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## Grand Lodge Odd Fellows Meets In Georgetown

District Grand Lodge No. 13, G. U. O. of O. F., District Grand Household of Ruth No. 22 Hold Annual Sessions in Georgetown.

### BEST SESSION IN HISTORY.

Georgetown, the second oldest city in South Carolina whose early settlers came from England and brought with them the chivalry and culture of their na-



PROF. H. H. BUTLER, District Grand Secretary.

...tive land left their hospitality indelibly stamped upon the citizens of today and they revealed it in the entertainment given the Grand Lodge and all others who entered the confines. The Indigo which once was a famous product is gone; the culture of rice has given way to the lumber industry; the sturdy old oaks bearded with hoary moss and giving shelter from the burning sun stand majestically and seem to say welcome; Prince George Winyah Church, the "Westminster Abbey" is looked upon with veneration by the citizens and as

## COLORED GIRL WELL TREATED IN FRENCH MUSIC CONSERVATORY

he quietly and reverently reflects "after all this earthly toil, what is man?" The Sampit river placidly flows almost the length of the town and helps cool the evening after a sultry day. The citizens are proud of their town and

...the races apparently live in peace. The Negroes are well represented in business and the school is well known for the exceptionally good work. The Fifty-fifth Annual Session of District Grand Lodge No. 13 Grand United Order of Odd Fellows and District Grand Household No. 22, of South Carolina convened in the beautiful and historic city named, August 3, 4, 5 and 6. It was an epochal meeting, in that, the composition of the body was of the best men and women of the race in the state. They came for business and they

### SENTENCE FLORIDA WHITES FOR KILLING NEGRO

(By The Associated Negro Press.) Jacksonville, Fla., Aug.—For the first time in a number of years in this county, two white men have been sentenced to prison for killing a Negro. J. R. Sellars and H. Johnson were sentenced to the state prison farm at Raiford for seven years each for the murder of Robert Jones, aged grocerman of this city. Sellars and Johnson filed an appeal from the conviction in criminal court which was denied by Judge Peeler, when the case came up Friday, and they were sentenced. They are charged with having beaten Jones to death on the night of May 30, after he had closed his shop and started home in the Panama section.

Two other white men are being held for the death of a Negro. O. P. Kirkland and W. P. Stokes are being held without bond in the county jail for the death of Richard Burgins, a Negro who came here from Folkston, Ga., July 10 and was alleged to have been killed by them when they accused him of resembling a Negro who had stolen an automobile in the Dinsmore section of the county. The men were identified by another white man with whom Burgins was riding and whom they forced to give Burgins over to them.

### KILLS MULE STUNS MAN

Newberry, Aug.—A mule belonging to Fletcher Chaplin was killed by lightning Sunday night and Chaplin was rendered unconscious by the bolt as he was trying to put a bridle on the mule at Fairview Church during an electrical storm.

### NEGRO LYNCHED IN MISSOURI DID NOT CONFESS GUILT

New York, Aug.—(N. A. A. C. P.) The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 69 Fifth Avenue, today announced receipt of Missouri white daily newspapers, showing that Miller Mitchell, the Negro lynched at Excelsior Springs for alleged attempted assault did not confess his guilt as at first alleged but protested his innocence to the very last. An aged white lawyer publicly charged the mob with hanging an innocent man, and was pursued until he hid in the brush.

### TEXANS PRESENT EVENING WITH NEGRO COMPOSERS

Austin, Tex., Aug.—(A. N. P.) More than three thousand people of both races attended "an evening with Negro Composers" at Ebenezer Tabernacle Friday. The program was composed of the works of Harry T. Burleigh, J. Rosamond Johnson, N. Clark Smith, R. Nathaniel Dett, Hiram Simmons, and others.

In response to an invitation from the chorus, under the direction of Governor Miriam Ferguson of Prof. H. B. P. Johnson, of Nashville, Tennessee, presented a program at the governor's mansion on the following evening.

New York, Aug.—(N. A. A. C. P.) Maude J. Wanzer, a colored music student, whom it was sought to bar from going to France to study at the American Conservatory in Fontainebleau, has written to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 69 Fifth Avenue, to say she was cordially received there and that the French officials and professors of the school show no trace of race prejudice.

In thanking the N. A. A. C. P. for advising her to persevere in her effort to attend the school Miss Wanzer writes:

"It is indeed a great pleasure to write to you and try in my poor way to thank you for the assistance given me in my most needful hour. Encouragement, truly, meant everything.

"... The Director of the Conservatory is really a broad and intelligent man as well as a musician. I have never in my life been accorded the kindness and welcome he extended to me. Each day he shakes my hand and says something encouraging. . . . When they were making the pictures of one class—I thought it another—he caught my arm and took me flying through the corridor and up the stairs, calling 'Encore' and rushed me into the picture . . . . It is such a pity that other members of my race did not come on for the trouble is truly not over here. . . . Please thank all interested persons for me and assure the Negroes, thru the papers, the trouble is not in France."

Miss Wanzer reports cordial treatment from the American students at the Conservatory, even from girls from Texas.

### PRISONER ESCAPES

(By The Associated Negro Press.) Rock Hill, Aug.—A cleverly executed jail delivery gave John Short his freedom. In letting out a barber, John got out. Officers were sitting in the police station office less than fifty feet away but were unable to capture the escaped prisoner. He was accused of wholesale pilfering at the wholesale house at which he had been employed.

### 16 YEAR OLD BOYS GET LONG TERM

(By The Associated Negro Press.) Raleigh, N. C., Aug.—Two 16 year old boys were sentenced to not less than five nor more than ten years in the state prison yesterday for a criminal attack on an eleven year old girl, Maudie Lee Williams.

### PORTUGAL AND AFRICAN SLAVES

(By The Associated Negro Press.) Washington, D. C., Aug.—There has been placed before the League of Nations a report, based on close investigation, of the most deplorable conditions of the Africans under the government of Portugal. The natives are forced to work at stipulated wages and frequently never receive any pay. It all recalls the horrors of Belgium in the days of Leopold. It is something of the same thing practiced by the British in the Tropics of India.



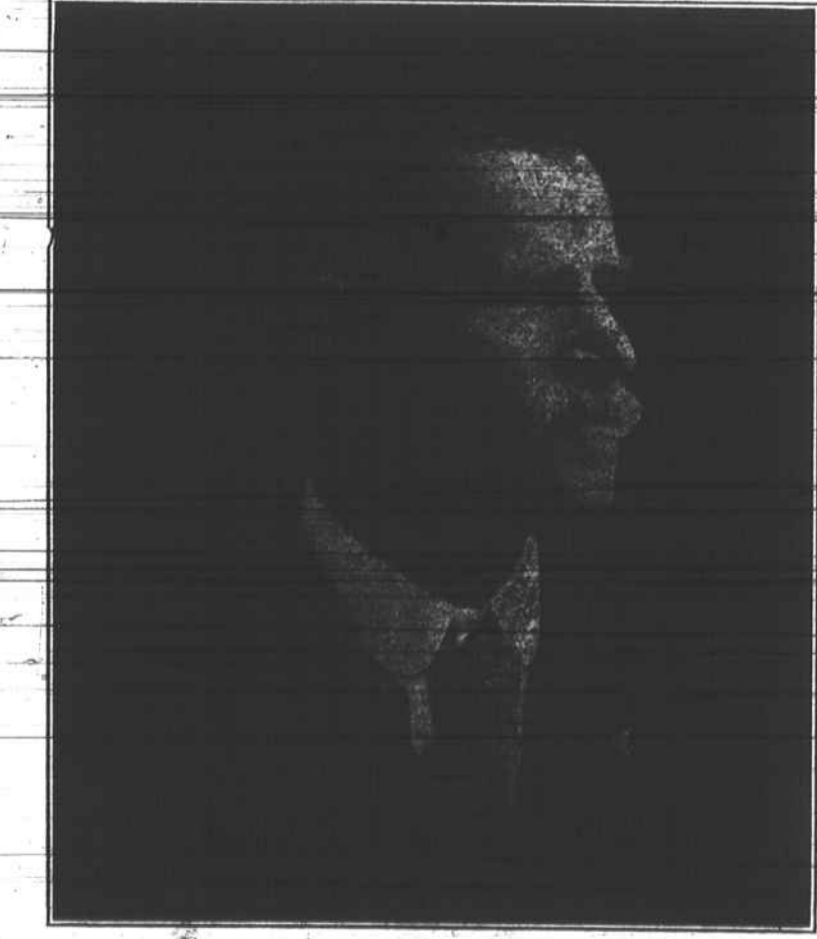
BISHOP W. W. BECKETT, A. M., D. D. Presiding Bishop of the Seventh and Eighth Episcopal Districts of the A. M. E. Church, embracing the States of South Carolina and Mississippi.

### BISHOP BECKETT HOLDS STATEWIDE MEETING

Presiding Elders' Council Brings Many to City—New Administration Inaugurated

all and every man will be able to use his own sunshine under Bishop Beckett's administration. The following schedule shows the conferences to be held by Bishop Beckett next fall. Palmetto conference, Andrews—October 21; Northeast conference November 11th; Central conference; Piedmont conference, November 25th; Columbia conference, December 2nd; South Carolina conference, December 9th. The meeting Tuesday closed with a popular mass and a reception by Dr. Adams and his congregation in Bethel church at night. Dr. W. H. Greatheart of Americus, Ga., Dr. J. S. Johnson of Washington, D. C., secretary-treasurer of the Church Extension department, and Dr. R. W. Mance were the principal speakers. Bishop Beckett announced that Dr. Mance will return to the State next fall which is to the delight of his many friends and admirers. Dr. Mance's return to the State will not disrupt any of the plans to carry out the program at Allen University. The Bishop is happy to find conditions at the College up to standard. Dr. Sims and will back President Sims in his effort to put over Allen's program. But Mance will be cared for—possibly as a presiding elder in his, the Charleston conference or to the pastorate of one of the number one appointments. Bishop Beckett has indorsed the alumni movement and will look to this group for a substantial report of their activities in behalf of the school. There was a different air on Allen's campus last Tuesday. Old and young

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one walks through the church did business. Tuesday morning and over the ground and beholds at the joint session welcome ad-the ancient graves and ye old dresses and responses were de-time inscriptions on the tombs a livered. Prof. J. B. Beck of the hallowed feeling grips him and

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The Bishop gave several short talks during the session and from them the ministers and laymen could learn that Bishop Beckett—as bishop of South Carolina—will be the Bishop and wear his own shoes. But they know the man. There will be a square deal for ministers, laymen and elders were shaking hands with the Christian spirit that should characterize a meeting of the kind. There is a new day for all and a democratic administration has been inaugurated.