

# CAPITOL TO HAVE ONE USES OFFICE

## CROWDS THREAT WHITE MEDDLER WITH LYNCHING

Spirited Meeting Almost Proved Fatal to White Man

CHICAGO—A Negro anti-lynching meeting almost resulted in the lynching of a Tennessee white man visiting Chicago. The man was rescued by police. The Tennessee man, Leck Denton, 31, a Chattanooga delegate to an AFL bakers union convention, was accused of cutting a rally microphone cable. Denton was charged with malicious mischief and disorderly conduct. He denied the accusation and was released on \$500 bail. Police said about 40 of nearly 2,000 rally spectators, most of them Negroes, surrounded Denton and accused him of cutting the wire connecting a loudspeaker to a sound truck. Officers rescued him from the angry crowd, some of whom shouted "Let's lynch him, treat him the way they treat us in the South."

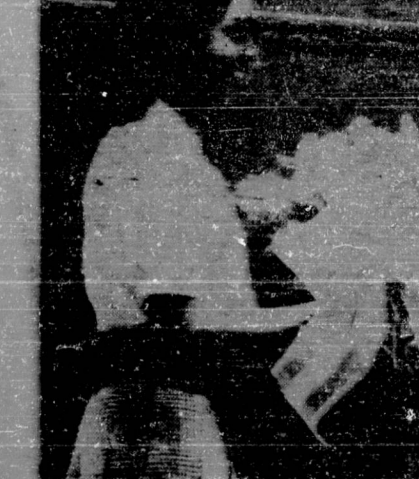
## GETS RIDE ON TRUCK THAT KILLS SISTER

SCOTLAND NECK, Sept. 16.—When John House, hitch-hiker from Norfolk, asked a ride on a passing transfer truck, he could not know that that very vehicle later would collide with an automobile in which his sister, Christine House, school teacher of Tillery, was riding. The truck and the car were involved in a head-on collision and Miss House and Andrew Branch, a second occupant of the car, were killed. House, himself, was critically injured. The accident occurred eight miles from Scotland Neck. Saturday night the truck, driven by John Lyons, Negro of Norfolk, Va., decontrolled the car driven by Branch of the wreck and had not been apprehended early in the week.

## CONGRESSMAN HELD ON PEONAGE COUNT

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (NNPA)—A representative-elect to the Alabama legislature and three other men were arraigned here last Friday on Federal charges of peonage for allegedly holding a colored man and forcing him to work out a debt. United States Commissioner S. H. Spratt identified the men as Representative-elect R. E. Doughty, of Pickens county; Eddie L. Doughty, William Ambrose and James V. Sanders, all of Reform, Ala. There were placed under \$1,000 bond each. A Federal indictment charged that the four transported Willie F. Wil from Cordova, in Walker county, to a farm near Reform, where he was held "in a condition of peonage."

The indictment said the detention began on or about April 7, 1946. The men were arrested last Thursday at Reform by United States Marshal Murray Hinton and brought here.



Paul Beeson, shown receiving flowers from Lovette Washington, a Negro S. N. Y. C. leader, will be a featured performer at the Southern Youth Legislature when it meets in Columbia, S. C., October 18, 19, 20. Over a thousand

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# Pastor Names Ga. Witnesses Wallace Stirs Country In N. Y. Talk

## WAR VETERAN SAVED FROM ANGRY THROG

SYLVA—Paul Dorsey, 24, Negro war veteran, was being held in a Western North Carolina jail Monday night on a charge of murder in connection with the fatal beating of Bill Jordan, 45, a Sylva white man, who was employed as a truck driver after officers frustrated an apparent attempt to turn him over to a mob of about 300 at Sylva Monday morning. Officers said Jordan was beaten when he encountered the Negro while walking along the railroad tracks near his East Sylva home. He died at J. C. Harris Community hospital here some time later of a fractured skull. Sheriff Leonard Holder of Jackson county permitted the mob to go through the Sylva jail to look for the man after they gathered outside and demanded that he be turned over to them. The Negro was not there. In the meantime, Dorsey had been observed boarding a Trailways bus. Two white men are reported to have boarded the bus and forced the Negro to get off with them near Balsam about 2 1/2 m. (Continued on back page)

## 18-YEAR-OLD YOUTH HELD ON ATTACK CHARGE

WILSON — Johnnie Knight, Jr., 18-year-old mute, Saturday was ordered held under \$2,500 bond pending trial in Wilson County Superior Court on a charge of assault on Miss Peggy Bergess, 16-year-old white girl of Sims, on September 8. Miss Bergess identified Knight as her assailant and testified in a hearing before Justice of the Peace John M. Porter that she was walking down a country road to visit a friend near Sims when she passed Knight sitting along the side of the road. She said he followed her after she passed and that although she "walked faster and faster and then started to run," Knight was quickened his pace, overtook her, dragged her into a nearby field and choked her until her cries attracted two men. When the men approached to investigate the cries she said he fled. Knight was trailed by his neighbors who followed the trail from the field to his home. Both Knight and his brother, Marcellus Knight, 16, were taken into custody. The second defendant was later released.



youth from every part of the South are expected to attend in response to the call of the Southern Negro Youth Congress whose National office is located in the Masonic Temple Building, Birmingham.



Getting Ready to Score Another Knockout: Joe Louis leads a Champ's hand to pin a banner on Doris Bernays, enthusiastic volunteer worker, who will "lend her hand to Dixieland" Sept. 19, 20 and 21 in the New York street collection campaign of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare.

## NAACP OPENS NEW BRANCHES IN THE SOUTH

NEW YORK — As the Negro people throughout the South become increasingly alert to the importance of a strong drive against mob violence, civil rights violations and needless discrimination, the ranks of the NAACP have swelled to over 500,000 members. At the September 14th meeting of the N. A. A. C. P. National Board of Directors, Gloria B. Current reports, chapters were granted to thirty-five branches. This brings up the total of NAACP branches in active operation to 1,144. Branches chartered were Chillicothe, Texas; Milton, Florida; Montgomery County, N. C.; Imperador, Calif.; Paris, Ark.; Georgetown, Tex.; Lenape, Okla.; Pendleton, S. C.; Eugene, Ala.; Bloomington, Ind.; Washington County, Ga.; Nesmith, S. C.; Wellington, Kans.; Simpson, Ala.; Home, Tex.; Clewiston, Fla.; Andover, N. Y.; Carlinville, N. C.; Leno, Okla.; South Bound Brook, N. J.; Tridell, W. Va.; Branswick County, N. C.; Shelton, S. C.; Kentucky, Tex.; Brinkley, Ark.; Covington, N. C.; Marion, Ohio; Washington, Ga.; Bladen County, N. C.; Elmwood, Pa.; Montgomery and Tombs Co., Ga.; Sulphur Springs,

## NAACP Action Frees GI Given 50 Years

NEW YORK—Sentenced by a prejudiced court-martial to fifty years at hard labor, Noel W. Greenidge is a free man today, as a direct result of the intervention of the NAACP Legal Staff. His period of confinement was abruptly remitted and he was given an opportunity to reenlist in the service. His letter to Franklin H. Williams, NAACP attorney, is typical of the many received by this office. Says Greenidge: "Your efforts instilled in me the courage to see it through—and to retain the intense faith in this our country and the ideals for which it stands. "Having laid aside the uniform which I wore proudly—and in which I was still the object of an insidious prejudice—I find the (Continued on page eight)

## PASTOR SAYS SAME PATTERN COUNTRY OVER

DUBLUTH, Minn. (NNPA)—Two of the names of witnesses to the lynching in Monroe, Ga. on July 23 were revealed here Monday by the Rev. Clarence T. Nelson, pastor of Cleophr Memorial Methodist church of St. Paul, during an address before CIO and Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen representatives in the Steelworkers Union hall. Speaking in the subject "The Georgia Pattern in Duluth," Rev. Nelson said the witnesses were Willie Johnson, who formerly lived near Macon, Ga., Ben Green and another man. Their names were placed on the lynching have been turned over to the NAACP and the Workers Defense League in Newark, N. J., Nelson revealed.

## SOLDIERS FINED IN VIOLENCE THREAT CASE BY S. C. COURT

FLORENCE, S. C. (NNPA)—War Department officials last Friday promised an investigation of the circumstances connected with a disturbance here involving military and railroad police discharged veterans en route to their homes and 200 northbound troops. The disturbance started when two military policemen, acting on a tip from Earl Bragg, North Carolina, where the men had been earlier discharged, boarded a southbound train to see how the men were behaving and found only one slightly under the weather. About 200 additional colored soldiers waiting in the station saw the MP's arrest this one soldier and began to grumble. When station officials asked the MP's to clear the soldiers away from the platform, the policemen could board a northbound train, the soldiers refused to move. "The MP's saw a colored sergeant in the crowd and asked him to assist them. He talked back to them which they did not like, and they arrested him. His arrest caused fighting to break out. A half hour later two soldiers approached the ticket office in the station and one of them asked the woman ticket seller for a ticket. She told the soldier to wait until she was through writing on the first soldier. He said something in reply, which she did not like. She called over the loud speaker system for the MP's. A major and a captain seeing the disorder attempted to assist the MP's and restore order. The captain was struck in the mouth and knocked down. Four or five soldiers were arrested by the MP's. When the situation grew worse, H. F. Sully, a railroad policeman, intervened. He had a riot gun in his hand and attempted to hold the soldiers at bay. At that moment the city police arrived, surrounded the soldiers and marched about 130 of them off to the local jail. Two men were released. The others were held. At about 5 o'clock the next morning, the men were tried in police court here. Of the five individuals arrested during the fracas, two were fined \$100 each or thirty days in jail, two were fined \$52 each or thirty days in jail, one was fined \$17 or fifteen days in jail. All the others were fined \$17 each or fifteen days in jail. All of the men except three paid their fines. The mass trial was completed in about a half hour and at about 4:30 a. m. the men were marched to the railroad station and put aboard a southbound train. They had been discharged at Earl Bragg, North Carolina. (Continued on back page)

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NEW YORK (NNPA)—The mass lynching of four persons near Monroe, Georgia, July 13, was cited by Secretary of Commerce Henry A. Wallace last Thursday night as an illustration of the kind of prejudice that makes war inevitable. Secretary Wallace spoke in Madison Square Garden at an anti-Dewey anti-Republican rally sponsored jointly by the Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions and the National Citizens Political Action Committee. The subject of Mr. Wallace's speech was "The Way to Peace in a World that is a Deadly Threat to the Peace of the World." He pointed out that the original name had been wished upon her ancestors by slaveholders. Judge Fenerty took the case under advisement.

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PHILADELPHIA (NNPA)—Three of Father Divine's followers last Friday asked Judge Clare Gerald Fenerty, in Common Pleas Court No. 5 to override the Registration Commission's refusal to enroll them as voters because they would not state their birth names. Using their "religious" names in the suit were Job Patience, 49, of 572 South Broad street; Prudigal Son, 42, of 507 So. Broad St., who said he served in the Army under that name, and Miss Victory Love, of 895 North Forty-first street, who pointed out her original name had been wished upon her ancestors by slaveholders. Judge Fenerty took the case under advisement.

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## D. C. USES TO ELIMINATE TWO OFFICE SYSTEM

By JAMES L. HICKS NNPA Staff Writer  
WASHINGTON, D. C.—Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach last Wednesday agreed to abolish segregation in the District of Columbia offices of the United States Employment Service but rejected the recommendation of minority group representatives to stop the filling of discriminatory hiring orders when the public employment offices are returned to the states November 15.

Abolition of segregation in the local USES offices was expected to be effected within a fortnight. Administrative procedures involved in making the change prevented the Secretary from taking immediate action. It was said Mr. Schwellenbach's promise to abolish segregation in the local offices came after representative minority group organizations and public officials had held a conference with USES officials and presented him with a six-point program for the protection of minority group interests when the public employment offices are returned to the states.

Other recommendations submitted by Mr. Schwellenbach called for refusal to accept discriminatory hiring orders, denial of orders to employers submitting such orders, inclusion to state operating plans of policies and procedures to promote the full utilization of minority group workers, assignment of personnel to see that these policies are followed, and equal employment opportunities for all of the agency's employees, regardless of race, color or national origin.

Specifically, the group presented the following recommendations: 1. That the USES oppose the perpetuation of segregation in the USES and call upon the Federal Government to take the initiative in abolishing it. As a first step in this direction and as an indication of good faith on the part of the Department of Labor, we urge immediate abolition of all forms of segregation in the District of Columbia USES offices. 2. "We are in agreement that no governmental agency financed by the Federal Government should be

and facilitate for someone discrimination in its operation. For that reason and because of the oft-announced Federal policy of non-discrimination in employment, we urge that USES refuse to accept discriminatory hiring orders. 3. "We feel that procedures set forth in Field Instruction 379 (revised), fail to accomplish the announced policy of 'equitable employment opportunities.' 4. Each state plan of operation submitted for approval should contain policies and procedures for promoting the full utilization of minority groups in local employment training programs serviced by the agency. 5. "There should be assigned adequate qualified personnel to see that policies designed to eliminate discrimination are followed in local offices. 6. "All persons should have equal opportunities for employment on the staff of the agency without regard to race, color, creed or national origin."

## Rev. Thomas Is Chest Campaign Director

WILMINGTON — The Rev. C. L. Thomas, minister of the Wilmington, 7th Day Adventist Church, has been named 1946 campaign director of the Negro division of the Community Chest. The Rev. Mr. Thomas successfully directed the recent Red Cross Drive here. He is a forceful speaker and is prominent in church and civic affairs.



Several of the world's top youth leaders coming to America to attend the Southern Youth Legislature which meets in Columbia, S. C., October 18, 19, and 20. Mrs. Dorothy Burnham, Educational Director of the Southern Negro Youth Congress, upon her arrival from Paris, France this week. Mrs. Burnham is pictured receiving flowers and honors from the youth of France. She was one of the principle speakers at a French Youth Rally given in honor of the World Federation of Democratic Youth in Paris on August 1st. Shows with Mrs. Burnham are two world renowned youth leaders, Arnold Meri from the Soviet Union, right, and Ignacio Gallego, Spain, left.