

NAACP FILES BRIEF IN U S SUPREME COURT FOR ANGELO HERNDON

Association Seeks To Force Rehearing By Supreme Court

ILL.D. IS IN CHARGE

New York, Oct. 12—A brief as amici curiae (friends of the court interested in the cause) in the Angelo Herndon case has been filed by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and others in the United States supreme court.

The brief is in support of a motion for a re-hearing by the highest court which has been made by Herndon's attorneys of record. Last May the supreme court declined to review the Herndon appeal, holding that his lawyers had not raised the federal question properly. His lawyers have appealed from this technical ruling and asked the court to reconsider this case. The motion for rehearing is expected to be heard within the next six weeks. Herndon, meanwhile was granted a stay from beginning service of his sentence of 18 to 20 years on a chain gang until the supreme court acts upon the new petition. He was convicted at Atlanta, Ga., of "insurrection" because he led a demonstration for better relief.

The N. A. A. C. P. brief maintains that the federal question was raised at the earliest possible moment in the trial and that it was properly preserved for review. Charles H. Houston is counsel for the association. Other organizations supporting the brief are the American Civil Liberties Union, represented by Arthur Garfield Hays and Morris L. Ernst; The Church League for Industrial Democracy, the Methodist Federation for Social Service, the Justice Commission of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, represented by Bethuel M. Webster, jr., and the following individuals, also represented by Mr. Webster; the Rev. W. Bowie, the Rev. Allan Knight Chambers, the Rev. Harry Emerson Fosdick, the Rev. Hubert C. Herring and Dr. Stephen S. Wise.

Relief Workers Join With Strikers In Cotton Fields

Montgomery, Ala., (CNA)—As an indication of the effectiveness of the cotton pickers strike, Albert Jackson, secretary of the Share Croppers Union, declared that "landlord cotton is hanging heavy in all the fields" in Talapoosa, Lee and Chambers Counties, Alabama.

The attempt of the state and local relief officials to force relief workers to scab is meeting with increasing opposition and failure, Jackson averred.

Thirteen of the sixty-five relief workers from Lafayette, who had been compelled to pick cotton under threat of losing their relief, have joined with the strikers.

The others have stated they will quit if the landlord refuses to give them the equivalent of the strike demand, \$1 per hundred pounds of cotton picked.

For the first time in the history of the South, Jackson revealed, the croppers and tenants in Talapoosa county are fighting for the right to gin and sell their own cotton.

Thitherto they have been compelled to permit their cotton to be sold by the landlord who usually returned very little of any of the money he received for the cotton.

Despite the murderous terror in Lowndes county, over 100 croppers filed applications into the Share Croppers Union. Fifteen croppers have been killed in the strike by the landlords and police, Jackson reported.

DISEASE GRIPS ITALY'S ARMY

Sanctions Held Likely In Shipping Circles As News Spreads

London, Eng., Oct. 12—(IP)—Disease has become Italy's greatest enemy in its East African campaign, the Sunday Chronicle said today, and may cause international shippers to support a policy of sanctions against Italy.

The Chronicle said it had learned secret instructions has been issued to port authorities throughout the world to impose rigorous restrictions on Italian vessels as a consequence of confidential information from the International Sanitary Convention at Geneva that infectious diseases were rife in Eritrea and Italian Somaliland.

The Sanitary Convention, in issuing the instructions, urged rigorous inspection of ships' crews and added that censorship of the Italian government prevented the convention from securing reliable figures. Many cases have been removed to Greece and the condition is well known to Italian authorities according to the Chronicle.

Jubilee Day Observed Throughout the Nation

People the country over bowed their heads in prayer on Sunday, October 6 in commemoration of the going forth of the Original Jubilee Singers who 64 years ago set out to carry to the world the songs of their people. On October 6, 1871 the then unknown Fisk group of eleven went out to get funds for keeping the doors of the University open. Not only did they keep the doors of Fisk open, but raised enough money to erect beautiful Jubilee Hall, "frozen music, on those steps last Sunday night an illuminating pageant was unfolded depicting the going forth of the Singers."

Reports have come in from all over the nation telling of the memorial services held in various churches in observance of the day. Fiskites in all walks of life in communities throughout the country observed the day with special services. In Ohio, New York, Indiana, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas and Oklahoma churches, through the local Fisk clubs, had special Jubilee Day programs.

On the Fisk campus a full weekend was observed. On Friday at the chapel exercises Speaker of the House of Representatives, Joseph W. Byrns, addressed the student body at the opening of the Greater Fisk Spirit Week. On Saturday a tour of the city of Nashville was made for the benefit of new students. The points of educational and historical interest were visited by the motorcade. At 3:30 P. M., Saturday a picnic for the student body, faculty and alumni was held on Livingstone campus. During the picnic "Tubby" Johnson presented for the first time, in scrimmage, his 1935 Fisk Bulldogs. At 8:00 a Jubilee Acquaintance-Reception Dance was given for the students of the collegiate institutions in Nashville.

Impressive services were held Sunday, October 6 in Fisk Memorial Chapel. All of the music for the occasion was Jubilee Music. The Fisk Singers rendered three numbers, dedicated to the members of the Original Jubilee Singers.

At 3:00 P. M., a pilgrimage was made to the graves of Mabel Lewis Imes, Minnie Tate and Ella Sheppard Moore, three of the Original Jubilee Singers whose bodies lie interred in Nashville. On Sunday night a pageant under the direction of Miss Lillian E. Cashin was staged on the steps of historic Jubilee Hall.

ADMIRAL BYRD WILL VISIT OMAHA

Noted Explorer Will Appear Twice At the Technical High

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

Admiral Richard E. Byrd, the outstanding explorer of the twentieth century, will be in Omaha on Friday, October 25, for two personal appearances at the Technical high school auditorium.

His appearances, sponsored by the Omaha Junior Chamber of Commerce, will include 8,000 feet of motion picture highlights of his most recent expedition to the South Pole, and will be accompanied by a running fire of personal comment by Admiral Byrd. He will talk throughout the showing of the pictures, explaining every detail.

In the afternoon, a special price of 40 cents has been arranged for school children. Out-of-town school children can get tickets by writing to the Omaha Junior Chamber of Commerce, 1711 Woodmen of the World building.

For the evening performance, tickets at \$1.00 and \$1.65 can be reserved by mail through the Junior Chamber.

By a coincidence, Admiral Byrd will celebrate his 47th birthday on the date of his appearance in Omaha. He was born on October 25, 1888. Twenty years later he entered the United States Naval Academy, from which he was graduated in 1912. An injury forced his retirement from the navy, but he returned to serve in the air forces in 1917. Then, in 1925, his career as an explorer began when he headed the Navy division of the MacMillan Arctic expedition.

In 1926, with Floyd Bennett, he made the first flight across the North Pole. The next year he flew the Atlantic ocean, and in 1929 he formed and headed the first Byrd South Pole expedition. The second expedition, which he will describe with motion pictures and lecture in Omaha on October 25, began in 1933 and lasted two years. He returned this spring.

Parent-Teachers Want Insulting Books Prohibited

Boston, Mass., Oct. 12. (By E. W. Clark for ANP)—The battle against the use of books with insulting terms and pro-slavery learning in the public schools of this city was continued last week when a delegation from the Parent-Teachers Association called upon the Boston School Committee and urged immediate and favorable action in this direction.

The delegation not only cited Rudyard Kipling's "Captain Courageous" in which the word "nigger" appears 13 times but also the text book of United States History in which the role of the colored people in the Reconstruction period is perverted and colored to suit the prejudices of the author.

Another request made by the delegation was that more Negroes be appointed as teachers. The committee reserved the reply to both petitions desiring more time for consideration.

Wins National Contest



Miss Geraldine Rogers of Chicago who has just won first prize in the essay contest conducted among students in Negro Colleges by the National Tuberculosis Association. Miss Rogers who is a student at Knoxville College wrote on, "How Can I, As a Teacher, Best Cooperate To Reduce Tuberculosis Among Negroes. Olga J. Lash of Livingstone College won second prize and August Mae Gustin of Spellman College, Atlanta, won third place.

Nebraska Conference In Annual Meeting At Kansas City, Kan.

RAPS W. T. VERNON

Rev. L. P. Bryant Again Assigned To St. John's Also Elected Delegate To General Conference

Kansas City, Kans.—There is an old Methodist hymn that begins, "Another new year has begun", and this may appropriately be applied to the churches and pastors of the Nebraska Annual Conference since the close of its 15th session Sunday night.

The most pathetic incident of the conference session was the retirement of the veteran presiding elder, Dr. W. B. Brooks after 58 years of faithful service. The feeling was tense, there were audible sighs and much of actual weeping as Dr. Brooks recounted his work and then asked to be given supernumerary relation, which means he will resume his work if his health will make it possible. Without a dissenting vote the conference elected to the general conference are: R. A. Adams, presiding elder Kansas City District; W. D. Wilkins, pastor First Church, Kansas City, Kansas; L. P. Bryant, pastor St. John Church, Omaha; O. H. Burbridge, newly appointed presiding elder of the Omaha District. Alternates are: J. C. Bell, pastor, Argentine; J. N. Goddard, Trinity, Kansas City, Kansas; L. J. Phillips, pastor St. Luke, Kansas and C. A. Long, pastor at Lincoln, Nebraska.

By special resolution the delegates were instructed to use every honorable means to secure the return of Bishop Gregg for another quadrennial term on the 5th district. The conference also unanimously adopted a resolution condemning the action of W. T. Vernon who is an elder in the Kansas Conference, in which said conference was advised and urged to bring W. T. Vernon to account for his actions and activities against the interests of Western University.

Assignments were as follows: Omaha District, O. H. Burbridge, presiding elder; St. John, Omaha, L. P. Bryant, Omaha, to be supplied; Atchison, James Arthur. Allen Chapel, Omaha, Don Stephenson; Fremont, Wm. Metcalf. Nebraska City, Noble Lee; Hiawatha, H. W. Bletson; Horton, D. M. Cole; Troy & Elwood, J. S. Butler; Beatrice, to be supplied. Lincoln, C. A. Long.

Kansas City District: R. A. Adams, presiding elder; First Church, W. D. Wilkins; Trinity, J. N. Goddard; Argentine, J. C. Bell; Leavenworth, J. W. Williams; Quindaro, G. M. Tillman; Grant Chapel, J. W. Green; St. Luke & Terrell, L. J. Phillips; Mt. Zion Circuit, R. V. Swanney; St. James, Gertrude Broils; Tonganoxie, E. J. Martin; Oskaloosa, W. L. Davis; New Bethel and Olathe to be supplied.

JOHN BROWN'S LETTERS AT ATLANTA U.

Letters and Papers On Works of Noted Man In Univ. Library FOR RESEARCH USE

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 12, (Special)—The Atlanta University Library has acquired a large collection of letters of John Brown and other papers bearing on the life of the abolitionist leader whose military activities in an effort to liberate Negroes from slavery led to his conviction and death at Harper's Ferry, Virginia, on December 2, 1859. Announcement of the acquisition of this highly valuable historical material, which has been deposited in the University library, was made this week by President John Hope of Atlanta University.

The collection consists largely of material which has never been published and has not been available to students of this period of American history. In the collection are 52 autograph letters from John Brown to Seth Thompson, his financial backer, full of important detail covering Brown's home and business life; General Robert E. Lee's order to take Brown to jail, which was dated from the Harper's Ferry Arsenal, October 19, 1859; 17 letters to Brown from Frank B. Sanborn, his biographer; a 12-page hand-written account of the Harper's Ferry raid by D. E. Henderson, who was an eye witness of the events and as a dispatch carrier participated actively in the affair; miscellaneous papers of Richard Parker, Brown's judge, including his diaries, and several letters from relatives of the abolishment leader.

Of particular value to students are the letters from John Brown to Seth Thompson. These reveal the writer's life from the age of 26 years to 49 years, and form a more or less complete autobiography of the years during which he was moving about the United States and developing his ideas of using direct action in freeing the slaves.

The collection will be available to students of the University who are engaged in advanced study in the field of American history, and will supplement the other material which the University has gathered for research students.

Two Employed As Educational Advisers

Washington, D. C., Oct. 12. (ANP)—Two additions were made to the list of educational advisers in the CCC camps in the states of Pennsylvania and New Jersey last week when Joseph A. Bailey and Leon E. DeKalb were appointed by Robert Fechner, Director of Emergency Conservation Work.

Both of the new appointees are graduates of Lincoln University in Pennsylvania. Mr. Bailey has previously been engaged in teaching and Mr. DeKalb, who has also received his Master of Arts degree from Columbia, served as a welfare worker in New York City and was connected with the Y. M. C. A.

ITALIANS REPULSED IN NEW ATTACK ON AKSUM BY ETHIOPIAN TROOPS

Two Negro Boys Seek Harlem Aldermanic Posts

New York, Oct. 12, (ANP)—Under the label of the Communist party, two men, the roots of whose family trees are buried deep in the red clay of the state of Georgia, are seeking election to the Board of Aldermen from the 19th and 21st (Harlem) districts.

There are 138 nominees of the Communist party in the city and 15 are Negroes.

One of the eldermanic candidates is James W. Ford, one of the leaders of the Communist party, its candidate for vice president in 1932, who has just returned from the meeting of the Communist Internationale in Moscow. Ford's family made its way from Georgia to Alabama after a lynching and from Alabama, Ford went to Chicago, working in the post office.

The other candidate is Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., editor of The Negro Liberator. Davis, a lawyer, is the son of Atlanta's famous Republican of the same name, former national committeeman for the state, leading fraternal figure and for many years the editor of The Independent. As a youngster, the elder Davis slept at the foot of the bed of the Jefferson Davis who was head of the Confederacy, to keep the latter's feet warm. Young Benjamin, however, has removed himself far from keeping the feet of the white folk warm. He defended Angelo Herndon against the charge of insurrection in Atlanta and has been, for several years, in the frontline trenches of Communist activity.

Neither Ford nor Davis is conceded a chance for election, but their candidacies will serve as excellent grounds of the strength of Communist sentiment in the two districts.

Aduwa Recaptured In Surprise Attacks On Italian Soldiers

ITALIANS WEAKEN

Addis Ababa, Oct. 12—(IP)—While Italian troops were sleeping Wednesday night they were stormed from three sides by Ethiopian warriors who recaptured the city Aduwa which had been previously evacuated by Ethiopians and taken over by Italian troops. The Italians were greatly demoralized by the Ethiopians victory Wednesday night as approximately one thousand were taken as prisoners along with the slaughter of several more thousands.

The intense tropical heat has caused several units to be separated from the main Italian troops and tropical fever is threatening Mussolini's men. More than 2,000 were sent to the hospital Wednesday and several others remain on board the hospital ships awaiting landing at the base hospital.

The bombing planes of the Italians have felt the effects of the errand of the country. Two planes collided at Ogaden while bombing the province. Another plane was lost off the coast of Turkey enroute to the country and two more were shot down by Ethiopian anti-aircraft gunners near Aduwa.

With Aduwa back into the folds the warriors of Haile Sellassie are expected to penetrate far into the Italian provinces in Eritrea and cut off the army from its base. Thus starving the men and allowing them to die from fever and tropical diseases. The Italian troops for the greater part have fought the warfare expected and with their plans. The jubilant Italians were sad Thursday after he complete rout at Aduwa and many deserters are showing up. Several hundred of the native Italian soldiers have joined the ranks of Ethiopia and are divulging the secret plans of the Italian army.

The League of nations having invoked sanctions against Italy for her part in the war will decide this week as to whether actual war threats must be made against Italy to stop Mussolini or whether mild economic penalties will stop him. The meeting Monday at Geneva brought forth comment from many smaller nations of Europe who are standing behind the league in its efforts to avert a European crisis. Mean-while Hitler is attempting to muddle the European situation by threatening the proposed alliance between France and England.

1935 Lynching Record Supports Anti-Lynching Bill

New York, Oct. 12—The lynching record of 1935 with the latest victim, Lewis Harris, of Vienna, Ga., being lynched September 28 for "being intoxicated", is the strongest argument in support of the federal anti-lynching law, according to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The association's statement said: "One of the main arguments used against the Costigan-Wagner bill last year was that lynchings would not happen if the law would act to punish accused persons. All intelligent people know that there have never been any delays in the South when colored people are accused of crime. In many cases victims were lynched before the law ever got a chance to act in their cases. The killing of Ellwood Higginbotham, by a mob at Oxford, Miss., September 17, even while a white jury was trying to arrive at a verdict, proves that mobs do not want to give the law a chance. The only method of checking violence and lynching which remains to be tried is federal action such as is taken in the crime of kidnaping. As long as mobs know that they have no one to fear except local officials, they will continue to lynch persons for even so trivial offense as being intoxicated. The N. A. A. C. P. intends to push the Costigan-Wagner bill in the next session of Congress, and we believe the shameless lynchings of 1935 coupled with the total indifference of state officials towards movements to seek out and prosecute lynchings will be the strongest aid to the passage of the federal law."

NAACP Benefit Dance Monday Night, Oct. 14

Monday night, October 14th, the local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will hold a benefit dance at the Dreamland Hall. The dance will feature the music of the Synco Hi-Hatters orchestra along with other entertainment.

The main feature of the affair will be the gift of the General Electric refrigerator to the person holding the lucky number. There will be many other prizes to be awarded in a similar manner. Tickets are now on sale by solicitors. The committee on arrangements has worked hard to make the affair a success.