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CHURCHES AND JUSTICE FOR NEGRO AT RECENT MEET

Representative Federal Council Members on the Christianizing of Relations Between Races in Country

MUCH PROGRESS IS REPORTED

Vigorous Stand Now Being Taken by Representatives of Twenty Millions of American Protestants

(By Associated Negro Press)
Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 1.—The Christianizing of race relations was a major topic at the quadrennial meeting of the Federal Council of Churches, just concluded here. That subject shared with war alone the first place in the thought and discussions of the Council, which is composed of 400 representatives of twenty-eight denominations having an aggregate membership of twenty millions. Two entire sessions were given over wholly to the question of race relations, while incidentally the subject was constantly coming forward throughout the entire work of the meeting.

AA number of powerful appeals for the application of Christian principles to race relations were made from the platform, the chief speakers being Dr. M. Ashby Jones, chairman of the commission on Interracial Co-operation, Bishop F. F. Reese, President John Hope of Morehouse college, Bishop George C. Clements and Dr. E. T. Johnson. The council adopted a vigorous paper on this subject, setting forth its principles and outlining policies for the next four years. This will be given to the press at an early date.

OMEGA PSI PHI HOLDS ITS ANNUAL MEETING AT NATIONAL CAPITOL

(By Associated Negro Press)
Washington, D. C., Jan. 1.—The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity held its annual meeting here from December 27-31.

This fraternity, the first of its kind to be organized in a colored institution of learning, has chapters in fifty four schools and cities throughout the United States and Canada. More than five hundred delegates and members registered for the convention.

On the evening of December 27th the visiting delegates and members met in a pow-wow. Dr. C. Herbert Marshall, Jr., grand marshal of the fraternity presiding. The annual public meeting was held Sunday, December 28, in the Andrew Rankin Memorial chapel, Howard University campus at four o'clock. After remarks by Attorney John W. Love, the grand basileus of the fraternity, President J. Stanley Durkee of Howard University, delivered the address of welcome. William Stuart Nelson, international student and journalist, discussed the "World Outlook of the Negro." The annual address was delivered by Dr. J. W. E. Bowen, Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Ga. Music for the occasion was furnished by Carl Diton, the noted musician and composer of Philadelphia.

On Monday morning, December 29th, a delegation of the Omega Psi Phi fraternity was received by the president of the United States after which the entire convention went to the Arlington National cemetery to place wreaths upon the tomb of the Unknown Soldier and upon the grave of Colonel Charles Young. The late Col. Young was one of the early members of the fraternity.

N. A. A. C. P. SECRETARY TO RADIO SPEECH ON "AMERICAN NEGRO POETS AND POETRY"

(N. A. A. C. P. Press Service)
A radio address on "American Negro Poets and Their Poetry," illustrated by readings from the work of himself and other poets, will be delivered by James Weldon Johnson, secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. The address has been arranged for by the Radio Corporation of America and will be broadcast on Station WJY, at 10 p. m., Thursday, January 8, 1925.

EXPENSIVE JELLY

(By Associated Negro Press)
Columbia, S. C., Jan. 1.—Although they said they had taken a jar of jelly from a house because they were hungry and wanted something to eat, James Sachel, James Webber and Lester Hill were fined \$100 each or 30 days on the chain gang.

C. L. Curry, Sr., cobbler. Shop in rear of 1520 North Twenty-sixth street. Work called for and delivered. Webster 3792.

NEGRO UNITS URGED TO SEND RECORDS

(By Associated Negro Press)
Washington, D. C., Jan. 1.—The War Department is sending out requests to ex-soldiers that all soldiers send in any paper which they might have which would throw light on the participation in the war of units to which they were assigned. The papers are desired so that the historical section of the general staff may complete a series of monographs covering the American army's work during the late conflict. "Because it is a notorious fact that little attempt was made to keep the records of the various units in which colored soldiers were engaged" and because there is a desire to have the colored troops receive whatever credit they deserve in the annals of the war, the Lincoln Legion is urging all colored men to respond to the call. If preferred they may send their papers to the officers of the Lincoln Legion, the colored ex-service men's organization, who will forward them. Lieut. George Lee, 390 Beale Avenue, Memphis, Tenn., is president; Monroe Mason, Prudential Bank Building, Washington, D. C., organizer; and Major West Hamilton, Washington, D. C., sentinel, are the officers.

\$82,500 SCIENCE HALL AT LINCOLN UNIVERSITY

(By Associated Negro Press)
Oxford, Pa., Jan. 1.—The full amount needed for the new Science Hall at Lincoln university—\$82,500—has now been secured. Architect's plans are being rapidly prepared and work will be begun as soon as the weather permits in the spring. The building will be made of red brick with limestone trimmings.

CAPTURED IN CHICKEN COOP

(By Associated Negro Press)
Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 1.—After a battle with a patrolman, in which he was badly battered up and taken to the Howard hospital for treatment, where he pretended that he was very drunk, Edward Hughes, 29, of 2810 Van Pelt street, dove through a window to the street, and was captured in a chicken coop at Thirteenth and Carpenter streets, where he was posing as a bulldog on guard. He was charged with robbing meters.

DUNBAR'S WIDOW HELPS WRITE NEW SONG

(By Associated Negro Press)
New York, N. Y., Jan. 1.—Alice Dunbar Nelson and Florence Cole Talbert, the concert artist, have collaborated upon the production of an official song for the Delta Theta sorority. Lyrics and music of the number are equally beautiful. It is published in The Delta, official organ of the body of Greek letter girls.

HAS SEVENTY-NINE WIVES

(By Associated Negro Press)
Johannesburg, Africa, Jan. 1.—The existence of a native who has seventy-nine wives, by whom he has had one hundred and thirty-four sons and fifty daughters, is reported in the new report of the census, the most formidable blue-book ever published in the union. The native lives in Zoutpansberg district, where, according to the blue-book he has a rival with 110 wives. This man has fifty-one sons and forty-two daughters by fifty-five wives, no wife having more than three children.

TAKE NEW BLOW AT THE JAPANESE

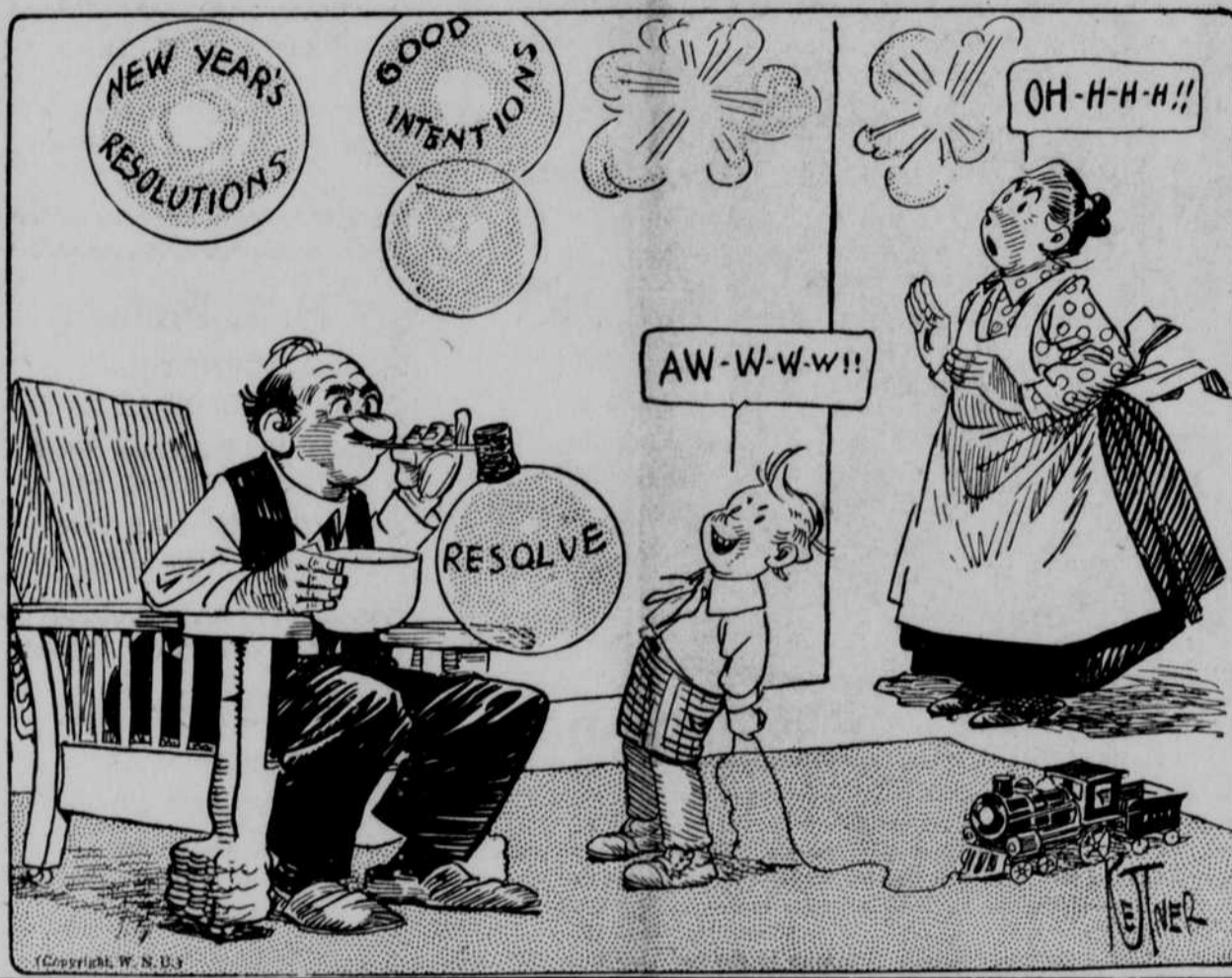
(By Associated Negro Press)
San Francisco, Calif., Jan. 1.—Sixty thousand Japanese are deprived of their farm interests in this state by a decision of the United States supreme court during the past week upholding the validity of the so-called anti-cropper contract provision in this state's anti-alien land law. These persons must either quit farming altogether or remain only in the capacity of wage earners.

EX-SLAVE LEAVES \$1,000

(By Associated Negro Press)
New York, N. Y., Jan. 1.—When the will of Mrs. Julia Washington, 90 years old when she died, was filed for probate here during the week, it was discovered that she had left more than \$1,000 to friends living in the city. Mrs. Washington was formerly a slave, but had left the South at the end of the Civil War and lived North. The money was left to Lee Clayton and his wife and Mr. Clayton's son and wife, who live at 1,737 Van Buren avenue.

Some merchants say that they are so well known they do not need to advertise. Some cemeteries are well known, also, but there is nothing doing around them.

Blowing Bubbles



Colored Youth's Drawing Is Selected For Carnegie Steel Co. Beautiful Art Calendar

A Calendar for 1925 just put out by the Carnegie Steel Company of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is one of the broadest and most original ideas in the broadcasting of safety toward which this company's extensive work along this line has been turned. It is purely a safety calendar, the result of work by the company's General Safety Committee, and each of the illustrations on twelve pages of the calendar carries a lesson in safety, conceived and executed by a school pupil in towns or cities where the company maintains a steel plant. The idea first took form early in 1923 when the safety committee arranged a Safety Poster Contest in the public and parochial schools of the mill communities. Three cash prizes

made in this section at the time. He also had in mind that he was going to marry the sweetheart that he had left behind him. As soon as he had worked several years he returned to Virginia and married his present wife, Lucy. At the time Mr. Waddy was employed at the Carrie Furnaces of the Carnegie Steel Company, at Rankin, Pa. Soon after his marriage he was placed on the police force of Rankin where he has served for the last twenty years. He has served well for today he is a lieutenant and is respected as one of the best men on the force.

In the Waddy family there are seven living children: Della, aged 20, secretary to the principal of the Rankin public school. Leon, aged 18, senior in the Braddock high school. Marie, aged 16, and Louise, aged 15, both in the Braddock high school; Herbert, aged 13; Kenneth, aged 11, and Ethel, aged 9, all attending the graded school in Rankin. The chief ambition of Mr. Waddy and his wife is to give their children a good education.

Young Waddy is quite different from most of the boys who live in the neighborhood. He is not interested in athletics of any kind so far as taking part in them himself, but is a loyal rooter at all if the games for his school teams. As he himself says he does not have time to play. From early childhood he has been anxious to become a physician. His parents have encouraged him in this ambition, but have told him that he must earn his way through. Therefore, in the summer months Leon works in the mills—the money he thus earns is laid aside to pay his way through college.

In the class room he is only an average student. However, there is one subject at which he excels. From the time he entered public school until the present time he has been interested in drawing. His father says that since he first could hold a pencil he has been copying or tracing pictures from books and magazines. In the Rankin grades school from which he graduated in 1921 his marks in drawing always were exceptionally good. In his second year in high school he contributed several drawings to the Red and White, the school magazine. In his junior year he received the highest honor that the school bestows in art when he was appointed by the faculty as one of the two art editors of the Red and White.

Early in 1924 when the poster contest was started at the high school, Waddy decided to enter it. He with the other art editor, Kozan, contributed their drawings. The picture of Kozan's won the prize for the district and that of Waddy's was second. When the selection for the calendar was made, however, the drawing of Waddy's was selected.

Leon is very proud of his work and says that no matter what he takes up in life, he will always have his art as his hobby.

Wilberforce, Ohio, Jan. 1.—At the annual football dinner given in honor of the 1924 football squad, Mike Woolbridge, regular end, was elected captain for the 1925 season. During the entire football season not a gain was made around his end.

RECREATIONAL CENTERS DOING IMPORTANT WORK

(By Associated Negro Press)
New York, Jan. 1.—Throughout America there has been developed a keen appreciation of the fact that there must be recreation or "play periods" for all, old and young. The National Recreation Movement, under the auspices of the Playground and Recreation Association of America, of which Ernest T. Attwell is the national field director of racial work, has had a successful year, making available such facilities and community programs as will offer greater opportunities for colored people to enjoy playgrounds, community centers and wholesome recreation considered important factors in their social, moral and economic life. The playground census indicates 680 cities in which playgrounds are operated; for the particular use of all people or in neighborhoods largely populated by Negroes 42 centers operated for adults; 139 cities where colored people are being reached through community recreation program. The community service effort has been in the direction of year-round activities in leisure time activities, which have included music, drama and social recreation.

106 YEARS OLD; SUES FOR DIVORCE

(By Associated Negro Press)
Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 1.—Charging that she had deserted him for five years, William Smith appeared before the Ware county superior court last week and filed suit for divorce from his wife, Mrs. Lou Hinton Smith. Smith is 106 years old and has been married to his present wife for thirty years.

CONVICTS GET CHRISTMAS PARDONS

(By Associated Negro Press)
Little Rock, Ark., Jan. 1.—Eight of the convicted men sentenced to 21 years in the state penitentiary for complicity in the "Elaine riots" were granted indefinite furloughs by Gov. McRae just before Christmas. The eight men released two days before Christmas were: Will Barnes, Sikes Fox, John Ratcliff, Gilmore Jenkins, Sam Wilson, Charles Jones, Ed Mitchell and Will Perkins. All except Perkins had been in the state prison farm at Cummins since their conviction.

COURAGEOUS COLLEGE MEN

William Monroe Trotter, Neval H. Thomas

By Kelly Miller.
Those of us who have kept close watch of the output of our schools and colleges for the past twenty years are often forced to ask ourselves the question: Is the young Negro collegian fulfilling the hopes and expectations entertained for him in the earlier years? The first output of the college, naturally enough, was baptized with the spirit of racial service and zeal. The good missionaries who came down from the North brought the Bible in their right hand and the secular text book in the left. One can only impart that which he has. Their soul was full to overflowing love for God and service to man. The zeal of the missionary was upon them. They believed in the Negro and he believed in them. Grimke, Croghan, Simmons, Geo. W. Moore, Du Bois and James Weldon Johnson are sample fruits of their labors.

But in these later days a new element, if not a new spirit has crept into our education. The mercenary motive has all but supplanted missionary zeal as the aim and objective of the higher education of the Negro. We may naturally expect this spirit to be reflected in the new college issue. Educational equipment and facilities have greatly increased since the earlier day. The work of the college has been multiplied in efficiency. We laugh today at the faculty and facilities of thirty years ago. And yet the truism is as true today as when it first fell from the mouth of Paul: "The letter killeth, the spirit maketh alive." The educator of Negro youth yearns for the return of that social spirit which actuated the youth a generation ago. Then every student was preparing to reclaim and uplift his race; now the burden of his ambition is to achieve a distinguished career. Then the objective of his ambition was social, now it is essentially selfish. I do not enter into wholesale condemnation of the younger college men. They are just as worthy and of just as noble nature as their elder brothers who have gone before them. But the times have changed. The whole end and aim of college culture is being transformed by the allurements of the times. The most helpful indication of the younger college men is seen in the organization of fraternities and sororities. They are anxious to harvest.

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RADICAL DECLINE IN LYNCHING EVIL DURING PAST YEAR

Tuskegee Records Show That Sixteen Persons Were Victims of Mob Murder During the Year of 1924

NEGRO AMERICANS VICTIMS

Forty-five Instances in Which Officers of the Law Prevented Lynchings—Two Women Were Thus Saved

Tuskegee Institute, Ala., Dec. 31.—I send you the following lynchings for the past year as compiled by Tuskegee Institute in the Department of Records and Research. I find there were sixteen persons lynched in 1924. This is the smallest number lynched in any year since records of lynchings have been kept, and is seventeen less than the number thirty-three for the year 1923 and forty-one less than the number fifty-seven for the year 1922. Nine of the persons lynched were taken from the hands of the law, six from jails and three from officers of the law outside of jails.

There were forty-five instances in which officers of the law prevented lynchings. Two women, one white and one colored, were among those thus saved. Eight of these preventions of lynchings were in northern states and thirty-seven in southern states. In thirty-six of the cases the prisoners were removed or the guards augmented or other precautions taken. In nine other instances, armed force was used to repel the would-be lynchers. In four instances during the year persons charged with being connected with lynchings mobs were indicted. Of the nineteen persons thus before the courts only five were convicted. These were given jail sentences.

Of the sixteen persons lynched all were Negroes. Seven or less than one half of those put to death were charged with rape or attempted rape. The offenses charged were: Murder, one; rape, 5, attempted rape, two; killing officer of the law, two; insulting woman, three; attacking woman, one; killing man in altercation, one; wounding man, one.

The states in which lynchings occurred, and the number in each state are as follows: Florida, five; Georgia, two; Illinois, one; Kentucky, one; Louisiana, one; Mississippi, two; Missouri, one; South Carolina, one; Tennessee, one; Texas, one.

Yours very truly,
R. R. MOTON, Principal.

L. C. DYER SENDS N. A. A. C. P. \$50 AND COMMENTS WORK

(N. A. A. C. P. Press Service)
New York, Jan. 1.—Congressman Leonidas C. Dyer of Missouri, sponsor of the anti-lynching bill bearing his name, has renewed his annual subscription of \$50 to the work of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and has written the following letter, in which he touches on the prospects of the anti-lynching bill:

"I want to do the same as I did last year. Hence, I am enclosing a check for \$50. The splendid results that you are obtaining should secure for you the help of all good citizens.

"The anti-lynching bill should become a law without delay. The House of Representatives is for it and will pass it any time there is any assurance at all that the Senate will do likewise. President Coolidge is for it and will sign the bill if Congress passes it. Hence, our only difficulty is with the Senate. I think, through your organization, these facts should be given wide publicity, so that the people generally can see for themselves that the failure in this respect is due entirely and absolutely to the United States Senate. The best way is for the Senate to take this matter up themselves, through one of their members introducing an anti-lynching bill. When they have passed it, the House will do likewise again, without any delay at all. The President will then sign it.

"Wishing you and all of your associates a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I am,

"Yours very truly,
(Signed) "L. C. DYER."

The N. A. A. C. P. is already taking steps to procure the introduction in the Senate of the Dyer anti-lynching bill, as recommended in Mr. Dyer's letter.

Mr. Dyer is one of the staunch friends of the N. A. A. C. P., publicly calling attention to its achievements, and giving of his own time and money to further its work.

The increase is shown in the total premium income of all companies here. Last year the total premium income was \$38,000,000. Indications are that the 1924 figure will exceed \$47,000,000.