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Serving my Readers! The greatest thrill I receive in conducting this column is in the receipt of letters from old friends and new ones in which an opportunity is given me to be of some small service to them.

"Chick" Coleman, one of the few colored newspapermen who made a special trip to Jackson Prison to visit me when I was there, writes:

Well once again I'm out of the game. I am now devoting my entire time to the promotion of the National Negro Business and National Housewives League conventions which will meet in Durham on August 23rd, 24th and 25th. In mustering every avenue of publicity I'm calling upon you to give the conventions a send-off in your valuable syndicated columns. Please stress the fact that business men and women can rest on refreshing lawns of private homes and such other features as to attract interest and attendance. I know you'll look out for me. Mr. Spaulding and I discussed at length your article on banking yesterday. There is a possibility I'll see you after the convention.

There you are, "Chick." Your letter is quoted verbatim and I hope it will help your cause. Well do I know the truth about those beautiful and refreshing lawns for I have enjoyed many of them myself along Fayetteville Street. People really live in private homes in Durham. Another thing, "Chick," I'm flattered to know that a man of Mr. Spaulding's prominence in the business world should be reading my weekly messages much less discussing them.

And at your meetings, "Chick," why don't you suggest the idea that Negro Business find some practical method of continuing the excellent service that James A. Jackson has built up in Washington, Surely, what he has built up is too valuable to be permitted to disintegrate? Negro Business, combined, could easily use his services, his records, and his contacts in forming some sort of a centralized trade bureau at Washington. Think it over; talk it over; and then ACT.

J. E. Kennard, Monrovia, California, writes that he has been following my article for years in the Philadelphia Tribune, a paper he has read for over thirty years, and wants to know what papers carry my complete line of weekly articles. For your benefit, Mr. Kennard, I would explain that I turn out six and seven features a week but no one paper, with the single exception of the Gary American, 1819 Washington Street, Gary, Indiana, carry all of my features regularly each week. There are, however, any number of the papers that carry as many as four of my features regularly each week.

Some weeks ago in this column I commented upon the Elva Correspondence Club, Box 373, Alhambra, California, who wanted to supply me with a widow, rich or otherwise—but at least willing. Now they have sent me a list of them. I am going to pick out the names of those living in Chicago and just for the fun of it see what they look like. And what a news story that'll make after I have interviewed a few of them.

Here of late I have been recommending acquaintances to various concerns who are looking for responsible representatives. "Book" Lawton of Clay Center, Kansas, writes: "Thanks for the many recommendations you have given me as a salesman. I am giving to each of your recommendations my earnest conditional approval on their merit. I am building up a real 'Supply Service,' of which your efforts in my behalf belongs a major portion of any success it might attain in the future."

Waiter, Alleged To Have Been Forced Back To Job At Point of Gun

It is alleged that Robert Rucker, who was employed as a waiter at the Olive Crest Inn, was \$6.00 short when checking the receipts he had taken in for the evening while serving. It is further alleged that Rucker says that he had placed the check for the amount on the desk of the manager, but the manager failed to find it. Sometime afterward Dot Hawthorne and Forrester Scott met Rucker and asked him to go back to the Inn to work. Rucker refused saying he didn't ever want to go there again. He was asked then to telephone to the manager and explain to him about the shortage. Rucker consented and got into the car with Hawthorne and

Scott. It is alleged that Hawthorne pointed a revolver at him after he was in the car and the two of them took him to the Inn. Rucker called his father in law Mr. Charles A. Burnett, 2510 Corby to come for him. Mr. Burnett and Mr. William Johnson went to the Inn for him. On reaching the place an argument was staged between Johnson and Hawthorne, and Hawthorne as it is alleged struck Johnson on the back of the head with a pistol.

Hawthorne and Johnson renewed the fight a day or two afterwards on 24th and Burdette Streets and were arrested and booked for disturbing the peace. Hawthorne forfeited a \$15.00 bond, Johnson was released.

Roosevelt Appoints Texas Negro Student To West Point

SAN ANTONIO—Charles Y. Thomas of this city has been designated by President Roosevelt as one of those to take the entrance examinations at the West Point military academy next March.

Thomas is a graduate of the Grant junior high school here, the Negales high school of Negales, Ariz., and is at present a student in Prairie View college. His father is a master sergeant in the finance department of the regular army and is stationed at Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

Appointment of Thomas was made by the President under the law re-

quiring the designation for examination of sons of regular army officers or enlisted men who desire examinations.

If Thomas passes the examinations, he will become the second Negro in the academy. Benjamin O. Davis, Jr., son of the commandant at Tuskegee institute, is at present a student at West Point, having passed the examinations and entered in July, 1932.

Davis went into the academy after several boys appointed by Congress. Oscar DePriest to take examinations both for West Point and Annapolis has been turned down for various reasons.

Thirty Women Jailed by Cleanup Order

Thirty women were arrested on the streets Thursday night, charged with vagrancy, in a cleanup ordered by Acting Police Chief Samardick. In police court Friday morning, 16 were sentenced to 10 days, seven to five days, three to two, and one to

one day in jail. One obtained a continuance, and two others forfeited 50 dollar bonds. Only half a dozen were able to post bonds Thursday night.

The arrests were made by three pairs of officers, dressed in civilian clothes.

EARN \$300,000 A DAY; PAYS WORKERS 18c HR.

NEW YORK—Andrew Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury under Hoover, possesses the enormous personal fortune of more than two and a half billion dollars—\$2,492,290,443 to be exact. This is the conclusion of the studies just completed by Harvey O'Connor to be made public soon in his book "Mellon's Millions."

This estimate of Mellon's fortune is based on the most cautious analysis, and represents without a doubt only the minimum figures. Other estimates which take into consideration not only the actual personal possessions of the Mellons but all of the millions indirectly controlled by them have appraised the Mellon fortunes as close to eight billion dollars.

Whatever the estimates, all financial authorities agree that the Mellon fortune is one of the three greatest private fortunes in the United States. O'Connor declares that it is the largest fortune in the country. O'Connor's survey also shows that the colossal investments of the Mellons yield them a yearly income of \$30,000,000, \$300,000 a day, \$12,500 an hour.

Mellon Company Pays \$1.45 a Day to Women Workers in its Plant NEW YORK—The workers in the Mellon Aluminum factories get wages for the entire year, which are 150 times less than Mellon gets as income (Continued on Page Two)

CHILDREN STARVING, MOTHER ENDS LIFE

NEW YORK CITY — (CNA)—Ending her life by jumping from the roof at 239 West 143rd Street, rather than see her two children starve, Mrs. Mary Thomas committed suicide on Wednesday morning.

An investigation revealed that the woman had undergone a nervous breakdown due to worry caused by the economic plight of her home.

The husband, Willard Thomas, stated that he had been out of employment for several months and that they had been denied relief by the Relief Bureau. The mother, unable to bear the sight of her children dying from slow starvation coupled with her own illness and the blunt refusal of the Harlem hospital to accept her for treatment became frantic, taking suicide as the way out.

She is survived by her husband and two children. The tragedy was discovered by A. Giles organizer of the Roy Wright Branch of the International Labor Defense.

SENTENCE SLAPPING KILLER TO CAL. PRISON

VISALIA, Cal., August 11—Mrs. Nancy Yates Wilson convicted of slapping to death her four-month old baby Saturday had been denied probation and sentenced from one to 10 years in San Quentin prison.

Free Groceries

GET YOUR FREE BASKET OF GROCERIES

The Square Deal Stores will give away FREE a BUSHEL BASKET OF GROCERIES every Saturday at 6 p. m., at one of the member stores. Take your coupon and exchange it for your ticket when you make your purchase at one of the following Square Deal Grocery Companies: Colquitt Grocery, 2754 Lake; Vomer and Houston, 2114 North 24th Street; Hayden's Market, 2637 Franklin St.; Adams Grocery, 1313 North 26th St.; Montgomery Grocery, 2531 Lake St.; Carey's Neighborhood Grocery, 27th and Grant.

This week's bushel basket of groceries will be given away at the Adams' Grocery, 1313 North 26th St.

GIRL SLAYER GIVEN SUSPENDED SENTENCE

NEW YORK — (CNA) — Gladys Robinson, 21 years old, of 159 South Seventh Avenue Mt. Vernon, N. Y., was given a suspended sentence of 7 1/2 to 15 years, and placed on five years probation by Judge John B. Coyle, in Webster County Court last Tuesday after pleading guilty to the charge of second degree manslaughter.

The young woman had stabbed her 20 year old sweetheart, Theodore Nelson, in the chest with a pocket knife during a lovers' quarrel months ago.

According to the testimony of the girl, Nelson failed to keep his promise to her of marriage, and was attentive to other young women, which she resented.

It was such action that caused this alteration, resulting in the death of the young man. In pronouncing sentence, Judge Coyle said that the case of the young woman was that of one who had too much confidence in an unfaithful lover.

It was reported that she was the first woman to be freed on a charge of homicide in Mt. Vernon.

Killed by Train

Henry Graham, 52 years, 1837 North 22nd Street, was killed in an attempt to catch a fast freight train last Monday, on the Missouri Pacific R. R. Belt line. His body was cut in pieces, and was taken to Myers Funeral Home.

NRA Officials Consider Naming Negro Advisor

Nw York, August—The naming of a Negro adviser and deputy administrator under the National Recovery Act is being considered by a number of NRA officials, according to confidential sources received here this week by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The NAACP again urged the appointment of a colored man to the labor advisory board in letters addressed to Secretary Frances Perkins and to each member of the labor advisory board.

The fact that the steel code, submitted last week, contained a lower wage scale for Negro workers was cited by the NAACP, as reason for the naming of a colored man to look

Levee Contractors To Submit Code Raising Pay of Laborers

Agent of Contractors Admits Negroes Have Been Working "About" 11 Hours Daily for "Approximately" 131-2c an Hour; N. A. A. C. P. Asks To Examine Code.

Marines To Be Recalled from Haiti

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COLORED WOMEN TO AID NEGRO BUSINESS

Dr. Mary F. Waring, newly elected President to prepare statement of plans.

By Clifford C. Mitchell

In a telephone conversation with Dr. Mary F. Waring, for thirty years in the public life of the race and country, the newly elected president of the National Association of Colored Women, after paying her respects and thanks to her many supporters, and particularly lauding the sterling qualities of her opponent in the race for the presidency, Mrs. Charlotte Hawkins Brown, included in her plans for the national association an extensive campaign to aid the Negro in business.

This writer, who is ever seeking out sources of aid to Negro Business has secured the promise of a complete statement on the exact methods Dr. Waring proposes to launch in order to awaken the members of the association on how they can pool the purchasing power of the house wives and thus land a most telling blow on all things economic. When this statement is received the writer will make special efforts to bring it to the attention of all the readers in the hundred odd papers cooperating.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—An agreement to withdraw the eight hundred American marines in Haiti within 15 months was made by the American government today in a treaty with the island, republic signed by Minister Norman Armour.

The treaty will end the 18-year occupation of the island by American forces.

American marines first went to Haiti in 1915, following the revolution in which President Sam was dragged from the French legation and torn to pieces by a mob infuriated by assassination of imprisoned political prisoners.

NATIONAL MEDICAL ASSOCIATION MEETS IN CHICAGO August 15th to 18th

The National Medical Association meets in Chicago, August 15th to 18th inclusive. The National Hospital Association and the National Association of Graduate Nurses meet here at the same time.

A very large attendance is anticipated for these association meetings; excellent scientific programs have been prepared and the new \$3 million dollar Greater Provident Hospital will be used to furnish clinics. There will be a number of social events, but the high point of the summer will be the banquet of the National Medical Association, celebrating the Twenty Fifth Anniversary of the Journal of the National Medical Association in the air cooled grand ball room of the Hotel Sherman.

This hotel is the home of Ben Burdette of radio fame and the center Chicago's night life during the Century of Progress.

Over 1,000 invitations have been sent out to white and colored persons and this great interracial dinner will be addressed by Dr. Morris Fishbein, Editor of the Journal of the American Medical Association on "New Forms of Medical Practice," and by Dr. John A. Kenney, editor of the Journal of the National Medical Association on "Twenty Five years with a Negro Medical Association."

Other speakers will be: Dr. E. T. Belsaw, Mobile, Alabama; Dr. Harriett Marble, Lexington, Kentucky; Dr. W. S. Alexander Newark, New Jersey, and Dr. C. V. Roman, of Nashville, Tennessee.

At least 1,000 guests are expected at this affair. It will be informal and probably one of the greatest events in the whole history of the National Medical Association. Persons acquainted with the way Chicago does things will not be surprised.

EXECUTE WRONG MAN

FEAR INNOCENT MAN EXECUTED AS KILLER

Unnamed Hitchhikers Sought to Verify Puzzling Story.

GASTONIA, N. C., August 11—Whether Clay Fogleman, executed Friday for murder, died an innocent man was a question that remained unanswered tonight.

Authorities, despite a statement by the governor that he considered the report "irresponsible," sought two young unidentified white men who claimed Fogleman did not kill W. J. Carter.

S. J. Durham, for 25 years a practicing attorney here, disclosed today he had telephoned the governor's office Friday morning that two hitchhikers, whose names he did not learn, told him they were eyewitnesses to

Carter's slaying at his Rockingham county filling station, and that Fogleman was not the murderer.

"I do not mean to say the attorney who made the report was irresponsible," the governor said from his vacation retreat in the mountains, "but he reported to my secretary that he had seen two unknown white men, going to an unknown place in South Carolina who said they saw Carter murdered and Fogleman was not present."

"We cannot act on such reports. The case was tried in the court and appealed to the supreme court. Repleves were granted and Fogleman's attorneys produced every iota of evidence which they could find in his favor."

In a farewell letter, Fogleman wrote: "I am going to die for some thing I didn't do."

MOTHER TELLS KILLING OF TWO BABY SONS

JEFFERSON, Ohio, August 11—A young farm wife today pleaded guilty to murder of an infant son, after telling Sheriff Blance that she had killed two sons in a year and a half.

She is Mrs. Aleeta Fleming, 28. The father, Mertis Fleming, pleaded not guilty to the same charge. The woman said she killed the children because her husband "didn't like boy babies."

FORMER ACTRESS HELD ON ASSAULT

NEW YORK CITY — (CNA)—Catherine Noisetie, 485 Convent Avenue, one time actress of the silver screen was found guilty, on the charge of assault, in Special Session Court last Monday and received suspended sentence of thirty days.

Louise Hillard, the complainant,

Washington, August—The contractors working on the Mississippi river levees have finally admitted practically all the charges of exploitation of Negro labor made by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and have prepared a code under the National Recovery Act which will shorten the working week and raise the pay of workers.

Fred Beneke, agent of the Mississippi Valley branch of the Associated General Contractors, said here last week that a code will be submitted to General Hugh Johnson, NRA administrator, providing for a 60 hour week for unskilled labor and a minimum pay scale of 30 cents an hour. There are about 30,000 Negro unskilled workmen now on the levees.

Beneke admitted that the men have been working "about" 11 hours a day for "approximately" \$1.50 a day, or 13 1/2 cents an hour.

As a matter of fact, the men have been working 77 and 84 hours weekly for many contractors who either work a seven day week, 11 hours a day or a seven day week, 12 hours a day. In some counties in Mississippi, Sunday work is prohibited and in them 66 and 72 hour weeks have been worked.

The NAACP has charged that Negro workers average 10 cents an hour "book" wages and actually receive in cash 5 cents an hour or less. Beneke is said to have conferred with Senator Hugh Stephens of Mississippi and to have told him that all complaints about labor conditions will be corrected in the code. Senator Stephens is one of the three senators named to investigate conditions on the levee. Senator Wagner, chairman of the committee, is in Europe.

The NAACP has charged the contractors with starvation pay, long hours, unsanitary camp conditions, camp commissary systems which rob the workers by charging exorbitant prices, and brutality.

A study of the contractors' code will be made by the NAACP in order to see that all evils are corrected, especially the camp commissary systems which often take away one half the pay of the workers.

"The NAACP has wired General Johnson asking the privilege of studying the code submitted by the contractors," said Roy Wilkins, assistant secretary, who visited fifteen of the levee camps last December in the garb of a laborer. "We do not intend to let up in our fight until the exploited black workers get a square deal from the contractors working for the United States government. The contractors have rushed up with this code to prevent the senatorial investigation which was sure to reveal the most shameful conditions of 'coolie' labor on work for the government itself. If the code corrects the conditions, well and good; if it does not, we shall continue to fight."

charged that the former actress had struck her on the head with a blunt instrument during a heated argument at her home about a month ago.

FETCHIT ARRESTED FOR SPEEDING

NEW YORK — (CNA) — Stepin Fetchit, nationally famous stage and screen comedian was hailed into traffic court last week on a charge of speeding.

He was alleged to have driven his car at the rate of 42 miles per hour on Lenox Avenue and taken into custody by motorcycle patrolman, Sullivan.

Fetchit, whose real name is Lincoln Perry was locked up at the 135th precinct and later arraigned at night court, where he was released in \$25,000 bail for a hearing in traffic court.