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(Edward) Parker, Rita Hedepebeth (Washington, DC), Helen M. McClain, Lola G. Bullock, Lona Parker, Dearborn Dr., Clyde Riley, Lillian Allen, Bettie Webb, Lucinda Jones, Mary Lawrence, S. Alston Ave., Mamie Parrish, Fannie Riley, Harris, Hermon Pettiford, L. F. Warren, Mary Stanfield, Dearborn Dr., Meardie Mangum, Valeria Hester, Alfred Jones, Dovie Lunsford, James Long, Sammie Atkins, Hazel Crews, Annie (Dep) Mack, Fred Sletton, Magelene Riley, Judge Harris, Rev. Ed. Hoskin, Mary Glenn, Jake Pointer, William Thompson, Josephine Walker, Emma

Royster, Seminon Shaw, and Pearl Bailey (singer).  
The Father himself loveth you. John 16-27.

**WOMEN'S DAY TO BE HELD AT CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

Annual Women's Day Program will convene at Calvary Baptist Church Sunday, July 1, at three o'clock. Miss Annie Dunigan, a great civic leader of this city, will be the speaker. She is a member of the Union Baptist Church, where she holds many offices, a retired teacher of the Durham City Schools and a Junior supervisor of the East Cedar Grove Missionary Baptist Association. The public is invited to come and worship with us. Rev. W. L. Butler, pastor.

**Forty-Six Years Later, NAACP Confab Returns to Indianapolis**

NEW YORK — With the theme, "Fest We Forget - Our Fallen Heroes," the 64th NAACP Annual Convention will open on Monday, July 2, in Indianapolis in what was once a stronghold of the Ku Klux Klan 46 years ago when the Association last met there. The convention will salute martyrs of the civil rights movement, whose lives were brutally taken in the struggle for racial justice. Scores of men and women, black and white, have been killed by guns, bombs or other such violent weapons since 1951. Among the most notable were the Rev. Dr. Martin

Luther King, Jr., and Medgar Evers, both of whom were killed by snipers. Some of the others were the Rev. James Bebe, who was beaten to death; Viola Liuzzo, who was fatally shot during voter registration demonstration in Selma in 1965. Micheal Schwemer, Andrew Goodman and James Chaney, summer workers in Mississippi, were shot and their bodies hidden in the mud of a dam in Mississippi. Vernon Dahmer, a local Mississippi NAACP leader, was fatally injured when night-riders fire-bombed him home because he was actively working in a voter

registration campaign.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Moore, NAACP coordinators, were killed on Christmas night, 1951, when their home, Fla., home was bombed. The Rev. George W. Lee, one of the first Negroes in his town to register, was killed in Belzoni, Miss., when he refused to remove his name from the voting lists.

Indianapolis, like the rest of the country, has changed much over the years. When the NAACP 18th Annual Convention, as the convention was then called, met in that city, delegates from 27 states fearlessly voiced their condemnation of the Klan and of lynchings.

In his address to the convention, NAACP Secretary James Weldon Johnson stirring denounced the rampant lynchings that were

the pattern then as "an incident which causes every American to hang his head in shame."

Despite the misms of oppression that clung to that convention, the NAACP's indomitable leader aroused the fighting spirit of the gathering with a ringing cry of triumph.

That year, 1927, he said, was one in which the NAACP had won three great victories. Through the fearless effort of Walter White, and aide, the NAACP brought the severity of the problem of lynching to the attention of the nation; the U. S. Supreme Court reaffirmed the unconstitutionality of segregation ordinances in a case involving New Orleans; and, in the Texas white primary case, the High Court declared that it was unconstitutional for the state to bar Negroes from

voting in Democratic primary elections.

A tribute to the state was the fact that Indiana Gov. Ed Jackson delivered the welcoming address to the convention despite the bitter racial atmosphere that was so prevalent then. Furthermore, the two principal Indianapolis newspapers, the "Star" and "News", commended the convention in their editorials. Against this historical background, NAACP delegates from all 50 states will meet to review the conditions of racial injustice in the land and set policies that will guide the Association's leaders for another year.

Instead of being forced to crowd into the homes of friends and sympathizers and

meet in the black church, as was the situation in 1927, delegates to the 64th Annual Convention will freely remain in local, integrated hotels and conduct the business of civil rights in the Indiana Convention Center. Such contrasts between the two eras were accomplished by the untiring work of civil rights organizations like the NAACP, which has led the fight for equality.

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