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So. R.R. Co. Pays \$3,750 For Attack On Baptist Clergyman

New York, N. Y.—The Rev. J. C. Jackson, distinguished Hartford, Connecticut Baptist minister and president of the New England Baptist Convention who was beaten September 8th by a white passenger on a train in the south has received a settlement of \$3,750 from the Southern Railway Company the NAACP announced this week. Thurgood Marshall, NAACP Special Counsel and Arthur Garfield Hays of the national NAACP legal committee, handled the case which was settled out of court. Expressing his appreciation to the NAACP for its successful conduct of the case, Rev. Jackson stated that he felt that "the public was entitled to know of the settlement."

The settlement was made on the grounds that a public carrier is responsible for the safe delivery of its passengers to their destination and the protection of such passengers against harm inflicted by fellow passengers if the proper authorities have been duly warned of the imminence of such harm.

The attack upon the 76 year old Rev. Jackson, occurred while he and his traveling companion, Rev. S. A. Young, were on a Southern Railway train enroute to the National Baptist convention at Memphis, Tennessee. Rev. Jackson and Rev. Young attempted to pass through a white coach and Rev. Young was struck on the face by J. T. Hudson of Decatur, Alabama, who shouted, "Don't come through here. Niggers have been coming through here all day and I'm tired of it." Young reported this to the conductor. A half-hour later Rev. Jackson was brutally beaten by the same passenger. The plaintiff held that the conductor had ample opportunity to restrain Hudson, or eject him from the train.

Theat To Negro Worker In Conscript of Labor

WALTER WHITE BEFORE SENATE MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE NEXT WEEK

Washington, DC.—Because of the nation-wide concern among Negro workers for the implications of the proposed Austin-Wadsworth Bill, Walter White, NAACP Executive Secretary will testify Monday, March 29, before the Senate Military Affairs Committee. It was learned this week.

The NAACP has urged a careful scrutiny of the bill designed to "provide for the successful prosecution of the war through a system of Civil Selective War Service." The Austin-Wadsworth bill will permit the drafting of males between the ages of 18 and 64 and women between the ages of 18 and 50 or possibly 64.

Before the Committee, White will restate the NAACP's conviction that there is no need for a drafting of labor until all available voluntary labor is utilized. In support of the Association's stand, White pointed out that in a poll of 9000 industries reported in the February issue of Fortune, three fourths of the war industry plants still refuse to employ Negroes.

"So long as a huge reservoir of workers in the United States is refusing employment because traditional prejudices based on race, religion or sex," White told the press, "there can be no justification for a conscription of labor."

White said that he also saw in this legislation, unless adequate safeguards are set up a repetition of the vicious practices of the Work or Fight Order of Provost Marsh General Crowder during the last war. At that time cities and towns and rural communities passed compulsory labor ordinances and by this means met with partial success in keeping the Negro population at its former work and sometimes at pre-war low wages.

To Hold War-time Business Clinic

Birmingham, March 22 (ANP)—The Birmingham local Negro Business League will hold a War-Time Business Clinic here Thursday, April 8. The affair which will embrace the southern region of the National Negro Business League is one of a series of regional clinics to focus attention upon the present status of Negro business enterprises as effected by the war. The U. S. Department of Commerce through Emmet Martin Lancaster, its adviser on Negro affairs, is cooperating to bring the latest vital information for use at the clinic.

On April 7, the day before the clinic, Dr. J. E. Walker, president of the National Negro Business League and Dr. F. D. Patterson, chairman of its steering committee, have called the steering committee to meet in Birmingham. At this meeting the general program for the meeting in Baltimore next August will be planned. Mrs. Rosa Brown Bracy, the newly appointed field representative of the league, will report upon her activities and experiences during her first swing through Florida and Georgia. A. G. Gaston, prominent business man of this city, is in charge of arrangements and accommodations for both the clinic and steering committee meetings.

Association for the Advancement of Colored People announced this week that the sale of tickets for its Annual Birthday Ball here has to date shown a profit of \$2,018.18 and that sales on 2,319 of the tickets have not yet been reported. The NAACP party which attracted a capacity crowd to the Golden Gate Ballroom on February 26, had the donated music of Court Basie and his Orchestra.

CHICAGO NAACP ASSAULTS NAVY'S FAILURE TO USE TRAINED INSTRUCTORS

Chicago, Ill.—The failure of the Civil Service Commission here to appoint qualified Negro ground school instructors to the Navy Department was protested to President Roosevelt this week by the Chicago NAACP.

In a telegram to the White House the NAACP pointed out that although it has been more than a year since some of the instructors completed their training, not one has been assigned while a number of the whites trained at the same time are now teaching.

"The appropriate use of manpower requires," said the NAACP, "that these men be assigned to the highest and best use for which they have demonstrated their qualifications. Recently some of them have been classified for immediate induction into the armed forces because the Navy Department has not given them the assignment for which they have been trained. These men have no fear of induction. They are loyal citizens who want to serve their country to the fullest extent of their ability. It will be a great injustice to deprive them of their rights simply because of racial prejudices. It may mean the loss of the war for the United Nations. The names of these men are: James O. Lee, Robert F. Short, Richard L. Farmer, Cassim M. Pendleton, Douglas R. Turner, J. W. Porter, Wilburn W. Barton, Robert L. Cole, Clarence Stephens, and Frederick P. Blair, Jr. They and we on their behalf ask your intercession to the end that justice and fair play be accorded them."

the Negro attorneys affected or moved up. One of the best known legal lights on the OPA staff is Robert Ming, Howard university professor on leave, Elsie Austin, Delta president is also on the legal staff at OPA.

West Coast Housing Head Defies Dixie

(By ERNEST JOHNSON)

WASHINGTON, March 25 (ANP)—Simultaneous with the flareup over the question of admitting Negro war workers to the Willow Run Housing project in the Detroit area, a scrap which has provoked many to see a weakening in the earlier policy of the general Public Housing administration, comes the announcement that Langdon W. Post, FPHA regional director for the west coast section, informed all local housing authorities that he is against discrimination and segregation in any public projects under his jurisdiction.

His memorandum to the authorities, dated Feb. 17, and released here by the racial relations division of FPHA on Wednesday, said: "This is to inform you that it is the general policy of Region X of the Federal Public Housing authority that there shall be neither discrimination nor segregation of minority groups or projects under its jurisdiction."

Mr. Post is the former tenant house commissioner in the first administration of Mayor Fiorella H. LaGuardia of New York, and later became chairman of that city's local housing authority. It was under him that the policies included by Nathan Straus, former head of the United States housing authority who was felied by the southern reactionary bloc because of his stand, were applied in New York, as a result that

today has some 12 public housing projects financed in whole by federal funds in all of which Negroes live.

The statement of policy affects housing in all the west coast states and in Arizona, both slum clearance and defense. It comes as an affirmation of a thing that has been practiced all along by most of the local authorities in the region.

Probably the most difficult job in the area is that being done in Vallejo, Calif., where at least three race riots have flared in recent weeks. When Maurice J. Wilsie, white, executive director of the local authority there took over his job, he inherited a war housing situation that had been dominated by navy department policy. In the face of this handicap, Mr. Wilsie has been able to integrate both Negro and white families into the more than 15,000 units of the Vallejo projects and reports that his work is proceeding satisfactorily and harmoniously.

Up in Seattle, the situation is duplicated. Here the mixture included Filipinos and formerly Japanese too. Oakland and Los Angeles in California present what is said to be an excellent picture. In the latter city a large Mexican element enters into the racial character of the projects, and in almost all of them there is a fairly good mixing. A good deal of responsibility for this is attributed to the efforts of Mrs. Charlotte

Basie, Negro member of the local authority.

Across the bay in Marin City where the shipbuilding industry has made war housing imperative, members of all races are occupying. (Continued on page 4)

FREE 52-YEAR OLD MESSMAN CHARGED WITH THREATENING CAPTAIN WITH RAZOR

New York, March 21 (ANP) U. S. Commissioner Cotter this week freed 52-year old Jerry Ellison, a coast guard messman who was accused of threatening the captain of an unnamed Trinidad-bound ship.

A lack of evidence prompted U. S. Atty. Brown to move that the case be dismissed. Until that time

PARTY WANTS NEW FACES, NEW BLOOD

WASHINGTON, March 22 (ANP)—While the Democrats are grooming Roosevelt for a fourth term in the White House, Republicans are undecided over their candidate and have made no move to select one, although several outstanding men in the party are being seriously considered in the clean sweep of old candidates. The party wants new faces and new blood and is determined to get it.

Outstanding at the present time are two governors, Bricker of Ohio and Stassen of Minnesota.

Bricker, celebrating with his native Ohioans the 100th anniversary of President William McKinley's birth, has a career which thus far parallels that of the martyred leader.

Both served with distinction in the United States army and came out of wars as officers. And from (continued on page 4)

NOTE: The following statement by William H. Hastie describes and criticizes a new development in the Army Air program as it affects Negroes. Although Judge Hastie has completed his recent series of statements on the Air Forces, he considers this new and most recent development to be a matter which should receive public attention everywhere.

BY WILLIAM H. HASTIE

The Army Air Forces have just announced a new program of five months academic training in select colleges to be given to soldiers before they begin army flying training. The men will be taught by the college faculties and will live on the campus. Over a hundred schools all over the country have been selected to provide this preliminary college training. But eligible Negro soldiers are to be segregated and all of them sent to Tuskegee Institute to study physics, mathematics, history, English and Geography. Men from all parts of the country, men with varying educational background, a large number of them already graduates of first rate liberal arts colleges, must be sent to Tuskegee Institute for five months of undergraduate training. (Continued on page 4)

Fraternal Council Churches Meet in Memphis Apr. 28-30

FRATERNAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES MEET IN MEMPHIS APRIL 28-30

MEMPHIS, March 23 (ANP) The executive committee of the Negro Fraternal Council of Churches in America has completed the program for the annual meeting to be held here April 28, 29, and 30. The executive committee will meet at 8 p. m. on the first day. The general theme of the meeting is "The Negro church organizing to meet present day and post war problems." The annual address will be delivered by Bishop J. A. Bray of Chicago.

The following church leaders are expected: Bishop W. A. Fountain, R. C. Ransom, J. A. Gregg, D. H. Sims, D. Ward Nicols, G. E. Curry, of the AME church; Bishop P. A. Wallace, W. W. Mathew, B. G. Shaw, W. J. Walls, C. C. Alleyne, J. W. Marjion of the AME Zion church; Bishops Bray, J. A. Ham-

lett, W. Y. Bell of the CME church; Bishops R. E. Jones, A. J. Shaw and L. H. King of the ME church; Drs. W. H. Jernagan, Roland Smith, J. L. Horace, J. H. Marshall and President D. V. Jemison of the National Baptist convention; Dr. Horace White of the Congregational church; Bishop Ernst of the Orthodox church.

The following educators will appear on program: Presidents C. H. Wesley of Wilberforce, Benjamin Mays of Morehouse, W. M. Frazier of Mississippi Industrial college, Trent of Livingstone, Also Drs. J. W. Eichelberger, S. S. Morris, W. M. Talley, B. Julian Smith.

The meeting is planned to be one of the most important religious gatherings ever held in this city. Local arrangements are being handled by an interdenominational committee consisting of Revs. W. L. Powell, B. M. Womack, D. W. Jones.

Jury Sentences Two Whites for Rape Of Negro Girl

Murfreesboro, Tenn., March 22 (ANP)—Two whites, Robert Lane, 26 and Cloe Norris, 20, were last week found guilty of raping 16-year old Lorell Pinkerton, a high school girl, last December.

Judge T. L. Coleman fixed the defendant's bond at \$5,000 each. Since the arrests the two men have been in jail without bond. From the beginning, it is said that the entire circuit court jury agreed that the men should be convicted of rape but because they were not in accord about the length of the prison term they deliberated among themselves overnight.

Miss Pinkerton was a first year student at the Negro high school here. She rides the bus from her home on Jefferson road a few miles north of Murfreesboro. The rape took place while she was en-

route from the bus to her home. Rutherford County Negroes raised funds to employ three lawyers to assist in the prosecution which was led by Dist. Atty Gen. John J. Jewell Jr., who brought out the point that the girl was forced into a car by Lane and Norris and was twice raped by each. S. C. Jackson and Jewell Washington, counsels for the defense, claimed that the girl entered the car willingly and was paid \$1.00 by the two men.

The only witnesses for the defense were two brothers, Albert and Leo Brewer, who said that the girl's past record was bad. On cross examination, however, they were unable to support any of their statements.

The court room was filled with spectators. The Judge declared that he would arrest any person who created a disturbance of any kind.

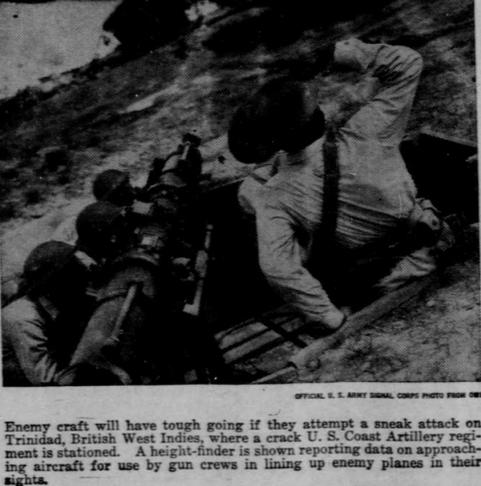
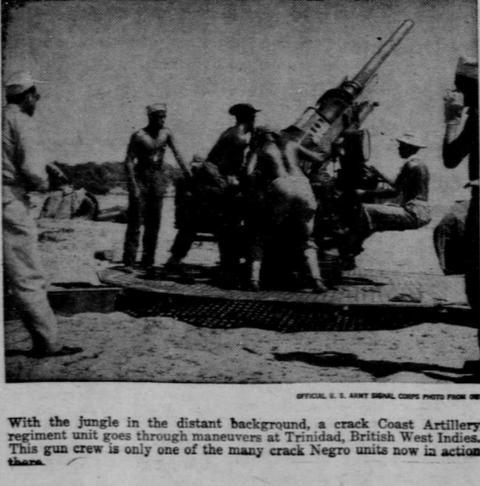
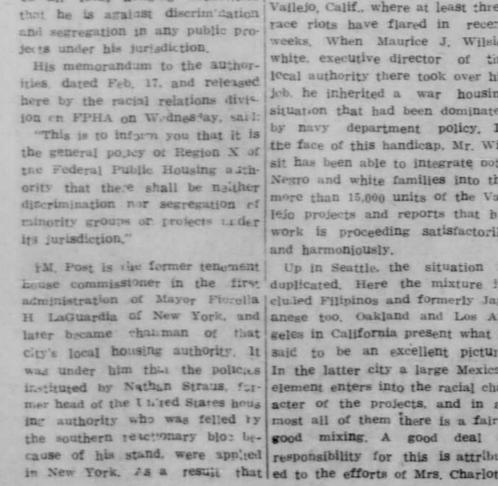
A jury was selected from 55 men who were questioned on color prejudice; whether he would allow prejudice to influence his decision.

Two young children testified for the girl; William Gann, 8, said he was in the front yard when he saw a man push Lorell into the car. His sister, Susie Gann, 11, said she saw the two men twice top the car and say something to the girl as she walked on the lane near the Bond house. The child said that Lorell did not stop but kept walking.

Lorell's physician, Dr. J. R. Gott, who examined her shortly after the rape, said he found her torn and bleeding internally.

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With the jungle in the distant background, a crack Coast Artillery regiment unit goes through maneuvers at Trinidad, British West Indies. This gun crew is only one of the many crack Negro units now in action there.

Enemy craft will have tough going if they attempt a sneak attack on Trinidad, British West Indies, where a crack U. S. Coast Artillery regiment is stationed. A height-finder is shown reporting data on approaching aircraft for use by gun crews in lining up enemy planes in their sights.

It is not all work and no play for members of a U. S. Coast Artillery regiment stationed in Trinidad, British West Indies, as the above shot of a regimental dance shows. Before the American troops arrived, jiggering was practically unknown on the island, but it wasn't long before the local lassies were cutting rugs with the best of them.

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