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"KEEP 'EM FLYING"

MILLER GETS NAVAL AWARD

YOUNG NEGRO IS FINALLY CITED FOR HEROIC DEED

Washington, (Special to the TIMES) — The President of the United States has awarded the Navy Cross to Doris Miller, Mess Attendant First Class, U. S. Navy, for heroism displayed during the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor December 7, 1941.

He was cited "for his distinguished devotion to duty, extraordinary courage and disregard for his own personal safety during the attack."

Miller was commended by Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox on April 1, and he has received an advancement in rating since the attack on Pearl Harbor. His commendation from the Secretary stated that "While at the side of his Captain on the bridge, Miller, despite enemy strafing and bombing and in the face of a serious fire, assisted in moving his Captain, who had been mortally wounded, to a place of greater safety, and later manned and operated a machine gun until ordered to leave the bridge."

Miller was born October 12, 1919, at Waco, Texas, and first enlisted as Mess Attendant Third Class at Dallas, on September 16, 1939. His next of kin is his father, Conery Miller, Route 1, Box 339, Waco, Texas.

Beware of too sublime a sense of your own worth and consequence.—Comper.

Unselfish and noble acts are the most radiant epochs in the biography of souls.—Theoclean.

S. C. Democrats Turn Deaf Ear To Pleas For Colored Voters

Columbia, S. C., (Special to the CAROLINA TIMES) — Introduced by five white Democrats and eloquently pleaded for their spokesman, a resolution to have the state Democratic convention revise the ruling which makes it impossible for a Negro to take part in the Democratic primary in this state unless he is 87 years old, was turned down by the Richland county Democratic convention, Monday, May 4.

The resolution was the result of a request April 22 by a large delegation of Negro citizens here, led by the local NAACP, to have the state convention consider changing the rule. The NAACP said it will continue its efforts to get the ballot for Negroes in the state.

The resolution was offered to the county convention by Dr. J. Heyward Gibbs, R. Beverly Herbert, Marion A. Park, Francis W. Bradley and D. W. Robinson. Dr. Gibbs, speaking in behalf of the resolution said he had a feeling of genuine humility when drafting it; that he was convinced that a large element of Negro citizens "is now qualified in mind and character to take part in our

Raleigh Bus Company Wants Line to Butner

Raleigh, May 1.—Another bus company has petitioned the State Utilities Commission to be allowed to haul passengers to Camp Butner, the Army's new triangular reservation in Granville County.

Chief Clerk R. O. Self said the Peany and Phelps Bus Lines, organized in Raleigh Friday, May 1st, requested franchise to carry passengers from Raleigh to the camp.

The firm is the fifth to apply for routes to the new cantonment near Creedmoor.

Others, which have received franchises after lengthy squabbles, are Colonial Bus Lines of Charleston, S. C.; Durham Transportation Company; Granville Transportation Company; and the Roxboro Transportation Company.

A. L. Turner Named Exec. Sec'y. D. C. N. A.

The Durham Committee on Negro Affairs announced last week the appointment of Mr. A. L. Turner, political scientist, as part-time executive secretary of the Committee for three months beginning in May. Mr. Turner is professor of Law at North Carolina College and a candidate for the degree of doctor of philosophy in Political Science at the University of Michigan.

Appointed



DR. E. P. RANDOLPH

One of Durham's most prominent young physicians, Dr. R. P. Randolph, will leave soon for Fort Huachuca, Arizona where he will receive the rank of first lieutenant in the U. S. Army, Medical Corps. He will be on post at the newly established Station Hospital, all Negro unit, at Huachuca serving under Lt. Col. O. M. Bousfield, M. D., who before this appointment was a leader in the National Medical Association. After graduating from Howard University Medical School in 1934 he came to serve an internship of one year at Lincoln Hospital in Durham. He has been practicing in the city of Durham since 1935. Dr. Randolph is a member of both the State and National Medical Associations, and on the staff of Lincoln Hospital. He is also a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity.

Pay Case Finally Closed by Entering "Consent Decree"

Richmond, Va., (Special to the TIMES) — The suit for equal pay to Negro teachers here was concluded with the entering of a consent decree which was signed by Judge Robert N. Pollard of the U. S. district court, May 5.

By this decree the school board and the superintendent of schools Jesse H. Binford, are permanently restrained from discriminating in payment of salaries to Antoinette E. Bowler, the members of the Richmond Teachers' Association who filed suit, December 23, 1941, or to any other Negro teachers. Thurgood Marshall, NAACP special counsel, and Oliver W. Hill of Richmond acted for the teachers in this case.

The decree contained terms previously agreed upon between the teachers and the school board by which complete equalization will be reached in five years. It is so worded that if the school board should violate the terms, the decree will have the effect of an injunction to restrain such violation.

The school board was also instructed to pay to colored teachers on or before June 11, a lump sum representing the accrued difference between their monthly salaries since September, 1941 and the amount they have been receiving.

"I don't know of any better investment than the United States Government."

Under Arrest



LEANDER DERR, young business man of Monroe who was arrested and placed in jail at Charlotte for writing a letter to a Charlotte newspaper in which he was accused of sedition. The young man has been turned over to the FBI agents for investigation.

Rev. W. Tyner Nelson Speaks In Mecklenburg

The Rev. W. Tyner Nelson, pastor of Pine Street Presbyterian Church, and Jeanes Rural Church Counsellor for the State of Virginia, will be the Baccalaureate speaker for Mecklenburg County Training School of South Hill, Virginia on Sunday, May 24th. Next Sunday, May 17th, he will address a Mass Meeting of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People at St. Paul Polytechnic Institute, Laurenceville, Va.

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF CME CHURCH OPENS IN CHICAGO AT ST. PAUL

Bishop C. H. Phillips, Senior of the Church, Presides at Opening Day's Sessions; Many Church Problems Confront Big Methodist Body

BY C. E. CHAPMAN

Chicago, (ANP) — The general conference of the Colored Methodist Episcopal church got underway here Wednesday morning at the St. Paul CME church. The huge auditorium was jammed from the gallery to the basement and great crowds overflowed in all directions.

Bishop Charles H. Phillips, of the First Episcopal district, Cleveland, presided with the poise and dignity characteristic of him during his illustrious life, the distinguished prelate having rounded of the denomination. Notwithstanding the senior bishop's advanced age, he was keenly alert mentally, and incredibly active physically. The great concourse at the first assembly marvelled at the physical strength, dynamic and scintillating personality of the widely known prelate.

The entire group of bishops—

nine in all was present and portrayed an array of celebrities becoming the Church of England in the yesteryears of the long ago. The following bishops occupied places on the platform: Bishops C. H. Phillips, Cleveland; R. A. Carter, Chicago; J. A. Hamlett, Kansas City, Kan.; J. W. McKinney, Sherman, Texas; H. P. Porter, Jackson, Tenn.; J. A. Bray, Chicago, host bishop; J. H. Moore, Holly Springs, Miss.; W. Y. Bell, Cordele, Ga.; and C. L. Russell, Washington, D. C.

General Officers Staff

The general officers of the church occupied places within the chancel rail. They are: Dr. Luther Stewart, editor, the Christian Index; G. F. Porter, financial secretary; W. P. Pipkins, publishing agent; Bertram W. Doyle, general secretary of education; J. B. Boyd, general secretary of conference claimants; B. J. Smith, general secretary of religious education; C. E. Chapman, general secretary of public relations; E. F. Durr, general secretary of lay activities; W. S. Martin, superintendent of Collins Chapel Con-

national hospital; J. M. Reed, general secretary of evangelism. Mrs. Rossie T. Hollis also occupied a place among the general officers as the president of the women's missionary connectional council.

Bishop Moore delivered the quadrennial sermon with great persuasive power. Bishop Moore used as subject: "Worshipful Watching the Need of the Hour."

He warned against "Bartering off God's estate for a mess of political pottage by half hearted, temporizing, meaningless leaders."

The Missisippian challenged the general conference not to become "slaves to what they watch." In speaking of the world crisis now prevalent everywhere, he declared "To often God seeks worshipful watchers, but fails to find them—War is the creature of carelessness and indifference toward God. War is born of the seed of carelessness and indifference and negligence. Nations which care not what goes with the opportunities to make the world better and a happier habitat for God and man will spare for war and strife. A careful man, race or nation, sees

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Police At Monroe Jail Young Man For Protesting Discrimination In S. Car.

Charlotte, (Special to the TIMES) — Leander Derr, young Negro business man of Monroe was lodged in jail here this week after he had written a letter to the Charlotte News on the Subject "What is the Negro Fighting For?" The letter, according to some of the white people of Monroe, contained expressions which they considered insulting to the United States, and a warrant was issued for the young Negro's arrest.

Mr. Derr was transferred here for safekeeping by Monroe police when it became evident that white citizens in Monroe were becoming inflamed after reading the letter. The letter which appeared in the Charlotte newspaper, Tuesday, May 11, scored the people of Union County, S. C., for taking steps to prohibit Negroes from voting in that state.

The letter as it appeared in the Charlotte News is as follows:

"WHAT IS THE NEGRO FIGHTING FOR?"

Editors, The News:

Today this country is spending untold thousands of dollars and lives (many of them Negro) to insure the survival of democratic principles and ideals. Yet (it seems incredible), Union, S. C., "ignocrats" have taken steps to bar the Negro from voting within the state.

That action poses the question for the "nth" time: What is the Negro fighting for? We are called to fight for the USA, but what is our stake? Are we fighting to make it safe for the white man to take away our right to vote—to discriminate against us, to exploit us, to "keep the nigger in his place?" We could get that from Hitler without fighting.

Does the resolution of Union County have the approval of the people of the country? If the answer is no, let them be removed from their political jobs and denounced. If yes—well as Patrick Henry would say it: I know not what opinion others may have but as for me, to hell with the USA.

LEANDER DERR

Box 311, Monroe.

The Democratic Party in South Carolina has ruled that Negroes would not be permitted to vote in Democratic primaries unless they were at least 87 years old, and had voted the Democratic ticket continuously for 66 years.

Up until Wednesday no formal charge had been placed against Mr. Derr. Charlotte police stated he was being held for investigation, and was turned over to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

No warrant federal or state has been served on citizens of Union, South Carolina for denying Negroes the right to vote in the state, and none is expected to be issued. South Carolina in general is considered one of the most backward states in the nation. Not only is

Daily Turns Down NAACP'S Answer To Pegler's Attack On Negro Press

West Virginia Man's Rubber "Substitute" To Be Complete Test

Washington, — A West Virginia dentist, it developed is the inventor who has excited Government experts by declaring he can make a rubber substitute from natural gas, coal, wood and grain.

Dr. Glenn L. Casto of Spencer, W. Va., who talked with reporters in company with Senator Kilgore (D-W Va.) was modest about his product. He said it was "superior" for the present lack of natural rubber, but declared it had been used to make a new automobile tire which already has run 4,300 miles and is continuing to give good service.

Been used to retread a tire which was run 10,000 miles and when removed for examination, was found to have one third the tread remaining.

News of the inventor's claims leaked out of Government agencies some 10 days ago. At that time, the word was that samples shown by the inventor had qualities superior to synthetic rubber and equal to or superior to crude. The inventor was telling his formula, however, and Government experts were keeping their fingers crossed while a laboratory was being built for a showdown test.

Dr. Casto said that what is under construction is not a laboratory but a pilot test plant in West Virginia.

This plant, he said, will soon be turning out several thousand pounds of his product a day to be used in large scale tests on commercial vehicles.

As for the financial end, he said "we have not asked the Government for any money nor have they volunteered any financial support even for experimental work."

He was ready, he added, to make his method available to any producer designated by the Government for the duration of the war provided only that his basic rights after the war were protected.

His product is not, he emphasized, a synthetic rubber but has physical properties akin to crude rubber while differing from it in chemical properties.

Furthermore, he asserted that plants for mass production of the product could be constructed quickly and would require very little of the critical war materials of which there is a shortage. The

ignorance overwhelmingly prevalent among Negroes, but the whites as well are to a large extent of low mentality and backward.

New York — Declining to print the NAACP's challenge to Westbrook Pegler for his attack on the Negro press April 28, the New York World-Telegram said it was because "we believe it would serve no great purpose to continue the controversy."

The NAACP sharply scored Pegler as a "sour column" and dared him to prove that the Negro press is subversive. Attempting to excuse Pegler's nasty criticism as constructive, the World Telegram said: "It will be generally agreed that his column was intended to point the way to a better press and thus to improve conditions in that field."

"We fail to understand how calling the Negro press subversive and holding it up to ridicule can improve conditions. The NAACP said this week Mr. Pegler would do well to examine his searching for things to improve laboring record while he prove."

Negro Agent Cleared On Larceny Charges

Louisburg.—Moffitt Dotson Wilborn and Mark Harvey Boyd, Richmond men, charged here with unlawful possession of whiskey, carrying concealed weapons and possession of burglary tool, received eight months each on the roads upon being found guilty on the whiskey and weapons charges in county court Tuesday.

J. E. Tuck, Franklin County Negro farm agent, and Oswald Harris, Negro principal of the Gethsemane colored school near Bunn, were found not guilty of larceny and receiving. The two Negroes were arrested in Raleigh two weeks ago by Detective W. G. Maddrey of the Raleigh police. Harris had in his possession at the time of the arrest food alleged to have been taken from the Gethsemane school cafeteria. Judge Hobgood said that evidence against the Negroes was flimsy and insufficient.

SAFETY FIRST

The Federal Fair Labor Standards Act restricts the employment of youths, under 18 years of age, in factories manufacturing explosives, or in or about coal mines.

product itself, he said, could be produced cheaply by quantity methods.

Casto was educated at Ohio State University. His training for his profession included instruction in chemistry, and he said he had, as a hobby, made chemical experiments for many years.