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EDITORIALS

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Dr. William Springer to Head Dentists; Pledge Rights Aid

CHICAGO. (ANP). The National Dental association closed one of the greatest meetings in its history Friday night with the installation of Dr. M. L. Walton of Thomasville, Ga., as president. The hundreds of delegates voted Dr. William Springer of Cincinnati president-elect to take office next year.

Dr. William D. Giles of Chicago was the retiring president. The 1951 convention will be held in Memphis, Tenn.

This convention was the 37th annual meeting of the NDA. Held in Chicago, the dental capital of the world, it attracted not only the leading Negro dentists in the world, but also many of the white pacemakers. The nation's leading dental equipment firms set up extensive exhibits at the convention.

All meetings and clinics and exhibits were held at DuSable high school. Numerous social affairs were held at the city's leading recreation centers.

On the civic front the dentists heard an address by Thurgood Marshall, chief counsel of the NAACP, discuss the meaning of the recent U.S. Supreme court decisions banning Jim Crow, and the association passed a resolution to fight for fair employment practices bill.

The resolution read as follows: "That we especially urge each and every individual member of the National Dental association to use his influence with his congressman and all other public officials in the securing of human rights for all American citizens, to support all forms of social legislation and all legislative measures designed to effect an FEPC law at the local, state, and federal levels, and more especially standardizing housing and health facilities."

CHICAGO. (ANP). Chicago gave an unusually warm welcome to the members of the National Dental association and their families who came to the city for the 37th annual convention of this organization.

In a special resolution the NDA thanked the following groups and individuals for their support:

Lincoln Dental Society, host group; the Ladies Auxiliary, Ald. Archibald J. Carey, Jr., Atty. Joseph D. Bibb, Judge Wendell E. Green, the Rev. J. C. Austin, the Rev. Hyman L. Mills;

Dr. J. Wesley Jones and his chorus, Claude A. Barnett, Mrs. Nell Hunter, all the exhibitors, and the people of Chicago.

Lincoln Kin Dies In Watts, Calif.

Mrs. Edna Carter, former Lincoln resident and niece of Mrs. Ida McWilliams died August 2, in Watts, California, after a long illness. Funeral service was held there Thursday, August 10.

Chicago Fair Has Fine Intercultural Program List

CHICAGO. (ANP). Top flight artists from Chicago's various ethnic groups will appear at the Chicago Fair, Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1:30 to 9:30 p. m., according to Etta Moten, well known star of stage and screen, who is chairman of the Intercultural program.

George Sano, Japanese American, a graduate of the Eastman School of Music and an outstanding baritone will sing. The Katherine Flowers dancers will interpret the history of Negro spirituals and give the dance "From Bamboula to Bop" Abba Lefert and his famous Jewish choral group will sing songs of Israel as well as "The Ballad for Americans."

Sterling Davis, baritone, who was heard as a career artist with the WGN symphony under the direction of Henry Weber will sing and the Sadie Bruce Dance students will give a special afternoon performance.

Merle Muskel, musical comedy singer-actress is to do songs of Ireland. There will be Japanese children and Mexican children doing dances of their respective elders. Juanita Kinder, prize winner in the St. Charles high school piano contest will play.

Probably the highlight of the day will be an intergroup fashion show, "Midsummer Modes with Music." Sponsored by Southside merchants, the review will have both colored and white models. Both the Gerrilynn and Crest Modelling schools will be represented. Bernadine Carickett is to be commentator, Bettye Lightsey and Jerri Marciana are co-directors.

Jailed for Killing Man

MONROVIA, Liberia. (ANP). Superintendent of Police George Morris is being held in jail here for the murder of George Marshall, who died in a hospital here last week as a result of a gunshot wound from Morris' revolver.

The reason for the shooting has been made public; however, Morris has been suspended from his position.

South America extends farther south than Africa.



Nebraska's Aug. 8th primary shows the latest change in our primary system in operation for the first time. Based on our past record, it is reasonably safe to predict that we will change the system again in the relatively near future—for over the years we Nebraskans have exhibited a fondness for tinkering with our primary election laws, and the way in which we nominate political candidates generally.

In this connection, let's take a look at Nemaha county's republican primary of 1871—the first direct primary ever held in Nebraska.

The idea seems to have originated with Maj. William Caffrey, editor of the Brownville Advertiser and a close student of politics. He set forth his plan in the columns of the Advertiser in the interests of harmony in the republican party of Nemaha county.

Caffrey's plan was simple. The county central committee was to give two weeks notice of the proposed primary. The voters were to vote in their own precincts, with the results to be determined in each instance by locally chosen judges and clerks of election.

Major Caffrey argued that no gentleman, having been defeated in the primary, could bolt the party and support a democratic candidate. Furthermore, he believed it would give more weight to the country vote and thus help put down jealousy between farmers and townspeople within the party.

Under the influence of the major's logic, the republican county central committee unanimously voted to try the primary plan, the election to be held Sept. 19, 1871, the same day on which the proposed state constitution of 1871 (badly defeated, incidentally) was to be submitted to the voters.

The primary appears to have stirred up considerable interest. A rather large number of candidates announced themselves (eight for county treasurer, six for sheriff, for example), and the vote was unusually heavy.

Although a simple plurality was sufficient to nominate, only three of the seven successful candidates received less than 40 percent of the total vote cast. At the general election, the democrats decided to concentrate on these three, and, much to republican disgust, defeated all of them.

Even though it might seem reasonable to expect that a man who could not get 40 percent of the vote of his own party would have a difficult time in a general election, these three defeats of 1871 soured the pioneer Nemaha county republicans on the direct primary. They tried it once again—in 1885—but failed to adopt it as a general rule in county nominations.

Establishes Council

KINGSTON, Jamaica. (ANP). The Jamaican Association for the UN has established a Council of Human Rights to take action in the case of any denial of Human rights.

The council also will carry out research and collect information on various aspects of human rights in the British Crown colony. The reports of the commissions charged with this job will be published in pamphlet form.

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Elwood News

By Wilberta Braddy

Hello Folks:

Let's see what we have this week in the line of news. I think we have had a pretty interesting week. Hope you enjoy it.

Francis, A. J. and Don Cochran accompanied Mrs. Marie Martin to Omaha last week.

First Baptist had their annual rally Sunday, July 23. Those on program were: Mrs. Amanda Dacis, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel York, Willa Mae Hayes, Marian Chambers, Mrs. Grace Chambers, Sydney Wilson, Mrs. Jesse Davis, Mrs. Genieva Longuan, Rev. Dewey Gorman, Rev. Hamilton Brown, Mr. Thomas Mazee, Mr. Bert Davis and the men's chorus. On the financial side, the amount raised was \$928.50. The women raised \$526.25 and the men raised \$402.25. After services ice cream and cake was served. Those faces in the audience of out-of-own persons were: Rev. A. Newton of Beatrice; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chambers and Mrs. Ruth Butcher of Wathena, and Mrs. Jessie Faye Worton of Atchison.

Miss Nova Barker gave a birthday party Saturday night, July 22. Those attending were Caston Terrell, Betty Page, Johnnie Burns, Ester Mae Davis, Marian Chambers, George and Theodore Johnson, Wilberta Brady, Darlene Brown, Henry and Naomi Mayes. Games were played and refreshments served. Nova received many lovely gifts and everyone had a wonderful time.

Nova Barker and Wilberta Brady gave an open house party at the Scout House Tuesday evening, July 25. Everyone had a swell time.

Mr. Beck, Mr. John Gorman, Mr. Allen Walker and Mr. Otis Hayes are on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gorman had as their house guests recently Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wallingford and family of Effingham and Mrs. Marie Graves and son, Larry, jr., of Maysville, Mo.

Rev. A. Newton of Beatrice, was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brady and family, Sunday, July 23.

The ladies of the Masonic lodge met Monday evening with Mrs. Cora Washington.

Mr. Nura Washington returned home Wednesday evening, July 26, after spending nearly three months in the hospital at Leavenworth, Kas.

Mason McWhite will leave Saturday for the navy. We will miss you Mason.

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is visiting his sister, Mrs. Nettie Botts.

Mr. and Mrs. Noah Tapp and family, Miss Darlene Watson and Mrs. Rubie Munroe attended the basket dinner in Cameron, Mo., Sunday.

Nolan Tapp is visiting relatives and friends in Cameron, Mo., this week.

Sonny Page, Billy Chambers, Ronald, Mickey and Tracy Brown, Justin Brady, Wilbur Tapp, Jack Terrell and Dennis Hoggatt spent the week, July 31 to Aug. 4 at Y.M.C.A. Camp Hillyard.

Louise and Synthia Logan of Lawrence, Kas., visited Mrs. Jane Stillman and Miss Helen Johnson over the week end.

Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Barker, Marion Chambers, Helen Johnson, Richard Massey and George Johnson motored to White Cloud, Kas., Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Hazel Crews is in the hospital. Her son, Robert is here visiting. He will be sent to the Korean front when he returns to camp.

Mrs. Lav Munroe is visiting relatives and friends in Pittsburg a few days.

Justin Brady is visiting the Kenneth Wallingford farm this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown are visiting his brother in Denver, Colo., for a few days.

Mr. Cora Washington and Mrs. Cecil Johnson attended the Grand Lodge Wednesday.

Mr. Howard Botts, Mr. June Botts and friends visited Mr. and Mrs. James Bott Sunday. Mr. Charles Botts and family accompanied them back to Kansas City Sunday evening.

Mrs. Elnora Riding and Mrs. Beverly Wynn were victims of a two car accident Monday evening. Mrs. Riding suffered internal injuries and is showing no signs of recovery. Mrs. Wynn suffered a sprained ankle and face lacerations. She is getting better. The Riding car is wrecked beyond repairs. Mrs. Riding and Mrs. Wynn were the only two in the car.

Rev. M. L. Shakespeare is back from his vacation and is feeling better. We are happy to have you back, Rev. Shakespeare and glad you enjoyed your vacation.

Well folks that is all for this week. —Bert.

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