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STORE CHARGED WITH SHORT WEIGHT

Baptist Regional Convention Meets Here

Conclave Meets at Zion Church May 24, 25, 26

The Regional meet of the National Baptist Convention (Inc.) A. S. A. will meet May 24, 25 and 26. Also the pre-convention program will be held May 23.

There will be a chorus of three hundred voices in the mammoth chorus, including some of the outstanding soloists of the city and community. The principal speaker will be of national reputation.

Three hundred delegates will be in attendance at this meeting. There will be consecration service morning.

Dr. C. H. Hickerson, Hutchinson, Kas.; Dr. S. C. Doyle, Kansas City, Mo.; and Dr. W. M. Thomas, Leavenworth, Kas. will conduct these meetings.

Reveal Marriage of Steele And Dawes

Boston, May 21 (ANP)—Instead of waiting until June, Julian Devereaux Steele and Miss Mary Bradley ("Polly") Dawes, white and already married, it was announced Wednesday at the office of the bridegroom's attorney, the ceremony, which climaxed an inter-racial romance that shook New England, resulted in Steele's resignation as director of the Robert Shaw settlement house and Miss Dawes' resignation from an exclusive school in Providence, R. I., where she taught music, was performed at a small church in New York City.

In obtaining a marriage license in New York on May 4, Steele listed himself as 31, a social worker, and his birthplace as Savannah, Ga. Miss Dawes said she was 30, a teacher, born in Clinton, Mass., the daughter of Fred Dawes and the former Ada Taylor, an English woman. Both gave addresses from near Harlem.

Steele, a Harvard graduate, first met his bride when she was a social worker in the settlement house several years ago. Miss Dawes, who attended an exclusive girls' school in Nashville, is socially prominent in New England. She is a niece of Charles Gates Dawes, former Republican vice president, and a descendant of the Dawes who was a colleague of Paul Revere, Revolutionary war hero.

The bride's parents were opposed to the match, but there was nothing they could do to stop it. Steele sent in his resignation after his romance became known to the public and officials of the settlement house accepted it, although their action has created considerable resentment. He is of the opinion that the publicity attending his union is "unfortunate and unnecessary."

Boston Church Fire Routs 200 at Meeting

Boston, Mass., May 21 (ANP)—A fire last week in the basement of St. Mark's A.M.E. church, near Central Square, Cambridge, broke up a meeting of the Lewis Hayden Commandery Knights Templar and its auxiliary, Syrene court No. 7, and drove the 200 members into the street.

Rev. H. L. Moore who was conducting the annual memorial services, had just called for the collection to be taken up when the smoke began pouring through a door in back of the church. An investigation revealed that the basement was engulfed with flames, which spread so rapidly that escape throughout the main entrance upstairs was momentarily threatened. Police broke open a side door, through which many of the audience escaped.

Mr. Simmons Gets High Appointment By Calvert Dist.



ENIL F. SIMPSON

Calvert Distillers Corporation, distillers of Calvert's "Reserve," "Special," and "Old Drum" whiskeys, in appreciation of the fine Negro patronage which it receives, announces with pleasure the appointment of Enil F. Simpson in an important executive position.

Mr. Simpson has been affiliated with the Negro press for sixteen years and was formerly manager of the Chicago Defender, Metropolitan News of Chicago, and the New Amsterdam News. Recently he was director of Negro sales of Vellach's, Inc., Harlem's 125th Street store. In the latter establishment he started as sales promotion manager and was later promoted to assistant manager of the store. This we understand established a precedent in New York City as well as throughout the country.

The appointment of Mr. Simpson should be looked upon with favor by members of the Negro race who are interested in the progress of its members in positions of an executive nature. Mr. Simpson is well qualified by actual experience and training to carry on the duties of his new position with dignity and reserve and hopes to demonstrate to others of his race and to his new employers his ability to merchandise and market to a group whose spending power is in excess of two billion dollars annually, representing one-tenth of the population of the United States.

Mr. Simpson's duties will be to direct promotion sales in this group to make surveys and recommendations, and to see that at all times those of his race are shown the same consideration which is shown to others.

White House Officer To Speak in Boston

Boston, May 21 (ANP)—Mrs. Elizabeth H. McDuffie, White House employee and officer of the United Government Employees organization in Washington, delivered an address at Harriet Tubman center on "The Colored Citizen and Four Billion Dollar 1938 Relief Bill before Congress."

Mrs. McDuffie outlined the proposed UGE Tower building project and the \$2,000,000 proposal presented before the appropriations committee of the house of representatives in Washington on Monday by Edear G. Brown, president of the United Government Employees, Inc., on the invitation of sub-committee chairman, Congressman Woodrum of Virginia.

The plan encompasses transferring 100,000 women from the relief rolls of the nation to WPA Household Workers Demonstration projects throughout the country, there to train them in the latest practices of modern home making in all its scientific phases.

Placements will be then made in the American homes where there are 400,000 available jobs in domestic service according to a recent survey of the U. S. Employment Service conducted by the Department of Labor.

Nat'l Association Head Speaks to S. C. Medics

Columbia, S. C., May 21 (ANP)—Addressing the 42nd annual session of the Palmetto Medical Association advised his fellow doctors to become more interested in the civic and economic life of their communities and to encourage qualified youths to prepare for the medical profession. He declared:

"First in importance is the shortage of graduates from accredited dental and pharmaceutical colleges. During the past year there were approximately 188 dental graduates and about 11 graduates in dentistry of our own from all the accredited colleges of the country. These figures send a signal warning in view of the following facts: I my own state, Georgia, there is a Negro population of about one million, but there are only 103 Negro physicians and 59 dentists.

"This means that there is only one physician to every 5,000 of the Negro population; and one Negro dentist to every 18,000 of the Negro population. In Alabama the Negro population is almost one million, but there are only 116 physicians, or approximately one to every 8,000 of the Negro population there are only 45 dentists, or about one to every 20,000 of the Negro population. Thus we can readily see why there is such a high mortality rate among our rural people.

"I have authentic reports that in the rural areas there is a scarcity of physicians, the charge to patients for a call is reckoned by the mile not by the regular price of a profession call. For instance, if a physician makes a call to a family who lives 25 miles from town, then the price is \$25 for one visit. Many times the illness of one child will consume the entire income of the family for a whole year. Shall we sit idly by and see our profession dwindle into a negligible factor in the life of our race?" Pointing to the need for more Negro pharmacists, Dr. Hill continued:

"If we wish to encourage young men to study pharmacy it is our duty to provide good jobs for them. Last year Meharry Medical college was forced to close the department of Pharmacy, simply because there was not a sufficient number of students applying for courses to warrant its upkeep.

"We might consider establishing community drug stores, drug stores in which the community buy stock, and those persons of the community with business ability sit on the board of directors. The boys in the community will be the soda-jerkers, clerks, etc. If serious thought is given to this, many good suggestions will occur to you. We must build for tomorrow, we must build that our sons and daughters may stand on firmer ground."

Va. Farmers Meet

Petersburg, Va., May 21 (ANP)—More than 2,500 farmers, representing 34 Virginia counties gathered at Virginia State college Wednesday to participate in the Annual Farmers conference held under the joint sponsorship of the United States Extension service and the college's Division of Agriculture.

The conference is designed to acquaint farmers of the state with the latest development in agriculture and the part which the college through its extension program, plays in the promotion of better farm production and better farm life. Under the leadership of Field Agent J. B. Pierce of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and Dr. J. L. Lockett, director of Virginia State College's Division of Agriculture, the conference has become a force in the improvement of farm conditions in the state and in the education of farm people.

Knot Hole Gang Praised By Editor

Chattanooga, Tenn., May 21 (By Katie E. Johnson for ANP) "Joe Engel's Knot-Hole Gang," school children up to 14 years old who have a 98 per cent school attendance record and attend Sunday school regularly, drew high praise last week from Morgan Blake, sports editor of the Atlanta Journal. This Knot-Hole gang last year had 4,000 whites and 2,000 colored boys who attended free till Chattanooga baseball games except those on Sunday.

Blake, who was here to attend the opening Chattanooga-Atlanta games in the Southern league, wrote in his paper "There is a section of the stands at Chattanooga reserved for the white boys and another for the colored boys. I wish you could see the decorum by these kids at that game, said Joe Engel, generally the little colored boys. They make all the din you can imagine a lot of kids would make, but they all conduct themselves like little gentlemen. They never start any fights, because that would count against them in the knot-hole gang records."

Forum Hears Gov.

Rocky Mount, N. C., May 21 (A. N. P.)—America may produce the fourth "great race" Gov. Clyde R. Hoey told a meeting of the Rocky Mount Civic forum, an organization completing its fourth year, Sunday in the auditorium of Booker T. Washington high school.

Gov. Hoey told the audience, "I am glad to talk to you because of your interest in public affairs. I am always interested in an audience like this."

In an eloquent spirited address the governor reviewed the philosophies of "the three great races," and suggested that America might produce her fourth. The philosophies he referred to were the Greek, "know thyself;" the Roman, "control thyself;" and the Hebrew, "deny thyself."

ATTEND THE MAY DAY FESTIVAL SUNDAY MAY 22, 1938

Explain Reasons for Closing of Harlem's Dunbar Bank

New York, May 21, (ANP)—From sources close to the officials of the Dunbar bank, a definite statement which led to John D. Rockefeller's ordering the liquidation of the Dunbar National bank was made this week to ANP.

"Mr. Rockefeller," said the informant, "first built the Dunbar Gardens in Harlem because he felt that the housing facilities for Negroes were inadequate and that if it could be demonstrated that it was a good investment for capital to build houses for Negroes, other persons of wealth might follow his example.

"The original idea was to sell the homes on a co-operative basis to the tenants. That plan failed largely because the depression descended shortly after they were completed and the tenants who had started the purchase of homes were forced to liquidate their holdings.

"The government then entered the field and build low cost housing directly adjacent to the Dunbar Gardens. If that project proves successful it will be followed by others. The need for which Mr. Rockefeller entered the field was, therefore, satisfied so he withdrew, arranging to dispose of

Had Good Year



HON. WM. NICKERSON, JR.

President of the Golden State Mutual Life Insurance company, 4111 Central avenue, Los Angeles, Calif., who reports a good year in 1937, income being \$342,495.19, the company, organized in 1925, has assets of \$299,875.04, and surplus of \$54,131.91. It has paid \$785,994.78 in claims since organization. George A. Beavers, Jr., is vice president and N. O. Houston, secretary-treasurer. A native of San Jacinto county, Texas, Mr. Nickerson was educated at Bishop and Prairie View, and taught school before entering the insurance business at Dallas in 1905.

(Calvin Service)

Blame Jap War On Nation Race Refusal

Washington, May 14 (ANP)—Japan's aggression in China is the result of the refusal of white Occidental nations to accord her racial equality, according to Miss Muriel Lester, "the Jane Addams of London," who spoke here last week at a dinner given by the National Council for Prevention of War.

"It was a black day for the Orient," Miss Lester said, "when the white statesmen at Versailles after the World war decided to refuse the request for race equality put forward by Japanese representatives. When the news was telegraphed to Tokio, liberals were immediately, discredited and militarists seated firmly in the saddle. We may as well face the fact that our personal indulgence in race prejudice is contributing today to the agony of China.

Beuhler Employee Found Guilty In Court; Fined \$20

Prominent Omahan Passed On Thursday

Mr. John C. Parker, 112 North 43rd Ave. died Thursday morning at 1:30 at St. Joseph's Hospital where he had undergone an Appendectomy operation.

Mr. Parker who was residing in Omaha for 53 years, coming here from Chillicothe, Ohio, was a retired mail carrier and is reported to have been 76 years old at his death.

Mr. Parker served St. John's A.M.E. church in various official capacities for more than thirty years. These included director of the church choir, director of S. S. Choir, secretary of the official boards, teacher of the Bible classes, president of the Allers Christian Endeavor League. At the time of his death he was still actively engaged in the work of the church.

The deceased leaves to survive him, Mrs. J. C. Parker, his devoted wife, two nieces of Chicago, and a Nephew of Atlantic City, N. J.

Funeral services have not been arranged as we go to press. His body is at the Joseph D. Lewis Funeral Home.

Don Bryant, 206 North 16th Street, an employe of BUEHLER BROTHERS who have stores located at 2501 No. 24th St., 4903 South 24th Street and 212 North 16th Street was found guilty of short weight in Police court Tuesday morning, May 10. It is a matter of record in the Police court that the Police officer bringing the charge was an eye witness to the weight fraud on the part of said butcher who willfully charged a customer \$1.28 for a cut of meat that by weight and price was found only should have cost \$1.23. Upon noting such UNFAIR PRACTICE on the part of the butcher the arresting officer apprehended the cut of meat, the sales ticket and the butcher, and subsequently carried the perpetrator of UNFAIR PRACTICE down to the police station where he filed a charge of violation of said ordinance which governs weights and measure, as true evidence against the butcher employed by BUEHLER BROTHERS, resulting in Don Bryant, a butcher employed by BUEHLER BROTHERS, being fined \$20.00 and costs in Judge Palmer's court.

The City weights and measures office prosecuted the case. Mr. Marcellus Ritchie, Inspector of Weights and Measures, was the arresting officer.

Man Killed When He Is Caught Between Fire

Ga. Bank Aids Negro Farm Boys and Girls

Savannah, Ga., May 21 (ANP)—Sixty-three Negro 4-H club boys and girls from 12 counties of Georgia gathered here Saturday at State college to complete their year's projects in raising beef cattle.

Early last Fall the Citizens and Southern National Bank, a white institution, financed the project by giving each of the contesting boys and girls a calf and taking a note to cover payment when the matured calf is sold on the market.

"It was an impressive sight," said Alexander Hurs, Negro Club Agent, "when these boys and girls went to the bank in a body and paid their notes."

"A fine experience in learning how business is conducted," said J. H. Stone, Negro State Extension Leader.

1847 North 24th St., was the scene of a gruesome murder Saturday night at exactly 11:00 P. M. when Napoleon Merritt Jackson, former waiter and innocent bystander was instantly killed when caught within the line of fire which was being enacted by Willie Brice, 2728 Parker Street and Bennie A. Bates of 2407 N. 29th Street.

According to Brice, one of the principals in the shooting, he was dealing poker for the house in a game which included Bates as a player. Brice said Bates lost \$2.50 and then complained that the game wasn't honest. Rather than argue, he said, he refunded Bates' money only to have Bates return to the game and again lose.

When Bates arose from the table the second time, Brice said, he whipped out an automatic and started shooting in the direction of Brice and Beasley who is reported to have been in the argument. Brice then retaliated with a .45 automatic which he had obtained upon going to the safe to get Bates' refund.

Most of the occupants of the place dived under pool tables when the shooting started, but Jackson who was 65 years old apparently became bewildered, tried to make his exit. He was killed within a half step of the door.

When police arrived they found the establishment virtually vacant but rounded up the duelist shortly after midnight. Brice is alleged to have surrendered to Deputy Sheriff Ward while Bates was apprehended in the rear of 2927 Parker street. Having been arraigned Brice was charged with second degree murder, intent to wound and intent to murder. Bates was charged with intent to murder. Both are held without bail.

Book On Southern Negro Published

Hattiesburg Miss., May 21, (ANP)—Publication by the Yale University Press of "Southern Negroes—1861-65" written by Dr. B. I. Wiley, white, history professor at Mississippi State Teachers college here has just been announced.

The 366 page volume is an account of the experience of Southern Negroes during the Civil war. The opening chapter captioned, "The Coming of the Yankees," tells what the slaves thought when they first beheld the invaders, what they thought of the war and how they acted when they were freed.

In subsequent chapters, Dr. Wiley tells of the conduct of the slaves on the plantation during the war, experiences of the "body servants" who went to war with Northern army.

The author began work on the volume six years ago while a graduate student at Yale, and was awarded two consecutive traveling fellowships by Yale for its completion. In 1935 the manuscript won the \$1,000 Baruch prize for the best essay submitted in a two-year competition on a Southern subject.

Prominent Couple Celebrate Their First Wedding Anniversary

On Monday, May 9, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Price entertained their bridal party and a few friends at an elaborate dinner party in their home. The table was exquisite with a complete service of crystal and King Edward, the Eighth light silverware.

Snap dragons, tulips, roses and carnations were used throughout the house for decoration. This very fine couple received many beautiful gifts.