

Simpson College Supports Anti-Lynch Program, Sends Resolutions of Protest

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Governor Grants Peterson Stay of Execution

Southerners Plan to Kill Anti-Lynch Bill Passage With Filibuster

Denounces Mob Rule As an 'Indefensible Crime'

STUDENTS URGE LYNCHING CURB
Indianola, Iowa.—Simpson college students Sunday morning endorsed the program advanced at a conference of southern women requesting President Roosevelt to work out a co-operative plan between federal governments to prevent lynching.

The resolution was passed following a race relations meeting in the college chapel at which Mrs. S. Joe Brown of Des Moines spoke. She is a member of the national church women's committee, department of race relations, Federal Council of Churches.

The resolution said in part: "We declare lynching to be an indefensible crime, destitute of all principles of government, hateful and hostile to every ideal of religion and humanity, debasing and degrading to every person involved."

Mrs. Brown traced the progress of Negroes in America and declared illiteracy among them has been reduced 90 per cent in the last 50 years.

"Green Pastures" Here Next Week

A special train carrying members of "The Green Pastures" cast will be in Des Moines Sunday morning. The play is going into its fifth year. "The Green Pastures," Pulitzer prize play which has been touring the south on another leg of its successful run, will be presented at the Shrine auditorium, Monday and Tuesday evenings.

The company was here in April, 1932. They expect to return to Broadway by June. Fourteen hundred and six performances have been given and Richard B. Harrison, who is nearing 70, and who stars in the play as "Lard," has not missed a performance.

PULLMAN COMPANY NOW UNDER WING OF NRA

New York.—Following a conference between William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor and President Roosevelt, the Pullman company has been placed under the provisions of the NRA. This action is a result of the adoption of a resolution by the 53rd convention of the A. F. of L. in Washington recently and presented by A. Philip Randolph, national president of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters.

This means now that the Pullman company has been placed under the Emergency Railroad Transportation Act. The provisions of the code for porters are yet to be worked out, according to Mr. Randolph.

No Code Benefits
Under the old conditions, according to Mr. Randolph, the porters had neither the benefit of a code under the NRA nor the supervision of the ERTA on the grounds that the Pullman company is a carrier and that it is a carrier by railroad, which places the Pullman company in a favored status, being free from regulation of all emergency legislation.

Funeral Directors Issue 1934 Calendars

The Fowler and Son and Tug W. Wilson Funeral Homes are presenting attractively lithographed 1934 calendars this week to their patrons and friends; all persons who haven't received one may phone either one of the funeral directors and it will be delivered promptly at your door free of charge. These beautiful calendars make a harmonizing decoration to your home.

New Pastor at Church of God

ELDER ROBINSON OF CHICAGO ASSIGNED LOCAL CHARGE
—Elder Eugene Robinson of North Chicago, has accepted the pastorate of the Church of God in Christ, No. 1, at E. 17th and University ave. He delivered his initial sermon Sunday. Elder Robinson succeeds Rev. A. D. Bradley who is now in Los Angeles, Cal. Revival services are being held each night at the church; former members and friends are invited to attend these meetings.

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Y Cage Schedule Opens Wednesday
Fourteen teams in three leagues will open the 1934 cage season in the Crocker Y.M.C.A. basketball leagues at West High gym Friday, Jan. 19, and on Wednesday and Friday of each week following for the next three months. This year's entry list represents an increase of six teams over last year's total of eight teams, and includes over 100 players. This has made necessary the playing of the games in one league on Wednesday evenings along with a game featuring the Crocker "Y" Big Five with an outstanding local team.

The senior and junior leagues will be played on Fridays with the first game beginning at 6:45. The intermediate league schedule will be opened Wednesday, January 24, and on that night for the remainder of the season. Opening game at 6:50 p. m.

The following teams are entered: Senior—St. Paul A.M.E., Corinthian Baptist, Trojans, Spiders, I.D.K., Harlem A.C.; Intermediate—Fellowship, Panthers, Famous Five, No Names; Junior—"Y" Stars, Flying Aces, Crocker "Y" Conquerors, Pioneers.

ORALABOR CLUBS ANNOUNCE RECENT WINTER ACTIVITIES

Oralabor, Iowa.—The following officers of the Sunday school were elected last week: J. B. Johnson, superintendent; Charles Cavil, assistant; Mrs. Spencer Elliston, primary department; Mrs. Mamie Frith, home department; Miss Earline King, secretary; Mrs. Mary Vaughn, treasurer; Miss Stella McQueen, publicity agent. The P.T.A. met Friday afternoon with Mrs. Charles Campbell, president.

The Willing Workers club met Thursday at the home of Mrs. Charles Cavil. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Cavil, president; Mrs. W. M. McQueen, vice president; Mrs. Spencer Elliston, secretary; Mrs. John Malone, chaplain. Mrs. Effie Burrell was hostess to the club Thursday. Teachers meeting was held Friday at the home of Mrs. Cavil.

Royal Dukes Society to Present Play "In Abraham's Bosom"

TO GIVE PLAY FOR SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Plans for establishment of a scholarship for Negroes at an Iowa university or college are being laid by Royal Dukes, an organization of young men who have either attended university or intend to do so. The first attempt to raise money will be made when the Royal Dukes present "In Abraham's Bosom," the biography of a Negro idealist, in eight scenes. The play will be directed by Jack Smith.

Rehearsals
The play will be produced two nights at the Drake university auditorium late in February. Mrs. Vivian Parker will be musical director, according to Smith. Rehearsals are in progress now at Negro Community Center.

The scholarship will be open to any Negro who has been graduated from high school or has been obliged to drop out of college, Smith said.

Organized 1927
The Royal Dukes were organized in 1927 and have a membership of approximately 20. Members range in age from 21 to 33 years. Joseph Redd is president. "In Abraham's Bosom" will be the first of a series expected to be produced.

MRS. SHEPHERD TO OPEN CLOTHES SHOP

Mrs. Muriel Shepherd, formerly of Peel Cleaners, will open a unique clothes shop, Feb. 1, at 1146 Keo Way; it will be known as the Shep Dress Club. Special services on alterations, remodeling, cleaning, advice on proper

Girl Reserves to Serve Tea

Tea will be served at the building Sunday, Jan. 21, 3-5 p. m. and Sunday, Jan. 28, at the same hours. The True Blue Girl Reserves, students at Amos Hiatt junior high school, will be hostesses. Sunday, Jan. 28. Willian Burrell is president; Maxine Payne, vice-president; Christine Wade, secretary, and Clara Fant, treasurer. Mrs. G. T. Fant is adviser.

MRS. BROWN HEADS NAACP CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

Mrs. S. Joe Brown has been appointed general chairman of the local branch observance of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the N.A.A.C.P., to be held Monday evening, Feb. 12, at St. Paul A. M. E. church, according to an announcement made this week by A. P. Trotter, president.

JANUARY GRADUATES TO BE HONORED BY JUNIOR NAACP

The high school graduates of the January class 1934 will be the honored guests of the junior N.A.A.C.P. Tuesday evening, January 30, at the Community Center; Mrs. Hortense N. Dillon, donor of the essay prize award, will be the main speaker.

All young people of high school age are invited to attend this meeting and to join the association.

FORMER DES MOINES MAN KILLED IN CHICAGO

Word has been received by Tug W. Wilson of the Wilson Funeral Home, of the death of Ed Mays who was run

down and killed by a truck Tuesday night in Chicago. He is survived by his brother, John W. Mays, of Sioux City.

Mr. Mays was a former resident of Buxton and Muchakinoak and was well known to Des Moines people. He lived here but had made his home in Chicago for several years.

YWCA Holds Election of Officers

Sixty members and friends attended the annual meeting and banquet of the Blue Triangle Branch Y. W. C. A. held Thursday, Jan. 11, at 1407 Center St. Reports were given by Miss Ruth Marie Brown, executive secretary, and Mrs. Mary Woodson, finance chairman. Miss Jean Flickinger, general secretary Central Y. W. C. A., and Miss Elizabeth Pond, Girl Reserve secretary, were speakers. Mrs. J. G. Browne, chairman committee of management, presided.

Mrs. Bonnie Herndon and Miss Anna Wilson were reelected to the committee of management. Mesdames Hazel G. Dixon, Judith Wilson, Kathryn Alexander, Bernice Angles, and Heien Beshears were elected. Other members are: Mesdames J. G. Browne, Sallie Gater, Joburnes Kelse, Clyde Morris, and Anna B. Simmons. After twelve years as a member of the committee of management, Mrs. Mary M. Woodson, retired. Other retiring members are Mrs. T. E. Martin, three years, and Miss Anna Mae Manuel, one year. Mesdames Margaret Carson, Fred Graham, Sallie Gater, J. G. Browne and Opal Jaco were elected to the nominating committee for 1934.

SIX ANTI-LYNCHING BILLS INTRODUCED INTO CONGRESS

Washington.—(ANP)—An even half dozen anti-lynching bills have to date been introduced in the new congress which opened last week. Some one of them may become law. Following fast on President Roosevelt's speech against lynching bills were introduced in the House of Representatives by Representative Oscar De Priest (R. Illinois), Representative U. S. Guyer (R. Kansas), H. P. Koppelman (D. Connecticut) and Joseph A. Gavanagh (D. New York).

The senate received two bills against lynching. One of these was introduced by Senators Edward F. Costigan of Colorado and Robert F. Wagner of New York. Both senators are Democrats. The other bill was introduced by Senator Hamilton F. Kean (R. New Jersey).

Sports

Our boys didn't do so well in high school basketball games this week. Haywood Brewer of East, fouled himself out against Roosevelt and Lawrence Rederick was kept out for a while in an effort to strengthen East's defense. George Robinson got into both North High's battles. We expect George to get his letter this year. The Globe Trotters met Michaels again last Sunday at the Jewish Community Center. For three quarters the Trotters had to step right along for the sandwich boys wouldn't give up. But in the last stanza, Johnson got set in his hot spot and broke up the ball game; then they made merry playing football and doing other clown stunts that have made them a great drawing card in Des Moines.

Franklin Lett of Michigan

Our attention was called last week to the case of Franklin Lett, University of Michigan Negro, who allegedly was refused permission to play on the freshman basketball team because of his color. Coach Franklin Cappel was quoted as citing an unwritten law against Negro basketball players in the Big Ten. "We don't want to go on record as defending Coach Cappel but we take all such stories with a large grain of salt. Too often we have heard of coaches quoted as saying that a Negro would never play on their teams, only to see Negroes play under these same coaches. As for basketball, very few of our best players go to Big Ten schools. Too many of our boys want the coach to greet them with a varsity berth outright because they were high school stars. They forget that gang of white boys were also stars in the various high schools. Unwilling to battle for a position they quit because they are treated as just another candidate. Then we can't quite doze out how a

Washington.—(CNS)—Southern Democrats, recalling the Democratic filibuster against a so-called "Republican force bill," the Dyer anti-lynching bill in 1922, declare that if any effort is made to force a vote on the anti-lynching bill introduced in Congress by northern Democrats in the present session. A new measure—the anti-lynching bill of two Democratic senators, Wagner of New York and Costigan of Colorado—follows closely upon the lines of the bill fathered by the later Senator Henry Cabot Lodge (R) of Massachusetts in the early days of the Harding administration. The Lodge bill died when southern Democrats tide up the Senate for three days by the most spectacular filibuster in memory.

The Wagner-Costigan bill is believed destined for a like fate if its authors try to force a vote upon it. Both measures provided that a county would have to forfeit \$10,000 to the family of the victim if its officers failed to prevent a lynching. This was the provision that provoked the filibuster in 1922. Then Senator Harrison (D) of Mississippi, now one of the key men of the Democratic administration, and the late Senator Oscar Underwood (D) of Alabama led the filibuster.

OSCAR POWELL IN RACE FOR SAFETY POST

Oscar L. Powell, realty company head, announced his candidacy Saturday for the office of public safety commissioner, in the March municipal election. "With the co-operation and assistance of our various law enforcement bodies, I will do all in my power to give Des Moines a progressive, constructive law enforcement program. To give Des Moines a progressive, content unaffected and untainted by bias, fear, favor or prejudice, so this city may possess one of the most efficient and courteous law enforcement bodies of any city of like size in the United States," Mr. Powell said.

Mr. Powell has studied the Des Moines traffic problem, and of movements undertaken in other cities for better protection of motorists and pedestrians. In the list of figures published by the National Safety Council on cities of from 100,000 to 250,000 population, Des Moines stands at the bottom with a large record of accidents, injuries and deaths. Mr. Powell said Saturday he hopes to improve traffic conditions here so that Des Moines will stand at the top.

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Alabama Sheriff Pleads For Life of Doomed Man

Calloway Joins Tuskegee Faculty

Tuskegee Institute, Ala.—(ANP)—Tuskegee institute welcomed a former student to the faculty on January 2, when Dr. Nathaniel O. Calloway, 26, who received his Ph. D. degree in chemistry from Iowa State college, Ames, Iowa, in December, returned to begin work as associate professor in the department of chemistry. The institute is home to Dr. Calloway; he was born in the community, spent his first days of school in the Children's house and competed his high school work at Tuskegee in 1925. Following one year spent at Atlanta University, he journeyed to Ames, Iowa, and enrolled in Iowa State college, which school numbers Dr. George W. Carver among its famous graduates.

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Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 19.—The impassioned plea of Sheriff James E. Hawkins of Jefferson county, Alabama, moved Gov. B. M. Miller to order a stay of execution for Willie Peterson, who was to die today for the murder of two white society women on Aug. 4, 1931. Governor Miller has stayed Peterson's execution until an open clemency hearing can be held.

"I don't believe Willie Peterson is the Negro who committed this offense," wrote the sheriff on the eve of the Negro's execution, "and this belief is shared by Chief Fred H. McDuff, who is even more familiar with the facts than I am. I have that feeling in my heart that convinces me that it is my duty to appear before you and make a full and frank statement of all matters pertaining to this case."

Peterson was tried and found guilty of having murdered Miss Augusta Williams and Miss Jennie Wood and having assaulted Miss Nell Williams at a lonely spot outside Birmingham over two years ago. The Birmingham branch of the N. A. A. C. P., assisted by the national office of the association, took up the defense of Peterson and has taken the case to the United States supreme court on a writ of certiorari. More than \$3,000 has been raised, mainly by the Birmingham N. A. A. C. P. branch, for Peterson's defense.

Current Iowa Bills Reviewed

PAUL CUNNINGHAM ADDRESSES LEGION
Mechanics of legislation and bills pending and passed by the special session of the legislature were reviewed for members of Lincoln American Legion post auxiliary at the Negro Community Center Tuesday night by Paul Cunningham, Polk county representative, Mrs. S. Joe Brown, chairman legislation committee, presided. Cloak room gossip is that the bill providing for the sale of liquor in state stores passed by the house, will not pass the senate, Mr. Cunningham said. "We expect that it will be materially changed and that as finally passed it will be the results of conference committee work," he said.

The bill extending the mortgage moratorium to March 1, 1935, and making it unnecessary to go through court action to prevent mortgage foreclosure probably will receive the senate's approval, Mr. Cunningham said. His discussion of the tax revision measures covered the interim committee bill for a net income tax, the classified transaction tax bill and the gross income tax bill. The bill for reducing from 3 1/2 to 2 per cent the legal interest chargeable on small loans has twice passed the house, but probably will not get through the senate, Mr. Cunningham said.

"FOOTLIGHT PARADE" RETURNS TO STRAND SATURDAY

"Footlight Parade," the superb musical show of beautiful girls and dazzling tunes that is even greater than "42nd Street" and "Goldiggers of 1933," returns to the Strand Saturday, Jan. 20, for four days. The cast includes Ruby Keeler, Dick Powell, Joan Blondell, Guy Kibbie, James Cagney, and Frank McHugh.

VINCENT WILSON IN RADIO CONTEST

Vincent Wilson, tenor, was heard on the air this week over radio station KSO in the mimic contest sponsored by the Ford dealers of this city. His offering is a Bing Crosby imitation.

WOMAN'S CRUSADE GOING OVER BIG IN MOBILE

MOBILE, Ala.—The colored women of Mobile are quite enthusiastic about the part which they can and are playing on the program of recovery.

I wish to make special mention of the kind of welcome and hearty response given by the Crichton public school of which Miss Marie Thomas is principal.

I think our women everywhere should consider it a privilege as well as an honor to help in this great work and if you have not been asked to help you should be so interested in the welfare of our group that you should see Mrs. J. B. Allen head of colored women's division and find out what you can do.

SKIN TROUBLE MAKES HER FEEL SO ASHAMED



She never wants to meet people. When she does, she feels like hiding her face. She has "skin trouble"—her face is covered with ugly bumps and pimples—and she feels so ashamed.

But there is no reason why she should feel this way—no reason why she shouldn't be attractive and popular like other girls—no reason why she shouldn't have a bright, healthy, clear skin.

Thousands and thousands of women just like her have found new hope and new happiness in Black and White Ointment and Skin Soap.



FOR UNUSUALLY TENDER SKIN... the makers of Black and White Beauty products have especially created Black and White Skin Whitener.

Dixie Dems May Battle Anti-Mob Bill

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Floridian To Accept Call From Beulah

ATLANTA, Ga.—Following a highly satisfactory special business meeting after the meeting services at the Beulah Baptist church, Williams and Hunnicutt street Sunday morning the Rev. A. G. Davis, pastor of the First Baptist church, St. Augustine, Fla., announced that he would accept the call to pastor the local church.

The distinguished Florida divine who arrived in the city Friday afternoon, preached at all services Sunday. During the course of the week end, he held conferences with the deacons and trustees of the Beulah Baptist church and the church accepted the plans of the pastor-elect.

Rev. Davis, who will fill the place left vacant by the departure of the Rev. L. A. Puckett to the pastorate of the historic Tabernacle Baptist church, Augusta, Ga., has formally accepted the call to Beulah, though he will be unable to take up his work here until April first.

Persons attracted on charges of drunk while working on the CWA project will not be re-employed Judge Calloway told Robert Lofton Tuesday in finding him \$17 or thirty days.

BOND WORKING ON TENNESSEE VALLEY PROJECT NASHVILLE, (ANP)—Harace Mann Bond of Fisk university is doing engineering work in association with Dr. Charles S. Johnson of the Department of Social Science on a project for the Tennessee Valley authority.

COMMITTEE ENTERS A PROTEST

Leaders Assured Check-up is to be Made and Negro Mechanics Hired.

ATLANTA, Ga.—A Citizens' Committee composed of President W. A. Fountain, Morris Brown College; President M. S. Davenport, Clark University; President S. H. Archer, Morehouse College; Attorney A. T. Walden, Jr., S. W. Walker, H. S. Murphy, representing the NAACP and the Emergency Advisory Council; Dr. J. A. Martin, Editor of Sunday School Literature; CME church; T. J. Ferguson, Manager Pioneer Savings Association; J. M. Childs of the Y. M. C. A.; R. A. Johnson, Executive Secretary of the Atlanta Urban League; Jesse O. Thomas, Southern Field Director of the National Urban League; Bishop W. A. Fountain, and H. W. Russell, of the Atlanta Life Insurance Company, appeared before the CWA Committee of the Board of Education, and conferred with F. H. Frasier, Personnel Director or Job Allocator of the Fulton County CWA Project.

The committee issued the following statement to all Baptists within the convention: "We are praying for the best year and working for complete success. The committee of 100 will be completed by the time of the next meeting, January 30, in Nashville, Tennessee. When our final plans are announced, we are asking the cooperation of all. Do your part."

Pastor Urges Hot Lead to Curb Lynching

JACKSON, Tenn.—(ANP)—There may be those who advocate quiet and peaceful ways in attempting to stamp out the rule of lynch law and mob violence, but they do not have the support of Dr. George C. Parker, fearless editor of The Christian Index, official organ of the Colored Methodist Episcopal church which is published here.

"This fearless Tennessee minister in a recent editorial in The Christian Index dealing with the lynching evil under the caption, 'The Shame of It—Treason,' says among other things:

"There has been a dearth of talk as to the best way to cure mob violence. The Christian Index suggests the best remedy which is steel-jacketed bullets. We don't argue with mad dogs; we kill them on the spot. A mob is a mad dog and should be shown the same consideration.

"Fifty Negroes, armed with high-powered rifles, fifty men who don't care a whit about dying, and each determined to get one man of a mob can break up any lynching anywhere. Sure, blood will flow but if the Negro must die, let him die like a man. If the states and federal government can't stop this treason of lynching, the Negro can. 1893 should see a stop to it and if moral suasion can't stop these men bent on murder then the strong right arm of the Negro can uphold the majesty of the law by hot lead. The Index would be the last paper to countenance violence in any form, but when the law enforcement officers confess their inability to cope with mad dogs, then self preservation, which is the first law of nature, comes into play.

CHICAGO—(ANP)—Rudolph Marshall, 51, 437 Division street died at the county hospital Wednesday from an infection which developed after he had stepped on a rusty nail.

Make this test. Fluff on Black and White Complexion Powder. Then look into your mirror. Note the silken texture of your skin, the luscious, peach-bloom beauty, the rose-petal freshness.

IBC, Inc. Starts Nationwide Drive

The National Baptist Convention, Inc., through its special commission at St. Louis, Missouri, January 10th, launched its drive to wipe out its current obligations and to refund the mortgage on the publishing house through a bond issue.

All of the boards and agencies are united in this campaign and the Sunday School Publishing board is sponsoring the movement.

A committee of 100 is authorized to direct this work and regional meetings will be held as follows: February, Jacksonville, Florida; April, Dallas, Texas; May, Los Angeles, California; and July, Columbus, Ohio. Two others are yet to be scheduled.

Ministry conventions, inspirational, educational and financial, gatherings, with chautauque features bringing denominational leaders from each section and all executives and officials are planned. Members of the special committee also announced that the B.Y.P.

UNDERTAKER KILLED IN ACCIDENT

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 11.—James W. Stallworth, 35, undertaker and secretary of the Lincoln Industrial Insurance Company, Ensey, Alabama, was fatally injured Tuesday afternoon when the automobile in which he was riding overturned and pinned him beneath the wreckage on the Edgewater highway. He succumbed at the T. C. I. hospital near 10 p. m. where he was carried by W. E. Shortridge, who was passing at the time of the accident.

Mr. Stallworth was enroute to Edgewater on a call for a body of a man who had been murdered there. He was driving his Ford coupe at a rate of 45 or 50 miles per hour at the time of the accident. Upon reaching a curve in the road he saw a white boy pushing a wagon in the road. He applied his brakes and attempted to swerve his car to avoid striking the boy. He succeeded in missing the boy but the sudden application of brakes and turning the car overturned pinning his body beneath it.

He was rushed to the hospital where attempts were made to save his life, but proved futile. He died from internal injuries and brain contusions.

Mr. Stallworth was a graduate of the Industrial High school, Birmingham, a member of several Fraternal Organizations and a member of Mt. Zion A. M. E. church. Funeral services will be held today from the Mt. Zion A. M. E. church at 2:30 p. m. with the Rev. E. M. Gooden officiating.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Willie J. Stallworth; father, L. W. Stallworth, Sr.; mother, Mrs. Carrie Stallworth; and two brothers, Lawrence, Jr., and Isaac, Stallworth.

strength of our churches fight for social justice, political freedom and economic opportunity. We must cooperate, rethink and replan our spirit, attitude and activities as to the place we shall occupy in the new social, political and economic framework that is being set up before our very eyes.

CULT LEADER IS HIT IN 'TIME'

Pullman Porter Husband of Father Divine 'Angel' Tells of Practices

Father Divine—known to his followers of both races as "God," should be "closed up" according to John P. Jones, a Harlem porter, who has written a short expose of some of the cult leader's methods to the letters department of Time, national newsmagazine.

This letter appears in the current issue of the publication, but all the writer obtains from Time is its synopsis.

The letter and editorial comment follow: John Jones v. Father Divine Sir: In regards to the article on Religion (Time, Dec. 25). I have a few words to say on this person so-called leader and in other words calling himself God. Father Divine. I have been married to my wife for 20 years happily as a poor person could be. I have a daughter 10 years, in this school, W. Broadway, and 193rd or 96th St. and can't recall which one, and this particular person has almost broke up my home, telling my wife he is God and she will live always and never die. She turned in her insurance with the Metropolitan after 12 years. Surrendered her policy claiming this man say they don't want no colored people in this insurance and will live forever, when I come in off the Road she put on her coat and hat and run out say Father Divine tell her to make me like care of her and live like sister and brother, she claim that he and Marcus Garvey is working together that he is a west Indian, although the government Disposed of Garvey he come with a different line, such as holding a meeting in Newark, charging \$1 per head for the bus ride, and the religious boat rides \$1.

My wife get up in the morning about 6 or 7 am and go out, don't cook or clean the house she say she got to go to the cult to a break fast meeting. Of course after you turn over all your belongings to the cult you get a name and ride around in the cars, you are called one of the intermediate worshipers, so I suggest it would be a good idea if the government or the judge would get together and put a stop to this, my wife is beginning to be a cult fanatic or religious fanatic, they don't comb or straighten their hair or use paint or powder, don't wear no silk stockings, just buy his paper he write and he tell them to get all in the cult, he is going to give all colored people work, if you follow him you will have fine automobiles and everything... my wife say she came in was flashing all around me, claiming it was God coming and calling me... he don't take no money, it is turned over to his secretary... (my wife) claim they the government got something on Garvey for receiving money through the mail, but he will send it back if you, send him any through the mail, so in closing hoping you and your staff will do all you can in closing such places as that.

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ize the potentialities latent in the race. We must furnish our own hope, courage and faith. The Negro churchman of America must again become articulate with an inspiring message of hope, courage and faith. The Negro church is untrammelled by the influence and power of corporate wealth and other financial and economic influence and can preach without fear, the gospel of social justice.

11. The Negro church cannot regain its vital influence and power until it harnesses its religion to the great industrial, social, economic and political conditions that are crushing and disheartening its faithful followers. The church membership, whom we must guard are not likely to leave our fold unless perishing from spiritual thirst or starving from lack of shepherds to lead them forth into the great pastures by which they are everywhere surrounded. In our poverty, God has sent manna from heaven to feed us each day. During the seventy years of our pilgrimage of freedom in the United States, the Negro church has been our pillar of cloud by day and our pillar of fire by night. God would mock us if by our preservations up to now, He does not intend to stay with us and go before us while we strive to enter the land of our American inheritance.

OVERCHARGED TOO MUCH. KILLED

LEXINGTON, Miss.—(ANP)—Just before Christmas, Mack Wall, sharecropper on a plantation of W. P. Peacock, white, objected vigorously to a cotton settlement made by the white planter. After deducting this and deducting that, nothing was left for Wall. The planter refused to make any change in his statement and he threatened to whip Wall.

Wall seized a shotgun and unloaded a charge of birdshot at the planter when the latter came after him.

Since that time Wall has been a fugitive from "Mississippi justice." Peacock's son, who was present when the shooting occurred, heard that Wall was hiding in the woods. Accompanied by another man, also armed, the younger Peacock went to Wall's hiding place and shot him down on sight.

The younger Peacock reported to officers that he shot after Wall had attempted to draw a gun. No charge was taken against the white slayer.

the organized Negro churches should show him where his power lies. It should be done in the fields of religion, should do in the fields of his industrial, social, economic and political welfare. We are shorn of power and influence chiefly through our failure to organize and cooperate. Labor is organized; the farmers are organized; as are the miners; the banks and the railroads. Their organizations and their success thus far have power and influence.

6. The Negroes in this country number the Jews three to one. The United States Census reports that there are 4,241,000 Jews in the United States. The Jews, one-third of our number, and in the face of strong prejudice on every hand, are a success in the social, economic and political affairs of our country. According to the Year Book of Churches, the membership of independent religious bodies among Negroes is as follows: 454 African Methodist Episcopal, 581,750 African Methodist Episcopal Zion, 433,500 Colored Baptist, 3,519,000. This takes no account of the hundreds of thousands within the Methodist Episcopal church and colored members of other denominations. But the power of these Negroes is in no measure organized for Christian social service or for the defense and protection of the race and the proper guidance of our youth for citizenship upon any unified plan for our group as a whole.

7. Economically and politically we are the football of industry and politics. According to the latest United States census, there are 1,623,899 Negroes living in New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. There are more than 1,450,000 living in Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin, while in Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, there are 4,213,888 Negroes. But at this very hour when the social and industrial structure of the nation is being reorganized thru the various codes promulgated by the government, the power and influence of the Negro is almost negligible.

8. The harsh truth is that the Black Millions who constitute one-tenth of the native-born citizenship of the United States are "a distinct minority." Our disenfranchisement is so complete that from our retroceded position upon the outer fringe of society, we must fight to secure even the crumbs which are crumblyly flung to us in the economic, industrial, social and political realms. The distinctly Negro churches are the result of this disenfranchisement in the realm of religion.

LEADERS OF CHURCH GET TOGETHER

Form Committee for General Church Federation at Meet in Washington

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A committee representing the larger denomination of Negro churches met at Washington, D. C., in Mt. Carmel church, Rev. H. J. Henshaw, pastor, on Wednesday, January 3. The purpose was to consider plans for the forming of a national council which would federate all Negro churches in order that they might make a united front for the promotion of the principles of Christianity and for their application to our social system.

The meeting was called to order by Bishop R. C. Ransom with devotional services. A brief statement of the purpose of the meeting was made by Bishop Ransom. Letters were read from Dr. L. K. Williams, president, National Baptist Convention, Inc.; Rev. Dr. G. L. Prince, National Baptist convention, Inc.; Dr. Henry Allen Boyd, National Baptist Pub. Co.; Bishop J. A. Hemlett, CME church, Raymond, Henderson, Atlanta, Ga., and others, giving their hearty approval of the plan for a national council. Expressions were made by those present as to the feasibility of such an organization and upon motion of Bishop Carter seconded by Bishop Walls, Bishop R. C. Ransom was elected temporary chairman. On motion of Bishop Carter seconded by Bishop Walls, Bishop R. C. Ransom was elected temporary chairman. On motion of Bishop Carter seconded by Bishop Walls, Bishop R. C. Ransom was elected temporary chairman.

5. The weakness of the position of the Negro in the United States does not lie in his illiteracy, ignorance or helplessness. His greatest overshadowing weakness is his failure to organize and cooperate. What he has accomplished through

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