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RADICALS CHALLENGE CHURCHES SAYS WRITER

Digesting . . .
The News
(BY CLIFFORD C. MITCHELL)

DIGESTING THE NEWS

Inducements for the Trained!
While reading the "exchange" last week, I was struck by one of the platform planks of a very small weekly in the deep south which read as follows:

"Induce a young lawyer to practice here, with the first month's board, lodging and office rent paid by the Civic League."
Truly, this represents a voice in the wilderness crying for succor and while I seldom run across similar appeals, I know from the chaos that exists that there are many places in the wilderness where our people need the counsel, guidance and leadership of the trained.

In this particular instance the community needed the leadership of a legal mind but the principle applies to all avenues of training and to any one who enjoys the advantages of training, good judgment and a willingness to use such talents for the good of humanity in general, and our people in particular, will readily bear a voice from somewhere in the wilderness, calling him.

In these times, communities are seeking men and women, who are capable of correctly analyzing the pertinent circumstances, and who can map out and plan a definite course of action that will bring harmony, prosperity and happiness to all.

A great many communities have such leaders among them, but they are not only being successfully steered by their own enterprises through the shoals of fear and panic but are always to lend their assistance, in thought, time and money, to the furtherance of any practical and consistent racial effort.

Such leaders have not had time to waste in tooting their own horns and their services, accomplishments and abilities are very often not fully recognized right in the same community in which they daily spend their time and action.

On the contrary, we have observed and carefully recorded, many instances where outsiders have entered a community, waded a big program, spread a lot of propaganda and then decamp, to fresher fields, with a large share of the community's ready cash.

In searching for and offering inducements to the trained, look among you and see if you can recognize some with the necessary qualifications, right in your own community, and then flock to him, or her, assistance and make their struggle a little less heavy.

But, if seek you must, in other communities, for the talent you need, make sure that you do not pick a parasite who is seeking only the tributes to be garnered through the spreading of appealing propaganda.

Analyze for yourself the conditions of your own district. Recognize the strong characters. Eradicate the weaknesses by offering inducements for the trained. And if you still need help, definitely make known your requirements, and you'll be heard.

TO ASCERTAIN NEGRO VOTE

NEW YORK, Jan. 28—Opportunity, Journal of Negro Life, announces that it will conduct a presidential poll in order to ascertain the political trend of the Negro vote in the 1932 presidential election. The poll will be announced in the February issue and will attempt to determine whether there is an appreciable drift to the left among intelligent Negroes in the country.

A statement from the editorial offices of OPPORTUNITY, 1933 Broadway, New York, follows:

"The 1932 Presidential election will probably see more Negroes exercising the right of the franchise than any previous election since the Negro became a citizen. Opportunity will endeavor to find out how the intelligent, serious thinking Negro feels about the political parties which will offer Presidential candidates next November. The readers of OPPORTUNITY represent a cross section of Negro life and will provide the nucleus of our poll. In addition, the 43 Urban League branches situated in strategic industrial centers and in those political states in which the Negro vote is of paramount importance will cooperate which will enable the poll to reach far beyond the number who can be reached directly through OPPORTUNITY. Each month the results of the balloting will be published in OPPORTUNITY."

BLAME THE AMERICAN WOMAN SAYS ACTRESS

Howard U. Prof. Honored

NO LIMIT TO BUSINESS EXPANSION SAYS MOTON

NEW YORK, Jan. 28—The most important business meeting held in Harlem this year was staged at the Wiltok Club, 222 West 145th Street, Wednesday evening when Dr. R. R. Moton, president of the National Negro Business League, presented a charter of membership in the National League to the Harlem Business Men's Club.



DR. MOTON

of Negro business, other speakers were James A. Jackson of the Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., and A. L. Holsey, president of the National C. M. A. Stores, Inc. and Secretary of the League.

The meeting which was presided over by Dr. Ray Potter Walker, vice-president, was the first anniversary supper of the Harlem Business Men's Club. David Doles, president of the club, expressed the gratification of the club at having so distinguished a visitor as Dr. Moton present.

Dr. Moton received a chorus of applause as he made point after point in his speech. He said the Negro has made great progress in education in music and in art, but business is his weakest point of development. But he said he was glad to observe in the last few years an awakening along business lines. He said the work of the Business League is stimulating a cooperative spirit among business men had begun to bear fruit, and a splendid example of the new awakening was the Harlem Business Men's Club. The fact that the Club has 165 members joined together for the purpose of stimulating business, and that the fact they have remained together for a year, is significant, he said. There is no limit to what can be accomplished with even such a modest number of people working unitedly behind any business program, he declared.

URGE COLORED EMPLOYMENT

Boston, January 32—The Board of Governors of the National Economic Cooperative Association urges leaders of colored people in every state, city and town to organize committees immediately in order to canvass white employers in their respective communities and urge them to place two colored workers on their pay rolls by the time of Lincoln's birthday, Feb. 12th. In this way the white employers of the Nation can best honor the memory of Lincoln, by giving such proper recognition to the people whose welfare lay so close to the heart of Lincoln.

If any employers have already two

34 MINUTES TO CONVICT MAN

NO EVIDENCE NECESSARY

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 27—An all-white jury, Wednesday morning found Yuel Lee (Orphan Jones) 69-year old Negro farm hand, guilty on a framed-up murder charge. The decision was reached after the jury had "deliberated" for 34 minutes.

The International Labor Defense which has been fighting the case for Lee, has made a motion for an appeal. Pending this motion, sentence has been deferred. David Levinson, of Philadelphia and Bernard Ades of Baltimore, attorneys for Lee, retained by the International Labor Defense, basis their motion on the charge that the jurors in the case were illegally chosen by a Negro-hating judge presiding in the courtroom.

The verdict of guilty was reached after a trial in which not one shred of real evidence was produced against Lee, the state being unable to show that he was even near the house of Green Davis, the farmer who was found dead with his family and with whose murder Lee was charged. The entire trial was conducted in an atmosphere of race hatred. Open appeals being made by the state to the prejudice of the jury.

Demand Negro Jurors
The demand of the attorneys for the I.L.D. that Negroes be placed on the jury, met with furious resistance by all officials of the court. Not one Negro was included in the panel. Judge Duncan, who presided, boasted that in five years on the bench, he had never selected a Negro juror. He stated further that he wanted a jury that could work harmoniously together—in other words, a jury that would work harmoniously towards bringing in a verdict of guilty. The sheriff, in selecting jurors from the courtroom after the panel was exhausted, refused to call any Negroes, stating that he did not know any of them. He admitted that all of the jurors were personal friends of his.

N.A.A.C.P. INVESTIGATE SUPREME COURT ASPIRANTS

New York, January 27—The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is carefully checking up on all names of jurists mentioned as possible successors to Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, who recently resigned from the United States Supreme Court. In the event any candidate is named who, like Judge John J. Parker of North Carolina, has an anti-Negro record, the N. A. A. C. P. will be ready to bring to bear the united mass pressure of colored people against confirmation of the appointment.

Latest reports from Washington indicate that Judge Benjamin N. Cardozo, chief judge of New York State Supreme Court of Appeals, is being urged by leaders of all shades of opinion throughout the United States as the most eminently qualified jurist to succeed Justice Holmes of the bench. The Association for the Advancement of Colored People shares this prevalent opinion about Justice Cardozo.

FISK TAKES TWO FROM TALLEDEGA

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 23—Coach Johnson's Fisk cagers took two hard fought games from the fast "Deza" five. Fisk took the first affair by a 25 to 19 count. The net of the second game found the "Dezas" at the short end of a 17 to 16 count.

colored workers on their pay rolls, then urge them to add two more in honor of Lincoln's birthday. By taking such a constructive step in Lincoln's memory the unemployment situation of the Nation will be greatly helped.

The Executive secretary, the Rev. Walter L. D. Moore, urges all colored leaders in every part of the Nation to lay seriously to heart, the suggestion of the National Economic Cooperative Association and to begin right away to carry out the idea.

NOTED FILM STAR DISCLOSE ROMANCES

HABITS NOTHING SHORT OF DISGRACEFUL

Honolulu, Hawaii, Jan. 28—The action of the Kentucky Legislature urging President Hoover to use his power to bring about conviction of Mrs. Massie's alleged attackers and that the government insure the release of Mrs. Fortescue and the three navy men was flayed in the Territorial Senate by Senator Charles A. Rice.

Rice drew a parallel by picturing the Hawaii Legislature passing a resolution asking Congress to declare martial law in Kentucky because of mine strikes there.

The Senator said his grandfather came from Kentucky and that as a son of Kentucky he now asks them to let us mind our own business and we will let them mind theirs.

CLAIM MIXED ELEMENT COPY HABIT OF "BEACH BOYS"

...By Dorothy Mackail
HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Jan. 27—It had to come!
The "beach boys"—really full grown Kanakas—that is to say, pure-blooded Hawaiians—have had many romances with rich American women who have gone to the islands as tourists and have been enthralled with its Eden-like fascination.

These affairs have been invited by this type of women. The "beach boys" have been spoiled by so many American women paying attention to them. By contrast, they are extremely deferential when made to realize their inferiority.

The killing of Kahahawai is deplorable. It is a tribute to the real Hawaiian people that none of the men accused of attacking Mrs. Massie was a Kanaka. The five men were mixed breed.

And let me say right now that the mixed element now on the island of Oahu is living dynamite. It is a racial mixture of Japanese, Portuguese, Chinese and Polynesian. What can we expect of these people when they see Kanakas openly receiving the attentions of American women?

Some American women behave in a manner little short of disgraceful on the beach at Waikiki, wearing abbreviated bathing suits and permitting the "beach boys" to apply coconuts oil so they may get a good tan.

It's really a shame that all this trouble has happened for the islands are so beautiful and the true Hawaiians and those who have intermarried with the white people are such a happy lot.

TO RE-ARGUE TEXAS CASE

United States Supreme Court Reopens White Primary Case
Washington, D. C. January 28—The United States Supreme Court on last Monday ordered a re-argument of the case of Dr. L. A. Nixon, of El Paso, Texas, against James Condon and C. H. Kolle, which involves the question of the validity of a resolution adopted by the State Democratic Executive Committee of Texas barring colored people from voting in Democratic primaries in that state.

The order of the court set no date for re-argument. It simply stated that the application of the respondents for leave to file a brief, notwithstanding the explanation of the time limit, was granted and the case was restored to the docket for re-argument at a date to be fixed by the court.

The Supreme Court heard arguments in behalf of the petition on the 7th of January. James Marshall, the son of the late Louis Marshall, noted constitutional lawyer, argued the case for Dr. Nixon at the instance of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Neither the election officials, who denied Dr. Nixon the right to vote in a Democratic primary, nor the State of Texas were represented by counsel before the Supreme Court.

P. RTLAND MAN FOUND MISSING

The Police Bulletin of Jan. 26:—Ora Rose, 16 yrs., 5 feet 2 inches, 165 lbs., light complexion, black hair, gray eyes; wore about three weeks growth of beard, blue overalls, dark coat, and gray hat. Missing since Dec. 29, 1925, from 367 Morris St.

KY. LEGISLATURE ASKED TO MIND OWN BUSINESS

TERRITORIAL SENATOR SAYS KENTUCKY IS SPARED COMMENT BY HAITIANS ON ITS MINE OPPRESSION AND KENTUCKY SHOULD MIND ITS OWN AFFAIRS

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ANTICIPATES NEW YORK JUDGSHIP

NEW YORK CITY, Jan. 19—Although it had been kept secret for some time, only "those in the know" being on the inside track, the story broke, probably a little too prematurely, that Ferdinand Q. Morton, most envied of all colored New York politicians, would be elevated to the bench sometime near the first of the month. The New York Age of this city is responsible for the story, declaring that while there are no vacancies now on the bench which the Hon. F. Q. Morton is supposed to occupy, the position of chief justice in that court will make a place for Morton in either the Court of General Sessions or the Court of Special Sessions. It has long been known that Mr. Morton had a hankering to be known as judge and would have given up his position as civil service commissioner last year to run in the general election, but for the advice of friends who told him of the great plums in store for him.

Already according to the Age there are several men seeking the commission, chief among whom are Robert Justice of the New York Academy of Business, a staunch Democrat; and Major Chauncey M. Hooper, Morton's right hand man in the United Colored Democracy and at present, secretary to a New York judge.

AUTO SHOW SPONSORED

Portland, Ore., Jan. 25—Nearly 150 spectacular new motor cars, airplanes, motor boats and automotive equipment will be displayed at the 22nd Annual Northwest Auto Show, to be held in Portland, February 6-13. Announcement of this show, which will dramatically express the fearless attitude of business toward 1932, was made yesterday by E. S. Cohen president of the Automobile Dealers Association of Portland, which sponsors this biennial feature.

Pulse interest in motor shows this year, including New York, Chicago, Los Angeles and San Francisco, is evidenced by attendance increases ranging from 30 to 50 per cent and more buying than in several years, according to Mr. Cohen. This increased interest is hailed with joy by business leaders who assert that it indicates a definite improvement in business conditions.

Automotive dealers throughout Oregon and Washington are vitally interested in the Portland show, not only because it is their industry's annual parade but because it is the kick-off for a season of business activity. A number of dealer-meetings will be held in Portland during Show week, while the Society of Automotive Engineers will stage its annual dinner on February 10, headlined by noted speakers.

AVERS NEGRO NEEDS NEW EMANCIPATION

COMMUNIST MOVEMENT ENVEIGLES NEGROES

BRONXVILLE, N. Y., Jan. 27—Speaking here at the Eighteenth Annual Synod of the Province of New York and New Jersey Protestant Episcopal Church, Dr. George E. Haynes, secretary, Commission on Race Relations, Federal Council of Churches said in part:

"During the past twenty-five years and especially during and since the World War a new phase has developed in white and Negro contacts. Thousands of Negroes are coming out of the schools into the community seeking to use what they have learned in the schools. They are finding color bars against them. Lynching both legal and illegal continues in spite of over twenty years crusading against the evil. When Negroes seek to ride on railroads or in motor buses in many states they are Jim Crowed. When they seek jobs, they are employed or discharged partly on the basis of color instead of their ability to produce. During the present unemployment crisis, reports indicate that almost everywhere Negro workers are thrown out of work in greater proportion than white workers and always in much larger percentage than they form of the total population. The churches today are faced with a new phase of the race problem which calls for a new emancipation proclamation which shall free the Negro man and woman from economic exploitation, political domination and cultural exclusion because of color and previous conditions of servitude."

"A challenge to the churches today is bold bid which radical movement such as socialism, syndicalism and communism, especially the latter, are making to gain the goodwill and loyalty of the Negro masses. The Negro preacher has been the counselor and guide of the Negro masses for the past hundred years. The church has been the one group organization through which the Negro has found a channel for group expression, a champion for race rights and privileges and a sanction for individual and group action. But the civic injustices, the economic discrimination and the cultural exclusions under which the Negro suffers have not been dealt with very vigorously by the ministry and the churches the past two decades.

"Now it is just at those points that the radical labor movements are pressing their sympathy and support upon the hapless Negro. The Scottsboro case of the eight boys convicted to die in the electric chair in Alabama on flimsy evidence at trial dominated by mob excitement has been only one of five or six legal defense cases capitalized to the limit by these radicals for their propaganda to win the masses. These same radicals have championed the cause of the Negro unemployed and have sought to agitate the exploited agricultural Negro worker.

"Will the churches, which have been the Negro worker's primary mass organization stand by while the agents of such movements poison his mind against the organization and the leadership which have worked for his education and advancement for a hundred years? The churches must increase their service to these masses to retain their confidence."

GAIN NEARLY \$90,000 IN EIGHT YEARS FROM CONTESTS

New York, N. Y., Jan. 27—In the eight-year period which began in 1924 and ended in 1931, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People raised a total of \$87,527.94 from its baby and popularity contests in various states, which are a part of the organization's crusade carried on by its field secretary, William Pickens. Only \$4,928.25 was raised in 1931, more than 50 per cent less than the average for the period.

FISK WILL PAY TRIBUTE

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 23—The weekly broadcast of the Fisk Music School over the Columbia network here in two weeks made such an impression on the country and on the officials of the system that an invitation has come from the production manager, Julius Seebach, to broadcast on the "Hello, Europe" hour February 15. This program will be one of Negro music only since only significant American music is offered in this hour. There will be ninety stations here and forty abroad in the hook-up, the largest broadcast yet attempted. The student choir under the direction of Ray Francis Brown and Edward Matthews and the world-famous Fisk Jubilee Singers under the direction of Mrs. James Myers will furnish the program.