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Julius F. Taylor Spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Springfield, Illinois, in the Interest of Home Rule for Chicago. On Wednesday, in Company With Col. W. T. Scott, He Had a Pleasant Interview With Governor Edward F. Dunne

AGAIN RESPECTFULLY PROTESTING TO HIM AGAINST CONTINUING TO PERMIT BISHOP SAMUEL FALLOWS, REV. HON. ARCHIBALD JAMES CAREY, PH. D. D. AND A NAMELESS LITTLE COLORED MAN TO RUN THE ILLINOIS STATE COMMISSION IN THE GROUND AND TO RECKLESSLY SQUANDER MONEY BELONGING TO THE SMALL TAXPAYERS THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

MESSES. OSCAR DePRIEST, EDWARD D. GREEN AND REV. A. J. CAREY, WERE ALSO IN THAT CITY AT THE SAME TIME TO URGE THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE TO APPROPRIATE ANOTHER \$25,000 FOR THE COMMISSION. MR. DePRIEST WANTS TO BECOME THE GRAND DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE AFFAIR AND MR. GREEN DESIRES TO FILL THE POSITION AS ITS CHIEF GRAND ADVERTISING MANAGER.

ON WEDNESDAY MORNING STATE SENATOR JOHN DAILEY, ONE OF THE COMMISSIONERS, STATE SENATOR W. DUFF FIERCY, COMMISSIONER, MAJ. R. E. JACKSON, COMMISSIONER, HON. MEDILL McCORMICK, COMMISSIONER, HON. S. B. TURNER, STATE SENATOR GEORGE F. HARDING, ALD. HUGH NORRIS, REPRESENTATIVE WILSON, REPRESENTATIVE WILLIAM M. BRINKMAN, HON. EDMUND H. ROCHE, HON. OSCAR DePRIEST AND HON. EDWARD D. GREEN HELD A LONG CONFERENCE WITH GOV. DUNNE IN CONNECTION WITH THE STATE COMMISSION.

REV. A. J. CAREY LEARNING THAT AN INVESTIGATION INTO ITS AFFAIRS WAS IN THE AIR LIT OUT FOR CHICAGO TUESDAY AFTERNOON WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT HE WOULD BE BACK IN SPRINGFIELD EARLY WEDNESDAY MORNING, BUT HE FAILED TO ANSWER PRESENT AT ROLL CALL.

DURING THE CONFERENCE HON. EDWARD D. GREEN ACCUSED GOV. DUNNE OF GIVING THE FIRST \$25,000 AS POLITICAL PAP OR PATRONAGE FOR THE COLORED PEOPLE. AT THAT REMARK GOV. DUNNE BRISTLED UP RIGHT SHARP AND COLDLY INFORMED MR. GREEN THAT HE WAS TALKING THROUGH HIS HAT, THAT HE ENTERED INTO THE SPIRIT OF THE AFFAIR IN GOOD FAITH, THAT HE WANTED TO SEE THE COLORED PEOPLE OF THIS STATE CELEBRATE THEIR FIFTY YEARS OF FREEDOM, THAT HE WAS NOW THOROUGHLY CONVINCED THAT THE COMMISSION HAS BEEN BADLY MANAGED, THAT SOMEONE CONNECTED WITH THE COMMISSION HAD WORKED OR FLIMFLAMMED HIM OUT OF \$10.00 WITHOUT GIVING HIM ANY CREDIT FOR IT.

SENATOR W. DUFF FIERCY IS IN FAVOR OF CALLING A MEETING OF THE STATE COMMISSION AND ABANDON THE PROJECT OF HOLDING THE EXPOSITION IN AUGUST, 1915. \$23,000 OF THE FIRST \$25,000 HAS ALREADY BEEN EXPENDED AND IT IS ESTIMATED THAT IT WILL REQUIRE \$81,000 TO RUN THE EXPOSITION AT THE COLISEUM FROM AUGUST 22 TO SEPTEMBER 16; AND THAT TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND PEOPLE AT 25 CENTS A HEAD WILL HAVE TO PAY THEIR WAY INTO IT BEFORE IT WILL PROVE A SUCCESS.

Monday evening at 11:15 the writer climbed aboard one of the fast trains on the Chicago and Alton Railroad bound for Springfield, Illinois, the Hon. Oscar De Priest, the Hon. Edward D. Green and the Rev. Archibald James Carey, Ph. D. D. were on the same train and they were somewhat surprised to come in contact with us, our main object in journeying to Springfield was to assist Mayor William Hale Thompson whom we had the pleasure of meeting who slapped us on the back and exclaimed right in the presence of a crowd of big politicians, "here is my old pal Julius Taylor and I am glad to have you with us in our manly fight for home rule for Chicago."

After the home rule bill had been defeated for the second time in the house in spite of the hard work on the part of the forty aldermen and the other prominent politicians and citizens who accompanied Mayor Thompson to Springfield with that object in view we made up our mind to do a little investigating into the affairs of the Illinois State Commission.

So on Wednesday morning in company with Col. W. T. Scott, we made our way to the State House and in due time we were both ushered into the presence of Governor Edward F. Dunne who received us very cordially and after pleasantly exchanging the greetings of the morning we again most respectfully protested to him against continuing to permit Bishop Samuel FalloWS, the Rev. Hon. Archibald James Carey, Ph. D. D. and a nameless little colored man, to continue to run the Illinois State Commission in the ground as they have been doing in

the past and to recklessly spend or squander money belonging to the small taxpayers throughout the State of Illinois.

At the end of our conversation with Governor Dunne he intimated that he did not know just what he would do with the Illinois State Commission to celebrate the fifty years of freedom of the colored people residing in this state.

As stated before that Messrs. Oscar De Priest, Edward D. Green and Rev. A. J. Carey, were also in that city at the same time for the sole purpose of urging the members of the Legislature to appropriate another \$25,000 for the commission, and if they can secure that amount of ready or easy money Mr. De Priest will consent to become the grand high chief or director general of the affair and Mr. Green will accept the important position of head chief or manager for the State grand advertising commission.

On Wednesday morning State Senator John Dailey, one of the commissioners and who is one of the slickest republican politicians in this state for he can successfully boss or command the democrats in both branches of the present Legislature to do his bidding just like so many jumping jacks or doll babies, State Senator W. Duff Fiercy, State Commissioner, Major Robert R. Jackson, Commissioner, Hon. Medill McCormick, State Commissioner, Hon. S. B. Turner, State Senator George F. Harding, Ald. Hugh Norris, Rep. Wilson, Rep. William M. Brinkman, Hon. Edmund H. Roche, Hon. Oscar De Priest and Hon. Edward D. Green all held a long conference

with the Hon. Edward F. Dunne in connection with the Illinois State Commission, the nameless little colored man did not show up at all.

The Rev. Archibald James Carey, Ph. D. D. shortly after arriving in Springfield, Tuesday morning learned that an investigation into the affairs of the State Commission was in the air lit out for Chicago, Tuesday afternoon, with the understanding that he would be back in Springfield early on Wednesday morning but for some cause or other best known to his lord and master he failed to answer present at roll call.

During the conference with Governor Dunne, the Hon. Edward D. Green, boldly accused Governor Dunne of giving the first \$25,000 as political pap or patronage for the colored people in order to get or keep many of them in line for the democrats.

At that remark Governor Dunne bristled up right sharp and very coldly informed Mr. Green that he was simply talking through the top of his head or hat or words to the same effect, that he had entered into the whole spirit of the affair in good faith that he wanted to see the colored people of this state celebrate their fifty years of freedom; that he was now thoroughly convinced that the State Commission has been badly managed that some one connected with it had worked or flimflammed him out of ten dollars without giving him any credit on its subscription list.

Holding our big ear close to the outer door leading into the Governor's office so as to catch most everything that went on inside of it we heard one of the State Commissioners say that figures had been submitted by one of the dreamers connected with the Commission showing that it would require eighty-one thousand dollars to hold the exposition or the celebration of fifty years of freedom at the Coliseum in this city from August 22 to September 16, that five hundred thousand people at 25 cents ahead would have to pay their way into it before that vast sum of money would roll back into the pockets of those connected with the State Commission, that the rent of the Coliseum alone would for that length of time amount to six thousand dollars at that point the Hon. W. Duff Fiercy who admitted to the writer that he had never attended but two meetings of the Commission, that Governor Dunne in the summer of 1914, requested him to be present at one session of the Commission in Chicago and report back to him just what was going on among the other White and Colored members of the Commission.

Very firmly expressed the opinion that "the best thing to do would be to call a meeting of the whole Commission and abandon the exposition and not have it to wind up heavily in debt owing to bad management, for in time its debts would have to be paid by all the taxpayers of Illinois."

The Hon. Medill McCormick never attended any of the meetings of the Commission during the two years that he has been one of its members and it is said that after he had learned the true status of the affairs in connection with it that he is not in favor of voting away twenty-five thousand dollars more of the peoples money to aid the project any further, that the only way that he is in favor of giving away any money is for the members of the Commission to raise among themselves or friends five or ten or twenty-five thousand dollars or whatever sum they want the Legislature to give them, that the word of mouth will not go when they want to draw on the state treasury for money they must exhibit a certificate of deposit showing that they have an equal amount of money belonging to the

Commission on deposit in a solid banking institution in Chicago or Springfield, Ill. State Senator Harding declared that that would be a very hard thing to do as long as The Broad Ax was engaged in fighting one or two gentlemen prominently connected with the Commission.

It leaked out during the conference that only about \$2,000 of the first \$25,000 was left; that the other \$23,000 had all disappeared in one way or another; that Mr. Edmund H. Roche, one of the best business men connected with the State department; who figures on all claims or bills before they are presented to the auditor of State for final payment; had issued orders to hold up all vouchers emanating from the Illinois State Commission, until it was definitely settled; whether or not, the Illinois Legislature would appropriate any more money, for that Commission.

THE DEFEAT OF JUDGE EDWARD O. BROWN.

In all parts of this city and county, the people are lamenting the fact, that Judge Edward O. Brown, was unfortunately defeated by a small margin, in his race for re-election as one of the judges of the Circuit Court.

Judge Brown, was one of the very best judges in that or any branch of the judiciary and he should have cheerfully been rewarded, with one or two terms more on the bench for his faithful services in the past, as he was the only one of the sitting judges to fail of re-election.

For some time past, Judge Brown has been President of the Chicago branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and to say the least, the colored ministers of this city and county fall far short of their duties, by failing to urge the members of their congregation prior to June 7 to solidly support Judge Brown for re-election and by displaying a spirit of indifference in this respect, the colored ministers and the colored people in general let the world know, that they are not in favor of standing by the few white men who have the courage and the manhood to stand up

and plead for justice for them at all times.

Again we say, that we sincerely regret, that the services of Judge Brown are for the time being unjustly and unfortunately ended as one of the judges of the Circuit Court.

THE WHITE TERROR, A MOVIE WITH PUNCH AND PURPOSE.

Four-Reel Picture Produced in Co-operation with National Tuberculosis Association.

How the "movies" may tell a dramatic story in an effective way and yet carry vital lessons in the prevention of disease and the protection of health is well illustrated in a new four-reel picture to be issued next week, entitled "The White Terror." The film has been produced by the Universal Film Company in co-operation with The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis.

The picture described certain conditions in Everytown, where Boyd with his political henchman Duncan own and control all of the industrial, political, and social avenues of life. All Boyd cares for, except for his beautiful daughter Eleanor, is money. He pays his employes starvation wages; he forces them to live in ramshackle tenements full of dark, ill-smelling rooms; he makes them work under filthy, unsanitary conditions in badly lighted and ventilated shops; he grinds up the little children in his mills; and, above all, he manufactures and sells to his employes and others, a fake cure for consumption Sae-Ozone and a cure-all for everything else, Multikuro.

When Cole, the editor of The Clarion the only newspaper in the town, dares to publish an article partially disclosing conditions in Everytown and Boyd's control, Duncan quickly silences the paper with the threat to take away its advertising. But not without result was the publication of the first article. Matthew Brand, an idle, rich young man, who is desperately in love with Eleanor Boyd, has been spurred on by her to do something worth while for the city. He sees conditions himself, and realized that Cole has not told half enough. Although it is for the

purpose of fighting the father of the girl he loves, Brand buys The Clarion and begins new attacks on Boyd and his methods.

So vigorous are the new attacks that Boyd orders Duncan to silence The Clarion at any cost, and after many vain attempts, Duncan resolves to dynamite the plant and kill Brand and Cole.

Meanwhile Eleanor has contracted a cold which the doctor pronounces tuberculosis on the very night when Duncan plans to blow up The Clarion office. The shock of this calamity; the doctor's denunciation of Boyd and his methods of selling fake cures; the premature explosion at The Clarion, causing the death of Duncan instead of Brand or Cole—all of these things in one night coming to Boyd unnerve him and after a troublesome series of dreams, he resolves to be a better man and to make amends for the wrong he has done. The result was that a year later Everytown could show greatly improved working conditions in all of Boyd's factories; a series of new model homes for workingmen; a tuberculosis sanatorium; an open air school; visiting nurses; and other adequate protection for the public health.

The picture will be shown in theatres throughout the United States and will be released simultaneously on June 18th in thirty-eight different cities.

COL. WILLIAM J. BRYAN STEPS DOWN AND OUT AS SECRETARY OF STATE.

The first of this week Col. William J. Bryan and President Woodrow Wilson, come to the parting of the way and to the good of all parties concerned as well as to the good of the majority of the people throughout the United States; Col. Bryan resigned his position as Secretary of State.

The Father of Mr. W. K. Fleming one of our young printers, employe of the Chrystal Printing office who lives in Macon, Miss., was buried in that city a few days ago, we express our condolence to the bereaved son who is one of our worthy citizens.



MR. THOMAS TAYLOR, JR.
One of the newly elected Judges of the Circuit Court of Cook County