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DR. J. H. ALSTON OF SUMMERVILLE PASSES

PRACTICED 20 YEARS IN SUMMERVILLE

Administered to Both Races Which Endearer Him to the Community

STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS

Mayor Requested All Business to Cease and 10 Minutes Prayer be Offered for His Recovery

Quite a number of Charlestonians motored to Summerville last Sunday afternoon to attend the funeral services of Dr. J. H. Alston, who died last week after an illness of over a year. For twenty years Dr. Alston has practiced the profession of medicine in Summerville and neighboring towns, administering to the members of both races. That he endeared himself into the hearts of the people is beyond question. It is remembered that the first day that he was stricken with paralysis, the mayor of Summerville requested that all business in the town be dispensed with for ten minutes and silent prayer be offered for his recovery.

The funeral services were largely attended by white as well as colored. The floral offerings were beautiful and abundant.

Rev. E. H. Coit, Missionary Sec. of the A. M. E. Church delivered the eulogy.

Dr. Alston was a member of the Charleston County Medical Association, the members of which acted as honorary pall-bearers. Those present being: Drs. John McFall, A. G. Purvis, H. W. Seabrook, E. L. Hearn, H. E. Purcell, W. M. Evans, E. B. Burroughs, Wm. Thorne, Thos. McGill, T. M. Miller and H. S. Johnson.

Dr. Alston is survived by his widow Mrs. Mary J. and daughter, Miss Rosamond Alston.

Week's Editorials:

(From the SouthWest Review, Albuquerque, N. Mex., Jan. 16) America just as well know the truth now as later--that it is dealing with a New Negro.

In the recent campaign launched by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, this group aided by Christian white people have raised more than \$70,000.00 as a Defense Fund. This is evidence that the Negroes of the country are not only being welded together for self-defense but are an outstanding benefactor in preserving a republican form of government. The Defense Fund will not only protect Negroes but will secure a Supreme Court decision for the protection of all minor groups as long as we pretend to live under this form of government. It goes without saying that the N. A. A. C. P. is one of the moves of this country for the Advancement of American civilization.

(From the Rome Enterprise, Rome Ga., January 23, 1926.)

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is the one big hearted organization that is fighting our racial battles.

The organization is not supported as it should be. Georgia for instance made a miserable showing in 1925.

The Rome Branch was the only one in the State to raise its apportionment. Even proud Atlanta fell down. The great trouble with Georgia is, selfish leadership. Whenever the State can divorce herself from a narrow contracted leadership our racial interests will grow. Georgia must regain in 1926 that which she lost in 1925.

Watch Georgia grow.

APPEAL FOR DELINQUENT COLORED GIRLS

FLORENCE MILLS SINGS IN MUSICAL CONCERT

PINSON HEADS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

GEORGIA-CAROLINA ATHLETIC ASS'N.

Mr. Pinson Unanimously Re-Elected President Together With Present Incumbent Officers

CUP FOR GIRLS BASKETBALL

Morris College Wins Baseball Cup, While Benedict College Wins Football Honors for 1925.

Augusta, Ga., Feb. 5--The annual meeting of the Georgia-Carolina Athletic Association convened at South Carolina State College, Orangeburg, S. C. Friday January 29. Dr. Wilkinson welcomed the members of the association and entertained them royally throughout their stay. In Dr. Wilkinson's address he pleaded with the members of the Association to make and adopt laws that will rid the schools of the dangerous influence that comes through outsiders whose interests are usually aroused by the thought that they can materially help themselves by tampering with players on different school teams.

The Association unanimously chose Mr. Pinson for its President together with the present incumbent officers.

The silver cup for baseball season 1925 was awarded to Morris College. Their team won 7 games and lost none. Last Season was the second consecutive season that Morris College has won the Base-ball championship. Much credit is due Prof. Pinson for his sincere and earnest efforts.

Benedict College of Columbia won the football honors, but was pressed hard by Paine College of Augusta, Ga. The issue was decided in Augusta November 20, when Benedict won an excellently fought game from Paine College by the score of 7-3.

The association decided to offer a cup for Girls Basketball; under the following conditions: Each team must play at least 7 games and four different school teams. The team with the highest percentage wins. In the event of a tie, deciding game to be played off on Neutral grounds. The team winning 3 consecutive Championships shall own permanently the CUP. The Association agreed on a Standard fee for all Officials.

Among many representatives were: Prof. William Paden and Prof. Gabriel of Paine College. Profs. Duckett and Smith--Benedict, Prof Baumgardner, Allen University; Prof Pinson and McCain, Morris College; Prof. Reid and Irvin, Voorhees Inst.; Prof. Sarton, Harbison; Profs. MsGhee and Preston, Claffin; Prof Shefield and Lewis, S. C. College. Among the ladies were Miss Jose Smith--Schofield, Miss Hurlong Stall, Miss Scott--Claffin, and Miss Jones--Paine College.

\$1000 GIVEN FOR NEGRO NOVEL

FOR NEGROES ONLY N. A. A. C. P. Branches To Fight Anti-Inter-marriage Bill in Congress

SEND BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1

Conditions State That One or More of the Characters Must Be of Negro Descent

At the request of Messrs. Albert and Charles Boni, publishers, the N. A. A. C. P., 69 Fifth Avenue, New York, today announced a prize of \$1,000, to be paid outright, in addition to royalties for a novel of Negro life, to be written by a person of Negro descent. Hitherto unpublished manuscripts may be submitted to Messrs. Albert and Charles Boni before Sept. 1, 1926.

The Judges of the competition are: Henry Seidel Canby, Editor of the Saturday Review; Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, Editor of the "Crisis"; Charles S. Johnson, Editor of "Opportunity"; James Weldon Johnson, Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Edna Kenton; Lawrence Stallings of the N. Y. World, and Irita Doren, Editor of the Tribune Weekly, "Books."

The conditions for the contest state that in addition to being written by an author of Negro descent: "The novel must deal with Negro life in the sense that one or more of its leading characters must be of Negro descent and its action must show the influence of this fact."

Full details of the contest may be obtained from Messrs. Albert and Charles Boni, 66 Fifth Avenue, or from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 69 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

WHO'S WHO IN THE N. A. A. C. P.

III--Charles Edward Russell.

Charles Edward Russell is one of the founders of the N. A. A. C. P. and is still an active member of the Board of Directors. He has had a distinguished career as journalist and author. He was Socialist candidate for Governor of New York State in 1910 and 1912. In 1917 he was a member of the Special Diplomatic Mission sent by the United States to Russia, and in 1918 was Commissioner to Great Britain for the U. S. Committee on Public Information. In 1919 Mr. Russell was made a member of the President's Industrial Commission. Mr. Russell has travelled widely throughout the world. His books include: The Story of Wendell Phillips; Lawless Wealth; The Outlook for the Philippines; Stories of the Great Railroads, and others. In June of 1925, Mr. Russell delivered the keynote address at the Sixteenth Annual Conference of the N. A. A. C. P. in Denver.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has notified its Branches throughout the United States of the bill introduced in Congress by Senator Caraway of Arkansas intermarriage of Negroes and white people in the District of Columbia and make it unlawful for persons so married to reside in the District or for those so married and now residents to return to the District for residence if, they once leave it. The penalty prescribed by the bill for anyone violating any of the provisions of the act is a fine of not more than \$1,000 and imprisonment for not less than one year or more than five years.

N. A. A. C. P. Branches are called upon by the National Office to send telegrams to the Senators from their State, and to induce prominent white and colored people to send letters and telegrams demanding that the bill be opposed. Local editors of both white and colored publications are to be urged to denounce the bill editorially, and churches, lodges, fraternal bodies and political clubs are to be asked to pass resolutions denouncing Senator's Caraway's measure.

The bill is numbered S 2160 and all communications to Senators should mention it by number.

The N. A. A. C. P. gives the following reasons for opposing all such measures:

1. That marriage should be entirely a matter of individual choice between persons who are eligible to enter the marriage contract under the general laws of the land.
2. That the Negro cannot in self-respect consent to have himself written down in the State books as something outside and beneath the human race.
3. That every such law sweeps away from colored girls and women the protection, legal recourse and remedy, where white men are concerned, to which they are entitled as well as other girls and women.
4. That the enactment of such laws does stop intermixture but sets the stamp of legal approval upon concubinage, bastardy and the degradation of colored women, deprived of the protection of matrimony.

MRS. MATTIE W. HOLMES IMPROVING

The many friends of Mrs. Mattie W. Holmes who resides at 1428 Lincoln St., will be glad to know that she is much better under the care of the skillful and efficient Dr. C. E. Stephenson and the close bedside attention of her graduate trained nurse Miss Savannah Smith, she is steadily improving and will ere long be herself again.

FIRST APPEARANCE AS CONCERT SINGER

Second Concert Given This Winter by International Composers' Guild

SANG A GROUP OF 4 SONGS

Pleases a Large Audience, Which Applauded her Generously And Recalled Her.

(N. A. A. C. P. Press Service)

New York, Feb. 1.--Florence Mills, who has heretofore sung in musical comedy and cabaret, made her first appearance as a concert singer on Sunday night January 24, when she sang a group of four songs at the second concert given this winter by the International Composers' Guild, of which Edgar Varese is Director.

The songs sung by Miss Mills were composed for her by William Grant Still, young colored composer, one of whose compositions was performed by the Guild last year. Mr. Still has studied for some years with Mr. Varese who is regarded as perhaps the leading exponent of the new music in America.

Miss Mills' singing pleased a large audience which applauded her generously, recalled her a number of times and made her give a second performance of three of Mr. Still's four songs. The songs were arranged for accompaniment by a small jazz orchestra.

MINISTER WELL SUPPORTED IN NATIONAL SUN. SCH. CONGRESS

DR. J. C. WHITE PASSES UP OPEN LETTER OF SUMTER MINISTER

Congress is June 9 - 14 in This City--Prominent Men and Women in Every Walk of Life to Come.

IS CHRISTIAN BODY SAYS COLUMBIA MINISTER

In his study at the Big Zion Baptist Church of which he is the pastor, the Rev. J. C. White, well known national religious leader and president of the State Sunday School and Baptist Young People's Union of South Carolina, when seen by a reporter for the Palmetto Leader, stated here today that his personal attention had been called to the open letter from the Rev. I. W. Williams, D. D., Ph. D., who was under discussion by the Crisis last summer in receiving a degree from "a" Princeton University of Indiana, who lives at Sumter had sent to the newspapers an open letter asking who made the official invitation to the National Baptist Sunday School Congress to hold its annual sessions in Columbia, June 9th thru the 14th.

"I am sorry, Sir," declared the distinguished pastor of Zion Church, "I will have to pass you and your interview up concerning the coming annual convention of the National Baptist Sunday School Congress to this city." You might say thru the columns of your paper that I am receiving letters daily from men and women in every walk of life in South Carolina, commending the bringing to South Carolina this great National body," declared Dr. White.

Branching to other things in connection with the Congress, the President of the State Sunday School Convention would not say any more con-

AN APPEAL TO THE LEGISLATURE

Asks for Continuation of State's Appropriation of \$2,000 for Maintenance.

REFORMATORY FOR GIRLS

Larger Committee to Appear Before Legislature for Their Support.

A strong appeal was made before the joint committee made up of the Senate's Finance and the Ways and Means Committee of the General Assembly for the continuation of ward the maintenance of the Fair- the State's appropriation of \$2,000 to- world Industrial School. Plans were also started to have a bill introduced in the House and the Senate to es- tablish a State Reformatory for delin- quents Colored girls in South Carolina.

In a few days, a larger committee will again appear before the Legis- lators and appeal for their support. The committee consisted of: Bishop K. G. Finlay, Mrs. James Cain, Mrs. Ethel Martin, Supt; Mr. I. S. Leevy.

UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

The Regal Drug Store has changed owners. It is now under the man- agement of Dr. J. R. Ruff and Mr. W. J. Beaty.

With the past experience of these two gentlemen in this particular busi- ness, makes it possible for them to give gilt-edge service. They are effi- cient and can handle every phase of the business.

Their Prescription Department is operated by an efficient and capable Pharmacist.

We feel sure that the public will be benefitted by the change. Continue to patronize the Regal.

cerning the fight being made by some of the men of his church, who have tried to draw him into a newspaper fight in connection with the invitation to the Congress to meet in South Carolina.

According to The National Baptist Union Review, among the outstanding church leaders who have given their endorsement of the Congress coming to this State is the Rev. James S. Earle, D. D., Lld. D., President of the Men's Baptist State Convention at Spartanburg. The program is very soon the people of South Carolina being shaped, and it is expected that will hear much about the Congress and the thousands of delegates it will bring to Columbia.

Official headquarters will be opened in a few days. Dr. White is now selecting the personnel of his official office family. He stated that a young man well known in South Carolina, and a prominent welfare and social worker has been tendered the appointment as his aid or secretary until after the Congress. He is to take up his duties at the headquarters of the Congress, April the 1st in this city. When forced for a name, Dr. White told the reporter, "I am sorry. I do not wish to make known the personnel of my office help, until I am able to announce the entire of- fice personnel."

Of all things it was discovered that the Rev. White is going to stay out of any fight. He puts the sessions of the convention into the hands of the Christian people of the State and City, and believes that the coming of the Congress will mean much to the people of the State and City. The Congress will bring to Columbia between 5,000 and 8,000 people from out of the State. Columbians are greatly pleased to have the Congress, and it is a general feeling on the streets that Dr. White is to be thanked for his interest in his people, his city and State.