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Duke Endowment Reports Service Unions Outlaw Negro Ban

Orphanages And Hospitals Get Aid From Fund

CHARLOTTE (ANP) — According to Year Book No. 14 of the Duke endowment, a trust fund established December 11, 1921, by James Buchanan Duke, "to make provision in some measure for the needs of mankind along physical, mental and spiritual lines." \$190,530 days of hospital care were given to Negroes in 17 North Carolina hospitals and 28,000 days in five South Carolina hospitals.

The report discloses that assistance was given to 64 hospital beds available in the North Carolina cities of Asheville, Wilmington, Gastonia, Charlotte, New Bern, Henderson, Durham, Wilson, Raleigh, Greensboro and Oxford, with the number varying from 16 in Oxford to 100 in Raleigh.

"General hospital beds for Negroes in the two states," the report revealed, "totalled 2,920, proving 14 beds per 1,000 Negroes. North Carolina with 1,997 Negro beds had a ratio of 17 beds per thousand Negroes and South Carolina with 1,183 Negro beds provided 14 beds for each 1,000 Negroes. In the two states there were 16 hospitals caring exclusively for Negroes, with 832 beds, and 105 white and Negro hospitals, with 1,58 Negro beds."

The colored orphanage of North Carolina located at Oxford was donated the sum of \$4,501.77, and the Jenkins orphanage at Charleston, S. C., received \$2,094.76.

HONEST MAN GETS 75 CENTS

ELIZABETH CITY — Richard Basnight, bellhop at Southern Hotel, received a total of 75 cents for recovering and returning to the owner money and jewelry valued at \$10,000 after two frantic guests had discovered their loss and returned to the hotel in quest for it here Sunday.

A Mr. and Mrs. Anonymous checked out of the hotel early Sunday morning, but after they had been gone 45 minutes, according to W. W. Sinnerman, the clerk, Mrs. Anonymous rushed in the hotel and took an elevator to the room they had occupied, and was followed by her husband about five minutes later.

When they reported that they had lost money and jewelry which amounted to almost \$10,000, and Sinnerman offered the assistance of the entire staff in finding it, it was not long before Basnight who had removed the linen from the bed inquired whether she had lost something and turned over the cash and jewelry to the owners.

After she and the bellhop had counted all the money and found it all in the wallet, Mrs. Anonymous breathed a deep sigh of relief. She gave Basnight 75 cents and then joined her husband in the lobby.

Her husband handed the bellhop 50 cents and said to Sinnerman: "You certainly have honest bellhops around the hotel."

Gibson On Advisory Military Commission

WASHINGTON, D. C. (ANP) — Truman K. Gibson, Jr., of Chicago, formerly civil aide to the Secretary of War, was one of nine members of a civilian advisory commission appointed to make recommendations on universal military training, with whom President Truman met last Thursday morning.

PRISONERS GET WDL PRESENTS

New York—(WDL)—Christmas for 25 men imprisoned as a result of injustices, was made a little less gloomy through gifts from the Prisoners Aid Bureau of the Workers Defense League.

Toe Davis, framed tenant farmer serving 10 years for shooting at a white sheriff, got cigarettes, which he requested. Others got cash with which they can buy smokes, candy and other items at the prison commissaries.

Among those who received gifts were Willie Francis, who was saved from death when the electric chair failed to function; Walter McHave, active unionist doing 12

Youth Beaten In Georgia Town

ATLANTA, Ga.—Lamar Howard, 15-year-old employee of a Mommece house, was brought here for medical treatment and for an interview with the FBI after he was severely beaten Thursday by two white men who attempted to force from him his testimony before a grand jury which was investigating lynching of four men there last summer.

He said two white men approached him at the ice house, took him to the rear at the point of a pistol and beat him about the face and head for 10 or 15 minutes with their fists and the gun.

"I was sitting in the office of the ice plant about 4:30 yesterday afternoon," Howard told the Atlanta Daily World, "When the two men walked in, one of them knocked me flat off and threw it on the floor. Then one of them asked me what I told the grand jury and I said I told 'em nothing because I didn't know nothing."

"One of the men crossed me and said, 'You are telling a lie' and started hitting me in the face with his fist. Then he pulled out a pis-

DR. HALL QUILTS FREEDMEN'S

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Seek To Wipe Out "No Negroes Allowed" Policy

NEW YORK (ANP) — Efforts of the New York State Commission Against Discrimination to wipe out "No Negroes Allowed" practices of the more than 30 labor organizations operating in New York have met with success, according to an end of the year report released by Henry C. Turner, commission chairman. The report disclosed that with one exception, unions have agreed to outlaw bans against Negroes seeking to become members. The one exception is the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

The commission came into being last January, following the passage of a bill known as "the law against discrimination" in the state legislature. The bill made unlawful employment practices of labor organizations to exclude or expel anyone from membership because of race, creed, color or national origin. This applies also to the formation of segregated auxiliary locals for minority group members. Under its provisions, the commission is empowered to bring contempt proceedings against any offending union.

Unions like the Airline Pilots Association, Commercial Telegraphers' union of North America, Wire

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NAACP BRIEF FILED TO HAMPER SENATOR THEODORE BILBO FROM SEAT IN SENATE

New York January 2nd.—United States Senators Friday were given copies of the detailed and comprehensive brief filed with the Special Committee to Investigate Senator Campaign Expenditures by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, citing precedent and legal arguments for denying to Senator Theodore G. Bilbo a seat in the 80th Congress, on the basis of the conduct of his primary campaign in the state of Mississippi last spring.

Prepared by Calveres Houston, and Thurgood Marshall, counsel for the NAACP, and legal staff of the Association, the brief is written to show that "Senator-elect Bilbo was guilty of acts and conduct which were contrary to sound public policy, harmful to the dignity and honor of the Senate, dangerous to the perpetuity of free government, and of such nature as to tend with fraud and corruption to the interests of the National Society, as presented by him; and that based thereon the Senate should exclude

NETWORK WRITER VISITS SCENE OF CROSS BURNING

BY T. C. JERVAJ, Editor WILMINGTON JOURNAL and Staff Writer, North Carolina Newspaper Network

WILMINGTON — A cross was burned near the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leanne Dudley in the vicinity of the Greenville Sound area near here last Monday night. Also an effigy was hung from the limb of a tree some yards from the home of the couple.

New Hanover County officers believe the act to be the work of crackers, although the KKK symbol was smeared on the highway close by the effigy burning. At this writing, no break in the case has come.

This writer visited the scene of the cross burning. Still in evidence on the highway in front of the Dudley residence, which is an attractive cottage, is the outline of the cross which was made by gasoline having been poured on the highway. When lighted, it flared up into a burning cross.

The Dudley family knew nothing of the incident until it was called to their attention by neighbors. Leanne Dudley is bed-ridden, while her wife is employed by a prominent white family.

Since the incident, colored residents of the Sound have received numerous telephone calls. One call said the "Klan will come and get you." Residents interviewed by (Continued on back page)



DUMMY AT GREENVILLE SOUND

Here is the dummy found hanging from the limb of a tree near the scene where a cross was burned last Monday night on Greenville Sound, near Wilmington. Complete story by North Carolina Newspaper Network representative appears elsewhere on this page. Photo, courtesy Wilmington Evening Post.

MAN FOUND DEAD

WELDON — Mack Solomon was found dead on the Roanoke Rapids-Weldon highway by his wife after he had been missing from home since Monday night, it was reported here Thursday.

Officers said he apparently died of heart attack and that there was no evidence of foul play.

YOUTH IGNORED IN ARMY EXPERIMENT

WASHINGTON, D. C. (ANP) — Although War Department plans for universal military training provide for inclusion of colored men, a spokesman for the department last Monday admitted that colored youth are being ignored in an experimental unit which will be set up at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

The unit will comprise a group of 664 teenage volunteers who will undergo a test the universal military training program which the Army hopes Congress will adopt. The War Department said no colored teen-agers will be included in the group of 18 and 19 year old youths, who will represent an educational and geographical cross-section of the country.

The group will have its own (Continued on back page)

Omegas Hold Grand Conclave In Texas

Fort Worth, Tex. — The Thirty-third Annual Grand Conclave of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, which convened in Fort Worth, Texas, December 27-30, was presided over by Col. Campbell C. Johnson, Administrative Assistant to the Director of Selective Service, Grand Basileus of the Fraternity.

The business sessions of the Grand Conclave featured the address of Dr. National Social Affairs Committee which the delegates at the 1945 Conclave es-

established to work in such fields as public education, housing, full and fair employment, civil rights, the franchise and social security. The program was designed to set in motion machinery that would cause the fraternity to occupy a progressive and constructive place in the civil life of the nation.

The Chairman of the National Social Affairs Committee is Dr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Atlanta University. (Continued on page eight)

Laud Negro For Achievements Since Slavery

EMANCIPATION day celebration here proved North Carolina whites with the opportunity to boast about what Negroes have accomplished in this state since slavery.

An editorial, appearing in The State, a white daily newspaper, summarized the achievements of North Carolina's Negroes since emancipation.

Progress is generally slow," the State's editorial said. "Sometimes it takes many, many generations to make any material progress along cultural, educational, religious, professional or business lines. At other times there is a sudden spurt of progress that is truly remarkable."

"When you consider the progress that the Negro race has made in North Carolina, we believe you will agree that it lies in the latter of the two classifications mentioned above. If you need any proof of this, we call your attention to the following:

"North Carolina has a total of 12 Negro Colleges; five state-supported, five denominational senior and two denominational junior.

"There are 186 accredited Negro schools as of 1945-46.

"There are 32 accredited Negro elementary schools.

"We have 26 Negro high schools that are members of the Southern Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges.

"There are 7,142 certified In-Service Negro school teachers as of 1944-45.

"A total of 167 Negro physicians are now giving splendid service in all parts of the State.

"There are 68 Negro dentists, 81 Negro lawyers and eight certified Negro newspapermen.

"According to the 1936 study of religious bodies, there was a total Negro church membership in North Carolina of 434,851 and Negroes in North Carolina own church property totaling \$11,304,156.

"The 1940 census showed that there were 57,428 Negro farm operators and tenants and that the total valuation of all Negro-owned farm property and buildings are valued at \$106,293,392.

"If that doesn't spell Progress, we don't know what it does spell. Not only that but it proves that the opportunity for advancement along all lines can be found for members of the Negro race in North Carolina."

WOMAN WINS \$3000 FROM SEABOARD

NEW YORK — Mrs. Nina Belmont of the Bronx who asked for \$75,000 damages from the Seaboard Air Line Railway on a charge that she was forced into a Jim Crow coach in North Carolina has accepted \$3,000 settlement from the railroad, her attorneys, announced here Saturday.

She claimed that she was en route to Columbia, S. C., from New York with her five-year-old son when, at Raleigh, N. C., she was ordered to sit in a different car. She said she found no vacant seat in there and returned to the "white coach" where she was allegedly "punched" by a Hamlet, N. C., policeman who forced her to re-enter the Jim Crow car.

The suit was filed in Federal District Court here for injury and violation of civil rights and her attorney, Ives, Tamm and Kelly, of New York, termed the settlement "a great victory in the fight to end Jim Crow in the country."

FARM AGENTS IN CONFERENCE

RALEIGH — Addressing the Conference of Farm Extension Agents now in session here this week, Dean I. O. Schaub, director of N. C. Extension Service, asserted that in spite of the comparative low salaries now paid in the state, this is a year of opportunity for adjustment in salaries, based on increased budget from the Legislature according to efficiency and experience. A second problem affecting us was that of securing for Negro agents subject matter in the technical lines, including agronomy, livestock and poultry etc., which he promised would be (Continued on back page)

Colored Man Termed "Ally Against Fascism"

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The colored man is the white man's greatest ally in the fight against fascism, Mrs. Katherine Shryver, white, public relations director of the National Council of Negro Women, told a current problems study group at the Washington Unitarian Church last Sunday.

In her work with colored people she is constantly aware by the courage that enables them to fight fascism on all sides and at the same time continue to "clasp the ideal of democracy to his bosom," she said.

Mrs. Shryver related her experience in trying to convince colored groups that she was not "just another of the thousands of white people who seek to betray the colored man." She advised her audience that they too faced the same problem if they would win the confidence of colored people.

Emphasizing that all difficulties could be easily overcome by a sin-

DAWSON AND POWELL INTRODUCE BILL

WASHINGTON, D. C. (ANP) — His observations on the opening day of the Eightieth Congress leads him to believe, declared Representative William L. Dawson, Democrat, of Illinois, that the present session presents "a wonderful opportunity to promote the influence of the United States among the nations of the world."

He added that he also hoped that under the present Congress we will not lose ground in our efforts to obtain first class citizenship and the right to work.

Bills introduced by Mr. Dawson (Continued on back page)

Gets \$8000 Post In Puerto Rico

WASHINGTON, D. C. (ANP) — Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach last Thursday appointed Alvin M. Rucker of Chicago, Illinois, to a \$8,000 post as a territorial representative of the United States Labor Department in Puerto Rico.

Mr. Rucker, the first colored man to occupy such a post, thus becomes one of the highest paid colored persons in government, sharing this honor with Dr. Frank Home of the National Housing Agency and Mrs. Thomas W. Johnson of the United States Employment Service.

In 1932 he was made first vocational adviser and then office manager for the Chicago Relief Administration and later became assistant manager for the Illinois State Employment Service.

He came to Washington in 1940 as an employee of the Social Security Board and in 1945 was sent to Puerto Rico by the Labor Department to organize the United States Employment Service there. While there he set up plans of operation of the USES offices and selected its personnel. Returning to Washington he took a position in the Standards and Methods Division of the USES, a post he held until given his new position.

Mr. Rucker will not leave immediately for Puerto Rico but will spend some time in Washington getting better acquainted with Labor Department chiefs with whom he now will be working, the Department said.

NSNW OFFICE WORKERS GET UNION REPRESENTATION

WASHINGTON (ANP) — Office workers of the National Council of Negro Women will have union representation from now on, it was disclosed here last Monday with the announcement that Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, NCNW president, had consented to recognize IPWA as official representative of council workers in contract negotiations.