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COLORED MAN APPOINTED ON PRISON BOARD

(By the Associated Negro Press)
Philadelphia, Pa., Aug.—Simultaneously with the announcement that Ernest T. Atwell, field director, bureau of Colored work, Community Service, had been appointed to membership on the board of trustees of Eastern Penitentiary by Governor Pinchot, came the further information that Mr. Atwell, as a Community Service Director, had secured the co-operation of the noted Harmon Foundation of New York in establishing a nationwide system of playgrounds for Negroes.

Mr. Atwell's appointment to the prison board is the first recognition the governor has given the Negro electorate since his election. The position carries with it great responsibility and influence. Other members of the board are Samuel S. Fels, multi-millionaire soap manufacturer, philanthropist and student of sociology; Alfred W. Fleisher, member of the real estate firm of Mastbaum Brothers and Fleisher, the largest concern in Philadelphia; Dr. Linn Bowman, morals instructor at the penitentiary, and Dr. Herbert M. Goddard, member of the County prison board.

The honor of the Community Service Director is looked upon as a distinct advantage to the entire race. His appointment is the first of its kind with which a Negro has been favored. It is felt now that other states will not be backward in following the lead established by Pennsylvania. Thus Governor Pinchot's action has been tantamount to opening a new field to Colored workers.

The Harmon Foundation offer to Community Service, through Mr. Atwell, is fraught with tremendous significance. It is similar to the Rosendal idea which has planted schools for Negroes in many parts of the South. That is to say, the Foundation offers to help any of a certain class of Negro communities to buy their playgrounds. Two conditions of the offer follow:

First: In any town or city where there is an established community of Colored people numbering between 2,000 and 10,000 and where this group of people feel the need of adequate recreation places and are willing to co-operate in the acquisition of the same, and to develop the land and maintain it as a permanent recreation ground, the Harmon Foundation will contribute up to 25 per cent of the purchase price of the land, the maximum of this offer being \$1,000.

Second: In any town or city where there is a community of Colored people between 2,000 and 10,000 population, and in which community the need of a recreation place is great, but where for some good reason, the time is not ripe for raising money for the purchase of such a place, the Harmon Foundation will buy the land and lease it to a local association for a period of five years with the option to buy at cost, plus interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum. Under this plan the Foundation asks that 25 per cent of the cost of the land shall be raised locally. Title to this land would vest in the Foundation and when the land should be purchased by the community group, the Foundation would expect to be reimbursed to the amount of three-quarters of the purchase price, with interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum.

NEGRO CLAIMS SELF-DEFENSE

(By the Associated Negro Press)
Kensington, Ill., Aug.—Sidney Simons is being held by local authorities, charged with the shooting and killing of Constable John Parise, following a quarrel between the two men. Simons is claiming self-defense as the reason for the fatal ending of the dispute. White witnesses of the affair are taking sides for and against the Negro.

NOTICE TO AGENTS

All agents are earnestly requested to report to Mr. J. F. Jenkins, not later than Tuesday next, (Aug. 7th). This is necessary to complete our records.

News For Travellers

1923 Dates of Colored Fairs
Alabama, Huntsville, North Ala., Colored Fair, Oct. 18-21; Kentucky, Winchester, Clark Co. Colored Fair, July 4-7; Lexington, Lexington Colored State Fair, Aug. 13-16; Maryland, Pocomoke, Pocomoke Colored Fair, Aug. 28-31; Salisbury, The Colored Fair Association, Sept. 4-7; Cambridge, the Cambridge Colored Fair, Sept. 11-14; North Carolina, Winston-Salem, Colored Piedmont Fair Association, Aug. 9-11; Asheville, Deatrice Colored Agricultural Fair, Sept. 24-29; Winton, Atlantic District Fair, Oct. 9-12. Raleigh, N.C. Negro State Fair, Oct. 23-26; Rocky Mount, Twin County Fair, Oct. 16-19; Smithfield, Smithfield Colored Fair, Nov. 4-10; South Carolina, Darlington, County Fair, Oct. 8-12; Tennessee, Hartsville, Colored Fair Association, Aug. 9-11; Jackson, Madison Colored Agricultural Fair, Sept. 18-20; Knoxville, Colored Commercial State Fair, Sept. 24-29; Huntingdon, Carroll Co. Colored Fair, Sept. 26-29.

Negroes Advised To Discard Jazz

(By The Associated Negro Press)
Chicago, Ill., Aug.—"I marvel when I consider what memorials to progress and uplift for the race and humanity might be made by the musicians of the Negro Race if they used their talents in the production of the more lasting forms of music, rather than courting momentary influences," declared the Rev. John B. Redmond, pastor of St. Marks M.E. Church, this city, in a speech "The Redemptive Power of Sacred Music," before the delegates gathered at the convention of the National Association of Negro Musicians.

Dr. Redmond took his slap at the jazz artists with an apology, criticizing them more for what they do not. Applause broke out from all sections do than for the music they produce. Many of the most noted Negro artists, interested in the substantial forms of music, were present. There were no makers of jazz present.

Colored Man Thrown From Car

(By the Associated Negro Press)
Chicago, Ill., Aug.—Grappling with a pickpocket on an Indiana Avenue surface car last Sunday, Fate Conerly, Colored, was thrown from the car, fracturing his skull. He has but a slight chance for recovery, the Provident Hospital officials are now declaring. A number of suspects have been arrested in connection with the affair but have not been identified by witnesses.

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