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NAACP Seeks To Learn If Aged Man Died Of Neglect In County Jail

A bill passed in the Georgia Legislature on Wednesday, which provides for the appointment of a special jury to investigate the death of an elderly man in a county jail, has been hailed by the NAACP as a landmark in the fight against lynchings.

The first five sections of the measure have been passed before the Senate. The bill is now in the hands of the House. It is expected that the measure will be passed in the next few days.

The bill provides that a special jury of five members shall be appointed by the court to investigate the death of any person who has been held in a county jail and who has died while in custody.

The NAACP has expressed its appreciation for the passage of this bill, which it believes will help to bring about a more humane and just system of dealing with prisoners.

The bill also provides that the special jury shall report to the court within a reasonable time after its appointment.

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Congress Urged To Secure Rights For All Citizens

Senator Glen Taylor Urges Speed Of Laws Says Freeing Of Slaves Made U. S. Obligated To Group

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Senator Glen Taylor, Democrat of New York, today urged Congress to speed the passage of laws which would guarantee the rights of all citizens.

Senator Taylor said that the United States is obligated to group laws which will protect the rights of all citizens, regardless of race or color.

He said that the passage of such laws is essential to the maintenance of a just and democratic society.

Senator Taylor's remarks were made during a speech in the Senate on the proposed Civil Rights Bill.



Senator Glen Taylor, center, with other members of the Senate, gathered around a table during a session.

Georgia Wins High Rank On Race Relations Schomburg Honor Roll

Ellis Arnall, Negro Democrats Among Others Cited For Democratic Service

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The honor roll recognizes individuals and organizations that have made significant contributions to the fight against racial discrimination.

Thompson Ruled Legal Governor Of Georgia

BULLETIN
McDONOUGH, Ga.—Judge Walter C. Hendrix ruled in Henry County Superior Court Wednesday that Herman Talmadge was legally elected Georgia Governor by the Legislature. The contrasting House and McDonough rulings go to the Supreme Court for another decision.

ROME, Ga.—(SWS)—In a decision according to M. E. Thompson, the legal title to the governorship of Georgia, Judge Claude H. Porter, presiding over the Superior Court here, declared that the duty of the Georgia Legislature ended on the physical fact of counting the votes of the election and could not continue beyond that point.

The case was filed in the name of acting Governor M. E. Thompson against the Pardon and Paroles Board and Helen W. Cook, a majority of the members of the board.

Mr. Thompson had requested Parole Board to file its budget for the year ending June 30, 1946.

The case acted upon by Judge Claude Porter at Rome, Ga., was decided to the press, set for a hearing Feb. 12, he declared.

The parties involved were M. E. Thompson, as plaintiff, and the State Board of Pardons and Paroles as defendant. The State Board of Pardons and Paroles was appointed by Ellis Arnall.

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ATLANTA, Ga.—(SWS)—The Roy Harris White Primary bill sped five swift rounds through the legislative hopper Tuesday by a vote ranging from 25 to 32, a clear majority of the Senate membership.

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Sumter Furniture Local Votes

Tues. Feb. 18

Walter Wilson, president of the NAACP, said Monday that the NLRB election would be held on Tuesday, Feb. 18, at 10:30 p. m.

The NLRB election will be held at the Sumter Hotel, 100 N. Main St., at 10:30 p. m. on Tuesday, Feb. 18.

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Fire Destroys Mayo School At Darlington

DARLINGTON, S. C.—A fire believed to have originated in the boiler house, destroyed the spacious and modern Mayo high school here early Sunday morning, with damages estimated at above \$40,000.

PDP Club Setup At Greeleyville

Greeleyville, S. C.—The PDP Club was organized here Monday afternoon at a meeting in the Greeleyville Club.

The club was organized to promote the interests of the Democratic Party in the community.

Elks Hold State Mid-Winter Meet

The mid-winter state meeting of the Elks Club will be held here Feb. 17-18.

The meeting will be held at the Elks Club, 100 N. Main St., from Feb. 17 to 18.

Bishop R. S. Ranson Speaks Here Sunday

Bishop R. S. Ranson, of the Episcopal Diocese of South Carolina, will speak here Sunday.

Atlanta Paper Says U. S. Court Will Kill Bill

EDITOR'S NOTE: Because of its great significance and view point on the issue of the "white primary" and being the opinion of a southern newspaper, we are reprinting in full a following editorial from the ATLANTA CONSTITUTION of Feb. 15, 1947.

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