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Make America's answer roar over the world.  
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### NAACP REPORTS 5 LYNCHINGS Tuskegee Reports Four

NAACP SEES NEW LYNCHING TECHNIQUE IN COURTROOM KILLINGS; REPORTS FIVE KNOWN LYNCHINGS FOR '41

New York—Five known lynchings and two fatal attacks on Negroes in Texas courtrooms marked the United States record of mob violence for 1941, the NAACP announced this week.  
The NAACP sees the beginning of a new lynching technique in the killing of Bob White in a courtroom at Conroe, Texas, and of Mott Flournoy in a Lufkin, Texas court by allegedly aggrieved husbands of so-called rape victims. Bob White was shot by W. S. Cochrane, wealthy Texas landowner, June 10, when White was on trial for his life for the third time. Flournoy was stabbed in the chest by Roy Morehouse, November 23.  
Other known lynchings recorded by the NAACP in conjunction with Tuskegee Institute, Ala., occurred at Fort Benning, Ga.; Quincy, Fla.; Blakely, Ga.; Georgetown, S. C., and in Gaston County near Cherryville, N. C.

In Georgetown, S. C., five white youths were found guilty by a coroner's jury for killing Bruce Tisdale, a local mill worker after a fight. The verdict was reported February 22.

On April 3, Private Felix Hall, a colored volunteer was found hanging to a tree, clad in the uniform of the U. S. Army, in a wooded section of Fort Benning. The NAACP and the Negro press demanded investigation and punishment of the guilty persons, but the last report of any action was early in May when the War Department was said to have been making an investigation. There has been no report of the results of the "investigation."

The mob rode in Gaston County, N. C., April 13, when Robert Walker was shot to death in his home by four men after an altercation with a white man.  
Three white fellow employees of Robert Sapp, a mechanic's helper in Blakely, Fla., took him a short distance out of town and beat him with a club and a heavy piece of machine belting. On May 12, he died from "pneumonia." Sapp was charged with having stolen money from the safe of his employers.

On May 13, A. C. Williams, 22, of Quincy, Fla., was found dead on a creek bridge, his body riddled with bullets from a band of masked men. Williams had been arrested for an alleged attempted assault on a 12 year old white girl. The New York Times, May 14, reported that four masked men armed with pistols took Williams from the country jail after compelling Dan Davis, an officer, to open the cell doors.

FOUR LYNCHING IN 1941  
Dear Sir:  
I send you the following information concerning lynchings for

## MOTHER FINDS DAUGHTER DEAD IN BED; 'Common-Law' Husband Found Unconscious On The Floor

### Waiters' Union Local No. 732 Ousts Exec.-Secy

Mrs. Jones 2414 North 21st went to her daughter's room Friday morning at 9:00 and after an exhaustive effort to arouse someone within, she called the fire department. When the firemen arrived on the scene they broke in the door and found the gas heater in full flame and the room so hot until the door knob could not be touched by hand. On the bed, they found Miss Stevens, daughter of Mrs. Jones, dead and on the floor lay her common-in-law husband Ventura Hazelton, unconscious from lack of oxygen in the room. He was immediately rushed to a local hospital for care and is now at home completely recovered.

Mrs. Jones, the mother of the deceased girl, called the Omaha Guide and stated to Mr. C. C. Galloway, acting editor, that it was rumored about town, that the children had attempted suicide. This she said is absolutely untrue and she wants their friends and acquaintances to know the truth. She said that the cause of her daughter's death, was explained when the firemen found the gas stove in the room, in full flame and that due to the smallness of the room the flame from the stove had used up all the oxygen in the room and had caused the unfortunate accident.

### Are You Ready For Work?



**APPOINTED JUDGE**  
Patrick B. Prescott, Jr., noted attorney and Republican leader, who has been appointed a judge in the municipal court of Chicago by Gov. Dwight H. Green of Illinois, whose election Mr. Prescott ardently supported last year. Judge Prescott, second Negro in Chicago history to sit on the bench, will fill out the unexpired term of Judge Edward C. Sheffer, which has another year to run. (ANP Photo).

### JOE AIN'T SLIPPING Says Sparmate, George Nicholson

New York (C)...Big George Nicholson can never travel the Glory road but as the sparring partner of Joe Louis since '37 when Joe won the title from Braddock, Big George can take tremendous pride in helping to develop one of the greatest fighting machines the ring has ever seen. Thus, anybody ought to know the power of Joe's fists it ought to be Big George.

"Do I think Joe is slipping? That he is passed his peak? mused Big George as he dived into a huge steak just before climbing into the ring for a workout with Joe.  
"Well, just yea and no. I know Joe ain't as mean as he used to be. But he is a much smarter fighter. And don't let nobody tell you Joe ain't wisened up since he won the title," Big George stated, "Buddy Baer is gonna learn that January 9th. Buddy went six rounds with Joe last summer. But he ain't gonna go no six rounds again. I ain't exactly flush with saving bonds but I'll bet what I got Joe gets to him quicker this time. Joe used to be mighty mean. You couldn't do nothing with him before that second Schmeling fight. And he was mighty ornery before he met Billy Conn. Billy got under Joe's skin with some of them remarks he made. And I knewed Billy was in for trouble. I think that was the main reason Joe took 13 rounds to bust Billy. He wasn't taking no chances of missing, once he went for an opening.  
"I knowed Joe wasn't worrying much about Nova. He laughed

and kidded too much." That Cosmic Punch of Nova's. I still get a laugh out of that myself. Nicholson, a shrewd judge of a fighter doesn't think any man will gain reach the peak that Louis did when he slaughtered Schmeling in less than a round on June 22, 1938. Louis has become attached to his hero worshipping sparmate. Only occasionally does he become vicious with Big George Sparring partners, even though they are hungry, hesitate to take a job in Joe's camp. They are well paid, well fed, but sometimes the newcomers are also too maltreated by the boss when the mood is on him.  
Big George is proud of his occupation. He's an artist in his line; he must be to have escaped permanent injury in such a dangerous trade.

**NAACP ASKS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS FOR COLORED AT PEARL HARBOR**  
New York—Declaring that the heroism of the colored mess attendant who manned a machine gun against Japanese planes at Pearl Harbor merits special attention, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People submitted to President Roosevelt last week a suggestion that the attendant be given the distinguished service cross "or some other official recognition."  
The NAACP pointed out that his heroism is especially notable in view of the fact that Negro volunteers are accepted only as mess attendants by the U. S. Navy and given no training as gunners or anything else.  
The account of the colored man's heroism first appeared in an official report which directly quoted a commanding naval officer. The report did not name the man, nor did it say whether he survived or went down with the ship. If he

did not survive, the NAACP has suggested that honors be accorded him posthumously.  
Because of the Navy's jim crow policy, the NAACP said this volunteer and other Negroes "go into situations of extreme danger in a far more vulnerable manner because they have been denied the opportunity to learn how to operate guns and other weapons of defense and offense."

### APPOINTMENT NEGRO TO WAR LABOR BOARD, NAACP ASKS PRESIDENT

New York...Appointment of "at least one" competent Negro to the War Labor Board which will handle labor disputes for the duration of the war has been requested of President Roosevelt by the NAACP, it was learned this week.  
With respect to the other members of the board he NAACP said: "May we further suggest that all care be taken to avoid the selection of any representative of labor, who either through his personal record or through affiliation with a labor organization which bars person from membership because of race, creed, color or national origin, would be likely to be biased in his attitude."  
"We believe that the appointment of a board, free from racial or other prejudices and one which includes at least one representative of the 13 million American citizens who constitute one tenth of the national population is imperative to insure an unbiased and effective functioning of the

The Omaha Urban League reports that the Nebraska State Employment Service and the local WPA office have found the number of colored applicants seeking work or defense training courses losing out because they have no birth record. This has in more than one instance blocked their opportunity for acceptance in these openings. An example was given of three colored women who had been referred to the Glenn Martin Company for a job. One met all of the qualifications and would have been hired but she had no documentary proof of birth. We are urging you who are seeking employment in any industry to obtain now this proof of birth so that it will be on hand when it is needed. Most all of the defense industries are now requesting this information before accepting employees in government jobs.  
Because a good many Negro workers come from rural areas where birth records are not kept does not mean that this proof is not obtainable. Sometimes a statement from your election commissioner or some other official will be positive enough proof. Sometimes an affidavit signed by relatives, ministers or other professional people will be sufficient. It is well now that all of us seeking work obtain this information in order that we can remove any barrier that might exist in the way of our future employment. If you have difficulty in getting this information and need assistance, this newspaper or the Omaha Urban League will be glad to assist you.

**WAR LABOR BOARD, NAACP ASKS PRESIDENT**  
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He stated that he thinks the petition is without merit and advised he board of education that it is "authorized to discharge any permanent teacher for the good of the service to be finally and exclusively determined by the board."

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### WILLIAM A. DAVIS, TAKES OVER OUSTED FINANCIAL SECRETARY-BUSINESS-AGENT'S SEAT

The following are the newly elected officers of the Omaha Waiters local Number 732, for the year of 1942.  
President, Gerald McKinley; Vice President, Herbert Mayberry; Financial Secretary, Business Agent, William A. Davis; Recording Secretary, Margaret Starks; Treasurer, S. Thomas Phillips; Chaplain, Andrew Johnson; Inspector James Calloway; Inside Guard, Charles Moore; Outside Guard, William B. Carr; Trustees, Edward P. Buford, Gordon Hopkins, C. C. Foster; Delegates to Local Joint Executive Board, Andrew Johnson, Gordon Hopkins, George Litmon.

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Rev. S. K. Nichols, pastor of the Church of the Living God, was locked out of his church when Mr. Arthur Henderson, deacon in the church, bought a lock and locked the church. Mr. Henderson said, "A pastor must be able to preach and not want money for everything he does." Certain members agreed with him. A member said to the Omaha Guide worker, quote "We want a pastor who can preach and one that will serve God."

Rev. S. K. Nichols is now holding church at 2426 Erskine until Mr. Henderson decides to open the Church doors.

### Brotherhood Wins Over Two and A Half Million Dollars Pay Increase For Pullman Porters

FLAT \$24 INCREASE IN WAGES FOR PULLMAN PORTERS, MAIDS, ATTENDANTS AND BUS BOYS WITH 3 MONTHS BACK PAY AT \$21.60 PER MO. Train Porters Receive \$22.80 Flat Increase Per Month With Seven and a Half Percent Back Pay

NEW YORK CITY—In the international offices of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters in New York City, A. Philip Randolph, International President, announced that the Organization had signed an agreement with the Pullman Company for an increase in pay of ten cents a hour or twenty four dollars a month.

This will represent an increase of over two million dollars for the Pullman Porters, Maids, Attendants, and Bus Boys in the Pullman service. This group of workers will also receive \$21.60 a month for three months of back pay extending from September to December 1st, observed Mr. Randolph.

Wage increases were also secured by the Brotherhood for train porters who are members of the Organization, representing \$22.80 per month with 7 1/2 percent back pay extending from September 1, to December 1st.

The head of the Porter's Organization pointed out that various carriers with which the Brotherhood holds contracts are being signed up rather rapidly for increases in pay ranging from ten cents for the non-operating group, including chair car, parlor car, coach and buffet porters, with the back pay of nine cents an hour; and also including train porters in the operating group at one and one half cents wage increase with the seven and one half percent back pay of a three month period.

It is estimated that the increase for the members of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters will run much above two and a half million dollars, stated Randolph. Mr. Randolph points to this notable achievement of collective bargaining for colored workers by the Brotherhood as indicative of a new era in the economic life of Negro workers in America.

### APPEALS TO FDR, CONGRESS TO PRESERVE NYA, CCC, FSA.

New York...In an effort to prevent the abolition of the National Youth Administration, Civilian Conservation Corps, national defense training activities of the Office of Education, Farm Tenant Program and the Federal Securities Administration, the NAACP, has appealed to President Roosevelt and members of Congress this week to "guard against so-called economies which may be penny wise and pound foolish."

The Joint Congressional Committee on Non Defense Expenditure recommended abolition of all these agencies in its first report December 26.

The NAACP pointed out that Negroes will be hardest hit if these agencies no longer operate. It cited the assertions of government and other employment agencies that thousands will be employed between now and next June due to priorities and a shift from peace time industrial economy.  
The NAACP urges every interested person to write immediately to his congressman urging that these agencies not be abolished at this time.

education is adopting the opinion of the city attorney as its official reaction to the petition.  
Attorney Walden said that according to plan, "we should file action as soon as a definite and final answer is received from the board of education."

### WHERE TO GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

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Washington, D. C....During 1942 the Negro church in America—regardless of denomination, will unite to perform the most important task in its 150 years old history, that of forging "a spiritual unity among our people" that will enable "the Negro, together with other groups, to give his all to the cause of helping to unite our country behind the President and our government for winning the war."  
This will be the keynote of a New Year's message which will appear as a special editorial in the January, 1942 issue of "The Missionary Seer", official organ of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church's department of domestic and foreign missions.

For forty years the magazine has been published by the denomination, whose 500,000 members worship in various parts of the United States, Liberia, the East and West Gold Coasts and Nigeria, in Africa and in South America.

The editorial will point out that the issue is clear, "...on the one hand the fight of democracy, whose banner is held aloft by America, Britain, China, Ethiopia and Russia, and on the other hand the fight of fascism, whose bloody banner is held aloft by the Hitler dominated Axis powers, Germany, Italy, Japan and the other satellites of fascism.

The editorial will declare that "out of this united strength will come an America strong enough to crush and destroy Hitler and his partners in slavery", because the church of the American Negro people during the coming year, "will march in full regalia doing battle in the name of Jesus Christ, for the preservation and freedom of all mankind."

The text of the New Year's message was made public here today by Dr. H. T. Masford, secretary-treasurer of the denomination's foreign mission department and editor of the publication. The complete text of the editorial follows:

"As we stand on the threshold of 1942, it will be of tremendous profit to all of us Negro people, who are a part of that great spiritual body, the church—no matter what our denomination—to grasp fully the idea that the Negro church during the coming year has the most important task to perform in all its 150 years history.

"That task is to exert our every energy, wherever we may be, to help forge a spiritual unity among our people that will actively play its full part in the defense of our land, our homes, our right to worship as we please, indeed, our very lives.

"For America is faced with extinction as a free nation, unless the Negro, together with other groups, gives his all to the cause of helping to unite our country behind the President and our Government for winning the war.

"In the name of our great pioneers in the Negro church, we will pledge our spiritual and physical strength in the defense of our country at this grave hour. We shall do this freely, wholeheartedly, and conscious of the fact that in so doing we are uniting to preserve ourselves as a people, as well as the whole American people.

"No matter on how many fronts this war is fought, it is still, on the one hand the fight of democracy, whose banner is held aloft by America, Britain, China, Ethiopia and Russia; and on the other hand, the fight of fascism, whose bloody banner is held aloft by the Hitler-dominated Axis powers: Germany, Italy, Japan and the other satellites of fascism.

"In the face of such danger, the Negro church can echo the hymn 'The Church Our Foundation is Jesus Christ Our Lord', with a meaning never revealed to us before. For if we are truly conscious of the fact that this is one war, we can know full well that our church will stand body in the front of the fight for democracy.

"Out of the bosom of this great Negro institution will come the spiritual unity which will give courage and strength to our men in every unit of the armed forces, our women and youth who will man the defense factory machines in greater numbers than ever before, our workers who plough the fields and mine the coal, and finally to that great body of people who will protect our homes, aid

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**UNION CHURCH SERVICES WILL BEGIN FOR THE SEASON AT THE HILLSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH THIS SUNDAY JAN. 4, AT 8 P. M. REV. WILLIAMS OF ZION BAPT. CHURCH WILL PREACH. All Our Welcome—Let's Get United.**