

CHURCHES PLAN LYNCHING CRUSADE

Federal Council of Churches Will Begin Their Campaign of Anti-Lynching on February 11th.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Because February 11 is the Sunday before Lincoln's birthday, the commission on Church and Race Relations of the Federal Council of Churches has selected this day for beginning its great campaign against lynching. It will be known as Race Relations Sunday. On this special effort will be used to create good will and better understanding between the white and the negro races in America.

The executive committee of the Federal Council of Churches at its recent meeting in Indianapolis decided on a nation-wide movement to assault the churches against the evil, which has shown an alarming tendency to increase since 1918. As a first step the commission, of which John J. Egan, of Atlanta is chairman and Will W. Alexander of Atlanta and George E. Haynes, colored, of New York are secretaries, feels that the creation of good will and better understanding is most necessary not only in the South, where the greater number of negroes live, but also in the North and West because of the migration of hundreds of thousands of negroes which began during the war. Religious leaders believe that the race problem of the country will be solved largely through the cooperation of the churches and the creation of the Christian spirit.

The call for devoting February 11 to the promoting of racial good will is going to the churches, the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., and similar organizations through various religious boards and associations. There is but little doubt that the observance will be nation-wide, as nearly all of these organizations have endorsed the idea. The executive officers of the Home Missions Council and the Council of Women for Home Missions, composed of representatives of church boards engaged in home mission work in America, have endorsed the plan and are backing it to the utmost.

The day will be very widely kept in the South, where in nearly 700 counties the finest elements of the white and the negro communities have organized inter-racial committees to work for the creation of good will and better understanding between the races and where all the leading church denominations of white and colored peoples have endorsed the movement.

URGES MOVING OF CAPITOL

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Feb. 6.—At the coming session of the Alaska legislature a fight for moving the capital to a point farther west will be instituted by members of the Third and Fourth divisions, backed by support from several members from the Second, politicians announce here.

With the construction of the Alaska railroad the center of population has gradually swung westward. In a few years, it is expected, the bulk of the population will be located between Fairbanks on the north and Seward on the south. Ninety per cent of the taxable wealth and population embraced in an area confined by the Yukon on the north, the Richardson highway on the east and the coast on the south, including Cook Inlet and the Aleutian peninsula.

Situated in this region also is the wheat belt of Alaska and at the rate of development is progressing the center of wealth will soon be along the coast.

An alternative proposition will be presented to the legislature on the question of the location of the capital. In the event of not being able

German Throng Hoots French



Near-note took place in Paris when the French settled down to occupy this German city. Mounted police are shown here in front of the Unter den Eichen Hotel attempting to control a crowd of Paris citizens who threatened to mob French officers.

to secure a more central location, it is planned to seek a division of the territory among the 14th, 15th and 16th arrondissements including the Bois de Boulogne and all that portion west to the new territory and allowing the parishes in Alaska to form the old territory with the capital at Juneau.

At present the burden of taxation is borne by the new capital and all of the southwest is expected to buck the terminal cuts in its claim.

NORTH POWDER PLANT PUTTING UP ICE NOW

NORTH POWDER, Feb. 6.—Herbert White, manager of the local P. F. E. Co., reports that work of putting up ice started at full capacity Friday. The annual ice harvest has been somewhat delayed this season due to the extremely mild winter, but the cold snap now prevailing put the ice in first class shape for cutting. The thermometer registered 23 degrees below zero Wednesday night.

Mr. White says the company will employ 75 men for the next ten days or two weeks. This work is always looked forward to by many of the local men, as payrolls at this time of the year in this district are scarce.

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This heavy business is establishing new records in the lumber industry. Subscribers to the Southern Pine Association during the week ended January 19 booked the greatest volume of orders in history, amounting to 983,899 feet per mill,



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compared with the former record of 894,995 feet made in 1916. Orders during the week mentioned were 32 per cent above normal and 69 per cent above production—doubly remarkable when the earliness of the season is considered. Shipments also were above normal. Production was still below, though increasing. Stocks consequently are being steadily reduced, and many mills are withdrawing from the market. Prices show a continued strong upward trend, especially on building items.

In the Douglas fir industry also, previous records were broken during the same week, 135 representative mills booking orders for 143,000,000 feet and shipping 109,000,000 feet, thus greatly exceeding the high records established during the foregoing week. Cargo business continues to feature the fir trade, 61 per cent of the above mentioned orders being for water delivery, and unprecedented total. A strong upward turn in the California trade is largely responsible for this showing. The Atlantic seaboard immediately absorbs all the western lumber offered, and export business has improved substantially. The recent volume of water business severely

restricts the amount of fir available for the middle West, despite the attractive prices offered. Other softwoods are likewise strong, mill bookings usually being far above production. Prices are advancing steadily. Hardwoods show great activity and values are mounting as consumers outbid each other for the little dry stock offered. The move of green stock is increasing on account of this shortage.

Hot Lake Arrivals

HOT LAKE, Feb. 6.—Among the recent arrivals at the Hot Lake Sanatorium are: J. E. Hawes and wife, Branson, Ida.; Miss Florence Zulauf, La Grande; Mrs. I. E. Chenault, La Grande; John H. Jacobs, Union; Mrs. F. B. Marshall, Kamela; Mrs. S. Stankovich, La Grande; E. H. Brumbaugh, Farma, Ida.; N. S. Phelan, Ida.; Boyd Smith, Pomeroy, Wash.; C. C. Anderson and wife, Pomeroy, Wash.; Mrs. Claude Oringer, Halfway; W. M. Massey and wife, Richland; T. L. Storie and wife, Dixie;

W. F. Elliott, Spokane, Wash.; Gust Lind, Portland; A. T. Hill and wife, La Grande; Horace Hades, Portland; Gale DeLay, Hot Lake; Mrs. J. W. Townley, Hot Lake; Dr. C. J. Whitaker and wife, Cambridge, Ida.; Gay Saere, Portland; Jerry Farrell, Walla Walla, Wash.

WOMAN PUNISHED
OREGON CITY, Feb. 6.—The Clackamas county courts make no distinction between a man and a woman when they are convicted of moonshining. Mrs. L. G. Peters, who with her husband was arrested by the sheriff's office Saturday afternoon, drew the same sentence under the state law, three fine and six months' imprisonment. A similar sentence was meted out to Peters. Both pleaded guilty.

Hand-Painted.
Estelle—"What sort of blouse do you think would match my complexion best, dear?" Mabel—"A hand-painted one."
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