

SIoux FALLS A THRIVING COMMUNITY

"Aggressiveness and progressive-ness are plainly evident," said Mrs. Alphonso Wilson, when she spoke of her observations of our group, after a recent visit to Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Leaving Omaha sweltering beneath a temperature of 98 degrees, one can appreciate the coolness of this wonderful little city of 35,000. One notes with pride the growing businesses controlled by our group, although we can boast of but 100 of the population.

A well equipped garage, comparing favorably with the other garages of the city, a janitor's supply house, which is operated by a former Omahan, a restaurant, beautiful in its cleanliness and up-to-date service, and a beauty parlor which has no rival between Chicago and the Pacific coast, are some of the race enterprises.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, who came to Sioux Falls some 20 years ago, own and operate the beauty department of the Shriver and Johnson Department store which is the largest of its kind in the state. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell employ 28 young men and women as operators, barbers and office force to care for the large patronage which is drawn from all parts of South Dakota.

If the community life is prosperous, then the church life is certainly divine. At the regular church meeting last Sunday, every citizen of the town was present and participated in the music and the services. The one church is under the guidance of the Rev. Mr. Withers and his splendid wife and is doing its part for the uplift of our people in the section.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Withers have raised the standard of right living in the city to a high plane and it appeared that each man, woman and child, was endeavoring to follow their well laid plans. Generous hospitality welcomes you at Sioux Falls.

NATIVE AND WHITE SOUTH AFRICAN WORKERS UNITE PROTEST UPON TERRORISM

Crusader News Service

London, Eng.—The central committee of Negro trade unions and the Trade Union Congress of white workers, together with the African National Congress, united in forming a national committee for freedom of speech. The committee grew out of the breaking up of a mass meeting at which workers were protesting against employer-police terrorism and the killing of a native worker by the British police.

HOOVER CLUB FORMED

Boston, Mass.—With the organization of the Hoover Co-ordination Republican club of Ward Nine, which was effected recently by a group of young men at 626 Shawmut avenue, this city boasts of the first Hoover club to be organized in the state of Massachusetts. The club is composed of some of the leading business and professional men in the city and is headed by Charles H. Seales, as the president.

Other officers of the club are R. E. Scott, vice president; J. S. Mitchell, secretary; Samuel H. Harris, treasurer, and the executive committee members are R. H. Graham and Charles A. Hibbler. The purpose of the organization, as outlined by the president, is to work in conjunction with the republican campaign committee in the effort to get out a large vote for the Hoover-Curtis ticket.

DIAMOND MINE WORKERS STRIKE AGAINST LOW PAY

Crusader News Service

London, Eng.—About 20,000 native workers in the diamond mines of western Transvaal have gone on a strike, demanding increases of 20 to 30 shillings in wages. The strikers are picketing the fields, in spite of the terrorism instituted by British officials and the employers. According to the "Times" there is a connection between the leaders of the strike and the Union of Industrial and Commercial Workers, the largest labor organization of native workers in South Africa.

G. O. P. PREPARES TO LAUNCH VIGOROUS DRIVE

Washington, D. C.—The next nine weeks will witness the prosecution of one of the most vigorous and far-reaching campaigns among Negroes, in the political history of this country, according to plans formulated here Wednesday by the colored division of the republican national committee, when the first meeting of the executive committee and the chairman and vice chairmen of the various divisions convened here on the tenth floor of the Barr building.

The conference was presided over by Dr. John R. Hawkins, chairman of the executive committee and leaders

from various sections were present. Reports from such republican chieftains as state Senator Adelbert H. Roberts, Chicago, member of the executive committee in charge of the western bureau; and Alderman Fred R. Moore, New York City, chairman of the organization bureau of the eastern division, showed that the various departments had been organized, workers selected and everything in readiness to launch an active and enthusiastic campaign.

According to the plans perfected recently, a strenuous effort will be made to accomplish an unprecedented registration of colored citizens in every section of the country, especially in those states where colored voters hold the balance of power, and to line that vote up behind the Herbert Hoover-Curtis ticket. The representatives expressed the opinion that colored voters believed in the republican standard bearers, not because of promises, but because of the records of the men, which are fraught with indications of courage, statesmanship and the belief in the enforcement of the constitution of the United States in its entirety.

NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION DRAWS LARGE ASSEMBLAGE

Shreveport, La., Coliseum Fair Grounds, Sept. 5—Ministers and laymen, men and women from 48 states and state conventions took part in the opening of the 49th annual session of the National Baptist convention of America, which convened in this city today. These messengers represent a constituency of three and one-half million Negro Baptists. The parent body and the woman's auxiliary make up the convention proper. "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," sung by a chorus, made up of hundreds of voices from the 50-odd Baptist churches of Greater Shreveport, added religious fervor to the stage that had been so beautifully set for this religious gathering. The convention will carry on for five days, during which time every phase of denominational work will be reported through the several boards to whom has been committed the work of the convention interim. A very elaborate program arranged by the executive committee had set forth the work of this, the largest distinctively denominational gathering of this racial group in the world. The city of Shreveport is in gala attire, but it doesn't savor of the spectacular. To the contrary, it borders on and represents the religious side of the Negro life of America. Thousands have already arrived and taken part in the opening session. The "Larger Christ" is the outstanding theme of every session, as provided in the program. The extension of the Kingdom is the main object, the principles of the Lowly Nazarene will be exemplified throughout the week, while missions, home and foreign, and religious education will be stressed by every speaker on each and every occasion.

VIRGINIANS RESENT DEMOCRATIC TACTICS

Roanoke, Va.—Smarting under the treatment accorded Negro voters in the various cities of the state by democrats in the recent primaries, efforts are being made by the leaders of the group to secure an unprecedented registration of colored citizens so they may express their resentment by votes for the Hoover-Curtis ticket in the November election.

These leaders are calling the attention of those who are qualified to vote to the fact that democrats denied the Negro the right to vote in the democratic primaries, and in many instances and cities, those who attempted to exercise their franchise were humiliated by pool workers. Special emphasis is being placed upon the Richmond primary.

OFFICIAL KLAN ORGAN FIGHTS GOVERNOR SMITH

Washington, D. C.—Under the caption, Smith and Negro Equality, the Fellowship Forum, official organ of the Ku Klux Klan, prominently displayed the following in blackface type:

"Under Governor Smith's administration, Negro equality is practiced in the public schools of New York, and it is an open secret that Governor Smith believes in equality among the blacks and whites. Women voters should call upon the southern delegates and ask them if they can conscientiously vote for a man who would try to force upon the people of the south, Negro equality as Governor Smith indicated he would do on more than one occasion.

"Harlem 'Nigger Heaven,' the lowest section of New York City, is over two-thirds owned by Tammany. The night clubs, gambling joints, speak-easies, and bootleggers are financed by Tammany. In return for this, Governor Smith got one of his largest votes from the whole city out of Harlem. Help a million Negroes, mostly

yellow, live in Harlem, and not only declare themselves equal to whites, but are permitted to live as man and wife with the whites, and their children allowed to attend white schools. They have been so encouraged in Harlem under Smith's administration that they are breaking their bounds and permeating the whole city. Broadway plays are entirely given over to colored actors, and they are the chief entertainers in the night clubs. Are we going to allow them to spread from New York City throughout the country? No. let us stop this while there is yet time."

This sort of bunk with no earmarks of truth whatever is the sort of argument this Klan publication is making to show white people why they should support Hoover instead of Smith.

ARIZONA AMERICAN LEGION PETITIONED FOR OFFICERS' TRAINING FOR NEGROES

New York City—Nathan Stitch Post No. 51 of the American Legion at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., sent a petition signed by 50 of its members to the state convention of the American Legion, urging full officers' training for Negroes at the citizens' military training camps.

The petition, forwarded to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People by V. H. Marchbanks, warrant officer in the United States army, reads as follows: "Whereas, the Negro has always furnished his full quota of officers and soldiers in all wars, expeditions and conflicts in which the United States has engaged since its earliest existence, and he will always be expected to do so,

"Whereas, the citizens' military training camp does not admit, under its present system, the training of young colored men unless there is a sufficient number of qualified applicants to form a separate unit,

"Whereas, this system is unfair and unwarranted in states sparingly populated by Negroes,

"Whereas, the Negro's admission to the training camp is based upon his ability to obtain the necessary quota for a separate camp and

Whereas many sections of the

United States do not include Negroes as residents in sufficient numbers for him to muster this necessary quota, thereby depriving him of the benefit of this training.

"Be it resolved, that the high school law of the state where citizens' military training camps are held shall govern in the training camps and where there is not a sufficient number of qualified applicants of the Negro race to form a separate unit in the citizens' military training camp that Negro boys be permitted to train in units with other citizens and that the state organization of the American Legion use its influence to this end.

"Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be brought to the attention of the national convention to be held at San Antonio, Texas, in October, 1928."

Warrant Officer Marchbanks informs the N. A. A. C. P. that white boys at the Arizona training camps "have been instructed in the rudiments of soldiering by enlisted men of the 10th Cavalry and 25th Infantry," both of them Negro units.

Robert W. Bagnall, acting secretary of the N. A. A. C. P., is writing to the War department, enclosing a copy of the petition and urging favorable action upon it.

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