

Business League Records Growth

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them... save them if you please, then something serious will happen to this country of ours". He climaxed his address with the observation that the United States Chamber of Commerce is "definitely behind national defense", and insisted that "today there is one thing on which all good Americans must agree and that is unity of purpose and action".

C. C. Spaulding, nationally-known president-emeritus of the league spoke on "The Economic Philosophy of Booker T. Washington". He extensively quoted from Mr. Washington's various speeches and writings, and used them as the crux of his remarks.

He was followed by Bland R. Maxwell, speaker of the house of representatives of Tennessee. Mr. Maxwell spoke on "Booker T. Washington's Contribution to Negro Progress and Interracial Goodwill", interspersing his remarks with glowing tributes to the spirit with which the leaders of the business league are carrying on his ideals.

Electrifying the closing sessions with his fiery utterances on the Negro's traditional patriotism, Dean William Pickens, nationally-known speaker and leader, appealed to the delegates to hold fast to the Negro's historical loyalty to the United States and American ideals, closing with the expression "I hope we will be able to have our grandchildren look proudly upon our loyalty and patriotism to the country, as our grandparents permitted us to do".

Addresses were also delivered in the general sessions by John Exby, representing the Memphis City government; by Mrs. Fannie B. Peck, of housewives league, who spoke on the subject "The Housewives League, An Educational Factor in the Development of Negro Business"; and J. B. Blayton, of Atlanta, speaking on "Education and Negro Business".

Among the most interesting of the three-day convention were the various panel discussions revolving around the theme of "Education and Negro Business", which was first initiated during a conference with league leaders held with the presidents and officials of colored land-grant colleges earlier in the year.

To aid in determining requirements, the Secretary of Agriculture has requested the County Defense Board, acting as a group, to make a survey of farmer's minimum wants for the coming year. A questionnaire listing all types of machinery and implements has been mailed to each county for filling out.

Durham county, you know, is one of the heaviest payers into the Federal treasury of any in the nation.

Fort Bragg Launches Propaganda Program

Fort Bragg, N. C. (ANP) After the tragic killings involving white F. P.'s and Negro soldiers en-camped at Fort Bragg, the Public Relations Bureau is launching a huge propaganda program there. This program is without doubt attempting to cover up unfavorable publicity uncovered by various news commenters of eastern white magazines and newspapers.

In the Fort Bragg setup there is a coast to coast radio broadcast from the Fort every Thursday night from six until seven o'clock. The officials in charge always include one of the Fort's Negro Units to have civilian listeners believe that Fort Bragg's Negro soldiers are having a wonderful time.

In another instance an announcement was made that white soldiers would be offered tickets to college football games at half price. Also they announced that they were contacting officials of A and T college, Shaw University, and Fayetteville State Teacher's college to make similar arrangements for Negro soldiers of Fort Bragg.

It was further stated that Military Police would be assigned to all games. Negro soldiers are protesting such a move unless the Military Police used are Negroes.

In its usual manner policies remain the same at Fort Bragg according to reports of men stationed there.

One soldier stated that bus transportation for Negro troops is worse than ever, instead of one bus every hour, buses are now running on the average of one bus for Negro troops every two hours. Also troops having overnight passes are sure to be late for the 6 o'clock morning reveille by depending on the bus. The first Negro bus from Fayetteville, 9 miles away, arrives at 8 A. M. There is a "reveille bus" for white troops arriving at 5:30 A. M. allowing them ample time to make this formation.

In the 16th Battalion of the Field Artillery Replacement Center the Post Exchange formerly employed five Negro civilian clerks with a white manager. Two days after the bus tragedy five white clerks replaced them and three Negroes were demoted to porters.

Also noted were instructions to all mess sergeants to look up all meat cleavers and butcher knives in mess halls to make sure Negro troops would be unarmed in case of any racial outbreak.

In recent interview with several Negro citizens of Fayetteville, where heroic Pvt. Ned Turman met his death, this writer found many of them not interested and indifferent about the affair.

One Fayetteville cab driver said, "It don't matter a d--- to me, I am only interested in

getting more cab runs myself." A cafe operator when asked what did he think about the affair, answered, "To be honest, I'll tell you I don't care about northern Negroes myself."

Prices in Fayetteville's Negro enterprises were found to be parallel to prices in New York. A 10 cent bottle of beer cost 15c hot dogs and hamburgers are 10c and the most talked about extreme prices were cab fares.

The writer climbed into the brightly painted cabs and the driver asked, "Are you a civilian or soldier?" Not waiting for an answer he stated, "I just wanted to know because we charge more for soldiers because soldiers are not permanent as civilians and we soak 'em whenever we get a chance."

After questioning soldiers concerning prices a soldier stated he missed the last bus to the Fort the night before and attempted to find lodging at one of the better lodging houses and was forced to pay \$3 for a single bed or if he was found on Fayetteville Street after 1 A. M. he would be have jailed by white Military Police.

Following the recent bus tragedy of white Military Police-men. This was soon noticed by the ofay M. P.'s and thereafter all buses carrying Negro troops were stopped and all passengers were questioned whether they were civilians or soldiers. They were asked to show their socks or underclothing. Most of them were wearing G. I. (Government Issue) socks and underclothing. Reports were that these that were found were made to dismount from the bus and walk back to their units.

Detroit Company Is Under Fire

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ficial, Mr. Hendrie, is quoted as saying that he could not understand why the boys were not accepted in view of the fact that Briggs was asking for all the riveters they could get.

The same difficulty was met by Frank Smith, also qualified as an aero-riveter and referred to Briggs company by the MSE S. His affidavit, made on August 28, states that he was given two cards of introduction from the employment service to the company in a group of 30 men.

About 20 of these men were hired, with says, some of them after he had been interviewed. He asserts that the employment manager asked him to fill out another application blank although he had already had one on file. The affidavit states that Smith was told he would be sent for "if anything turns up," and that he should "come back once in a while."

He has been going back every morning since August 21, he claims, but there are still no openings.

The first complaint against Briggs was made by Albert J. Lucas, who said he was told that a card asking him to report for work was sent him "by mistake."

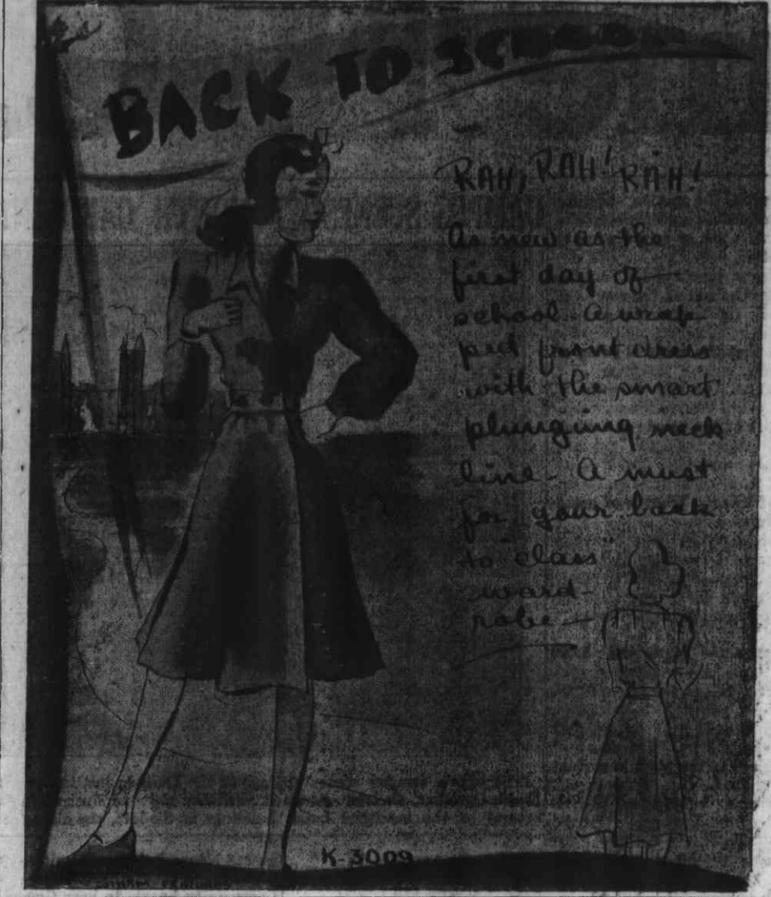
In fact, half the people in the United States could sit down and make a meal of what the men in the Third Army will consume in the sixty days of the maneuvers.

The Men Enjoy Amateur Cooking

MYRIADS of men are going in for cooking for fun these days. All kinds of men, including tycoons and orchestra leaders, playwrights and printers, bankers and clerks.

"Cooking is comparable to being in love (happily, of course)," says Iles Brody, in the October issue of Cosmopolitan Magazine. "In the kitchen I feel important. It's a great thing for the ego."

One of the recipes he hands on from his list of favorites is Bifteck a la Bercy and sounds perfect. Bifteck a la Bercy Season the fillet of beef with a pinch of salt and half a pinch of pepper and fry it in butter on a hot range. Now take the meat out of the pan and put it on a warm plate. To the sauce which remains in the pan add some flour and stir it until it becomes brown. Put in also some finely chopped shallot, a bit of chopped parsley, salt and pepper and stir in a generous glassful of red wine. Do not overcook the sauce. While you are preparing the sauce, fry a piece of bread in butter, put it on a hot plate, place the fillet on it, pour the sauce over, and serve.



Fire Destroys Burlington Negro School Early Tuesday Morning; Damage Estimated \$50,000

School Program Being Carried Out At Jordan Sellars School

The Alumnate School for Negroes, located in the Richmond Hill section on the Burlington city line, was completely destroyed by fire about 2:30 o'clock Tuesday morning with damage estimated to be close to \$50,000.

The origin of the fire is unknown. It was discovered by a taxi driver, who sent in the alarm. When the fire department arrived the building, constructed of brick with 13 large class rooms and an auditorium, was completely enveloped in flames.

According to L. E. Spikes, superintendent of the Burlington City School system, the destruction of the Negro school was the first major fire loss in the entire system. The school program for 1941-42 started Thursday, Sept. 4, and the Monday enrollment showed 415 students. Mr. Spikes stated to a reporter of this paper that the projecting machines and other visual equipment was at the Jordan-Sellars School, so missed being consumed by the flames. One hundred new books which were received Monday for the library, and which had not been unpacked were lost as were new maps. Tuesday a check was being made to learn the number of state text books which were lost. It was thought nearly all were destroyed since only a few had been issued.

Insurance in the amount of \$30,000 was carried on the building and \$3,000 was carried on the contents. According to Mr. Spikes the insurance does not begin to cover the loss. He remarked that every three years a survey is made by a board on which is an insurance man and a real estate man. Insurance carried on school property is computed on the basis of the report made by the board. The \$30,000 carried was adequate to cover this particular school property when the survey was made three years ago.

The past week the 1941 survey was made as it has been heretofore but the report had not been turned in prior to the fire. It is thought that the fire began in the auditorium, but only guesses as to exactly where and how it happened can be made. There had been no fire in the building Monday.

Prof. J. F. Gunn of the Training School will have charge of the elementary grades from 7 A. M. to 12 M. at the Jordan-Sellars school. The high school classes and part of the

elementary school classes will run from noon until 5 P. M. at the Jordan-Sellars school under the direction of C. J. Johnson, Jr., principal.

Six-Point Anti Racial Program Proposed

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and materials on adult education be expanded to include a broader understanding of positive racial relations; school libraries seek to provide books and supplementary materials necessary for such study; that teachers' colleges make every effort to prepare teachers in training for wise and effective work along these lines with the millions of future citizens who will be committed to their charge.

The conference was sponsored by the Conference on Education and Race Relations, and saw heads of departments of teachers colleges and representatives of state departments of education present. Among these were Dr. Arthur Raper, author, sociologist and research worker for the government, Atlanta; who charged that Negroes are discriminated against in the making and administering of laws, and that the police system in the south is often used to protect the existing feudal system.

Speaking on the subject of "The Negro and the Law", Dr. Raper stated that the function of the race line in the United States is to provide a wholesale way of enforcing permanent class restrictions, in violation of the democratic principles upon which the country is founded. He averred that discrimination against Negroes begins with the laws themselves, that there was discrimination in the administering of the laws, and that other pressures were applied in addition to and in spite of the laws.

From facts gathered recently by him for the Carnegie foundation, he told of police chiefs in southern towns in which investigations were carried on, who boasted of the fact that they were helping to curb potential criminals by the practice of policemen helping children across the street on their way to school. Although police saw the benefits of making friends with white children, they seldom carried out the practice of helping Negro children. Arrests are not made on basis of justice alone.

The desire for fines, prestige of the arrested person, the politics all determine arrests of Negroes. Patrolmen are expected to keep up their weekly quota of arrests for the sake of revenue brought in, he said.

The final session of the conference was taken up with reports and discussion of methods by which these objectives could be carried out. Reports were submitted by Miss Pauline B. Knobs, State Teachers college, Kirksville, Mo.; Miss Sadie Engleberg, John Marshall college, Richmond, Va.; and Dr. Maude Carmichael, State Teachers college, Conway, Ark. The reports reveal that studies being conducted in this problem by students of various institutions have proved interesting and satisfactory results have been obtained. Emphasis had been laid on the fact that these courses were taught from a factual rather than a propaganda viewpoint, the facts being obtained from reading and personal investigation of local conditions.



Ella Mae Johnson, 18-year-old 4-H club girl of Jamestown, Texas, who won this year's scholarship contest for outstanding ability against state-wide competition. Ella Mae is an ardent 4-H club member, and exceedingly accomplished.

Texas Mob Spirit Flames Again

Pittsburg, Texas—Stirred by the outbreak mob violence which broke out late in August late in this East Texas town, the Dallas branch of the NAACP will con a special drive to raise funds for combating these occurrences.

The recent outbreak was directed against two men charged with vagrancy who were in the county jail. On Wednesday, August 20, when the sheriff was "absent", the jail was visited by a mob who took the men out and criminally mutilated them.

AMERICA'S OUTSTANDING ADVICE PROBLEMS IN THE SHADOW OF THE STARS BY PROF. ABRE WALLACE

E. L.—I am a single man in love with a married woman. She is supposed to leave her husband and come to me. Is this right? Ans: No, and how well you know that you are doing the wrong thing to encourage a married woman. You shouldn't go with her and don't think that you can't keep her if she does come to you. Pick you out a single girl and think about getting married.

L. P.—Should I apply for another job or wait until I hear from the one that I applied for recently? Ans: Heaven's don't wait for any job. Continue registering at every conceivable place you know and don't let up until you get the type of job that you want. Take the first desirable offer and keep it until you can do better.

N. B.—Now I am an old lady and own my home. Since I got too old to take care of myself the people have made me leave my home and I've got a lawsuit about it and won't but they have not given me back my home. Tell me what to do? Ans: Whatever your lawyer advises you to do in this case, act accordingly. It seems to me that the people are trying to help. They realize that you are entirely too old to live alone and would like to make you comfortable around people your own age. Although it is a matter for you and your lawyer to decide—but it seems to me that you will be taken care of if you let matters rest as they are.

L. M. Y.—I am a single girl and have a boy friend. Whenever he comes to see me my oldest sister is got to have a secret talk with him and whatever she tells him, he tells me just what she says. Does he love me and does he want me to marry him like he says and go north? Ans: He's nuts about you and means every word that he says. Don't lose your head and just because you are sure of him... keep him walking the chalk line until you are safely married. Your wife and baby cannot go without food and if you carry the grocer something and pawn it until you can pay him back for his kindness, he will accommodate you.

T. C.—I am supposed to leave on this job in a couple of days and I don't have enough money for my wife and child to live on until I make a payday. Must I take the job and what must I do? Ans: Take the job. Before you leave, go to your local grocer and ask for credit until you get a payday. Pay up immediately when you receive your money. Your wife and baby cannot go without food and if you carry the grocer something and pawn it until you can pay him back for his kindness, he will accommodate you.

Pal.—My husband don't be so sweet and loving like he used to be and I want to know if there is anyone else? Ans: He isn't going with another woman for he isn't away from home long enough at a time to be out with a girl. You aren't going out of your way to be affectionate to him... change your tactics a bit and he will do the same. Meet him at night with a big hug and kiss and I don't think you will be pushed out of the way.

Ans: My husband has deserted me and my five children. Sometime ago I saw him with a woman and I hear that he is living with her entirely now. He doesn't seem to have any love for me and the children either so tell me what to do? Ans: There is a law that says a man has to provide for his family if he is working... why don't you get legal help. He can't cast you and his five children completely aside and live the life of a single man. Go to the court house and you will be informed how to go about handling your problem.

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