and a member of the Fire Department for sixteen. He is survived by a widow, a brother, a sister and other relatives. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon from Zion Baptist church under the auspices of Rescue Lodge A. F. and A. M. No. 4. Rev. W. F. Botts officiated.

### RETURNS TO HOME IN TULSA

Mrs. M. E. Dane of Tulsa, Okla., who has been the guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. Parker, 1104 North Twenty-second street, for the past month, has returned to her home in Oklahoma. She told a distressing story of the Tulsa riot of which she was a victim, her house being burned at the time. She has since rebuilt it and is getting on nicely.

### SAILS FROM NEW YORK NEXT THURSDAY

Mrs. Grace Morris Hutten, who has been appointed a government teacher in Porto Rico, will leave Omaha Monday for New York, whence she will sail Thursday, September 6 on the San Lorenzo. Her many friends wish her bon voyage.

### MULTIPLYING MOBS MENACING COUNTRY MOVE COOLIDGE

Ku Klux Klan and Flogging Outbreaks Cause Chief Executive to Consider Federal Anti-Mob Law

### 2 MORE LYNCHED, GEORGIA

Martial Law Suggested by Governor—Disturbances Continue in Oklahoma and Ohio

Washington, D. C., Aug. 31.—Continuing outbreaks of mob violence in 5 states have caused the Coolidge administration to consider legislation making such offenses a crime against the government.

Here is the tenor of dispatches which reached the President's desk this week:

GEORGIA—Two colored men, Lee Green and Aaron Harris, hanged and riddled by mobs on trivial charges. Three Hudson brothers, white, arrested near Macon charged with flogging colored men. They are thought to be part of a gang terrorizing the country for the past six months. Martial law has been suggested to the governor.

FLORIDA—Alleged Klansmen overpowered the jailer at Eau Gallie and released an alleged member of the Klan from jail.

TEXAS—Four state investigations are under way in the supposed effort to uncover who is responsible for the hundreds of floggings by masked gangs.

OHIO—A district gathering of 50,000 Klansmen near Steubenville, Ohio, threatens to end in bloodshed and civil war.

OKLAHOMA—Since martial law has been proclaimed in Tulsa, there have been four more floggings by alleged Klansmen.

Coolidge Interested President Coolidge was reported deeply concerned by the apparent increased disregard for law and order. The President and other government officials were said to be considering the advisability of enacting an anti-mob bill in the next Congress. The proposed legislation would apply not only to lynch mobs, but to all organizations of masked men who take the law into their own hands.

The Dyer bill, passed by the last House, but "talked to death" in the Senate by a Democratic filibuster, will be reintroduced in the next Congress, it has been learned. The Coolidge administration is expected to support this measure inasmuch as the Executive was elected on a platform which pledged its enactment.

Federal authorities, however, hope to extend the Dyer bill to include all masked organizations attempting mob violence of any nature.

Anti-Whipping Law A movement now under way would amend the bill to make any act of mob violence a federal crime. Under this inventory would come the whippings, deportations and "tar and feather" outrages, frequently attributed to the Ku Klux Klan. Penalties on a lesser scale than those applying to lynchings would be provided.

### WORK ASKS \$500,000 FOR HOWARD UNIVERSITY

Washington, August 31.—Dr. Hubert Work, Secretary of the Interior, will ask Congress to appropriate \$500,000 for the construction and equipment of an addition to the medical and dental school at Howard university here. Of the amount sought \$130,000 for equipment. These amounts have been already included in the estimates of the appropriations of the Department of the Interior for the coming fiscal year of 1925. Secretary Work said that it is due to the insufficient facilities for the education of the colored race in the medical and dental professions existing throughout the United States.

At the present time the medical school of Howard university is being conducted in a small building. The proposed appropriation would be used to build a large structure, which would practically double its present capacity.

Miss Anna McKoin of Portland, Oregon, is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. W. E. Davis, 26th and Q street, South Side.