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E. M. Michaux, prominent young business man who has guided the destiny of the Union Insurance and Realty Company since its organization in 1928. The organization is the largest of its kind in the state.



The beautiful and modern home above is that of R. C. W. Peety, recently erected by the Union Insurance and Realty Company. The organization has erected many more modern homes in Durham. Mr. Peety has expressed himself at being more than satisfied with the manner in which the company handled the erection of his home.

Radio Bars Crisis Editors Speech On National Defense

NEW YORK — A three minute speech on the Negro and the national defense program by Roy Wilkins, editor of the CRISIS magazine, was not permitted to be broadcast here September 5 by radio station WMCA. Station officials hastened to deny that the speech was being censored. They said it was "not in harmony" with the program, "Harlem Serenade," in the midst of which the talk was supposed to have been given.

Union Insurance And Realty Company Has Made Great Progress Since Beginning

Among the many Negro business institutions in Durham none is better known nor has made a more enviable record than the Union Insurance and Realty Co. located in what is known as the Royal Knights building at 809 Fayetteville street. The company under the management of H. M. Michaux has steadily grown until it employs 42 people in its various departments. Mr. Michaux who is a grad-

uate of N. C. College, and practically a young business man generates an enthusiasm that permeates the entire organization. The 42 regular employees do not include the part-time brickmasons and plasterers. It was back in 1924 that Mr. Michaux, after managing successfully the Merrick-McDouglald-Wilson real estate and insurance company, resigned and started his own organization known as the Michaux company. In 1928 the two organizations merged and started doing business under the name of the Union Insurance and Realty Company, which it has continued since that time.

All in all the Union Insurance and Realty Company operates departments of real estate and rentals, general insurance, building and construction, repair and building supplies. Each department is headed by highly trained and experienced men who are experts in their various lines. Smedley who heads the construction and building department one of the most important in the entire organization. Mr. Smedley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Smedley, former instructors at Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Alabama. He was born on the Tuskegee campus in a building and construction surroundings. Just how much of this is true may be evidenced in the fact that Mr. Smedley's grandfathers on both sides were contractors and builders. He also has a brother and uncle who are builders and contractors, and his father is also a contractor and builder. His brother is assistant head of the Maintenance department of buildings at the United States Veterans Hospital at Tuskegee.

The manager of the building and construction department of the union insurance and Realty Company attended school at the Tuskegee Institute where he finished the high school department in 1928. In the summer of the same year he finished his trade and entered the Chicago Technical College to study construction and blueprint reading. Mr. Smedley has taught manual training at Alcorn A. and M. College, Alcorn Mississippi and collaborated with contractors on a \$280,000 program for the school. He also taught in the trade school at Coahoma County Training School, Clarksdale Miss.

S. L. Smedley, manager of the construction and building department of the Union Insurance and Realty Company. Mr. Smedley has an unusual amount of training and experience as a builder and his addition to the organization makes it well rounded for serving the general public.

NAACP WILL FIGHT DISCRIMINATION IN VOCATIONAL TRAINING

NEW YORK — A campaign to fight for the full participation of Negroes in the program of expansion in vocational training now being set up under the National Defense Act was announced this week by the national Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Announcement of the drive, which is designed to get Negroes prepared to take their rightful place in the skilled trades and in every phase of industrial work, was contained in a letter sent out by the NAACP to its branches all over the country.

The plan calls for the setting up of local NAACP committees in every community who will carry the fight to state vocational education officials. The program for action got under way immediately upon receipt of a letter from Dr. J. W. Studebaker United States Commissioner of Education which was sent to the NAACP last week in which the federal education official made it plain that no discrimination against Negroes would be tolerated. Said Dr. Studebaker:

"It is our declared intention that all possible prevention shall be taken against any discrimination of race, creed, or color in connection with the training program for national defense, as administered by this office through the various state boards for vocational education."

In 1929-30, taught as assistant professor of building and construction at Tuskegee from 1936 to 1938, going there to teach at the State College for Negroes in Dover Delaware, where he remained for one year.

N. C. Mutual President Encouraged With The Progress of the Negro Business League and the Nation

Feeling fine and looking the very picture of health, C. C. Spaulding, president of the N. C. Mutual Life Insurance Company returned to the city Monday after an extended trip to Chicago, Columbus, Ohio, Milwaukee and other western and northern cities.

Mr. Spaulding was interviewed in his office here Tuesday and as usual was generating enthusiasm and encouragement. He was brimming over with information about the progress the race is making in other cities.

Said Mr. Spaulding, "Chicago Negroes are making progress. They are engaged in more different kind of businesses than in any other city in the United States. The Negro is represented in practically every phase of endeavor in Chicago."

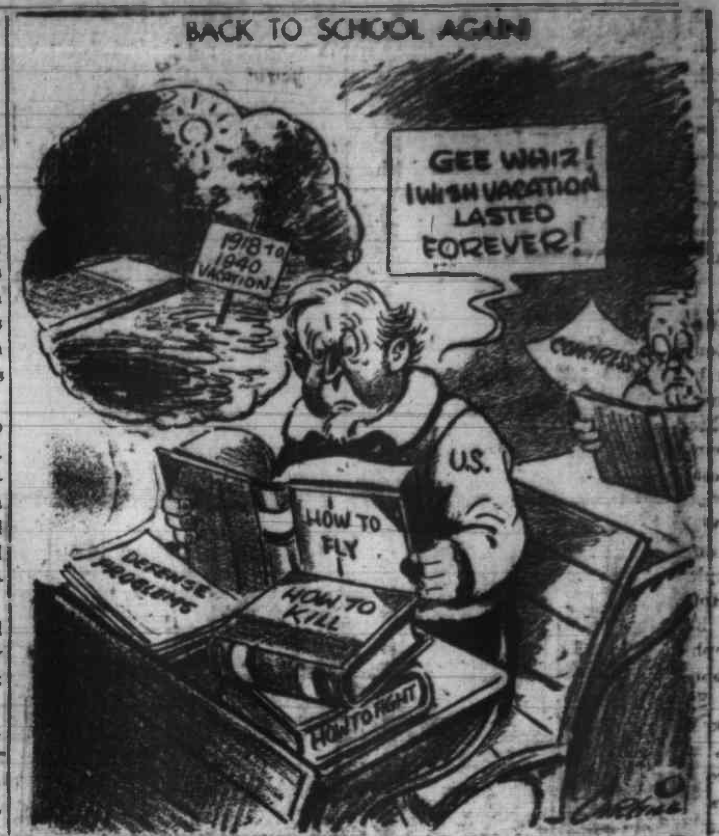
"While in Chicago I visited and had dinner with Mrs. J. M. Avery widow of the late vice president and treasurer of our company. Mrs. Avery and daughter, Mrs. Jeanette Goff are getting along fine. I also visited Mr. James E. Fisher, brother of my pastor, Rev. Miles M. Fisher."

"The Negro Exposition at Chicago is very creditable and its promoters should be commended for the undertaking."

From September 6 to 9 the Association for the study of Negro Life and History held its 25th anniversary in Chicago. Mr. Spaulding addressed the association last Saturday afternoon on the subject, "What is the Business Man's Conception of History as it Relates to the Negro?"

Mr. Spaulding also attended the National Negro Business League and says that this year's session the best in its history. A panel discussion on all phases of Negro business was held during the session. The C. C. Spaulding trophy for meritorious accomplishments in Negro business was won by C. C. Edwards of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

In Columbus, Ohio Mr. Spaulding visited Ohio University and other places of interest. The North Carolina Mutual



president motored with Mrs. Avery and daughter from Chicago to Milwaukee where Mr. Spaulding says I want to see what made Milwaukee famous." In Milwaukee he visited and was the guest of Dr. Prather J. Gilmer, son of Mrs. Fannie Gilmer, both former Durhamites. Mrs. Gilmer was once an employe of N. C. Mutual. Dr. Gilmer is a physician and endocrinologist. He was born and reared in Durham. Mr. Spaulding motored back to Chicago with the Averys.

All in all Durham's Negro business leader was much encouraged on his trip and physically benefited.

There may be better buys in the world, but we don't know of anything as much of a bargain as the average newspaper.

The idea that only the young should go to school is erroneous. Many adults would find it profitable to continue their studies.



Save cellophane wrappers and use them to cover refrigerator dishes, saving your wax paper. If you see the edges of the dish, the cellophane will stick to it, it dries.

Household Hint

To rid collar of a plague of fleas, "mother" them by sprinkling 2 pounds of naphthalene on floor, and closing the collar tightly for 24 hours if possible. Heavy fumes will not then be blown away by air currents. Lock collar down so that no member of the family will go down while the process is going on.

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