

Quinn Chapel Host to Nebr. Conf. Branch

About 100 delegates attended the Twenty-Ninth Annual Convention of the Nebraska Conference Branch Woman's Missionary Society of the African Methodist Episcopal Church which closed its two-day session Thursday, August 3, at Quinn Chapel A.M.E. church.

Included in this group were the two presiding elders, the Rev. E. A. Newton of the Kansas City District and the Rev. John Adams of the Omaha District. Mrs. Monroe H. Davis, wife of Bishop Davis, presiding prelate of the 8th District was present as a special guest of her daughter, Mrs. S. H. Lewis. She addressed the conference during an afternoon session.

Host pastor was the Rev. J. B. Brooks, and Mrs. Margaret Williams is president of the local missionary society.

Theme of the conference was "Send The Light."

Highlights of the meeting included a forum and program by the Young People's Department; address by the Conference Branch President, Mrs. Mary Kidd and a sermon on the opening day by the Rev. Miss Belya Spicer.

Delegates to the quadrennial meeting to be held at Memphis, Tenn., in August, 1951, were elected as follows: Mrs. Iola England, Mrs. Rubie Shakespeare, Mrs. Eunice Jackson and Mrs. Florence Birch. Alternates were: Mrs. Bernie Childless, Mrs. Ada Smith, Mrs. Alberta Harriford and Mrs. Luella Green.

Election of Conference Branch officers will be held Friday, October 6, at the seat of the Annual conference to be held at Leavenworth, Kansas.

Colorado Reports Lay Activities

Last September when the Colorado Annual Conference was in session in Denver, the Rt. Rev. D. Ormonde Walker, bishop, organized the Colorado Annual Conference Laymen's League.

The following officers were elected: A. L. Mitchell, president; Mrs. Fanny Gaskin, vice president; Mrs. M. L. Smith-Morgan, secretary; Mrs. Irene Brown, assistant secret. Mrs. Hattie Jefferson, treasurer.

At that time there were five local leagues in operation. During the year four more have been organized namely in Salt Lake City, Casper, Cheyenne and La Junta.

At our coming annual conference session in Tucson, Arizona we hope to have a session of the leagues to render our report and hear recommendations from our bishop.

From the Albuquerque League, Mr. Charles Caruthers was elected delegate, Morris Porter, alternate.

The president has prevailed upon every local league to have a representative present. So we are looking forward to a glorious session.

By A. L. Mitchell, Conference President.

Speaker



Dr. Alfred Farrell, associate professor of English at Lincoln University (Mo.), who delivered the main address at the organizational meeting of the laymen in the Fifth Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal church in Kansas City, Kas., June 2-4. Dr. Farrell, who is a graduate of Lincoln University (Pa.) and holds the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Ohio State University, spoke on "The Responsibility of A.M.E. Laymen." He is president of the Laymen's League of Quinn Chapel A.M.E. church in Jefferson City, Mo.

Richard Wright Finishes Film In Argentina

PORT-OF-SPAIN, Trinidad. (ANP). Richard Wright, noted American author, passed through last week on his way from Argentina to New York.

In Argentina, Wright filmed the movie of his novel, "Native Son." He said the shooting work has been completed, but the musical score and other technical details are not yet finished.

The new motion picture will be premiered in New York, he said, either in September or October. The Argentine Sone company filmed the movie and an American firm produced it.

Wright himself, is playing the leading role with Gloria Madison his co-star.

The noted author plans to return to Paris, France, after his movie's opening. He related he was writing another novel dealing with Negro people and colored minorities in America.

Mo. Valley Tennis Meet Is Aug. 10-13

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (ANP)—The 14th annual Missouri Valley Open tennis tournament opened here Aug. 10 and will close Aug. 13 at the Paraway courts. The meet is sponsored by the Missouri Valley Tennis association.

The following defending champions are fighting to retain their titles:

Kelly Wilson, St. Louis, junior singles; Miss Marieta Fine, Kansas City, Kas., No. 2 ranked nationally by the American Tennis association, women's singles; Capt. Charles R. Penrose, men's singles, and Earl Ross and Charles Gates, men's doubles.

Players from all member states—Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Iowa, Colorado, Nebraska, Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota—have entered the tourney.

Host organizations for this ATA-sanctioned meet are the Kansas City tennis club, Wyandotte tennis club, Junior tennis club, and the Bal-Rack (women's) tennis club.

Second Complaint Filed Against Capitol Beach Bias

Refusal to sell a Lincoln man admission to the swimming pool at Capitol Beach July 31, resulted in the filing of a second complaint in the last 60 days against the management of the recreation facility. A party of five university students

and an instructor went to the pool on that day to swim. All went well until Charles Goolsby, 210 North 13th, was refused purchase of admission because he was a Negro—a situation, the salesgirl told Goolsby, that existed because the

Capitol Beach management insisted that it be so. A conference with Ralph Beechner, Capitol Beach manager, told the group that he could "sympathize" with the refused man, but after all, he didn't make the policies. That is done by Robert Ferguson, owner at Capitol Beach, he said.

Following the conference, the complaint charging violation of the state's civil rights statute were filed in the County Attorney's office by Willard Gaeddert, Charles Goolsby and David Keene.

The first complaint against the pool management was made in June when a group of university girls sought to take Tommy Davis, 7, swimming in the pool while on a picnic at the recreation park. Young Davis was refused admission and the rest of the party had their money refunded. Following the incident, Mrs. Estelle Davis, Tommy's mother, Mr. Gaeddert and Ruth Shinn had a 60 minute interview with Beechner without a satisfactory result.

Afterward the group tried unsuccessfully to get an interview with Ferguson and consequently filed their complaint. A letter from Mr. Wagner's office informed the Capitol Beach management of its violation, nevertheless, the party was refused admission Monday. Nebraska state laws require that all citizens have equal access to the accommodations of all places of amusement, restaurants etc.

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No. Koreans Go Blackface To Confuse Troops

WITH THE 24TH INFANTRY IN KOREA. (ANP). A new infiltration wrinkle was uncovered here last week by troops of the famed 24th Infantry regiment fighting on the Korean front, when a supposedly Negro GI turned out to be a North Korean soldier done up in black face.

According to one officer of the regiment, he could see what looked like a Negro GI driving before him at gun point a column of white-clothed civilians—supposedly guerillas.

At closer range, however, the 24th opened fire upon the group, including the Negro soldier, because:

"We found out that the Koreans had blackened the face of one of their own men and dressed him up just like our GI's. Guns were given the men in white. Then the communists just pretended to drive them down the road close to our positions so as to fool us."

B. O. Davis Gets Rank of Col.

WASHINGTON. (ANP). Col. Benjamin O. Davis, jr., received the permanent rank of full colonel from the Department of the Army there last week.

Three other Negro officers were stepped up a grade. Maj. George E. Webb, former commanding officer of the 322nd Airbase group, Lockburne field, now assigned to the Far East air forces, was elevated to the lieutenant colonelcy; Lieut. Rolin A. Bynum, public information officer in the defense department, and Ulysses E. Toatley, maintenance officer, Far East air forces, were made captains.

NMA Leaders Praise AMA Resolutions

By Alice A. Dunnigan

WASHINGTON. (ANP)—Two leaders of the National Medical association last week highly praised the American Medical association for its resolution on the racial question in the practice of medicine during its recent convention in San Francisco.

Dr. C. Herbert Marshall, national president of the NMA, praised the action as a great step toward the elimination of racial bias in the field of health.

The resolution, actually passed a month ago by the AMA House of Delegates, read:

"Resolved, that these facts be brought to the attention of all component and constituent societies appreciating that membership is a component and constituent society responsibility, and be it further

"Resolved, that constituent and component societies having restrictive membership provisions based on race study this question in the light of prevailing conditions with a view to taking such steps as they may elect to eliminate such restrictive provisions.

Introduced by a delegate from Virginia this resolution is expected to be a great factor in the future integration of Negro physicians into the AMA.

Doby Slams Three Homers To Take Nat'l League Lead

CLEVELAND. (ANP). Larry Doby pounded out three consecutive home runs Wednesday night, drove in five runs, and took over the American league batting lead as he led the Cleveland Indians to an 11 to 0 victory over the Washington Senators.

This batting spree raised Doby's average to .350 which left him Friday morning one point ahead of last year's batting king, George Kell of the Detroit Tigers.

The homers were Doby's 12th, 13th, and 14th round trippers of the season.

Sgt. Mosby With Army In Korea

Sgt. William (Billy) Mosby, son of Mrs. Vashti Mosby, 1030 Rose Street, is on duty with the U. S. Army—United Nations forces in Korea, according to word received here last week.

Mosby, who was in Lincoln on furlough in May, was assigned to the 630 Ordnance Ammunition company at Ikego, Japan, at the time.

Before military service, Sgt. Mosby was very active in younger circles and at Quinn Chapel church, where he was an original member of the William Woods Usher board.

State Department Voids Paul Robeson's Permit to Leave U.S.

WASHINGTON. (ANP). The state department announced here last week the voiding of the passport held by Paul Robeson, noted baritone concert artist, after the singer failed to surrender it voluntarily upon request.

Though the state department and immigration officials would not make extended comment, it was learned the revocation stemmed from the singer's activities in left-wing movements and his outspoken criticism of the United States in its international dealings.

According to one official, Robeson had been asked earlier to surrender physical possession of the passport. Up to last week, he had not done so. The state department then noted on its records that the passport is now "null and void." This means Robeson will not be able to obtain a visa to leave the country by any of the points where immigration or other federal officials concerned with travel are stationed.

Local and national immigration and customs services and the FBI have been alerted to stop the singer if he tries to leave the country.

ROBESON CHAIRMAN OF CAA Robeson will not be able to obtain a visa to leave the country. He is chairman of the Council on African Affairs, and a member of the permanent com-

mittee of the World Committee, Permanent Peace. According to state officials on his return from a trip to Russia, he spent considerable time and made a number of speeches in which he praised the soviets and disparaged what was being done by the United States.

He was one of the speakers scheduled to address the peace rally sponsored by the New York Labor conference for peace in New York last Wednesday. The rally failed to be held, however, because pro-communist demonstrators provoked a riot in Union square and a 1,000-man police force was called out to restore order. Another speaker for the rally was to have been Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, chairman of the peace information center.