

## Many Students Threaten To Leave Fisk University.

### Because of Harsh Orders By President McKenzie, A Large Portion of the Student Body Threatens to Quit the School—Some Senior Students Have Already Been Suspended. Trouble Still Brewing.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb.—(By Associated Negro Press.)—President F. A. McKenzie has even senior students assuming the leading roles in the dramatic outburst which has featured activities at Fisk university during the past week, the public and friends of the institution now await new developments which have been presaged by the threat of a large portion of the student body to quit the school if the order suspending certain of the senior students is not rescinded.

Trouble first broke out openly Wednesday night when nearly one hundred students banded in a demonstration against the president of the school because of an order he had issued against conversation between the male and female students on the campus. He had refused to listen to delegations of senior students who approached him with a view of getting him to modify the order.

The demonstration was in the nature of a parade and not nearly so serious as indicated by dispatches to the daily papers. It is explained that it was natural for McKenzie to have called the police because of his temperament which is nervous and fearful. Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie are both described as persons lacking in courage that gives one poise and the command of extraordinary situations.

Five students were at first arrested, then two more. They were: Robert Anderson, Charlotte, N. C.; Victor Perry, Louisville, Ky.; Edward Goodwin, Tulsa, Okla.; Edward Taylor, Tuskegee, Ala.; Charles Lewis, Chattanooga, Tenn.; J. B. Crawford, Texarkana, Ark.; and George W. Streater, of this city.

After having announced, just following the disorder, that "We have no desire to injure or hurt any students," McKenzie, president, gave out the statement that "a considerable number" of the students voted to leave the university in a body as a result of the suspension of four students which was ordered as a sequel to the demonstration.

Trouble has been brewing at Fisk university for ten years, ever since McKenzie became president, according to W. E. B. DuBois, a graduate of Fisk. But it was not until DuBois was given an opportunity to speak at the school last June that the fire broke out. In that speech DuBois called attention to the suppression of student initiative and spirit and the foisting upon them of practices which were dictated by white persons who were giving money to the school.

DuBois declares that McKenzie did not raise the million-dollar endowment fund for Fisk, that it was got up by Mr. Baldwin, member of the board of trustees. He produces evidence to show that on several occasions investigations have been made there only to have the results suppressed or ignored. McKenzie has run the university and the trustees, who have known that

he was wrong, have been content to keep hands off. The credit for starting the present trouble is placed upon the shoulders of Mr. DuBois and he seems willing to take it. He has announced that he does not desire to be president of the school or to have any official connection with it, but he is firm in his belief that McKenzie should be forced out. He is frank to admit that he is working to that end for the good of the institution.

In connection with the outbreak Wednesday night, three senior students, George W. Streater, Ernest T. Crossley, and F. J. Anderson, Jr., made the following statement:

"First—There has been no riot. There had been a demonstration against what we believe to be the tyrannical rules of the present administration at Fisk.

"Second—There were no threats of personal violence made against the safety of either the matron, Miss Boynton, the president, Dr. McKenzie, Dr. Jefferson or any individual connected with the administration.

"Third—The demonstration had quieted long before the arrival of the police.

"Fourth—Dr. McKenzie had no proof as to the leaders, so-called, of the alleged riot, but it is fully known that he gave the sergeant of police a list of names which included seven men students who made former protests to the board of trustees last November against the policies of Dr. McKenzie's administration.

"Fifth—There have been no secret mass meetings. The last meeting held was attended by the faculty. The men under arrest were elected by the students and rest were elected by the students faculty and trustees.

"Sixth—The demands of the students were partially granted by the trustees and ignored by the president. This action provoked the demonstration.

"The men arrested on Dr. McKenzie's orders have retained Ev-Gov. Roberts to represent them."

### Jewish Program Calls For Action Against Lynching.

(By The Associated Negro Press.) New York, Feb.—According to the information service of the Federal Council of Churches, the Union of Hebrew Congregations, in its recent convention, adopted a social justice program which included among a number of other things, a call for federal legislation against lynching.

### Ex-President Mance Here Tuesday.

Enroute to the annual meeting of the Bishops' Council of the A. M. E. Church, now in session at Wilmington, N. C., Dr. Robert W. Mance, well known educator and churchman, a former president of Allen University and now pastor of a large church in Nashville, Tenn., was in the city Tuesday for several hours.

## The Federal Prison Awaits Marcus Garvey.

### GLEE CLUBS UNITE RACES.

Colored and White Glee Clubs Have Recitals Together.

### SING TO MIXED AUDIENCE

Second Recital Given to accommodate Overflow

(By The Associated Negro Press.) Richmond, Va., Feb.—More than any other one unit, the Sabbath Glee Club, a vocal musical organization of this city, is doing a great service in bringing the two races closer together in a mutual understanding. The Apollo Club, white, came to the Sabbath Glee Club's rehearsal rooms a few nights ago, and before a mixed audience they held a reciprocal concert. On Sunday, February 1, the Sabbath Glee Club and a group of picked trained singers numbering a hundred mixed voices gave a folk-song recital at the Bijou Theatre and the throng both white and colored was so great they had to give two performances for the benefit of the overflow crowd who refused to go away after learning that they could not gain admittance. At the second performance more than two hundred people were turned away thus showing that both the colored and white people are learning to bow with reverence to the old Negro spirituals.

### AFRO-AMERICAN SETS PACE.

(By The Associated Negro Press.) Chicago, Ill., Feb.—The current issue of The Linotype News carries an illuminating story of the Afro-American, published in Baltimore, paying high tribute to the late Mr. John H. Murphy, and to his sons who now direct the activities of the journal. A special word of praise is given because of the Afro's advanced mechanical equipment. It is one of the few colored plants to have installed a monotype machine and the only colored plant with the latest model Mergenthaler linotype, Model number 14. In addition to the large number of display faces which run in the magazines of that machine, a number of the larger faces, in thirty and thirty-six point, have been added.

### Let The Women Do The Work.

(By The Associated Negro Press.) Philadelphia, Pa., Feb.—Both women's rights and prohibition are unknown among the natives of Africa, according to Dr. Alfred Collins, explorer, who gave an illustrated lecture Wednesday night before the Philadelphia Geographical Society.

Dr. Collins, who recently returned from a trip through the Belgian Congo, said the native males were probably the laziest hummas on earth. He said the women did all the heavy work, besides the cooking and other household duties and often carried water several miles while the men lay around all day doing nothing.

### VALEDICTORIAN OF CLASS

SECOND OF HER RACE TO WIN THIS HONOR

### Helen Jackson Valedictorian of Her Class at John Marshall High School

(By The Associated Negro Press.) Minneapolis, Minn., Feb.—Helen N. Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Madison Jackson, was graduated as valedictorian of her class at the John Marshall high school here. Miss Jackson was also associate editor of The Judge, the school paper, and one of the editors of The Cardinal, the school annual. She is the second colored student to win valedictory honors in the Twin City high schools, and is now registered at the University of Minnesota.

### PREACHERS CHECKS TABOOED.

(By The Associated Negro Press.) Charlotte, N. C., Feb.—"It is a sad commentary upon the character and integrity of our ministry," remarks the editor of the Star of Zion, official organ of the A. M. E. Zion church, "when the bishops of the church, because of repeated and flagrant defaults, are driven to the disgraceful necessity of issuing a ban against the acceptance of personal checks in the annual conferences, in payment of claims. We shudder at the damnation of it all."

### Pythians Make Promotions.

(By The Associated Negro Press.) New Orleans, La., Feb.—Supreme Chancellor S. W. Green announced today that Sir T. G. Nutter of West Virginia had been appointed Supreme Master of Exchequer of the Knights of Pythias of N. A., S. A., E. A., A., etc. Charles E. Mitchell of Charleston of the same state was made a member of the Finance Committee. Chancellor Greene pointed out that Mr. Mitchell's qualifications as a certified accountant fitted him peculiarly for the position.

### J. D. Carr, Asheville Editor A Columbia Visitor.

Prominent among the visitors to the capital city during the week was a party of Asheville citizens headed by J. D. Carr, editor and publisher of The Asheville Enterprise of North Carolina. Mr. Carr was here circulating among Columbia business men. Others in his party were: Louis R. Barber and L. E. Parks of the Enterprise editorial staff.

### The Sentence of Five Years in Federal Penitentiary of Marcus Garvey is Upheld by the Court of Appeals—He was Arrested in Harlem Thursday Night by James Amos, an Agent of the Department of Justice.

New York, N. Y., Feb.—The sentence of five years in the federal penitentiary of Marcus Garvey upheld by the court of appeals, the head of the Universal Negro Improvement Association was arrested in Harlem Thursday night by James Amos, an agent of the department of justice. A bench warrant was issued for him following his failure to appear in federal court Tuesday.

Garvey was sentenced two years ago after having been found guilty of using the mails to defraud in promoting the defunct Black Star Steamship Co. He appealed the case which has just been heard. The only other recourse now open to him is to go to the United States Supreme

court. In the meantime, the business of the Association is to be carried on by William H. Sherrill, assistant president general; G. E. Carter, secretary general and Clifford S. Bourne, chancellor.

The New York World refers to Garvey as a dream-child and asks the question as to whether Garvey is guilty of fraud. "Under our law, yes, comments the World editorially, "but not in that gorgeous place where Garvey lived. In that glamorous abode there are no laws, only the poetry of green hills far away. Now Garvey is in the clutches of our cold, hard system. It is a pity. He is really not amenable to our laws. He is a citizen of Afro-Utopia."

### Beauty Makes Bow In New York.

(By The Associated Negro Press.) New York, N. Y., Feb.—While I have been a visitor at the big central business structure of the Pro Beauty Culture Institute in St. Louis, Mo., one of the most modern business establishments in the country, I have never been so impressed with the greatness of the institution as on January 27, when we participated in the graduation exercises at the New York branch of the organization operated by Mmes. Evans Forbes and Ada McKie when fifteen students received their diplomas at the hand of Councilor David Outear.

A number of artists contributed to the evening's program which was arranged by the great out-of-door showman Prof. Alphenzo whose interest in his, an indoor affair, was purely voluntary. Mme. Richmond, Mrs. L. M. Cartwright, D. M. Hicks, Vincent Gulliver, The Gatlin Sisters Mrs. Gertrude DeVevey, Lillian Stone and the Perkins sisters participated in the program.

Among the guests at the affair which was held in the school room, were Michael Claffet, of the Be-Neet Company, and Oscar Benson, city editor of the New York News, Mrs. R. B. Norris was Mistress of Ceremonies.

### W. T. B. Williams Visitor Here.

Tuesday afternoon, Dr. W. T. B. Williams, noted Tuskegee Institute educator, one of the field secretaries of the Jeans School Building Fund was in the city. For several years Dr. Williams was connected with Hampton Institute. He is Dr. Robert R. Moton's right hand man at Tuskegee.

### Governor McLeod Speaks at Sidney Park

#### CHURCH WAS CROWDED

Sidney Park C. M. E. Church was filled Sunday afternoon to greet Governor T. G. McLeod who was previously announced as the speaker to address the Epworth League of which T. J. Morris is the president. The Governor in a very pleasing and eloquent manner was presented to the audience by the pastor, the Rev. W. E. Farmer. For about forty-five minutes Governor McLeod held the rapt attention of his audience as he discoursed upon the training of young people for upright and useful citizenship. Throughout the whole address the audience was impressed with the fact that the Governor was a man who believed in the work of the church in its attempt to interpret the Christian religion and which religion he professed, believed in and tries in his everyday duties to practise. Another enjoyable part of the occasion was the musical program which was rendered partly before and after the Governor's address. The choir under the direction of Henry Allen rendered many of the old time spirituals as only a well trained choir of colored people can. Interspersed among the efforts of the choir were solos and quartets. While all acquitted themselves well, the solos of Mrs. J. C. White and Mrs. Vanilla Clark were especially good. The Rev. Farmer needs to be commended for giving the colored citizens the opportunity to hear the Governor on such an occasion. But even in doing that the Doctor is only exhibiting a characteristic of his—the offering of the best at all times for the improvement of those among whom he labors. Sunday's occasion was a interesting program which were but the opening of a series of in-carried out throughout the week each night, the real object of which was the success of a financial drive put on by the church.