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NEW ANTI-LYNCH BILL INTRODUCED

Bill Presented To Mississippi Legislature

JACKSON, Miss., February 9.—(ANP)—An anti-lynching bill that would make mob members liable to charges of murder was introduced in the Mississippi legislature Wednesday by Rep. H. Waits of Greenville, who asked assemblymen to enact a statute of their own "to checkmate federal intervention in state's rights."

Hilton Waits, who also said the bill was designed to show the North that Southern states "could handle their own affairs," defined lynching as "any act of violence by a mob which shall result in death."

Persons charged with participating in a lynching would be subject to prosecution on a murder charge, and prosecuting attorneys would be required to investigate and prosecute lynching

cases immediately.

The Waits bill classified a mob as "any collection of people assembled for the purpose of committing an assault upon any person without authority of law."

"This bill may be an anti-lynching bill," its author said, "but it has some of the bad features of the federal bill."

Although investigation of lynching cases and prosecution of mob members would be required if the bill passed, the measure contained no penalties to be exacted of officials should they fail to do their duty.

The Mississippi legislature has previously endorsed a resolution opposing the federal anti-lynching bill and described it as "vicious."

Students Confab To Be Held At Shaw Univ.

A Statewide College Students Conference will be held at Shaw University for a one day session Sunday April 3rd. The committee on Religious Education of the General State Baptist Convention met Saturday at Shaw University and worked out the final plans for the conference, which they hope to make it an annual affair. Though sponsored by the General Baptist Convention, under the leadership of Reverend Wendell C. Somerville, it will be purely interdenominational in character and membership.

The program will consist of platform lectures and discussions which will be led by outstanding thinkers of our race and leaders in the field of religion.

The general theme will be "Religion In College Life."

The subjects for discussion

will be as follows:

1. Religion in the adjustment of social problems.
2. Religion in the adjustment of economic problems.
3. Religion in the adjustment of personal problems.
4. The Negro Church and the College Student.

The objective of this conference are:

1. To make an intelligent approach in making God real in the life of the student.
2. To make a scientific analysis of Religion past, present and future.
3. To make an honest study which will evaluate the religion of Jesus.
4. A systematic, practical, and reasonable way of meeting campus evils.

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DOINGS OF USHERS

WINSTON SALEM. The Wenz Usher Board will celebrate its 16th Anniversary in the church auditorium, Sunday February 20, at 3 P. M.

The anniversary sermon will be preached by Rev. G. Haven Caldwell, pastor of St. Paul. The famous Smith Choral Club will furnish the music.

The Inter Denominational Ushers Union held a call meeting at the home of Mrs. Cora Turner, with the state president, L. E. Austin presiding. The object of the meeting was to get more churches into the union. The following suggestions were taken into consideration: a committee appointed to get other churches to join, number limited to ten; after joining the names would be published; a committee appointed to contact Baptist ushers; to forget the past and work together.

The following members took part in the various discussions: J. L. Brown, M. J. Johnson, W. R. Hawkins, J. H. R. Cleaves, Leroy Davis, J. A. Nash, Miss Claudia Brown, Mrs. Naomi Cuthrell Hines, Webb, and J. H. Friend of Kernersville, N. C.

The union is trying to work together in a spirit of unity, love and brotherhood. At the end of the meeting the hostess, Mrs.

Turner, served a delicious dinner and the meeting was adjourned.

GREENSBORO—The Union of Greensboro held its regular monthly meeting Sunday February 5, 3 P. M. at the Trinity A. M. E. Zion Church. After the regular routine of business discussion, J. W. Doak presented Rev. W. F. Witherspoon who in return introduced Prof. J. W. Mitchell, the principal speaker for the occasion. Prof. Mitchell delivered a very helpful and inspiring address. His subject was "My Idea of a Christian Standard. He brought out the following points: What kind of a Christian standard have I; a family standard should be set, and last but not least "My idea of a Christian standard."

From the expressions on the faces of the audience, each one seem to be saying within himself that he would set a true Christian standard.

The regular monthly program of the Durham Ushers Union will be held at the Mt. Vernon Baptist Sunday February 13, at 3 P. M. The principle speaker of the meeting will be G. W. Cox, agency director of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Nine Seized In Chicago Number Racket Raid

RALEIGH MAN APPOINTED ON DISTRICT ATTORNEYS STAFF

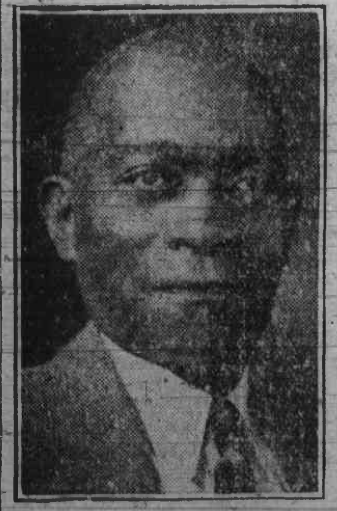


James Yeargin Only Negro Named By Dewey As Deputy District Attorney In New York City

Announcement is made of the appointment of 48 deputies on the staff of the district Attorney Thomas E. Dewey, and among the number one Negro is included, James M. Yeargin. Raleigh man, and a graduate of Shaw University has the distinction of being the only Negro to receive an appointment from the 5000 white and colored who sought positions.

Mr. Yeargin is the son of J. W. Yeargin, Insurance Broker and representative of the Journal and Guide in Raleigh. He is 29 years old, having studied Law and was graduated from St. John's University Law School in 1935. He received his Master's Degree in 1936. Mr. Yeargin is well known in his native city of Raleigh, and showed much promise during his college days at Shaw University. He is a Republican.

TO DELIVER SERIES OF SERMONS



DR. J. A. VALENTINE, pastor of St. Joseph A.M.E. Church, who will deliver a series of sermons on "His Satanic Majesty-The Devil", beginning Sunday, Feb. 12th at 11 A. M. and to be continued for four or five Sundays at the same hour. These sermons promise to answer many questions concerning the Devil.

"Is there really a Devil?" "Is the Devil in Hell?" "Has the Devil horns and a long tail?"

These sermons will reveal what the Bible teaches about Satan. Among the subjects treated will be "The Devil's Desire, The Devil's Devices, The Devil's Doctrine and Devil's Doom." These sermons will prove to be illuminating, interesting, and inspirational. The public is cordially invited.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—(ANP)—Headquarters of one of Chicago's few numbers games were raided Wednesday by Police who seized nine men. Samuel Williams was held as manager of the lottery, which was operated from an apartment on Michigan ave.

Because the policy racket flourishes in a wide open state in Chicago, with the hundreds of stations where bets are placed, operating in full view of public and police and raids being almost unheard of, Southsiders say the heads of the numbers game evidently failed to have the proper "connections."

There is comparatively little numbers playing in Chicago. The policy game dominates the field. In numbers, bettors try to guess a three digit number determined by computation of parimutuel payoffs in horse races or the

day's total at the stock exchange. Bets generally range from five cents to \$1, with winners being paid at a ratio of between 450 and 500 to 1.

In policy, the bettor chooses three numbers between 1 and 78. Most wheels have three drawings—morning, P. M. and midnight—after which slips showing the winning numbers are printed and distributed. Many players bet three times a day. The pay-off ratio is ordinarily 100 to 1 except in those special "books" where fewer numbers are drawn, thus raising the winning ratio.

Chicago's policy game is almost exclusively in control of Negroes and represents the largest single business in the district. Some of the numbers owners of the large wheels have owned their earnings to enter the field of legitimate business.

Bermudians Prominent In Life Of Island

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 9.—(ANP)—The colored portion of the population of Bermuda is active and making progress according to Bishop David H. Sims, who returned from holding his annual conference there this week. When interviewed at his home here

"The islands of Bermuda have a population of 30,070 of which 18,000 are colored and 12,000 white. It is British in supervision and in politics. The governor represents His Majesty the King."

"There are five colored men members of the Colonial Parliament, which is made up of four representatives each from nine parishes. This makes an assembly of 36. Dr. Eustice Cann, a graduate of Wilberforce and Howard Medical school seems to be slated for a sixth place as a representative. Four of the five assembly members belong to the A.M.E. church. There is only one high school in the whole of the islands."

"I held the 54th session of the Bermuda Annual Conference. The work is advancing. Several of the most important considerations before the conference were: The Bermuda members expressed themselves as willing to inaugurate a program of self help and to raise more money for the missionary work in Bermuda. Education: They feel that the church should come more and more to their aid in the matter of education, both primary and secondary."

"The economic situation was keenly discussed. The church was asked to support Assemblyman Crawford's measure which requires the government to provide an apprenticeship for all its citizens over a period of three years and at the same time pay apprentice a reasonable wage. This program if enacted into law will be far reaching and benefit the colored boys and men greatly."

"We arrived in New York on the SS Monarch of Bermuda on January 28. With me as guests were Bishop J. A. Gregey, Rev. D. Ward Nicholas and Mrs. Nicholas, of New York, Mrs. Lucy A. Brown of Boston and Dr. W. P. Stevenson of Philadelphia."

FINED FOR OPERATING BUS

HELENA, Ark. (ANP)—After state police obtained evidence charging S. L. Summers and John H. Williams had been operating a bus for hire without license between Helena and West Helena, Summers was fined \$25 and the coats and Williams \$50 and the

GETS PROMOTION



A. T. SPAULDING, assistant secretary and actuary of the N. C. Mutual Life Insurance company, was elected a director of the company at the annual meeting held last Monday. Mr. Spaulding holds the M. A. degree in mathematics, with a major in actuarial science, from the University of Michigan.

BILBO SAYS WHITE GIRLS LIVE WITH NEGROES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—(ANP)—Senator Bilbo of Mississippi the Senator who is regarded as a joke even by his own moronic constituency, struck a note in his filibustering speech against the anti-lynching bill here Wednesday. Speaking in the senate Bilbo said, "It is common knowledge that some white girls employed here by the government are living with Negroes."

He traced this alleged condition to the fact that the government permitted Negroes to mingle freely with white persons.

Bilbo also showed the economic side of lynching when he pointed out that if 12,000,000 Negroes were transported back to Africa, places would be made for many white boys and girls to work.

ORGANIZES NEW CHURCH IN RALEIGH



REV. W. F. COX, founder and pastor of the Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church of this city, has organized another church of the same denomination in the city of Raleigh. The church will bear the name of Smith Temple in honor of the Rev. J. C. Smith

Bishop Shaw Addresses M. E. Gathering

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—(ANP)—Representatives of our group in the Methodist Episcopal in attendance upon the Methodist Council on Faith and Order at the Stevens Hotel in this city met at St. Mark's M. E. Church in a preliminary meeting last Tuesday.

The meeting was not official but simply a get-together of those interested in the status of the group if unification obtains. Many of the most prominent ministers and laymen were present. Bishop R. E. Jones and M. W. Clair shared in presiding. Dr. J. W. Bowen of New Orleans was secretary.

There was no discussion pro or con as far as unification itself was concerned, but a united front presented in an agreement for the program of tomorrow. A committee was appointed consisting of one from each conference and five at large to consider important matters that may arise between now and the consummation of unification.

Bishop A. P. Shaw of New Orleans addressed the meeting at the Stevens Hotel Thursday afternoon, and Rev. Carl Downs of Pasadena, Calif., representing the Negro youth spoke Friday.

Those leaders in the church who have been outspoken in their condemnation of the proposed merger agreed at the gathering of colored representatives to withhold their fire and go along with the proposal for the good of the church. Among these was Rev. Lorenzo J. King of New York City, who some time ago petitioned the NAACP to bring suit in opposition to the plan. Bishop A. P. Shaw of New Orleans has been a consistent advocate of the merger. Bishop R. E. Jones is reported to have been apprehensive regarding the movement but has voiced no opinion for publication. It is pro-

bable that new advantages were seen which will be favorable to the colored Methodist membership, just as certain leaders in the M. E. Church, South, who said to be suspicious that the merger will prove a submerger for them, are now out in opposition against the program.

The M. E. Church, South, held its general conference in April this year, at which time it will vote upon the merger which has been approved by a majority of the various annual conferences. The opposition is headed by Bishop James Cannon, Jr., famous as a hily white Republican. Bishop Cannon is a brother-in-law of the head of the Coca-Cola Co. and has great resources at his command. Recently he took page advertisements in a number of southern daily newspapers opposing the merger.

The framework of the regional conference in which the Negroes will be said to include the making of two more bishops which would give the denomination four bishops in all. If the M. E. Church, South, passes favorably upon the union, a setting up conference to put the merger into effect will be held in 1935.

CAN'T PAY RENT, BUT HAS \$12,000

BALTIMORE, Feb. 9.—(ANP)—To the outside world and his landlord, Levi N. Perkins was broke. So last week when the landlord finally got around to having Perkins evicted for 10 years' nonpayment of ground rent, officers moved him—and found \$12,000 cash and some confederate money in his safe.

"I'm just a handman," Perkins said, explaining the money. He added he'd move to a house he owns.

Negro Children May Benefit From Infantile Paralysis Foundation

WARM SPRING, Ga., Feb. 9.—(ANP)—Out of the campaign being waged by President Roosevelt and cooperating committees scattered throughout the breadth of the country in behalf of funds for a foundation designed to combat infantile paralysis may come help of funds for the foundation designed to combat infantile paralysis may come help for the thousands of Negro children afflicted by the dread disease. This year the money given either by donations to President Roosevelt at the White House or raised through the numerous balls and parties held throughout the country is to a great foundation which will be used to institute treatment centers in hospitals in various cities.

Negro children have not been treated at Warm Springs. This institution is a private sanitarium which has served more as a laboratory to demonstrate what can be done in combating the disease than in giving treatment to the many. Fees are high in Warm Springs and due to the fact that no facilities were provided for separate accommodation and the location is in Georgia, Negroes have not been admitted. It is expected that the new plan will do

away with that disadvantage.

One of the first places being considered for the establishment of a clinic for colored children is at Tuskegee institute. Tuskegee for the past year has maintained a crippled children's clinic through cooperation with the state of Alabama and the federal government, under the supervision of Dr. John W. Charnick, formerly of Provident hospital in Chicago and acknowledged to be the leading orthopedic specialist among the colored physicians of the country. Crippled children from all over Alabama and nearby sections of the south have been sent to Tuskegee for treatment in various children's diseases during the past year. Remarkable results have been achieved.

The director of the Warm Springs Foundation visited Tuskegee recently and was greatly impressed by the caliber of the work there. Under the new plan of the foundation, funds will be available for the furtherance of the work in hospitals throughout the country and John A. Andrew at Tuskegee will probably be one of the first to embark upon this program. Whatever institutions are developed in the south will be separate.