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SAVES HIS FATHER'S LIFE

(By The Associated Negro Press)

Norfolk, Va., Sept.—Hearing his father's screams at 10.30 o'clock at night and rushing to the front door of his home with gun in hand and firing six shots at a group of hooded figures stalking around his father's home, W. F. Trent, son of W. B. Trent, 60 years old, a prominent and prosperous colored farmer of Portsmouth, saved the elder Trent from assault and probably murder last Tuesday night.

The son with his family lives next door to his father who resides about two miles from the city near the Seaboard Air Line Railroad crossing on a valuable and fertile truck farm owned by him. He is also owner of a fine stock of horses and pigs.

According to a story told by the elder Trent he heard rappings on his door about 10.30 o'clock after he had gone to bed. When he went to the door three white men wearing masks partly covering their faces seized him and dragged him towards three automobiles parked in his yard. He screamed and one of the band hollered "kill him." About forty more men wearing the regalia of the invisible empire were stalking around the yard and watching the scuffle. His son heard the commotion; keeping a cool head, he seized his shot gun, went to the door and let 'er go six times. He stated that he saw one of the men limping out of the yard.

The night riders scurried for safety when the gun belched a hail of hot pellets. They dropped their victim, fled from the yard and returned the fire with revolvers as they sped down the dirt road. A short distance from the scene one of the cars was ditched, but the occupants took no time to get it out, abandoning the car and fleeing with the others.

County officers arrived upon a telephone call. The gang had gotten completely out of sight and neighbors who had become aroused through the excitement, were shooting promiscuously about the scene. The police confiscated the abandoned car and upon a search of it found two long white robes and two hood caps. The following morning a white man called at the jail for the car reporting that it had been stolen. The police failed to put him under arrest for questioning, simply holding the machine for further investigation.

Farmer Trent said that he recognized one of the men as a man whom he has known since the kidnapper was a little boy. He refused to divulge the name of the member of the party, stating that he had put the matter in the hands of his attorney. Mr. Trent professed ignorance of any reason why any one should attack him.

State and Federal Law Conflict

(By The Associated Negro Press)

New Orleans, La., Sept.—Negroes are not permitted to erect dwellings or other structures for occupancy in white residential districts, according to an opinion handed down last week by City Attorney Kitteridge in connection with complaints by white residents against the erection of a Negro Church at North Claiborne and Tonti Streets. Mr. Kitteridge based his opinion on act 117 of 1912, which gives the city government full power to prevent the erection of houses for the use of Negroes in white settlements. The Louisiana law conflicts with the Federal Constitution Amendment providing no distinction of race in citizens' rights.

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Mr. Wye: "I don't know where women acquired their extravagance in dress. Eve wasn't like that, you know."

Mrs. Wye: "Of course not—there was only one man in the world, and she had him."

—Life

GARVEY GRANTED BAIL

(By The Associated Negro Press)

New York, Sept.—Marcus Garvey, with the approval of United States District Attorney Haywood and the department of Justice, has been granted bail, pending the appeal of his case to the United States Courts of appeal. Garvey was sentenced to five years in the Federal prison for misuse of the mails in connection with the Black Star Line, and has been confined to the Tombs since July.

The work of the U.N.I.A. has been energetic in behalf of their chief since his incarceration. Parades of the organization with huge banners of protest and appeal flying, have been held in various parts of the country. A plan was arranged and carried out through which, on a given date, members of the organization throughout the country sent telegrams of "an appeal for justice to The Associated Press offices, Washington, D.C."

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