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## LOOKING TOWARDS MERGING

The Methodists, both black and white, in their respective general conferences now assembled, are to be commended for several things. Chief among these are the stand they are taking with reference to divorce, which is one of the greatest menaces of the day, and another is their attitude towards union. Both the A. M. E. conference, in session in Chicago, and the M. E., meeting in Kansas City, the one a distinctive and powerful Negro organization, the other a gigantic and influential mixed organization, embracing all races of mankind, have taken high grounds for the sanctity of marriage and against the evils which endanger this safeguard of the family. Both, too, look with favor upon a merger of denominations. The Negro Methodists, who it would seem have the easier task, are favorably considering a union of all Negro Methodist bodies, such as the A. M. E., the A. M. E. Zion, and the C. M. E. These all have the same polity and the same faith and the advantage of merging into one great ecclesiastical body ought to be apparent and doubtless is becoming more and more so to the outstanding and thoughtful leaders among them, and no doubt to the rank and file of the laity. Were there marked differences in their faith and polity such a union would present greater difficulties.

These difficulties have to be considered with the proposed union between the white Methodists and the Prebyterian and Congregationalist bodies. The polity of the Presbyterians differs from that of the Methodists and from that of the Congregationalists. There are only minor differences, however, of faith. Neither polity nor faith, however, offer insuperable barriers and that there was such an overwhelming vote of the Methodists favoring overtures looking towards such a union is a significant indication of the changing sentiment among Christian folk. How the attitude of the Methodists will be met by the others in their General Assemblies and Conventions remains to be seen.

If church unity is ever to come, and come it undoubtedly will, it will be brought about by the great Protestant bodies, like those under consideration, whose differences are so slight first uniting. This will pave the way for union between those like the Roman and the Greek Catholics and Anglicans whose faith and polity are similar, remote as that possibility may seem, followed by a coalescence of Catholics and Protestants in fulfillment with the Founder of Christianity's High Priestly prayer, "That they all may be one, even as Thou and I are one, that the world may believe that Thou

hast sent Me."

That these great bodies are willing to consider such a movement is not without significance.

## HOW ABOUT OUR LOCAL BAPTISTS?

While reading about these gestures towards mergers between these great denominations our thoughts turned quite naturally to the unfortunate situation which exists locally with reference to our Baptist brethren. We consider it tragic that there should be some eight or ten Negro Baptist congregations within a radius of as many blocks, all save one, heavily burdened with debt and struggling for life, when two or three would take care of all present members and provide for growth. We have said this before. Some weeks ago we were invited to a meeting where this matter was discussed and several expressed themselves as favoring a merger of Baptist congregations. We wonder how this movement is progressing?

## RACE STUDENTS IN STATE UNI. GRADUATING CLASS

Lincoln, Neb., May 15.—Of the forty-six race students attending the University of Nebraska, five will be graduated this June. They are Zelma Nichols of Lincoln, Millard Woods of Lincoln, Cleopatra Rose of Lincoln, Shumpert Logan of Omaha, and William Miles of Kansas City.

Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority will give their first annual stunt night, Friday evening, May 18th, at the Bancroft auditorium.

The new officers of the Eta chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity for the coming year are John Adams, jr., Omaha, polemarch; Henry Gordon, Omaha, vice-polemarch; Marcellus Ritchie, Omaha, steward; and Harold Adams, Omaha, keeper of records. An unique feature about the officers for the coming year is the fact that all of the men are from Omaha.

Three coeds were initiated into the Omicron chapter of Delta Sigma Theta sorority Saturday, May 12th. Those initiated were Consuelo Cross, Teresa Liverpool and Glenna Fae Roan. The officers elected for the coming year are Corinne E. Ferguson, president; Consuelo Cross, vice-president; Teresa Liverpool, secretary; Zelma Nichols, treasurer; and Glenna Fae Roan, reporter.

Maxine Holmes gave a delightful May morning breakfast Sunday, complimentary to Consuelo Cross of Omaha. A large floral bouquet of bridal wreath formed the simple but effective table decoration. Covers were laid for eight. The remainder of the morning after the three course breakfast was spent informally until the departure of Miss Cross for her home.

The Pyramid club, the pledge organization of Delta Sigma Theta sorority, entertained the members of

their sorority and other Greek organizations at a delightful spring party Saturday evening at the Masonic hall. The decorations were quite in keeping with the spirit of Nebraska university. The sorority colors of scarlet and cream were carried out in artistic paper decorations, lights, favors and punch. One feature of the collegiate party was a prize waltz in which Stanley Madison and his partner, Thelma Hammond, carried off honors. Music was furnished by Harold Jones, who is a very popular pianist, and played over radio last summer in Sioux City. The chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Holcomb, Mrs. Cruz-Fair, and Mr. O. W. Ferguson. Thirty couples were present.

Alpha Kappa sorority has elected the following girls as officers for the coming year: Katherine Thompson, president; Dorothy Dixon, vice-president and secretary; and Thelma Hammond as treasurer.

Helen Price, Thelma Hammond, Corinne Ferguson, Zanzya Hill, Laverta Pyle, Laleta Washington, Dorothy Dixon, Joy Conrad and Charlotte Loving with as many white girls, enjoyed themselves at the annual interracial staff picnic of the Young Women's Christian association last Wednesday on the agriculture college campus. This commission was established here several years ago in an effort to better conditions among the white and Negro girls on the campus of Nebraska university. The group has been able to kill several minor attempts at segregation on the campus. The group is a very popular one, being evinced by the large crowd that attended their tea which was given late in the fall. Miss Erna Appleby is the sponsor while Miss Juliette Derricotte of New York City, a member of Delta Sigma Theta sorority, is the inspiration for the group. It was while Miss Derricotte was lecturing in the city in the interests of the Y. W. C. A., that the idea originated.

Miss Cleopatra Elaine Ross, a senior in the school of fine arts, will give her graduate recital in voice and organ Tuesday evening, May 15.

Members of Delta Sigma Theta gave their annual May Educational week program Sunday evening at the Mount Zion Baptist church. Rev. H. W. Botts delivered an inspirational educational sermon which was well received and enjoyed by a full auditorium.

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## APPOINTED VIRGINIA COURT COMMISSIONER

Richmond, Va.—Upon the recommendation of the colored attorneys of this city, Attorney J. C. Robertson has been appointed a commissioner of the Richmond Circuit Court by Judge Julien Funn. He is the only colored man to have ever held such a position here.

## W. G. Morgan, Attorney at Law NOTICE

To Howard B. Williams: Non-resident defendant:

You are hereby notified that on the 28th day of November, 1927, Emma D. Williams filed her petition in the District Court, Div. 243, No. 355, the object and prayer of which is to secure absolute divorce from you on the grounds of extreme cruelty.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the first (1st) day of July, 1928, or the prayer of said petition will be taken as true and the relief therein prayed for will be granted.

4t-5-18-28 EMMA D. WILLIAMS.  
Per W. G. Morgan, Her Attorney.

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