

Saturday, August 29th, 1931.

was in the city accompanied by Wright to visit his brother, Josiah Wright. He worshipped and also spoke.

Pope of Evanston, Ill. is visiting his cousin, Mr. Wm. Taylor in t.

Church Aid Social at the home of Drake was a success. The "Pie" being the attraction, proving popular.

James Ed Fountain, an old resident of the city who passed away on the 20th in his 58th year was buried in Woodland Cemetery on the 22nd from the oration of the Funeral Home. He leaves to his loss, 4 brothers, Byron of Chicago, Fred, Wesley and Hiram of Chicago and a sister, Mrs. Milton, of Chicago.

Mrs. John H. Mings of New York made London one of the stops while seeing Ontario. She was the guests of their cousin and Mrs. E. A. Richardson in company of Miss B. L. L. Mr. J. Richards of Toronto. He is Senior Instructor of the Institution, N.Y.

#### TO GET MORE FREEDOM.

Prince, Haiti, Aug. — A feeling of satisfaction and was evident here on Wednesday when it became known that Munro, American Minister and Abel Leger, Haitian secretary had signed an agreement transferring three of the five treaty departments hitherto by Americans, to Haitian

the tongue-in-the-cheek as well aware that this step represent a complete return of sovereignty to the citizens of Haiti, the general public was so admit that progress was toward freedom. Wednesday five activities of the government had been by the United States.

#### WITH KNOCKS OUT LAND IN TWO ROUNDS

Aug. 12.—Harr Smith's colored middle weight added Harry Goodland, the rapper, to his list of victims in two rounds at the Stadium Tuesday night.

#### PLAY FOR NEGROES

N.C.—Dr. R. T. Weather of the St. Matthews P.E. Greensboro, insisted that race is not asking alms, we deal in order that it self, in an address at the annual yearly meeting of the Society of Friends.



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## PROBE SHOWS NEGROES DUPES

New York, Sept. —Reports made by responsible parties in Alabama to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People reveal new information concerning the race riot at Camp Hill, Alabama on July 16th. Two white men and one Negro from Chattanooga, reputed to be Communist organizers, went to Camp Hill, recently and formed an organization of Negroes ostensibly to protest against share cropping. It is revealed that these organizers wrote, or caused to be written, in the minute books of the newly formed organization that its name should be "The Society for the Advancement of Colored People."

When rumors began to be circulated that the organization was for the purpose of killing or doing harm to officials, and when serious consequences threatened, the two white men are reported to have departed from the vicinity hastily, leaving the Negro organizer to complete the organization.

In the subsequent trouble of July 16th one Negro was killed, a number were injured and 34 are in prison.

#### Will Aid in Defense.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has requested its attorneys in Alabama to act in defending the 34 imprisoned Negroes who appear to be innocent dupes. The charges against them range from assault with intent to murder and conspiracy to murder, down to carrying concealed weapons.

The N.A.A.C.P. is continuing its investigation and will do everything it can to protect the misled Negroes. In announcing this the Association issued a statement that the outbreak is precisely what has been feared would happen as the result of empty and childish threats made in connection with the Scottsboro cases, which can do nothing else but gravely increase the difficulties of saving the eight boys sentenced to death in April.

## GAINS THE VICTOR

Manchester, Eng. — Larry Gains, Toronto heavyweight, knocked out Hans Bauman, Swiss champion in the first round of a scheduled fifteen round bout here.

## HISTORIC "COVERED WAGON" AT ST. LOUIS

An event of great historic significance is taking place in St. Louis this week.

One hundred years ago John Mason Peck, a white preacher, crossed this country in a "covered wagon," carrying the gospel and establishing the Baptist work. It was he who organized the First Baptist Church now located at Cardinal and Bell Avenues more than one hundred years ago.

The American Baptist Home Mission Society will observe its centennial next year but it is having as a prelude to that celebration the crossing of this country in a "covered wagon" by John M. Peck.

A covered wagon, a counterpart of that used by John M. Peck in his missionary journey is now covering the same route as that travelled by Rev. Peck. It left Brockton, Mass. June 20th and reached Shurtleff College, Alton, Illinois, Sunday, July 31. It spent August 2nd in St. Louis and appeared at the following churches: 9.45 a.m., Third Baptist Church, Grand and Washington, Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, pastor; 11 a.m., First Baptist Church, Cardinal and Belle avenues, Dr. O. Clay Maxwell, pastor; 3 p.m., mass meeting at Second Baptist Church, Kingshighway and Washington, Dr. M. Ashby Jones, pastor; 8 p.m. at Fourth Baptist Church, North 13th Street, Dr. Oliver Shank pastor.

A singer of exceptional power and ability and a chief orator for the occasion, Dr. G. Clifford Cress, will accompany the wagon.

John Mason Peck also organized the Baptist work, white and colored, as we know it now. The college now known as Shurtleff College, Alton, Illinois, was organized by him and he was the most instrumental person in organizing the American Home Mission Society. His remains are buried in Bellefontaine cemetery.

Gains, who holds both the Canadian and English championships has his eyes on the heavyweight crown of the world.

The bout lasted only two and a half minutes, but that was time enough for Gains to inflict considerable punishment on the Swiss heavyweight who sustained, among other injuries, a broken nose.

## MORE NEGROES IN SCHOOLS THAN EVER

Washington. — The results of a statistical study made public by the United States Office of Education here recently reveal unprecedented increases in the primary and secondary school enrollment for colored children. While there has been an increased enrollment in the primary schools of 19.8 per cent, the increase in the high schools over that of ten years ago has been 177.8 per cent.

In eighteen Southern states where there are separate enrollment statistics, over 2,260,000 are enrolled in the elementary and secondary schools. Enrollment of colored children in the public schools of the North and West, is roughly estimated at 300,000. Gains in building and school equipment were also cited by the study.

In twelve Southern States from 1920 to 1928 first grade attendance in Negro schools decreased slightly but in 1928 nearly three times as many Negroes were attending the first year of high school as attended in 1920, and a corresponding increase of more than five times as many students in fourth year high school classes was reported. During the 1927-28 school year 2,261,221 Negroes were enrolled in kindergarten and elementary schools of the United States. High school enrollment was 92,624. Negro college attendance is also greater than in the past. The Office of Education study shows. Although Houston, Texas, is the only city reporting a public junior college for Negroes, there are seventeen land-grant institutions and teacher-training schools. North Carolina College for Negroes at Durham, N.C., is the only college for Negroes supported entirely at State expense.

## SANDERS WINS BOUT

East St. Louis, Mo. — Earl "Tiger" Sanders, middleweight champion of Southern Illinois, knocked out "Battling Johnson," rugged Centralia, Ill. scrapper in the final round of a scheduled eight-round bout.

In the opening round Johnson took into Sanders furiously and stood toe-to-toe with the Tiger whenever he elected to rough it.

Sanders showed lightning speed and was around Johnson like a hoop

## ALL-COLORED TOWN AFTER A CHARTER

West Southern Pines, N.C. — Negro citizens and businessmen and fraternal leaders are joining in a vigorous battle to save the rights of this little town which has the distinction of being one of the few towns incorporated and operated solely by Negroes. The fight was caused when the last general assembly of the state of North Carolina passed a law repealing the charter of the town and annexing it to the town of Southern Pines, which it adjoins.

Attorney R. McCants Andrews is leading the legal opposition of the people.

The town of West Southern Pines was chartered on July 9th, 1923, by the state general assembly as a municipality. The people of the town then elected their own Mayor, commissioners, welfare heads, sanitary committee, and established a tax rate of 50c. per \$100. Under their guidance splendid success was met, and the Negroes built beautiful homes, churches, business buildings and one of the finest school buildings in the state of North Carolina, through private charity and the Negro citizens. A rather unusual fact about this town is that very few of its Negro citizens possess more than a formal education. The money value of the municipality, however, runs into many thousands.

The action of the General Assembly however, changes the situation.

around a barrel, pumping his left to the head and holding back his right at a threat. Johnson was not to be discouraged. He fought doggedly, lashing right and left.

In the sixth Sanders' persistent jabs and accurate rights began to tell on his opponent whose nose and mouth were bleeding. The up-state lad was badly shamed in a rapid-fire terrific exchange, but fans thought he would stay the limit.

The finish came in the eighth. Johnson charged in, swinging madly with grim determination in his face. Sanders met him with a never ceasing left jab, while keeping covered from the attack. Suddenly Sanders crossed a crushing right to the chin that bore all the weight of his hefty 160 pounds behind it and the victor crashed to the mat, where he took the count.