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BISHOP GREGG CHEERS TROOPS IN SOUTH PACIFIC WAR THEATRE

PACIFIC WAR THEATRE

SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC, Aug. 2—(AP)—Bishop John A. Gregg, prelate of the A. M. E. church has held nine meetings with Negro soldiers in this theatre of war since his arrival here nearly a fortnight ago, according to an announcement. The bishop was accompanied by Maj. (Chaplain) John A. DeVeaux, formerly attached to the 3rd division.

President Roosevelt and the war department approved the trip by the noted churchman as a method of bolstering the morale of servicemen far away from home.

"The men, except for a bit of natural homesickness, are doing fine," reported Bishop Gregg, "and are determined to give their best endeavor to the winning of the war. That they are loyal Americans goes without saying.

Dr. Mance Conducts Health Course

Health Course

Dr. R. W. Mance, local physician and surgeon, is conducting a health course this summer at the Benedict-Allen summer school for public school nurses. The course now being conducted by Dr. Mance is Health Problems in Public Schools. The emphasis in the course is on health problems relating to the public school and to the public school children. Much attention also is given to the organization and administration of public school health programs.

In addition to the Columbia public school nurses, there are other nurses enrolled in the course from the community and from the local hospitals. Supervisor C. A. Johnson, who is largely responsible for the organization of this course, suggests that in the future an invitation will go out to the nurses in public schools and hospitals throughout the state to take advantage of this new innovation at the Benedict-Allen summer session. Other courses in Public Health will be placed into curriculum.

Armed Forces Overseas Assured Holiday Turkey

Negro fighting men serving overseas are assured turkey when next Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day roll around. No matter where they are, they will have that old standby. Ten million pounds of turkey for the armed forces' holiday dinners have been asked of the turkey growers of the United States by the War Food Administration.

In order to reach our soldiers in the remote parts of the world, it is necessary that shipments of this delicacy be made early. September and October should see the shipments on the way to their destination. This means that turkey will not be on the menus at hotels, restaurants, boarding houses and private homes as early this season as is customary. The supply thus saved will find its way to distant points on military fronts, where the holiday bird will link some hard pressed soldier closer with home.

Civilians will not be greatly inconvenienced, nor will they lose this fine food entirely. The effect on American soldier morale will more than offset any sacrifice made on this side.

War Food Administration officials point out that the amount of turkey required for soldiers is small compared with the estimated 500 million pounds expected to be produced this year, and the turkey dinner John Citizen foregoes for a short while may make a man thousands of miles from home happy and proud that he is an American.

Coffee Ration Over

In a joint statement the War Food Administration and the Office of Price Administration announced the suspension of coffee rationing on July 29.

At present, the nation's stocks of green coffee are at a satisfactory level. Continued improvement in the supply situation has made it safe to suspend rationing at this time.

Benedict-Allen Nursery School A Success

The nursery school and nursery teacher-training class conducted at the Benedict-Allen Summer school has met with unusual success.

Prior to the opening of the summer session, summer school authorities were successful in securing the services of Miss Arretta Carter, of Baltimore, specialist in nursery school work, as teacher trainer and director of the nursery school. Miss Carter is assisted by Miss LaMarin Perrin, of Columbia, and a staff of workers.

The nursery school is being conducted on the first floor of Convention hall. This arrangement furnishes adequate facilities both for the nursery school and for the training of teachers, and includes a kitchen, dining room, sewing and a large play room. Play facilities such as sand boxes and swings are also available for out-of-door play activities of the children.

Twenty-two children are enrolled in the school. The children come to school at 8:30 and remain until 2:00. Here they are furnished all the care and comfort of the home. Parents who have taken advantage of the opportunity of sending their children to the nursery school say that they now can go to their daily tasks with a greater ease of mind. Twenty student-teachers are enrolled in the training class. At the completion of the course, these student-teachers will be available for positions as directors of nursery schools.

Odd Fellows and Household of Ruth Hold Successful Session

Columbia, August 2. District Grand Lodge No. 13 Grand United Order of Odd Fellows and Grand Household of Ruth No. 22 met here today in annual session. Reports of officers noted a steady increase in membership and finances. More than forty thousand (\$40,000) dollars in cash was reported on hand, besides other collectable securities totaling upwards of one hundred thousand dollars.

District Grand Master C. A. Lawson recommended a state-wide campaign for new members and proclaimed a twelve months dispensation lowering the joining fee. Suitable resolutions on the deaths of Grand Master Morris Director Kelson and District M. Noble Governor N. A. McQueen were prepared and adopted in joint session.

Woman's Missionary At Georgetown

Georgetown, S. C.—The Woman's Missionary and Educational Convention of the Jerusalem Association will hold its annual session here August 12-15. Mrs. Lillie D. Mays, president of the Convention has announced that all delegates are to meet Thursday afternoon at 3:30. The sessions are to be held in First Calvary Baptist church, Rev. U. Goings, Daniels pastor. Mrs. Ella Sherard is the entertaining president.

Programs are being mailed from the office of Miss Ethel Smith, president.

Drs. J. J. Starks, J. P. Garrick, J. P. Reeder, Mrs. M. K. Howard and Corrie Watkins will be the guest speakers.

Courage Among The Black Peoples

ALL Americans are considered as a group of courageous people. To determine the capacity of a people courage one would have to take under consideration the conditions and circumstances under which they function—fater observing these conditions, the BLACK MAN should be considered as an important element in the formation of this GREAT AMERICA. Why? because it is two strikes against him before he gets to the lat and the third strike is called before he gets in position to strike. He works, toils, and slave under the most unfavorable condition, he is the least considered by the opposite group, he rides to himself in the most uncomfortable place in the motor vehicles, he occupies the most filthy car on the trains, he is last to be hired on the job, he is first to be fired on the job, he is being lynched by a mob of discrimination and a world of confusion, yet he has the courage and determination to fight on until the smoke has been cleared on the battlefield.

Quite often, the BLACK MAN confuses the essentials with the trifles of life. He does not appear to him that his transgressors are enjoying the happiness that GOD ALMIGHTY has formerly planned for him, it also seems that the enjoyment he formerly possessed have taken wings and flown into another world and left him to him the pains and heartaches of his foes, yet his heart is unbowed. He still has the COURAGE to keep the land of the Home of the Brave, to the of the Free and the Home of the Brave, to fight for the principle of Democracy, to retain the democratic ideals that our forefathers, who lying silently in the Tomb, fought for to obtain the sacred right to cast his votes in the direction he wishes, to retain the privilege of worshipping in the churches of his choice.

We are of the same opinion as when he said "Of my appointed days I'll wait till my change shall come. We feel that GOD, in the near future, will look beneath the surface of our dark skins and see that our blood is red, our hearts are pure and our consciences are clear. We also feel that someday the dark and dreary clouds of segregation shall pass away, the mist of discrimination shall vanish like a fog before the noon-day sun, this world of emigration shall perish like an amphibious plant on the mountain side, and right shall prevail. Then we will not only win this war, but will win everlasting peace.

By Cpl. Titus E. Duncum, Co. "B" 24th QM, Camp Gruber, Okla.

REV. MURRAY APPLIES FOR CHAPLAIN AT FORT JACKSON, S. C.

Fort, Jackson, S. C., August 4—The story of how a Negro Presbyterian minister came to Fort Jackson for a month's mission work in the colored area and found the need for a Negro minister so great that he stayed three months and finally determined to apply for appointment as a chaplain, was told today by Major Wiley R. Deal, chief of the Chaplains' branch at this post.

During May of this year the Rev. D. T. Murray, pastor of a large Negro church in Atlanta, Ga., was sent to Fort Jackson by the Board of National Missions of the U. S. Presbyterian church for a month's work among the Negro soldiers here.

Originally scheduled for 30-day stays at two other posts, the Rev. Murray was so well received by the troops and his work so greatly appreciated that he applied to his church for a month's extension of his visit here and finally wound up spending the entire three months at Fort Jackson.

Impressed with the need for Negro chaplains, the Rev. Murray returned to Atlanta and immediate application to the War Department

Elks Close Grand Session in Charleston

COLUMBIA TO BE HOST TO NEXT SESSION. The fourth annual state meeting of the Improved, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World met at Charleston, S. C., July 27th and 28th with state President C. D. Denton presiding. The convention convened at the Morris Street Baptist church and conducted all of its program there. Among the highlights of the convention was the all out plan of the Elks to strengthen the educational and economical status of the Negroes of the state, and to continue its fight in the interest of justice in its fight of the Othome case.

The meeting was a highly endorsed the sending of Rev. J. P. Reeder, of Columbia, to the National Convention in Pittsburg as state representative and candidate for the office of Chaplain of the Grand National Lodge. Rev. Reeder is holding the office of Assistant Chaplain of the Grand Lodge at this time.

The following is the list of officers elected at the State Grand Lodge: C. D. Denton, president; L. B. Lawie, secretary; B. L. J. W. Long, treasurer; M. F. Branch, 1st vice-president; W. M. Smith, 2nd vice-president; W. H. Young, grand orator; A. J. Johnson, grand cleric; S. E. Bryant, R. H. Hunt, and Malloy, grand trustees; Ben Anastrom, grand traveling secretary; Rev. J. P. Reeder, grand chaplain; Lieut. W. S. Fletcher, recording secretary.

With one of the most gala parties that Charleston had seen to date, and with a grand ball at Grant's Park, the meeting closed. The state meeting of the Elks this year left no doubt in any mind that this organization is all out for victory on both the front lines and the home front, and all out for the uplifting of the colored man of the state of South Carolina. Our hats are off to the good job that the Elks are doing.

The State Association will be held in Columbia next year.

Harden St. USO News

The Soldiers' Wives club of the Harden Street USO entertained a lovely breakfast on last Wednesday morning. A delightful menu which consisted of honey dew melon, bacon, eggs, jelly, butter and coffee was prepared and served by the wives themselves. After breakfast they had a jolly time playing games and dancing until late afternoon. The Wednesday breakfast is a weekly feature of soldiers' wives' activities at the USO.

Many "July soldiers" received gifts at the Friday night birthday dance. There was a capacity crowd as usual and the general atmosphere was gay and inviting. There was a beautifully decorated birthday cake for the honor guests which was cut so that most of those attending received a piece. Mrs. J. E. Dickson, Mrs. Ada Paul were hostesses for the evening. Music was furnished by the Air Base orchestra.

Attorney Harold Bondware spoke very interestingly on the subject "What Are We Fighting For" at the Sunday Vesper program on August 1. Many soldiers and civilians were present.

On Sunday, August 8, Lieutenant Fletcher will lead the monthly discussion on the subject, "Uniting Today for Tomorrow." The public is invited to all the open house activities at the USO on Sunday.

Whether he will be stationed after commissioning at Fort Jackson is not known, Chaplain Deal said.

79 More S. C. Men Begin Training

Great Lakes, Ill., July 24—79 South Carolina Negro men recently reported to the U. S. Naval Training station here to begin a period of recruit training.

Recruit training consists of military drill, seamanship, naval procedure, and indoctrination into Navy life. During this period these men will participate in the Navy's strenuous physical hard-core program to make them fit for many rigorous duties—waiting their when later assigned to duty at sea or some naval shore station.

Soon, these men will be given a series of aptitude tests to determine whether they will receive advanced specialized training at one of the Navy's Service schools. Some of the men, having had sufficient experience in one of the trades used by the Navy, will be given petty officers ratings upon completion of their recruit training. Men enrolled in Service School are eligible for petty officer ratings upon successful completion of their courses.

The new recruits from South Carolina are: Timothy Calhoun, 18; Aiken; James Robert Adger, 27; Anderson; John Kelly, Jr., 19; George Randolph Nickles, 19; both from Camden; Wilson M. Smith, 26; James Salters, 20; Robert Tolton, 18; Drayton Alfred Melvin, 21; Nelson Joseph, 17; Melvin Hamilton, 20; William Robinson, 20; John Irving Simmons, 20; Robinson William, 20; Glover B. Samuel, 20; Turner Paul, 20; Kollerson Lawton, 20; Mitchell William, 21; Harold Isaac Sanders, 19; Benjamin Franklin Youngblood, 20; Charles William Bryan, 19; Nathaniel Copeland, Mack Glover, 20; Arden Benjamin Kay, 20; Clarence Hardy, 19; Cornelius Montrie, 20; Franklin James Thomas; Henry Small; 19; James Woodrow Wilson Ravenet; William Miller, 19; Leroy Roman, 21; Samuel Auld, 20; David St. Julian Hamilton, 19; John Hunter, Jr., 19; and Clemming Askey, all thirty men are from Charleston.

Also, from South Carolina are: Frazer Harlin, Jr., 19; Clarence Butler Dixon, 18; Joseph Adair, 18; Joseph Jackson, 18; and Robert Earl Land, 18, all five are from Chester; Emmet Frank Allen, 18; Gomillion Lovell, 18; and Willie Lee Brown, 18, all three are from Columbia; Daniel Samuel Anderson, Cross; Mat Menlyu Jr., 17; Dillont; Mariah Robert Williams, Jr., 19; Elloree; Edward Oxie Perkins, 19; Florence; Willie Lee Moten, 18; Fountain Inn; William Hampton Smith, 20; Joseph Lindsay Griffin, 26; Nelson Crawford, 18; John Allen Oliver, 18; Robert Kelley, 18; Janier McGee, 18; Otis Youngs, 28; John Henry Bailey, 32; and Elbert Perry Wakefield, 18, all of the last nine men are from Greenville.

Also from South Carolina are: Augustus Jackson, 19; Greenwood; William Tart Smith, 34; and Arthur Heyward Butler, 19, both from Greer; Aiken Raymond Ruth 19; Hampton; William Lee Mobley 19; Lancaster; Salters DeWitt McQueen, 19; and William Henry Roberts, 19, both from Marion; Fred Douglas Covington, 20; McCull; Hodges Guillepeix, McCormick; England John Arthur, 20; Moncks Corner; Jesse Lewis, 18; and William Henry Pickett, Jr., 17, both from Mullins; Herbert Fred Cauley, 18, and Henry Clay Guinyard, 18, both from Orangeburg; Kembert William, 19, Pineville; Johnnie Willie Feaster, 19; Shelton; Henry Horton, 20; Clement; Henry Coleman, 19; John Henry Lincoln, 20; and John Baxter, 18, all three are from Summerville; Henry H. Holiday, 18, 18; Ed Hall, 18, and John Wesley Kelley, 18, the last two men are from Winnsboro.

Four Bluejackets Selected For Advanced Specialized Training

Selected for advanced specialized training in the Navy, four South Carolina Bluejackets were recently enrolled in the Navy Service Schools at the U. S. Naval Training Station here.

They will undergo several weeks of intensive training, after which they will be assigned to active duty.

Dr. George W. Long Of Cheraw Passes

FUNERAL FRIDAY AUGUST 6—2:00 P. M. Cheraw—The Reverend George W. Long, D. D., President of the Collier Memorial Academy and pastor of the Cheraw Second Presbyterian Church, died Tuesday, August 3, at his home here. The funeral will be held Friday, August 6, at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon in Cheraw.

SINGING PROGRAM AT ZION BAPTIST AUGUST 15th

There will be a great Singing program at Zion Baptist church, August 15, 1943, given by the Christian Traveling Club. Come and meet your friends and make friends from far and near and help us out. Thank you all.

Brother James Rutherford is president; brother L. G. Glover, leader; sister Margaret Middleton secretary.

THE WAVERLY SUNFLOWER

Mrs. Thompson entertained the club Tuesday evening at her home 2455 Gervais street. The president was absent and the vice president conducted the meeting in the usual manner. The Flowers seem somewhat wilted because of the fact that Mrs. Sullivan is leaving. Mrs. Sullivan served as president for nearly three years. We regret her leaving so much. We miss our treasurer, Mrs. Hale who is shut-in with a sprained ankle. We hope for her speedy recovery.

A dance is being planned the date of which will be announced. The hostess served delicious punch, cookies and cake. We adjourned to meet with Mrs. Louise Thompson at the home of Mrs. Pope, corner Senate and Pine Sts. Mrs. Sullivan, president; Mrs. Adams, secretary; Mrs. Coles, reporter.

BARNWELL NEWS

The rural revival meetings of Jordan Baptist and Morris churches closed Friday and Sunday with spiritual and financial successes. Many of the urban folk attended these meetings.

The services at Bethlehem Baptist church Sunday were very good and quite a number of visitors were present. The pastor preached on the subject of Deliverance, realizing present day crisis, the soul stirring message took immediate effect upon the hearts of those present, believing God is able to deliver. Some expressions were made after this wonderful sermon.

The Missionary society met immediately after church service and sister Hettie Patterson our president and delegate to the Woman's convention made her report which was very good. Sister V. R. Dixon, who is a member of the finance committee of the convention gave a concise report of all collections raised at the convention. This was very inspiring.

Sunday school in the afternoon was very good. Quite a few new pupils were present. The Supt Mrs. M. A. Duncan urges the attendance of Sunday school.

ANP NEWS SHORTS

RELEASE WED. AUG. 4, 1943

Baltimore—According to Wilford W. Allen, general chairman on arrangements for the forthcoming convention of the National Negro Business League, Gov. Herbert R. O'Connor will speak on "The President's Night," Wednesday, August 25, at Bethel A. M. E. church.

The governor's remarks will precede the annual address of Dr. J. E. Walker, president of the League.

George W. Cox of Durham first vice-president, will preside and Dr. Henry Allen Boyd, secretary, National Baptist Publishing board Nashville, will respond to the governor's address.

Lake Junaluska, N. C.—Negro and white youth attending sessions of the Southeastern Regional conference of the United Christian Youth movement meeting here last month resolved to pursue Christian action through their respective church organizations to abolish barriers that separate the two races and create misunderstanding, according to the Rev. W. J. Faulkner, dean of the chapel at Fisk University.

Chicago—Delegates to the 23rd annual convention of the National Negro Insurance association that recently closed here unanimously approved a plan for a series of radio programs on a nation-wide hookup to foster better race relations. Booker T. Bradshaw, the newly elected president, was authorized to set up a committee on arrangements. The programs will feature the most popular artists and outstanding speakers of both the white and Negro race, and will be financed by funds solicited jointly from policyholders and insurance companies.

New York—Mike Jacobs, instructor of pugilistic productions for the 20th Century club announced last week that the plans for two boxing shows before the summer season ends. The cards will feature jousts between Henry Armstrong and Ray Robinson and Beau Jack and Bob Montgomery. Jacobs revealed that the Armstrong-Robinson contest will be held in the Polo Grounds Aug. 27, followed on Sept. 14 by the Jack-Montgomery affair. Robinson, who is now a sergeant in the U. S. Army, and Armstrong, former holder of the featherweight, lightweight, and welterweight crowns at the same time, will engage in a ten round encounter. Jack, recently relieved of the lightweight title by Montgomery in Madison Square Garden, will struggle for 15 rounds.

Atlanta—Col. James N. Keelin, Jr., director of selective service of Georgia, Saturday was called upon to investigate Albany (Ga.) Draft Board No. 1, which it is charged showed prejudice in the induction of Editor A. C. Scaries, of the Southwest Georgian, an Albany weekly newspaper. The request for investigation came from C. A. Scott, southern vice president of the Negro Newspaper Publishers' association and general manager of the Atlanta Daily World.

Macon, Ga.—Six feet, five and three-quarter inches tall at induction, Pfc. Carl Smith of Fort Byrd, N. Y., and Robins Field Army Air-base here, was honorably discharged from the service Wednesday because he has grown even taller, until he is now two inches over the maximum allowed by army regulations.

Macon, Ga.—The construction contract for an entirely new Negro section of the Macon hospital has been awarded and work on it is expected to be started next week, it was announced by W. C. Tappin, Jr., chairman of the hospital commission. Facilities of the new unit will include beds, a new children's ward, a delivery room and space for handling outpatients. The \$50,000 project was financed by the Federal Works agency, which in approving the grant for the Negro unit turned down a similar request for the white facility.

Homewood, Ill.—The devoted care given by Negroes to fine horses has always been the mainstay of American racing and in the new unit at Arlington park-Washington park 67-day meeting at the Washington park course, Negroes are taking a more important part in the sport. Not only are they giving the thoroughbreds the constant care and grooming which is essential to the training of a racing horse, but they are making progress in other lines of the sport. For instance, Eddie "Rockster" Anderson is making a name for himself as a thoroughbred owner with the good performance of Burnt Cork. It is true Rochester's horse did not win the Derby, but he has given a good account of himself at Washington park, winning a couple of important overnight purse and finishing

second in the Skokie handicap. Pensacola, Fla. The recall of a bitter court battle over the recall during the last term of court, the board of county commissioners in the first time in the memory of most residents last week placed the names of Negroes in the jury box. Judge Ernest Mason E. church.

Lane, white, for raising the Negro jury issue during a murder trial at the last term of court. Judge Mason's contention was that it would cost the county too much money to include the names of Negroes in the box from which juries are selected. Mr. Lane cited that failure to include Negroes was a clear violation of a supreme court decision handed down several years ago in the Scottsboro case.

Hollywood—Eddie "Rockster" Anderson wants to go to England to outperform the troops and most particularly one Royal Canadian Air Force bomber crew—the crew that voted to name their ship "Rockster". Informed about his "namesake" in a letter he received from England, Rockster said he felt "deeply humble" about the honor.

REV. NEAL LAID TO REST

Chicago—When Sgt. Joe Louis, world heavyweight champion, goes army camps he will be accompanied by three other famous world fighters. It has been learned, Louis, in Chicago on turf through from a cavalry unit at Ft. Riley, Kans., and he would probably be in a party including Cpl. Billy Conn, who came closest to defeating the fistie kidnap than any other fighter; Pfc. DiMaggio, home run swatter for the New York Yankees; and Pvt. Charles "Red" Ruffing, ace hurler for the Yanks ball club.



Approximately 2,000 persons, including hundreds of ministers from every denomination and scores of school teachers attended the last rites of the Rev. Jesse W. Neal, 72, who died at his home at Hopkins. His beloved family understood his condition and they braved an under the most trying condition of their lives.

The following program was carried out to the letter: Procession—Hymn—"A Few More Years Shall Roll" Scripture—Rev. J. M. Beatty Invocation—Rev. W. R. Bowman Hymn—"Asleep in Jesus Blessed Sleep"—Rev. T. L. Duckett Obituary—Dean E. M. Booker Representing the Cedar Creek Union—Rev. H. Hopkins Representing S. S. Convention of the Waterlee Ass'n—Rev. H. M. Taylor Representing the Richmond County Teachers' Ass'n—Prof. W. G. Owens Representing the Waterlee Ass'n—Rev. F. M. Young Representing National Baptist Convention of America—Rev. J. P. Reeder

Hymn—"Servant of God Well Done"—Rev. W. T. Simmons Principal Eulogy—Dr. J. J. Starks Recessional—The Rev. Neal taught school for forty or more years, having retired last year. For many years, he was president of the Richmond County Teachers' association and at his death was the popular pastor of three large Baptist churches, one was in Columbia.

Rev. Neal was an evangelist preacher, his sermons would attract people. He was a man among men. Surviving are 16 children. This editor has misplaced his funeral Continued from Page 1