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DISTINGUISHED OKLAHOMAN MOTORS TO LEGION CONFAB

One of the few accredited Negro delegates to the American Legion Convention, was William W. Frazier of Wewoka, Oklahoma. He was one of the two state-wide delegates, the other being white, sent by the state of Oklahoma. Mr. Frazier is of the George T. Brown Post No. 363. He motored here in his brand new DeLuxe Ford V-8 coupe, accompanied by Mr. A. Brunner, a fine young man of the same city.

Mr. Frazier is outstanding among Oklahoma's educators, being the supervisor of schools of Seminole and adjacent counties for the past six or more years. His business is to pass on teachers' credentials and check over methods, etc. Mr. Frazier is a graduate of Langston university and was a class mate of Willis A. Reed of Portland. He and Mr. Reed also soldiered together in the world war. While in Portland, he and his companion, Mr. Brunner stopped at Mrs. F. Cosby's residence, 340 Ross street and both were royally entertained during their stay in the city.

CALIFORNIA SENDS HER NATIVE SONS

Norman O. Houston, was an interesting delegate to the Legion convention from the City of Angeles. Mr. Houston is the secretary-treasurer of the Golden State Mutual Life Insurance Company with offices at 4111 Central avenue. He is a very fine and progressive young man who believes devoutly in the principles of the Legion. He expressed the hope that the local colored buddies would organize into a post so that they could have a voice in the Legion activities.

THE VET OF MANY MEDALS

Lieutenant Benjamin H. Mills, of Nogales, Arizona was without a doubt the most decorated delegate at the convention. At least his service coat bore evidence that he had served his country fearlessly and well. There was a medal for expert gunning; one called a victory medal with two battle clasps and at least a dozen for the 190, 220, and the 440 yard dashes which he had won at different times in nearly as many different places. There was also that distinguished Cross de guerre.

PROMINENT MINNESOTAN ATTENDS CONVENTION

An outstanding delegate to attend the American Legion convention in Portland last week, was Isaac Moore of Minneapolis, Minn. Mr. Moore is a Past Commander of Johnny Baker Post No. 291 and at present is the Post's Service Officer. In the latter capacity Mr. Moore feels that he is rendering a

much needed service. Veterans' claims; hospitalization, living needs, etc., are among the duties referred to him for adjustment. In other words he is a sort of big brother for the comrades in his home town and state. He has even been known to help a worthy unfortunate comrade out of jail.

Johnny Baker Post has a membership of 22 out of a possible 100. Mr. Moore says he will not be satisfied until every eligible vet is enrolled.

Mr. Moore served as a corporal in the regular army with the Tenth Cavalry for four years. He earns his living now as a clerk in the Minneapolis Post Office, which position he has filled for the past six years or more. A devoted wife and two fine girls complete his immediate family.

Mr. Moore is strictly a Legion man; he believes firmly in the principles of the organization and says that it is the most tolerant of American institutions. He deprecates the fact that all eligible Negro veterans are not members. He cited interesting examples of the power and influence of a post in the state of Tennessee which has a membership of 1600, all colored. It is the largest in the state and has a membership equal to the combined membership of all the white posts in the state, he said.

While in Portland, he was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Allen, time-honored friends. He spoke at the Bethel A. M. E. church Sunday school and eleven o'clock service on the purposes of the American legion. He proved to be a forceful and much sought after speaker.

In his home town, according to reports filtering back here, Mr. Moore is outstanding in social, fraternal and political circles.

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BY NANCY LEE

The great increase in crime all over the country shows the necessity for cultivating the right kind of acquaintances. One should never associate with persons of lower standards of morals, or conduct, as they only drag one down to their level, instead of being influenced to higher ideals. One rotten apple will ruin a whole box of fruit, but one good apple put in a box of bad ones has never been known to make the rest of the apples whole.

Flowers never grow to perfection surrounded by weeds, so how can we expect human flowers to grow amid evil surroundings. Contamination is one thing that a person should guard against in outside contacts as well as inside. The inside contamination makes the body sick but the outside contact pollutes the soul.

The body is only a temporal structure, but the soul is eternal and needs education and guidance to develop in the right way.

DISTINGUISHED CLERGYMAN and EDUCATOR WILL HEAD GREAT—THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL.

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In 1922 Dr. King represented the Negro students of America at the meeting of the World Christian Students' Federation in Peking, China; was a member of the General Conference of the M. E. Church in 1924; and is now a member of the General Board of Education of that Church, and a trustee of Wiley College, Clark University, Bennett College, and the Atlanta School of Social Work. He is a member of the American Sociological Society and of the Omega Psi Phi fraternity, and is the author of an interesting volume on "The Negro in American Life."

Gamma Seminary was established by the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1882 as an institution for the training of Negro ministerial students of all denominations. Its enrollment averages nearly one hundred a year and embraces representatives of five denominations. It has an interracial faculty and its Board of Trustees is interracial and interdenominational.



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The passing, in the last few days, of W. R. Peek and J. R. Charleston removes from our midst, two well known and highly respected citizens. Both were long time residents of Portland; they had worked and saved their earnings and had something of the world's goods as well as the spiritual outlook. They both were servants of humanity, each in his own sphere. They both were highly respected citizens, honored and loved by many staunch friends and relatives who will sadly miss them. Earth's loss is Heaven's gain and we commend the bereaved families to Him who doeth all things well.

ORGANIZATIONS

If Portland's colored people had the right sort of organizations and leaders as well as followers, they would create a strong influence along political and business lines. There ought to be various organizations existing in which the race itself could come to a better understanding with itself; where various issues effecting the racial group as a whole might be discussed and understood. Each should understand what is best for the whole so that "getting off on the wrong foot" would be reduced to a minimum. This thing of every man for himself, and the "devil catch the hindmost," seems to us to be the practice among our people in Portland, and that is the main reason we have no representation in City, County and State government worth while.

When we get properly organized with competent leadership, we'll get somewhere, and not until then.

ADVOCATE FIRST WITH HIM

An inquisitive correspondent wants me to state which paper many "exchanges" received. I like the best for personal reasons. Now that's a hard question to answer, but I'll attempt it. For professional reasons, the Portland (Oregon) Advocate, and the Chicago Bee come first. The former being the first paper to use my releases, and the latter being the first national paper to use an exclusive release.—Clifford Mitchell in the BEE.

LACK OF CO-OPERATION

One of the paragraphs outlined in a questionnaire mailed out to publishers of the Negro racial group by the A. N. P. reads: "To what do you attribute the lack of Negro representation in government positions under the present administration?" to which we unhesitatingly answered "Such without a doubt is due to the lack of co-operation of Negroes themselves in urging the appointment of capable and representative members of the group to the positions, heretofore open for them."

The widespread complaint that has come up from the ranks of the Negro racial group in the United States in view of the administration not appointing Negro men to such positions as assistant register of the treasury and other places filled with credit by Negroes under previous administrations, is certainly not well taken when it is plainly evident to the most casual observer that the dissension, wrangling and factionalism existent within the ranks of the group is almost wholly attributable to the lack of consideration accorded those who are in line for such appointments.

The situation brings to mind the necessity for a getting together of the Negro race members with a view of supporting worthy leadership for positions of trust. Other racial groups are not inclined to stand still while the time and energy wasted by those who seek recognition, in wrangling over petty differences and selfish interests. Let the Negro group manifest the proper spirit of cooperation and recognition will be accorded the race in most instances where the proper demands are made.

—Exchange.

THANKS ADVOCATE STAFF

Portland, Oregon, Sept. 18—To The Advocate: We the Executive committee appointed on Colored Legion activities during the convention, wish to express our thanks and gratitude to the Editor and manager of the Portland Advocate for the publicity and cooperation which has been extended to us throughout the entire convention.

We also wish to express our thanks to the management of the Y. W. C. A., to Mr. Minor, chairman of the Housing committee; to Mr. Edgar Williams; to the ladies and members of all committees and to the citizens of Portland whose cooperation helped to make the delegates' stay in Portland a pleasant one.

Signed: WILBUR FERCIER, Chr., Ervin Flowers, V. Chr., Leonard Crosswhite, 2nd V-Chr.

The announcement of the engagement of Miss Esther Bradford of Tacoma to Mr. Ted Jones of Portland, was made at a party given at the home of Mr. Jones.

The engagement of Miss Dorothy Morton to Mr. Edwin Washington was announced Thursday night at a pretty semi-formal party given by Mrs. Will Graeg. Mrs. Fred D. Thomas and Mrs. W. Morton, the bride-to-be's mother assisted the hostess.

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ALLEN ENDEAVOR NOTES

Last Sunday was a most exciting evening for the members of the Allen C. E. League. As a surprise, the C. E. League from Central Presbyterian church, under the leadership of Mrs. Bearn, were visitors. We were very glad to have them with us and hope they will come again.

Charles Duke had charge of the lesson discussion which was very interesting indeed. Three papers were read dealing with the lesson subject, "What other Gods have we?" They were well received. Rev. Hill had charge of the singing.

Next Sunday, we will have the Mt. Olivet B. Y. P. U. as our guests. Miss Geraldine Williams is their president. All members are expected to be on time and also to make our visitors feel welcome. Come out and see what the young people are doing.
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