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NEGRO, WHITE LEADERS CONFER IN ATLANTA; WANT SOUTHERN REGIONAL COUNCIL

Atlanta, Aug. 16—ANP—Southern Negro and white leaders forming the Continuation Committee of the Durham and Atlanta conference made another step in the direction of solving the undemocratic problems peculiar to this section in a one-day conference Wednesday at Atlanta university.

Answering the challenge of a group of representative Negro leaders meeting in Durham that the south awaken and grant its Negro citizens equal rights in many restricted fields and the acceptance of that challenge by a cooperative group of white leaders meeting in Atlanta, the continuation committee called for the organization of a southern regional council to insure progress "in all approaches to these goals of equal opportunity."

The committee declared that it gathered to "covenant together in harmony and unanimity to make this day, or what this day should bring to pass, epochal in a new purpose, a new understanding, and a new fellowship." It said further:

"In the name and spirit of America's science and education we seek to find and to tell the truth. In the name and spirit of America's democracy we seek the way of equal opportunity. In the name of America's patriotism, we strive for loyalty to the American dream, for leadership to guide, and for statesmanship adequate to carry the burden of the new America. In the name and spirit of America's Christianity, we search for the new faith of fellowship . . . ."

The leaders agreed first, upon "a new declaration of American principles and a new dedication of ourselves to the task of covenanting together with all regions and all races for the continued betterordering of our society.

They declared Further:

"We recognize fully that in the present crisis this covenant is as important as the earlier compacts of the forefathers, and that the framework within which we covenant together must comprehend a concept and a charter which guarantee equality of opportunity for all peoples. This means more specifically as bearing upon the burden of our present counseline that the Negro in the United State has within the framework of the American democratic system of government."

Dedicating themselves "unswervingly to the successful achievement of this task" and taking cognizance of "certain features peculiar to each society" and the "certain cumulative and tragic handicaps" in the physical and cultural heritage of the south, the committee members appealed to the nation "in covenant with the south, to exercise a wisdom and maturity through which methods, procedures and rates of change may be wored out in the spirit of and in conformity with the principles of American democracy."

The southern regional council, as proposed by the committee, be constituted of representatives of both races and of private and public groups. "Such a council," it was declared, "in subscribing to the new declaration of principles would work with and utilize all other available agencies and individuals in private and public life and especially with a similar national group when established."

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GUEST SPEAKER IN CHARLESTON

REV. W. H. NEAL

Charleston, S. C. The Rev. W. H. Neal, the popular pastor of the First Nazareth Baptist church, Columbia, S. C., has accepted the invitation to serve as guest speaker at Memorial Baptist church, Charleston, S. C., on their fifty-seventh anniversary, the Rev. J. W. White, pastor.

The members and friends of this church have made no mistake in extending the invitation to the Rev. W. H. Neal on this their annual occasion. The Rev. Neal is very pleasing in his manner of delivery and his messages are very much in demand. Rev. Neal is outstanding as one among the best of the young leaders of the baptists of South Carolina. He has served for the past five years as a successful pastor of the First Nazareth Baptist church, Columbia. The church has improved widely, both spiritually and materially. Scores of members have been taken into the church under his administration. He is greeted each Sunday with a large congregation who accepts his message gracefully as a message sent from God. We feel as if the members of the Memorial Baptist church and friends throughout the city of Charleston will make no mistake in coming out to these series of services, both morning and night at the Memorial Baptist Sunday, August 15th.

Rev. Neal hold a Bachelor Degree from Morris college, Sumter, S. C., has also done graduate work at Columbia university, New York, special work in the school of religion as well as work leading to a Masters' Degree in Liberal Arts.

Forty More Join Bluejackets From South Carolina

Great Lakes, Ill., August 7th—Now fighting Bluejackets in Uncle Sam's Navy, forty South Carolina men, are among hundreds of Negro Sailors undergoing recruit training at the U. S. Naval Training Station here.

For the next several weeks they will participate in a rigid training program stressing physical conditioning, military drill, fundamentals of seamanship, and Naval customs and procedure. They also will take a series of aptitude tests designed as an aid in placing each man in the type of work for which he is best fitted.

Upon graduation they each will be granted a nine-day leave, after which they will be assigned to a Service School for further specialized instruction or be sent directly to duty at sea or at a shore station, depending upon their scores in the aptitude tests.

Some men with sufficient experience in a particular skill needed by the Navy are rated as petty officers upon completing "boot training" and sent to active duty immediately.

The forty South Carolina recruits are: Carrol Egbert Gambrell, 20; Willie Lockhart, 19; and Willie James Blacksmith, 19, all three from Anderson; George Junior Raysor, 19, Barnwell; George Williams, 30, Camden; Louis Lowndes, 21; Daniel Pocher, Jr., 21; and Edward Payne, 20, all three are from Charleston; Manly Cowdy, 32, Clark Hill; Loyd Mickens, 27; Columbia; Fate Gardner, 18, Darlington; Robert Lee David, 24 Dillon; Henry Major Smart, 20, Florence; Eugene Epps Kirby, 18 Gaffney; Frank Duke Nickolson, 31, Georgetown;. Earl Francis

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Says Race Needs A Leader

Hampton Institute, Va.—A Negro leader who will combine within himself the individual qualities of such persons as William Hastie, Walter White and Father Divine was cited as the crying need of the race today by Dr. Arthur P. Davis of Virginia Union university, visiting professor of English at Hampton Institute's summer school.

Speaking in an open panel discussion on "The Next Step for the Negro," Dr. Davis declared that the colored minority lack at present a leader with the universal popular appeal which Booker T. Washington, for instance, possessed in his day.

He said that the race has yet to produce, in recent years, a leader with the needed combination of a long-time philosophy on the Negro's ultimate goal of full citizenship, a specific program for immediate advances toward this goal, and a personality symbolic of the Negro's aspirations, as Ghandi is the symbol of the people of India, or as Father Divine is a symbol for his followers.

Goal is Full Citizenship

The long-range goal of the Negro was defined in the discussion by Dr. Lutrelle F. Palmer of Newport News, also a member of the summer school faculty, as "full and complete citizenship for every person in the United States on an equal basis."

Stating that this goal is often clouded by self-interested persons who confuse it with a desire for intermarriage and social equality, Dr. Palmer said: —

"Every thinking Negro feels that Negroes should have full status as citizens and we can each in our own way make our individual contributions toward that long-range goal."

"To aim for anything else is not only to admit lack of confidence in ourselves, but to be absolutely unpatriotic to America."

Specific Techniques

Another visiting professor in the summer school, Dr. Gertrude Rivers of Howard university, declared that Negro laymen as well as the Negro leaders have a responsibility. She suggested the creation of interracial citizens committees, composed of people from all walks of life, to concentrate on the specific racial problems in given localities.

Dr. Rivers also called for more study of race relations and of new findings in the broader area of human relations, particularly on the part of school teachers of both races.

Study of the social forces responsible for the race problem and suegested the establishment of forums for non-reading people. She said that school teachers should discover and develop courageous leadership qualities in Negro youth.

Job Opportunities

It was the opinion of Dr. B. A. Turner, who also took part in the discussion, that more information is needed about occupational trends, job-opportunities, legal procedures and civil rights laws.

He said that Negroes should furthermore, devote increasing at-

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ZIMALCREST ROSEBUD, A REGISTERED GUERNSEY COW, HAS CREDITABLE ADVANCED RECORD

Petersborough, N. H.—A registered Guernsey, cow, Zimalcrest Rosebud, owned by S. H. Zimmerman, Columbia, S. C., recently completed a creditable Advanced Register record of 10302.04 pounds of milk and 483.8 pounds of butter fat. Besides this creditable record, this cow produced a healthy calf for her owner.

This is Rosebud's second official record. Her total production for the two tested lacations is 19812.2 pounds of milk and 929.7 pounds of butter fat.

MRS. INEZ COMBS BACOATS RECEIVES M. A. DEGREE

Mrs. Inez Combs Bacoats received the Master of Arts degree in English in the summer school of the State University of Iowa, Iowa City. Her thesis was entitled "Race Prejudice In The Novels Of Frances Ellen Watkins Harper." Mrs. Bacoats received her B. A. degree from Talladega College, Talladega, Alabama. She was a member of the English department of Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, and at present is teaching in the department of English at Morris Brown College, Atlanta, Georgia. She is a member of the national honorary sorority for women, Delta Sigma Theta, and the national honorary society in English, Sigma Tau Delta. She is the wife of Dr. A. M. Bacoats.

CHRISTMAS PACKAGES

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 9—The Army Postal Service not only believes in doing that Christmas shopping and mailing early, but is pointing the way in a memorandum that September 15 to October 15 will be "Christmas Mailing Period" for gifts to soldiers overseas, according to Lt. Colonel Marion B. Dean, Chief of Postal Division, Headquarters Fourth Service Command.

These Christmas packages must conform to present limits as to weight and size which are not over five pounds in weight, 18 inches in length and 36 inches in length and girth combined. Packages mailed during the period should be packed tightly in metal, wooden or strong chipboard boxes and should be marked "Christmas Gift Parcel." Only one package will be accepted for mailing by or on behalf of the same person to one person or for the same recipient during any one week. It is important, Colonel Dean emphasized and she kind by postal officials will be in effect.

For Christmas packages mailing restrictions are relaxed to make it unnecessary for the mailer to present either a customs or an envelope bearing an APO cancellation at the time of mailing. Perishable articles cannot be mailed. The sending of parcels under the classification of "fragile" is discouraged. Colonel Dean stated. Intoxicants, inflammable materials, or any article which might kill or injure another or damage the mails cannot be accepted.

Was Carver A Legend or A Human Being?

CLOVER, WASHINGTON CARVER American Biography—Rackham Holt Doubleday Doran and Co. ($1.50)

By Isaiah Bendarzer For ANP

George Washington Carver is a man about whom in recent years has accumulated many a myth, many popularisms and much controversial discussion. This biography by Rackham Holt, merely adds more to the mystery by presenting George Washington Carver, a human being, warm and kindly, generous and proud, a good Christian, a lover of nature, a practical scientist, the investigator.

The book is more than the record of the life story of a person who was born penniless and died to be honored by nations and go into graves. Even though aware of the about Holt's Carver rise of the man portrayed, one does not feel that this book is merely a biography. In point, it is more the personal story of a diary with a wealth of himself. It is frequently as if the author himself had lived and spent time with the man. This is established as result of the long association between the two over a period of three years while the book was in process of preparation. Through the presenta-

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HISTORY WILL RECORD GREAT PART COAST NEGROES PLAYED IN BIRTH OF AVIATION

By Harry Levette

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Wife or Organizer of Negro Air Squadron In War Work

MRS. BENJAMIN DAVIS, JR. IS INSPECTOR IN SPERRY GYROSCOPE CO. PLANT

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Harden St. USO News

Before leaving for her vacation last week, Mrs. E.A. Board director of the Higgins St. USO was entertained with a surprise party on last Monday evening by a group of the postal [illegible]. Mrs. Board is being [illegible] by a Negro. Dr. Peter Dent of Kansas City, who [illegible] a few years ago, is said to have been the second to own his own plane.

Among the important [illegible] participated in behalf [illegible] field exploit was the heroic [illegible] the late Bessie Coleman [illegible] reached here at end of a coast exhibition tour. Death [illegible] her death in Reno [illegible] colored pilots, Herman Rogers and Ace Forniom met [illegible] martyrs to the [illegible] Still another, Lt. William Powell, certainly [illegible] well. To death [illegible] and trying to secure recognition for the Negro in [illegible] aviation.

But the man who will receive the share of a laugh when the air history of the Negro is told is a man who never [illegible] but who spent thousands attempting to make it possible for Negroes to fly. This is Arthur Dennis, now a shipyard employee, but formerly a leading business man and sportsman. Familiarly known as "Spud" to his many friends, he financed the first aviation school for Negroes in America. It was located at Washington and [illegible] Road at Lenox and headed by Ac-

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[illegible] Rogers, Ace Forniom and Lt. Wm. Powell, [illegible] Chicago Defender [illegible] Coleman [illegible] Rogers [illegible] Coleman [illegible] Rogers [illegible] Coleman [illegible] Rogers