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MAYOR BARS RANDOLPH FROM JACKSONVILLE PRESIDENT COOLIDGE ASKS ABOUT LYNCHING

DR. MOTON GIVES LATEST DATA

President Of Tuskegee Makes Personal Call On President Of U. S. At Latter's Request.

Washington, D. C. January 21—In response to a direct inquiry from the President of the United States, Dr. R. R. Moton says lynching is on the decrease in the South. Dr. Moton called on President Coolidge last Tuesday.

Dr. Moton said that President Coolidge inquired specifically into the situation regarding lynching and mob violence and that he was able to report that on the basis of present indication the number of lynchings for



Dr. Robert R. Moton

this year would be substantially below those for 1926.

President Coolidge also received a report on the Veteran's Hospital located at Tuskegee, which some time ago was placed entirely under the supervision of a Negro personnel. Dr. Moton reported that the hospital was showing excellent progress under the present management and assured the President that things were running smoothly.

Mrs Watson Answers Inevitable Summons

In the death of Mrs. Francis A. Watson which occurred on Saturday morning, January 14, at her home, 916 Haight Avenue, Portland loses one of its pioneer citizens and the husband a devoted wife, and the children, a loving mother, and the public, a kind hearted lady who will be sadly missed by her many friends.

Mrs. Watson was born in Portland March 4, 1864, and was 63 years, 10 months and 10 days old at the time of her death.

The deceased is survived by a husband, Edward Watson and the following children: Edward Watson, Jr., Mesdames Lula Hubbard, Hazel Lee, and Beatrice Fair; a sister, and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held January 18, at 10:30 A. M. from the Holman and Lutz Funeral Chapel. Rev. J. L. Caston, pastor of Mt Olivet Baptist Church officiated; Rev. John F. More, pastor of Ion Church, offered

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ACCIDENT VICTIM WAS MODEL YOUNG MAN

The funeral of Alvin V. Miller, the 20 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Miller, who was injured in an automobile accident January 7th from which he died the following day was held Wednesday, January 11th from the funeral home of R. W. Gabbis & Co. Elder Robert Searcic officiated.

Alvin was an expert mechanic, having received his training at Benson



Alvin V. Miller

Polytechnic school where he had a wide circle of friends.

Mr. Miller was a young man of modest manners, reserved and unpretentious.

The large attendance at his funeral and the many beautiful floral pieces attested his popularity.

Mr. Miller leaves to mourn their loss a father, mother, sister and brother.

"ARROW TIPS" By Kits Reid

The Advocate does not necessarily share in Kits Reid's views, but whether we do or not, her opinions are sane, and logical and well worth reading. It is your privilege as well as ours to disagree with Kits and she invites your opinion upon subjects she discusses from time to time in her column.

"God made us neighbors; let justice make us friends". —Borah

I see by the paper that we are to have another guardian angel organization. This time it will be known as "The Minute Men" Their pledge is intensely interesting, and right now I want to ask some questions which I hope, Mr. and Mrs. Editor, that you will forward to the High Cockerlum, a gentleman named H. M. Price. Because if they (the questions) are answered satisfactorily, I shall immediately apply for membership in the ladies auxiliary. Of course they will have such an attachment. Otherwise, how will they control the Bolshevistic females in the women's clubs?

Question I.—From what magic source do the Minute Men derive their judgment as to whether or not certain persons can be trusted to enforce the laws? I have distinct recollections of the ravings and frothings at the mouth of certain members of the last legislature against the Secre-

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RACE MAN AND WOMAN HONORED BY REPS.

Trenton, N. J. January 20—At a meeting of the Republican State Committee held here January 6, Dr. Walter G. Alexander of Orange was selected as one of the seven delegates-at-large to the Republican National Convention in Kansas City, and Mrs. Bessie B. Mention of Princeton was chosen one of the alternate-at-large.

Dr. Alexander is a former Assemblyman from Essex County, and in 1924 was an alternate-at-large to the Republican Convention in Cleveland. Mrs. Mention has been active for several years in Republican politics among women. She is president of the Colored Republican Women's Conference of New Jersey, and has maintained a strong and aggressive organization among the women.

There is added interest in the position of Dr. Alexander because of the avowed candidacy of Senator Walter E. Edge for the Vice Presidential nomination.

George E. Bates, grand secretary of the Elks, was an aspirant, supported by Isaac Nutter of Atlantic City. Dr. Alexander was supported by Oliver Randolph, Assistant District Attorney, a member of the State Republican Advisory Committee.

Popular Matron Again Chosen Club Leader



Mrs. Lula Gragg

Mrs. Lula Gragg, popular young church, and club worker of Bethel A. M. E. church, who was reelected president of "The Joymakers Club" for the fourth year, at its regular meeting last Thursday evening. Mrs. Gragg is also district Superintendent of the Allen Christian Endeavor League of the Puget-Sound Conference.

WELL KNOWN WOMAN ANSWERS CALL

All Portland received the news of the death of Mrs. Louisa Thacker Flowers with great sorrow. Mrs. Flowers who had been in ill health for several weeks died at the family residence, 387 East First street N., Wednesday afternoon, January 18th.

Mrs. Flowers was born in Boston, Mass., in 1849. In 1882 she was married to Allen E. Flowers in Victoria, B. C., coming to Portland in 1883.

The Flowers' home near Lentz for many years was a mecca for their Portland friends and here Mrs. Flowers presided like the queen she was, with that quiet dignity and refinement that was her great charm.

Later the family moved into the city where there was greater opportunity for their children. And here again Mrs. Flowers attracted a wide circle of friends. She was a member and a Stewardess of Bethel A. M. E. Church; a member of the Old Rose Club.

The funeral was conducted Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Bethel church by the Reverend X. C. Runyon, pastor. It was largely attended by friends of both races which attested the high esteem and love in

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A Father's Letter To The President

(Written by John S. Hemphill of Ferguson, Mo. in "Labor" Jan. 14)
Sent to KITS REID by 'FENTON'.

John B. Hemphill of Ferguson, Mo., father of one of the marines killed in Nicaragua, has addressed the following open letter to President Coolidge:

"Dear Mr. President: According to dispatches of today (January 3) from Managu, my son, Sergeant John P. Hemphill, was killed in action against General Sandino's loyal troops.

"For the death of my son I hold no malice or ill will toward General Sandino or any of his men, for I think (and I believe 90 per cent of our people agree with me) that they are today fighting for their liberty, as our forefathers fought for our liberty in 1776, and that we as a nation have no legal or moral right to be murdering those liberty-loving people in a war of aggression. What we are doing is nothing less than murder for the sole purpose of keeping in power a puppet president and acting as collector for Wall Street, which is certainly against the spirit and letter of our Constitution.

"My son was 29 years old, served three years of his third enlistment, survived honorable service through the World War against Germany, only to be officially murdered in a disgraceful war against this little nation.

"My father served through the Civil War, my two grandfathers died in action in the same war, and I am proud of their records, so this is not from the pen of a red radical, but from one who loves justice and fair play.

"I have four sons, and if necessity arose, I would be willing to sacrifice not only all four sons, but my own life as well in a war of defense, but I am not willing to shed one drop of blood in a war of aggression, such

as this one is.

"You have lost a son and know the sorrow, and we as a nation mourned with you in your hour of grief. Suppose that son had fallen, as my son has, a victim to the greed of Wall Street, would you feel that the financial gain was worth the cost?"

JOHN S. HEMPHILL,
Ferguson, Missouri.

The above letter tells its own story. I wish every standpat Republican, every 100 per cent American, every D. A. R. and every American Legion man could read it. Most of them will not see it as it will not be published in the journals they read. What comfort can that father get out of the son's sacrifice on the altar of Wall Street greed? And yet we are being fed on propaganda published in every administration paper in the country that it is America's duty to put down revolutions in countries covered by the Monroe Doctrine. Oh, the cruelty, the shallowness, the "bunk patriotism" of it all! Is this what we women are living for? Is this what we go down to the gates, of death for when we give birth to our sons? Is this what we give the best years of our life for in bringing our sons up to manhood's years, that they may be used as pawns on the financial chessboard of Wall Street? Will they refuse to bear children for gun fodder? A few more Nicaraguas may turn be more careful about investing its money in foreign banks and railroads—there will be no American boys to send down there to collect the interest and to be killed because we have a president who believes that wherever an American dollar is invested, our American soldiers and marines can be sent to protect it—and we call this a Christian Nation.

—KITS REID.

ENSEMBLE ARTISTS TO BE HEARD AT NERO THURSDAY SERIES

"The feminine Maier-Pattison" is what Phyllida Ashley and Aileen Fealy have been called by those who have heard them, and their success in ensemble is the more remarkable because of their reputations as both artists as soloists. These two artists whose 4-hand work has the virtue of real unanimity are being presented at the eight event on the Chloe Nero Thursday Series at the Shrine Auditorium on January 26th.

It must be born in mind that the demands made upon the ensemble players are more exciting than for a soloist. The latter can follow his own flight into the realms of fancy, but the ensembleist must shine and yet be subordinate so that the two parts will weld together to form the perfect whole. In any other combination of instruments, the solo piano naturally dominates, but in the duet form there is the merging of two separate entities into one.

Appearing jointly with the ensemble artists will be Eva Gruninger Atkinson, contralto. Everyone loves this type of voice, particularly if the artist be as charming as Miss Atkinson, combining a beautiful voice and delightful personality, this young artist has endeared herself to thousands. Her success as soloist with the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra when Gattetano Merola, general director of the San Francisco Opera Company was the guest conductor resulted in acclaim by press and public. Her more recent success as soloist in the Messiah, when she replaced Myra Mortimer who was ill, again won her much favorable comment.

Mollie Merrick in the San Francisco Bulletin declared, "Eva Gruninger Atkinson has splendid tone, rich and varied in color, and the song came in a satisfying even flow, which soared nicely above the orchestra."

Her tone was beautiful and she phrased with rare sympathy and taste.

Aurora Potter Underwood, whose artistic accompanying is well known

BUNDY HONORED

Dr. Leroy N. Bundy, who gained much notoriety several years ago in connection with the East St. Louis race riots, has been elected Exalted Ruler of Cuyohoga Lodge of Elks of Cleveland, Ohio, and Thomas W. Fleming, who is a City Councilman, was elected Treasurer. Both have pledged to bring the lodge back to its former high standard.

here, will add charm to this concert.

On Thursday February 2nd, May Peterson, lyric soprano, formerly of the Opera Comique and the Metropolitan Opera Company, will be the artist presented on this series.

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JUDGE STADTER URGED TO RUN FOR THE CIRCUIT BENCH

Friends and admirers of Municipal Judge Fred W. Stadter are urging him to enter the race for the circuit bench of Multnomah county, but as yet the popular jurist has not definitely made up his mind.

The primaries are in May and he has several weeks yet in which to come to a conclusion.

Judge Stadter is well and favourably known as a friend of the color-



ed people of Portland. He at all times has taken a kindly interest in the misfortunes of the colored men and women who have been forced to appear before him in Municipal court.

The judge always has taken an active part in all civic matters pertaining to the betterment of Portland and for more than nine years was deputy city attorney, stationed at central police headquarters. With the installation of a second Municipal court three years ago, Judge Stadter was appointed to assist the then Municipal Judge W. A. Ekwall who since has been elevated to the circuit bench.

Among his chief diversions is mountaineering. Judge Stadter is a lover of the great outdoors and at present is president of the Mazamas of Portland. It was through his untiring efforts that Mount Hood at last has become a Mecca for winter sports devotees. A toboggan slide as well as two ski runs have been erected on the slopes of the old mountain and they are within easy reach of Portland.

In speaking of opening up this fine sport, Judge Stadter said: "You know one thing I'm proud of is the opening of Mt. Hood Road to Government Camp. I believe that when the young folk can get out into the great open spaces in the cold, they're alright; they have an outlet for their energy."

"I think the finest thing for a young man's health is to play out in the snow, on skis, etc."

The judge drives up nearly every Sunday and is pleased with the way the people are using the road. He says it is about a two hours' drive from Portland and if one does not care for the skis or toboggan, they can build snow men; play snow ball or amuse themselves in divers other ways.

If Judge Stadter decides on filing his name for appearance on the Republican primary, ballot next May, no doubt his support will come from all sections of Portland and from residents in all walks of life.

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FORCED TO CUT TRIP SOUTH

Threatens To Jail General Organizer Of The Brotherhood Of Sleeping Car Porters If He Comes To His Town.

New York, N. Y. January 20—When several citizens called on the mayor of Jacksonville to inform him of the visit of A. Philip Randolph, General Organizer of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters and Editor of The Messenger Magazine, he answered them sharply saying: "I know all about it, but he isn't coming here to Jacksonville, I'll put him in jail and anybody else who has anything to do with his meeting." With this prejudicial attitude on the part of the mayor of Jacksonville, the citizens informed Mr. Randolph of the attitude of the city administration toward him and advised that he should not visit Jacksonville at this time.

It is believed by Mr. Randolph and the officials of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters that the local superintendent of the Pullman Company in Jacksonville, Mr. Cooper, (Continued on page two)

ROLAND HAYES IN PARIS

WINS BIG OVATION AT CONCERT

Paris, France, Jan. 20—Roland Hayes, noted tenor, was given a tremendous ovation last week on the occasion of his first appearance while abroad. His friends and admirers attended in large numbers and crowded the "Salle Pleyey," the largest concert auditorium in Paris. They received Mr. Hayes in the usual man-



Roland Hayes

ner, and he was welcomed uproariously at this, his first appearance of the season, such a welcome eclipsing any given him in America.

Mr. Hayes' repertoire consisted of English, French and German numbers with a few spirituals. Despite his recent indisposition, his voice seemed clearer and better than ever. This quality was noticed particularly in his German group of love songs, his voice winning instant favor because of his sympathetic interpretation.

Mr. Hayes' spirituals "took the house by storm." These numbers were "Done Made My Vow," "It's Me, O Lord," "Peter, Go Ring Dem Bells" and "Camp-Meetin'." At the conclusion of his program Mr. Hayes sang many numbers by request.

Among those of the American colony present were Mr. and Mrs. William Lawrence, Miss C. Vee Harris, Miss Katherine Yarborough, the six Fisk jubilee singers, Messers Lawrence Brown, Rudolph Dunbar, Mrs. Johnny Hudgins, Miss Zaridee Jackson, Paul Robeson and many others.

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