

## NEGRO POLICE

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idea advanced by the organization would be practical as outlined; further, that he did not think the effort economically possible, due to the city's lack of funds. (Note: Read Saturday's Observer's editorial comment on same.)

Mrs. H. L. McCrorey, the delegation's first speaker, emphasized the point that only Negro police of the proper training and caliber can be expected to cope with Charlotte's "Crime Wave." Calling attention to the series of mass meetings being held by the Crusaders, she painted a verbal picture of the sympathetic attitude of the colored citizenry on this important question; and culminated her brilliant speech with a personal plea to the councilmen to consider this question openly, and without bias before making any negative decision.

Dr. J. S. N. Tross, calling attention to the city's latest murder (Ed. note—The Flim Flam murder of John Henry Edwards by Wilbert "Buster" Dreher) contended that if we had had Negro police, what, in this case, culminated in a murder would have been obviated in all probability by the presence of the police. In his plea, the speaker eloquently and sincerely revealed the points upon which the group's contention rest: 1) Negro officers would better understand conditions in the Negro sections of the city; consequently would be able to get more cooperation in the problems of crime elimination; 2) 90 per cent of the white population would join hands with the Crusaders in financing the experiment for a period of six months; 3) The matter of policing all colored sections in the city is not the issue, rather the policing of sections, where conditions are congenial to crime.

One of the city's oldest residents Rev. J. Johnson, of the Cherry section made a fervent plea for the issue highlighting his speech with an appeal based upon the damaging effect that the city's high murder rate has upon its boast as "The Friendly City," and the statement that Whites as well as Negroes were jeopardized by the city's criminal repute.

In the midst of reiterating his statement that the city's budget

would not stand any extra appropriation for any purpose, Mayor Douglas was temporarily interrupted by Councilman H. H. Baxter, who made a motion (unseconded) that the council accept the Crusaders plan (advanced previously by Editor Henry Houston) for two Negro police to patrol certain congested areas in the Brooklyn section; the salary of said officers to be paid by the Crusaders for a period of six months.

At this point, Dr. Tross, who had been, patiently, biding his time, fired the shot that lighted the barn fire, set the council wheels in motion, and changed the tenor of the entire affair. The question: "Is there any existing applicant, whose relative standing city ordinance, that forbids the employment of Negro police." Upon being informed in the negative by city attorney, J. M. Scarborough, Dr. Tross still pressing home his point, and inquiring into the city's Civil Service set up unearthed this information that the Civil Service Comm. has reserved to it the right to appoint city police; further that such appointments are made from a list of eligibles secured by administering from time to time examinations (mental and physical) to qualified in the order of appointment; moreover, there exist no statutes prohibiting qualified Negroes from taking any Civil Service exam.

Here, Councilman H. H. Baxter withdrew his motion in favor of a more detailed motion, by Councilman Sides, to the effect that in light of the existent "Crime Wave," the council declare an emergency thereby according the mayor the right, accorded him by state statute, to appoint special officers; and that acting in accord the Mayor appoint two Negro police to police certain area to be designated by the Chief of Police said officers, to be paid out of city funds and to be required to meet the same qualification as regular officers.

This proposed measure split the ranks of the council into dissident camps, and prompted one of the council into dissident camps, and prompted one of the most heated debates in that group's history turning former political henchmen into bitter opponents, and unearthing to the delight of the Crusaders "The Pure in Heart" on the Council's roll.

Cast in the role of the motions

## Richard Wright Wins 1940 Spingarn Medal; "Native Son" Author Gets 26th Annual Award By Committee

NEW YORK, Special)—Be. The committee's formal citation cause "He has given to America, of the effect of proseripicans who have eyes to see, a pic-Mr. Wright "For his powerful work which must be faced if de-emption in his books, "Uncle moeracy is to survive," RichardTom' Children," and "Native Wright, 32 year old author of said the medal was awarded to "Uncle Tom's Children" andion, segregation, and denial of "Native Son," the 1940 best-opportunities to the American seller novel, was made the 26th Negro. He has given Americans recipient of the Spingarn Gold who have eyes to see, a picture Medal at a meeting of the ward which must be faced if democcommittee held here Thursday, ay is to survive. The Award January 23, the National Associa-Committee salutes Mr. Wright as tion for the Advancement of one of the most powerful of conColored announced this week.

## Medium - Sized Hogs Make Best Profits

Interest in swine production is amounting now that prices have definitely advanced. Ellis Vestal, Extension swine specialist of N. C. State College, reminds farmers that the size of their profits still will depend upon the way they feed and manage their hog herds.

"For instance," the animal husbandman said, "tests have been conducted that show the most profits are obtain from feeding out intermediate size hogs."

The Federal Bureau of Animal Industry has conducted a study on swine types at the Beltsville (Md.) Research Center since 1931, comparing the ability of hogs of different types to produce pork efficiently. The study chief opponents were Councilmen Hovis and Ward. The former stating effectively: "I am sorry it is true, but there exists no unprecedent crime wave. Charlotte has had a mounting murder rate for the last ten year period. Our biggest trouble has been lack of proper prosecution. I'm not criticizing Solicitor Carpentel. He has done a good job! The reason we have such a high murder rate, as has been pointed out, is that a large percentage of murder cases are being tried by the corner without reaching the courts. Mecklinburg county is soon to be the seat of a new Judicial district—with a special prosecutor, which I think will bring the murderers to speedy trial.

## For Wives Affections

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shogun, Bynum told officers here, then returned that distance, to the home of Adam Farmer, 35 to kill him.

## BANK

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totaling one half million dollars. The average amount loaned totaled less than \$200, which shows that the greatest amount of service the bank is rendering is to people of ordinary means. Thus the bank is serving the masses as well as the classes.

All of the old officers were re-elected, and one new one, J. J. Sanson who was elevated from the position of note teller to that of assistant cashier. Mr. Sanson was first employed by the bank in 1938, and his work, as well as his training well qualifies him for the added responsibilities that go with his position of assistant cashier.

The new assistant cashier was born and reared in the city of Atlanta, Georgia in 1916. He is 25 years old and a graduate of Morehouse College. He did his graduate work in business Administration at Atlanta University.

The roster of officers elected at the annual meeting are as follows: C. C. Spaulding, president  
R. L. McDougald, executive vice president  
J. W. Holmes, vice president, Raleigh branch  
E. R. Merrick, vice president  
Dr. Clyde Donnel, vice pres.  
G. W. Cox, vice president  
J. H. Wheeler, cashier  
J. E. Strickland, assistant cashier-manager, Raleigh branch  
J. J. Sanson, assistant cashier  
T. D. Parham, trust officer  
J. C. Scarborough Jr. assistant trust officer

J. S. Hughson, auditor.  
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## MEDICAL

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be made to fill vacancies. Recommendations of the National Dental Association will be considered for such personnel. Nurses will be procured through the American Red Cross.  
The present available Negro Medical Reserve includes 55 doctors and 10 dentists, most of them either captains or first lieutenants.

## Early - Hatched Pullets Will Require Some Extra Care

EGG PRICES usually start to rise in July, and the summer and fall eggs top the market. For that reason, many farmers and poultrymen are now buying chicks to take advantage of this favorable price situation when the early-hatched pullets start laying in the summer.

C. F. Parrish, Extension poultry specialist of N. C. State College, says this is all well and good but he warns that extra care is required for early-hatched chicks. "Without extra care," he says, "the early-hatched birds will go into molt next fall or winter and all the advantage of the summer price situation will be lost."

This extra care includes the use of lights to lengthen the laying day of the hens and to stimulate feed consumption. It also entails the feeding of wet mash around noon each day. "If you do not plan to follow such practices, you'd better not buy your chicks too early," Parrish declared.

Another angle to baby chicks buying is discussed by the Extension specialist, as follows: "Don't just buy chicks on the price basis alone. Investigate the hatchery's breeding program."

## U. S. Imports Of Argentine Wine Told By Importer

NEW ORLEANS — How Argentine champagne and wine have moved in to claim a lion's share of the United States import market since the collapse of foreign trade was described today by an Argentine born importer.

En route to his native country, Ernest C. Burgin, of Detroit, Mich., whose far-flung Foraco corporation brings much of the champagne and wine to the United States, viewed the steppedup imports as furthering the "good neighbor" policy with bonds of

For instance, if you are buying chicks primarily for broilers, you should be sure the hatchery or breeder you order from is taking broiler qualities into consideration in his breeding program. Likewise if the chicks are to be raised primarily for the purpose of egg production, the breeder or hatchery you buy from should be breeding for high egg production, or egg quality, and good pullet livability as well as for satisfactory broiler qualities."

Parrish says a farmer can usually tell by conversation or from the advertising material just what kind of a job the hatchery is doing in the way of breed improvement.

trade.  
Burgin, who will leave tomorrow on the S. S. Delvalle for the province of Mendoza, Argentina, where he was born and where most of that country's wine is produced, said he believed Argentina "is now by far the largest exporter of wine and champagne to the United States."

He said that although Americans imported millions of dollars of wine annually before the war, he did not think \$20,000 a year went for Argentine varieties. When the French supply was cut off his country's winemakers seized their opportunity.

Four United States naval observers are in the Mediterranean.

They Will  
Banker says that women will have all the wealth in the country by the year 2035. Who cares.—Western Leader.

There is nothing more amusing than the citizen who does his bit of community work, without pay or the expectation of reward, and then begins to urge others to do likewise.

Mare Nostrum  
It turns out that in practice the Italian definition of "Our Sea" refers to the Adriatic, if indeed that far.—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

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