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## ORGANIZER CHARGED WITH TAKING NEGRO TO BACCO UNION CHARTER

### J. C. STRICKLAND GIVEN ROAD SENTENCE BY JUDGE MURDOCK

J. C. Strickland, former white operator of a grocery store near South street and exclusive Negro section of Durham was sentenced to 90 days on the road by Judge W. H. Murdock in recorder's court here Wednesday for charging Mrs. Rosa Wade, elderly Negro woman a usurious interest rate.

In a recent civil action against the merchant Mrs. Wade was awarded a verdict of \$146 in a usury suit and \$10 for malicious prosecution in a worthless check charge.

Upon refusal of Strickland to pay the amount awarded Mrs. Wade by the court, Attorney J. Grover Lee and M. M. Young, representing the plaintiff brought action against the merchant. Even though Attorney R. F. Read, representing the defendant argued that the bringing of the criminal action was an attempt to enforce a collection of the civil judgment, Judge Murdock rendered a verdict in favor of Mrs. Wade and placed the road sentence on Strickland.

Mrs. Wade testified at the trial that she paid Strickland a total of \$47 on a loan of \$12 and \$48 on a loan of \$10. The elderly woman gave Strickland a chattel mortgage on her household furniture to cover the \$10 loan. She stated that she paid the merchant the principal and more than \$20 interest, and that last year during a freezing weather Strickland came to her home and forced her to pay him her last dollar even though she advised him that she had no fuel.

The statute governing punishment for usury forces the defendant to pay twice the amount of the interest paid by the plaintiff.

The merchant denied that he overcharged Mrs. Wade, and contended that he made no interest charges on the woman even though his receipts were placed in evidence.

The exact words of the statute governing usurious loans on household and kitchen furniture taken from the Consolidated Statutes of North Carolina Code section 4509 reads as follows:

Any person, firm or corporation who shall lend money in any manner whatsoever by note, chattel mortgage, conditional sale or otherwise, upon any article of household or kitchen furniture, and shall take, receive, reserve or charge a great rate of interest than six per cent, either before or after the interest may accrue, or who shall refuse to give receipts for payments on interest or principal of such loan, or who shall fail and refuse to surrender the note and security when the same is paid off or a new note and mortgage is given in renewal, unless such new mortgage shall state the amount still due by the old note or mortgage and that the new one is given as additional security, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and in addition therefore shall forfeit double the interest which has been theretofore paid.

Japan plans \$1,800,000,000 war budget against China—Assumes war will last longer.

### Joe Louis Denies He Will Quit Ring If He Wins Over Schmeling



PROF. A. HENINBURG, professor of romance languages and assistant to the president of North Carolina College who was the principal speaker at the celebration of the 56th anniversary of Virginia State College.

NEW YORK—(C)—District Attorney Thomas E. Dewey of New York county announced Thursday the appointment of Miss Florence Kelly, white, as assistant to Miss Eunice Hunton Carter of Harlem, who is head of the Abandonment Bureau and has work in Special Sessions.

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### WILLIAM HENRY PEDDY SUCCUMBS SATURDAY

William Henry Peddy, 125 Masondale Ave. died Saturday night January 22, 8:16 o'clock at Lincoln Hospital fourteen hours after he was stricken with spinal meningitis. He was a member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church where he served faithfully for a long number of years.

Mr. Peddy's health was so strong during his life time that he was never sick enough to have a doctor until the day of his death. He leaves to mourn his loss 4 daughters, Mrs. E. H. Hammon, New York City; Mrs. Pauline Barringer now teaching at Badin, N. C.; Miss Roberta Peddy Critic Teacher, Winston Salem Teachers College and Miss Audrey Louise Peddy, Durham; two sons William A. Peddy, clerk ABC Store and Javin R. Peddy, employed by N. C. Mutual Life Insurance Co. and wife, Mrs. Sarah J. Peddy. The funeral was preached Tuesday at one o'clock by Rev. Fuller pastor of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, the body was taken to Holly Springs N. C., the birthplace of the deceased for burial.

### FISK EXTENDS MUSICAL BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY

NASHVILLE, Jan. 26—(ANP)—On Monday morning during the assembly period of the new high school near Fisk campus, Mr. Harold C. Schmidt, director of music at Fisk University, introduced the noted Stradivarius Quartet to the twelve hundred students who listened with rapt attention to the exquisite playing of these distinguished musicians.

New Steinway Grand During the Fisk Chapel period at noon they played Brahms' Quintet in F minor, with Mr. William Allen of the Fisk Music Faculty at the new Steinway concert piano a recent gift from Mrs. William F. Gibbs. She is a member of the Board of Trustees and a grand daughter of Erastus Milo Cravath, the first president of Fisk.

### Both Brown Bomber and Wife Ins't Separation Rumors Absurd;—Marva Says She Has Just Spent Longest Period of Wedded Life With Husband; Joe Denies He Will Retire; Winchell Seen Responsible For Stories

CHICAGO, Jan. 26—(ANP)—Not only are Joe and Marva Louis completely happy with no thoughts of a divorce, but after the Schmeling fight scheduled for next June the champion will take his wife to Paris where she hopes to stay long enough with him to study dressmaking and design, Mrs. Louis told the Associated Negro Press Friday.

As for the Brown Bomber himself, he telegraphed Co-Manager Julian Black last week that not only are he and wife getting along better than ever before, but he has no intention of retiring from the ring as long as he keeps his title and the public wants him to fight.

Thus did the two principals set at rest persistent rumors that have recently gained new momentum stating that the First Family of Fisticdom had agreed to disagree and that Joe himself was tired of the roped arena.

Observers blame Walter Winchell, widely read gossip columnist, for divorce statements. It has been stated as fact that immediately following the coming Schmeling bout, Joe and Marva would part amicably with a settlement of between \$200,000 and \$250,000 going to Mrs. Louis. The fighter was said to have lost his heart to a lovely Harlem night club entertainer. Observers say that other papers, fearful of another of Winchell's many scoops, have gone overboard on the yarn rather than take a chance on ignoring something that might be true.

But neither of the Louises has any idea what caused the rumors to originate.

"Joe and I have just concluded our longest period together since our marriage," said Mrs. Louis. "We are apart only when he's training. But since he has not fought since the Tommy Farr battle, we have been able to be together for a long time. We spent six weeks in California." Continued on page eight

### Parrish Says McCrimmon Took Charter And Gave It To President Of I. T. W.

### BAR ASSOCIATION FIGHTS FILIBUSTER

William L. Houston, National President of the National Bar Association, issued an appeal to all officers and members of the Bar Association to make special effort to place all possible public support behind the Gavagan-Wagner-Van Nuy's anti lynching bill, which January 24 went into the crucial week of the debate in Senate. The anti-lynching bill has now been before the Senate twenty-one days since August: two days in August, five days in November, and so far fourteen days this month. All this time it has been subjected to a filibuster which has already cost the taxpayers over \$189,000.

Mr. Houston pointed out that it costs approximately \$9,000 a day to run the Senate. With the money the filibusters have already cost the taxpayers there would have been enough to pay the family of each lynching victim of 1936 and 1937 over \$9,000. The filibusters state they are so prejudicial to the taxpayers' money, yet they announce they are prepared to go on talking forever at \$9,000 per day before they will let this bill come to a vote.

Under Senate resolution August 12, 1937, the filibusters cannot win unless a majority of the Senate. The lynch bill has bill, because the resolution provides that the bill remain the unfinished business of the Senate until disposed of. In order to get a majority vote to displace the bill there will have to be wholesale desertions of Senators now committed in its favor. But Mr. Houston stated that Negro lawyers cannot afford to take any chances because of the tremendous pressure being placed on friendly Senators to have them abandon the bill. There he urged all members of the Bar Association to do everything possible to show the Senators the country wants the anti-lynching bill voted on now.

Mr. Houston stated that when it comes to support of the anti-lynching bill here can be no division of opinion among Negro citizens. The anti-lynching bill rises above all parties.



Grand Exalted Master of the Elks, who, at the Emancipation celebration in New York recently gave the "Slogan of 1935," which is "Become More Race conscious—Fight Race Prejudice." The dynamic Elk leader said that prejudice has crossed the Potomac from the South, and that unless Negroes form a solid front, regardless of section or place of birth, and fight for their rights, the North will become as the South on the race question. "The Negro must stand together as a unit against race prejudice," the Elk boss declared.

President Roosevelt, 56 years old; given birthday party by nation.

In a statement given to the Carolina Times this week C. V. Parrish, president of the Independent Tobacco Workers of America, charged H. A. McCrimmon, organizer of the International Tobacco Workers Union of taking the charter away from the local Negro branch of the International Workers Union.

Mr. Parrish who is calling a special meeting of all members of the Independent Tobacco Workers Union next Monday night at 7.30, stated that he was in the presence of Mr. McCrimmon when he took the charter from the local Negro branch of the International Workers Union.

Mr. Parrish stated that he was giving out this information in reply to the many requests that have come to him from Negro tobacco workers as to what became of the charter of the local Negro union.

As a special inducement to the colored tobacco workers of Durham to join the organization which he heads Mr. Parrish stated this week that for the next 60 days all applicants for membership in the Independent Tobacco Workers Union will be required to pay only 50 cents joining fee.

I will have other statements to make later on with reference to some of the misdeeds committed by leaders of the International Tobacco Workers Union which will open the eyes of the colored tobacco workers of Durham he stated here this week.

### E. W. Warren Succumbs After Short Illness

E. W. (MAJOR) WARREN, well-known and prominent Durham citizen and brother of Dr. S. L. Warren, died at his home here 703 Pickett street Saturday evening, at 9:00 o'clock at the age of 70 years.

Mr. Warren, known as Major Warren to thousands of Durham citizens was for 25 years the leading butcher of this city, and operated a market place in the old city market building located on Foster street. When the structure was razed to make room for a new city armory Mr. Warren with his partner, R. L. Albright moved to Mangum street where he operated a market until his age forced him to open a smaller place on Pickett street.

Mr. Warren was born in Durham and had lived here all of his life. The deceased was married to Miss Sallie Warren about 30 years ago. Of the union three children survive, namely: Misses Ellen, Annie and Sue Warren all of Durham. Mr. Warren is also survived by his wife and one brother, Dr. S. L. Warren, prominent physician and business man of this city.

### LOU SWARZ INVADES EAST ST. LOUIS

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill.—(C)—Lou Swarz, nationally known "solo actress" from St. Louis, captivated her audience at Malones Thursday evening, when she portrayed "From African Walk to American Post" under the auspices of the Boy's Octet of Lincoln High school, G. V. Quinn, principal, Miss Daisy O. Eastbrook, director, Miss Swarz is now under the management of Teddy Blackmon of Detroit, but has not yet turned professional. She is teacher of English at Washington Vocational school, and instructor of dramatic art at Douglass university, both of St. Louis.

### GEORGIA INSURANCE CO. PLANS 40TH ANNIVERSARY

AUGUSTA, Ga.—(C)—The Pilgrim Health and Life Insurance company, 1143 Gwinnett street, which was founded on May 2, 1898, is planning a mammoth celebration on its fortieth anniversary this year. It was announced last week. President Solomon W. Walker, and Vice President and General Manager W. S. Hornsby, two of the founders, said the company is planning the greatest year in its history.

## Conference On Industrial Problems To Be Held February 6 And 7 In Cincinnati Ohio

CINCINNATI, Jan. 26—(By J. T. Whitney for ANP)—Plans have been announced by the Division of Negro Welfare of the Cincinnati Community Chest of a two day conference on the Industrial Problems of Negroes, February 6 and 7. J. Harvey Kerns, director of the division, states that the conference will be the most significant ever held in this city. The Ninth Street and Lockland YMCA's, the West End YWCA, NAACP, Workers' Education groups and the Inter-Democrational Ministerial alliance will cooperate in the observance. T. Arnold Hill, director of the Department of Industrial Relations of the National Urban League will spend the two days in Cincinnati as guest speaker before several group meetings. The meeting which opens on Sunday, February 6, will be addressed by Mr. Hill who will speak from the subject—The Negro Worker in a Changing Economic Crisis.

New Procedures and Techniques in Household Employment and Employer-Employee Relations in the Home will be the theme of a special women's meeting at the West End YWCA on February 7 at 10:30 A. M. At a noon luncheon to be held at the Ninth Street YMCA, the general manager of the Cincinnati Employment centers will speak on the Work of the Employment Center with Negroes. Mr. Hill will address the meeting on the Negro Leader's Responsibility in the Employment Problems of Negroes.

### DOINGS OF USHERS

By Ruth Buchanan

WINSTON SALEM, Jan. 28—The usher board of the Goler Memorial A.M.E. Zion church will celebrate its 29th anniversary on February 6 with a program of unusual interest, according to N. M. Johnson, president of the organization. L. E. Austin, president of North Carolina Inter-Democrational Ushers and editor of the Carolina Times will deliver the principal address. Watch for full program in next week's issue of the Carolina Times.

GREENSBORO, Jan. 28—J. W. Doak, state treasurer of the N. C. Ushers' Association and special organizer of the association visited Guilford Sunday January 28 and organized a First Aid department for the ushers in that city. Mr. Doak will visit Alamance County Sunday February 14 to organize a branch of the ushers' association in that section of the state. He is expected to be joined there by the state president, Mr. Doak is former president of the association and is one of its outstanding leaders.

ZEBULON, Jan. 27—A big time is planned for all members of the East Wake Inter-Democrational Ushers Union which will be held at the Wakefield Baptist church near Zebulon Sunday April 3. The state president has accepted an invitation to deliver an address for the occasion. Ushers in other parts of the state are urged to be present.

for the Semi-Annual Review. A full program of the Easter meeting will be announced in the Carolina Times in a few weeks.

O. G. Donnell, Chairman of Board of Directors has announced that he will call a meeting of tisan politics. the board in Chapel Hill in a few weeks. Mr. Donnell is one of the outstanding ushers of the organization and rendered wonderful service both as a state officer and as director of the annual oratorical contest staged by the state association each year at its annual meeting.

### DALLAS CREDIT UNION PAYS DIVIDEND THIRD TIME

DALLAS—(C)—The Dallas Negro Teachers Credit Union, organized in '32 by S. G. Dove of Washington High school, declared a third six percent dividend on December 31. The Union was started with less than \$200 and in 1937 has accumulated about \$8,000 paid in capital distributed among one hundred shareholders. Before declaring the dividend, twenty percent of the funds were placed in reserve. The Union operates under the banking laws of Texas, and has a Federal charter. C. J. Hines is president.

### SAN ANTONIO CHURCH RAISED \$6,115 IN 1937

SAN ANTONIO, Tex.—(C)—Mt. Zion Baptist church, 212 Ridgewood street, Rev. M. Jackson, pastor, raised \$6,115.31 in '37, according to G. J. Harty, reporter.

### JENKINS ORPHANAGE MAKES \$1,359 PROFIT IN '37

CHARLESTON, S. C.—(C)—The Jenkins Orphanage, 20 Franklin street, founded by the late Rev. D. J. Jenkins, but of which the Rev. R. H. Walker is now general manager, made a profit of \$1,359.98 last year, according to a statement by C. L. Vann, certified public accountant, made public last week. Total income was \$25,768.82, and total operating expenses were \$24,408.84.

the basis of a continuation program to assist the Negro in meeting a number of the pressing industrial problems confronting him.