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Senator Roberts Addresses Baptists

MUST STICK BY ENFORCERS OF LAW ROBERTS TELLS BAPTISTS.

Regards Hoover as One of the Best Equipped Men in American Public Life

Louisville, Ky., Sept. 8.—Salvation of the American Negro lies in a highly developed sense of justice and rests in the hands of men who consecrate themselves to observe and to uphold the laws of the land, State Senator Adelbert H. Roberts told several thousand Baptist preachers and laymen here Friday night when called upon to address the National Baptist Convention of which the Rev. Lacey Kirk Williams, Chicago, is president.

To the accompaniment of fervent "amens" Senator Roberts impressed upon these churchmen who represent three and one-half millions of Negroes that good government to the Negro must mean his own obedience to the law of the land, and his support to only those men in public office who believe in strict enforcement of the law.

While the Senator did not mention the name of Al Smith, Democratic candidate for president, he did call attention to Herbert Hoover, the Republican candidate, as one of the best equipped men in American public life, and one to whom everybody could look as a strict enforcer of the law.

"There are those in public life today who would tamper with the Constitution, and with other laws," he pointed out. "That is dangerous. It is injurious to the best interests of all Americans, but it places the American Negro in the greatest jeopardy. We cannot stand for any fooling around with the laws, or changing of the Constitution.

"We are not courting nullification in any form. We regard the law as our protection and we don't want to feel that at any minute a wave of irresponsible public sentiment may overwhelm our protection and leave us stranded.

"Herbert Hoover has not turned his back upon the Constitution. He has recognized his sacred duty to respect the basic law of our land in its entirety and has pledged himself to enforce all the laws if elected to office. He is the only kind of a man upon whom we can look for the salvation we need."

Senator Roberts is a member of the Executive Committee in charge of the Republican campaign among Negroes and is directing the work of the Western Branch. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan, class of 1889.

REPORTS ACTIVITY AMONG COLORED WOMEN

Vice Chairman of Eastern Committee Visits Washington to Inspect Headquarters.

Washington, D. C.,—Mrs. Daisy B. Lampkin of Pittsburgh, Pa., vice-chairman of the organization committee of the Eastern Division of the Colored Organization, visited Washington to inspect the new headquarters Friday and to prepare for launching of activities among the women of the East. Mrs. Lampkin, who has just returned from a tour of points in Pennsylvania, Michigan and New York, reported great interest on the part of colored women in the success of Hoover and Curtis.

"Due to the interest in the national campaign," Mrs. Lampkin said, "women of Buffalo, N. Y., and Elmira, N. Y., are alert to register a larger number of women than ever before. They are optimistic in their belief that these two cities will give a greater republican majority than has ever been given before in a national

COLUMBIA GROCER DIES SUDDENLY THURSDAY

Jesse Gilliam, 52, who lives near the corner of Lyon and Gervais Sts., a substantial and well-to-do citizen of this city and a prominent deacon in Zion Baptist Church, died suddenly at his home on Lyon Street last Thursday morning at 12:30 P. M.

Mr. Gilliam was a vendor of vegetables and conducted a successful grocery for a number of years on Gates, Pine and Gervais Streets.

His wife, Mrs. Lizzie Gilliam, preceded him to the grave a little over a month ago.

Surviving him are two sons, Odell and Ulysses, and one daughter, Aletha (Totsie).

Funeral services will be held Sunday at 1:30 at Zion Baptist Church, in which he has served as an officer for many years.

A. M. E. LAYMEN MEET IN BETHEL

Churchmen adopt Resolutions and Elect Officers

The Committee on Resolutions submitted the following report, which was discussed and adopted by the members assembled.

Whereas, we, the laymen of the A. M. E. Church of South Carolina, now assembled in the Laymen's Union, do hereby first and foremost renew and affirm our undying allegiance to the great A. M. E. Church and its principles of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

We note with kindly appreciation the new law enacted by our last General Conference in giving the laymen equal representation in the General Conference, and increased representation in all annual conferences. We note that the Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina is living among us and we promise to do all we can to help him succeed for the cause of our Zion.

And, whereas, we note the apparent progress of church, school and state, we note in the same instance that the members are heavily taxed for the upkeep of the church and school to such an extent that the ministers generally are suffering. Therefore, be it resolved that this be looked into and remedied for the relief of the laity as well as the clergy.

And whereas, the General Conference has increased representation fifty-fifty in that body, we ask and urge that our Trustee Board and all Boards of our school be divided among the laymen fifty-fifty. We note the antiquated custom of the clergy and heads in our school, and a large part of our faculty, are composed of ministers, teaching and pastoring, which is contrary to the best progress of a school.

Therefore, be it resolved, that plans be now made to eliminate this unneeded and untimely custom, and we further suggest that where ministers or presiding elders are employed to teach in our schools they should not hold districts or pastorates, as they cannot do justice to both.

Expressions were freely given against presiding elders' high assessments for traveling expenses and house rent, while the poor ministers hardly have bread at home.

With reference to our permanent organization, this was perfected as follows:

W. H. Young, Columbia, State President, Miss F. G. Baumgardner, Columbia, Secretary, Prof. J. E. Smith, Andrews, Cor. Sec'y., Gibbs Mitchell, Charleston, Vice-Pres., S. C. Conference, Fred Green, Andrews, Vice-Pres., Palmetto Conference, Sol. Guignard, St. Matthews, Vice Pres., Central Conference, L. A. Hawkins, Columbia, Vice-Pres., Columbia Conference, Marshall Belser, Mt. Carmel, Vice-Pres., Piedmont Conference, N. E. Conference of Charleston, was elected treasurer. Hence to appointed. Mrs. M. C. Bell, campaign."

"In Detroit, I found that more women have been registered than at any



HON. G. LEE RATLIFF

State President of the Improved, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World.

Elks' State President Returns From Chicago

MR. G. LEE RATLIFF HAS RETURNED FROM THE SUPREME GRAND LODGE OF ELKS HELD IN CHICAGO. "HEAR YE HIM!"

Our State President of Elks has just returned from Chicago where he attended the National Association of Elks and is full of information which he is anxious to impart to all the many local lodges of Elks in our state. "Hear ye Him!"

Every year since Elkdom spread its horns in South Carolina and the State organization formed Mr. Ratliff has represented South Carolina in every Supreme Grand Lodge, not losing a single day. This time he finished all former trips by taking a whole Pullman car from Columbia and being accompanied by his better half (wife) and being furnished with a porter which gave them superb service to and from Chicago.

On their way through Asheville, N. C., they were joined by five men and one woman which proved and was added pleasure to their trip. At the Supreme Lodge Mr. Ratliff served on the Committee of Appeals and Grievances. He and Mrs. Ratliff stopped

at the palatial home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie E. Green at 2830 Calumet St. and who once lived in Columbia, S. C. They were further entertained by other "Columbians," viz: Dr. Charlie Thompson, Mr. Robert Brooks and wife (Mrs. Dixie Brooks), Dr. Morrison, formerly of Greenville, et al. Mrs. Brooks is connected with the Juvenile Court and also is the only colored person officially connected with a large hospital.

The next Supreme Grand Lodge of Elks will meet in Atlantic City and our State President, Mr. Ratliff has begun now to work and to carry a solid full Pullman car of Elks to that city which is commonly called "the city of pleasure."

Col. T. H. Henry of Columbia is commissioned our deputy and he will begin to set up Elk lodges in every city and country places. Those desiring lodges in their localities will

do well to write Col. T. H. Henry, 712 Calhoun Street, Columbia, S. C., for particulars. Mr. Ratliff and Col. Henry said that South Carolina must be represented at the next Supreme Grand Lodge, which meets in "The City of Pleasure," next August by at least twenty-five delegates.

Mr. W. E. McGee, who is Division Passenger Agent for the Southern Railway Company agreed to give Mr. Ratliff a Pullman car from Columbia on condition that eight or ten persons buy tickets to the same destination, but when only two tickets were purchased, Mr. McGee ordered the Pullman car to come forth for Mr. and Mrs. Ratliff which was a larger added expense to his company and Mr. and Mrs. Ratliff stepped on board and was furnished a clean and gentlemanly porter to grant their every wish. We cannot give Mrs. McGee and the Southern Railway Company too much praise for such noted and generous service given members of our group.

Call Mr. Ratliff to your lodge for the latest information on Elkdom and Col. T. H. Henry to set up new lodges that we may take a whole Pullman car jolly fellows to the Elks' Convention in Atlantic City next August.

Will you be there? Yes I'll be there unless the Southern spills our Pullman on the way.

We'll meet thousands of Bills with fezzes on their heads.

Each brushing and painting Atlantic City blood red.

The Southern will take us straight through the line.

Passing through Washington and Baltimore.

Philadelphia also is on our road, and will join us with another car load.

Mr. McGee will give us the Southern and service too.

Moving all obstacles before we pass through.

Messrs. Ratliff and Henry will manage our train.

Since they are the bosses of the Southern domain.

JOEL H. JACKSON, 2221 Richland St., Columbia, S. C.

Attorneys to Push Bess Case; Must Have Funds

AN APPEAL FOR FUNDS FOR BEN BESS

L. A. Hawkins, speaking for aid in the Ben Bess Case which will come up during October before the Supreme Court, is asking for donations to defray expenses of printing briefs and to assist otherwise. Let the ministers of the city help with Sunday collections and report the same Monday, Sept. 17. Now is the time to help and not promise.

Magazine Scores Law Enforcement

A. & T. TO BE CO-EDUCATIONAL

Outlook Great for Record Opening On 17th for North Car. Agricultural College

Greensboro, N. C., Sept. 14.—The faculty warranting this rating is dressing up for its fall session which will open September 17.

after undergoing a series of beauty treatment at the hands of hairdressers architects together with the improvements made in the buildings will present a splendid setting for the initial start of the 1928-29 scholastic year. Enlarged physical equipment will permit the college to carry out ambitious plans which were impossible before this year.

Girls Will Be Admitted.

Even more important than the setting itself will be the appearance of women as students at the college. North Dormitory has been remodeled and put into repair in order to furnish accommodations for the gentler sex who desire to lodge on the campus. President Blufford announces that many applicants have expressed the desire to seek admission to the college. This information is quite gratifying to the supporters of the local Negro institution.

This promises to be the most important year from the standpoint of students. There are several reasons for this prediction. First is the fact that women will be admitted. Second, A. and T. college is located in North Carolina, a state which is heralded throughout the ramification of Christendom as being a state that is putting over an educational program that is evoking commendations from the leading educators of the world. Third, A. and T. college is rated as an "A" grade college, with a faculty, thoroughly prepared composed of men with doctor's, master's and bachelor degrees earned from the leading schools of America, England and France.

Fourth is the fact that the athletic men offered by the college is one equalled by few institutions of color in America. The C. I. A. A. champs will meet at home Tuskegee, Bluefield, Hampton Union and other strong challengers.

Entrance examinations and examinations for removal of conditions will be held September 17. The registration office will open at 8 o'clock September 17. Plans have been made so that registration may be completed September 18. Classes will begin September 19. The first faculty meeting of the year will be held September 15 at ten o'clock.

Additions to the Faculty.

With the beginning of regular classes six new faculty members will assume duty at the local institution. The new teachers are: Mr. Andrew C. Bowling, B. S., Bucknell University, mathematics; W. Edward Henry, A. B., Union University, M. S., University of Penna., Education and Sociology; J. B. Small, B. S., M. and T. College, B. S., and teaching work, Iowa State College, Greenhouse Management, etc.; M. F. Spaulding, B. S., A. and T. College, B. S., Cornell University, M. S., Cornell University, Agronomy; Francis A. Gregory, B. S., Case School of Engineering, Electrical Engineering and Physics; Lovell A. Wise, B. S., School of Business Administration, New York University, Commerce and Business Administration and F. Mervilla Staley, who returns to the institution after a year of study at Cornell University where he received his master's degree.

PROFESSOR C. W. MADDEN HEADS HOWARD SCHOOL.

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SEYMOUR CARROLL IN BOSTON.

Boston, Mass., Sept. 8.—Seymour Carroll, field secretary of the American Humane Education Society of Boston and Columbia, S. C., is here for the week-end.

Yesterday Mr. Carroll was a guest of A. Horton, publisher of The Boston Chronicle. He left Thursday afternoon for Bristol Perry, R. I., where he will spend the afternoon with a member of the Board of Directors of The American Humane Education Society.

MORDERN QUARTERLY WANTS 14th AND 15th AMENDMENTS ENFORCED.

New York, Sept. 7.—The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 60 Fifth Avenue, calls attention to an article in the September issue of the Quarterly.

"The Prohibition of the 14th and 15th Amendments" is a sharp contrast drawn between the 14th and 15th Amendments and the 18th and 19th Amendments. The article says in part: "The 'humanitarian' anxiety to prevent such discrimination and

Why do not these zealous humanitarians, these ardent supporters of the law, apply their same logic to the enforcement of the 14th and 15th Amendments? These Amendments are laws, written into our Constitution in the same way that the 18th Amendment, but are entirely disregarded in the South. The Negro is not allowed to vote, he is segregated, discriminated and oppressed. Yet these Amendments were introduced in order to prevent such discrimination and

Are these Amendments less than the 18th? Is there such a thing as MORE or LESS law? An Amendment is either legal or illegal, it cannot be illegal until it is abrogated. Then why should not these greatest souls who are so anxious that the laws be obeyed, that the 14th Amendment be enforced because it is a law, rise up also in defense of these earlier Amendments and defend their efforts in achieving their movement. Why is it that these humanitarian zeal suddenly become silent when the humane task confronts them of giving to a people rights that are their heritage of birth but not in fact?

"Does this not indicate that there is something in this humanitarianism which is ascribed to the Prohibition movement, that is something that is a sham? Is this the humanitarianism of a William Lloyd Garrison? Is it being a race, anxious to be rescued from illegal suppression less humane than rescuing a people, mankind to be rescued, from the evils of intoxication?"

"Which all is said, is it not true that we cannot afford to be humanitarian, rescuing a race, but can afford to be humane about rescuing a people from alcohol? In brief, one cannot talk of a humanitarianism in these matters about which it is proper to be humane."

"In further contrast of the indifference toward the enforcement of the 14th and 15th Amendments and the interest in the enforcement of the 18th, it might be added that while one cent is proposed to be spent toward the enforcement of the 14th and 15th, the Anti-Saloon League, Department of Justice and the Coast Guard Department spend millions in order to enforce the 18th. In the meantime not only are the 14th and 15th Amendments not enforced, as said, but their utter lack of enforcement is not given any consideration at all."

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To the delight of his many friends, the mantle has fallen on Professor Cresswell W. Madden, formerly teacher at Booker Washington school, this city and Williston school, Wilmington, N. C.

Professor Madden was educated at South Carolina A. & M. College and small University. Having received his Bachelor's degree in Science at the former, and done Post-graduate work in the same field at the latter. Professor Madden comes well qualified to hold the position.