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WILLIAMS BURNED TO DEATH IN GRUE-SOME FASHION BY GEORGIA FIENDS

Chained to Stake and Torch Applied—Governor Dorsey May Propose Measures to End Pogroms in His Final Message to Legislature.

MOULTRIE, Ga., June 18.—Following indignant denials by men prominent in the political affairs of Georgia and supposedly her "best citizens" of the charges of burnings, lynchings and other forms of mob violence against Negroes contained in a pamphlet recently issued by Governor Hugh M. Dorsey, some of the "best citizens" of this State gathered on the Court House lawn here and took John Henry Williams, a Negro, from the sheriff, who turned him over to them without the least show of resistance, carried him to the edge of a pond, chained him to a stump, saturated his body with gasoline, applied the torch and burned him to death in the most gruesome manner—Georgia fashion.

The body of Lorenza Wilkes was found at the edge of the pond last Monday morning and Williams was afterward arrested and charged with the murder. He was indicted Friday and delivered to the Moultrie sheriff early Saturday morning and put on trial. The Moultrie sheriff in turn turning him over to the mob for trial and conviction, according with Georgia practice.

May Propose Legislation

Legislation on finance and law enforcement, with the latter again bringing to the fore discussion of treatment of Negroes in Georgia, is expected to occupy much of the time of the General Assembly of Georgia, which convenes in annual session Wednesday. Governor Hugh M. Dorsey has indicated that he will propose various measures designed to prevent mob violence and to change the methods of trying persons accused of taking part in lynchings. Former United States Senator Thomas W. Hardwick, who takes office as Governor on June 25, declared in a recent address that he believed Governor Dorsey's recent pamphlet on "The Negro in Georgia" as a "blunder on the State" and that soon after taking office as Governor he will issue an official reply to it.

One member of the Legislature has publicly announced that he intends to offer resolutions providing for an investigation with a view to remedying conditions if found as Governor Dorsey charges, or impeachment of the Governor if not borne out.

Governor Dorsey has discussed proposals for changing the State law so that a State trial court could be convened by the Governor to investigate violence and try the accused. One plan, he suggested, and which he said to have been studying, would provide for such a court to be composed of three to five Superior Court judges, with the court's grand and petit juries drawn from the State at large, so as to avoid any possible local prejudice in dealing with mob cases. It also has been indicated that in his farewell message he will propose establishment of a State constabulary.

Demands that the State pass laws covering peonage, now solely a Federal offense, have been made in some of the various letters and cards published in the Georgia press during the State-wide discussion of Governor Dorsey's pamphlet on the Negro, which various State officials have attacked and defended. The Governor has not publicly indicated his attitude on the subject.

NO BIG JOBS FOR COLORED MEN UNDER HARDING ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON, June 19.—Negro politicians have been told they will not be given positions under the Harding administration that have to be passed upon by the Senate. This is understood to mean the jobs of Register of the Treasury and Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia will go to white men, although a number of minor places may go to colored men and women.

Chairman Adams of the National committee, it is understood, is friendly to the "Lily White" Republican party in the South. In the distribution of patronage the Southern Negro will be ignored if white men can be had for the jobs. Republican leaders are experiencing some trouble in organizing a formidable party of whites in South Carolina. They have been flirting with former Senator John L. McLaurin, Senator Tillman's old colleague in the Senate fifteen years ago, who could have the job of pie counter attendant for his State if he would agree to reorganize the G. O. P. forces along white lines.

FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

The thirteenth annual meeting of the Empire State Federation of Women's Clubs will be held in Troy, N. Y., on July 13, 14 and 15. A magnificent banner to be presented by the clubs will be unveiled during the convention. Among the speakers will be Mrs. Rosalie Loew Whitney, Lieutenant-Governor Wood and Mr. James Weldon Johnson. According to a statement from the local headquarters, provision has been made for all delegates and their friends.

BLUEJACKETS AT BLOWS

American-Japanese Fight at Shanghai

A collision has occurred between American and Japanese bluejackets ashore on leave at Shanghai. It appears that American sailors had been throwing squibs in the Japanese quarter of the International Settlement and alarmed some of the residents. Squibs are also alleged to have been thrown at the Japanese sailors. Two parties came to blows and two Americans and a Japanese were hurt. Authorities of both nations are investigating the matter.—Central News.

INTERESTING COLLECTION OF BOOKS AT 135th ST. LIBRARY

Through the courtesy of Mr. Arthur Schomburg there is an interesting collection of books, magazines and pictures of early Negro preachers available at the 135th street library. Mr. E. C. Williams, librarian of Howard University, is to be here for six weeks. We are indeed glad to have Mr. Williams with us.

TULSA RIOT A WARNING TO NEGROES EVERYWHERE TO UNITE—LYNCHING VERY COSTLY IN HUMAN LIFE TO BOTH RACES

Rev. Dr. J. H. Eason Gives Facts Bearing on Tulsa Race Clash—Lauds Colored Men Who Fought to Protect Their Homes and Loved Ones—Says They Stood for Law and Order, and, Therefore, Were Defenders of Constitution—Cure for Mob Violence and Lynching in Making Other Races Realize That Negroes Are Human Beings and Must Be Treated as Such—Respect the Flag—Marcus Garvey Sends Note About the Coming Convention.

Monday evening, June 18, a large gathering of race-loving people gathered in Liberty Hall to hear the Rev. Dr. J. H. Eason speak on the recent race riot in Tulsa, Okla. Dr. Eason in his address gave out first-hand information concerning the riot, which was given him in person while in Chicago by a colored man who was in Tulsa at the time and who immediately after it was over left the city and took up his residence in Chicago.

Back of the immediate cause of the trouble, said Dr. Eason, was a deeper cause, which had its origin in the long tramping everywhere, in all the States of the Union, upon the legal and constitutional rights of the Negro and the jealousy that has arisen, more especially among the working classes, against the black man because of his advancing in the acquisition of knowledge and wealth despite his many handicaps and the obstacles in his path in whatever direction he turns to gain industrial and economic independence.

DOMINICANS OBJECT TO TERMS OF AMERICAN WITHDRAWAL

Stirred by Conditions of Proclamation, Announcing Intention of U. S. to Withdraw

WASHINGTON, June 19.—The National Dominican Commission, headed by former President Henriques, has received several cablegrams from Santo Domingo protesting against the American proclamation announcing the intention of the United States to withdraw from the republic after a responsible government has been established in accordance with the existing constitution and laws.

GOMEZ BURIED IN CUBA WITH MILITARY HONORS

HAVANA, June 19.—General Jose Miguel Gomez, former President of Cuba, was buried today with ceremonies attended by the greatest popular demonstration.

LIBERTY HALL CROWDS AUGMENTING AS SECOND CONVENTION DRAWS NEAR—CRADLE OF LIBERTY CONTINUES AS HARLEM'S CENTRE OF ATTRACTION

EGYPT A POWDER BARREL

"No Blank Firing in Future"—Cairo Floggings

(From Our Own Correspondent)
CAIRO, Wednesday.—The atmosphere here is still electric. Wild rumors from Alexandria are adding to the excitement and today many shops were closed in expectation of fresh disturbances.

COLORED GIRL TAKES DEGREE

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 15.—The first of her race to receive the degree of doctor of philosophy in this country, Miss Sadie Mossell, a young Negro woman, will take her Ph.D. at the University of Pennsylvania commencement today.

AN ALEXANDRIA INQUIRY

British Warships Ordered to the Port.

Reuter's Agency is informed that a military court is being constituted on the spot, under the presidency of Col. Kelly, of the Indian Army, to inquire into the disturbances in Alexandria.

NATIVES' HOLY GROUND

Pitched Battle for a South African Village

LONDON, June 19.—A pitched battle for a South African village was reported in a Reuter dispatch from Johannesburg.

PROF. WILLIAM H. FERRIS, EDITOR OF NEGRO WORLD, DELIVERS EFFECTIVE ADDRESS ON RACE MOVEMENTS, PAST AND PRESENT

Says These Hitherto Have Failed Because Commercial and Industrial Element Was Lacking in Program—U. N. I. A. Only Organization Among Negroes Destined to Survive and Become Permanent—Negroes Must Be Dominated by Spirit of Initiative, Audacity and Adventure if They Would Rise

ATTITUDE OF MILITANT DEFIANCE TOWARD ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE UPON WHITE RACE INCONSISTENT AND IMPRACTICAL

Recent Editorial from New Republic Magazine Quoted, Showing That Negroes Are Coming into Sense of Race Solidarity, Prepared to Hit Back as Only Means of Making Other Races Respect Them—Work of Preparation of "Phyllis Wheatley" for Early Launching Being Pushed With Great Energy—Plans Rapidly Forming for Big Convention

LIBERTY HALL, New York, Sunday evening, June 19, 1921.—A vast throng of U. N. I. A. enthusiasts filled tonight the big auditorium here, which has become Harlem's greatest centre of attraction, the Mecca of progressive thought and racial advancement.

The chief address of the evening was delivered by Prof. Wm. H. Ferris, editor of the Negro World. In it he told of an editorial appearing in a recent issue of the "New Republic" Magazine, in which it was stated that Negroes are coming into a sense of race solidarity, prepared to hit back as their only means of making other races respect them.

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CONTEMPORARY COMMENTS

FORCE WILL NOT SOLVE RACE PROBLEM

Along the great day of shooting and burning at Tulsa, Okla., the press has dropped a tear upon the ashes, murmured, a few platitudes upon the slain, and turned its back once more upon the race problem. Naturally we are disappointed to see that the most of it would have been equally applicable if a mob of whites had entered the jail at Tulsa, dragged out the Negro who was a mob target, and shot him dead.

A QUEER STORY BY GENERAL SMUTS

General Smuts has explained at great length the reasons which impelled the South African Government to evict from a piece of common ground, with grievous loss of life, the members of a religious sect who called themselves Israelites. They were "poor deluded souls," he said, who were ordered to leave the land which they believed to be theirs.

HATTIE DIXON'S SENTENCE WILL BE COMMUTED

N. V. Branch of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People Assails in Securing the Commutation. On May 19, 1921, the N. V. Branch of the N. A. A. C. P. held at St. Louis, Mo., a meeting for the evening.

NEW MISSION CHURCH STARTS IN HARLEM

The Community A. M. E. Mission Church, 215 Seventh Avenue, New York City, Rev. P. E. Statton, pastor, opened with a consecration service last Sunday afternoon.

QUARERS SYNCHED BY CAROLINA MOB

On June 15, 1921, the mob in Carolina, N. C., synched the quarers, a group of Negroes who were engaged in a strike against the white owners of the quarers.

WITH THE CONTRIBUTING EDITOR

Hugh H. Harrison THE EMPEROR JONES

Famous Author of Famous Play Calls for Negro Dramatists

Provincetown, Mass., June 8, 1921. Dear Mr. Harrison: I am indeed grateful to you for sending me your review of my play. I have read it with the greatest interest and consider it one of the very few intelligent criticisms of the piece that have come to my notice.

And I will be only too glad to give credit to any play which I can to you. There is not much chance of that now, however, with the season ended and the play closed, but when it opens in the fall there will be. I am hoping in the time between now and the end of the play's career to write another Negro play which I have in mind—in which case my association with Mr. Gilpin, always a pleasant one from the very start, may be continued and his "Where do I go from here?" may find a solution to the problem which he has so ably and ably handled.

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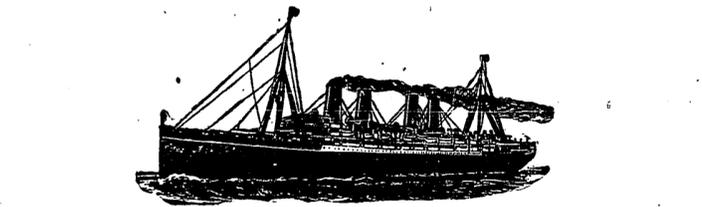
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MILITARY CENSORSHIP RE-ESTABLISHED HAITIAN PRESS IS CHARGED

Haitian Authors of Memorial to Congress Appeal to American People

An appeal to the American people was published here today by the Haitian authors of the Memorial to Congress, who assert that a rigorous press censorship has been reestablished in Port-au-Prince by Colonel John H. Russell, who they assert, has imprisoned two editors and forbidden Haitian newspapers to publish American newspaper comments on the recently published Memorial.

CALIFORNIA RACE HATERS COVET BUSINESS OF "BROWN" COMPETITORS

Preso, California's hot-bed of race, anarchy and Bolshevism, is very busily engaged at the present time in drumming up her "assembly" (7) to meet in San Francisco on June 25, an endeavor to wrest from the Japanese their little meat shops and fruit stands.

CRISTOBAL BRANCH GETS ITS CHARTER

May 8 will go down in history to the Cristobal Branch of the U. N. I. A. as the day when the charter was granted to the Cristobal Branch of the U. N. I. A. by the Executive Committee of the U. N. I. A. in New York City.

MARCUS GARVEY A DOER NOT A SAYER

The Editor The Workman of Panama: I am glad to see in the columns of your journal an expression of my opinion regarding an article appearing in the Workman of May 11, 1921, entitled "Garvey a Doer Not a Sayer".

UNIVERSITY'S BRILLIANT COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES GREAT EVENT

Hon. Wm. H. Lewis, Commencement Orator—Honorary Degree Conferred Upon Dr. Charles E. Bentley of Chicago—Trustees and Alumni Hold Annual Meetings—Librarian Commission Guests

AGUINALDO IS BRIDE OF DIRECTOR MELENCO

WASHINGTON, June 19.—Miss Carmen Aguinaldo, daughter of the famous Filipino insurgent leader, who has been married to Dr. J. M. Meleoco, director of the Philippine Press Bureau at Washington.

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COMMENCEMENT NOTES OF BRAITHWAITE SHORTHAND SCHOOL

Through inadvertence mention of the report of the graduation exercises of Braithwaite Shorthand School has been omitted from a previous issue. It is a pleasure to announce a pleasing rendition of a vocal solo entitled "Love is Like a Bubble," written by Mr. W. A. Morgan, a colored composer, who is also a graduate of the school and has made wonderful success in the commercial field, having worked his way up from the position of stenographer to that of office manager and secretary of a large business concern.

PRIZES AWARDED

Announcement was made of the award of various prizes to the following students: The Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority of 110 to the young woman in the School of Liberal Arts graduated with the highest average scholarship during the four years of work at Howard University was awarded to Miss Pauline Johnson Phillips.

PROF. MOULTON CHARACTERIZES THE STORY AS A FABLE AND "RHIBAL SATIS"

LONDON, June 24.—Dr. R. G. Moulton, professor of literature at the University of Chicago, addressing a gathering of students at the University of Chicago, characterized the story of the "Rhibal Satis" as a fable and "Rhibal Satis".

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