

SOUTH OMAHA NEWS NOTES

Bettie Dennis returned from Glenwood Saturday after spending the holidays with her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Walker.

Mr. Wise McClinton, 5217 So. 29th St., who underwent an operation in the Methodist hospital, is improving.

Mr. R. Wise, 5217 So. 29th St., is ill.

Miss Ella Mae Franklin, 5622 So. 32nd St., returned Monday from Milwaukee, Wis., where she spent New Year's visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Anna Franklin has returned to Knoxville college after spending ten days in Milsboro, Ky.

Rites for Mrs. Mary Lewis Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 2 from the Allen Chapel AME church, for Mrs. Mary Lewis, 3002 V. St., who died Thursday, Dec. 31.

Mr. Robt. Banks, 5217 So. 29th St., returned to the city Sunday after spending the New Year in Kansas City.

Mrs. Johnnie Jones, 30th and R St., returned from Alabama Friday after visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Bula Partridge of Colgate Mo., is in the city visiting in the Forall home, 2903 T St.

Rites for Mr. Merrill Funeral services for Mr. Merrill, were held Monday afternoon from Bethel AME church.

Miss Elaine Davis, of 2602 Jefferson St., is now attending St. Benedict school. She is staying with Mrs. Edith Brown, 2612 Binney St., as is her brother, Mr. Van Pelt Davis.

Mrs. Minnie Williams, of Kansas City, was in the city to attend the funeral of her father, Mr. Merrill.

Mrs. S. D. Rhone, who has been confined to bed from illness, is now able to be up.

Dr. S. B. Northross, who has been ill, is out again.

OUR CHURCHES

Union Memorial M. E. Church Rev. Wm. H. Adams preached morning and night sermons. There was no afternoon service.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH 29th and T Sts. Rev. P. J. Sears, Pastor Joshua Henderson, Reporter

Every class in the Sunday school was represented last Sunday. The first Sunday of this year, at 11:00 a. m., was the time the pastor decided to preach the installation sermon for the Sunday school workers. His basic text was Dan. 12:3, the subject was "The ministry of the disciple of Jesus Christ and their reward." A few of the highlights that Rev. Sears put emphasis on were as follows: Literature. It shall be your duty to teach the people to read good literature. The best piece of literature is the Bible. Teach your pupils the import-

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ance of virtue, and why it is necessary to have pride. If you want to be a star, get your light from Jesus Christ and teach by an example.

The choir will sponsor a state-country rally on the 17th of this month. Rev. Curry, of Zion Baptist church, will deliver the sermon at 3:00 p. m.

The installation for Rev. P. J. Sears will begin Monday evening, Jan. 18th.

Dr. S. B. Northross, Mrs. M. P. Pierce and Mrs. Rosa Lee are on the sick list.

The funeral of Mr. Henry Merrill was held from Bethel Baptist church, Monday, with the pastor in charge.

Why not come to Bethel next Sunday.

Mother Luster is ill.

Elder and Mrs. A. D. Carter of Council Bluffs, Ia., spent New Year's day visiting South Omaha friends.

Church of God in Christ Elder A. D. Carter, Pastor

The church enjoyed good services the past Sunday. Night service was in charge of Rev. Ellis, of Kansas City.

The Willing Workers club is trying to get started again. Leader of this club is Mrs. Agnes Dozier. Come out and help them.

Shadows of Rainey Bethea Case Noted at Owensboro

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 9 (ANP)—Hoyle Roberts, 28-year-old deliveryman, living in Owensboro, was charged with assaulting Mrs. Frank Dowell, white, wife of a railroad switchman, in her home at Owensboro. Roberts was brought to the Jefferson county jail in Louisville to avoid mob violence.

Roberts' case is a reminder of the very similar Rainey Bethea case in Owensboro several months ago. It is recalled that over 30,000 people from near and afar to witness the hanging last August for the assault and murder of an old white woman of 70 years.

Roberts Sent on Errand Roberts was employed by a drug store and was dispatched by his employer to deliver some articles to Mrs. Dowell. Roberts was seen running by Frank Dowell, husband of the assaulted woman, and began chasing him, but failed to catch him. Returning to his home, he found his wife unconscious on the floor.

After the assaulted woman regained consciousness, she told police it was the drug store delivery boy. Shortly afterward, police apprehended Roberts riding a bicycle, and arrested him. Blood stains were found on his garments. Roberts told an ANP correspondent he was sent to the Dowell home to deliver Christmas gifts, and was asked by Mrs. Dowell to deliver a present to her friend. He denied having assaulted the woman.

Judge F. A. Roby, of the Owensboro trial court, held an examining trial Monday, and Roberts' bond was fixed at \$10,000 pending grand jury action.

Mrs. Pickens to Take Group to Europe

New York City, Jan. 9 (ANP)—Mrs. William Pickens, wife of the NAACP will lead another study group to Europe from July 3 to Sept. 3rd, it was announced this week.

The group will be sponsored by the Pocono Study tours and will be under the educational direction of American Peoples college. Mrs. Pickens led similar groups to Europe in 1930 and 1932 for the study of social and cultural developments in Europe.

HEAR HENRY BOYD IN N. Y.

New York City, Jan. 9 (ANP)—Plans for receiving Henry Allen Boyd of Nashville in this, the "City of Churches," have been completed, according to an announcement made last week by the Rev. S. W. Times, D. D., the president and chief executive of the New York Baptist State convention. Rev. Mr. Timms has announced that Secretary Boyd will reach New York on Tuesday, Jan. 13th and that a conference and business meeting with members of the National Baptist Convention of America will be held that same day at 2:00 p. m.

An invitation has been extended to all the Baptist ministers of New York and surrounding territory. Many are expected here.

N. A. A. C. P. FILES SUIT

Baltimore, Jan. 9.—Continuing its drive against equalities in public school education, the NAACP today filed a petition in the circuit court of Montgomery county seeking a writ of mandamus to compel the board of education of Montgomery to pay equal salaries to white and colored teachers with the same qualifications performing essentially the same duties and equipped with the same amount of teaching experience.

The petition was filed in behalf of William B. Gibbs, jr., acting principal of the Rockville elementary school in Montgomery county.

The petition alleges that Mr. Gibbs is a normal school graduate, holds a first-grade teacher's certificate of the first-class issued by the state department of education of Maryland, and is in his fifth year of teaching experience in the state of Maryland; that he is receiving a salary of \$51 a month, or \$612 a year whereas teachers in white schools in Montgomery county with his same qualifications and experience and performing essentially the same duties are paid approximately \$98 a month or \$1,176 a year.

The petition further recites that the state of Maryland pays a higher salary to white persons holding the post of acting principals of white elementary schools than to white teachers in those schools, but acting principals of Negro elementary schools receive the same salary as Negro elementary teachers.

Mr. Gibbs filed a petition with the board of education of Montgomery county on Dec. 8th asking the board to adopt a salary schedule without any distinction being made as to race, color of teachers or school, but the board refused to consider the petition and the only step remained was court action.

Attys. for Mr. Gibbs are Charles H. Houston and Thurgood Marshall of the NAACP staff in New York and W. A. C. Hughes, jr., of this city.

The NAACP pointed out in a statement today that in the state of Maryland the average salary of an elementary teacher in the counties of Maryland is \$1,135 whereas the average Negro teacher's salary in the same counties is \$602, or he difference of \$553.

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PLEA FOR U S ACTION IN LYNCHING

Tacoma Kidnaping Cited in Call For Action

New York, Jan. 9.—Citing the swift action of the famous G-men in the Mattson kidnaping case in Tacoma, Washington, the NAACP this week again called upon Atty General Homer S. Cummings to proceed with the federal investigation of the lynching of Claude Neal by a mob at Marianna, Florida, Oct. 26th 1934.

According to the Lindbergh law a period of seven days must elapse before the federal government can presume that a federal crime has been committed, that is that a state line has been crossed by the kidnapers.

The association's letter pointed out that the federal investigators did not wait for the elapsing of seven days, as provided by the federal kidnaping law, in order to become active in the Mattson case, but rushed in simultaneously with the report of the kidnaping to the Tacoma police. Eight federal agents were sent into Tacoma almost before the police teletype machines had finished recording the kidnaping of the Mattson boy.

Theoretically, if a state line is not crossed, the job of arresting and punishing the kidnapers is supposed to be confined to the state officers. In reality, however, the G-men have ignored this portion of the law and have rushed into every kidnaping—except the Neal kidnap-lynching.

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pitate the clear interstate nature of the crime the federal government has refused to act, basing its inactivity upon a strict and highly technical interpretation of the law.

As the NAACP points out, the Department is not very technical and does it observe the letter of the law in the cases of white kidnap victims. Three weeks ago in New York City federal men captured Harry Brunette, wanted for the kidnaping of a New Jersey state trooper. Although the trooper, like Neal was kidnaped in one state and taken to another for the purpose of being killed, the G-men did not quibble on this point. On the other hand they have steadfastly maintained that the fact that Neal was kidnaped for the purpose of being killed prevented them from taking action under the Lindbergh law. The NAACP letter declares: "The action of the Department of Justice in the Mattson case further substantiates the quite obvious conclusion that its agents act on administrative interpretation of the law white cases and the strict letter of the law in Negro cases."

This is the third demand in the past two weeks by the NAACP for action in the Claude Neal lynching.

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