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200 ATTEND NATIONAL YWCA CONVENTION

Operetta Was Presented At Zion Church

Cast Consisted Of Fifty High School Students

The operetta "Ghost of Lollypop Bay," presented at Zion Baptist church Monday evening, May 2, was indeed a grand success, both artistically and financially.

The Operetta presented under the direction of Miss Estelle T. Robertson, with Miss Bertha Young at the piano, drew hearty applause from the huge crowd which packed the Auditorium of Zion Baptist Church.

The Operetta, which was a 2-act play, was played to perfection by 50 High School boys and girls, color being added by Messrs. Paul Briggs, baritone, and Clifford Maykins, tenor, and Ersie Hayden, soprano. The Operetta was sponsored by the Busy Bee Club and the Junior choir in connection with the 50th Anniversary of Zion Baptist Church.

3 Fail In Attempt To Blame Crime On Negroes

Montgomery, Ala., May 1.—The attempt of two white women and a third man to blame Negroes for slugging him, and "rolled" him for white man failed here when police arrested all three for complicity in stealing of \$78 from Abrey Hendricks.

Hendricks went for an automobile ride and a round of roadhouses with the two women and their companion. When he flashed his money they drove to a lonely spot, slugged him, an d"rolled" him for \$78.

Later, two women appeared at the police station and told the two Negroes had held up Hendricks and themselves. But meanwhile, unknown to them, Hendricks had complained to the police and a white man had been arrested and identified by Hendricks as the man who robbed him. The two women were promptly locked up and police later announced that they had plotted with their male companion to rob Hendricks and blame the crime of two Negroes.

Appoint Three On Vocational Edu. Unit

Washington, D. C., May 7. (ANP)—The Board of Education last week appointed 9 Washington citizens on an advisory committee for vocational education. The committee personnel was chosen from three groups—employers, employees and homemakers—and each group has two white, one colored member. Each member serves for a one-year term, is eligible for re-appointment.

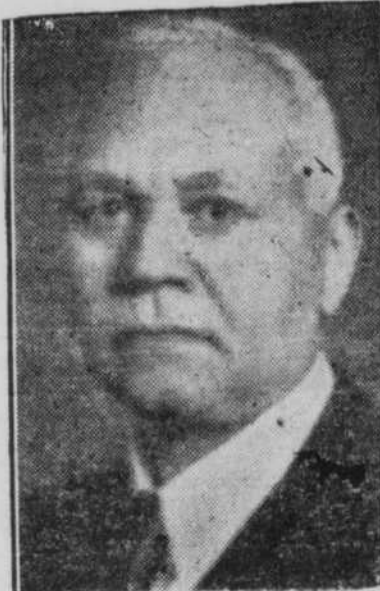
The colored members, Employers, Charles H. Fearing, business manager, Washington branch, North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Co.; Employees, Hilward R. Robinson, architect employed in the U. S. Department of Interior, and Homemakers, Mrs. Virginia R. McGuire.

The committee, of which Dr. Frank W. Ballou, superintendent of the Board of Education is executive chairman, will assist the board in developing its vocational education program, in cooperation with the George-Deen act, which provides Federal funds for vocational education.

Fined for Contempt

Washington, May 7. (ANP)—Offering an excuse for her not appearing against a man who had beaten her, that her "mother wouldn't let" her, proved useless for Helen Dade, age 22. Judge John P. McMahon fined her ten dollars in Police Court for failing to testify. The defendant, George Jackson, was discharged. After the testimony of Jackson, the young woman was called before the court and fined because of her failure to appear.

He Gives



DR. W. H. SLAUGHTER
Who gave cheerfully and substantially to the \$50,000 Meharry Cancer Clinic and raised among graduates of Meharry Medical college, Nashville, Tenn., recently, Dr. Slaughter, now a trustee of the college, settled in Oklahoma in territorial days and now has extensive realty holdings in Oklahoma City. He has also contributed to his rise to affluence, and he has a home that is noted throughout the Southwest.

(Calvin Service).

Chattanoogans In Tribute to the Late Mayor Thompson

Chattanooga, Tenn., May 7. (By Katie E. Johnson for ANP)—The leading citizens of Chattanooga gathered last Sunday night at Leonard St. Presbyterian church at a special service held in tribute to the memory of the late Mayor T. C. Thompson, long noted for his upright and unselfish work among the Negro race.

Included among the large audience were members of Mr. Thompson's family and many of his white associates and friends. The meeting was sponsored by colored members of the Interracial Committee, which the late Mayor served for years as chairman. Among the speakers were W. J. Davenport, principal of Howard high school, an old acquaintance of the late Mr. Thompson; Prof. L. W. Henderson, East Fifth Street Junior High; Rev. Jesse B. Babour, pastor Leonard Street church; A. M. Pennbacker, executive secretary, YMCA; Estes Kefauver, member Interracial Committee; Rev. M. C. Griffin, pastor Warren Chapel A. M. E. Church.

T. C. Thompson, jr., gave a short speech of appreciation on behalf of his family. Declared Prof. Henderson:

"Mr. Thompson's road to eminent success as a civic leader and to the hearts of his fellow citizens was measured by the yardstick of service to all, regardless of race, color or creed."

Get Your Tax Statement By Mail, by Just Calling ATLantic 7555

Negro residents of Omaha may obtain complete statements of any delinquent taxes by mail. Wilbur Jones, executive chairman of the delinquent campaign, told the Omaha Guide.

Requests for statements should be addressed directly to County Treasurer Otto Bauman at the court house, he said.

An individual may get a statement of any personal taxes he may owe merely by sending his full name and present address to the county treasurer's office, Mr. Jones said. Listing former Omaha residence addresses will facilitate the detail work necessary for the preparation of statements, he said.

"Handling of tax matters by mail aids both the taxpayer and the treasurer's office," he said. "The former is spared the inconvenience of waiting for statements to be prepared and the latter is given more time for checking of

Ex Service Msn Give Smokes to Sick Buddies

Chicago, May 7. (ANP)—The Ex-Service Men of Illinois, headed by Clifton E. Jones, state chairman, last Sunday paid their annual visit to sick buddies at Edward Hines hospital, distributed over 300 packages of cigarettes, cigars and tobacco to war veterans, both white and colored. In anticipation of the annual visit, the ex-service men recently held a dance at the 8th Regiment Armory, with a package of "smokes" as the only admission fee.

Red Cap Retires After 27 Years

Chicago, May 7. (ANP)—William Pryor Bell, 67-years-old, a well known Chicagoan and for years the chief usher at North Western station, last Thursday heard the "All Aboard" shout of the train conductor, officially for the last time, picked up his last piece of baggage for a hurrying passenger—and thus ended 27 years of active life as a Red Cap in the hustle and bustle of the train shed.

Owner of a six-apartment building on South Parkway and a 12-acre farm in Michigan, Retired Red Cap Bell anticipates a future active existence on the farm, whence he departed in 1890, to be a waiter on the Northern Pacific Railroad. He said:

"I've had what I call a great career. I've been successful anyway, and I've enjoyed working. Now it's back to the farm for me. That's my first love and it won't be hard to return to it."

His farm is located near a lake well stocked with fish. He plans to raise chickens and goats. Asked his recipe for success, Bell paid deserved tribute to his wife, thus:

"You can give all the credit to my wife: If it had been left in my hands I'd spent everything long ago."

Okla. Daily Thanks Republicans for Killing Lynch Bill

Ada, Okla., May 7.—An editorial expressing gratitude for the assistance which the Republican senators gave in killing the Gavagan-Wagner-Van Nuy anti-lynching bill, appeared here recently in the Evening News.

"Particular appealing...is the fact that the Republicans kept the ill-advised anti-lynching law from coming to a vote" the editorial declares. "By assisting the southern senators in keeping off the cloture rule they aided in keeping the vote off. Thus in the final analysis the Republicans combined with the southern senators to defeat the bill."

700 See and Hear Lue Swarz in Tulsa

Tulsa, Okla., May 7. (C)—An audience of more than 700 persons saw and heard the dynamic Lue Swarz, famed one-woman-show of St. Louis, who was presented by the chapter of Zeta Phi Beta sorority in her own inimitable characterization. An observer of the performance says: "The uncanny skill with which she depicted the life of Phyllis Wheatley attested her artistic wizardry. Changing from one character to another in rapid succession, speaking excellent English and broken dialect with equal facility, she was able to make her listeners 'see what was not there.' He costuming was authentic to the last detail. She is a splendid speaking actress, a brilliant pantomimist, able to carry much with a few words, making her audience feel rather than see the characters depicted." An informal reception was given Miss Swarz after the performance, during which she autographed many programs for her admirers.

Mrs. Roosevelt Wins Great Audience At Hampton Institute

Hampton Institute, Va., May 7. —Arriving at Hampton Institute without pom, fanfare or ceremony of any kind, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, by her simplicity, earnestness and friendly charm, won the great host of people gathered on the campus to hear her make the seventieth anniversary address.

Driving her own car, with but one companion, she entered the grounds so unobtrusively that she almost missed the gates before the crowd assembled there was aware of her presence. Waving her greetings when she was discovered, she went through a group of applauding citizens, to the Mansion House where she was the guest of President Howe.

A little after two o'clock in the afternoon, in a car with the latter, she was driven through two lines of young women to Orden Hall, where she was greeted by representatives of the Hampton Institute Board of Trustees. From the steps of the building, she reviewed the young women and young men students, as they passed before her into the auditorium.

Escorted to the platform, Mrs. Roosevelt turned to face an audience that filled every seat. Immediately, the group stood and paid her a marked tribute of respect.

Washington Lawyers Elect New President

Washington, May 7. (ANP)—Following the tenth annual celebration of lawyers' day, George A. Parker, dean of the Robert H. Terrell Law School, has been elected president of the Washington Bar Association. Mr. Parker succeeds William L. Houston, special assistant to the attorney general, Edward P. Lovett was elected first president; Belford W. Lawson, second vice president; George W. Peterson, secretary and Augusta W. Gray, treasurer. Elected to the executive committee were Dr. Leon Ransom, Thurman L. Dodson, Edward W. Howard and Richard B. Atkinson. William A. Lee, Jr., was elected corresponding secretary.

Interesting features marked the celebration which was participated in by George E. C. Hayes, who discussed "Police Brutality in the District," and Richard B. Atkinson who discussed "Suffrage in the District." E. W. Howard and Thurman L. Dodson, presided over the meetings.

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Delta President Returns From Trip: Reports Progress In East Section

Los Angeles, May 7. (ANP)—After a very extensive trip visiting Delta chapters throughout the East and South, Mrs. Vivian O. Marsh grand president of Delta Sigma Theta returned to California. She made interesting reports of the progress of chapters in these sections and their worth to the communities. While in Los Angeles she was the guest of Nu Sigma Chapter. Among her activities were Guest of honor at a dinner party given by Mr. and Mrs. Theodore on Saturday night; Sunday she spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. J. Allen Reese at their home at the beach; and also the guest of Mrs. Arthur Reese; Monday, theater and dinner and Mrs. Senola Reese; Tuesday, theater party, dinner and bridge with Dr. and Mrs. Charles Jackson, Wednesday, speaker for the NAACP at Santa Monica of

Rev H. B. Johnson In K. C. to Train Large Baptist Chorus

Kansas City, Mo., May 7. (ANP)—Rev. H. B. Johnson, nationally known chorister arrived here on May 3, to be present at a meeting held at Paseo hall, attended by singers of the various choirs here and in Kansas City, Mo., who will spend one month in intensive training for the summer school of Method. Dr. Henry Allen Boyd, Sunday School Congress secretary and head of the National Baptist Publishing Board, Nashville, was also present at the opening meeting.

Dr. Boyd said he hoped the two cities would furnish at least 1,000 voices for the 1938 Congress chorus, under Prof. Johnson's direction. Dr. R. J. Jordan, in charge of the preliminary in assembling the giant chorus, said all rehearsals will be held in Paseo Hall.

J. Weldon Johnson Advises Theater Cast

Chicago, May 7. (ANP)—James Weldon Johnson, lecturer, teacher, poet and novelist, spoke at the South Parkway YWCA to the Negro People Theatre Group and friends last Saturday on "The Art Approach" as a means of solving some of the problems Negroes face as a race. Some 60 of persons heard Mr. Johnson declare that since many of the "Negroes stereotypes" were begun and have been perpetuated thru art media, they can be fought most effectively thru the same media. He advised the group to stay away from plays about "Negro" intellectuals and the middle-class (which usually set out to prove that the Negro is a human being, etc.) since they are usually dully respected and severed from the land and vita struggle.

Mr. Johnson voiced the opinion that the best in the Negro can be shown thru a Mississippi Negro farmer in his struggle with the land and his environment. He touched briefly on the class basis of the Negro's struggle and the necessity of breaking down the "stereotypes" before class unity can be achieved.

Saulding Tuskegee Commencement Speaker, May 22

Tuskegee May 7. (C)—Honorable Charles Clinton Spaulding, LL. D., president of the National Negro Business League, and president of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance company and the Mechanics & Farmers bank of Durham, N. C., will be the commencement orator at Tuskegee Institute, in the Institute Chapel, at 2 p. m. Thursday, May 26, it was announced by President F. D. Patterson, Tuesday. Dr. Charles H. Wesley, acting dean of the Liberal Arts department of Howard University, Washington, will be the baccalaureate speaker in the afternoon of Sunday, May 22.

No Federal Law Is Violated In Kidnap Of White Bride

New York, May 7.—The Federal Bureau of Investigation (G-Men) has indicated that the Lindbergh kidnaping act was not violated when the white bride of William Stewart, colored, was taken forcibly from her honeymoon apartment in Chicago and returned to New York in charge of her relatives and a doctor.

The NAACP, which has been trying to get the Department of Justice to act in kidnaping and lynching cases involving colored people, requested an investigation by the G-men as soon as the alleged kidnaping of Stewart's bride was made public. The NAACP previously had reported the Ab Young kidnaping and lynching in 1935 to the G-men because Young was taken across the Tennessee-Mississippi line and lynched. The department failed to act.

The NAACP also reported the Claude Nal kidnaping and lynching in 1934, when Neal was taken from Alabama into Florida and lynched. The department also refused to act here. In calling the department's attention to the Stewart case, the Association acted merely on principle and not from any interest in the details of the Stewart interracial marriage tangle.

Two Race Women Are Re-elected to National Board

Columbus, O., May 7. (ANP)—With more than 200 colored women among the more than two thousand delegates in attendance, the YWCA held one of its most successful conventions in history here last week. Two of them, Mrs. Jessie Heslip of Toledo and Mrs. E. P. Roberts of New York, were re-elected to the national board.

The spirit of friendliness and cooperation between white and colored was so great that several were moved to contrast the current convention with conferences of 20 or more ago. One of the highlights of the nationwide meeting was a dinner at the Neil house where members of the national board and staff, paid tribute to Mrs. Cordelia Winn, white, of New York, advisory secretary for Negro branches of the association throughout the country.

Mrs. Pauline J. Lawrence, Chicago, was named to the National Budgeting committee. Other delegates participated in all discussions, with Miss Frances Williams, of the official staff, New York, one of a group of ten in a round table forum on "The Role of Woman." The Chicago delegation of eight was saddened by an accident involving Mrs. Roscoe G. Giles, who tripped, breaking her ankle. She returned home before the convention ended.

British Ponder On African Problems

London, Eng., May 7. (ANP)—Britain's native policy in Africa was discussed last week by the chairman of the Rhodesian Royal Commission, Lord Bledisloe and a group of prominent educators and historians. Lord Bledisloe, former Government-General of New Zealand said that a lack of knowledge of the various African tongues was a handicap in understanding African problems.

Prof. William McMillan declared that until the Native Economic Commission had reported in the Union's African policy was already drafted. He feared Southern Rhodesia might do the same thing. Dr. A. B. Xuma, an African, suggested that if Britain adopted a progressive policy in the Protectorates, it would serve as an example to the rest of South Africa.

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