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-Veterans Protest-

in the field of skilled labor, and highly technical positions.

3. Be it further resolved that discrimination in aeronautics, naval and other highly technical fields because of color, be eliminated from all national defense projects.

4. Be it resolved that the Negro women who have been working beside the men in Division B be duly chartered and officially recognized as an Auxiliary to Division B, American Legion, State of North Carolina.

5. Be it also resolved that the sons and daughters of disabled Negro veterans and deceased comrades be given due consideration in the administration of the Legion proper is egeeted. Further that the experiment in the boys' world be extended to Division B youths, and that every effort be made to prepare Negro youths to take their places in the new order of American Democracy.

6. That Division B unanimously endorsed the recommendation coming from the Honorable J. Melville Broughton, Governor, through W. R. Johnson, consultant on Negro affairs, Department of Public Welfare, to cooperate in the effort to purchase an ambulance plane to be given Great Britain by the State of North Carolina. And that the Department B pledges its full cooperation in the program of the President of the United States of America in aid to fight for democracy.

-N. A. A. C. P. Meet-

Houston branch and by Phillip Hamburger, city commissioner, for the City of Houston.

With the Reverend O. Clay Maxwell of New York presiding the Wednesday evening meeting was highlighted by a talk by A. Phillip Randolph, international president of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, who spoke on "Employment in Defense Industries," in which he intergration of Negroes into the national defense program and its tieup with the March on Washington for jobs, scheduled for July 1. July 1. W. Robert Ming, Jr., of Washington, in his speech on "The Negro in the Armed Forces," lashed at the treatment of the race in the Army and Navy.

The entire day Thursday was devoted to discussion of five phases of the national defense program, with emphasis on employment in industries having defense contracts, training for defense jobs, placement by employment agencies, and the role of unions in the struggle of Negroes to get jobs.

Thursday night is Youth Night at which Buel G. Gallagher, president of Talladega college, and Madison S. Jones, you'h director of NAACP are principal speakers. Walter White NAACP secretary, will present winners of the NAACP essay contest with their prizes.

The final evening session is Friday when Richard Wright, author of Native Son will receive the Spingarn Medal, presented by Elmer A. Carter of New York, member of the Appeals Board of the State Unemployment Fund. Principal address will be delivered by Walter White.

To give support to the March on Washington July 1, the conference has been shortened by one day, so that the final session will be Saturday morning, June 28. This will be a business meeting where the resolutions will be adopted and the time and place of the next meeting determined, as well as the conference members of the national nominating committee for the board of directors will be elected. Also on the program will be the award of Merit Scrolls to ten persons for outstanding NAACP work during the year, and the Thalheimer prize of \$50 to Birmingham, Ala. adjudged to be the best branch of the year.

--Charlotte Crime--

want to be friends with every person that lives in or visit the city of Charlotte" said Mr. Joyner, "I want to coneur with the CAROLINA TIMES in its endeavor to have better cooperation from the colored citizens through out the country and the law enforcement Agencies. I would like first to point out to you what I think has helped the murder rate in Charlotte. First, there has been nine murders committed in 1941 as against 20 this same period in 1941.

"In the Recorder's Court there has been 4,611 convictions of all crimes in the city in the City Recorder's Court against 3,229 for the same period of 1940 which as you can see is an increase of convictions over the same period of 1940 of 1,412. The difference in arrests and convictions are not of the more serious crimes, but from people arrested intoxicated and disorderly before they can commit more serious crimes. And another reason for the amount of arrests of people charged with carrying concealed weapons, the weapons being taken from them who being intoxicated or under the influence of some alcoholic drink before they have a chance to use the weapon."

Mr. Joyner conveyed the thought that it is the duty and will of the police department to protect the lives and property of the citizens. And in this, it is the desire, that the citizens will regard the matters of reporting offenders of the Law, to the department, because in so doing, he said "can there be best results of orderly society be attained.

Shortage Of Trained Workers Is Foreseen

Byrnes Appointment

prevent it from appearing to be a political scheme Byrnes reputation as a shrewd politician is exceeded by few but he is unquaffed either by temperament or training to fill a position on the highest court in the land.

--Charlotte Police--

munity leader and was later adopted as an issue by the Community Crusader, an organization founded by Editor Houston and Dr. J. H. Tross, who has worked unceasingly for the reduction of crime in Charlotte.

The policemen will be used as special peace officers reporting to the Chief of Police, and having specific duties and areas.

--Law Faculty--

Smith University, who will serve as a law librarian. Moore has had four years experience and three summers of training in library science at the Library School, Columbia University.

The full time staff will be as-



ber of Commerce, personnel officers of important industrial plants, union officials, and Negro leaders.

A disturbing dearth of Negro trainees in defense courses is reported for many of these cities. In Cincinnati only 21 Negroes are enrolled out of 700 trainees in the Federal defense courses. In the regular vocational schools only 135 Negro youth are included in a total enrollment of 5,234. These enrollment figures are typical of other reports received by the League from cities where Negroes are seeking defense jobs striking success.

"These figures are only samples of information that the League has gotten from a number of cities," states Lester B. Granger, Assistant Executive Secretary in charge of Industrial Relations of the National Urban League. "They are a reflection of the defeatist spirit which has been developed through the failure of Negroes to find jobs at the beginning of the national defense program. Negro workers should remember, however, and especially our young workers, that training must precede employment. The failure of many trained workers to find jobs up to now should not discourage our young people from getting training. The work of racial organizations and of some governmental agencies is beginning to show results and many Negroes are being called for work in jobs from which they were consistently excluded only a few months ago. It would be a tragedy if the pioneer work of our racial leadership should go to waste a few months from now when em-

A Glorious Invitation

Text: "Come, for all things are ready now."—Luke 14:17.

Someone has said, "There is no true smile, no radiant joy, no sincere laughter, no satisfaction of the soul in the whole range of unrighteous and unspiritual enjoyment." There is indeed sweeping, yet true! The fact is, the world cannot satisfy the deepest longings of the soul.

Christianity offers an abundance of soul satisfying provisions to those who accept God's glorious invitation.

COME—all are invited, all are welcome. Christianity is a feast of good things, and you are invited to enjoy them.

All things—all, no some, but all. Forgiveness of sins, cleansing from all unrighteousness, strength for weakness, joy for sorrow, life for death—all that you need Christ will provide.

ARE NOW—just now, at this moment. "But as many a sreceiv ed him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God." Delay is as unreasonable as it is wicked. Salvation is now available. "Behold, now is the accepted time, now is the day of salvation."

READY—yes, everything is

prepared for your soul's comfort and enjoyment. Long before we ever thought of God, He thought of us. The provisions of salvation were planned "before the foundation of the world." The readiness of everything on God's part is the best argument why should partake of His grace.

God does not say, "If you are ready, Come." All th eadiness required on your part is a willingness to receive the blessings which God has provided. Are you willing? All that Satan gives is "hunks." Don't grovel at the troughs of the world where there is lack, but COME and enjoy the feast of liberal satisfying provisions in Christ Jesus.

If you do not accept the Lord Jesus Christ as your Saviour, you will suffer and loss of all these wonderful provision in life, and ultimately lose your soul in eternity.

ployers begin to call for trained Negro workers only to find that our young people have not bothered to take training."

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Automotive Man-Power Now Behind National Defense

Since 1900 the automobile industry in the United States has built over 80,000,000 automobiles of which some 30,000,000 are still in operation in this country. This accumulated production experience over the years is one of the biggest contributing factors to our national security now that the world has decided that current and future wars will be fought on wheels and wings.

When we consider that the bulk of this automobile and truck production has been built in the past 20 years and better than 30 per cent of all vehicles built in that period are still in operation it is a fine testimonial to teh quality of workmanship that has gone into these products. It is only natural then that when the nation found itself faced with a need for new and better war machines in great volume it should turn to the automobile industry for help.

On the basis of outward appearance there has been some criticism that the automobile industry has not done all that it could do in answer to the nation's plea. But outward appearances are deceptive. To begin with, equipment in most automobile plants is largely special purpose machinery designed to do the best job in the least time and with the least manual effort. For this reason only about three per cent of all machinery in automotive plants could be adapted to special defense requirements, manpower on the other hand is different.

In this direction the automotive industry has contributed generously and as a result our shining example in this direction is the work undertaken by the Buick division of General Motors which 23 years ago met a similar demand by turning its production geniuses to building Liberty engines. Now that division has undertaken the production of 1200 horsepower Pratt & Whitney engines, which by early next year it will be turning out at the rate of 500 monthly.

We see where the author of a very popular novel made a million dollars. Why don't we ever write that book?

Is there anybody around here who can remember when Big Bill Tilden started to play tennis?

The Platform of THE CAROLINA TIMES includes:

- Equal salaries for Negro Teachers.
- Negro policemen.
- Negro jurymen.
- Equal educational opportunities.
- Higher wages for domestic servants.
- Full participation of Negroes in all branches of the National defense.
- Abolishment of the double-standard wage scale in industry.
- Greater participation of Negroes in political affairs.
- Better housing for Negroes.
- Negro representation in city, county, state and national governments.

EDITORIAL

"Then saith He to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand and thrust it into My side; and be not faithless, but believing.

"And Thomas answered and said unto Him, My Lord and my God."—John 20:27,28:

"When the spiritual foundations of civilization are attacked, they must be defended by force."

NEGRO AMERICANISM

By HENRY CLAY DAVIS

In these turbulent times when most of this treacherous world is being dominated by hatreds, prejudices, and ruthlessness, and when so many people are being unceremoniously driven from established homes and positions in countries where they had heretofore enjoyed citizenship and safety, it is perhaps proper that we Negroes should feel profoundly appreciative of our Americanism.

But, while most of us realize that despite proscription, exploitation, ostracism, and kindred other evils with which we are constantly beset, we do enjoy privileges here which could certainly not be extended to us in England and probably not in Germany; there are among us, nevertheless, many who righteously resent the fact that our Constitution guarantees to all Americans certain privileges which we do not yet enjoy.

Negroes throughout this country are constrained by the irrefutable evidence of their own experiences to feel that the supposedly just and equitable agency known as the Law was made expressly for their punishment rather than their protection and that it functions admirably in the protection instead of the punishment of all other Americans whenever we are involved.

The great industrial corporations which we have not been given even the semblance of a chance to become a part of, plainly do not want any part of us. The Navy flatly rejects us except as dishwashers and bootblacks. The Army and Air Corps are accepting a few of us with unwillingness and reservations. The election to and tenure in public office by any one of us in sections where most of us live would be an open invitation to massacre.

The institutions of learning available to us have carefully included in their curricula only such subjects as will tend to emphasize white supremacy and encourage our obedience to it, and to the utter exclusion of any information whatever about ourselves, our Fred Douglasses, our Phyllis Wheatleys, our Harriett Tubmans, and our Booker Washingtons. Yet, we are native born American citizens.

The knowledge and recurrent frequency of such tragic conditions are slowly but surely imposing upon our consciousness the fact that not only is the malady solely ours, but also that we are the doctor who can and must prescribe the only effective remedy. We must first become a united race of Negroes, sincerely dedicated to the difficult effort of lifting those of us who need lifting, and ever ready to demand and obtain for each or any of us the same blessings which have come to a few of us individually because of being looked upon as being "Good Niggers". Then all of us can be loyal Americans without hypocrisy and without secretly cherishing unutterable aspirations.

Our forefathers in Senegal, who saved France from the Kaiser's formidable legions in the two battles of the Marne during the First World's War, and who would have saved a united France in the present war, have set a fine example for us by ever being Senegalese first and then citizens of the French Empire. With all of our sufferings and handicaps we can and must be loyal Americans always, but our duty to our helpless selves and to posterity demands that we learn to be Negroes first and always.

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