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A School of Religion

The Advocate notes with interest and appreciation the forward step taken by Howard University, at Washington, D. C., to establish a school of religion. It is certainly a timely move. If the Negro church is to hold its place of leadership within the race, it must have trained leaders. It is more often true than not that the laity is better educated and far more advanced than the ministers. It requires 2000 ministers annually to fill the pulpits in Negro churches. At present, less than one per cent of these are college and seminary trained men—while 85 per cent have little or no training. Howard, realizing this condition, has set about to correct it.

We hope the public will respond liberally and thus help to train the young men to occupy this most important position in the life of the Negro race—Christian leadership.

Protests Heeded

The protests of Editor Abbott, of the Chicago Defender, and Paul Robeson, well known singer and actor, against racial discrimination practiced against them while traveling in Europe, appears to have made some impression in view of the fact that the English Parliament will take a look into the matter in the near future.

It is thought by some that white Americans touring abroad are responsible for the discrimination, as many are known to have protested against equal treatment of the Negro in public places of amusement, resort and accommodation.

Passing of Editor Chiles

With the passing of Editor Chiles of the Topeka Plaindealer, weekly newspaper, the Negro race loses one of its finest characters.

For more than two-score years, Mr. Chiles, through his publication, was in the front rank, battling for the rights of his race. He was a fearless man—outspoken and a true lover of justice and fair play.

When "Nick," as he was called by close friends, thought that the Colored people were not receiving a square deal, the public would certainly hear from him.

He was a Christian gentleman—whose place in the church, in journalism and society, generally will be hard to fill.

The Advocate extends its heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

Lynchers

Down in Kentucky the other day, an outstanding Colored man and a citizen, barely escaped being lynched by a mob because the mob "thought" he had run down and killed a white boy with his automobile.

The history of American mobs—dating back about fifty years—proves that they seldom every try to obtain the truth before wreaking their cowardly vengeance.

It is no doubt, was only a trick of fate that prevented the victim, a school teacher for many years, from being the guest of honor at a "necktie party."

The N. A. A. C. P.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

achieved a victory in the states of Texas and Virginia recently which permits Colored Democrats to vote in the "white primary" in those states.

And now this aggressive and up-standing, fearless organization will take the case on to the United States Supreme Court in order to find out if that high tribunal will confirm the decisions.

More power to the N. A. A. C. P.—which stands guard over the

rights of Negroes when many of the Negroes themselves hardly know that they have any rights.

Delaney Defeated

It appears from the large majority of votes received by the Democratic opponent of Hubert T. Delaney, Negro candidate for a seat in the U. S. Congress from New York, that Colored voters in Harlem, which is largely inhabited by Colored people, failed to do their full duty at the polls, which is to say the least, a mighty shameful reflection on the loyalty of that host of Colored voters.

The Broadax

If there are any of our editors deserving of praise and commendation for putting out a monumental special edition of credit, one is Mr. Julius F. Taylor, editor of the Chicago Broadax. Mr. Taylor for 35 years has, without missing a single issue, kept the paper going, and like wine, the older it gets, the better it is.

To judge by the cuts and splendid mentions of prominent men and women, of many pages, the edition brought not only deserved praise, but a very handsome financial return.

Thanks for The Advocate's copy and congratulations to Editor Taylor for the splendid record of the Chicago Broadax!

The Way to Break Up An Organization

Join without knowing its object and purpose; do not attend meetings, but if you do attend, go late. During the discussion, if you are called upon to express your candid opinion, tell them you have nothing to say; then, after the meeting adjourns, tell everybody how the question should have been settled. If committees are appointed, and you are left out, set up a holler; if they appoint you, decline to serve; let the other fellow do it. When things go wrong, blame it on George. If there is any credit, claim it. Never think of paying your dues, and if there are assessments, promise as much as anybody else, but refuse to pay it. If they criticize you, tell them that the assessment is nothing but graft. Oppose any measure that is advanced for progress as being old and fogey, or too high-falutin. If the members go right, you go left, and if they go left, you go right. If any members are earnest workers, set up a cry that they are working for their own selfish end. Criticise every member who fails to agree with you; deal continuously in veiled insinuations about their honesty. Do not fail to spread vicious propoganda about the organization at every opportunity. Be a regular nuisance. There may be other ways to break up an organization but the above is one of the best.

Waverley Baby Home

It is gratifying to note how liberally the various churches, clubs and other organizations among the Colored people, have given to the cause of the Waverley Baby Home.

When representatives called upon The Advocate, to assist in putting over the program, we were assured that no discrimination on account of race or color was made at the Home, and when we found that to be the policy of the institution, we

lent all the support we could to the effort. Our people can always be depended on to help the right.

Appointed District Deputy
The editor of The Advocate has just received a commission as District Deputy of Rose City Lodge, No. 111, I. B. P. O. E. of W., and also of the Knights of Pythias.

Coming as they did, without solicitation, we appreciate them the more. We shall do our very best to perform the duties incumbent on a District Deputy.

The first named commission was the gift of J. Finley Wilson, G. E. R. of Elks and the other, from S. W. Green, S. C. C. of the K. of P. A., S. A., E. A. A. and A.

Bishop Carey

The indictment of Bishop Archibald Carey of the A. M. E. Church and Civil Service Commissioner of the City of Chicago, is most unfortunate and regrettable in that it involves a representative of the church as well as the race in high, trusted, honored offices.

No one can pass upon the innocence or guilt of an individual until that person has had his day in court and has been convicted, or freed, of the charges pending.

However, there has been so much of rumor and aspersions in this case that it is best that it be brought out into the open, inasmuch as it is the administration of public office that is involved, and as public office is a public trust, the public has the right to know how its servants administer them.

Even though the charges against the commissioner be disproven, and we trust they will be for what the Negro race has at stake, these continual attacks upon our national political key men does not commend us to the confidence of the public.

Not only that, when representatives of the church are brought into the unfavorable limelight of pitiless publicity, although the church may neither be involved or indicted, it also suffers.

To avoid these embarrassing situations, the church should see to it that its preachers keep out of politics. Wherever there are dogs there are fleas.

It is to be hoped that this lesson of preachers in politics will be a salutary one and that our Colored churches far and wide will govern themselves accordingly.

The Commissioner denies the charges that have been brought against him and charges it to political causes. We trust that he will be vindicated and will prove that it is the persecution of his political enemies.

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FIRST A. M. E. ZION CHURCH

Sunday School opens promptly at 10 o'clock. The Superintendent invites all members and friends to join in the study of the lesson.

At 11 o'clock the Junior Church services will have for the sermonette topic, "Moving Stones". The Junior choir will sing.

Rev. W. R. Lovell will preach at the morning hour on the subject: "The Peace Makers". The services will be in observance of Armistice Day.

The Varick Christian Endeavor Society will meet at 6:30 p. m. The meetings are growing in interest and the attendance increases each Sunday. Mrs. E. D. Cannady is the popular president.

At 8 p. m. the Senior choir under the direction of Mrs. Katherine Gray will sing national songs and the pastor will preach on "Christianity and Patriotism".

The Mock Conference given Monday night by the Vigilantes Club and directed by Mrs. Mamie Washington was a huge success in every way. The large audience was profuse in praise and the receipts amounted to \$51.01.

We are informed that "charges" preferred against prominent characters in the recent "Conference" will be aired in the great "Mock Trial" to be held on Monday November 18.

The Board of Trustees had a very successful meeting at the parsonage Tuesday night.

The Annual Members' meeting and following election was held Wednesday night following the prayer-Class meeting. Announcements of particulars will be published next week.

Churches

BETHEL CHURCH NOTES

Rev. D. G. Hill, Jr., Pastor
(Crystalee Maxwell, Reporter)

Special Armistice Day Services will be rendered both morning and evening. Rev. Hill, will preach on "The Price of Peace" at the morning service. Special music by the choir.

At five o'clock the Junior Christian Endeavor will meet in the Lecture Room of the church, under the leadership of Miss Louise Randolph.

At seven o'clock, Senior Christian Endeavor, under the leadership of Miss Geneva Turner. The main speaker for this service will be Stanton Duke. A short address will also be given by Sgt. A. G. Franklin.

A special invitation is extended to all ex-service men of the Spanish American and World Wars.

Services last Sunday were well attended and a word of compliment is extended to Mrs. Cannady and Mr. McArthur who helped to make the morning service more impressive with their solos.

The pastor is calling a meeting of the executive board at the parsonage Monday, at 8:30 p. m.

Monday, the Missionary Society made its monthly trip to the Multnomah County Farm. Those who were able to go were Mesdames: R. W. Roberts; Forbes; M. E. Fullilove and Ella Young. This trip was made through the kindness of S. S. Golden who donated the use of his car for the purpose.

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Monday: 8 p. m., Brotherhood Meets.

Tuesday: 8 p. m., Choir Rehearsal.

Wednesday: 8 p. m., Midweek Prayer Service.

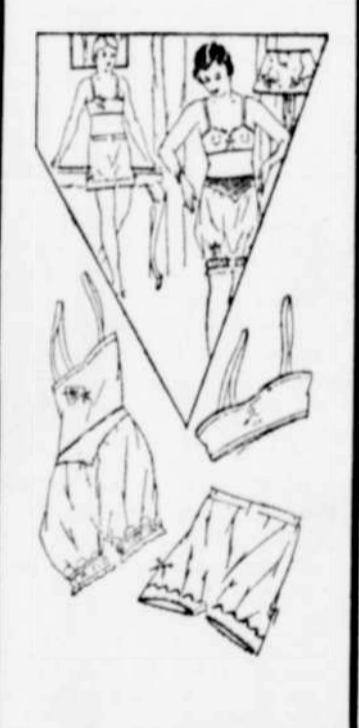
Thursday (Second and Fourth): Missionary Circle, 4 p. m.

Friday (First and Third): Literary Society, time and place announced.

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