

DEAN M. A. TALLEY STIRS LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles—Dean Marshall A. Talley, secretary of religious education of the National Baptist Conventions has just completed one of the most helpful preaching and teaching missions ever conducted in Los Angeles, according to reports of Baptist leaders here.

The National Baptist Convention and the National Sunday School and BYFU Congress. Dean Talley represented the National Convention in its debt-clearing drive and received approximately \$3000 in pledges for this cause.

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Dr. Talley had high praise for Dr. Griffith for the new advance undertaken by him in Leadership Training in California and for Dr. A. Wendell Ross, pastor of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, whose new book, "The Christ," was characterized as "an unexampled classic in the field of Christology, dealing with the life and personality of our Lord. Dr. Talley, who is an author himself having written "A Socratic Exposition of Genesis," urged the necessity for more trained writers in the religious field.

The noted dean was the recipient of many social courtesies while in the city, being entertained by the following leaders: Dr. and Mrs. W. D. Carter, regional vice president of the National Baptist Convention, Pasadena; Dr. and Mrs. H. B. Thomas, Santa Barbara; Rev. and Mrs. W. P. Carter, Santa Monica; Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Pius, Los Angeles, and at a dinner attended by several ministers, prepared and served by the Missionary Union of the Trinity Baptist Church and pastored by that genial, scholarly gentleman, Dr. J. L. Caston.

Lincoln, Dec. 28—Charles E. Sandall, state director of the Nebraska Brewers and Beer Distributors Committee, today looked back with satisfaction on the Committee's record of assistance to law enforcement officials during the past year in their effort to maintain licensed retail beer outlets on a high plane.

confidence and with a conviction that real and substantial progress is being made in proper liquor control," Sandall said. "We wish especially to congratulate the State Liquor Commission for its wise and aggressive handling of the numerous problems which come up for solution from day to day."

The committee which Sandall directs has actively cooperated with the Liquor Commission and county authorities by presenting evidence in cases of liquor law violation which have resulted in revocation, suspension, cancellation and denial of licenses and padlocking of unlicensed "joints."

"Our actions have demonstrated the sincerity of our program, and we are glad to say that the plan and purpose of self-regulation within the industry as an aid to the law enforcement agencies has been cordially received by the authorities, the press and the public."

"The brewing industry is wholeheartedly on the side of law observance and law enforcement. The State Committee will continue in the future as it has in the past to assist in improving the conditions under which beer is dispensed."

HELPING HAND CLUB The Helping Hand Club of Mt. Moriah Baptist Church met December 19 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Speese where they had a Christmas party. The members exchanged gifts and played games. A delicious repast of ice cream, cake, nuts and candy was served by the hostess. Everyone reported a good time.

CITY BYPU TO MEET AT PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH The Omaha City BYPU will meet at the Pilgrim Baptist Church, 25th Hamilton Street, Dec. 31, 1939 at 5:30. This being the Annual meeting, the officers are requested to be present. A special program will be rendered. Visitors are always welcome.

Mrs. Francis Lee Hawkins of Ashdown, Ark., mother of Mrs. M. Louise Cooper was one of Omaha's Christmas visitors and guest of her children, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cooper, 2624 Blondo St. Reporting making the 700 miles by the KCS, and Burlington streamliners, sometimes at 85 miles per hour. Arriving Friday Dec. 22nd. She states a very pleasant trip and immediately fell in love with Omaha. She will remain in the city two weeks or more, returning via Kansas City to visit a brother. Christmas was indeed a merry one for the Coopers. Special Christmas dinner was served at 4 P.M. for five other guests who were: Miss Ruth Cram, and Mrs. James Nelson.

WILL THE NEW YEAR END THIS PRACTICE? LOUIE MONTGOMERY, great little sable halfback of Boston college's football team, will again be forced to sit on the sidelines while his white mates play Clemson college in the Cotton bowl classic at Dallas on Jan. 1. Curtis Stanford president of the Cotton Bowl A. A., in an exclusive (U. P.) release had the following to say on the subject: "We conferred with Boston officials and Montgomery will come to Texas with the team but will not play."

The terse statement from Boston seem to convey that: "In view of the general attitude towards Negroes in Texas, it was deemed advisable Montgomery refrain from playing." As year after year these inequalities and inhuman prejudices are heaped upon a people number some 15,000,000 in the country, we eternally ask ourselves the question "Will this year see the end of such?" None of us are going to take these issues lying down as they say in the vernacular, still we can't hope to win

the fight alone or single handed. If the New Year finds us soliciting the aid of thousands of white friends who all along have been intelligent and human enough to see the injustice of such continued procedure in sports and elsewhere we'll at least be in a fighting condition to successfully combat the cancerous growth.

Let's get out and carry the ball for little Lou Montgomery. Right through the line and kick the winning point so squarely between the goal posts that official will be constrained in the least to make a mistake in adjudging it fair.

FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE (By Arden H. Duane for ANP) Nearly everybody likes a party New Year's Eve. It seems a fitting way to end the old year to start the new don't you think so a gala finish that is a triumph beginning.

The theme of the evening, music dancing, games, and certainly food! So, if the party is to be at your house, here is a suggestion to help you plan. Both are very simple and may be prepared well in advance so you won't miss any of the fun. Have fun! And a Happy New Year!

Mulled Cider Punch Sea Food Melange Star Aspic Stuffed celery Assorted Pickles Crackers Bread and butter Crackers Fruit Cake Bread and Butter Sandwiches Black Coffee Bowl of Assorted Fruits and Walnuts

Merry Merry Christmas and dined and danced and enjoyed the Yuletide as it should be enjoyed. But, along with all this, being a fashion sleuth at heart, we've noted the trend of the styles issued out by Santa from his famous pack.

Star Aspic: Two cans condensed tomato soup, two envelopes (two tablespoons) unflavored gelatine, four tablespoon cold water, four tablespoon prepared horse radish, one-half teaspoon salt, two cups finely chopped celery.

JIMMIE FIDLER PAYS GLOWING TRIBUTE TO HATTIE MCDANIEL Compares Colored Star With Immortal Marie Dressler Hollywood, Dec. 28 (ANP)—Last Tuesday, in his syndicated, nationally read movie column, Jimmie Fidler, ace commentator, paid high compliment to the artistry of Hattie McDaniel's portrayal of Scarlett O'Hara's mammy in "Gone With the Wind," multi-million dollar film epic starring Clark Gable, Vivian Leigh and Olivia de Havilland and others.

Declared Fidler: "Hattie, with one of the greatest dramatic performances of all time, steals that picture. Long after I've forgotten their work (the other stars), I'll still see the emotion-wracked, ebony face of Hattie, tears coursing down her cheeks as she pleads for Olivia de Havilland's help outside the room where Scarlett's and Rhett's baby lies dead.

"The most prejudiced critic alive could not watch her work without admitting that it is acting at its artistic best. And where does this Negro artist go from here? Why, back to playing incidental, comedy maids, of course. An actress comparable with the immortal Marie Dressler, has flashed like a dark meteor across the screen—and now must disappear because Hollywood can't give her adequate parts. No one's to blame, least of all the producers who would ask nothing better than to capitalize on her ability.

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"But it won't be easy for me to laugh at Hattie's comedy in the future, for I'll never be able to overlook the tragic fact that a very great artist is being wasted."

DILLARD BOOKS GAMES

New Orleans, La. Dec. 28—The Dillard football eleven will venture far afield during the next two years, it was disclosed today in an announcement by Mr. A. W. Dent, chairman of the athletic committee. Two-year contracts have just been signed with Fisk University and Talladega College which call for a game with each school in its home city in the course of two years. The Fisk Bulldogs will journey to New Orleans in 1940 for their first encounter with the Devils, and the Crimson Tornado of Talladega will invade the Crescent City in 1941.

FASHIONETTE

By Hazel L. Griggs for ANP Holiday Party Scene Chicago, Dec. 28—Yes, we've Merry Christmas and dined and danced and enjoyed the Yuletide as it should be enjoyed. But, along with all this, being a fashion sleuth at heart, we've noted the trend of the styles issued out by Santa from his famous pack.

The Alpha Kappa Alpha twilight dance here Christmas day brought out an array of fashionables that it yearly attracts. Being an informal affair from six until ten, afternoon frocks were the order of the day, and new Christmas bundles had been shook out of all their glittering wrappings to put in an appearance.

Black was the color most seen dotted among the dancers as they waltzed and swung around the Yule tree, but winter pastels ran a close second as well as a new group, smoky pastels, soft shades of blue, rose, grey, lime and toast. Black with frothy accents of white however, seemed to be most popular, and this combination is always flattering and appealing.

An especially interesting frock was the spang-new inky crepe lace trimmed model worn by a gay young matron. Featuring the new lowered waist line with horizontal tucking at the hips and across the bosom, the dress had a V-shaped neck which was delightfully edged with a crisp, snowy lace ruching.

Festive jackets and skirt combinations were also quite popular, lame and moire jacket blouses with crepe skirts. One, red with white icing embroidery, was very effective with its black gored skirt. Another, a shining turquoise lame peplum type with gold threadings, topped a gold faille skirt.

Turbans still continue to hold their own in the millinery scene, and were much in evidence topping curly coiffures. Velvet has given way to belting ribbon, faille and crepes in most cases, but a popular co-ed home for the holidays, was very pert in a holly red quilted velveteen turban which matched her quilted mittens.

Suede turbans were also seen, often catching up the color note of suede bags. A fur pom-pom, keyed to her new fur coat was worn by one chic debutante. All in all, for gaiety, style and beauty, the Alpha Kappa Alpha dance was the starry Christmas symbol Chicagoans have grown to expect from this group. Proceeds go to their scholarship fund, you know. The affair ushered in a gay, crammed Yuletide week, brimming with eggnogs, evening parties etcetera, etcetera, bringing out some of the loveliest party frocks I've seen, but more about them next week.

Calvins digest By L. Baynard Whitney

MERIT KEEPS ON WINNING—The great artistic triumph of Dorothy Maynor at Town Hall in New York is a victory for the race. Proud as we are of the luminaries in the cultural heavens who are keeping the Negro in forefront of great achievements, Miss Maynor's success provides an individual and collective thrill of justifiable pride. It gives us all a lift and a more than welcomed topic of conversation amid the discouraging thoughts of war and economic distress. Our mood of thanks and celebration is very nigh akin to Christmas and New Year's Eve, but with benefits far more lasting.

"She should be able to reach almost any height as one of the leading concert singers of her generation," said Olin Downs in The New York Times in addition to declaring enthusiastically that the great soprano "had virtually everything needed by a great artist." That fine criticism, I think, ranks next in importance to Miss Maynor's being found by Koussevitsky of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. And all the Great Lights of the musical world came to her debut—and heaped upon Miss Maynor praises well deserved.

Yet, this triumph would not have taken place if Miss Maynor and those who sponsored her had "let down," retrenched or become conservative at any point on the road to glory; not once did they allow "conditions of the times" to decelerate their climb to the heights. They know that the 'Will to Win' is the paramount thing, the great Power that makes millionaires during Depressions and in the same season grants fame and fortune to stars like Dorothy Maynor.

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