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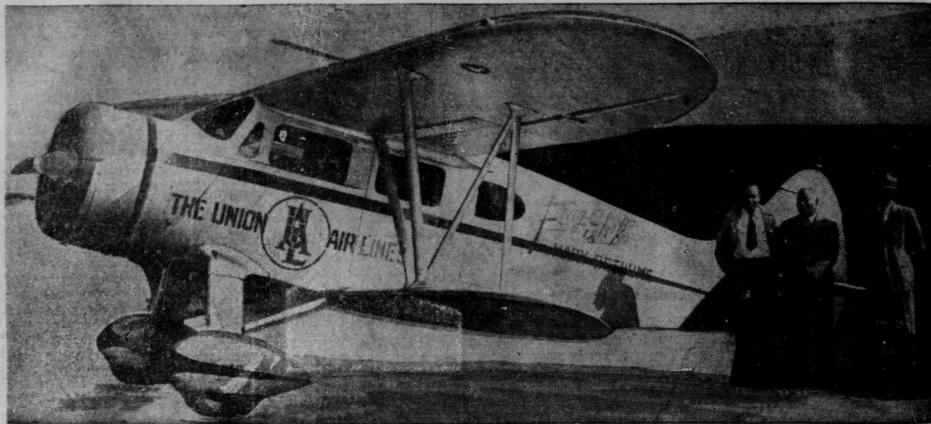
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Our 17th Year—No. 39

Negroes Enter Commercial Aviation Field

The first company operated by Negroes to engage in commercial aviation is THE UNION AIR LINES, with general offices in Washington, DC. The company has on file with the CAB, an application for a certificate of convenience and necessity, and plans to begin charter operations at once, with regular commercial operation right after the war, employing members of the 99th and 332nd Squadrons, All-Negro units

in the AAF, who have done such a wonderful job of knocking out Jerry in this war. The above photo shows the Flagship Mary Bethune, which will be christened by Mrs. Bethune on Nov. 12th at Griffith Stadium in Washington, DC. President and General Manager William H. Hawkins (center) with A. and E. mechanic Harold K. Stevens of Tuskegee Institute, Alabama. (Photo by Scott).



DID YOU KNOW IN 1916 392 VOTES ELECTED A PRESIDENT?

Those who remember the 1916 election will recall even extra newspapers was on the streets announcing that Charles Evans Hughes elected President of the United States but when Minnesota by a majority of 392 votes and California by a majority of 3,806 votes was counted there was a re-announcement. Woodrow Wilson was elected President of the United States. If Hughes had carried Minnesota by 392 votes he would have been elected President of the United States. This should be proof to the Negro as to the value of his vote Tuesday, November 7th, 1944.

Negro Home Front Leadership

Must Answer To GI's

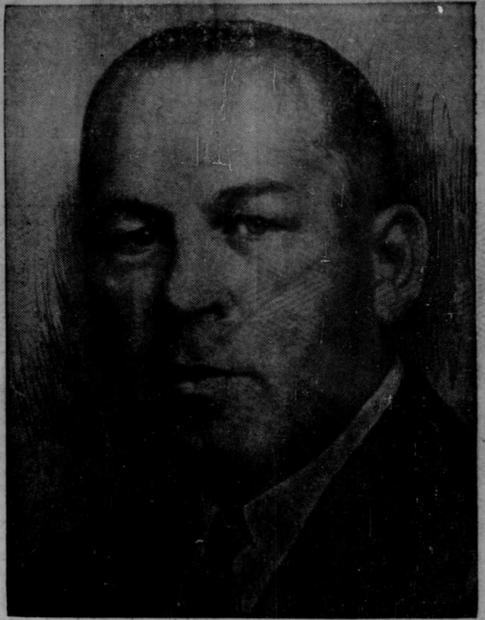
RETURNING HOME AFTER WAR TO UNEMPLOYMENT DOLES,

The thought persists that there are going to be a lot of disappointed Negro GI's returning to a post-war America in which home front Negro leadership has produced little if anything in the line of jobs in postwar industry.

Men who have been in uniform in foxholes, on the battlefields and on the seven seas for the last four, dreary years, aren't going to feel good about it at all when they come home to find that most of the "big name" Negro leaders who have been consistently in the headlines of the Negro newspapers shipped overseas and elsewhere for soldier consumption, have failed so woefully to produce a sound economic program for the Negro apart from that of the general American scheme that might act as a bulwark for the period of unemployment that the experts are sure will take place shortly after the government starts retrieving contracts from war plants and the manufacture of war materials come to an end.

Leaders Hogged Headlines
The Negro leadership that has hogged headlines with "pronouncements," and "viewpoints," and "forthright statements" for the last four years, hasn't persuaded Negroes who are and have been earning more money than ever before to invest in Negro-owned factories. It hasn't developed Negro

Nebraska's Finest Administration



The Honorable Dwight Griswold From 1867 to June 30, 1944

The Honorable Dwight Griswold has given Nebraska one of the finest business administrations the State has ever had. The following is the proof of one of the many things he has done to preserve that tax dollar that the citizens pay into the treasury and to straighten out an entanglement of the Permanent School Fund. When he started his investigation and request for Legislative Acts giving him legal authority the records showed this School Fund owned only 772,954.06 acres of school land. Under the direction of this authorized board, an audit and investigation proved that the land grabbers most certainly had been busy. The Public power and irrigation districts, railroad companies

highways and many others had taken this Permanent School Fund land without any compensation what-so-ever to the Permanent School Fund from its inception in 1867 to June 30, 1944. The records now show the School Fund now owns 1,636,307.29 more or less acres with an increase earning of \$49,992.24 annually. Read the following for yourself it will show you what he had to go through to do this job and I'm sure you will agree with me that he has given Nebraska one of the best business administrations in the history of the State and that he fully deserves your consideration at the ballot box Tuesday, November 7th.

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Killers Indicted In Simmon's Murder

Defendants Granted Separate Trial to Start Next Week

Liberty, Miss.—The Amite County Grand Jury, breaking with Southern tradition, has indicted six white men for the murder of a Negro.

The Grand Jury, which had been expected to close the case with a whitewash, apparently yielded to the indirect pressure of Attorney General Francis Biddle who had denounced the slaying of Isaac Simmons, 66 year old preacher, as a "particularly revolting crime."

Murder indictments against Harper Dawson and his two sons, Roger and Mann Dawson; Noble and Norville Ryder, brothers, and John Brown, a friend of the Dawsons and the Ryders, were handed up Wednesday after a week's investigation. The men were arraigned yesterday, pleaded not guilty.

\$3,000 Bail

Judge R. E. Bennett accepted \$3,000 bail for each man, then granted severances permitting each of the six men to be tried separately, placing the case on the trial docket for next Monday.

Brown explained that under Mississippi law severances are mandatory when asked for, and that murder is not measured by degree, but the punishment, life imprisonment or death, is fixed by the jury if it is unanimous in its verdict of guilty.

Witnesses Disappear

Early last week, when the Grand Jury took up the Simmons case, it appeared that the inquiry would collapse because four key witnesses were missing, including Eldridge Simmons, son of the aged victim, who had signed an affidavit describing the murder of his father and naming four of the accused men.

Sheriff Wiley Smith explained at the time that the missing Negroes had vanished from the community for some reason he was at a loss to explain. He said the case might be shelved for lack of evidence, but Attorney General Biddle at Washington announced that a report on an FBI investigation of the crime was being given to the Amite County prosecutor with a request that it be placed before the Grand Jury.

Biddle disclosed that he ordered the FBI probe in August when he learned that, although the murder occurred in March 26, no action had been taken by Mississippi authorities. "Our investigation shows that a particularly revolting crime has been committed," said Biddle,

Go, Buddy Go



Chicago, Ill. (PPNS) — "Go Buddy, Go!" These were the words of lovely Francis Cotton, former schoolmate of Claude "Buddy" Young at Wendell Phillips high

school in Chicago, who was in the front section for Illinois warriors of the gridiron when they held their first win: Notre Dame Saturday.

pointing out that the evidence obtained by the FBI men placed the case outside Federal jurisdiction. Prosecutor Brown said last night he had received the FBI report and disclosed that FBI Agents came to Liberty during the week and went before the jury.

Received Report

Brown also revealed that the "missing witnesses" weren't really missing at all. Afraid to stay in a Southern community where they had accused white men of murder, Eldridge Simmons, his two sisters and his brother-in-law had moved variously to Memphis, New Orleans and "somewhere down in Louisiana."

The only thing that detained

them last week, Brown explained, was lack of money, for railroad tickets, a situation which Brown corrected by drawing on State funds to provide the necessary transportation. He also arranged for official cars to meet the trains and carry the fear-ridden Negroes to the County Court House where the Grand Jury was sitting.

According to the evidence developed by the FBI, corroborating Eldridge Simmons' affidavit, Isaac Simmons was murdered because he consulted a lawyer after Noble Ryder obtained title to the Simmons farm by buying it at a tax sale which had been denounced as illegal.

The six accused men, according

Gets Big Job



John P. Bond, was appointed this week to the administrative staff of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration. He is now in training as a field welfare officer for the European mission. Before joining the staff of UNRRA, Bond served for 16 months as a club program director for the American Red Cross in Australia. He is married and the father of two children. His family resides in Washington, D. C.

DR. DuBOIS TO LOSE POST AS DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL STUDIES PROJECT

Atlanta, Georgia, (PPNS) Dr. W. DuBois, retired professor of Sociology at Atlanta University, has been removed from his position as director of the Social Studies Project (to which he was assigned three years ago) and reportedly will be replaced by Dr. E. Franklin Frazier of Howard University. This action came after balloting on the motion by college heads during the 22nd annual conference of residents of Negro Land Grant colleges last Thursday. The voting to determine whether or not Dr. DuBois' services would be retained ended in a 5 to 5 tie, which necessitated Dr. F. D. Patterson, Tuskegee president, to cast the deciding vote.

to this evidence, appeared at the Simmons farm in an automobile, took father and son to a wooded road, where they forced the younger Simmons to watch as his father was killed deliberately with a shotgun and his tongue cut out.

AKA'S Make Appeal To Qualified Women To Join WAVES, SPARS

Washington, D. C. Oct. 27.—The National Non-Partisan Council on Public Affairs of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, this week, made a special appeal that all qualified Negro women interested in joining the Women's Reserve Corps of the Navy—WAVES or SPARS—make application immediately to their nearest recruiting station in order that a backlog of recruits be established for induction after January 1st in accordance with the recently announced plan of the Navy.

Making the appeal for the AKA Council, Norma E. Boyd, national chairman, urges that women take advantage of the hard-won gain to serve their country and help themselves personally. Speaking of the Navy's new policy to accept Negro women, Miss Boyd said, "We have only gotten over the first hurdle, and that was an important one, but our larger responsibility is that of following-through to see that Negro women take this advantage to forge ahead to greater opportunity for themselves and to help bring about the ultimate defeat of the enemy." She added, "It is a misconception to think that the war is nearly over and there is, therefore, no need for the service Negro women can render at this stage of the game. As much as we wish the peace, we know the war is finished when the last shot is fired and who can say when that will come. Besides, the need for the services of the women's corps will go far beyond the period when hostilities cease."

"Benefits which accrue to women veterans when they are discharged are the same as those which men receive," Miss Boyd said. "These include the provisions of the popularly known 'G. I. Bill of Rights' which offers, (1) free education up to four years for those under 25 years of age at the time of induction and whose education was interrupted; (2) base unemployment compensation at \$20.00 a week for a maximum of 52 weeks during the first two years after discharge; (3) Government guarantee of 50 per cent on loans up to \$2,000 to establish homes or businesses; (4) Veterans placement services to assist in obtaining civilian jobs; and (5) a five-man Army-Navy Board to hear complaints and rule on appeal of discharged veterans seeking additional compensation on numerous grounds."

All applicants for the WAVES or SPARS, whether for officers training or enlisted personnel must be citizens of the United States, in sound physical condition, not less

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Oldest Methodist Church Prepares To Celebrate Birth

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 21.—The great A. M. E. Zion Church which was born one hundred forty-eight years ago in New York City in what is now the Mother Zion Church plans to celebrate its one hundred fiftieth anniversary in the summer of 1946.

The bishops, general officers and representatives from the fifty odd conferences of the denomination met in a four day conclave in this city to prepare for this momentous celebration. The movement was launched in a blaze of glory with the church being crowded each day and evening to hear the notables of this, one of the oldest organizations. (Continued on Page 7)

Special Services at Cleaves CME Church

PROGRAM SUNDAY AT 3:30 NOVEMBER 5, 1944

The following program will be rendered next Sunday, Nov. 5, at 3:30 p. m. at Cleaves Temple CME Church, of which Rev. T. J. Douglass is the pastor.

Professional Senior Choir
Selection Senior Choir
Address Hon. Robert Smith, District Court Clerk.
Remarks Hon. John Slavik, County Clerk.
Remarks Commander C. J. Coleman, American Legion Post No. 30
Offering Announcements and Benediction.
Church and civic leaders are cordially invited.
T. J. Douglass, Minister,
Robert Harris, Secretary.

DELIGHTS DETROITERS



Detroit, (PPNS) Beautiful and radiant Marva Louis, stellar attraction at the Three Sixes Club of this city, created a sensation among first nighters when she held her premiere last Monday night at this popular niter. Declared to be the greatest "carnival" drawn card in the Motor City, Marva is packing them in night by night.

Joe Silent on Divorce



Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis who recently returned to the states from an overseas entertainment tour that covered three-fourths of Europe, refused to discuss the rumors of divorce circulating that is gaining momentum daily. Marva also was reticent on this issue, and said she would not make a statement concerning divorce proceedings until she had "talked with Joe." Joe wired Marva from New York where he is staying at the Hotel Theresa and expressed regret for not being able to attend her opening at the 686 Club in Detroit, but would probably arrive soon to see her and little Jacqueline, his daughter (PPNS)

Vote for George W. Pratt for District Judge Nov. 7th