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Portrait Is Barred From Art Gallery Spaulding Award To Be Made Annually

Educators Renew Plea For Salary Increase

COLUMBIA, S. C. — Members of the Palmetto State Teachers' Association, appearing last Saturday before a joint meeting of the Senate finance and House ways and means committee, renewed their request for a salary increase for colored teachers.

The increase, sought for the next two year period, would bring the salaries of colored teachers up to parity with white teachers, of similar status. This would conform with a recent decision of the U. S. Supreme court which held that state could not set up a separate salary basis for white and Negro teachers.

Favorable action by the general assembly would forestall any legal action by colored teachers to require the State to boost their salaries.

Estimate based on figures from the department of education showed that the state government would have to add about \$1,000,000 to the \$2,000,000 it now contributes to Negro teachers' salaries, and school districts would have to add to their present annual appropriation of about \$200,000 an amount close to \$1,200,000.

Allowing for the difference in the length of their teaching terms the present statewide Negro teacher average for 5,600 employed would be raised from \$380 a year to \$780 a year. The state would bear \$170 of the \$400 increase, and the school districts would be required to increase their contribution by \$230 for each Negro teacher.

The length of school terms is left to the discretion of district trustees, but the state pays on salaries of both whites and Negroes up to eight months. At present, white schools run 175 days a year and Negro schools 147.

Perry Jackson May Try For Judgeship

CLEVELAND — Perry B. Jackson, widely known assistant police prosecutor here and Republican ward leader, may be a candidate for Judge to fill the vacancy which is expected to develop in the municipal bench. Mr. Jackson's friends are urging him to run and are expected to present him with a huge petition signed by thousands of his well wishers, asking that he try for the seat on the bench. A former member of the Ohio legislature, a former member of the Cleveland City Council, a graduate of Western Reserve Law school and active on civic and church affairs, Mr. Jackson is one of the most popular men in Cleveland legal circles.

Livingstone Prexy



Pres. W. J. Trent, under whose excellent administration Livingstone College has made rapid strides within recent years.

Aged Resident Of Durham Passes

DURHAM — Mrs. Millie Mark pastor of the church offered to donate a tract of land for a building at her home, St. Joseph Street after an illness of several weeks. The proposition was accepted and it was not long before the late Rev. Eddian Markham, founder and organizer of Saint Joseph AME church.

Mrs. Markham was born in Rich Square, North Carolina about 1875, where she lived until she was married after which she came to Durham to live, and work with her husband, who at the time was preaching under a brush arbor to a small flock of worshippers. Mrs. Markham immediately fell in line with the work of her husband and was unusually active in the missionary work of the church.

After preaching under the brush arbor for a short time the congregation became anxious for a church building whereupon the

Founder's Day At Livingstone College Observed Feb. 18th



Here are some of the General Reading from left to right front G. Shaw, E. L. Madison, W. W. Officers, and seven of the Bishops row: B. F. Gordon, W. J. Trent, Matthews, J. W. Martin, L. W. Thomas, W. Wallace, W. W. Kyles, P. A. Wallace, and C. C. Spaulding. Back row: Bishops B. Alleyne.

Warm Springs and Tuskegee Use Negro Manufacturer's Therapy Equipment

CHICAGO — Paul E. Robinson, manufacturer of physical therapy and X-ray equipment who operates one of the most important manufacturing concerns within the race, with his plant located in Chicago, announced this week that he has furnished therapy equipment to both the Warm Springs, Ga., infantile paralysis unit and the new hospital of the same type located at Tuskegee institute.

Mr. Johnson, speaking with pardonable pride of the increasing recognition which hospitals and physicians are giving to the apparatus which he makes completely, said he was especially gratified at the support which came from people within his own group. He sells to many white organizations as well but as he exhibited photostatic copies of checks for \$1,550 from Tuskegee; \$1,550 from Dr. B. O. Moore who operates a hospital at Hopkinsville, Ky, and a similar amount from the Louisiana Industrial Life Insurance company, he said, "Negro hospitals and insurance companies are converting the nickels' dimes and quarters received from their Negro policyholders into modern equipment costing from \$1,000 to \$3,000, purchased from a Negro manufacturer. That is a lesson in practical racial economics, for every machine purchased adds to the employment of Negroes."

Mr. Johnson, who has been engaged in production of his line for a score of years, makes shock proof x-ray, short wave diathermy, electro-surgical, galvanic current, sinusoidal current, artificial fever and colonis therapy equipment and also manufacturers mercury quartz lamps; luminous infra red lamps carbon arc lamps, water-cooled lamps, hospital and solariums and physical therapy accessories.

Now D. C. Whites Ban Pictures Of Marian Anderson

WASHINGTON — Determined that not even a picture of Marian Anderson should be shown in a white spot, in this city, officials of the Corcoran Art gallery have ruled out an oil painting of the famous colored diva, declaring that it is not good art—and that their act is not one of racial prejudice.

C. Powell Minnigerode, director of the art gallery, refused to permit the painting of Miss Anderson by Paul Meltner, international ally known artist, to be shown in the gallery's biennial exhibition to be held in March. Meltner declared that the barred painting, "rich in color" had been exhibited in New York, where it was acclaimed by critics.

Mr. Minnigerode on the other hand charges that it is "perfectly absurd and utterly ridiculous" for Mr. Meltner to charge the Corcoran Art gallery with "being influenced by race prejudice." "A portrait of a Negro minister is to be shown as a part of the very exhibit to which Mr. Meltner charges his portrait was excluded because of race prejudice. Art is a question of good painting, not the subject," he said.

Minnigerode explained that the portrait of Miss Anderson by Meltner had been examined by Guy Pene DuBois and Russell C. Gyles of New York and by Franklin C. Watkins, of Philadelphia, all nationally known artists and critics, and found it did not "come up to our standard." "We have exhibited Negro subjects on many occasions, and if Mr. Meltner's portrait of Miss Anderson had been considered up to standard, we would have been happy to exhibit it," Mr. Minnigerode continued.

Told that Mr. Meltner was quoted as saying that the portrait was "the best thing I've ever done," Minnigerode said, "I am very sorry."

Lectures Mark Lincoln University's 75th Anniversary

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — As a feature of Lincoln University's 75th anniversary celebration, a series of interesting lectures, held at intervals through February, March and April, stress the school's anniversary theme "The Negro in a Changing Order." Lincoln U. was founded in 1866.

"The College and Negro Labor Problems" will be discussed on Feb. 28, by Dr. Abram Harris, professor of economics, Howard University. Others speakers, scheduled for later forums, include: Dr. Malcolm S. McLean, president, Hampton Institute; Doctor C. C. Spaulding, president North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company; Arthur Rapier, social science analyst, U. S. Department of Agriculture; and Dr. Harold E. Gosnell, associated professor of political science University of Chicago.

Livingstone Gets \$24,000, Founders' Day

SALESBURY, (Special) — On the 18th of February the Bishops, General Officers, ministers and laymen of the AME Zion Church gathered at Livingstone College to celebrate Founder's Day by bringing to the college \$24,000 to help complete the Price Memorial Building, and to meet certain obligations standing against the institution. There was much rejoicing when the reports from the different Episcopal areas were made, as there is a bit of friendly rivalry among the leaders in this effort every year. Three of the Bishops could not be present but sent in their reports.

Contest For Spaulding '41 Award Open

DURHAM — The Spaulding Chamber of Commerce Trophy award was given for the first time at the annual convention of the National Negro Business League in Detroit, in August and any one of the cases was won-1940, on the 40th anniversary of the founding of the league by Booker T. Washington.

It was at Boston Commons, during the Revolutionary war, which includes Harry H. Pace, of Crispus Attucks shed the first blood in protest against the unjust system of taxation without representation. On this same Boston Commons, where an heroic deed was given up, something else a century later was born and that was the National Negro Business League, which was to assure fuller representation of Negroes in business and sound economic life of America.

The idea of Cox, chairman of the committee forming this organization came from the fertile brain of Booker T. Washington—a man who lived in advance of his day and National Negro Business League time. The league, then and now, has for its purpose encouraging among Negroes an economic life and to present to us a story of some, dynamic and progressive, and capable of helping our people.

C. C. Spaulding, in offering the Spaulding trophy, is doing all within his power to give support to the vision of Booker T. Washington. He wants to lend his encouragement to the individual's success in business, business life our people through out the nation. This award last year was given to W. J. Edwards of Oklahoma City, based upon a story which has since been reprinted in the newspapers and was commented upon in "Through the Editor's Spees" by Editor Merle Thrope of The Nation's Business, the national organ and mouthpiece of the Unit-201, Durham, N. C., by June 1.

Crusaders Celebrate 2nd Anniversary

CHARLOTTE — In a fitting program climaxed a year of outstanding achievements, the Crusaders, local anti-crime organization celebrated their second anniversary last Sunday at Grace school, etc. AME Zion church. The speaker of the occasion was C. M. Farris, one of the city's outstanding business leaders and a close friend of the Crusaders president, Editor H. C. Houston. The timely address called specific attention to the large amount of Juvenile delinquency rampant in Charlotte and cited contributing causes, our apparent negligence in providing the right environment etc for our underprivileged youth. Using personal experience, and observations as was furnished by the deep well, from which his Radio Chorus, under the direction conclusions were drawn, Mr. Farris of Miss Irma Kyle.