

**LARGE AUDIENCE GIVEN REASONS FOR SUPPORT**  
Enthusiastic Mass Meeting Local Al Smith-for-President Colored League at Columbia Hall.

**WHITLOCK PRINCIPAL TALKER**  
Kansas City Episcopalian Clergyman Delivers Thoughtful Address Favoring Democratic Nominee.

An audience numbering approximately 600, which taxed the capacity of Columbia hall, had the very unusual experience Monday night of hearing a priest of the Episcopal church, which has been facetiously charged with having "nothing to do with either religion or politics," deliver a thoughtful and well prepared address advocating the candidacy of the democratic nominee for the presidency at the first big rally of the campaign held by the local Al Smith-for-President Colored league. The speaker was the Rev. Bernard G. Whitlock, rector of St. Augustine's church, Kansas City, Mo., who had been sent by the New York headquarters to fill the place of the Rev. W. C. Williams, former pastor of St. John's A. M. E. church, this city, scheduled and advertised as the speaker for the rally.

Father Whitlock's speech, void of the usual claptrap and stereotyped appeal to sentiment and prejudice popular with the average political speaker and addressed to the intellect rather than to the emotions, was well received and made a favorable impression.

He said in substance, "I come to you not as a trained politician or skillful political speaker, but as one who with you and all forth-looking American citizens are deeply interested in the welfare of our country. I come to speak to you plainly, freely and frankly concerning what I believe to be best for the present time. You may differ from me and see matters in another light. That is your prerogative which must be respected and no one has a right to question it.

"We are living in a new era. A new day has dawned upon the nation, race and world. In this new era freedom of thought and of action must and will play an important part, and we must think not so much of the past, but of the present. My desire is to start you to think and to help you to think, not according to tradition and sentiment, but according

to the dictates of our deeper nature. And it is for this reason I plead the cause of a man whom I believe best fitted to exemplify not the ideals of the democratic party, or of the republican party, but the true ideals of democracy. Elected four times as the governor of the greatest state in the union, great in solid intelligence, in moral worth and in material wealth, proves that such a man is far above mediocrity, and cannot be either ignorant nor incompetent.

"No man, however brilliant or well trained he may be, can step into the presidency without having much to learn during the first year of his incumbency. Governor Smith has shown that he has a keen mind. "Having come up from poverty and having had to endure hardship and know the bitterness of prejudice and intolerance, he is able to sympathize with those whose lot has been similar to his own.

"Governor Smith is not any particular friend of the Negro, but he is the friend of mankind, which is righteously inclusive. The Negro has had too many 'special friends,' what he wants is less profession of special friendship, and more equal opportunities and fair play.

"The two major issues of this campaign are tolerance and fair play. These obtained, all else will follow. The race will gain by being aligned against religious intolerance which would disqualify a man for office because he worships God according to the dictates of his conscience. And it cannot be disguised that this un-Christian, un-American and unconstitutional spirit largely prevails in the present campaign.

"The democratic party does not particularly want the Negro; neither does the republican party. There should be no delusion about this. The Negro therefore should realize the importance of taking an independent attitude and not one of continued subservience to one party which claims a mortgage upon him, whatever it may do. To quote a great race author who wrote many years ago, 'When the colored voters differ among themselves and are found to be on both sides of a political contest, they will begin to find themselves of some political importance. Their votes will be sought, cast and counted and this is the key to the whole situation.' That time has now come.

"Two chief benefits will come from our supporting the democratic nominee: It will break the bonds of our subservience and will show independence and self assertion. Manly independence and dignified self as-

**HONOR FATHER WHITLOCK AT DINNER**

A dinner was given in honor of the Rev. Bernard G. Whitlock at Mason's cafe, Monday night, at 7 o'clock by the local Al Smith-for-President Colored league. It was a nonpartisan affair and invitations were given to several republicans, but only a few of them attended. Father Whitlock was called upon and briefly expressed his pleasure at being present and stressed the importance of fellowship which such gatherings promote. Mr. John Wood bade him cordial welcome on behalf of the league and Dr. L. E. Britt, in a brief, witty and eloquent speech, also welcomed him. The doctor concluded by saying, "We honor you, reverend sir, for your noble career and the great work you are doing for the uplift of the colored people. We need such men as you. We like you. We are glad to have you here and feel honored by your presence. We hope you will come again. But while we like you and men like you and are proud of you, we are going to elect Hoover."

The dinner was a very delightful affair both as to the menu and the spirit of good fellowship which prevailed.

Mr. John T. Saunders died October 13, after an illness of nine days with pneumonia. He was a member of Pleasant Green Baptist church. He was buried Wednesday afternoon, October 17, from Zion Baptist church, with the Rev. Z. E. McGee, his pastor, officiating. Interment was at Forest Lawn cemetery. Mr. Saunders is survived by his wife, a daughter, an adopted son, three sisters and three brothers, and had been a resident of Omaha for 14 years.

The S. S. H. Art and Literary club met at the homes of Mrs. Julia Bynum and the president, Mrs. Francis Holloway. A dainty luncheon was served.

section are sadly needed.

"This will result in making both parties clearly understand that we are an integral part of the political life of this nation and to be counted and treated as such, according to the constitution. The only outlet I can see for the freedom of thought and action upon our part which will generate the political independence which will prove our worth and win merited recognition in the political affairs of the nation is to have the courage to vote for Alfred Smith, whom I believe stands for the highest ideals of democracy and will give our country a clean and able administration."

The meeting was called to order by Harry Leland, president of the local league, who gave reasons for his democratic faith, and waxed so enthusiastic in his praise of his party that he got mixed up on the "Patrick's" and credited Patrick Henry with driving the snakes out of Ireland, showing metaphorically, of course, that the errors of the republicans who claim to have done everything for the Negro are to be driven out by the light of truth. He introduced as chairman of the meeting, Dr. W. W. Peebles, state organizer for Nebraska.

Dr. Peebles delivered a brief, but fiery and forceful speech, in which he stated that he belonged to that group of younger Negroes who were determined to show that the republican party does not carry the Negro vote in its vest pocket. They were not opposing the party of Lincoln, for that was dead. The present party, its successor, had grown rich and arrogant. The Negro earned his freedom on the battlefield fighting to preserve the Union. He urged support of the two race candidates for the state legislature, Barnett and McMillan.

"Ted" Roosevelt spoke briefly for the candidacy of his father, Richard L. Metcalfe, democratic nominee for United States senator, who could not be present, owing to the fact that his numerous speeches in the state had rendered him so hoarse that he could only whisper, and he did not wish to start another "whispering campaign!" He said his father, in the event of his election, would make good his promise to be not only the senator from Nebraska but the senator for Nebraska.

At the request of the chairman, Father Whitlock was introduced by his friend and colleague in the priesthood, the Rev. John Albert Williams.

**HARD TIMES MASQUERADE PARTY**

Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Augustus Hicks, a hard times masquerade party will be given at Dreamland hall, Thursday evening, November 8. A prize will be given to the man and woman who have the hardest looking hard times costume. Mrs. Hicks is captain of one of 12 companies which has been organized at St. Philip's Episcopal church for the purpose of raising \$1,000 for the repair and improvement fund, and between which companies there is keen rivalry. The members of Company No. 3, "The Ready To Go Team," of which Mrs. Hicks is captain are, Mesdames Dana Murphy, Jennie Scott, Emma J. Kennedy, the Misses Nonence Gibson and Lutie M. Bryant and Messrs. Augustus Hicks, Josiah Brown, Alonzo Gregory and Vanie S. Wheatley.

**Y. W. C. A. NOTES**

The North Side Y. W. C. A. vespers, Sunday, October 28, in charge of the religious and general education committee, with Mrs. Hiram Greenfield, as chairman, will present a double-header program that will thrill everyone who attends. In addition to the noted radio Bible teacher, Mrs. Carl R. Gray's address, the following program will be rendered:

Devotionals, Mrs. D. W. Gooden; Music, Ladies' orchestra, Miss Ruth Seay, directress, Mrs. Venus Parker, soloist; Address, Mrs. Carl R. Gray; Music, Ladies' orchestra; Reading, Miss Susie Whiteside; Music, Ladies' orchestra; Paper, "The Value of the Y. W. C. A. Religiously and Socially," Mrs. J. C. Brewer; Music, Ladies' orchestra.

Social hour follows program. All are requested to remain and enjoy the dainty repast which the religious and general education committee has prepared for all, free of charge.

The Athletic Gem club, High School Reserves, have their regular meeting on Tuesday afternoons. A number of new members have been taken in. They are planning for their recognition service to be held Tuesday, October 30.

Saturday evening at 7:30, at the North Side Branch, a party for the blind will be supervised by Miss Ethel Doty. A request is being made to everyone coming in contact with a blind person to extend an invitation for the party. Later the blind will be given an opportunity to be taught to read and write by the Braille system.

**OMAHA LOCALS**

Mrs. A. Saunders, en route to her home in Memphis, Tenn., from Los Angeles, where she has been visiting, was the house guest of her former schoolmate, Mrs. James Turner, 2514 Corby street, the past week.

Mrs. John T. Saunders has moved to 2529 Wurst street, where she will be pleased to see her many friends.

Mrs. C. B. Mayo spent the weekend with Mrs. Whitehall and sister of Fremont, Neb.

A "Ten Commandment Tea" will be given Tuesday night at the home of the president of the S. S. H. Art and Literary club, Mrs. Francis Holloway, 2720 Franklin street. The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Kate Harrington, Thursday night.

Mrs. Otis Shipman returned Thursday from Kokato, Minn., where she has spent the summer. She and her daughter, Madeline, went to Kansas City, Mo., Saturday, to visit her other daughter, Thelma, who is taking the nurse's training course at the Wheatley Provident hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wainwright were host and hostess at a very delightful party at their residence, 2932 North Twenty-fifth street, Saturday evening, in honor of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. Grizzard. The evening was spent in playing cards and dancing. Many lovely and useful gifts were received by Mr. and Mrs. Grizzard, who are newlyweds, and delicious refreshments were served later.

Dr. W. W. Peebles and son, Bill, Mr. J. H. Kerns, secretary of the Urban league, and Boston Hill motored down to Kansas City, Mo., for the week-end, returning Monday morning.

Mrs. William Rouhac, who has been very ill, was taken to Lord Lister hospital Tuesday to undergo a major operation.

**MRS. CARL R. GRAY TO ADDRESS Y. M. C. A. VESPERS**

An extraordinary program will be rendered at the North Side Y. W. C. A. vespers, Sunday, October 28, at 4:00 p. m. The meeting is sponsored by the religious and general education committee. The public is most heartily welcome and invited to be sure to attend.

For the very first time, you can hear and see, in person, the noted Bible radio teacher, Mrs. Carl R. Gray at the "Y."

Mrs. Gray will deliver an address and answer any Biblical questions that the public may desire to ask her.

Mrs. Gray is heard over the WOW radio station every Sunday evening during the winter and she has graciously consented to make her appearance on our vesper program before going on the "air" to render her regular Sunday Biblical talk.

Mrs. Gray is unquestionably one of the most outstanding, sincere, devout Christian women in our city and state. She is a spiritual interpreter of the Bible of renowned ability.

Don't fail to come to the vespers early to get good seats. The Ladies' orchestra with Miss Ruth Seay as directress will furnish music, with Mrs. Venus Parker as soloist. Every woman bring your entire family and be inspired and informed.

**URBAN LEAGUE TO BRING BUSINESS SPECIALIST HERE**

James A. Jackson, assistant business specialist, Domestic Commerce Division, U. S. Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, will be a guest of Omaha for three days, October 29th to 31st, inclusive. Mr. Jackson is being brought to Omaha by the Omaha Urban league and will make several addresses and will be at the service of business men and women in any problem they may wish to discuss with him regarding business. The bringing of Mr. Jackson is only one of the services the Urban league is offering to improve varied interests in the community.

Mr. Jackson has served such publications as the New York Sunday Herald, the New York Globe, Detroit Today, and Pittsburgh Dispatch; and has written many stories for a wide range of magazines.

All lectures and addresses delivered by Mr. Jackson are to be free to the public.

Mr. Jackson will speak at Salem Baptist church, Twenty-second and Seward streets, Monday night, and address business and professional men at the Urban league headquarters, 2010 North Twenty-fourth street, Tuesday night.

**CARD OF THANKS**

May we take this means of expressing our sincere appreciation and many thanks to our many friends for their kindnesses and sympathy during the illness and death of our beloved husband, father and brother.

Special thanks to the most worshipful Grand Lodge of Masons, Rough Ashler lodge No. 1, and Princess Oziel chapter No. 11.

MRS. J. T. SAUNDERS, wife,  
OPHELIA SAUNDERS,  
Daughter,  
MRS. CONSTANCE CARTER,  
Sister.

Mrs. Jane Johnson has been quite ill at her home, 2222 Howard street, the past two weeks.

**REPUBLICANS HOLD ENTHUSIASTIC RALLY AT DREAMLAND HALL**

Tuesday night a large audience comfortably filled Dreamland hall for a republican rally held under the auspices of the North Side Republican headquarters. The principal address was delivered by Mrs. Leitha Fleming, wife of Councilman Thomas B. Fleming of Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. Fleming, who has been active in politics in Ohio for several years, became a prominent worker in national politics, when she was chosen eight years ago to organize the colored women in the Harding campaign. She was called into the same kind of service during the Coolidge campaign. She was selected by the republican national committee as organizer of the women in the western division with headquarters in Chicago in the present campaign.

Mrs. Fleming at the outset of her speech disclaimed any intention of doing anything more than making a plain and practical talk to her audience in the "language of my people" and she kept her promise. Her appeal for the support of the party was along the familiar and traditional lines of its service to and friendship for the colored people. She urged the people to register and vote, urging this duty particularly upon the women who seemed indifferent to their privilege and responsibility in this matter. She emphasized the fact that colored representatives chosen to office do not simply represent the colored people, but their district, just as white representatives represent all the people in their district and emphasized the importance of voting for the whole ticket. She pleaded earnestly for her race to stand loyally by the republican party which is historically theirs. Mrs. Fleming paid a high compliment to Mrs. Ada Hill Smith, state organizer of colored women, for her ability and efficiency.

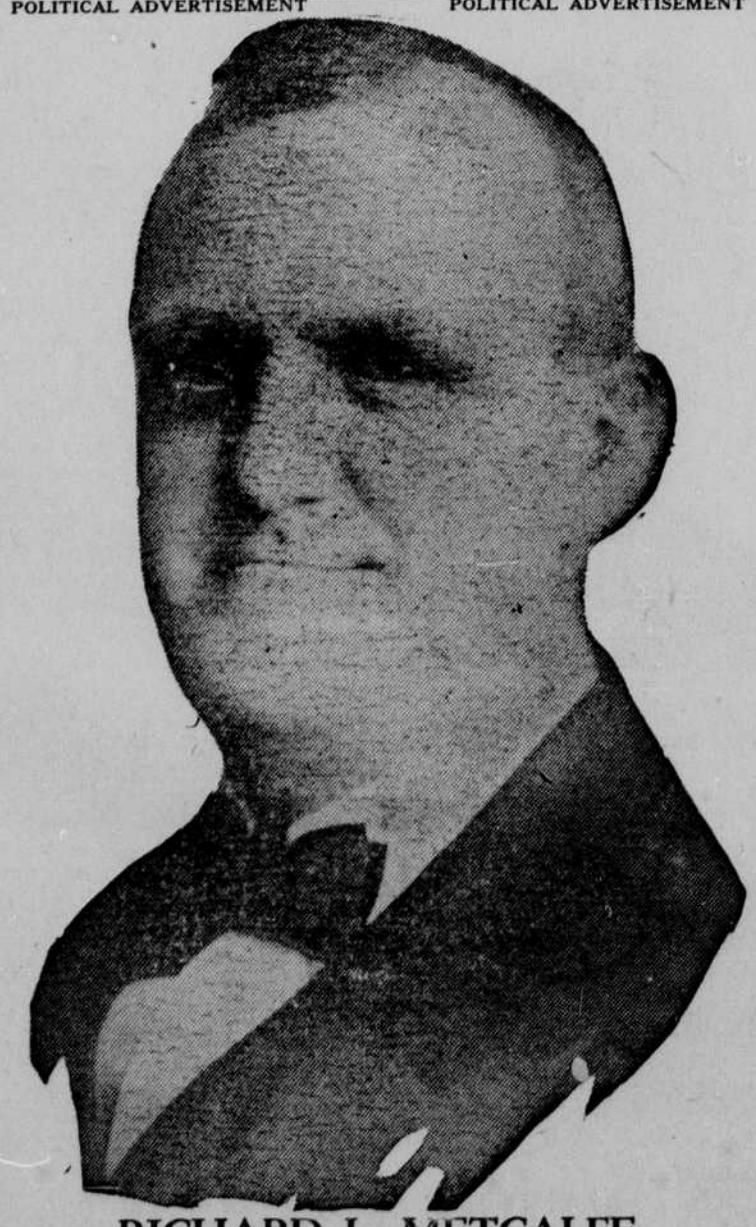
Mrs. Ada Hill Smith ably presided and introduced the speakers, among whom were Congressman Sears; Mrs. Cameron, national committeewoman; Mrs. P. C. Hyson, vice-chairman of the county republican committee and chairman of the women's division; F. L. Barnett and Dr. A. M. McMillan, candidates for the state legislature, and Mr. Harry O. Palmer, the affable and live wire county chairman, who made an excellent speech and an enthusiastic appeal for the support of the whole republican ticket.

**WILL PRESENT PUPILS IN PIANO RECITAL**

Mrs. Florentine F. Pinkston will present her pupils in a pianoforte recital and contest next Thursday night at 8 o'clock at Salem Baptist church, Twenty-second and Seward streets. Music lovers always enjoy the musical treats which these recitals afford. The public is cordially invited.

Macon, Ga.—Six students of Mercer university have offered their blood in an effort to save the life of Lee Battle, Negro servant of the university for 29 years.

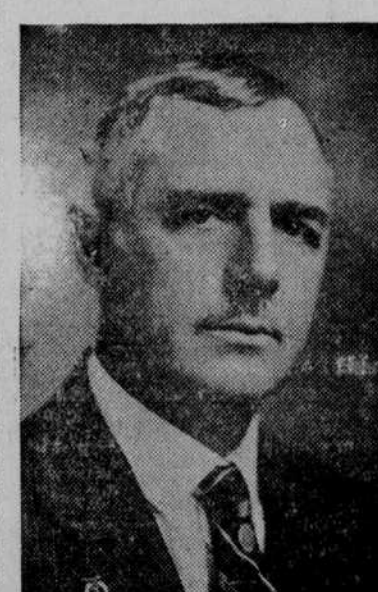
Battle has been one of the picturesque characters of the campus ever since he hiked here from Albany, Ga., and got a job at the university. He never missed a football game and had made countless loans to students.



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Democratic Candidate for United States Senator

Whose friendship I have shared and highly prized for nearly 40 years, finding him ringing true for justice, righteousness and humanity.  
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