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SECTION ONE

PRICE FIVE CENTS

POLICE SHOOT DOWN YOUTHFUL AUTO THIEF

TWO SENT TO HOSPITAL; CAR DEMOLISHED; BUILDING WRECKED RESULT OF WILD CHASE

WALTER ALTON JOHNSON LAY AT POINT OF DEATH BECAUSE OFFICER TOO QUICK ON GUN

CHARGE DISMISSED VS. DEF. ON FRIDAY

Friday afternoon, Attorney John Alton Bassett and Deputy District Attorney Michelet, for the prosecution, and Beatrice Cannady, for the defense, appeared in Municipal Judge Tomlinson's court and upon motion of Mr. Bassett, the case against Mrs. Thelma Unthank was dismissed.

On June 20, Mrs. Fred A. Jones caused a warrant to be issued against Mrs. Unthank charging her with threatening to commit a felony, as a result of a wordy altercation between the Unthank and Jones families on the night of June 27, when the Unthinks returned to their newly purchased residence in Westmoreland, to find the windows in their house again broken—making the second time that this had happened. The Unthinks suspected and accused the Jones family of having committed the vandalism, and the result was as above stated.

Mrs. Unthank's bail was fixed at \$1000, but she was released upon her own recognizance. Trial was set for the following morning, but upon motion of Beatrice Cannady, appearing to the defense, a delay of ten days was granted by the court. When the case was called for trial, July 10, Mrs. Cannady and former Deputy District Attorney J. L. Hammersley appeared for the defense, each side having two attorneys.

Great interest was manifested in the case, the court room being filled to its capacity and many who could not get seats were ordered from the court by the presiding judge. Five prominent persons, including Dr. H. D. Chambers, appeared for the defense and the state had five witnesses. Mr. Bassett conducted the examination of the witnesses for the state, and Mr. Michelet argued the case for the state. Mr. Hammersley conducted the examination of witnesses for the defense and Mrs. Cannady argued the case before the court.

Judge Tomlinson continued the case until the next day. Next morning, the attorneys on both sides appeared and had it postponed until July 24, but upon request, was moved up to July 26.

The case grew out of a neighborhood row over the fact that the Unthinks had purchased a home in a neighborhood of all-white residents—with the exception of one colored woman, who owns a house and lot within about six blocks of the Unthank residence. This woman, it is said, had agreed not to live in her house except at times when it was not occupied by renters.

Committees of neighborhood whites have repeatedly called on Dr. Unthank requesting him to move out of the district. Dr. Unthank made them a price in excess of the amount which he paid for the property, but which the prospective buyers claimed was far too exorbitant.

It is thought, however, that Dr. and Mrs. Unthank may sell and buy in another part of the city.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their sympathy, courtesies and the beautiful flowers during the illness and death of our beloved father and grandfather.

Mrs. Ruth Goren, Daughter and Children
Miss Doris Anderson, Granddaughter.

CHANCES RECOVERY FAVORABLE

William Alton Johnson, 19, who was shot through the neck and wounded on Thursday, was reported as in a serious condition Saturday morning, and was not expected to recover, although recovery was possible.

Johnson, who came to Portland a few weeks ago from off a ship, formerly resided in Brooklyn, N. Y., where his mother, Mrs. K. Waters, resides. In Portland, he roomed in an apartment house at 95½ Russell St.

Johnson was shot by Detective Cliff Davis, while in a stolen car, and Davis in a police car, driven by Detective McDonald were speeding along Front St., at 30 miles per hour.

The chase had begun at Front and Harrison, when police noticed that Johnson was driving a car reported stolen from Tenth and Flanders. The shot which struck Johnson was fired as the two speeding autos were crossing Taylor, at Front. Johnson immediately slumped in his seat and his car began to run wild. The careening automobile crashed into the rear of a machine driven by C. J. Seiberts, 601 E. Stark, and threw the Seibert car carrying the man and his wife, up on the sidewalk. The stolen automobile then went across the sidewalk and into the front of a building at 169 Front, bouncing back and coming to a stop, badly damaged.

Dr. Max Himmelfarb, who narrowly avoided being struck by the fleeing automobile thief, leaped from his car and gave first aid to the injured man. He also dispatched Mrs. Mary Seiberts to the Emergency Hospital, where she was treated for bruises and cuts on the face.

Johnson, under police guard at St. Vincent's Hospital, admitted to Sgt. Dana Jewell that he had stolen Ralkey's car, and that he had been well aware before the shot was fired by Davis that those attempting to stop him were police.

Detective Thatcher said that, as a rule, he did not favor the use of guns in apprehending auto thieves, but he could not censure Davis for firing at Johnson, as the two detectives had made every effort to warn Johnson by continually sounding the siren on the car, and by driving alongside to display a police star, at the risk of their lives, when Johnson attempted twice to sideswipe their automobile.

BULLETIN

As we go to press, W. A. Johnson is reported to be improving and hopes are now held for his complete recovery.

About Advocate Ed.

A lengthy special delivery air mail from Cecil E. Newman, editor of The Timely Digest, of Minneapolis, is brimful of good news. Let us quote a paragraph: "I have just returned from Portland, Oregon, where our mutual friend, Mrs. Beatrice Cannady holds forth. As you probably know, she is very much interested in you and your work. You were the subject of almost an entire evening's conversation in her pleasant living room in a most beautiful home. She has great respect for your ability as a writer, and is very deeply interested in your future. In her, you have a sincere friend." Indeed I have! She was the first editor to give me a start. That was in March, 1930.—(Reprint from "This and That" Column on July 19, "Chicago Bee," edited by Clifford Mitchell.)

The Portland delegation, which motored to the Grand Lodge of Masons in Seattle, have returned.

WELL KNOWN CHURCHMAN DEAD

FOUR-LEGGED CHICKEN TO ASSIST IN SERMON BY COLORED MINISTER

A Negro evangelist who specializes in preaching "chicken sermons" and telling his congregation not to bother their neighbors' chickens, has brought to Memphis a four-legged chicken and a rooster that lays eggs, but refuses to cackle.

He is the Rev. A. A. Herbet, of Kansas City, and is opening a revival campaign at the Gospel Tabernacle on the corner of N. Manassas Street and Maple Avenue.

In his collection, which he uses to illustrate his sermons, he has also two-borned frogs. He obtained his fowl in Beaumont, Texas, and the frogs in Mexico. He will preach at 8 o'clock on "A Rooster That Lays An Egg, But Refuses to Cackle."

A section is reserved for white persons who may attend the service. He will preach in Memphis for 15 nights.

WILD TO MEET ON WED. NIGHT

Meeting of the League of Struggle for Negro Rights scheduled for Monday evening at the Elks' Temple, has been postponed until Wednesday evening, at 8:00 o'clock, in order to give members a chance to hear the three American workers returned from Soviet Russia, speak at the Workers' Hall, 19½ Third Street, Monday evening, at 8:00 o'clock.

The speakers will give special emphasis to the treatment of the colored workers and citizens under the Communist Government.

NORTHWEST FEDERATION MEETS

Mrs. Dolly Paries, president of the Oregon Federation of Colored Women, reports that the meeting of the Northwest Federation at Everett, Wash., was a decided success. Oregon had five delegates and Washington had six. All meeting were held at the home of the N. W. President, Mrs. J. B. Samuels, and all delegates, with the exception of those from Everett, stopped at Mrs. Samuel's home, also. Mrs. Paries describes Mrs. Samuels' home as "beautiful." All the Portland delegates were elected to office. They include: Mrs. Katherine Gray, secretary; Mrs. Robena Martin, assistant secretary; Mrs. Edith Williams, organizer; Mrs. Ann Shepard, parliamentarian, and Mrs. Paries, president-at-large.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Botts, formerly of Portland, have returned to Portland to make their home. For the past several years, they have resided in Chicago, where Mr. Botts maintained an office in the Pullman building, as head of the P. P. B. A. of A. Mr. Botts has returned to the Pullman service, running between Portland and Chicago. They are domiciled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Prince Paries, 975 Northwick St.

Mr. and Mrs. George Canada, who have made their home for a number of months with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Waltham Myles, 329 Sacramento St., have purchased a home on Rodney

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Flowers, Mr. and Mrs. Charles (Chuck) Williams, Miss C. Lee and Miss Evelyn Freeman, motored to Spirit Lake Camp, Washington, Sunday, to visit Mr. and Mrs. Flowers' son Clifford, who is attending the Y.M.C.A. Camp.

AFRICANS HELP 'STARVING' USA

New York, July 15—(CNS)—A collection raised by black natives in the village of Batanga in Cameroon, West Africa, to "help the starving in the United States" has been received by the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church.

MORE LIGHT REVEALED IN BIG INSURANCE COMPANY MUDDLE

SUIT FILED IN NATIONAL BENEFIT CASE AGAINST FORMER OFFICIALS

Washington, D. C., July 16 (NBS)—At a special meeting called in its board room, 601 G St., N. W., recently, directors of the National Benefit Life Insurance Co., a colored corporation with assets listed at \$6,000,000, and directed the officers of the company to file suit against certain former directors who served from 1923 until June 17 of this year, and against other directors now serving as such, including C. B. Lee, treasurer; Louis, C. Washington, first vice president, and comptroller, and William Newman.

SOUTHERN COLORED PEOPLE GROSR MISCARRIAGE JUSTICE

Crowd Demands Release of Men Sentenced for Alleged Attack: Protest Governor.

Camp Hill, Ala., July 17—A Scottsboro protest meeting held here last night by Negro radicals, at which communists spoke, resulted in chases between white officers and members of the meeting. One man was killed, five wounded and 17 arrested.

"All was quiet tonight after a hectic day in which officers and citizens searched the countryside for those suspected of having a part in the disorders."

A small house occupied by colored people near the place where the meeting was held, was burned.

Prominent Educators Visit In Portland

REV. RICHARD H. HILL AND SISTER VISITING HERE

Completing an automobile trip from Baltimore, Md., across the continent to Portland, in six days, Rev. Richard H. Hill, brother of Rev. Daniel G. Hill, Jr., pastor of the Bethel A. M. E. church, arrived on Thursday, July 9, accompanied by his sister, Miss Lee Frances Hill.

Rev. Hill preached Sunday in his brother's pulpit. He also delivered a lecture on "The Negro's Economic Status" at Bethel Church, July 16, to a large and appreciative audience.

The visiting minister graduated this spring from the Theological School at Harvard, and next year, he will work for his Doctor of Philosophy degree at Yale.

Miss Hill is vice principal at Jefferson Street School, in Baltimore. In 1927, Rev. Richard Hill was a member of a delegation sent from colleges in the United States to study conditions in Russia.

MANY KILLED IN RACES' MIX-UP

OFFICERS FIRE ON SCOTS BORO PROTEST CONCLAVE

Dadeville, Ala., July 17.—A large force of deputies kept order here today to prevent racial disturbances, following the slaying of a Negro, and wounding of several other persons in a raid on a mass meeting, at which communists were reported to speak.

According to press dispatches, an armed posse also searched a nearby swamp for colored people who, it is said, were involved in the outbreak. Eleven colored men were held in jail for investigation.

A posse of eight men reported from Notasulga, Ala., late today, that they were trailing a Negro from Clanton, Ala., who for two months has been organizing Negroes in this section in what sophisticated minute books described as "The Society for the Advancement of Colored People."

The disorders, in which more than 200 shots were fired, were precipitated as Sheriff Young, Deputy Sheriff Thompson and Chief of Police Wilson approached the church where the gathering with in progress.

Ralph Gray, Negro, was on picket duty near the church, and fired on the officers as they sought to question him. They returned the fire and wounded him. Sheriff Young was struck in the side by a charge from a shotgun, and Thompson was wounded in the wrist. Gray dropped under a volley from the officers and was left for dead.

He was taken home by a passing motorist. A physician called to treat him, notified a posse, and at the Gray home, they were met with another volley. Gray was struck several times and died en route to jail, with eight companions, who had taken refuge in the house.

The most prolonged battle between posse men numbering 150 and members of the organization, occurred near the church. It was here the three colored men were wounded.

Two of the wounded were taken to the Dadeville jail. The other one, Chief Wilson said, "went to cut stovewood." Asked when he would return, the chief said, "He has lots to cut," and declined to comment further.

The meeting last night was the second officers have broken up, the first being at Dadeville, Wednesday night, where a quantity of inflammatory literature was seized.

The literature seized, Wilson said, urged members to demand racial equality and intermarriage with the white race, to demand \$2 a day for work, and not to ask but "demand" what you want and if you don't get it, "take it."

Colored Team Plays

Klamath Falls, Ore., July 18—McCloud Monarchs, strongest colored team in the West, met the Klamath Pelicans at the Fair Grounds on July 12. This aggregation of colored ball players toured the Coast cities for several years and has won games from the best teams in Oregon, California and Washington.

Their players are recruited from the best colored ball tossers in the West, and many of their men would be performing in big league were the color line not in effect.

The Pelicans have won nearly every one of their scheduled games this year and are in excellent shape.

YOUNG PICKENS GRADUATES

William Pickens, Jr., graduated in June from the Law Department of the Fordham University in New York City.

NEGRO DISCUSSED BY J. L. CASTON HERE LAST NIGHT

COLORED MAN MUST BECOME SLAVE IN HUMANITY'S INTEREST

Corvallis, July 19.—An outstanding address at the Presbyterian Conference held recently in Corvallis, was "The Plight of the Negro Religionist," by Rev. Dr. J. L. Caston, of Portland.

Rev. Caston stressed some of the difficulties encountered by the Negroes religiously, socially and industrially—but, he said, "while the Negro must necessarily hate slavery, he must become a slave in the interests of humanity."

WORKERS FROM SOVIET RUSSIA SHEAK IN PORTLAND

Three American workers, just returned from the Soviet Union, spoke at the Workers' Hall, at 19½ Third St., Monday evening, July 20, at 8:00 o'clock.

Many conflicting reports about the working and living conditions in Russia have appeared in American newspapers and magazines. These men, all three of them American union members of good standing, told the truth about Russia from the workers' point of view.

The speakers were J. Laurie, member of the Boilermakers' Union of Seattle; Jim McCorkle, of the Carpenters' Local, Los Angeles, and Mr. Snyder, delegate from the Teamsters' Union, Local No. 417. They carry credentials from the Santa Rosa Central Labor Council.

The meeting of the League of Struggle for Negro Rights scheduled for Monday evening at the Elks' Hall has been postponed until Wednesday evening, at 8:00 p. m., in order to give members a chance to attend the meeting of the returned workers.

DR. ANDERSON PASSES AT 65

NOTED DIVINES CONDUCT FUNERAL SERVICES

Rev. J. W. Anderson, 65, for 14 years a resident of Portland, died on Friday, July 10, at Dr. Matson's open air sanitarium, near Milwaukie, following two months' illness of tuberculosis. Funeral services were held on Tuesday at Finley's. Rev. Mr. Anderson formerly pastored the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church at First and Schuyler streets, which he erected at a cost of \$25,000. Later, he accepted the field work of the National Baptist Convention as Regional Director, and traveled officially to a number of our Western and Mid-Western States. He made a great success of his work and had many friends among both races.

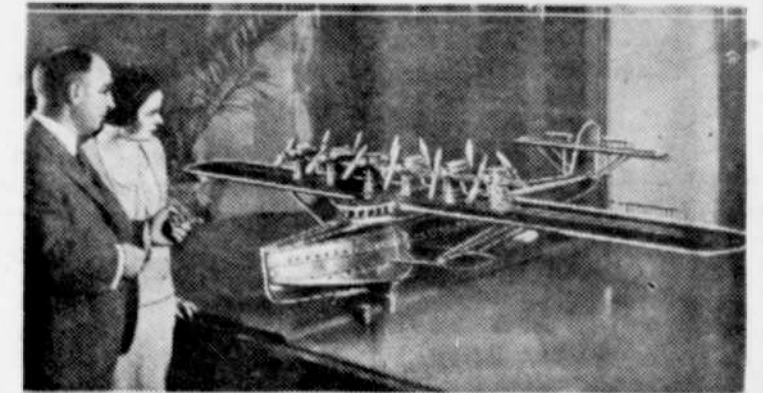
Rev. Mr. Anderson became ill while in Denver, Colo., last winter from exposure, and never recovered. He was a native of Louisiana.

Funeral services were in charge of Rev. Daniel G. Hill, Jr., of Bethel A. M. E. Church, who was ably assisted by Rev. Walter R. Lovell, Rev. J. L. Caston and Rev. Richard Hill. The Rev. W. D. Carter, a time honored friend of the deceased came to Portland from Pasadena, in order to be at the funeral, and delivered the principal eulogy. Combined choirs of the three leading churches furnished the music with Mrs. Jesse Coles Grayson, soloist.

Many gorgeous floral pieces were given as a final tribute to the deceased by admiring friends and scores of telegrams and other messages of condolence were received by the family.

Rev. Anderson's death followed closely that of his beloved wife. He leaves to mourn their loss a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Goren and three grandchildren, Miss Doris Anderson, Donna Jo and Wesley Goren, all of whom occupy the beautiful home in Rose City Park, recently built by Rev. and Mrs. Anderson, at a cost of \$9000.

Aviation Festival in New York Brings Big DO-X Model to View



THE successful flight of the Dornier DO-X, world's largest plane, across the South Atlantic Ocean was anticipated by the appearance of a large-scale model of the big ship at an aviation festival in an outstanding store in New York City.

The miniature airplane, its hull and wings made of nickel plated brass, reproduces every detail, inside and out, even down to the cushions on the chairs, of the gigantic Dornier DO-X, the twelve-motored German flying boat which accommodates 100 passengers in addition to its crew. This model, eight feet across and six feet long, lent for the exhibition by the Vacuum Oil Company, which supplies gasoline and Mobiloil for the engines of the real DO-X attracted the attention of crowds of aviation enthusiasts, both small and grown-up.

E. J. Snow, chief of the Aviation Division of the Vacuum Oil Company, is holding a miniature Mobil oil barrel in his hand and pointing out to Miss Margaret Brevik, a fair visitor, how supplies of fuel and lubricant are pumped into the DO-X in much the same way as into a transatlantic liner. In addition to the use of American oil and gasoline, twelve American Curtiss engines, of 600 horsepower each, have been substituted for the original 500 horsepower motors of the DO-X. The eminent German engineers who selected these motors chose American gasoline and Mobiloil for them, knowing that good petroleum products are made, not found, and trusting America to reach the highest standard.

The big model has since been shown at other places in the city, always bringing crowds which sometimes block the sidewalk. People are particularly curious about the DO-X in view of its trip to America.

The DO-X itself, on its present trip to the United States, is touching four continents, Europe, Africa, and North and South America.