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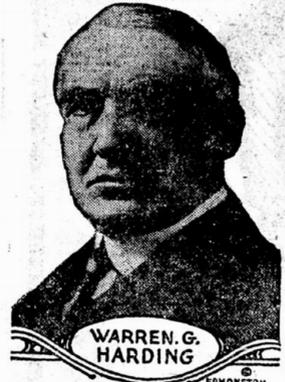
DES MOINES, IOWA, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1920

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SEN. HARDING SPEAKS HERE

Senator Harding Speaks at Coliseum

The largest crowd seen in the Coliseum since President Roosevelt spoke here greeted Senator Warren G. Harding, Republican candidate for president. Hon. Nate Kendall was introduced by Chairman Rawson as the next governor of Iowa who in turn introduced Senator Cummins. Mr. Cummins in a few words made a touching introduction of Mr. Harding. The nominee had his audience with him from the beginning and demonstrated beyond a doubt that he was of presidential caliber. The senator was scheduled to reply



WARREN G. HARDING

to President Wilson's recent letter on the League of Nations. He said in no uncertain words that he was opposed to the present covenant proposal by President Wilson or any other document which surrendered American rights or left any of its rights uncertain. Senator Harding said Wilson had scrapped his own League of Nations, that he realized the difficult circumstances surrounding him after his election, and that in order to bring about some amicable means of insulating an association of nations he would surround himself with the best brains of the nation. Such questions as "What about the Irish," "Will America be forced to send its sons abroad should the league be accepted as presented by Wilson," were suggested all of which he answered in a clear and forceful manner that was pleasing to his audience. The senator urged the re-election of Senator Cummins because he was one of the most useful men in public life today. The meeting was a huge success and undoubtedly demonstrated that Harding would carry Iowa by a safe majority. The senator left at noon for Omaha.

HIGH COST OF LIVING EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS

The high cost of living still continues to hold a place in big headlines as well as in the news and editorial columns of the daily papers. The Literary Digest "Topics of the Day" is showing on the motion picture screen numerous well-worded editorial comments on this phase of our living, selected from the press of the world. We believe the following paragraphs "hit the nail on the head."

More old fashioned American sweat will mean less Bolshevism and an early funeral for Mr. High Cost of Living.—Baltimore American.

Some of the cost tags are still ashamed to look an honest consumer in the face.—Toledo Blade.

Wanted: Something that will sharpen American wits so they will cut the cost of living.—Minneapolis Tribune.

A.M.E. Conference Appointments

Owing to the late hour at which this list was compiled, there was no opportunity to publish it in the Bystander last week. A large percentage of our readers are anxious to know the stations of the former pastors and friends and it is to this end that the entire list is published this week.

Chicago Conference.

East Chicago district, N. J. McCracken, presiding elder; Quinn chapel, H. E. Stewart; Aurora, J. H. Bell; Joliet, W. G. Irwin; Gary, Ind., W. H. Saunders; Mt. Pleasant, G. W. Cooper; Coppin, Mo., J. D. Coston; Lee chapel, H. P. Jackson; St. Luke, East Gary, L. J. Phillips; Wilson Avenue, Mo., A. M. Frazer; Gary chapel, M. F. Brown; St. James, Mo., Jas. Dickerson; Twenty-fifth street, Missouri, Henry Byrd; St. Lawrence, Mo., F. C. Lowery; Trinity, C. A. Fisher; Turner memorial, J. C. Gaskin; St. James, I. H. Kinney; Blue Island, B. C. Weaver; Morgan park, H. Walden; Hyde park, J. J. McDaniel; Wayman, B. U. Taylor; Grant, T. L. Scott; St. Mary, I. R. Harvey; institutional, J. M. Henderson; W. T. Bailey, city missionary; Harvey, C. Z. Williams.

Chicago Conference.

West Chicago district, James Higgins, presiding elder; Bethel, S. L. Birt; St. Stephens, T. Reeves; Maywood, W. H. Thomason; La Grange, J. L. Wharton; St. John, G. W. Williams; Kewanee, J. R. Clarke; Galesburg, R. Thomas; Monmouth, J. H. Ferrabee; Burlington, M. R. Rhonson; Ft. Madison, E. F. Moses; Keokuk, J. H. Garrison; Thirty-first street Mission (Chicago), Rev. Henry; Fifty-first street Mission (Chicago), Rev. ZeEuniss.

Chicago Conference.

West Chicago district, L. H. Owens, presiding elder; Evanston, R. E. Wilson; Glencoe, I. N. Daniels; Racine, C. T. Threat; Milwaukee, J. O. Morely; Madison, P. J. Peterson; Beloit, C. H. Mountain; Moline, G. W. Lewis; East Moline, J. W. Best; Rock Island, E. Thompson; Rockford, G. I. Holt; Freeport, Preston Lewis; Clinton, J. N. Goddard; Davenport, R. C. Ransom, Jr.; Elgin, B. Lewis; Waukegan and Lake Forest, H. E. Johnson; J. S. Woods, conference evangelist.

Northwestern Conference.

St. Paul district, T. B. Stovall, presiding elder; J. C. Anderson, St. James, St. Paul; J. S. Strong, Bethel, St. Paul; J. J. Evans, St. Peter, Minneapolis; W. M. Majors, Duluth and Superior; P. M. Lewis, Sioux City; J. P. Sims, Council Bluffs; N. P. Jones, Fort Dodge; H. C. Boylan, Waterloo; J. T. Merritt, St. James, Minn.; E. A. Wilbur, Johnson, Winipeg, Canada; J. W. Norris, Yankton and Huron, N. D.; Rev. Strong, Calgary.

Northwestern Conference.

Des Moines district, A. W. Hackley, presiding elder; Des Moines, W. D. Cook; Ottumwa, E. R. Edwards; Muscatine, R. C. Campbell; Boone City, Rev. Coleman; Osceola Court, J. Forehand; Clarinda, C. P. Jones; Okaloosa, R. B. Manley; Albia, J. W. Saunders; Newton, J. D. Peterson; Buxton, D. W. Brown; East Des Moines, C. Claybrook; B. F. Hubbard, Mt. Pleasant and Fairfield; Marshalltown, to be supplied.

BACHELOR'S WILL TO NEGRESS CONTESTED

Ashland, Oct. 1.—Chancery court convened here on Monday Judge J. G. McGovern of Water Valley is the chancellor. The case that is attracting most attention is the suit to break the will of the late Billie Tim Smith, a wealthy bachelor of this county. Smith in his

Democratic Misrule in Haiti

James Weldon Johnson's investigation in Haiti shows that Vice President Candidate Roosevelt spoke the truth in mountains when he said that he wrote the constitution of Haiti and held its League of Nations vote in his pocket. The following report is taken from the Cleveland, (Ohio) Advocate Editor's note:

New York City, Sept. 30.—About five years during which the invasion of the island of Haiti by United States marines was shrouded in secrecy, silence has been broken by James Weldon Johnson, acting secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, who was sent to Haiti by that organization to investigate. Mr. Johnson's charges have been reiterated by Senator Warren G. Harding in his campaign for the presidency and the state department has had to reply to numerous editorial attacks made by newspapers to which the N. A. A. C. P. investigation supplied facts.

In brief, Mr. Johnson's indictment of the Wilson administration's course in Haiti recites:

1. That the island of Haiti was seized by United States marines and that in five years some 3,000 natives were shot.
2. That the Haitian assembly was dispersed by force at the order of an American officer of marines and that the Haitian republic has been virtually overthrown.
3. That a convention was forced by the United States upon the Haitian government changing the constitution of Haiti, so that Americans could purchase and own land there.
4. That the invasion of Haiti and the conduct of Haitian affairs had been unduly benevolent to the National City Bank of New York, whose vice president, Roger L. Farnham, had represented the state department in Haiti.
5. That the salaries of the president and other officers of Haiti were withheld because the Haitian government refused to turn over the National Bank of Haiti to the National City bank, alleging that an agreement previously made had been tampered with.

The secretary of state in reply to Mr. Johnson's charges published several statements announcing that General Lejeune, commandant of the marines, and Admiral Knapp had been sent to Haiti to investigate. He also insisted the intentions of the United States in Haiti had been "benevolent." Mr. Johnson thereupon replied asking for a congressional investigation of affairs in Haiti and charging that the investigations by General Lejeune and Admiral Knapp would probably result in an official whitewash. Latest advice to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People indicate that a congressional investigation will be held as a consequence of Mr. Johnson's charges.

REGISTRATION DAYS OCT. 21, 22, 23.

will left his entire estate, worth probably \$85,000 to a Negro woman and her children. Mrs. E. A. Maxwell, a representative of one of the prominent families, and an aunt of the late Smith, is contesting Mr. Smith lived near Lamar this county. There is strong legal talent employed on both sides. Judge Will A. McDonald, considered one of the best lawyers in this section of the state represents Mrs. Maxwell and he has associates with him, Judge T. C. Wilson, a well known attorney of Memphis. Lester G. Fant, a very successful lawyer of Holy Springs, has been employed to defend the estate. One side in the controversy has already summoned twenty-two witnesses.

American Legion Convention at Cleveland

In Session Assembled at Cleveland, Ohio, Sept. 27, 28, 29, 1920. September 27, 1920.

The annual session of the American Legion opened at Keith's hippodrome, Euclid avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, Monday, September 27, with a representation of more than four thousand delegates.

The sessions were arranged in program for each day's work as follows: September 27, 1920, reports of National Commander D'Olier, National Adjutant Bolles, National Finance Officer, National Chairman of Post Welfare Work, and the National Committee on By-laws and constitution. Due to composition of proposed amendments to constitution as regards policies and politics, the same tabled to be resumed later.

September 28, 1920.

Continuation of report of National Committee on By-laws and constitution. In the proposed amendment, there was considerable heated debate on that part of the constitution which promulgated that the American Legion stands for "Folies, Not Politics," seemingly it was the intent of Past Commander Lindsey and other of his staunch supporters so as to stimulate the idea of infusing politics. This in its entirety was defeated. The afternoon session was devoted to introduction of distinguished visitors, who made inspiring talks. These distinguished guests were: General Leonard Wood of the American army; Admiral Ferrat of the Royal British navy; General Ferrari of the French army; the National Commander of G.



REV. W. E. SHAW, D. D.

Presiding Elder of the Missouri Annual Conference of the A. M. E. Z. Church. Holds First Quarterly Conference at Kyle's A. M. E. Zion Church South East Eighteenth and Scott Streets, Des Moines, Iowa, October 7.

Dr. Shaw was appointed Presiding Elder by Bishop P. A. Wallace in the Annual Conference held in St. Louis, Mo. He succeeds Rev. F. W. Alstork as Presiding Elder, July 7.

Because of his intellectual ability and former success as Missionary and Pastor, the interest of the District will be safe in his hands. Dr. Shaw formerly held pastorates in the Kentucky, Indiana, West Virginia, Tennessee, Mississippi and Arkansas Conferences.

He served for some time as President of Atkinson College, Madisonville, Ky., for nearly four years he served as Missionary in West Central Africa, where he organized a number of missions and built the great Walters College at Kwitah, Gold Coast Colony.

His last pastoral charge was at St. James Church, Woodland Avenue, Kansas City, Mo.

Don't miss hearing him Sunday, Oct. 10 at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. at Kyle's A. M. E. Zion Church, South East Eighteenth and Scott Streets.

A letter of Commendation

To the Editor of the Bystander, Sir: Your news item in last week's Bystander under the caption, "Negroes Must Stop Trading at Grund's" was timely and to the point. Not only should Negroes cease trading at Grund's, but they should rapidly build up different business enterprises and industries of their own as has been done and is being done through the large Negro centers of the east and south. In so doing they would have no excuse to trade with the other fellow.

Grund, the Jew, is no different from any other Jew or business white man, who locates in a colored district. They have no interest in the race save what money they can extract from their pockets. Negro public sentiment ought to forbid white people from succeeding in business in Negro districts by refusing to support them, and when we permit them to succeed in our neighborhoods, and permit race enterprises of a similar nature in the same neighborhood to die from the lack of support we are exhibiting a pitiable lack of race consciousness.

Negroes should view it as a religious duty to support their own in every legitimate enterprise; in so doing they are building an economic structure upon which a lasting and enduring superstructure can be built. And the converse is equally true of Negro business men and women, they should make it a point to so conduct their business that criticism would be reduced to a minimum.

Sammel Barrett, D. C.

Pine Cones

Mrs. Laurence C. Jones and the Piney Woods sextet after a very pleasant and profitable time in Sioux City where they were guests of some of the important commercial organizations, have started on a trip through the southwest part of the state working toward Ottumwa and Burlington.

Miss Doris James of Iowa and Mrs. Greene of Nebraska, new members of the Piney Woods faculty left Des Moines for the school last Thursday morning.

Principal Jones of the Piney Woods school, is spending a few days in the northern part of the state looking after his school interests.

The largest attendance in the history of Piney Woods school, is expected on the 19th of October the opening date. Misses Ella J. Carter and Estella Oatis are making splendid records in Iowa institutions.

A. R.; and Fitzgugh Lee, for the veterans of the confederacy.

September 29, 1920.

Election of National Officers. Ohio, was unanimously elected national commander. Comrade Hanford McNider of Mason City, Iowa, was a strong candidate but declined the office. At this session there were five vice national commanders elected, three from the army and two from the navy.

Under the head of new business: Mr. Owens, a colored delegate from St. Louis, Mo., asked the presiding officer for the floor (which was granted) in a challenge to have certain portions of the remarks made by the chairman of the California delegation placing the status of the American colored man in the same category as the Japanese alien, stricken from the records of the na-

Thomas Harris en to New York

Thomas Harris, one of Des Moines home owners, has received more unique honors than most people. Sometimes ago the Bystander carried a cut of Mr. Harris and a statement to the effect that he had signed with a vaudeville concern for several weeks engagement in the east at \$250 per week, and would pass through Des Moines in October on his way east.

Mr. Harris is in the city this week. He has spent the last few months in Spencer, Iowa, where he was a member of Glenn C. Peterson post of the Amer-



HARRIS READY FOR HIS FLIGHT. He was the only colored member of that post and the most popular man besides. Several weeks ago the post gave a big entertainment and barbecue in his honor. Harris was on the program. He missed his train and in order to fill the engagement, former Lieut. Frank Knight of that post who was a pilot in the army carried Harris to the hall in

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Estelle Williams	1.50
Fannie McNeal	.75
M. Price Rupert	1.50
L. B. Berry	3.00
Gus Hawkins	1.50

posts of the American Legion. Other southern states will not, this right being reserved within the state.

Upon the recommendation of the French government the poppy was adopted as the flower to be worn by all Legionnaires on every armistice day.—J. Q. Lindsey, Lincoln post No. 126, American Legion, delegate to national convention.

his plane. The picture above is a photo taken just before starting on the trip. Mr. Harris is the one colored man who has ever made a trip in an aeroplane to fill an engagement. The Spencer paper's speaking of him says: Mr. Harris, the comedian had the distinction of coming to his appointment here in the aeroplane. He was a little too late to get his train and it remained for him to either drive or come over in the plane and he chose the latter and arrived just before the noon hour and was ready to fill his engagement on time. Mr. Harris is an artist in his line as all who saw and heard him will admit. He is soon to go east to fill a nine weeks' engagement at a salary

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