

REV. GRADY HOLDS LEAD BY SMALL MARGIN IN TIMES POPULARITY CONTEST

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5 BURNED ALIVE IN WRECK

Woman Judge Leads Policy Raids Ice Coated Highway Snuffs Out Lives Of Minister And Party On Way To Funeral

One Time Racketeer Waves And Flees As Cop's Raid Starts

CLEVELAND, Dec. 16—(AP)—The spectacle of a woman municipal judge, Lillian M. Westrop, leading a series of policy raids; of Benny Mason, Cleveland's biggest policy baron, waving to the raiding party as it approached his place and then fleeing in his car, and of citizens' reactions expressed in daily papers, kept this city agog last week.

Judge Westrop went along with raiding police as an "official observer" to get an insight into "conditions I thought never existed in Cleveland," she said. Officers arrested two women and two men for investigation on gambling charges and dispersed over 600 policy players at seven places.

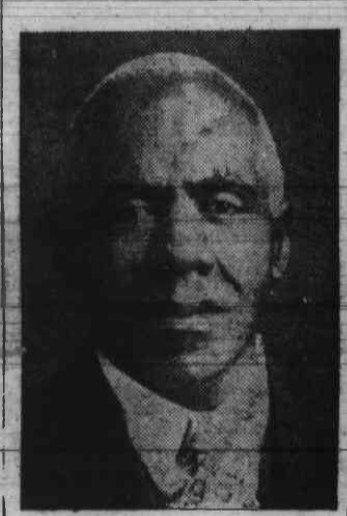
Mason, reported to have made \$1,000,000 from policy operations several years ago and since then to have retired on a pig farm, was in his sedan when the raiders drove up to the spot which was previously known as his headquarters. Mason saw them coming, and as the squad

car screamed to a stop, the baron waved smilingly and sped away. He left behind a small crowd which had held slips with the name of his old wheel, the EB and M.

After reports of the raids were printed, local dailies received letters from readers on policy playing. One writer said operators complained business was poor because relief checks had not been distributed, and added, "in other words, hundreds of relief people who had extra money were forced to spend it for food instead of policy" and suggested that the city weed out unworthy people receiving the dole.

Another, who signed himself "Tax Payer," said, "There are thousands of policy writers and players and they are too proud to go on relief. Plenty of families wait until someone in the house writes enough policy and takes the percentage and brings home food so the babies can eat. If the policy game is broken up, you may rest assured plenty of

CONVALESCING



Dean Chas. S. Boyer, prominent educator of St. Augustine College, Dean Boyer was recently honored with the title Dean Emeritus of his long years of service as a member of the faculty of that institution. Since retiring from active service Dean Boyer's health is very much improved.

Still another wrote, "As long as there is a world there will be gambling of some sort. The policy people are only taking what is given them. Policy is something like a sick and accident insurance. You get sick if you don't hit, and it's an accident if you do. But if we are willing to take the chance, what of it?"

Rev. W. M. Fuller also held his own last week and showed signs again of being a possible darkhorse winner. The greatest spurt of any candidate in last week's balloting was made by Rev. W. F. Cozart of the Oak Grove Freewill Baptist church who jumped from the 14th position which he held last week to the seventh place.

With this and next week only left to go before the final count is made the management foresees a breaking of all voting records of the contest. Several thousand extra papers have been printed for Durham, and the entire force of the Times has been working arduously all week to prevent another sellout as occurred last week, when the office was swamped with calls for more papers.

This week's standing of contestants is as follows:

Rev. T. A. Grady, Ebenezer Baptist	6,250,000
Rev. J. H. Thomas, Mt. Vernon Baptist	6,255,000
Rev. W. M. Fuller, Good Hope Baptist	5,850,000
Rev. A. S. Croson, Union Baptist	6,650,000
Rev. R. O. Langford, St. Matthew CME	5,640,000
Rev. Miles Mark Fisher, White Rock Baptist	5,355,000
Rev. W. F. Cozart, Oak Grove Freewill Baptist	4,405,000
Rev. S. P. Perry, St. Mark A.M.E. Zion	4,125,000
Rev. J. A. Valentini, St. Joseph A.M.E.	3,950,000
Bishop H. L. Fisher, Holy Tabernacle	3,650,000
Rev. C. E. McLester, Second Baptist	3,325,000
Rev. Thomas Moore, Congregational Christian	2,850,000
Rev. W. Geo. Avant, Pine Street Presbyterian	2,115,000
Rev. O. D. Stanley, St. Titus Episcopal	2,105,000
Rev. E. Wimberley, Mt. Glendon Baptist	2,050,000
Rev. James Stewart, Cedar Grove Baptist	1,950,000
Rev. N. E. Higgs, White Rock Christian	1,655,000
Rev. T. C. Graham, West Durham Baptist	1,100,000
Rev. F. W. Sewell, Church of God	830,000
Rev. Edward Lassiter, Union Grove Baptist	705,000

LOST RELATIVES

Mrs. Hattie Ervins of Watson. Last time heard from the name was Watson having married a man named Sam Watson and was living in Durham. It is important that her daughter, Lucy get in touch with her immediately. Any person or persons knowing the whereabouts of this person will please notify Carolina Times by phone, J-7871 or Box 59 Durham, N. C. or call at office 117 Peabody St., this city.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE JUNIOR BOARD OF LINCOLN HOSPITAL

As the Christmas season nears, our hearts are filled with the Spirit of Christmas, not the giving of gifts to our friends, but the giving of our services, both financial and personal in the alleviation of human suffering, and to help the less fortunate feel the Spirit of Christmas, which we have always felt.

The true Spirit of Christmas prompted the organization of the Junior Board of Lincoln Hospital and that Spirit is the urge of our activities.

Since its organization in July, 1934, the Junior Board has had as its project, the Children's Ward of Lincoln Hospital. Each Christmas a Christmas tree is put in the ward and on Christmas day each child in the ward is given a toy or present and a stocking of fruits. Toys are also donated to the ward as the property of the ward for the children who enter to have some means of amusement.

We are striving to be worthy of the commendation of the master, "In as much as you did it unto the least of these—you have done it unto Me".

The Officers are as follows: Mrs. P. W. Harris, President; Mrs. S. H. Cleland, Secretary;

Mrs. Franklin Roosevelt To Speak Sat.

AT DINNER GIVEN BY NAT'L COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN

NEW YORK, Dec. 15—(ANP)—Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt, wife of the president, is to be the guest speaker at a dinner given at the Phillis Wheatley's Y.W.O.A., 144 W. 138th Street, Saturday evening, Dec. 18. Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune is president of the National Council and serving on the local committee are Mrs. Clara Burrill Bruce, chairman, Mrs. Lillian Alexander, Mrs. Eunice Hunton Carter, Mrs. Sari Price Patton, Mrs. Carita V. Roane, Mrs. Cecelia Cabanis Saunders, Mrs. Mabel Keaton Staupers and Mrs. Florence K. Williamson.

HOWARD GLEE CLUB SCORES

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 15—(ANP)—The Howard University Glee Club, directed by Prof. Roy W. Tribbs was featured of the evening service at the First Congregational (white) church Sunday evening last. The guest organist was Julius Carroll, also of Howard, and Robert Nolan served as accompanist for the Glee Club.

Dr. W. Scott Mayo, widely known musician was installed last Sunday at minister of music at John Wesley A.M.E. Zion church returning there after an absence of 25 years.

Mrs. C. C. Spaulding, Jr. Treasurer; Mrs. J. W. Davidson, Reporter.



Dr. M. Spaulding, former head of the Agricultural Department of A. and T. College who is now an instructor of the Agriculture Department of the Kentucky State College. Dr. Spaulding is considered one of the most outstanding men in his particular field.

SUSPEND GUARD AFTER 3 CONVICTS ESCAPE

BIRMINGHAM, Dec. 15—Following the escape last Friday of three colored convicts Guard J. A. Swanton at Convict Camp No. 2, was given a ten-day suspension without pay. He was suspended for "neglect of duty."

Mitchell Gets Life For Race Murder

JACKSON, Miss.—William Clark Mitchell, 54-year-old white man sentenced to be hung for the slaying of two Negroes, faces life imprisonment as a result of Governor Hugh White's action last week.

Governor White commuted Mitchell's sentence to life imprisonment after 3 physicians had reported him insane. This action follows very closely that of the Supreme Court of Mississippi on Dec. 6 in again overruling Mitchell's appeal for a review. Two weeks previously the court ruled against Mitchell. The governor had previously declined to interfere with the sentence.

(Special to The Carolina Times) BURLINGTON, Dec. 15. Death took a heavy toll of lives on the highway near here yesterday when five persons were killed almost instantly after the car in which they were riding plunged into the side of a truck about 3 miles west of this city. The wreck occurred on highway number 10 which was coated with ice due to freezing weather. Immediately after the collision the gasoline tank on the truck exploded, throwing deadly flames of fire on the car which quickly became a blazing inferno and burned its human cargo almost beyond recognition.

Three other occupants miraculously escaped death with serious injuries, and were rushed to a local hospital. The driver of the truck, a white man, John Maddox, age 26, escaped with minor injuries and a few burns on his clothing.

Both the truck and the lighter car, a Pontiac sedan, were totally destroyed from the catastrophe.

Those who met death in the car were Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Kelly, William McKinney of Winston-Salem, Mrs. Jane Hoag and Mrs. R. H. Reid of Greensboro. Those injured are Rev. John

Roberts of Shelby and Miss Nancy Craig of Winston-Salem, both of whom received severe fractures, burns and cuts and Mrs. Mary Sherad of Winston-Salem who received severe burns and fractures.

According to an eye-witness of the wreck, Kim Mickens, who was also driving a truck from Charlotte, he was driving immediately behind the Pontiac car when it skidded and ploughed into the truck. He stated that as soon as the car and the truck collided that both became enveloped in flames. How any of the occupants of the small car escaped without death, was a miracle, he said.

Those in the car were on their way to attend the funeral of a relative of Mrs. Sheppard which was being held at Chocowinity, N. C. Rev. Kelly and Rev. Roberts were to have been in charge of the funeral ceremonies.

Immediately after the accident a large crowd quickly gathered at the scene of the tragedy where several other minor accidents occurred, among which was the overturning of a beer truck. The driver of the beer truck escaped without injuries. Other cars skidded into ditches and fields at or near the scene of the tragedy.

JOHN P. DAVIS LAUDS RUSSIA IN MOSCOW RADIO SPEECH

Speaks To Millions Of Listeners Concerning His Impressions Of Socialist Society, Broadcasts Greetings Of Negro People To Soviet Peoples

MOSCOW, Dec. 15—(By Chatwood Hall for ANP)—In the American Negro, John P. Davis, secretary of the National Negro Congress, in a great broadcast from Radio Center greeted the peoples of the Soviet Union in connection with the 20th anniversary of the Great Socialist Revolution in Russia.

Mr. Davis is spending several weeks in Soviet Russia as secretary of the American workers delegation to the Soviet holidays in honor of two decades of worker rule in former Tsarist Russia. He is accompanied by his wife, Margaret Davis.

Prefacing his radio speech with words of "Greetings to the Soviet peoples from the masses of Negro people of America," Mr. Davis then spoke of the impression which the great demonstrations of Red Square made on him on Nov. 7. He said:

realize that the Soviet Union stands today the greatest force for social good, for democracy and peace and progress that the world has ever known.

The military might of the Red Army protects and serves not only the Soviet peoples and the Socialist country, it is an army which safeguards the peace of the world, he added. Millions of toilers throughout the world who wish to live in peace, free from the threats of warmongering international fascism, take heart in the power of the Workers and Peasants Red Army of the Soviet Union, Mr. Davis said.

Concerning the new Soviet Constitution, which he has studied closely and seen in action, Mr. Davis declared to his radio audience:

"I have seen while I have been here the concrete proof that your constitution, the Constitution framed by Stalin and other leaders of the Soviet Union, is a constitution that expresses not things as you hope them to be, but things as they actually exist for every citizen in your great country. I am an American Negro. Unfortunately, some of my white fellow countrymen would deny us the privileges of citizenship given under our Constitution and under your Constitution but in your great country such acts would constitute a criminal act. I refer to Article 123 of the Soviet Constitution which declares:

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