

Delegate Reports of National Convention At Philadelphia

(Continued from Page 1) for the Louis Farr fight in New York City, Aug. 26th. I moved on to Atlantic City N. J., Saturday after the close of the convention business. I must say that I am very much impressed with the economic outlook of Atlantic City. The Negro's have separate schools here. They have a \$300,000 high school and their numerous grade schools are equipped with the most modern equipment. They have about 300 teachers also. Their business is away out in front. The largest hotel I've seen owned and operated by our race with more than 150 rooms with bath and rates up to \$5.00 per day make it among America's best for us.

Our people are engaged in every kind of business. Here they even have small shipping and fishing industries along the coast line. I came up the Delaware river on a commercial boat owned and manned by men of our race. Business was so rushing we had to wait one hour before we could load our car. There are 11,000 colored Postal workers in Philadelphia. 2,700 in Chicago which is the largest group of Postal workers we have in any one city. We have only 605 Railway Mail clerks, in the United States, which is a decline from our last convention in Florida.

The convention went on record as favoring several now before Congress to remedy that situation. One of the bills has to do with the substituting the fingerprint method of identification instead of the photographic methods now used and one would eliminate the sending of three names to the appointing officer for him to select one of the three but would substitute instead a provision wherein the civil service commission could send only one name, that being the one having the highest average. This bill stands a good chance of passing when Congress takes up its special session as is expected in November.

I will write you from New York City, then I will be on my way home. The Careys and Miss Lindsay

Bostonians Seek Civic Improvements

Boston, Aug. 26 (AIP)—Cheaper carefree and another playground in the heavily populated Roxbury Negro section were two of the major points of concentration of Boston leaders and organizations this week, as one group visited the city authorities on behalf of the park and another busily circulated petitions for lower transportation rates.

The park project would convert a large eyesore into a playground, utilizing some federal funds. The plan has been projected for some weeks, but has thus far been given an apparent official 'runaround.' Information from authoritative sources indicated, however, that the project could be obtained with sufficient local pressure. Several thousand Negroes are expected to be represented by the heads of the organizations that visit the city officials his week.

In the carefree battle the Negro citizens seek to have the present five cent zone extended farther into the section where Negro population is heaviest. The present carefree is ten cents. Petitions have been circulated and signed on a city wide scale in this effort.

The Los Cantores music club held their formal dancing party at the Fontenelle park pavilion, last Wednesday evening. A delightful time was had by all. The girls were prettily dressed in the gay summer formals which gave cheer and brightness to the party.

Miss Ethel Jones, the sponsor, was present and deserves much credit for the enthusiasm which she has worked up among the younger set.

Richmond, Va., Aug. 26 (ANP)—Established in 1893, the Southern Aid Society of Virginia, Inc., has just released its 44th annual statement showing gross assets of \$910,866.11; capital, paid-up, \$150,000; surplus \$221,907.56 and total claims paid to policyholders to Dec. 31, 1936, \$7,369,890.70. James T. Carter is president of the company.

Reports From Golf Meet at St. Paul

The following is an account of the Central States golf tournament held at Keller golf course, St. Paul, Minn., Sunday August 16th.

Sam Shepherd of St. Louis became Central States champion by defeating Johnny Williams of Minneapolis in a nine hole play off. After ending the 26th hole in a deadlock at 177, Shepherd carded a 40 in the overtime session to underscore Williams by six strokes. Williams, however, was medalist with an 84 in the morning qualifying round.

Second flight winner was Dr. Rummons, Kansas City, Mo., with 184. Hezzie Allen of Minneapolis, carded 186 for runnerup honors.

Percy Hughes, Minneapolis, won the third flight title with 202. N. Johnson of Des Moines and A. Black of Duluth shared runnerup honors with 210 each.

There were 40 participants representing St. Louis, Kansas City, Mo., Des Moines, Sioux Falls, S. D., Duluth, Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minn., and Omaha, Nebr.

At the annual meeting at the Sterling club following the tournament trophies were awarded to the champion, flight winners and runners up. A medal was presented to Atty. Chas. Howard of Des Moines, Ia., father of the Central States organizations, past president and three times champion.

The 1938 tournament was invited to Minneapolis and the organization visited to Minneapolis and the organization.

Tournament Figures

- 1st Flight Sam Shepherd, Kansas City, 177 Johnny Williams, Minneapolis, 177 Chas. Howard Des Moines, 179 Jackie Howard, Des Moines, 181 James Murray, Minneapolis, 182 Lonnie Thomas, Omaha, 182 Richard Young, St. Louis, 184 Boyd Galloway, Omaha, 184 P. W. Murray, Omaha, 185 D. L. Doty, Kansas City, 186 James Lee, Minneapolis, 187 Tom Donaldson, Minneapolis, 187 Malcolm Scott, Omaha, 205 2nd Flight Dr. Rummons, Kansas City, 184 Hezzie Allen Minneapolis, 186 Bert Davidson, Minneapolis, 191 Kenneth Hill, Kansas City, 189 Jessie Hutton, Omaha, 191 James Hughes, Minneapolis, 199 James Browder, Sioux Falls, 200 Roy Todd, Des Moines, 207 E. W. Woods, St. Louis, 205 Gene Murray, Omaha, 205 Wm. Wright, Minneapolis, 212 Chas. Noole, Minneapolis, 215 3rd Flight P. Hughes, Minneapolis, 202 N. Johnson, Des Moines, 210 Al Black, Duluth, 210 H. Wilkerson, Des Moines, 211 Bert Smith, Minneapolis, 214 Bobby Murray, Minneapolis, 214 Otis Woodward, Minneapolis, 216 Dr. Craig Morris, Omaha, 216 Mickey McGuire, St. Paul, 224 Morris Herndon, Kansas City, 230 Tom Coleman, St. Paul Ray Rucker, Kansas City John Shelby, St. Paul

Capt. and Mrs. J. C. Greer had for their week end guest, Mr. M. Greer, of Sioux Falls, S. D., Mr. M. Greer is the brother of Capt. Greer.

Miss Bernada Williams has come to Omaha to live with her uncle and aunt and sister, Mr. and Mrs. George Washington and Miss Ollie Williams at 2509 Grant street.

Church of God in Christ, 1204 No. 24th street, A great revival is going on. Being conducted by Baby Webster of Little Rock Ark. Come and hear this great man. Meeting very night.

Mr. Lincoln Perry (Stepin' Fetchit, as he is better known to the movie world), was the honored guest of his old friends, Ukulele Joe and Mrs. Thomas, of 2916 No. 28th street, for the past week. Stepin' Fetchit enjoyed himself immensely while in the city, and pleased to spend as much time as he did with his old friends.

The fresh and pure air, wonderful night and pleasant days, he enjoyed so much. He liked Omaha so much that he is planning to return in the near future.

Pittsburgh, Aug. 26 (PFS)—William Hutchins, 26 year old Negro fugitive from a Georgia chain gang, was sentenced last week to serve from three to six years in Western penitentiary after he had pleaded guilty to hobbery. Following completion of his sentence here, Hutchins will be turned over to Georgia authorities to finish a term of 27 to 40 years for robbery.

Blind Man Prays; Regains Hs Sight

Anniston, Ala., Aug. 26 (ANP)—A steady stream of curious people, both white and colored, has flocked to the little ramshackle edifice of the Church of God in Christ here, since Monday to view the site of "a modern miracle," through which, by the medium of prayer, blind Major Barron, sightless since birth, was made to see.

Barron is well known in West Anniston where for years he has made a bare existence by begging. Late Monday, with Rev. S. D. Brown, pastor of the church and H. C. Kidd, a member, the "Major" went to the church, to do—"in." Suddenly, those in the church described it—"some heavy prayer all agree the miracle happened. Declares Major Barron: "We had an inspiration, and suddenly the Lord lifted the black from my eyes. All of a sudden I could see and I jumped up in the air and praised the Lord."

Barron, according to witnesses, ran from the church, shouting "Hallelujah! Praise God, I can see." He later ran into a policeman who was about to arrest him as drunk, but when he heard his remarkable story the officer permitted him to continue his wild celebration. Barron is 37 years old.

Recalls Judge Black's Merciful Act

Birmingham, Aug. 26 (ANP)—A local newsman this week recalled a merciful act, 25 years ago, of United States Supreme Court Justice Hugo L. Black, at that time a judge in the Birmingham police court. The newsman said that a colored man faced the court to answer the charge of beating a white collector for a furniture company.

Asked to tell his story the prisoner said his wife was ill, he had already paid more than the original amount of the bill, but that the collector had come to insist on carrying out his threat to remove the household goods, the prisoner said he gave him a good beating.

Judge Black recessed the case, sent the colored man home to get his receipts, which showed that he had paid more than the furniture original cost, was still paying "interest." Thoroughly aroused, the judge dismissed the charges, warned the bandaged white collector not to molest the colored man's family further, then turned to the prisoner and said: "And if you pay another cent to that company, I'll put you in jail."

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Williams and daughter motored to Oklahoma City, Okla. They live on 2808 Ohio street. Mrs. Janie Burks, sister of Mrs. Williams returned with them, and will visit in the city a while. All reported a lovely trip.

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Southern Negro Youth Endorse Sen. Black

Richmond, Va., Aug. 26 (ANP)—Despite Sen. Hugo Black's widely known affiliation with the Ku Klux Klan its support of his election to the senate in 1926 as well as his reputed membership in it, plus his intention to filibuster against the Wagner-Van Nuys anti lynching bill had it come up for vote at this session of Congress, the Southern Negro Youth congress sent a telegram last week to Washington asking the Alabama senator's confirmation as a justice of the U. S. Supreme court.

The message, signed by William F. Richardson, chairman of the congress, declared his organization represents 250,000 "young colored Americans" who supported President Roosevelt's appointment of Black to the supreme court "in the light of Senator Black's record in interest of progress and equality."

It was sent to the judiciary committee of the U. S. Senate which at that time had not brought Black's name to the Senate proper for action.

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