

K. of P. Grand Lodge In Newberry July 28-29-30

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS GRAND LODGE MEETS IN NEWBERRY NEXT WEEK. OFFICIAL OPENING MONDAY NIGHT

President Sims To Respond to Mayor.—Other Speakers. First Encampment of Uniform Rank. Military Display Thursday.

The twenty-first annual convention of the South Carolina Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias convenes in Newberry next week. The Knights will hold their sessions in Bethlehem Baptist Church and the sessions of the Grand Courts will be held in Miller Chapel A. M. E. Church Grand Chancellor Julius A. Brown will preside over the sessions of the Knights and Major P. A. Roper over the sessions of the Courts.

much has been done to make the entertainment of the Grand Lodge as good, if not better than at any previous Convention cities. They have plenty of spacious and accommodating homes, good water, spring chickens, Jersey cow milk and places for recreation, while the delegates sojourn in the city of Newberry. The session in Newberry will be historic. The reports of the Grand Chancellor, the Grand Keeper of Records

The State Sunday School And B. Y. P. U. Convention Elects Dr. J. C. White, President--\$7,320.05 Raised

ORATORY FEATURED 1st DAY'S MEET

The 19th Annual Session of the State Sunday School and Baptist Young People's Union Convention goes

order as everybody was anxious to hear the introductory sermon which is considered the most important sermon of any convention. This sermon was preached by the Rev. B. M. Parker, of Rock Hill, a product of Friend-

IS TRUE TO HIMSELF HAMPTON ENROLLS 667 TEACHERS

West Chester, Pa., July—Declaring a month ago that he would take his life on July 1, 1925, Dr. Geolan Evans, aged 39 years old, a colored veteran of the world war, who was gassed and was still suffering from the effects, shot himself Thursday night at about 7 o'clock in the home of his uncle, James Evans, 425 E. Bernard St., and near Virginia has furnished 226 stu-



SIR JULIUS A. BROWN, Grand Chancellor.

The convention will bring to Newberry over 1,000 delegates besides the Uniform Rank companies and the Cadets. For the first time in the history of the order will General Willie McGhee, his staff officers and men of the Companies Camp under tents which have been provided for them by the Grand Lodge, be encamped. The tents are there and have been placed on the grounds of Drayton Street High School for the comfort and care of "the boys" when they come in Monday and Tuesday. It will be a treat to see the annual parade and demonstration given by the men in uniform Thursday of next week which is "Military Day" at the Convention. This is usually a big feature of the Grand Lodge session and brings to the seat of the Convention thousands of visitors and spectators from all parts of the State.

Under the direction of Deputy Wm. Davis, J. B. Morgan, Thos. E. Williams, Ed. Floyd, U. S. Gatlman, Doctors Singleton and Williams, Dr. Edward P. Ellis and others of the local lodges

and Seal, the Grand Master of Exchequer, the Grand Medical Register and the Grand Attorney will, as usual, present matters of vital interest and should engage the careful attention of the body. The Grand Chancellor will report eleven new lodges instituted during the year and over 2,000 policies issued new members. The various departments of the Order have grown in proportion and with a background of unparalleled achievements, Julius A. Brown, with his usual ability, will sound the keynote in his annual address for a future of success and prosperity.

The Grand Lodge will be pleased with the records submitted from the efficient Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, who has done much for the forward movement and onward march of the work. The men may expect a round report from Dr. Robt. Shaw Wilkinson, the Grand Master of Exchequer. At the proper time his report will show that the funds of the Order are in good hands, accurately

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DR. J. C. WHITE
Pastor of Zion Baptist Church, Columbia, S. C., President of the State Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Convention.

down in history as the greatest convention in the annals of Baptist church activities from the standpoint of attendance, speeches delivered, papers read and group meeting. This convention has been transformed from the old convention idea into a veritable "school of methods."

The city of Laurens was the scene of this great convention. The entertainment accorded us by the citizens of Laurens was the very best we have ever received in the nineteen years of the life time of this convention. The white people took a deeper interest in this session than ever before, their speeches were more cordial, and welcome more genuine, and in fact, the colored people of the state have a new conception of the city of Laurens. Everybody was comfortably entertained. Great is Laurens in the unanimous chorus sung by all. Too much praise cannot be given to the Rev. J. W. Matthias and to Mrs. Mary Whitner for the way they handled the situation—even without a hitch. The St. Paul Church was without a pastor, the Rev. J. C. Tobin having resigned the same about three months ago; the deacon board called on the Rev. J. W. Matthias to handle the convention for the Church.

Wednesday Night - Pre-Convention Session

All day Wednesday crowds began to roll into Laurens. Dust covered, and hungry; some by Railway and more still in all makes of automobiles. They were here from the Capital City, Chester, Rock Hill, Lancaster, Kershaw, Sumter, Darlington, Florence, Charleston, Georgetown, Beaufort, Allendale, and Aiken. When the pre-convention session opened Wednesday the St. Paul Baptist Church was crowded with strangers from all parts of the state to listen to the welcome addresses and others. Welcome addresses were delivered by Dr. Western Bruner, pastor of the First Baptist Church the Rev. J. C. McClennon, pastor of the African Methodist Episcopal Church; and Prof. and Mrs. J. W. Matthias. From each speaker one could see the very breath of welcome and cordiality. Dr. A. A. Sims, Union, responded in a happy vein of wit, bubbling over with oratory, but restrained because he knew somehow, the next day would be the supreme effort of his varied speaking career. A collection of \$41 was taken and turned over to the officers of the church.

FIRST DAY'S SESSION

At 9:30 the executive board met in the basement of the church, to "tuck up the ravel sleeve" of the convention's yearly work. This was done in short

ship College, from the subject of the "Fixity of Heart." Text: "O God my heart is fixed." The preparation of the sermon was thorough, the delivery magnetic, and its reception was with joy. The retiring president Rev. H. M. Moore took matters in hand and soon cleaned the program slate of all minor matters, when the adjournment for dinner came it found the two opposing forces facing each other, both the White and the Lawson factions, determined to fight to the last ditch.

Retiring President's Address
Dr. H. M. Moore who had been the president of the convention for the last eighteen years delivered his last message amid a painful silence, so much so that Dr. D. F. Thompson, of Augusta, Ga., arose and commented on the indifference manifested. The secret was; that it had been told all over the state that Dr. Moore was opposing the election of Dr. White to the presidency, and too it was that sickening "calm" that always precedes a storm, was the only reason.

The enrollment having been completed the time for nomination was in order. From what could be seen and noised about the grounds the line-up was stiff on either side.

A Battle of Wits and Oratory
Before the real battle came off, it was plain to a blind man that Dr. White would be overwhelmingly elected over any two who could be put in the field against him.

Notwithstanding all this, Dr. White did not have everything his own way—not by a long shot—because old battle scarred campaigners like Prof. John R. Wilson, Dr. T. M. Boykin, Rev. J. J. Harrison, Dr. C. W. Hubert, Dr. R. W. Baylor and Dr. E. W. Williams took the field against Dr. White and for a while things looked curious.

But Dr. White sat smiling and said "No three candidates they can bring against me can wrest this election from my grasp—I am indeed sorry for Lawson, his defeat will be crushing." Dr. White had backing his candidacy the younger men of the convention and two thirds of the teachers such as Drs. A. A. Sims, S. J. Rice, F. D. Sims, T. Elliott Hall, Dr. Chas. A. Williams, J. P. Reeder, C. F. Gandy, J. S. Earle, H. Watkins, A. W. Hill, S. C. Campbell, and Dr. J. H. Goodwin, M. D.

The following counties voted solidly for Rev. J. C. White: York, Chester, Union, Cherokee, Spartanburg, Greenville, Anderson, except 2 votes, Laurens, except one vote, Greenwood, Newberry, Aiken, Saluda, Charleston.

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SIR J. B. LEWIE, G. K. of R. & S.

Howly escaped killing his uncle. He obtained one revolver from a bureau drawer, but his uncle disarmed him after a struggle. He had another in a pocket and in the struggle drew this and fired a shot which grazed the head of the uncle, then turned it upon himself and fired a bullet into his brain.

KILLED BY LIGHTENING

(By The Associated Negro Press.)

Bamberg, S. C., July—Harrison, 41 was killed instantly when struck by lightning here Monday afternoon. He had just come in from the field and was seated at the supper table. His wife was also stunned, but recovered.

USE AMERICAN METHODS IN AFRICA

(By The Associated Negro Press.)

New York, N. Y., July—The peonage system so prevalent in the southern states, is being used by the Portuguese in Africa, according to a statement issued by Dr. Edward Ross, professor of sociology of the University of Wisconsin, who has recently traveled extensively in Africa. The statement charges that the Portuguese colonial government requisitioned native labor in Portuguese Africa on a whole sale scale and used it with out pay to promote and develop and was further leased to private planters. The report has been turned over to the League of Nations for action.

Pastor and Mrs. Curtis motored to Aiken last Friday, returning the next day. Mrs. Josh Summers, Mrs. Nora Goodwin and Master Chas. Edward, accompanied the Pastor and his wife. We all enjoyed the trip, and are glad to be back in old Columbia, once more.

MURDERER APPREHENDED AFTER BATTLE

(By The Associated Negro Press.)

Hastings On Hudson, N. Y. July—Dillon Moore, alleged to have shot and wounded his wife and killed her adopted son Wednesday was captured Friday on the New York Central railroad tracks after a pistol battle in which one policeman was also in the leg. Dillon stated upon his arrival at the jail that he was glad he had been caught as he was tired of dodging around and further that he did not care if he died tonight.



SIR N. J. FREDERICK, Grand Attorney



SIR R. S. WILKINSON, Ph. D., Grand Master of Exchequer.