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Nebraska Annual Conference Closes Its Thirtieth Session

The 30th session of the Nebraska Annual Conference closed at Leavenworth, Kansas, Sunday October 8, with the Rt. Reverend D. Ormonde Walker presiding bishop reading the appointments.

Reports for the 5-day session were enthusiastically received, particularly the reports on the state of the country read by the Rev. B. J. Martin and the state of the church. Elder John Adams who is state senator of Nebraska gave an excellent review of the state of the country which was supplemented by the Rev. Dr. Fred Hughes, editor of the Western Christian Recorder.

Among visitors during the conference were General Officers: the Rt. Rev. J. A. Gregg, presiding bishop of the 11th District; Drs. E. A. Adams, secretary of education and Fred Huges; The Rev. G. Wayman Blakely, Little Rock Ar., the Rev. Russel S. Brown, P. E. of Mo. Conf., the Rev. I. H. Hunt, presiding elder of the Northern California Conference; the Rev. C. A. Long, presiding elder of the Missouri Conference; the Rev. J. L. Owen, presiding elder of North Missouri Conference; the Rev. A. G. Thurman, presiding elder of the North Missouri Conference, the Rev. Harvey Vaughn, presiding elder of the Kansas Conference, the Rev. A. L. Simpson, presiding elder of the Kansas Conference, the Rev. Carl Flipper, presiding elder of the Southwest Missouri Conference; ministers: the Rev. and Mrs. George Martin, the Rev. C. A. Williams, the Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Faust, the Rev. H. F. McClure, the Rev. Paul Kidd, the Rev. and Mrs. E. F. Fant, the Rev. H. Akers, the Rev. Granville Reed, the Rev. LeRoy Hayes, the Rev. T. W. Green, the Rev. and Mrs. M. C. Knight, the Rev. T. J. Burwell, the Rev. E. H. Kelly, the Rev. L. S. Goolsby, and Rev. and Mrs. H. Bletson.

The Rev. S. M. Pointer, pastor of Trinity, Kansas City, Kas., preached the annual sermon on Wednesday morning and Bishop Walker preached the ordination sermon on Sunday. A solo by Rev. Pointer preceding the invitation was a special feature.

The appointments were:

Kansas City District:
Rev. E. W. Newton, presiding elder; Rev. Emmitt Williams, St. James Kansas City, Kas.; Rev. Phil K. Brown, Terrell, Kansas City, Kas.; Rev. Esther Randall, St. Peters, Argentine, Kas.; Rev. A. L. Ward, Okaloosa, Kas.; Rev. B. J. Martin, Grant Chapel, Kansas City, Kas.; Rev. Charles Randall, Brown Chapel, Olathe, Kas.; Rev. C. R. Mannings, New Bethel, Kansas City, Kas.; Rev. J. D. Barns, Bonner Springs, Kas.; Rev. H. C. McMillen, St. Luke, Kansas City, Kas.; Rev. R. R. Johnson, St. Paul, Argentine, Kas.; Rev. F. D. Gregory, Quindaro, Kas.; Rev. S. M. Pointer, Trinity, Kansas City, Kas.; Rev. E. B. Childress, First Church, Kansas City, Kas.

Omaha District:
Rev. John Adams, presiding elder; Rev. C. C. Baker, Nebraska City, Neb.; Rev. Belva Spicer, North Platte, Neb.; Rev. Joseph Johnson, Troy, Elwood and Highland, Kas.; Rev. S. Davis, Horton Circuit; Rev. W. E. Broaden, Falls City, Neb., and Hiawatha, Kas.; Rev. Alfred Newton, Beatrice, Neb.; Rev. J. H. Humbert, Grand Island and Hastings, Neb.; Rev. R. E. Handy, Allen Chapel, Omaha, Neb.; Rev. J. B. Brooks, Quinn Chapel, Lincoln, Neb.; Rev. William A. Fowler, Bethel, Omaha, Neb.; Rev. S. J. Holly, Atchison, Kas.; Rev. S. H. Lewis, St. John, Omaha, Neb., and W. W. Betton, Leavenworth, Kas.

OFFICERS ELECTED for the Nebraska Conference Branch Missionary Society were: Mrs. Helen K. Newton, president; Mrs. Eunice Jackson, 1st vice president; Mrs. Ada Smith, 2nd vice president; Mrs. Alberta Harriford, recording secretary; Mrs. Winnifred Newton, assistant recording secretary; Mrs. Ida May Bythwood,

Corresponding Secretary: Nancy T. Taylor; Treasurer: Y. P. D.; Parliamentarian: Y. P. D.; Board members: Mrs. J. S. Briggs, Mrs. Jennie R. Ed. , Mrs. Sophronia Dave, Mrs. Gladys Phillips, Mrs. Mattie James, Mrs. Leola Blackburn and Mrs. Lillian Hutchinson. Auditing committee: Mrs. A. E. M. Goodwin, Mrs. Rubie W. Shakespear and Mrs. Florence E. Burch.

The next annual meeting will be held at the seat of the annual conference, First A. M. E. church in October, 1951.

10th Annual National USAM Meeting Held

There were 350 delegates from all parts of the United States here to attend the four-day, tenth annual national convention of the U.S. Army Mothers, at the Cornhusker hotel.

Mrs. Harry Doran, of Lincoln, National Commander, in opening the conference said, "We are the wives, mothers and sisters of fighting and dying men." Mrs. Doran is a three star mother.

Flags of the United Nations decorated the softly lighted stage.

There were a number of colored delegates from out state. Mrs. Beulah Bradley, commander, Mrs. Nicola Davis, adjutant, and Mrs. Mattie Botts from Lincoln Post 8 attended.

Mayor Victor E. Anderson extended greetings from the city. Greetings were sent from several patriotic organizations of the city.

Mr. Earl B. Wright, state adjutant of the Disabled American Veterans, who said in part, "We of the Disabled American Veterans who fought in our country's wars and still bear the scars of battle come the closest, I believe to a deep felt understanding of the sacrifices made by the mothers of this nation's soldiers during World War II.

One way in which the Army Mothers can pay tribute to their sons is to help cheer and care for hospitalized veterans in the Veterans hospitals throughout the country.

The purpose of the U.S. Army Mothers is: (a) To promote the general welfare of the men and women in the armed forces and to aid all veterans; (b) to cooperate in the national rehabilitation program; (c) to do all in our power to preserve American institutions of the American way of life.

Mrs. Stella Staggs of Barry, Ill., was elected National Commander. Mrs. Harry Doran of Lincoln, outgoing National Commander was elected National organizer.

Fellowship Day At Quinn Chapel

Sunday, October 15, 1950 will be Fellowship Day at Quinn Chapel A.M.E. church. Mrs. C. M. Farmer, Omaha famed evangelist, will be the 11 o'clock speaker. At 3 p.m. an excellent variety program has been planned, Mrs. Rachell Fields will be Mistress of Ceremonies. The evening service will begin at 8 p.m. with Mrs. Farmer presenting a song recital.

At 12 o'clock noon there will be a bargain chicken dinner, make reservations by calling 5-4245.

Unit of 2nd Division is Making History-May become Legendary

By Frank Morton

WITH THE U. S. SECOND INFANTRY DIVISION IN KOREA. (ANP). "It might be the legendary outfit of the 2nd Division when the war is over. They're doing a great job, no kidding."

That compliment was paid to a Negro outfit of artillery by a 2nd Division headquarters soldier who has been keeping an eagle eye on the unit since it was first committed into action over a month ago in Korea.

The unit is one of two Negro combat battalions now fighting with the Indianhead division. The other outfit is an infantry battalion which, until the UN drive in mid-September, was part of a special task force defending the airstrip at Pohang.

The artillery battalion, with its 18 155-mm howitzers, is the heaviest part of the division's artillery force. Its job is to give general support to the entire division.

For more than a month the unit has been pounding the Reds along the bloody Naktong river route and the standard it has set is a challenge to member units of the division.

The booming blast from one of its big weapons can reach out and strike the enemy ten miles away with a 95-pound projectile. At the time of this writing the battalion has had only four combat casualties, two of which were ambush incidents.

In the words of Maj. Edwin Clapp, Sheridan, Wyo., battalion executive officer: "The battalion has done everything it has been asked to do, so therefore we suspect there's nothing it can't do."

In day and night bombardments on enemy positions, the unit has destroyed or damaged bridges, crossroads, supply build-ups, gun positions and various vehicles ranging from command cars to tanks.

But the red troops themselves have caught most of the lethal blow. In one terrorizing attack, when the enemy tried to cross the Naktong in force, the battalion turned on six of its guns and after 40 minutes the river was littered with communist dead. One report said the water stayed red for three hours.

This sort of attack has become an increasing menace to the reds and many times patrols have slipped through the division's thin defense perimeter in vain attempts to wreak havoc on this deadly force. But always these patrols have been met by advance guards who have either killed or driven them back.

Attempts to wreck the battalion by counter fire have failed too. For when incoming fire starts coming in, the unit has usually changed positions.

And this brings to mind the battalion's shrewd, battle-tested commander, Col. Joseph E. Buys, Continued on Page 2 Col 1

3 Negroes Win Nomination For Representative

BOSTON, Mass. (ANP). There will be three Negroes seeking election as state representatives in the Nov. 7 election. All won the Republican nomination in their respective districts in the recent Massachusetts primary.

Herbert L. Jackson, president of the Malden City council, garnered the most votes of the three candidates. Two thousand one hundred and ninety-seven ballots were cast for him in the 21st Middlesex district. Mr. Jackson ran second in a field of nine candidates for party endorsement.

In Ward, 12, 11th Suffolk district, Atty. Edward W. Brooke gained the Republican nomination for state representative in his first campaign for any public office. The victory of Attorney Brooke created a three-man contest in the ward, since Rep. George Green won nomination from both the Republicans and Democrats and Rep. Louis K. Nathanson secured the Democratic nomination only.

However, the chief interest of the primary contest was focused on Ward 9 where former State Rep. Laurence H. Banks won the Republican nomination for a seat with the state legislature. His opponent, William Glynn, the present holder of the state office, managed only to poll 1,144 votes more than Banks on both the Republican and Democratic tickets.

However, Glynn secured the Democratic nomination by about 2,100 votes, an expected result in a predominantly Democratic ward. Ward 9 was one of the wards which did not support the coalition which elected present Boston Mayor Hynes.

All of the District contests for state representative will be very bitter, judging by even primary tactics used to sway public opinion. However, the independent voter, long a factor in Boston politics, will play a decisive role in determining how many Negroes will be elected to state offices in November.

Must Admit Negro Student on Campus

BALTIMORE.—(ANP). — The University of Maryland must admit a Negro student to its main College Park campus, a City Court order declared here last week.

Judge John T. Tucker ordered the school to admit Parren J. Mitchell, 27, Baltimore Negro, to take up graduate work in sociology.

In the past the university had admitted Negroes to its law school, but never to its College Park campus. It had tried to set up special school of sociology in Baltimore to avoid admitting him to the main campus.

Whether or not the school will appeal the case will be decided by the school board of regents at its October meeting next week. Atty. Gen. Hall Hammond said he would not recommend an appeal.

Still pending is the case of Miss Esther McCready, Negro girl seeking to enter the university's school of nursing in Baltimore.

Pastor Ousted In Attempt To Avert Racial Violence

ALTON, Ill.—Alton's First Unitarian church is without a pastor.

The Rev. Dr. John G. Gill has been ousted by the congregation for intervening to prevent racial violence at the Alton public schools last January.

The congregation voted 46-25 Wednesday to remove Dr. Gill. The church will now be without a minister until the Unitarian Western conference in Chicago or the Eastern conference in Boston provides a "trial" pastor, subject to the church board's approval.

Dr. Gill aroused his congregation when he organized a group of ministers to appear at Alton's public schools and prevent violence as Negro pupils attempted to enroll.

Dr. Gill said Monday: "There is no question but that my difficulties arose over my action to prevent trouble between the races, which apparently was resented by someone in high position."

He declined to identify the "someone in high position," but said the person was not a member of his church.

Dr. Gill served as minister for the Alton church for six and one-half years.

Mother of Three Queen For A Day

HOLLYWOOD.—For the first time, Mutual Network's Queen For a Day was a Negro. Mrs. Cora Richie, 26-year-old mother of three small children, was elected queen when she appeared over Don Lee Mutual's "Queen For a Day" show recently.

Mrs. Richie's one wish on the program was for a rug and blankets to help keep her children warm this winter. Her children are Clifford, 7; Janice, 6, and Gail, 4½. The youngest is suffering from bronchitis.

In addition to granting her wish, Jack Bailey, master of ceremonies, awarded her a day and night of touring famous Hollywood show places with her own private limousine and chauffeur, a complete beauty treatment by one of Hollywood's most famous salons, and a visit to the set of Queen For a Day now in the process of shooting at San Fernando Valley.

The Queen will also receive a complete new wardrobe consisting of a year's supply of nylons, lingerie, hat, handbag fitted with an automatic cigarette lighter, suit, gloves, afternoon dresses, swim suit, raincoat ensemble, specially designed jewelry, a pearl necklace, and a year's supply of the sponsor's product, Alka Seltzer.

Pastor Transferred

At the Missouri-Kansas Annual conference of the C.M.E. church held in Mexico, Mo., recently Rev. John Simpson of the C.M.E. church here transferred to Pueblo, Colo. As yet, there is no pastor named for the church here.

The Rev. E. V. Wade, formerly of Omaha, Neb., transferred to the Southeast Illinois-Missouri conference. Rev. Wade may be remembered as holding several revivals at Quinn Chapel A.M.E. church.