Mayor Promises to Put 80,000 People to Work

Housing Project Expected to Abolish Unemployment Here.

MEDIC MAY GET HOSPITAL POST

Partiality Discouraged at Men's Shelter.

PHILADELPHIA — Dreams of putting 80,000 men to work on a housing project and ending unemployment here, were envisoned by Mayor S. Davis Wilson in his weekly conference with representatives of weekly papers, Friday, at the city hall.

Plans for the project for better and more sanitary homes have already been sent to Washington, it was disclosed. The mayor, along with Jack Kelly and Albert Greenfield, all white, expect to leave for that city soon, it was said, to confer with Senator Guffey about the matter. Approval of Federal authorities is necessary before work can get under way.

Out-Houses Condemned

"Houses which are not fit to live in will be torn down and replaced with decent ones," the mayor said. "Baths will be available for all families in these proposed apartments. Instead of out-door lavatories, I'll see to it that modern facilities may be enjoyed by everyone in this city."

Regarding the Shelter for Homeless Men at Eighteenth and Hamilton Streets, the mayor continued:

"There are 3,200 beds in the shelter, enough to take care of the homeless and the infirm. I am not going to stand for any distinction being shown to any particular group. All must be treated alike."

Medic's Selection Expected

Although the mayor has not decided, indications are that Dr. W. Harry Barnes may be appointed to the Philadelphia General Hospital staff. Four other physicians are said to be receiving consideration for similar appointment.

A colored physician will have a prominent post in the tuberculosis campaign, the chief executive stated, and especial attention will be given to the mortality rate among the colored population.

Mayor Wilson informed the pressmen present that he proposes to appoint as an elevator starter in the city hall a man now employed as an operator.

It was also said that arrangements are being made to feature a Joe Louis bout here in June in connection with the Democratic national convention.

Hold Man Accused of Stealing Waller

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Canon Pifer Bey, 38, alias James McNight, of 1727 Christian Street, was arrested Saturday and sentenced to serve ninety days in the county prison, by Magistrate Beifel, in Central station, City Hall.

McNight was arrested on the complaint of William Waller, white, of 720 Manning Street, who said that after being jostled by two men on a Route 23 trolley, at Eleventh and Market Streets, he missed his wallet containing $15.

He immediately set up an alarm but as the trolley came to a stop at Market Street, one of the two men jumped off. The other was apprehended by Detectives Coffey and Doyle, white, of the special pickpocket squad at City Hall, who happened to be on the trolley.

Beat Wife, Man Held

David Cochran, 31, of 143 N. Ruby Street, was held, Saturday on charge of aggravated assault and battery on his wife, Alice Mae Cochran.

Police testified that Cochran was arrested in the home of his estranged wife at 1714 N. Twenty-third Street. After his efforts to effect a reconciliation failed, he beat her, police stated.

Jo Baker Stops for Autograph Seekers

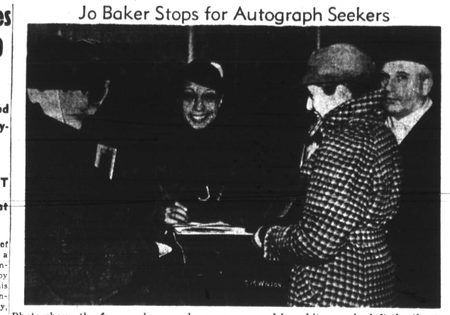

Photo shows the famous dancer who was swamped by whites as she left the theatre after her matinee performance in the "Ziegfeld Follies," now showing in Philadelphia. On the extreme right is her white manager, Stanley Rayburn.

Jo Baker Anxious to See Brown Bomber in Action; Proud of Race

By J. ROBERT SMITH

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Like Marian Anderson, her fellow townswoman, Josephine Baker, Philadelphia native, who became the leading figure in Paris night life, is anxious to see Joe Louis in action.

The hope that this ambition would be realized before she returns to Paris was expressed during an interview in her dressing room at the Forrest Theatre, Saturday night.

Miss Baker has had the pleasure of meeting both Joe and his wife, and thinks they are "marvelous." She praised the Brown Bomber for being "such a great help to his race."

Proud of Her People

Reports that she had refused to grant interviews to colored newspapers were vigorously denied by Miss Baker, who said the AFRO-AMERICAN was the first and only newspaper of her race to seek such an interview.

"I am very proud to receive my own color, and I hope that my people are as proud of me as I am of them," she continued. "I think it is so ridiculous for such rumors that are unfounded to be broadcast about a person like me. It is a shame for my race to try to knock instead of helping me.

Artists Helping

"Paul Robeson, Marian Anderson and myself have done our very best, while in Europe, to see that the colored people are looked upon as a group that can accomplish something, regardless what many people believe we can do."

She conferred with Stanley Rayburn, her manager, and George Meyer, her secretary, both white. Miss Baker, who was on the verge of terminating her two weeks' engagement in Philadelphia, complained of fatigue and loss of energy due to her steady rehearsals, since the day of her arrival, for her leading part in the "Ziegfeld Follies."

She would make no comparison between Parisian and American life, giving as her reason that the American public would not be able to understand. She remarked that Paris, with all of its thrills and excitement, is a place very hard to explain to those who have never visited it.

Still Accepted Here

In a series of articles written for a Paris newspaper, Miss Baker said that she wrote the truth about America, giving full details of the existing conditions, mentioning the prejudices that are rampant here.

Not only was she highly commended for them in Paris, but she has also found that intelligent America has agreed with her comments and since her return the reception that she has received from audiences here has been wonderful.

The artist used a mirror which she purchased from a five-and-ten-cent store when she decided to leave the Quaker City to seek a livelihood in gay New York while in her early teens.

Mum on Count

When questioned as to the present status of her marriage with the Italian count, Miss Baker was reluctant to comment, merely saying:

"The American public has nothing to do with my private European life. Whatever has transpired within the four walls of my home between my husband and myself should be considered my personal and strictly private affair. It is hard for the people here to understand, however."

She further declined to furnish any information as to whether any legal action was expected, but after turning around on her studio chair for her white feminine attendant to change her shoes, she quickly stated that she was contemplating marriage to no one at the present time.

Figured in Accident

Prior to the star's departure from Paris, she figured in an automobile accident with Mme. Weyser in the Bois de Boulogne, and was injured a few days after her arrival in New York that a damage suit was filed against her.

Mme. Weyser, it is alleged that Mme. Weyser and herself were each driving a Rolls-Royce car, when her Delarge and Mme. Heyser's Ford crashed.

Collisions Storm Her

Immediately after Saturday's show, a group of white college women braved the wintry weather with autograph books and pictures, waiting for Miss Baker's signature.

After honoring every request, along with Vernon Duke, white, composer of "April in Paris" and her secretary, she taxied to the Dresden Hotel and checked out for New York City in order to make arrangements for her Winter Garden Theatre engagement, beginning.

According to her secretary, she receives over fifty foreign letters every day and just as many from Americans.

Cop's Daughter

MISS VIVIAN V. REEVES, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Reeves, Harrisburg, Pa. who is an honor graduate at Camp Curtain Junior High School. She will enter William Penn High to take commercial work. Her dad is a member of the Harrisburg police department.

AFRO'S British Subject Once Dined with King Edward VIII

PHILADELPHIA—Among Philadelphians who may have had the privilege of dining with the Prince of Wales, now King Edward VIII, is J. Robert Smith, of the local AFRO staff, a native of the isle of St. Lucia, West Indies.

The incident occurred in 1921, when then Prince of Wales visited the island. Smith, a member of the cadet corps of the St. Mary College, Castries, was one of the two twenty choosen to eat at the Governor's mansion in proximity to royalty.

Preceding this affair, the cadets were reviewed in the public square by the Prince and his aides. Following his departure for the island of Dominica, which was next on his tour, a dinner was given in his honor, at which he thanked the cadets for the hospitality, also mentioning the drill of the cadets.

1831 Congress Found Philly Group Holding Monopolies

This is the fourth in a series of articles by Miss Norwood on early-day movements created by the approach of the National Negro Congress in Chicago, February 14.

By ALBERTA S. NORWOOD

This is the situation in which the 1831 predecessors of the National Negro Congress found the residents of Philadelphia.

It is a city which is already beginning to feel the pulse of the Industrial Revolution. Workers are flocking to the city Germans, Irish, Americans, other nationalities. The colored artisans, who at one time probably outnumbered, to a great extent, the white artisans, are beginning to feel the result of keen competition.

There is arising the determined opposition to shut out colored labor, the result of which is seen as early as 1831, when only 5 per cent of the colored population of 10,500 pose trades.

Some Entering Business

Others are trying to breast the rising flood of prejudice by directing their talents and skill in the domestic arts toward establishing Businesses, some quite lucrative and on sites destined to fall within the center of Philadelphia's busy city life. Their real estate holdings are valued, around $150,000. Most of them are living east of North Street.

John Bowers, who was elected president of the convention, is one of the most prominent of the business men and is a most fashionable tailor shop at 71 S. Second Street, patronized by the elite.

William Whipper, the secretary, is associated with Stephen Smith in operating the city's largest coal and wood yard at Broad and Willow Streets. Smith acquired so much wealth that he was later to be estimated the wealthiest colored man in the United States and, upon his death, was in the $150,000 and buildings for the purchase of the Old Folks' Home at Forty-fourth and Parkside Avenue.

Sallmaker Worth $100,000

James Cornish, one of Philadelphia's delegates, is a sail maker. But, the most outstanding delegate is James Forten, who at his establishment on Delaware Avenue above Pine Street, is employing forty men, some white, who are harmoniously working together. Forten's wealth at this time is estimated at more than $100,000.

Another delegate, Jacob C. Mott, is a bleeder and hair-dresser. Probably the greatest number are in this business. Men, who practically control Joseph Cassey, rated as one of the wealthiest men in Philadelphia, owns real estate in what is to become the most expensive section in Philadelphia, including portions of land eventually occupied by parts of Strawbridge and Clothier and John Wanamaker's stores.

After hairdressing and barbering, the boot and shoe-making business engages the greatest number, some having an exclusive clientele.

Has Ice-Cream Monopoly

Some are in the confectionery business, and Augustus Jackson, said to be the originator of our national delicacy, ice-cream, has the monopoly of its sale.

The catering and restaurant business have been brought to a high degree of perfection by these people. One, Robert Bogle, originated the catering business. Another, Peter Augustine, had had an establishment at Third and Spruce Streets since 1816, from which he sent his terrapin as far as Paris.

Women also are active. When the Walnut Street Theatre opened in 1808, Rachel Lloyd established a restaurant there, which she continues to operate until she retires in 1850 with considerable wealth.

Two Professional Men

There are only two professional men, Dr. Belfast Burton, who is connected with a wholesale drug house; and James McCrummil, probably the first and only dentist of that period.

Ex-School Teacher Facing Trial for Male's Fatal Stab

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Mrs. Elizabeth Jamison, former colored teacher and employee of a local insurance company, charged with the murder of her husband, Theodore Jamison, on November 29, faces trial in Room 653, city hall, this week.

The State charges that Mrs. Jamison killed her husband in a fight over a party they were planning to attend at the house of a friend.

Jamison allegedly attacked his wife because he objected to her attending the party in the dress she wished to wear. She took the knife from him with which he was attempting to stab her and cut him in self-defense, the defense contends.

Union Mutual's 98 Works Observe 15th Anniversary

PHILADELPHIA—Several hundred persons braved the bitter cold, Thursday night, to attend the fifteenth anniversary celebration of the Union Mutual Association, at Holy Trinity Baptist Church.

The celebration began with a banquet in the basement of the church, attended by the employees of the association and their friends. Among the speakers presented by the president, Robert Saxon, were:

Herbert E. Millen, Dr. A. E. West, Dr. V. P. Bailey, G. E. Dickerson, R. S. Weaver, T. L. Powell, Paul Keene, Dr. S. E. Robertson, and Dr. J. W. Bluford.

Mass Meeting Speakers

Following the banquet a mass meeting was held in the auditorium. Speakers included:

John L. Marquess, the Rev. C. Ono, pastor of Holy Trinity Baptist Church; the Rev. W. H. Roosel, of Easton, Pa.; Dr. James Alexander, O. Dukes, and Mr. Saxon.

Has 98 Employees

The association has ninety-three supervisors and agents and five persons in clerical positions, maintains a business school, training youths in stenography, typewriting and business practice without cost. This course is under the direction of Miss Edna Upshur. The only requirement for attendance is the holding of a policy in the company.

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Philly Dentist, 2 More Caught in Digit Raids

PHILADELPHIA—In keeping with Mayor Wilson's order to "clamp down" on all forms of vice, Lieutenant George Richardson and members of his "clean-up squad," in two raids Friday night, arrested a prominent West Philadelphia dentist and two others as numbers suspects.

The police first visited a grocery store on Filbert Street, near Thirty-eighth, and arrested the proprietor, William Rosenaweig, 36, white, and Dr. Levi Gordon, 42, of 4053 Powelton Avenue. Rosenaweig had two slips in his possession and Dr. Gordon had three, police said.

Phone Call Lends Tip

While the raiders were searching the premises, the telephone rang and the voice on the other end of the line queried, "When is the stuff going to be picked up here?" The detective replied, "Just hold everything. Somebody will be right over. What is that number again?"

Going to the address given by the caller, they arrested Joseph Lee, 32, of Forty-first Street near Lancaster Avenue. Police said Lee had seventy slips, representing some six hundred plays.

Arraigned before Magistrate Beifel in the Central station, Saturday morning, all three suspects were placed under $2,500 bail each for court. Also held under similar bail for alleged numbers violations was Miss Hattie Boone of Kenilworth Street near Sixth.

Lad, Left Home 3 Months Ago, Among 7 Missing

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Police are yet trying to locate Lloyd Yearwood, 9, who has been missing from his home since October 29.

He was reported missing by his guardian, Sibert Howard, with whom he lived at 1509 N. Nineteenth Street.

He is 4 feet 10 inches tall, weighed 67 pounds, slender build, medium dark complexion, black hair, brown eyes.

Others being sought by the missing persons bureau during the past week are:

—HISS—60—Mary Linthoar 19, Frank Bailey 10, of 1614 N. Fifth. Left home with Mrs. Ethel Gardner, Gervin, address. Bailey is 5 feet 7 inches, 185 pounds, dark complexion, missing from his top jaw and two from the lower jaw.

Raymond Rodgers, 10, of 654 N. Fifty-ninth Street; 5 feet 1 inches, 115 pounds, straight black hair, brown eyes, light complexion. He was last seen in a lady's Swiss movement white gold watch, reported stolen by his mother, Mrs. Annabelle Rodgers.

Jack Bresher, 15, of 1138 W. Franklin Street, Baltimore, is anxious to learn the whereabouts of his brother, J. B. G. Cassell, whom she hasn't seen for about three years. He is about 35, brown complexion, and has a scar on the right side of the top of his head.

Sandford Houser, who formerly resided here, is 41 years old, 7 inches tall, 185 pounds, slender build, medium dark complexion, black hair, brown eyes. His mother, Mrs. Cassie Houser, and his father, Jonas Houser, 809 N. Darien Street, are anxious to learn from the elder Mr. Houser where he is. Sandford left his home, Friday, near a branch of Freyhofer's Bakery.

Two Boys Bolt

Charles L. Sheridan, of 2328 Island Road, was last seen by his mother, Mrs. Francis Sheridan, who when last heard from in 1931, lived at 2011 Chestnut Street. At that time he was employed as boys frying up and down the Delaware.

D.C. Man Sought

Police of Washington are trying to find Joseph Matthew Johnson, 23, 5 feet 6 inches, 150 pounds, dark complexion, forehead, heavy eyebrows, and snub nose. His mother, Mrs. Ethel Johnson, lives in Gallinger Hospital in Washington.

Johnson left Washington about four months ago and was employed in government as a waiter or washwasher. His brothers, Robert Johnson, Washington, 3 N Street, Southeast, Washington, D.C.

Man Held for Larceny of Five WPA Checks

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Facing a charge of larceny of checks totaling at least five WPA workers, John Taylor, 24, of Gillespie Street, near Sixteenth, was held under $1500 bail for a further hearing, this week, before Magistrate O'Hara.

According to Detective Wolf, Taylor would approach unsuspecting ladies cards to the Post Office for the blow, rushed out into the hall and fired two shots. One struck Pace. He staggered to Twentieth and St. Albans Street, where he collapsed. A passerby found Pace and took him to the hospital. Hart is a passerby.

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Looking Over Philly

With J. ROBERT SMITH

THE MAYOR

MAYOR S. DAVIS WILSON seems to be the right man for the right job so far. In three weeks he has accomplished more than many of his predecessors did in three years.

He has shown himself to be a man with courage to follow his own convictions and the dictates of his own conscience. From all appearances, he stands prepared to weather the stormy elements before him.

He is trying to fulfill his campaign pledges and he is doing so without discrimination. In nearly every move that he has made thus far he is seeing to it that his colored citizens are not forgotten.

He has given assurance that we will be represented on the city hospital staff and other institutions supported by our taxes. That is much more than any Mayor of this city has ever done. He has initiated weekly press conferences with the colored papers. That in itself is history-making.

So far so good. The Mayor, however, is yet new in office and the trying period is still before him. Whether he can really stem the tide is a question that he and he alone will have to answer.

He must expect repercussions from various sources. Members of his political family may resent his fair and just attitude to a group of people who helped to make him what he is. He may find himself losing some of his best friends because he is trying to give the forgotten man a square deal. Even some of our own group may try and prevent him from helping the masses, because of jealous, covetous and personal reasons. Many may try to drink from the public trough while the common herd dies for thirst.

This column commends the Mayor for his brilliant start and hopes it will not ever be necessary to criticize him for becoming neglectful, lax and indifferent like the former mayors who promised us City Hall.

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A MONUMENT TO TIME

THERE SHOULD BE A MONUMENT to time though it has no real existence.

Defined as a "succession of events," time is man's most precious possession. What we call an hour means certain movements in the machinery of a watch. What we call a day means one revolution of the earth upon its axis, the turning of its surface toward the light of the sun. Time is the most important factor in our lives and thoughts. It never had a beginning, it cannot possibly have an end.

Time only exists for us in the actual moment in which we live. Yet our thoughts are in the time of past and future, and hardly ever on the actual realiyt of the movement.

With the ceasing of our own consciousness, time ceases, so far as we are concerned. Time stops when we cease to observe the succession of events. In dying we duplicate, on a big and prolonged scale, our little daily sleeps in life.

How does time affect us? Time represents our only chance, our only wealth, our only possibility for achieving anything.

The man who lasts fifty years lives about four hundred and thirty-eight thousand hours. Sleep takes at least one-third or one hundred and forty-six thousand hours. The processes of eating, washing, dressing, getting up and going to bed take up at least three hours per day, or fifty-four thousand seven hundred and fifty hours.

In addition to all this time cut out of our lives there is time for amusement, the time devoted to life insurance and yea millions of people are wondering how they can "pass the time."

In every city and in every small town there should be a monument to time. Young children should be taken to see it, clergymen should preach at the foot of it on the sacred importance of the necessity of being "on time," and how the few hours of activity given to us should be spent.

Every young man can make a success if he will really look upon each hour as an opportunity, and cease to look upon the hours as useless things, to be thrown away.

One hour will give a knowledge of some good book; it will make the brain more efficient and add to the value of future hours.

Parents should not only talk to themselves but also to their children about this question of time. Teach them that respect for time means respect for their own lives and success in life.

Mrs. Taylor Is Put on Probation in Carter Libel Suit

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Mrs. Mary E. Taylor, 768 North Union Street, was placed on probation for one year by Judge Marion D. Patterson, Thursday, when she pleaded guilty to a charge of libel filed by Mrs. Ada B. Carter, executive secretary of the Bureau of Colored Children.

The suit alleged libelous statements on which the charge was based were contained in a letter which Mrs. Taylor is said to have written to State Representative Marshall Shepard, criticizing Mrs. Carter's administration of bureau affairs and hinting at benefits of her alleged political affiliations.

Wanted Governor's Attention

According to testimony, the letter was sent in February, 1935, from directions that it should be turned over to then Governor Gifford Pinchot, who was known to Mrs. Carter at her home, 712 Forty-third Street.

The request for probation was made by Isaac Sabbura, attorney, who represented Mrs. Carter.

Magistrate Ed Henry Slowly Convalescing

PHILADELPHIA — Magistrate Edward W. Henry, who was recently fined to his bed since last Wednesday from a slight attack of heart trouble, is slowly convalescing, this week.

Dixie Governors in Rap Pa. Jurist's Comments on Bias

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. Judge Raymond McNeile's recent observation that "the South is dumping its criminals on us," as he sentenced three negroes from Southern States to long terms, has brought caustic response from Dixie Governors.

Governor Peery, of Virginia, has stated: "We have had Pennsylvania criminals in this State. I don't believe there is one more or less than the usual movement, of criminals from State to State."

Governor Johnston, of South Carolina, asserted: "The people of the South and North Carolina and Georgia, are just as law-abiding as in other States. I regret to hear any judge say the people from those States include so many criminals."

Superintendent Youell, of the Virginia State Penitentiary, said Maise-Legenza gang in his reply to the charge: "Pennsylvania is well represented in our penitentiary."

S. B. Barbour Speaks at U.N.I.A. Meeting

PHILADELPHIA—Division 337 of the Universal Negro Improvement Association met at 1318 South Street, Sunday, at which time S. B. Barbour, president, was the main speaker.

AFRO Editor Says New Deal Must Cut Deeper

Soviet Russia's Socialism Sets Example, Jones Declares.

DESCRIBES SYSTEM TO PHILLY FORUM

Not Unpatriotic to Study What a Nation Is Doing.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—"That a type of socialism more like that practiced in the Soviet Russia is the only solution for the so-called New Deal here, and that it must cut more deeply into the staid set forms of American government to succeed," was the key-note of an address by William N. Jones, of the AFRO-AMERICAN at the monthly forum of the Mt. Pisgah A.M.E. Church, Sunday night.

Mr. Jones's address on "Soviet Russia's Economic Plan," was well received by the audience that sat spell-bound throughout the discourse. The intense interest was manifest by the manager in which the speaker was bombarded by questions during the period allotted to discussion.

No Race Consciousness

"Despite the 185 millions of people and the presence of 182 different racial and national groups," said the speaker, "there is no segregation anywhere in the country. No one who wants to work is unemployed as all are given an equal chance to share in the products of what people make there."

Crime Minimized

Mr. Jones said further:

"There is no excess of luxury there, nor is there a dominating wealthy class. Consequently covetous ideas which inspire stealing and crime are absent. For the space of one year, Moscow was blotted with only eighteen murders. Moving pictures play up the life of the average citizen and not that of wealthy aristocrats, thus dispelling any desire to criminal covetousness.

"The penal system of that land is one which must be praised. The institutions for those who have broken the laws are as different from those here as are other policies of the two countries. Offenders at these places are treated as sick patients who need care and proper training, not as hardened criminals. They are regarded as human, as well as other persons. Life in many of these institutions is very much the same as elsewhere.

"They are taught different trades whereby they may earn an honest living and be released. At one such place, more than twenty different commodities are manufactured. Some offenders serve their term accompanied by their families. We are the only nation in some country-side village.

"Soviet Russia's youth, young and younger, who commit crimes are blamed. The authorities believe that there is something wrong with their training and either the home, church or school teachers must explain the reason for the child's unlawful act.

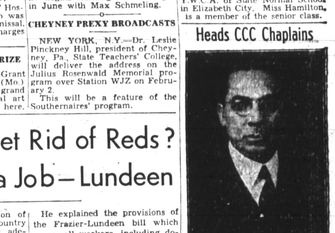
New Deal Similar

In comparing the Soviets' plan with the New Deal here, Mr. Jones opined that the administration here is trying to do the same thing only in a different manner. He said that an equitable distribution of the things people want in the form of wages is the basis of the Soviet's plan. He gave as example of the Soviet theory, contrasted here, the idea of taking the money received from have a-lots from the more fortunate and the wealthy and paying for wages of the WPA etc.

"In a few years," said the speaker, "the Soviet Union will be on the same level economically, and culturally and others in other countries. It is not unpatriotic to recognize what they are making."

Forum Monthly Feature

The Mt. Pisgah Forum is presented monthly with Mr. F. C. Wright, chairman; Mrs. Florence Wright, secretary, and the Rev. I. N. Patterson, pastor. The program was punctuated with selections by the Choral Society under the direction of Mrs. King Cook, a soprano solo by Mrs. Elizabeth Wilder, and a reading by Henry Baptiste.



Mayor S. David Wilson, white, set a new precedent, last Friday, when he received members of the weekly press in his office. Weekly interviews will be given every Friday. Left to right, Mayor Wilson, J. Robert Smith, AFRO-AMERICAN; Randy Dixon, Independent, and Orrin Evans, Tribune.

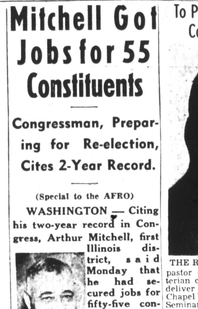
Ethiopian Cavalry Has Its Own Color Scheme

This photo illustrates the color consciousness of Ethiopian cavalrymen. Each regiment picks out a simple color for its mounts and holds to it. In this case all the horses are white. Haile Selassie, himself, rides a snow-white Arabian stallion when he goes to the front. These fighters are under his personal direction.

Haile Selassie's Machine Gunners Go into Action

Here is one of the newest fighting units in Ethiopia equipped with machine guns and plenty of ammunition. All Ethiopian troops have been ordered to fight the Italian advances. Heretofore columns of troops have been withdrawn during advances.

This Is an African Sweet Potato



This giant potato weighs over 26 pounds and was grown in a garden in Kenya Colony, East Africa. It was presented to the Consolata Fathers on Mission Sunday as an offering for the foreign missions.

Mitchell Got Jobs for 55 Constituents

Congressman, Preparing for Re-election, Cites 2-Year Record.

(Special to the AFRO)

WASHINGTON — Citing his two-year record in Congress, Arthur Mitchell, first Illinois district, said Monday that he had secured jobs for fifty-five constituents.

Rep. Mitchell

Seven of them are in Washington and forty-five are postal jobs in Chicago.

Other appointments included appointment of Armond W. Scott, judge of District municipal court, at $5,000 a month, secured "almost single-handed in the face of bitter G.O.P. opposition."

James D. Darden, supervisor of census. Chicago; salary, $400 a month.

James A. McCondon, of Chicago, clerk in Judge Scott's office; salary, $200 a month.

He appointed three colored lads to West Point Military Academy.

Bill Hits Civil Service

Congressman Mitchell introduced a bill, HR10587, in the House, Monday, to exempt from the U.S. Civil Service to discontinue the practice of requiring applicants to furnish photographs of themselves when they take examinations.

The photograph racket, it is said, is used in government departments to delay appointment of colored persons who pass the tests.

Rep. Mitchell told the AFRO, this week that no opposition would be held on the bill during this session of Congress, because of the people during my campaign that I would do this," he said, "and I intend to keep my promise."

Referring to his explanation of the bill, made earlier to the daily press, he added:

"That rule was adopted in 1914—for the specific purpose of discriminating against colored people," he said, "and it's time it was repealed.

"They explain now that it is used to identify the applicant, but I contend that fingerprints would be effective and forever would be used as a basis for racial discrimination.

Quoting his record, Mr. Mitchell said he voted for the soldiers' bonus, 48 hour week for postal employees, 30-day vacation and 15-day sick leave for all Federal workers, old-age pension and social security legislation, and introduced an anti-lynch bill. He is working, he says, for a FWA housing project for Chicago's Southside.

Chicagans Named

Appointments of Chicagoans to posts in Washington include:

Henry Kamp, supervisor Department of Agriculture; Mr. Henry Kamp, Department of Interior; Miss Florine LaChryze, Archives Building; Miss Edith Bielle, Department of Commerce; Miss Edith Robinson, housing administration; Charles Bournique and Clement Collins, doorkeepers department, House of Representatives.

Richmond Spends at 8-1 Rate in Schools

RICHMOND, Va.—H. Binford, white, superintendent of schools, in a statement made on Monday acknowledged that an 8-1 ratio was observed in the expenditures for educational facilities in Richmond.

He is being censured by Richmond citizens because the board had appropriated $250,000 for a new athletic field at the John Marshall High School, white, while the overcrowded conditions at Armstrong High School are not relieved.

Goodnight Nurse

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waves is music to the ears, attracted bathers with a temperature of 60 degrees.

MINNEAPOLIS reported a temperature of 33 degrees below, which should be enough to keep the bears away for several days.

PHILADELPHIA and **WASHINGTON** both reported temperatures around the zero mark, and strange as it may seem **LEONARDTOWN**, Md., located in St. Marys County, had no snow and a temperature of 60 degrees above zero, according to the AFRO correspondent there.

Col. J. H. Ward Dismissed from Vets' Hospital

COL. JOSEPH H. WARD, director of the U. S. Veterans' Hospital at Tuskegee, Ala., who was notified Monday of his dismissal, effective February 1, on charges of maladministration.

STUDENT WINS ART PRIZE

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Ulysses Grant Tayes, senior at Lincoln (Mo.) University, has been awarded the prize in the seventh annual art exhibit of the Urban League.

Want to Get Rid of Reds? Give Each a Job—Lundeen

WASHINGTON— Taxation of the super-fortunes of the country to raise funds to provide adequate social security—unemployment, old age pensions, sickness and maternity—was advocated by Representative Ernest Lundeen, Minnesota Farmer-Labor, at a luncheon forum at the Capital Pleasure Club, Saturday.

Watchman Given Suspended Term in Shooting of Two

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Elison Clayborn, of Cedar Heights, Md., Watchman, this week, was given a suspended sentence of from one to two years in the D.C. Supreme Court, Friday, when he pleaded guilty to a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon.

Clayborn is said to have shot Teagle and Samuel Blackney, in the rear of 117 Madison Street, Southwest, last October when they mistook him for an unidentified man who had been molesting young girls in the neighborhood.

Sentenced to Job Thirteen Years

Clayborn had gone into a lavatory, and as he emerged, he was chasing, the door flew open, and the girls ran. Teagle and Blackney assumed Clayborn was the man who had been molesting other girls.

In placing him on probation, Juliice O'Donoghue took into consideration the fact he had held his present job for thirteen years.

Mr. H. Wilson, attorney, represented him.

D.C. Man Paroled in Stabbing Case

WASHINGTON — Justice F. Dickinson Letts, in the District of Columbia Supreme Court last Friday paroled Otheniel Graves on probation for one year.

Graves pleaded guilty to assault with a dangerous weapon. He stabbed George Crosfield, white, an alleged dope addict, in front of the office of Dr. William J. Howard, 1001 Massachusetts Avenue, Northwest, October 26.

Graves said Crosfield grabbed him and he thought he was going to rob him. Twelve stitches had to be taken to sew the wound.

John H. Wilson, attorney, represented Graves.

To Preach at Hartford, Conn., Seminary

THE REV. JAMES A. WRIGHT, pastor of Walcott Street Presbyterian church, Hartford, who will deliver sermon Thursday at the Chapel service of the Hartford Seminary Foundation which includes the School of Theology, Religious Education and Missions. Four years ago the Rev. Mr. Wright was invited to speak at the Seminary by the Committee on Worship.

Train Kills Joe Louis's Ex-Sparmate

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Robert Dixon, lightweight boxer and former sparring mate of Joe Louis, was killed by a freight train on Union Station Sunday morning, without even a second to pick the colorful racer. Dixon was confined in a neat wooden box with tight lin his hand, as he lay beside the cold steel rails of Robert Dixon Clipping written road tracks. Clippings of write-ups from almost every newspaper in the country were in his scrapbook.

His body was found by crew of engine No. 508 of the P. & R. R. R. His father, Moses Dixon, in New Orleans, was notified of his death by local police and a verdict of accidental death, while trespassing on railroad property, was returned by Dr. Lawrence Powell, white coroner. No one saw the accident.

Mrs. Roosevelt Will Lose Aide

MISS LUCY D. SLOWE, dean of women at Howard University, who was among the 700 delegates attending the N.C.A. board meeting attending Mrs. Roosevelt's tea at the White House, Wednesday of last week.

How Rep. Mitchell Voted Last Week

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The votes of Representative Arthur W. Mitchell, Democrat, of Illinois, on important roll-calls in the House of Representatives last week were as follows:

On the motion of Representative Robert L. Doughton, Democrat, of North Carolina, to agree to the "Baby Bond" Bonus Bill, as amended and passed by the Senate, adopted 346 to 59 yeas.

(Editor's note: The Bonus Bill as amended by the Senate provides for the issuance of non-negotiable bonds that will be delivered to the veterans in substitution for their adjusted-service certificates. The veterans will have the opportunity of procuring cash for the face of the bonds at any time after June 15, 1936. But if the bonds are not cashed until after June 15, 1937, they will draw interest at the rate of 3 per cent a year from June 15, 1936 until cashed.)

On passing the "Baby Bond" Bonus Bill over the President's veto, passed, 324 to 61—yea.

ETTA MOTEN AT PARAMOUNT

LOS ANGELES, Cal. (ANP) — Etta Moten, who returned last week from a two-month holiday in Chicago, is featured at the Paramount, Los Angeles's most important theatre, this week. She shares billing with Herman Timberg and Company.

Swatting Is No Bother to Pesky Ethiopian Flies

Resentful Insects Will Fight Back, Crawl into Nose and Ears.

WAR CORRESPONDENT TELLS OF EXPERIENCES

Comfort Station Baits the Natives.

NEW YORK CITY—Pestiferous Ethiopian flies which refuse to be scared away with a toss of the hand and revengeful insects crawl into one's nostrils and ears were recalled by Webb Miller, white, European news manager of the United Press, just returned from the Italo-Ethiopian war front, in an interview with John W. Perry, last week.

Miller asserted that the best place he could find to write his dispatches was in his bed in Asmara, where, screened off from the mendacious flies, he could pounds his portable typewriter on his knees and work in relative comfort.

Climate Wracks Nerves

Regarding the climate, he said that it was of such nature as to make men jump at each other in passionate anger for slight or imagined offenses. Miller remembered vividly the many occasions he had to take in preparation for a trip to Eritrea and the way they affected his system.

The war correspondent told of the lack of fresh foods, the eating out of tins, the weeks he went without a bath, the long hours in muleback, and the lonely exile from Western civilization.

Questioned by Mr. Perry whether he felt that Italian occupation of Ethiopia would be a civilizing influence on the country, without answering yes or no, he told this story.

Comfort Station Bait

"When the Italians took command of Asmara, they set about, in various ways, to introduce European customs to that city. Among other things, they created a comfort station similar to those in France and Germany.

"The admiring natives, after watching its construction, flocked to it—but used the outside of it rather than the inside," Mr. Miller is quoted as saying.

"The transportation problems and natural obstacles confronting the Italians, also the difficulty of getting dispatches, unless rigidly censored, by the time they reached us were also recounted by the war correspondent, who, now on a lecture tour in the United States.

N.C. Man Freed in Slaying of Guest

ROCKY MOUNT, N.C.—Charged with first degree murder in the fatal shooting of Burlow Hargrove on December 23, Paul Powell was acquitted by a jury in the superior court here, Monday.

Witnesses testified that Hargrove was shot by mistake when Newell entered another room to leave his home during a party. The shooting took place when the victim refused to leave.

Miss Butterfield Heads 4-H Medal Committee

LEONARDTOWN, Md. — Miss Catherine Butterfield was appointed chairman of the committee to select the medal to be given annually to the outstanding 4-H girls' club of the Brent High School here this week.

Ethiop Girl Beheads Her Italian Captor

DESSYE, Ethiopia. — An Ethiopian maiden, abducted by Italian soldiers, cut off the head of one of her captors with his own sword last week, and returned from the Italian camp where she had been held a prisoner for nine days.

She was one of three Ethiopian women when a raiding band of Fascist soldiers captured to serve as concubines for Il Duce's troops. Subjected to all kinds of indignities, two of the women rebelled and were promptly executed by a firing squad. The third escaped with a heavy rifle and some ammunition as she could carry after beheading her captor.

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