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Manpower Commission Says Trouble At Mobile Settled

BORLAND FREES OFFICER AND FINES SCHOOL GIRL IN BUS CASE

BUSINESS WOMAN



Pictured above is Mrs. W. J. Smith, manager of the Grand Hotel in Greensboro, North Carolina. A native of Hartford, Conn., Mrs. Smith has spent the greater portion of her life in Greensboro. Since she became manager of the hotel eighteen months ago, she has made it one of the South's most modern hostleries.

NATIONAL WAR LABOR BOARD ANNOUNCES END OF ALABAMA STRIKE

MOBILE, Ala., (ANP) — De- last week between white and Negro workmen over what the company said was the upgrading of Negro welders in compliance with a directive from President Roosevelt. The riot between the workers sent several persons to the hospital. Under the new plan the separate shipways will be supervised by white workmen while Negro laborers and helpers will be continued in other job Trouble brewed at Addaco

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MISS LYONS DRAWS \$5.00 FINE FOR BEING ATTACKED

Judge A. H. Borland, presiding over the Recorders Court here Thursday, in spite of preponderance of evidence to the contrary, pronounced a verdict of guilty against Miss Doris Lyons, 16-year-old high school girl for violation of the North Carolina segregation law. The young girl was fined \$5.00 and cost for the "offense."

W. E. Gates, Durham police officer charged with assault and battery on the young girl was absolved of all blame in the case by Judge Borland, as had been expected by a majority of Negro citizens of Durham. Neither the verdict against the young girl nor the one in favor of the police officer caused any measure of surprise among Negroes here who are acquainted with Judge Borland's record of cases involving the rights of Negroes.

Miss Lyons is the daughter of the late Henry R. Lyons, prominent carpenter of this city and Mrs. Viney Lyons. The family is one of the oldest and highest respected here among members of both races as was evidenced by several prominent white women, as well as persons of her own race, who appeared in court and testified as to the unimpeachable character of the young girl.

The young girl was represented by M. H. Thompson and C. J. Gates, prominent Negro attorneys of this city.

The case was the outgrowth of an attack on Miss Lyons by Officer Gates, when the young girl refused to move from her seat on a Durham Public Service bus while on her way to school.

According to witness Miss Lyons took a seat in the bus beside another young girl of her own race, two seats from the rear. Both girls were ordered by Gates, who had not disclosed identity as a police officer, to move to the rear of the bus where there was only one vacant seat. The young girl with whom Miss Lyons was sitting got up and took the seat in the rear of the bus, Miss Lyons remaining where she was. Gates again or-

Packard Strike Hit At Opening Of NAACP War Confab

DETROIT, Michigan — "Tokio and Berlin rejoice tonight at the effective and unexpected aid given them today by the management of the Packard Motor Company," Walter White, NAACP executive secretary, told delegates from 36 states at the opening meeting of the NAACP Emergency War Conference here on June 3.

White blamed three of the Packard officials, C. E. Weiss, personnel manager, George Schwartz, general foreman, and Robert Watts of the personnel division for the striking of 26,000 white workers and the stoppage of the production of Rolls Royce airplanes.

The management of the Packard Car had urged whites to refuse to work on machines alongside Negroes qualified by seniority, training and experience.

"American boys will die on some far off battle field for lack of engines which were not made in Detroit today," White said. He was applauded when he added "every man responsible for those strikes and every other one like it is an ally and an agent of Hitler and Hirohito and an enemy of America."

White was the keynote speaker at the opening of the conference on "The Status of the Negro in the War For Freedom" at the Second Baptist Church, 441 Monroe Street.

Conference delegates were welcome to Detroit by Albert E. Cobo, city treasurer; L. C. Blount, leading Detroit business man; Ramon Scrubbs of the NAACP Detroit branch, Shelton Tappes, who spoke for labor, Rabbi Morris Adler, and Rev. R. L. Bradby, pastor of the Second Baptist Church.

In greeting the delegates on behalf of the citizens of Detroit Rabbi Adler asserted: "If

Popular Minister



REV. M. W. MORGAN, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Roxboro and popular young Durham minister who has been called to the first Baptist Church of Goldsboro. Rev. Morgan has resigned his pastorate at the Roxboro Church and has already assumed the duties of his Goldsboro Church.

NEGROES IN THE PARATROOP UNITS

NEW YORK, — In response to demands made by the NAACP to War Department for the training of Negroes in parachute units, the NAACP was informed on June 4, by J. Ullo, Major General in the Adjutant General's Office of the War Department, that although there is no such organization in existence at present the War Department has under consideration the activation, at a later date this year, of a unit of this type. When the unit is activated volunteers for this training will be called from Negro organizations of the Army. The NAACP has continually insisted, especially since Pearl Harbor, that Negroes be integrated into all branches of the military service.

State Health Officer Fined \$500 And Given Suspended Sentence

Brooklyn Committee Blasts Insurance Co.

BROOKLYN, (ANP) — Withdrawal of the estimated 2,000,000 Negro held policies valued at \$800,000,000 from the Metropolitan Life Insurance company will cause a change of attitude on the part of Metropolitan life which is to construct a housing project here from which Negroes will be barred, Prof. R. Grann Lloyd said at the banquet of the Brooklyn Protest committee held Tuesday night.

"Usually after consuming such a meal as I have tonight" the speaker began, "I don't feel like talking. But, tonight I am ready to protest—protest against prejudice, segregation, and discrimination, and their ill effects on the American Negro."

After dealing with a large number of these undesirable practices Prof. Lloyd came to the Metropolitan Life Insurance company. "This company, I understand," he said, "wants to erect a segregated housing project in New York. Well we won't let them get away with it. I understand Negroes have approximately 2,000,000 policies in this would be jim-crow company, valued at about \$800,000,000. Now, if this jim-crow housing project is erected in New York let 2,000,000 Negroes withdraw from the Metropolitan Life Insurance company - cashing in on their policies, where possible. Take \$800,000,000 from a company because of its policies and attitude, and I'll guarantee those policies and that attitude will change."

Southern congressmen were next on the list, and again the speaker was firm. He execrated John Rankin, of Mississippi, Conally and O'Daniel, of Texas, and most of the rest of what he called "those ignorant dixie-damegogues." Then in a half broken laugh he chided, "President Barclay's (president of the)

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Becomes Bride



Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Davis announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Earnestine E. Davis to Staff Sergeant M. Boyd of Camp Butler. Mrs. Boyd is a student at North Carolina College and Sergeant Boyd a student at Lincoln University, in Missouri before entering into the Army.

MINNESOTA U. HIRES FIRST NEGRO TEACHER

BY J. W. PATE
MINNEAPOLIS, (A N P) — Elizabeth Moore has been given a position as library assistant on the library staff of the University of Minnesota. Miss Moore will take up the duties of her new position immediately upon graduation in June.

Miss Moore, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis P. Moore, has made a brilliant record at the university and has been especially active in extra-curricular activities, being a member of the University Singers for three years. She is a member of Eta chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority.

RALEIGH — Dr. Robert F. Young, iron wrench doctor, of the North Carolina Health Department, charged with a brutal assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill on Mrs. Menshaw Burt, Raleigh USO secretary, enter a plea of guilty to an assault with a deadly weapon here today. The "iron wrench" doctor drew a 12-months road sentence, suspended on three-year probation and on condition that he pay \$500 to Mrs. Burt.

The plea was accepted by the state after attorney for Mrs. Burt held a conference. The USO secretary was represented by Solicitor William Y. Bickett and three Negro private prosecuting attorneys, M. H. Thompson and C. J. Gates of Durham, and T. J. Carnage of Raleigh.

JUDGE REMARKS

Before passing judgment in the case following conclusion of testimony, Judge J. J. Barney, presiding looked at the large crowd of Negroes in the courtroom and said, "I know that judgment in this case isn't going to meet the approval of many of you. This is a very sordid case, and Dr. Young's conduct was unjustified. At the same time, freedom of speech doesn't give a person, whether Negro or white, the right to talk 'sassy' to another person."

"The white people of this State have done a great deal for the Negroes," he continued. "They have helped support their schools by paying taxes, and all in all the Negroes and white people have gotten along fine, with a few exceptions. I want to see the races work together as much as anyone wants."

"There is no excuse for crimes such as stealing, forgery, and so forth, but if you show me an assault case or a murder case, I guarantee you that there is motivating force behind the action. As a prominent judge once said, 'Homicide cases should be carefully tried because half the people who are killed should have been killed.'"

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