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PROF. MICKLE ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF LIBRARY BOARD

At the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Durham Colored Library here Tuesday night, Prof. E. D. Mickle, Principal of the W. G. Peckham Elementary School was unanimously elected chairman of the Board to fill the vacancy made by the recent death of Dr. S. L. Warren who had served as chairman of the board for many years. Prof. Mickle has been a member of the board since the organization of the library in the basement of the White Rock Baptist Church in 1914.

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NCC And Clark To Play For National Cage Honors RICH CHICAGO RACKETEERS NABBED

Millionaire Jones Boys Policy Empire Tumbling As Government Strikes

Policy Kings Own Many Businesses

CHICAGO, (ANP) — Although the policy game is generally looked upon as contributing only to the purses of the big operators, in Chicago the income from this form of gambling is letting the way in rallying legitimate business from the ravages of the depression, a survey shows.

Attention was focussed on the strong loop tie-up between the policy racket and legitimate business with the indictment by a federal grand jury of the three Jones brothers on charges of evading payment of over \$1,000,000 in income taxes from 1933 through 1938. At the same time it was rumored that more indictments could be expected of still other policy kings and that a white gambling syndicate was ready to step in and take over the lucrative business.

Unlike in most other large cities, the multi-million dollar policy game in Chicago is controlled by Negroes. The sentiment here seems to be that while policy is not generally approved, if this form of gambling is to exist on the Southside it will be tolerated only if headed by Negroes. Any attempt by a white syndicate to muscle in would be bitterly and vigorously opposed, according to present indications.

The pennies, nickles and dimes placed on policy bets have been the foundation for some of the Southside's biggest business institutions. Unlike the white syndicates elsewhere which take the huge profits to other sections of the city, colored numbers boys here invest their earnings in the area from which their income is derived.

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Former Teacher Succumbs

GREENSBORO — Final rites for Miss Laura Mennis, former teacher of North Carolina and Virginia who died at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, the Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Winchester, 425 Bennett St.

Services were conducted at the home of her relatives by the Rev. R. T. Weatherby, assisted by the Rev. S. A. Peeler, Dr. David Jones and the Rev. J. W. Shuford.

The rites in the River Mount Baptist Church, Lynchburg, were conducted by the Rev. E. T. Henderson, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Jenkins and Rev. J. W. Tynes of the Providence Baptist Church, Greensboro.

CHICAGO, (ANP) — The multi-million dollar policy empire built from the daily nickel and dime bets of Chicago's southsiders seemed about to topple this week when the three Jones brothers, reputed owners of the city's largest and most lucrative wheel, were charged in three federal indictments Tuesday with evading more than \$1,000,000 in income taxes.

Close on the heels of this revelation came rumor that white gambling interests are planning to move in and grab the lottery racket which, in the past, has been controlled mainly by Negroes.

Named in each of the indictments with the Jones brother is Thomas R. Gilson, white, a former deputy collector of internal revenue, who is accused of aiding them in evading their taxes.

Edward P. Jones, eldest of the brother, familiarly known as "King of the Policy Racket," is charged with owning the government \$303,650.38 for the years 1933 through 1938. McKissack must answer for the sum of \$123,497.77 for the same period of time, and George is indicted for evading taxes amounting to \$93,306.49 for five years, 1933 through 1937.

Along with the indictments, Carter H. Harrison, collector of internal revenue, filed a parallel civil action in the form of a lien, which names Mrs. H. Briett Jones, mother of the Jones brothers, as a possible transferee, as well as the three men. Many of the holdings of the Jones brothers are reported to be in the mother's name. The civil lien covers two more years than the additional indictments, swelling the total tax deficiencies to \$200,000.

The Jones brothers' policy wheel at 4711 S. Michigan avenue, which has a daily "take" between ten thousand and \$15,000, according to District Attorney William J. Campbell, accounts between ten and one cent upward. Three drawings taken every 24 hours are said to anxiously awaited by 50,000 cash customers.

The brothers, who reside in sumptuous apartments across the street from their busy wheel, for many years have been Bronzeville's most picturesque characters. Edward, said seldom to wear the same suit twice, for a number of seasons has rented a villa at Cannes, France, for himself and wife, Lydia, and their children. They have traveled over most of the world.

McKissack, also widely traveled, has earned the title of the "athlete's most interesting play boy. Leaving most of the business to his two brothers, he is a familiar figure in Chicago's night spots. He is the husband of the former Jean Starr, well known on the stage before her marriage, the youngest Jones' boy is like his brothers, an ardent sports enthusiast.

George, most retiring of the trio, spends much time in one of the country estates owned by the group. He is married to the former Pauline McDowell, the daughter of a Chicago physician. Lavish parties by the Jones brothers, for which have been angled recently by Chicago socialites, take place in the boys' luxurious apartments on Michigan avenue, which boast a game room, a silver and white modernistic dining room and a bathroom reported to have cost \$7,500. A uniformed maid ushers guests in to enjoy the hospitality of the Jones' fancy fireside, and the chauffeur doubles as butler on these occasions.

Abbott Will Filed For Probate

CHICAGO, (ANP) — Naming as executors and trustees Mrs. Edna Abbott, widow, John H. Sengstacke, nephew, and James B. Cashin, lawyer, the will of the late Robert S. Abbott was filed Thursday in probate court.

As trustees, the executors are to manage the estate except certain personal property left Mrs. Abbott under terms of the will. Net income from this estate, to be known as "trust estate," is to be divided in the following manner: one-third proportioned equally between Mr. Abbott's two sisters, Miss Rebecca Sengstacke, Mrs. Eliza McKay and his nephew, John Sengstacke.

According to terms of the will, the estate is to be kept intact until John Sengstacke reaches the age of 45 when it may be divided in the plans set up by Mr. Abbott. The will stated: "It is my wish and desire that the Robert S. Abbott publishing company continue owned and publish the newspaper known as The Chicago Defender." The trustees voted to do this under the same plan which has been executed during the past several years.

John Sengstacke, formerly acting head of the company, was appointed chief executive officer and will continue also as general manager.



"WINGS OVER JORDAN" SPEAKER

Dr. Charlotte Hawkins Brown, principal of Palmer Memorial Institute who delivered a most interesting address over the "Wings Over Jordan" program last Sunday morning. Doctor Brown's address dealt with culture for which Palmer Memorial Institute is noted for. The school which has become famous as an educational institution is located on highway number 70 between Durham and Greensboro.

Eagles To Face Clark Univ. In New York

The Eagles of North Carolina College received in invitation this week to play for the national championship against Clark University Panthers of Atlanta, who won the championship in the SIAA Association a few weeks ago. The game is to be played in the Golden Gate Ballroom, New York City, March 28. From all reports it is believed that the invitation will be accepted. The president and all of the Athletic officials are very much in favor of it.

Held For Jury Disorder

ASHEVILLE, N. C. — Lawrence Sigmon, of this city, will go on trial here before a Superior Court Judge, March 18, charged with allegedly assaulting a white deputy sheriff and disorderly conduct, all because he insisted on serving on a jury, to which he was called by telephone on June 5, 1939.

Sigmon's trial is being carried to the Superior Court by NAA CP branch attorneys acting for the local in conjunction with the association's national office as a result of his second conviction of assault charges here February 28, on faulty warrants.

Final plans for the Annual Convention of the National Association of College Women were made at the mid-winter meeting National Headquarters.

Fayetteville White Man Sentenced To 15 Years For Raping Negro Girl

Fire Cuts School Term

ELM CITY, (Special) — The 334 high and elementary pupils recently made schoolless when a \$10,000 fire destroyed their building, will have no more school for the rest of the year, K. R. Curtis, superintendent, said, following a conference with state officials in Raleigh.

Unveils Bust of DeLawd

NEW YORK — A bust of the late Richard B. Harrison who rose to immortal fame as "De Lawd" in Roark Bradford's "Green Pastures," was unveiled at the 135th Street Public Library here, Friday.

Aged Woman Succumbs

DURHAM — Mrs. Rebecca Crowder, age 79, departed this life at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Addie Gatewood at 1210 Hazel Street, Friday, March 1. She had been ill for one month. She had made her home in Durham for the past seven years and was loved throughout the East End section as "Mamma Crowder."

Mrs. Crowder was a devoted member of Union Baptist church but also attended Mount Gilead Baptist Church frequently.

Surviving are five daughters and five sons. Her funeral was held at the Second Baptist church in Wadesboro and she was laid to rest in the family cemetery there. Many of her friends accompanied the remains to Wadesboro.



VICTIM

MISS MARY POOLE, 16-year-old girl of Fayetteville who was the victim of a criminal assault by John H. Davis, white man, who lured the girl away from her home under the pretext of hiring her as a nursing girl. In spite of the preponderance of evidence the court allowed Davis to plead "attempted assault on a female" for which he was sentenced for only 15 years in the penitentiary.

Nurses Plan Regional Meeting

WINSTON-SALEM — Friday and Saturday, March 15-16, the South Eastern region of the National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses will hold a meeting in Winston-Salem. Headquarters for the conference is Katherine Reynolds Memorial Hospital. All meetings will be held at the Winston-Salem Teachers college. Miss Edna I. Purdie is chairman of the conference committee.

YWCA Presents Movie

DURHAM — The Industrial Club of the YWCA is presenting a movie of American Industry Tuesday, March 19th at 8 o'clock p. m. at the YWCA, 312 Umstead St. This will be one of the major projects of the year. Miss Eva McLaughlin, president of the club, reports that they are looking forward to having a large audience. The Industrial Committee of which Mrs. Emmet Pratt is chairman, has cooperated.

Trade Ass'n Gives Program

CHARLOTTE — The Charlotte Negro Trade Association sponsored the second in a series of programs dedicated to "Better Service" at the Seventh Street Presbyterian Church last Sunday night, and it was witnessed by a large and appreciative audience. Dr. S. Q. Mitchell, a member of the Association, is pastor of the church.

Workers Meet Ends

CHARLOTTE — The Annual Workers' Conference sponsored by the Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the USA closed its sessions Thursday evening at Johnson C. Smith University here, the meeting being one of the best in the history of the Conference.

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The Worker's Conference is sponsored by four Units of the Board of National Missions: Unit of Work with Colored people of which Rev. A. B. McCoy, Continued from page one

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