

### Man Who Slew Own Children Loses Plea To Supreme Court

New Orleans, Jan. 23 (ANP)—Failure of officials in Caldwell Parish in include Negroes on the jury lists as was made mandatory by the Scottsboro decision means nothing in the case of William Gill, colored farmer sentenced to die for murdering his stepdaughter and his own two small children. The death sentence was upheld last week by the state supreme court.

Gill sought a new trial on grounds that the general venire box of Caldwell parish contained the name of only one Negro at the time the grand jury that indicted him was drawn, and also the name of only one Negro was on the petit list at the time the trial jury was selected.

The defense said colored persons had been excluded from grand and petit juries because of race for many years, which constitutes a denial of due process of law.

### SENTENCE WHITE MAN FOR THREATENING POST CARDS TO NEWSPAPERS

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 30 (By R. C. Fisher for ANP)—Charles LaPeer, white, self-styled preacher and communist leader, was sentenced to 18 months in the Leavenworth Penitentiary by United States District Judge Charles B. Davis, last Tuesday, on his plea of guilty to sending libelous, scurrilous and defamatory matter through the mails to the St. Louis Argus, newspaper published by members of our race at 2313 Market St.

LaPeer was indicted by a federal grand jury after evidence had been presented indicating that he sent four postcards to the St. Louis Argus, threatening reprisals if the paper continued printing stories about hanging and lynchings in the south, and bore such signatures as "Branch legion, Italian or white."

Postal inspectors said LaPeer admitted sending about a dozen postcards of the same nature to the newspapers during 1934, 1935 and 1936.

After reading the indictment, Judge Davis said, "newspapers have a right to be protected from onslaughts like this. The St. Louis Argus is an old institution and does a great deal of good work. It should be protected. I'll sentence you to 18 months in Leavenworth."

The maximum penalty on the charge is five years' imprisonment and a fine of \$5,000. The section of the postal laws involved prohibits writing of such matter on postcards or outside of envelopes.

Under the name of John C. LaPeer, LaPeer was one of the leaders of the "old guard" St. Louis Communists who fought the police directing relief demonstrations at the City Hall some years ago and resisted evictions. He was at one time secretary of the Unemployed Council of St. Louis. But because he did not believe in racial equality which the Communists practiced, withdrew from Communist activities, telling newspaper men his experience as a Communist "sickened" him.

### Six Years "Trial Marriage" Survive

Cristobal, C. Z., Jan. 30 (By E. J. Jamieson for ANP)—A trial marriage entered into by Garrick and Henrietta Smith when he was 37 and she 27, proved satisfactory to both parties and Friday last they became legally man and wife after the Rev. James A. Blake, pastor of the Cristobal Colon Baptist church caught up with them.

Two years ago, the Negro couple obtained license to marry in the Cristobal Colon District Court of Cristobal. Because they had to swear to the affidavit written out by the white clerk, it is believed the parties thought themselves married and there it rested. Since then Miss Smith had been known as Mrs. Garrick.

The error of their ways brought forcibly to them, the couple sought the advice of their spiritual leader and on Friday Rev. Mr. Blake solemnized the nuptials.

Monday when Mr. Blake made his official report and returns to the District Court, the present was not a bit surprised at the date of issuance of the license as such things and not so rare in the license bureau's history.

The groom is now 43 and his bride 33.

### EX-SLAVE, 83 INTERESTING MINISTER

#### Ran Against Bryan for Senator in Nebr. on Prohibition Ticket

San Diego, Calif., Jan. 30 (By M. L. Brown for ANP)—Rev. George W. Woodbey is among the interesting members of the Calvary Baptist church who have passed their 80 year marks. Rev. Woodbey was born on his master's farm in eastern Tennessee, Oct. 5, 1854. He had the advantage of only two short terms of pay school before he was 80. He then enrolled in an adult night school, and attended rain or shine for eight months.

Rev. Woodbey has always an ardent student ever since he learned to read. "The New Testament was the only book I could get aside from my two school books. I read it over and over, and it seemed so wonderful to me," he said with sparkling eyes. He now has a library of more than a thousand volumes, and reads most of the time. He has written several books, served as columnist for white weeklies, and is authority of the ancient history of Negro people.

Rev. Woodbey was called to the ministry in 1864, and preached his first sermon in his mother's house as there was no church. He organized and pastored the African Baptist church in Wichita, Kas. (now Calvary) and also Zion Baptist church in Omaha. He pastored at Atchison, Kas. and at St. Joseph Mo, in pioneer days. After coming to California, Rev. Woodbey pastored in Redland and San Diego.

Rev. Woodbey and Mrs. Woodbey, his wife, who also pastored a church in Omaha, were employed by the Prohibition Party as lecturers, and served in that capacity for nine years, traveling over the country. Mrs. Woodbey was at one time president, and the only Negro member of the WCTU in Omaha. He was nominated for lieutenant-governor of Nebraska by the Prohibition Party, and ran for state senator of his party while William Jennings Bryan ran for the same office in the first district in Nebraska.

### WOW To Present New Radio Drama

Real-life episodes, in which men, women and children looked death in the face and lived to tell the tale, will be re-enacted in a series of radio dramas to be presented over station WOW, in Omaha, beginning Monday, February 1st, it was announced today by National Carbon Co., sponsors of the program.

The first episode, "Shooting It Out With the Enemy," will re-enact the story of 10 year old Jack Kite, of Orange, Va., who encountered a deadly three-foot moccasin while hunting at night near his home. Other episodes in the series will re-tell dramatic near tragedies at sea, in hospitals and other places.

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### White Child Stars Adore Hattie McDaniel

Los Angeles, Jan. 30 (ANP)—"Hello Hattie," shouted little Jane Withers to Hattie McDaniel as she came running on the final days shooting, "Can This Be Dixie." Hattie, as "Lizzie," was seated some 30 feet above the sound-stage floor with 300 pounds of Troy Brown, on a small platform with a coil-spring base. It was a fragment from the imagination of the scene architect to represent a mint press for 'Colonel Peachtree's Canned Mint-Juleps.'

Hattie was not a bit in love with the precarious footing and this really dangerous bit of acting, as she and the cruiser-weight Troy danced to the strains of the julep song. All those beads of perspiration on her brow were not from the heat either but she waved back to Jane, and forced a wry smile as if she was thinking "Oh, if I could only come down from here."

All the stars old and young like smiling friendly Hattie and incidentally this is the second time this season that she has played in a film with the highly salaried little juvenile artist. The last was as "Kittie Silvers" in "Gentle Julia" as it was titled then. Upon its completion the busy colored featured player worked with a flock of little stars the "Our Gang" at Hal Roach studio as the mother of little "Stymie" Beard in "Arbor Day."

### Boys, 16, 17, Hanged In Mississippi For Murder They Deny

West Point, Miss., Jan. 30 (ANP)—Protesting their innocence almost with their last breaths, two young boys, George Owens, 17 and Joe Phillips, 16, were hanged just before daybreak Wednesday morning for the murder of Herman Whitley, white, eccentric Clay county filling station operator.

There were about 100 persons including 1 woman, on the second floor room of the county jail where the double execution took place.

"I just want to tell you people that I am innocent of the crime I am accused of. I don't know anything about," Owens said from the scaffold. He was the first to go.

"What is done in the dark will come to light and some day after poor Owens' death and mine, you will find the murderer," said Phillips before he died. "I was home in bed when the crime was done."

The boys were convicted and given the death penalty early last year for having robbed and killed Whitley at his filling station and store near West Point. Although they protested their innocence from their arrest, they were convicted, the death sentence upheld by the state supreme court and a plea for life imprisonment denied by Gov. Hugh White.

### To Jail For Fraudulent Advertisements

Washington, Jan. (ANP)—Walter G. Critchlow, white of Wheaton, Ill., was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary a few days ago after the U. S. Department of State received complaints from all over the world that his device known as the Vix Vapor Humidifier and Gasoline Saver was a fake and he had used the mails for fraudulent advertising.

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