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MRS. ROOSEVELT TO ADDRESS D. C. MEET

MAYOR AND COUNCIL TO BE OFFICIALLY DESIGNATED AT ZION CHURCH JANUARY 15TH

Don't forget! The big banquet and the Inauguration of the Negro Mayor and his twelve councilmen.

A grand program will accompany the Inauguration of Your Honor, the Mayor, given at the Zion Baptist church under the auspices of the Bacchanite club and Zion Senior choir. You and your congregation are expected.

Table reservations may be made by getting in touch with Mr. Farrell of the Bacchanite Club at 2705 Ohio street, WE 1751. Your reservations must be made on or before Jan. 12, 1937. The program starts at 9:00.

Mr. Farrell, Vice President of the Bacchanite Club.

A candidate for the council must have an official letter from the Bacchanite club and must be at the inauguration to be held at Zion Baptist church on January 15th.

Objects of the Council

1. To create and foster a spirit of "generous consideration" among Negroes of the world through a study of the problems of International Relationships.
2. To promote the theory and to practice principles of good government and good citizenship.
3. To take an active interest in the civic, commercial, social and moral welfare of the community.
4. To unite the Negroes in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship, and mutual understanding.
5. To provide a forum for the full and free discussion of all matters of public interest.
6. To encourage efficiency and promote high ethical standards in business and professions.
7. To cooperate with other organizations engaged in worthwhile endeavors for the public welfare.

Council Constitution and By-Laws

1. The president of the Bacchanite club shall be over committees connected with the Bacchanite Club

2. Council shall consist of the chairman and 12 members:

3. This council at no time shall endorse or recommend any candidate for political office nor shall politics or candidates be discussed at a meeting, also no religious discussion shall be tolerated at the meetings.

4. No member of this council shall use it as a means for furthering any personal, political or other inspiration, nor shall the council as a whole take part in any movement not in keeping with the real purpose and objects of this council.

5. No officer or director shall re-

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Capital City Fire Does Big Damage

Washington, D. C., Jan. 9 (ANP)—An overheated stoker was given as the cause of a fire early Monday morning at the Hamilton Printing Co. which resulted in a loss to building and equipment estimated at \$20,000. The Hamilton brothers, Col. West and Percival Y., bought the frame building which houses the plants about 15 years ago, later adding a shop at the rear. In 1931 a modern brick front was built, giving the structure an estimated value of \$30,000. While returning from the fire, Mrs. Julia West Hamilton, mother of the print shop owners, was slightly injured while riding in the car of Joseph Green who was taking her to the branch YWCA, where she is the executive secretary.

Term Begins



JOHNNY OWEN

Johnny Owen, well known in political and civic circles, who will be officially designated as Negro Mayor of Omaha by the Bacchanite club at Zion Baptist church January 15th.

TWO MILLION DOLLARS FOR CONSTRUCTION SPENT BY NEBRASKA POWER CO. IN '36

The year 1936 was one of the most active years in the history of the Nebr. Power Co. from the stand points of electric service, construction work carried on, and greater use of electric service, according to J. E. Davidson, president of the company.

The Company's customers used much more electricity during 1936 than during 1935. In the year just closed the customers of the power company used 410,000,000 kilowatt hours in 1936.

"During 1936 the Nebraska Power Co. carried on extensive construction work that resulted in the expenditure of more than \$2,000,000," said Mr. Davidson. "Included in this construction is a new 12,500 kilowatt turbo-generator and 1,200 pound pressure steam boiler at the company's power station at the foot of Jones St. This part of the construction program will cost approximately \$1,500,000 when completed, which will be about March 1st."

As a result of this special construction work and the building of new farm lines and other additions and betterment, the payrolls of the power company are considerably increased during 1936, he said,

SUES DRUG FIRM FOR INSULT

Wife of Police Prosecutor is the Victim

Cleveland, Jan. 9 (ANP)—Charging that the clerk of the Mayell and Hopp Drug Co., one of Cleveland's oldest drug firms, at its newly opened branch store grossly insulted them when he refused to serve them at the soda fountain maintained at its branch store, Mrs. Elmira Saunders, wife of Asst. Police Prosecutor William B. Saunders and Mrs. Cora Clark, both prominent women of Cleveland, filed suit this week through Atty. Norman L. McGhee, chairman of the Legal Defense committee of the NAACP, asking damages under the Ohio civil rights law.

According to Mrs. Saunders and Mrs. Clark, they entered the branch store and made a purchase of an article of merchandise, and seeing the soda fountain, they requested to be served a glass of soda, when they were refused by the clerk, and when they protested he became insulting.

Investigation disclosed that one of the officials of the company is Walter Kiewisch, prominent Republican member of Cleveland's City Council, whom many colored citizens supported in the recent election for the office of county commissioner.

Tenancy Committee to Hold Five Hearings

Washington, D. C., Jan. 9 (ANP)—Five regional hearings will be held early this month by the President's Committee on Farm Tenancy, it was announced this week by Secretary Wallace, chairman of the committee.

at the present time, 360 men are employed on this construction project.

During 1936 more than 600 farm customers were furnished with electricity for the first time in order to accomplish this service, more than 300 miles of farm lines had to be constructed at cost of \$200,000 to the power company.

For 1937 the company has provided a construction budget of nearly a million dollars, in addition to the money which will be spent to complete the present construction work at the power station. Included in this 1937 construction program will be another story to be added to the company's distribution headquarters building at Forty-third and Leavenworth Sts. The company will also spend more than \$50,000 during 1937 for an underground cable which will be laid from Thirtieth and California Sts. to Thirtieth and Lake Sts. This underground cable construction follows the policy of the company of gradually putting underground, the principal lines supplying residential districts, as added pro-

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Bishop of CME Church To Speak In Omaha

Bishop James Arthur Hamlett of the Colored Methodist Episcopal church will be at Cleaves' Temple 25th and Decatur street, Sunday, to preside in the termination of a three month's group drive. This is the Bishop's first trip to Omaha during this conference year. Only twice last year did he visit this church, due to an extensive program. Being presiding Bishop over three dioceses comprising Tennessee district, in which there are three conferences; Oklahoma districts where there are two conferences and the Kansas-Missouri district which includes the states of Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Iowa and Colorado. Bishop Hamlett is one of the few colored bishops carrying more than one title. In June 1936 an AME college referred to him another degree.

With the bishop will come the Presiding Elder L. E. B. Rosser, who was here a few weeks ago and Rev. L. S. Lewis, general secretary Kingdom Extension.

Bishop Hamlett is completing his twelfth year as a bishop. Under the direction of Rev. D. W. Bass, Cleaves' Temple has made a great stride, materially, spiritually and financially. Last year, just three months after he took up the program, more than \$500 crossed the table. Next Sunday we are hoping to bring in even more money. The first plan in the program of Rev. Bass was to start a youth movement. His program reads: 9:30 Sunday school; 10:30 Junior church; composed of a junior choir, ages ranging from 14 to 19; Jr. Stewardess, Jr. ushers and Jr. speakers whenever possible. The first program of its kind in Omaha. The plan has been very successful. At 11 o'clock, general service; 6:30 Epworth League, young people officiating and at 8 p. m. the general service. The Junior choir of 15 youths besides the junior church is serving at least one service a month on the general program. To the public: You should visit Cleaves' Temple to see what the young people can do and are doing as well as the older group. "Come to Cleaves' Temple Sunday," is the riot call of the week.

Both the Loyal Matrons and the Forward Step clubs are meeting at the church this week. The sick list of the church includes Mrs. M. Brooks, 3204 Pinkney, Mrs. Sarah Carter, 2223 No. 26th St., Mrs. Bessie Davis, 2623 Wirt and Mrs. Pearl Smith, 940 No. 27th St. Sunday Program: 9:30 Sunday school 10:30 Junior Church 11:00 a. m. General Service 3 p. m. Sermon—Rev. James A. Hamlett (also Communion) 6:30 Epworth League 7:30 Service

The adult choir will sing morning and night. The Junior choir sings for the Junior church at 3 p. m.

Woman Ex-Slave Dies at Age of 107

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 9 (ANP)—Mrs. Antonio Vericha, 107-year-old, and one of the most picturesque and lovable characters in her community, passed away Sunday at the home of her daughter, Miss Mary Mosby. Born on a slave plantation near Ashley, Mo. the matriarch was alert and active to the end, and worked constantly at her main hobby, quilt making and gardening. Another daughter, Mrs. Ellen Carpenter of Springfield, Ill., 81-years-old, also survives.

CINCINNATI YOUTH WINS COURT FIGHT

Sues Board to Enter Winthrow School

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 9 (ANP)—Judge Robert Gorman in Common Pleas court Tuesday granted a writ of mandamus against the Cincinnati Board of Education, in the action brought by Mrs. Viola Wright to have her son, John Winbush 17, admitted to Winthrow high school. Attorneys James H. Cleveland and C. E. Vance represented the mother, who claimed that Winthrow principal refused her son admittance to the school, and through Judge Gorman's action the Board of Education is ordered to admit the youth to the institution.

Testimony revealed that the boy graduated from the eighth grade in the Woodlawn rural school district and because there is no high school in that district, the youth selected Winthrow high school. Judge Gorman said, "If a local board of education not having a high school fails for any reason to enter a contract with another board, any pupil of the former who has a certificate is entitled to enter any high school within the state."

"Our system of education is a state system, and not a local one. Each board, therefore, is the mere agent of the state-wide system. Whether such a plan of education is desirable is one which might provoke endless debate in the legislative hall, but it has no place in a courtroom forum where the court is to declare only what the law actually is." The judge is being widely commended by fair-minded citizens of both races for justice and impartiality of his decision.

Beer has contributed \$613,918 in taxes to Nebraska during 1936, according to an estimate issued last week by Robert A. Drum, president of the Fontenelle Brewing Co., which is an increase of 41 per cent over 1935.

BREWING INDUSTRY PAYS MORE THAN HALF MILLION IN TAXES FOR PUBLIC UPKEEP

In reviewing tax returns from the sale of beer throughout the nation Mr. Drum pointed out that beer had paid well over one billion dollars in taxes to federal, state and municipal treasuries since prohibition was repealed for which actual figures are available.

"Much of this money," stated Mr. Drum, "went into old age pensions, unemployment relief, child welfare, bond retirement and law enforcement. Unemployment was relieved 10 per cent by legalization of beer. In 1932 there thirteen million unemployed people in this country—46 million more than the normal unemployment figure upon beer's legalization in 1933, approximately 10 per cent of those unemployed were given work in the breweries, distribution, retail sales and allied trades of the brewing industry. Bureau of Census figures just released by the Department of Commerce show

SESSIONS ON NEGRO YOUTH TO BE ADDRESSED BY THE PRESIDENT'S WIFE

Washington, Jan. 9—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the President will be among the prominent figures to address session of the National conference on Problems of the Negro and Negro Youth. Mrs. Mary McLeod-Bethune, director of the Divisions of Negro Affairs of the National Youth Administration announced this week.

Fisk Singers on NBC Chain Again

Nashville, Jan. 9 (ANP)—The Fisk Jubilee singers are again broadcasting each Monday evening on the Magnolia Blossoms program over WSM and the red network of the NBC at 12:00 eastern standard time. This program features music of the south, and the Fisk Jubilee singers sing the same Negro folk songs that delighted people in both Europe and America when the first group went out in 1871.

Place Two Colored On Dixie Grand Jury

Columbia, S. C., Jan. 9 (ANP)—For the first time with the memory of the oldest inhabitant here two Negroes will serve on Richland county's grand jury, at the term of general session court of Richland, beginning Jan. 11th, in Township auditorium. Judge G. B. Green of the Tenth Circuit will preside. The names of the jurors were drawn this week, along with ten white jurors, by the county jury commissioners. The two selected are C. A. Johnson, supervisor of colored city schools and W. H. Harvey, of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Co.

The conference will be held in the auditorium building of the Department of Labor.

The conference has been called for the purpose of evaluating the present benefits of the Federal program in operation and to plan toward possible improvements and needed programs for the Negro.

It is sponsored by the National Youth Administration in the hope that it will point out the need for greater attention in the preparation of Negro youth for vocations and for a national placement program designed to erase artificial barriers to employment.

The conference is the result of correspondence with leaders of many national Negro organizations, in which the possibility of unified thought and action in the program for Negroes was suggested by Mrs. Bethune. Leaders of church, fraternal, professional and educational institutions agreed that the time was propitious for Negroes to voice their needs to the national government, and suggested definite points for discussion at the conference.

A Leader



JESS OWENS

Outstanding athlete of 1936