

"SNOUTRAGE" SAYS SOUTHERN SOLO SO SCANDALIZED

Because Colored Policeman Was Sent to Curb Confederate Daughters' Row Over Election of Officers

OFFICER PERFECT GENTLEMAN

But Congressman Gasque Demands an Apology of Washington Chief of Police for Sending Negro Officer.

(By Crispus Attucks News Service) Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.—"I think, to say the least, it is an outrage for a Negro policeman to be sent by the city government of Washington to preserve order among a group of southern ladies, especially when there are so many white policemen in the District of Columbia. Will you please tell me who was responsible for this and why it was done? As a southern man and member of Congress on the District Committee, I resent this action of the police department and respectfully demand an explanation. I also think you should appear before that body and explain this action or apologize for it."

Thus wrote Congressman Gasque of South Carolina to Major Sullivan on account of sending Patrolman Braxton (colored) to the United Daughters of the Confederacy Home, 1322 Vermont avenue, N. W., when a call was sent in to the Second Precinct station house for police protection during a stormy session over the election of the officers for the ensuing year.

It seems as though Stonewall Jackson and Robert Lee could not agree and Thomas Jefferson became a little alarmed at the trend of affairs when someone called Captain Peck on the phone for an officer. Braxton, a long and faithful trusted arm of the law, was sent as is characteristic of the Metropolitan police department, regardless of color, especially under the leadership of Major Sullivan. Before he had a chance to fully realize what it was all about, Braxton found himself face to face with the stern portraits of Stonewall Jackson, Thomas Jefferson and Robert E. Lee, as well as in the midst of the Daughters of the Confederate gentlemen, who had in years gone by, held the iron band of ownership, probably over his ancestors. Here he was sent to restore peace in a convention of southern white women.

"A Perfect Gentleman," says Mrs. Odenheimer

So tactful and diplomatic was Officer Braxton, that when inquiry was made as to the possible objection of a colored officer being sent, that Mrs. Frank G. Odenheimer, one of the delegates, frankly admitted that "the officer behaved like a perfect gentleman and I respected his uniform." Others spoke of how diplomatic he was in leaving immediately when he found that his appearance had restored order, saying, "He would remain on the side walk for a time in case he was needed." So thoroughly had he done his job that some of the delegates protested and asked that he remain inside, which he refused to do, but did wait on the outside.

Commenting on the letter from Congressman Gasque, Major Sullivan said, "The matter was a regular routine affair under Captain Peck."

Captain Peck is in charge of the Second Precinct to which Braxton is attached. When informed of Congressman Gasque's demand of an apology, the captain said, "They called for an officer. I sent them one and I have no apologies to make." Braxton is hailed as an excellent officer by many of the white people on his beat, which he has been on for some time and inquiry brought out the fact that he is highly respected and liked at the precinct by his fellow officers.

WHITE ACTRESS DRAWS COLOR LINE IN PARIS

Paris, France, December 12.—Doris Lloyd, white, American actress who had contracted to appear at the famous Moulin Beuge cabaret in this city, entered a protest when it was learned that she would be billed in the same show with black performers, also from America. Needless to say, the protest availed her naught.

The black workers called for France under the direction of the Leonard Harper booking office which is handled by "Billy" Pierce. The dancer of the troupe is Emma Maitland, formerly with "Follow Me". Other girls in the show are Laura Wamble, Aurelia Wheelin, Frances Smith, Martha Glichard, Sybil Turk, Dovey Boykin and Marie Warren.

F. L. Barnett spent Sunday in Lincoln.

JAPANESE EXCLUSION BRINGS DEMAND FOR BLACK AMERICANS

California's Agricultural Industries Suffering from Scarcity of Farm Labor.

(By George Perry)

Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 12.—(Pacific Coast News Bureau).—For the first time in the history of the southwest, the black American has become a factor in the future development of its wonderful agricultural possibilities. Exclusion of the Japanese-Chinese-Hindu farm labor through the enforcement of the anti-alien land law; and the increase of cotton production in California, are the factors responsible for the present scarcity of experienced farm labor.

With a total acreage of 445,000 acres, with a predicted yield of 256, 932 bales, the 1924 cotton crop will yield approximately \$40,000,000 to the farmers of Southern California—Lower California and the Salt River Valley in Arizona. Through arrangement the aliens will be permitted to harvest the 1924 crop yield; but thousands have left and have at this early date caused such a serious shortage of efficient farm help that distress calls are heard in many sections. In the Yuma Valley district below Needles with cotton averaging a bale an acre, 3,000 cotton pickers are needed. In the San Joaquin Valley district north of the Negro town of Allensworth, with 4,000 cotton pickers employed at \$1.50 per 100 more are needed.

In fact so serious is the outlook for 1925 that definite steps have recently been taken by several communities and concerns to colonize certain sections, particularly in the heavy cotton districts, with experienced Negro farmers from the South. One concern is opening 2,000 acres for Negro colonization in the Palo Verde Valley, a promising locality near the Colorado river, with a cotton production of 13,500 bales valued at \$2,295,000. Another concern has a project near Victorville, while others are planning similar methods of insuring the California cotton industry of a plentiful future supply of efficient farm labor.

In order to supervise the colonization of the Negro in the various projects, the California Colored Realty and Development Assn., Inc., a Negro real estate men's organization was recently formed in Los Angeles for the purpose of co-operating with the land owners, farm organizations and realty boards in a systematic campaign of activity, publicity and supervision with the object of interesting and locating reliable, efficient and industrious Negro farmers in the South in the approved colonization projects underway in Southern California.

ASK CHRISTMAS PARDON FOR HOUSTON MARTYRS

Boston, Mass., Dec. 12.—President Coolidge is petitioned to set free the remaining thirty-one prisoners implicated in the Houston affray as an act of Christian clemency for the Christmas season or for New Year's in an appeal sent from here today by the National Equal Rights League.

The league urges the race everywhere to write to the President and to Secretary of War, John W. Weeks, for Christmas pardons for these soldiers who have already paid so heavy penalty for what they are charged with having done under great provocation.

LEAGUE ASKS DYER BILL

Boston, Mass., Dec. 12.—The National Equal Rights League recently wired Senator Chas. Curtis of Kansas, republican Senate leader, to put the Dyer Anti-Lynching bill well up on the calendar. The league sent requests of like tenor to Senator Wadsworth of New York, chairman of the Republican Steering Committee, and to Senator Butler, the successor to the seat of the late Senator Lodge, chairman of the Republican National Committee and also a member of the Steering Committee.

The league has been a potent and active factor for the Dyer bill from the beginning and is still "on the job".

GEORGE LEE ORCHESTRA ARRIVES TOO LATE

The famous George Lee's Novelty Singing orchestra which was to have played at Dreamland Hall Wednesday night, owing to an accident were unable to reach the city in time to fill their engagement. Mr. Jewell received a message from them at Falls City advising him that they expected to arrive by 10 p. m. They were unable to reach Omaha until long past midnight. The large crowd of dancers who had assembled at Dreamland Hall were disappointed. The management refunded their money. The orchestra will return to fill an engagement at a later date.

Step Lively!!



SEGREGATIONISTS PUBLISHING NEWSPAPER

Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.—The fight against residential segregation in America, now being carried before the U. S. Supreme Court by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, is gaining in intensity, according to a report sent to the N. A. A. C. P. national office by James A. Cobb, who is in general charge of the legal work.

White property owners of Washington have not only organized, but are also publishing a newspaper in the interest of segregation. This

newspaper, The North Capitol Citizen, in its issue of November 21, reports that the white property owners' association has printed a supply of signs inscribed "For White Occupants" and is distributing these signs free to be placed in the windows of all houses offered for sale or rent.

Mr. Cobb reports by letter: "Other suits are being filed. I am sending herewith a publication to you to show you how active these people are here. They have even filed a case here where there is no written covenant (to discriminate against colored people) but where they claim there is an oral understanding among the property holders. You can see how pernicious and far-reaching this is."

RETURN ABYSSINIAN CROWN

(The Associated Negro Press) London, England, Dec. 12.—The crown of the Emperor Theodore of Abyssinia, which after being kept in a glass case at the Victoria and Albert Museum, this city, since 1869, is now to be returned to its former home in Africa. It has had an eventful history.

This crown was taken to Britain by Sir Robert, afterwards Lord Napier, of Magdala, after the capture of Magdala and the death of Theodore in the Abyssinian war of 1868.

It is a ponderous piece of silver-gilt filigree work, many sizes too large for any ordinary head. It is lavishly decorated with little squares and diamonds of red and blue glass, varied with diminutive paintings. A feature is the strange looking pipe which projects several inches through the center of the dome, apparently for ventilation.

The king's intention to present this crown to the Empress Judith was announced when he granted a farewell audience to Prince Tafari, the heir-apparent and regent of Abyssinia, whose recent visit to Britain created much interest.

It is interesting to note that the only son of the Emperor Theodore was educated at Rugby. He died in 1879, at the age of nineteen, and was buried in St. George's Chapel, Windsor.

PANAMA CANAL ZONE FREE OF FEVER

Improved Sanitary Conditions Benefit Uncle Sam's Colored Employees.

Colon, I. Z., Dec. 12.—(Pacific Coast News Bureau).—The Panama Canal zone with its second largest representation of colored employees in the federal service, is now the healthiest place in Central America. Epidemics of yellow fever and typhoid that have killed thousands will never return.

Scores of army sanitation corp workers have destroyed the breeding places of the lowly mosquito by spreading oil over stagnant pools, and supervised the natives in keeping their homes and properties clean and modern. With a population of 450,000 the Canal Zone ranks next to the postal service in number of colored federal employees, with its 8,187 Negro laborers whose aggregate salaries amount to \$4,867,608.23, according to the latest available figures.

Mrs. J. H. Abernathy of Springfield, Mo., is visiting her husband at 2735 Caldwell street.

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In St. Paul, Minn., according to reports received by the N. A. A. C. P., a bitter segregation fight has been in progress for two months, with W. T. Francis, a colored attorney, on the executive committee of the local N. A. A. C. P., declining to vacate a house he had purchased. The national office of the N. A. A. C. P. has written Mr. Francis offering him assistance.

NAVAL AVIATORS LOST ON MEXICAN LANDS OF NEGRO SYNDICATE

Authorities Abandon Search Believing Flyers Lost at Sea or in Lower California, Mexico

Ensenada, Baja, Dec. 12.—(Pacific Coast News Bureau).—Search for Harry E. Mitchell and Blakely E. Minar, naval aviators from the naval air station at San Diego, Calif., who disappeared after going aloft two weeks ago, has been abandoned, naval authorities believing it would be useless to continue the hunt.

Fifteen airplanes were sent on a reconnaissance 125 miles below the border and 40 miles out to sea. A detachment of blue jackets were granted permission by Governor Rodriguez, governor of Lower California, to cross to Mexican soil, where Mexican rurales from Tia Juana and Ensenada joined in the hunt.

Numerous reports were received at the air station that an airplane seemingly in distress had been sighted near the border. A stiff wind was blowing at the time and it is believed the plane either crashed at sea or was lost in the mountain region of the vast tract lying northwest of Ensenada and owned by the Lower California Mexican Land & Development Co., of Los Angeles, a Negro syndicate.

Local aviation history reveals that eight men have been lost in the air lanes leading from San Diego to Lower California and Arizona.

STUDENTS PALLBEARERS FOR MILLIONAIRE

(The Associated Negro Press) Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 12.—Eight male students from the Florida Normal and Industrial Institute of St. Augustine were the active pallbearers at the funeral Wednesday of Dr. Andrew Anderson, white, millionaire resident of St. Augustine and intimate friend of the late Henry L. Flagler, founder and builder of the Florida East Coast Railway.

The honorary pallbearers were some of the most prominent citizens of America.

Funeral services were held in Flagler's Memorial church which was filled to overflowing, almost half of the mourners being colored people. Dr. Anderson was beloved by both races throughout the state of Florida and in many parts of the south.

The Florida Normal and Industrial Institute from which the colored pallbearers came is regarded as the "Tuskegee" of Florida. Dr. N. W. Collier is president.

Be Courteous, Be Pleasant—Shop Early.

GOVERNMENT OFFERS GREAT OPPORTUNITIES TO COLORED PRINTERS

Ideal Working Conditions and Good Pay Should Prove Strong Inducement.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.—(Special to The Monitor by Walter J. Singleton).—Printers throughout the country as well as boys who plan to become apprentices for training in the printers' trade, would do well to examine the advantages attending employment at the government printing office at Washington. The present head of this vast plant is Mr. George H. Carter, who has appointed five colored boys as apprentices, and under whose administration 12 colored employees hold very lucrative positions. The general wage scale has increased more than 100% during the past twenty years, and under the present administration compositors have been advanced to \$7.60 for a day of 8 hours, and typesetting machine operators to \$8.40, with 15% additional for night work and 50% for overtime, so that a full-fledged printer may receive from \$2500 to \$3000 annually.

Working conditions have improved in the government printing office in proportion to the increased rates of compensation. The present public printer has provided a cafeteria which meets a vital need of the employees by enabling them to secure a liberal variety of well cooked food at reasonable prices. There is also a roof garden where, during recess from labor, the workers may enjoy fresh air and exercise without exposure to the weather elements.

Competitive examinations are held in all the large cities throughout the land, from time to time, for appointments to the government printing office. Inquiries and applications for permission to participate in these examinations should be addressed to the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., or to a local branch office of the commission.

Lewis H. Douglass, son of Frederick Douglass, was the first colored appointee to the government printing office. Since that time, a half century ago, the race has been continuously represented, until today we find such excellent citizens as E. C. Cain, W. D. Clarkston, W. T. Menard, W. C. Robinson, E. H. Fisher, H. W. Davis, W. C. Peace, Bernardine Smith, G. W. Knox, A. B. Hughes, C. W. Williams and G. W. Sheard, the two last named being typesetting-machine operators. The entire enrollment of colored numbers 888 persons.

NATIONAL HONOR FOR NEGRO SECRETARY TO TREASURY

Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.—(By Crispus Attucks News Service).—Secretary Andrew Mellon is to attend the 150th anniversary of the matriculation in Columbia College of Alexander Hamilton, who was a Negro and the first secretary of the Treasury. It is intended to observe each year the birthday of Hamilton and try to make the same a national holiday. It was Hamilton and Benjamin Franklin who planned and financed America after the Revolutionary War, bringing this great country out of chaos into a healthy financial condition, which enabled her to take her place beside other world powers, during her dark days, when few men believed it possible.

Alexander Hamilton, one of the greatest of American statesmen, was born January 11, 1757, in the British West Indies. His father was a Scotchman and it is claimed that his mother, a native of the Islands, was of African descent. He was sent to Elizabethtown, N. J., in 1772 and matriculated at King's College, now Columbia University, in 1773.

HAYES GIVES BENEFIT RECITAL

New York, Dec. 12.—Roland Hayes, internationally known tenor, gave a benefit recital here recently in Carnegie Hall. The performance was given for Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn., of which Mr. Hayes is a graduate.

His determination to help other young men and women of the race has become one of his most absorbing interests, and the benefit recital was only one of the big efforts he has recently made in this direction.

REVIVAL MEETINGS CLOSE

The revival meetings at the Spring Hill Baptist church, 33rd and Emmet streets, closed last Friday night with five additions and two of the number candidates for baptism.

Mrs. C. Wood, Clerk. Rev. M. H. Wilkinson, Pastor.

Miss Ophelia Hall, who attends the Vocational School at Topeka, Kans., will arrive home December 19 to spend the holidays with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Hall, 2815 Burdette street.

EXPENDING FOUR MILLIONS A YEAR FOR RACE SCHOOLS

North Carolina Has Awakened to a High Sense of Its Duty in Providing for Education of Its Citizenry

AN UNPRECEDENTED INCREASE

In Eleven Years State Has Increased Appropriations for Education of Negroes by 1500 Per Cent.

(By R. B. Eleazer) Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 12.—North Carolina is now appropriating for Negro education nearly four million dollars a year, a sum greater than the state expended for its entire educational program, white and colored, in any year prior to 1910. This was the startling statement made by Prof. N. C. Newbold, of the state department of education, at the annual conference on Negro education held in Raleigh a few days ago.

During the past four years the state has expended \$15,000,000 for the education of its colored citizens and is preparing to appropriate as much more for this purpose in the four years just ahead, according to Prof. Newbold, who heads the department of Negro education. Eleven years ago the total appropriated for this purpose was \$225,000 a year. The increase, therefore, has been about 1500 per cent. Of the four year budget \$2,200,000 went for higher education. Colored high schools have increased in number from thirteen in 1921 to thirty-four in 1924, and high school students from 1347 to 5341. The total number of colored teachers has increased in four years from 3779 to 5037. The salaries paid these teachers during the four years aggregate about seven million dollars.

The greatest need for the immediate future Mr. Newbold declared, is a standard four-year teacher's college, which he thought would be provided by the next legislature. After that must come a four-year standard college of liberal arts.

Both races, said Mr. Newbold, are coming to realize the need for colored doctors, lawyers, nurses and other professionally trained leaders. "North Carolina has faith in its Negro people," he continued, "it has spent millions for their education, and it believes that there should be one standard for teachers and not two. There is still much left to be done if we live up to the doctrine of equality of educational opportunity for all children of the state as provided for in the constitution." Prof. Newbold called attention to the fact that less than one-half of one per cent of the country's criminals come from the ranks of educated Negroes.

The conference was attended by the state superintendent of education and by many other prominent educators of both races from North Carolina and other states. It was widely and favorably commented on by the press of the state. The Salisbury Press thus expressed the general feeling, "All right thinking people will be not only willing but anxious that the state undertake a bigger and a better program of help for the Negroes... it must not allow this good work to lag."

BUSINESS LEAGUE AIDS FARMERS

(The Associated Negro Press) Elizabeth City, N. C., Dec. 12.—The local Negro Business League has been instrumental in securing the appointment of a county supervisor and a farm demonstration agent for Pasquotank county, in which Elizabeth City is located.

In securing these appointments they had the active co-operation of the Board of Education and County Commissioners. According to Mr. N. E. Hart, secretary of the local league, an effort is being made now to secure a standard high school for the colored children of Elizabeth City.

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