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## SHAREGROPPERS HOLD NATIONAL MEET Twenty-Seven **Cities Observe Croppers Week**

AMERICAN, white | ments as the WEEK again focusand Negro, should welcome ef- es national attention on the un-9,000,000 Americans-men, wo- can men and children-who are the herited. Funds raised will help victims of the South's feudal finance the educational, organisharecropping system. Hundreds zstional and defense program of of thousands of the men a n d the Union.

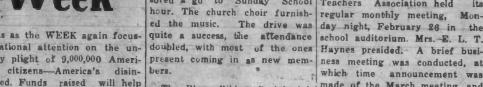
women who have produced much of the world's cotton have been evicted from their ramshackle huts, forced onto the highways of the nation, to wander along seeking for work where there is none-America's refugees! . If the democratic form of government is to survive, it cannot long endure the treatment of these millions as step-children, unworthy of even the simplest considerations,

Negroes have an even more direct interest in sharecroppers, croppers, Negro and white. Anofor our largest single occupationare white, proportionately the Negro group is greater. starvation level under which both groups live is forcing thou- shortly after the week. sands each year into the cities to compete with the unemployed for relief and Jobs, and to add black and white, to support to an already high crime and Slarecroppers Week and in turn disease rate. Needless to say, the Union's work, which has as this city migration has added to i.s goal-that of making occupthe tension between races. Part of the assurance that race ancy and use the only valid title relations may be improved is the to the land. The Union's 35, 000 members are united regard-Southern Tenant Farmers' Union which, since its beginning in 1934, has organized more than a great cause. They have built a movement for social emancopa-35,000 sharecroppers and mition whose purpose it is to achigrant workers, regardless of race eve economic and social security and color. The fact that these upon the land for those who till two groups-the so-called poor the soil, a snare in the fulfill white and his equally. downment and extension of our demotrodden black brother whose cracy and active participation in hostility to each white and his the reclamation of the soil and equally down-trodden black brothe rehabilitation of the people ther whose hostility to each throughout the region. other has been proverbia-have deserve the support of all of us. been able to join together in one union, is evidence not only of

the desperation of their condition, but also of the vision and courage of the Union." More outstanding even than its success in the raising of wages for cotton hands and protecting the interests of the sharecroppers is

the beginning in the "tumbling of the walls" of race prejudice. In recognition of the importance of the Southern Tenant Farmers' Union, outstanding Neleaders-Augusta Savage, Walter White, Frank Crosswaith, A. Philip Randolph, Abram L. Harris, Abbie Mitchell, Countee Cullen, Hubert T. Delaney, W. E B. DuBois, J. Finley Wilson,

vities to curbing the nefarious activities of Negro ward-heel-T. Arnold Hill, Doxey Wilker-



The Southern Tenant Farmers'

Voters

CHARLOTTE - The Colored

Voters Alilance held a meeting

in the office of The CAROLINA

TIMES on last Friday, during

which time plans were begun o

show Negroes the importance of

organization this year will de-

vote the major portion of its acti

The Blue Ribbon Social club made of the March meeting, and the April meeting, to be held at niet with Mrs. Callie Brown Wednesday evening at her home day. Mrs. Currie, one of the

As is the custom, the WEEK will center in New York City Chaity club met with Mrs. to the group the cause of the Where Mayor P H LaGuardia is Hattie Stutt Study evolved at for Reserve to raise funds for where Mayor F. H. LaGuardia is Hattie Stitt Sunday evening at co-chairman of the local com- her home on South McDowell the YWCA in connection with mittee which is running a dinner Street. After the business part March. This association has at the Commodore Hotel, March of the meeting was over the 5th. Speakers at the annual dinn- hostess served a tasy repast. Mme Neal was hostess to mem er include Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jonathan Daniels, notbers of the Gypsy Beauty Couned Southern Editor, Roy Wilkins cii Tuesday evening at the of the NAACP, Norman Thomas; Gypsy Beauty Parlor on South Graham Street. Special guests in the Socialist leader, J. R. Butler, President of the Southern Ten- vited were W. P. Malone, and of helping to buy their gradua-C. H. Beckwith. ant Farmers Union, and share-

tion necessities. Mrs. Anna Camp of Pennsy-The Primary and Grammar ther New York project is a vania, guest in the home of Rev. manuscript sale will be held Mrs. McKinney, Mrs. Eugene Mrs. L. Y. Harris, one of the was revealed here yesterday.

Hill Street.

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prize to John Lyles.

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Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. U. S. second grade teachers. Outstand-Brooks, Mrs. T. L. Gunn, Rev. ing leaders of both races were Union calls upon all Americans, Mrs. S. Q. Mitchell. I. H. Jackson, and Rev. and portrayed, and a very impressive dramatization of "Swing Low Miss Hattie Russell was hos-Sweet Chariot," and the Negro tess to members of the Swastika National Hymn was rendered. club Wednesday' evening at her The program was greatly aphome on Beatties Ford Road. preciated and enjoyed by all. Members of the Tuesday even-Announcement was made of ing Bridge club met with Miss the Pride Memorial which is to less of race, creed, or color, in Hattie Russell Tuesday evening be unveiled in April. a! her home on Beatties Ford

**Social Notes** 

Mrs. J. W. Hemphill, school high score prize. Mrs. Aurelia Tate Smith is friends present. Pettus of Richmond, Virginia. parents for the wonderful co-The South Side and Literary operation they have given. club met with Mrs. Mary Cook Refreshments were then serv-

Wednesday at her home on E: ed, after which the meeting was brought to a close.

Mrs. Arthur Anderson enter Under the leadership of Miss tained members of the Blue Bird Venetta Grier a George Washclub Saturday, evening at her ington supper was given at home Beatties Ford Road. Friendship Bapfist church in the Eric Hercules has returned Sunday school room February from Atlanta, Georgia, where he 22. Helping Miss Grier in this has been attending the AME program was Mesdames Roberta Hannibal and Jessie Harris. The Mrs. Roberta Hercules is able Sunday School room was beautito be out again, after being con- fully decorattd, the tables were fined to her home for several decorated with cherry trees and hatchets. The party was quite a LeRoy Grier was host to memsuccess. In this effort \$52.25 was bers of the Pick Wick Bridge raised, which was turned over to registering and voting in the coming election. W. H. More-Monree Brad Elicity at his home on Board. The sponsorors of this land, president of the Colored awarded to G. T. Nash, second one that helped to make this

leffort a success.

MEN AND WOMEN WANTED!

Grace AME Zion Church spon- | The Alexander Street Parent RICHMOND, Va. "Resources | association held in June. sored a go to Sunday School Teachers Association held its for Democracy in Youth," will "While the conference will hour. The church choir furnish- regular monthly meeting, Mon- be the theme of the first annual be built around the work of ed the music. The drive was day night, February 26 in the student conference sponsored by the NAACP in regards to youth,' quite a success, the attendance school auditorium. Mrs. E. L. T. the National Association for the he said, "it is not limited to Advancement of Colored People, members of the Association. We the National Association for the Abbott of Chicago today: forts to better the conditions of happy plight of 9,000,000 Ameri- present coming in as new mem- ness meeting was conducted, at to be held here at Virginia Un- are inviting representatives of Advancement of Colored People student Christian movements, paid tribute today to Robert S. which time announcement was ion University, March 29-31.

According to James H. Robin- political science clubs, student Abbott, publisher of the Chicago son, acting youth director of the government bodies, fraternities, Defender; and Dr. A. Wilber-NAACP, the conference is de- scrorities, and other campus orsigned to fill the need of active granizations." Members of the Consolidated Fourth grade teachers presented participation in the work of the Discussion groups will be held week. organisation by college students on Democracy in Education,

who rarely have a chance to Politics and Government, Securfighters for justice," Walter participate in the annual con- ity and Opportunity, and Rela-White, executive secretary of the Mardi Grass to be held in ference deliberation of t h e tionships in Minority Struggles.

the evening, March 10th under the dinner party Friday evening. History Program in the form of Association for the Advancement fare of all races and religious. The chairmanship of Paul Muni. A Guests invited were Dean and a 2 Act Playette written by of Colored People in his will, it He wrote: a 2 Act Playette written by of Colored People in his will, it He wrote: "My dear wife-during

her lifetime-and I reached the belief that a testator renders scant honor to his own church or his relatives if he makes them them his sole beneficiaries and neglects the general public from which wealth really came."

receive cannot be announced. Five-twelfths of the income The association, however, is to from the estate will go to the Road, Mrs. Cora Booton won principal, extended a very warm receive one-twelfth of the net Federation for the Support of welcome to the parents a n d income from the residuary Jewish Philanthropic Societies; She also ex- estate, which will be divided and two-twelfths each to the Charity visiting her sister Mrs. Mildred pressed her appreciation to the paid out annually. The official Organization Society of

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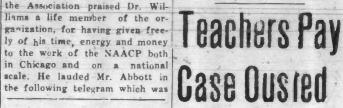


NEW YORK - Officials of sent to his widow, Mrg. Edna

"The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People shares your great less and extends to you its warmest sympathy in the death of Mr. Abbott. He contributed more than

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most men towards a newer day for the American Ne-



York, the United Hospital Fund of New York, and the Catholic the to the NAACP.

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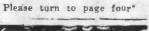
surgeon, both of whom died this

Terming them "two great

Mrs. Adler, who died about wo years ago, began contributing to the NAACP in 1939 and gave regularly each year until her death. In 1938 Mr. Adler sent a contribution in her memcry.

NORFOLK, Va. - Judge Lu-Charities of the Archdiocese of ther B. Way signed a final judg-29, dismissing the case to equalize the salaries of Negro and white public school teachers. NAACP atterneys, acting for

Melvin O. Alston, the local schoolboard, immediately filed notice of an appeal to the U.S.



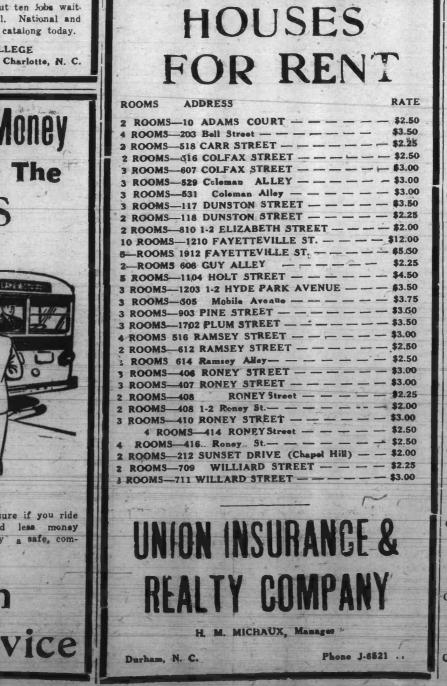




NEW YORK - M. L. Adler, | announcement said the residuary manufacturer of bowling alley estate was "more than \$10,000." al group is in agriculture. Though Sharecroppers Night of Stars in S Q. Mitchell on North Myers Grades, with the assistance of equipment, who died February Mr. Adler's will revealed him New York; the remaining twel- ment here Thursday. February the majority of sharecroppers the great Mecca Temple, Sunday Street, entertained at a birthday the teachers, sponsored a Negro 19, remembered the National t, be concerned with the wel-

> The exact amount which will go to the NAACP is not known. however, since it is to share with four other organizations in the income from the residuary estate. The amount of the residuary estate or the "rate of income are not known, therefore, the sum which the NAACP will





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