

White Southerners Boost Hampton-Tuskegee Fund

COLORED SERVANTS WIN WILL CONTEST

BAPTIST EDUCATIONAL AND MISSIONARY CONVENTION

Their Meeting at Orangeburg Was Great—They Raised During the Year \$74,000

THE OLD AND NEW CONVENTION TO CONSOLIDATE

The representatives of the 280,000 Negro Baptists of South Carolina have returned to their respective homes, and what is said to be the finest and grandest Convention among the Negro Baptists of this state is now history. This Convention met in Orangeburg, the "Athens of South Carolina," 27, 28, 29 and 30th of May. The delegation was large and their very faces bore the marks of earnestness and consecration. They were there from Marlboro on the east to the Savannah on the west; and from York and Cher-o-okee on the north to Charleston, Beaufort and Georgetown on the south.

Rev. R. M. Myers, Opening Sermon

The opening sermon which is always the key-note sermon of the Convention was preached by that eloquent and peerless "Black Spurgeon," the Rev. R. M. Myers of Columbia. The Rev. Myers used these words as a text: "Let there be no strife between thy herdsmen and my herdsmen for we be brethren." The sermon struck a responsive cord in the bosom of every delegate who heard it and those who did not hear it, heard others talking about it. The sermon was well prepared, fluently delivered and enthusiastically received, and rigidly followed during the entire session.

The addresses of welcome were eloquently delivered by Judge Brantley on behalf of the city, Dr. N. C. Nix for the Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church; for the white Baptists of the city by Congressman Fulmer, of the 6th Congressional district; on behalf of the M. E. Church, Dr. Freeman; the A. M. E. Church by Dr. Brogden, who was most eloquent. That master of the platform, Dr. A. E. Quick, acted as Master of Ceremonies while the Rev. Goings G. Daniels, the boy orator from the Sampit city of Georgetown, happily and eloquently responded to these warm welcomes.

The usual routine was gone into from day to day. Wednesday night the Rev. W. P. Williams of Greenwood preached a very forceful and inspiring doctrinal sermon.

Thursday—Educational Day
The main features of this day were the addresses by Prof. A. W. Nicholson, Rev. G. W. Blocker, Vice-President of the Co-operative Baptist State Convention; Dr. R. W. Baylor of Columbia, who read the report for the trustees of Morris College.

Dr. J. J. Starks Captures Convention

In his usual unostentatious way Dr. J. J. Starks, president of Morris College captured the big Convention when he told of the progress of Morris College for the last thirteen years. His report showed for the school year just ended that seventy-two had graduated, 10 of these with the

degree of A. B. \$32,000 for operation expense; \$25,000 on new building and \$25,000 given by the General Educational Board of New York.

New \$50,000 Building to Go Up
The report showed that the College lost by fire the Lagree Building, which was of wood but will be replaced by a modern brick structure at a cost of \$50,000 by next September. An insurance of \$13,000 was over the building.

Dr. C. B. Antisdel Presents Benedict College Claims
Following the enthusiasm created by the splendid report of Morris College, Dr. C. B. Antisdel told of the marvelous improvements at Benedict College. Dr. Antisdel makes no pretence at oratory, but brings to his hearers stubborn facts. His plea for Christian education carried the Convention off its feet.

He told of the \$90,000 new Science Hall almost completed and also the new Training School building and how to put the College in the "A Class." The Convention unanimously voted to raise the \$5,000 he asked of it.

Rev. H. H. Butler, the Orator

The educational sermon was preached Thursday night by the Rev. H. H. Butler, A. B., Harts-ville. This by unanimous consent was pronounced the greatest educational sermon ever delivered before that body by anyone, by the oldest members of the Convention. It made a profound impression on all; it gave a new conception of education. Men and women forgot themselves as young Butler poured out floods of eloquence, pregnant with history, his refutation of the scientists so-called on the theory of evolution of organic and inorganic man, the virgin-birth of Christ was grand. At times his words were as ferocious as the beasts, and then they were as sublime as the stars and at other times sparkled as dew-drops and as tender as down.

After Eschines had been banished from Athens after his futile effort to wrest the crown from Demosthenes, he set up a school of oratory at Rhodes. When he was rehearsing his opponent Demosthenes' speech to his pupils they burst out in applause, he gravely said: "You ought to have heard the beast himself." You ought to have heard H. H. Butler himself.

Two Conventions Unite

Friday was a day when special emphasis was placed on missions, the Secondary Schools, 14 in number, were presented ably to the Convention by Dr. H. M. Moore.

The sermon by Dr. W. H. Moses of New York City was the capstone of the Convention, his subject was "Bring the Mule to Me," the people of South Carolina thought they had heard Dr. Moses at his best on former oc-



E. A. PARKER, Esq.

In the faculty meeting of the 16th, to the trustee board of Allen University, through the president of the College, Prof. E. A. Parker, whose cut appears above, tendered his resignation to take effect June 1.

For seven years the subject of this sketch has been principal of the English Dept., and indeed an efficient, patient and painstaking instructor was he, justly meriting the love of his pupils and respect and esteem of his co-workers and employers.

Using Lawyer Parker's own words, "The shift in the drama of his life comes, because of his hearing and heard, having answered the call to a broader field." Recently the Supreme Court of South Carolina commissioned E. A. Parker to practice law in all the courts of the State and subsequently the Governor commissioned him a notary, so now, later this summer, he hangs his shingle in the mountain metropolis or the gate city of the Santee, E. A. Parker Attorney and Counsellor at Law.

If either Greenville or Florence secures the citizenship of Lawyer Parker, she will have added a factor for service to all of the people unequalled in generations. An upright citizen, a painstaking and sympathetic lawyer, a Christian gentleman.

Allen regrets very much to yield to the demands that summons Esq. Parker to larger duties for his State. We hope

Lexington, Ky., June.—In a court decision handed down this week the will of the late John T. Hughes, wealthy white Kentucky turfman bequeathing the majority of his estate valued at \$600,000 was upheld. Relatives of Hughes had contested the instrument.

The property and some money of the deceased Kentuckian was willed to Ellen Davis, his 84-year-old Negro housekeeper and her son, Robert E. Hughes, the natural son of the dead man. Miss Davis gets the homestead and its valuable furnishings in addition to a few hundred acres farm. Her son is given a 160-acre farm and other money. Another servant is willed a 96-acre farm. Miss Davis and Hughes were of the same age. It has been announced that the decision will be appealed.

CRIPPLED DAUGHTER PUNISHED BY DYING MOTHER'S REQUEST

Reading, Pa., June.—A fine of \$25 and costs and an order to pay \$70 interest due, in the case on which her mother, Mrs. Harriet Seeders, of Pottstown, since deceased, was the prosecutrix, was the sentence imposed by the Berks Court on Mrs. Bessie H. Trout, of this city. She was charged with misappropriating funds amounting to \$4,000, belonging to her mother. Part of the money was spent on a \$1,500 automobile, which was refunded by surrendering the machine.

The Commonwealth is pressing for sentence on Mrs. Trout, who is a cripple and had four children, did so only because it was the dying wish of the mother that her daughter be punished.

and predict that the next decade will write on the credit sheet of his life's ledger an overwhelming success and that scores of young men of the race under whose gaze he will now move, will be inspired to emulate his worthy example, resulting in a colored lawyer or lawyers in every county of the state.



G. LEE RATLIFF, State President.

First Annual Meeting of the State Association of the I. B. P. O. E. of W.

The first annual meeting of the State Association of the I. B. P. O. E. of W. of South Carolina, will meet in Darlington, S. C., Wednesday and Thursday, June 10-11, 1925, with G. Lee Ratliff, presiding.

The public at large is invited to come on to Darlington and help the Elks celebrate their first Annual Convention.

About 85,000,000 animals were slaughtered for meat in the United States last year.

A patient at the Royal Hospital in Scotland, for 5 years 7 months died at the age of 90.

TACHERS IN OLD HOWARD

"The cut below is 14 of the 15 teachers in charge of the work in the Old Howard School building which stands across the street from the jail and which has stood there more than half a century. My observations for while taking some pictures of the upper grade recalled many pleasant memories. I thought of the hundreds of men and women of Columbia who played around this building, studied and finished courses in the grammar and high school—men and women who have made good in life possibly because they were inspired here in Old Howard from early days to be men and women

Tuskegee Institute, Ala., June
A statement signed by sixty of the leading white citizens here—city officials, merchants, bankers and farmers—commending the work of Tuskegee Institute and pledges amounting to \$15,000.00 from the students and teachers of the Institute were features of the local response to the recent announcement of the opening of the Southern campaign in behalf of Hampton and Tuskegee Institutes which are seeking jointly to raise an additional endowment fund of \$5,000,000.

"Tuskegee Institute has ever stood for the best relations between the two races," the statement says and commends its 250 teachers and 2,000 students as "the best Negro community in the country."

"The graduates who have settled in this country have made good, law-abiding citizens and are a help to the community," the statement continues, "and we have found them honest in their dealings, able to make a good living, and wherever they have gone, the moral tone among the Negroes has been greatly improved."

whose service to the world is worth while."

"The teachers in this group are to be commended for the fidelity they have and the great interest they seem to take in their work and in the people's children. They are working under many adverse circumstances but nevertheless they go about their work with as much earnestness as tho' they were working in one of the modern buildings with all conveniences needed. It is commendable.

"My mother attended school in the Old Howard school building over 50 years ago and to her no spot in Columbia is as dear as the Old Howard school. The Alumni Society of Howard school should prepare a history of this institution that unborn generations may read the record. It is the hope of many that a new school building will be erected to take the place of Old Howard—but in another section of the city.

Richard S. Roberts, Photographer.



PRINCIPAL AND TEACHERS OF OLD HOWARD SCHOOL