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Assault Case Against McClanahan Dropped

Rev. J. W. Hurse Loses After Bitter Struggle

Chicago (ANP)—With more than 1,000 delegates attending the National Baptist Convention, unincorporated, the convention started September 5 and terminated September 10. The women's auxiliary were in session at the Ebenezer Baptist church, Dr. Greene L. Prince of Denver won the presidency of the Boyd Baptists by an avalanche of votes. Dr. John W. Hurse, Kansas City, Mo., who has been president for the past four years, went down to a bitter defeat. His defeat ended a hard fought campaign for reelection. All of the other officers were reelected unanimously.

Memphis, Tenn.—Rev. L. K. Williams, pastor of Olivet Baptist church of Chicago and formerly of Texas, the president of the National Baptist Convention, Inc., was reelected head of that organization Saturday morning in Memphis. All other officers were reelected.

Despite the fact that 8,000 delegates were in attendance a Memphis daily carried the reports of the convention in the want-ad section of the paper.

Negro Economic Advisory Board Ready

Washington, (CNS)—A committee which will constitute itself into a study group and clearing house for the Department of Commerce relative to those problems which immediately effect the business and economic life of the colored people, has just been announced by the Secretary of Commerce.

Dillon Essay Contest to Close on October 15

The Educational Committee of the local branch of the N. A. A. C. P., announces the prize essay contest for prizes to be awarded by the donor, Mrs. Hortense N. Dillon, wife of Atty. Sidney J. Dillon. The committee is composed of Rev. H. L. Overton, chairman, Atty. Jas. B. Morris, S. Joe Brown, A. A. Alexander, local president, and the Misses Ruth Marie Brown and Lucille Baker. Negro high school students and those of junior high schools of Des Moines who are now attending school are eligible with \$15 prize award to the high school winner and \$10 prize to the junior high winner.

Essays written by Negro high school students must not exceed 1500 words and those written by junior high students must not exceed 1000 words. Essays must be submitted by October 15. Prizes will be awarded at the November public meeting of the local branch. The following subjects are proposed: 1—The Negro in American History; 2—The Negro in American Literature; 3—The American Negro in Art; 4—The American Negro in Professions; 5—The American Negro in Music; 6—The American Negro in Education; 7—The American Negro Lawyer; 8—The American Negro Physician; 9—The Negro in Business; 10—The Negro in Religion; 11—Is the Negro Intellectually Equal to the Caucasian? 12—The Lullaby Situation; 13—The Negro in Science; 14—The Negro in Athletics; 15—The Negro in Af-

St. Paul A.M.E. Church to Hold Appreciation Service Sunday

Dr. Stoddard Lane Main Speaker Sunday, September 17, will be the closing day of the first year pastorate of the Rev. John A. Alexander at St. Paul A. M. E. church. After the quarterly conference Monday night he will go to the Northwest annual conference at Davenport, Iowa. The membership desires his return for another year and at the suggestion of Mrs. Rosa Bland, member of the official board, an appreciation service in honor of Rev. Alexander will be held on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The Revs. G. W. Robinson, of Corinthian Baptist and H. L. Overton of Burns M. E. churches will be present with their congregations and the Rev. Stoddard E. Lane, pastor of Plymouth Congregational church will deliver the principal address.



REV. J. A. ALEXANDER

W. C. T. U. OPENS FALL ACTIVITIES

The Frances E. Harper W. C. T. U. opened their fall and winter activities at the residence of their president, Mrs. S. Joe Brown. Mrs. Brown gave a parliamentary lecture, covering the constitution and by-laws of the Iowa Federation of Colored Women's Clubs and of the National Association of Colored Women.

Mrs. J. H. McDowell, a charter member of the first union of colored women organized in the city, also Miss Georgia Blackburn, Chicago school teacher, Mrs. Margaret Patten, past president of the State Federation, now of Iowa City; Miss Mary Wood, Girl Reserve Secretary in the Denver Y. W. C. A. and Miss Florence Myers, of Denver University, were visitors. The program was in charge of Mrs. Golda Fant, vice president.

FLORIDA NEGRO EXHIBIT WIN PRAISE AT FAIR

Chicago.—Thousands of people from every corner of the world had an opportunity last week to learn about race progress in Florida when they visited the Florida hall in the Court of States at a Century of Progress and saw the exhibit showing the progress of the Race in Florida. The exhibit, arranged and displayed under the direction of A. A. Turner of Jacksonville, consisted of charts showing the distribution of race farmers in Florida and their products. It showed also the types of goods manufactured in the Panhandle state by members of the race. In this group were makers of baskets, pillows, cigars, lace, vases, jars, mattresses and even a new type of roofing which is expected to revolutionize home building in this country.

Hires Man to Slay His Own Daughter

New York, Sept. 15.—Harlem shuddered in horror last week at the tale of a father, an unemployed butcher's helper, who played a photograph in the next room while his hired accomplice stabbed the former's 2-month-old baby daughter over the right eye in order to collect insurance money. The wife and four other children slept in another room while the crime was being done.

McAlister Holder, 22 years old, of 58 E. 117th St., the father, and James R. Strickland, 21 years old, of 248 W. 39th St., also a butcher's helper, appeared in the line-up at police headquarters Friday, and later in homicide court, where they were held without bail for the grand jury.

Colored Girl Is Secretary to NRA Adviser

Washington, D. C.—Miss Lucia M. Pitts of Chicago has been appointed as secretary to Dr. Clark Foreman, Adviser on Economic Status of Negroes to Secretary Ickes. Miss Pitts began work on September 5. She was the only colored girl employed as stenographer for the 1931 session of the Illinois House of Representatives in Springfield.

NEW READING COURSE ON "THE NEGRO IN AMERICA" AT LIBRARY

One-tenth of the population of the United States is of Negro descent, Dr. Alain Locke points out in a reading course, "The Negro in America," published by the American Library Association and just received at the Des Moines public library, according to an announcement made this week by Forrest Spaulding, city librarian.

Dr. Locke, himself a distinguished Negro, covers in a bold sweeping stride the problems which confronted his race under slavery, the problems presented by the reconstruction, and the "problem" today. He then sketches briefly the Negro as man and artist and passes on to a discussion of the half dozen books round which his theme is woven. This booklet is No. 68 in the "Reading with a Purpose" series.

Other books by and about Negroes include: "The Negro in American Civilization," by Charles S. Johnson; "Black Manhattan," by James Weldon Johnson; "The Negro in Agriculture," by Albert Locke; "What the Negro Thinks," by Robert R. Moton; "Black America," by Scott Nearing; "The Negro Around the World," by Willard Price; "Folk Beliefs of the Southern Negro," by Newell W. Fiedler; "The Magic Island," by W. B. Seabrook; "Selected Sermons of Booker T. Washington," by Booker T. Washington; "The Negro in Our History," by Carter G. Woodson; "For Freedom," by Arthur Huff Fauset.

NEGRO STORIES

"Old Man's People," by Orland Kay Armstrong; "Four Handsome Negroes," by Her-

"Shuffle Along" Revue Here Friday

The favorite all-star revue of the past decade which featured such luminaries as Josephine Baker, Florence Mills, Miller and Lyles, Sissle and Blake, and others, has been revived into a faster and modern up-to-date show and will appear Friday, Sept. 22, at the Orpheum theatre for four days.

Fifty entertainers de luxe of singers and dancers with a fifteen-piece band directed by Eubie Blake, will thrill local theatergoers with two hours of hot offerings. After an extensive eastern tour and a prolonged engagement at the Illinois theatre in Chicago this all star troupe will make its only Iowa appearance here. They are slated for engagements in Europe this fall.

Renfro Twins to Conduct Revival

The Renfro Twins, of Chicago, widely known evangelists, will conduct a series of revival meetings beginning Tuesday evening, September 19, at the Church of God in Christ at East 17th and University. Mrs. Mary Wallace and Mrs. Martha Pinkerton, known as the "sin killing twins" from Illinois, will preach from a wide variety of religious subjects.

Jubilee singing and gospel music will feature each night's meeting. Large crowds are expected, and the public is invited to come early. Special prayers will be offered for the sick. Rev. A. D. Brady is pastor, assisted by Mrs. V. Williams, church clerk and William Moore in charge.

J. M. SKOGMO AT ST. SIMON'S MISSION SUNDAY

J. M. Skogmo, lay reader of the St. Luke's Episcopal church will conduct services at St. Simon's mission Sunday, September 17, at 11 A. M. The public is cordially invited.

W. C. T. U. members will be present at the St. Simon's Episcopal Mission, Atty. Robert S. Lappen, of the Jewish Community Center, and Miss Agnes Samuelson, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, were elected to membership. In an open forum talk on "Effects of the NRA on the Negro," James B. Morris, attorney, contended the national program operates chiefly on unorganized workers and therefore will benefit the Negro but little. Negro workers, he said, are excluded from virtually all unions except the United Mine-Workers of America.

Press Briefs of the Week

HAVANA, CUBA.—Named president of Cuba Sunday by the five-man commission controlling the island's turbulent affairs, Dr. Ramon Grau San Martin, famed surgeon, took oath of office at noon. SUDBURY, CANADA.—Ward T. Van Orman and Frank A. Trotter, American balloonists who participated in the James Gordon Bennett cup race from Chicago and who had been missing more than a week, were found Monday between Sudbury and Abitibi canyon in northern Ontario. PORTLAND, ME.—Maine became the twenty-sixth state to favor repeal of the eighteenth amendment, on the basis of returns in Tuesday's statewide election. Three states, Minnesota, Maryland and Colorado, Tuesday voted in favor of repeal of the eighteenth amendment. MARKSVILLE, LA.—Three of 11 convicts who shot their way out of prison at Angola Sunday, were killed in a pitched battle with possemen Wednesday near Saline Point. Three others were captured. UNIONTOWN, PENN.—Sixteen men were shot and more than a score beaten and stoned Thursday as rioting at three mines signaled the "official" start of a mining "holiday" in the southwestern Pennsylvania soft coal field.

Loses Job While Trial Is Pending

Mildred Washington, Actress, Dies

Los Angeles—Mildred Y. Washington, well known actress, died following an operation for appendicitis in the White Memorial hospital, September 5. Acute Peritonitis, which set in after the operation, is said to have caused her death.

Miss Washington, who was much better known here than in the East, was a prime favorite among theatre fans and patrons of night clubs. The actress was used frequently in moving pictures. Just previous to her death she had completed work in the "Torch Singer" starring Claudette Colbert. She also worked in "Too Much Harmony" and "Morning Glory."

Negro Dept. Store Joins the NRA

SOUTH CENTER HEADS CONSUMER DRIVE Chicago, Sept. 15.—(By ANP)—The South Center Department Store, the largest retail store in the United States employing white and colored men and women on a basis of equality, was designated Wednesday to be the headquarters for the Southside in the nationwide Consumers Drive launched by Gen. Hugh Johnson last Monday.

The South Center was one of the first establishments in the city to agree to the terms of the so-called blanket code of President Roosevelt in the first week of August. Consumers throughout the Southside district are being solicited to sign pledge cards to support the business establishments which have lined up with the federal government under the codes.

Atty. Knight Is Shot In Courtroom

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Sept. 15.—An automatic rifle was accidentally discharged in the Tuscaloosa county courthouse Wednesday, wounding Attorney General Thomas E. Knight, who is directing the grand jury investigation of the lynching of two Negroes near here on Aug. 15, and Chief Deputy Sheriff T. M. Gilbert of Jefferson county.

Statewide Inter-racial Meet Slated for October

The Des Moines Inter-racial Commission opened its activities for the fall and winter Monday night with a dinner meeting at the Y. W. C. A. cafeteria. The Rev. Roger Bunn of the St. Simon's Episcopal Mission, Atty. Robert S. Lappen, of the Jewish Community Center, and Miss Agnes Samuelson, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, were elected to membership.

Plans were completed for a state inter-racial conference to be held in Des Moines, October 24th, to be led by Dr. Geo. E. Haynes and two national workers from the Federal Council of Churches in New York City, to be attended by one Negro and one white representative from each city in the state "with any considerable Negro population."

Miss Althea B. Moore of Kansas City, Miss Elizabeth Pond, Girls' Reserve Y. W. C. A. Secretary and Mrs. E. R. Hall, president Lincoln Post American Legion Auxiliary, were visitors. The Rev. Stoddard E. Lane presided at the meeting.

West Ball Team Proves Superior

20,000 SEE WEST SUBBURB EAST, 11-7 IN NEGRO BASEBALL CLASSIC Chicago.—The big bludgeons of Mule Suttles, Radcliffe, Stearns, Larry Brown, Davis and Wells overcame the handicap of ineffective pitching in the early rounds by Willie Foster and the erratic play of Morney at second base, and the West tarnished the East in the game of games, played at Comiskey park in Chicago last Sunday, 11 to 7, before a crowd of 20,000. The East employed a trio of fingers, Streeter, Hunter and Britt, in that order, and only the starting finger was anything like a puzzle to the West's sluggers.

Foster pitched the entire game for the West, allowing seven hits and as many runs. Streeter, on the other hand, went only six frames before being replaced by Hunter, who was followed by Britt.

Two of the greatest Negro ball clubs played, one with the most popular players in the East, the other made up of the most popular players in the West with the exception of three Kansas City players, Allen, Young and Brewer, who although voted for, took no part.

Editorials

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THE SHOE PINCHES

There are some people, including General Hugh Johnson, in their sincerity to prove that the NRA is the right program, who throw fits when anyone dares criticize the present program...

We should be patriotic and get back of any effort to lift this country out of its misery but patriotism does not mean that everything must be swallowed—hook, sinker and line.

GOOD SIGNS

Recently Secretary Daniel Roper of the Department of Commerce called to Washington a group of prominent Negro men and women and organized a study group and clearing house for the Department of Commerce as to problems immediately affecting business and economic life of colored people.

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS

The Bystander cannot too often call attention to the fact that the life of any newspaper is its advertising; that it is up to the paper to sell the space to merchants in the first instance but the repeat orders come only if the readers give attention by patronizing the advertisers.

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This form of indigestion comes on very suddenly with very severe pain in the upper portion of the abdomen usually two or three hours after a meal and is the most serious form of indigestion.



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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their kindness shown during the illness and at the time of the death of our loved one, Sarah Thomas; we wish to thank them also for the use of their cars and for the beautiful floral display and we wish to thank Rev. J. A. Alexander for his inspiring remarks and L. Fowler and Son for their efficient service.

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA

Mrs. W. Norris, Mrs. A. Roberts and Miss J. Herford of Chicago and sisters of R. L. Collins whom he had not seen in 30 years, and W. E. Watts, cousin of Mrs. Collins were guests in the family home.

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James N. Williams of Montclair, New Jersey, was in the city last week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Williams, 1334 McCormick St.

The La'Ritzie Club met with Miss Susie Hubbard, 1444 Buchanan St., Wednesday, September 12.

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Mrs. Maude Jones, 1007 Twelfth St., was hostess to the Jolly Twelve Club, Thursday, Sept. 9.

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Lucian Wyant, grandson of Mrs. Chas. Crump, 1444 Buchanan St., is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Eve Stantley, in Chicago.

Miss Bertha Hubbard of Springfield, Mo., spent the week-end with her aunt and cousin, Mrs. Chas. Crump and Miss Susie Hubbard, 1444 Buchanan St.

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MASON CITY NEWS

Mrs. H. C. Huling of Ames and Mrs. Isabelle Stokes of Des Moines, are the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brewton.

Mrs. Mary Johnson of Manly, Iowa, gave a picnic at Northwood, Iowa, Friday, honoring Mesdames Huling and Stokes.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Griffin, 1214 Laurel St., were host and hostess to a dinner given Wednesday evening, Sept. 6, at their home honoring Miss George Blackburn of Chicago.

Mrs. Margaret M. Patten, formerly of Des Moines, who was a visitor in the city last week, has returned to her home in Iowa City where she is matron of the colored girl's dormitory at the university.

Lincoln Post, No. 126, of the American Legion will hold election of officers, Tuesday, Sept. 19, at the Community Center.

UNION BAPTIST CHURCH East Sixteenth and University Ave.

Rev. Jordan W. Tutt, Pastor Sunday School 9:45. Preaching 11. Sermon Title: "A Pilgrimage." B. Y. P. U. 6:30. Topic: "How May We Know When We Are Really Christ-

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CENTERVILLE NEWS

By Mrs. A. L. Terrell

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