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Prominent Divine
Is Hero of Wreck

Atlanta, Ga., March 16—Rev. D. D. Crawford, of this city, Corresponding Secretary of the Colored Baptist Association of Georgia, is being acclaimed today by the Atlanta Constitution and other papers as the hero of a train wreck which took place near Manchester, Georgia, yesterday.

"The crash over," says the Con- preacher helped to extricate the conductor from the wreckage and received instructions from him how to prevent another possible wreck. He sent the flagman to Manchester to give the alarm and summon aid, and then took a red lantern and ran back station's front page story, "the to place a warning for other ap- proaching trains.

"With three cars and the engine plied into the washout and rain pouring down the preacher began carrying passengers to safety. Crawling down to a spot near the engine he saw that the engineer was injured and just recovering consciousness. To reach the victim he built a rough bridge of timber, crawled over it and with the aid of a trainman carried the engineer across his bridge to safety. Then he helped bring out more trapped victims and when rescuers from Manchester arrived he aided them in their work. All saved, he gave the injured his blessing and in several cases prayed for them."

Brown Harper, Negro fireman, whose home is in this city, was killed instantly in the wreck and ten of the passengers and crew were injured. Recent torrential rains were responsible.

Native Africans
Launch Big Bank

Lagos, Nigeria, West Africa—One of the largest financial institutions operated by Negroes in any part of the world was launched here this week, when the Industrial and Commercial Bank, Ltd., was chartered.

The institution is capitalized at approximately a half million dollars with the privilege of increasing this capital as business warrants. According to the announcement made Thursday by Candid Da Rocha, financier and realtor, who is chairman of the Board of Directors, banking business in all of its ramifications will be engaged in, with a specific effort to develop the economic independence of the natives.

One of the immediate objects of the bank will be to complete the promotion of the West African Co-operative Producers, Limited, a company incorporated as a central organization for the development of co-operative societies in the various districts of Nigeria and the Gold Coast for furthering the interest of scientific agriculture and co-operative marketing. This corporation engaging in export and import business, boasts of doing more than \$16,000,000 worth of business each year.

American Negro is Secretary.
The secretary of the newly organized Industrial and Commercial Bank, Ltd., is Charles C. Craft, a well-known young American Negro who has been in Nigeria for several years. Mr. Craft, who hails from New York City, is one of the most energetic promoters in West Africa and has done effective work in the organization and promotion of the West African Co-operative Producers Ltd.,

The plan of the banking institution is to make it a world-wide co-operative business with representatives in practically every civilized country. To this end representatives and attorneys have been retained in the various countries, including France, England and America.

Montgomery, Ala., Mar.—At the recent term of the circuit court of this county, the grand jury called attention to the fact that every case that was brought before them charging the manufacture of liquor, involved only Negroes, while the testimony indicated that these Negroes were working for white men who profited by

Denounces Actions
Of U. S. Marines

New York, March 15th—A raking expose of the antics of American marines occupying the black Republic of Haiti, is contained in "A Jim-Crow Situation in Haiti" published in the arch number of Plain Talk and written by E. W. Hutter, himself a white Southerner.

In this article, summarized by the N.A.A.C.P., Mr. Hutter declares that the marines who rule Haiti, gun in hand, are mainly Southerners, imbued with rabid race prejudice. Received cordially at first by the Haitians, the marines responded by excluding them from their homes and club, says Mr. Hutter.

The editors of Haitian newspapers, he continues, "spend so much time behind the bars that the street leading to the Haitian penitentiary is known facetiously as Rue des Journalistes."

The Americans, both men and women, are described by Mr. Hutter as being inordinate drinkers: "The American Club on Saturday nights resembles a shambles, for when the average American gets drunk he longs for a fight. The American Club is well-filled with drunken average Americans. The women keep up with their men in these frequent bouts."

As for the Haitians, Mr. Hutter writes: "The Haitians are very moderate drinkers, and the wholesale drunkenness exhibited by the Americans disgusts them heartily. They refuse to consider themselves the social inferiors of people capable of such swinishness."

their violation of law. On the basis of these facts, the grand jury made the following recommendation: "With out any lessening of effort toward the capture of such Negroes, we urge especial activity of law-enforcement authorities toward the capture of the white employers who, in our opinion, are the more culpable of the two classes of offenders."

This recommendation of the grand jury is considered significant on its own account. It brings to mind also the statement of a well-known Southern white man interested in the improvement of race relations, to the effect that "if the white and Negro preachers understood each other and worked together as well as white and Negro bootleggers do, a large part of our interracial troubles would be speedily put to an end."



Want Self Govt.
Restored in Haiti

New York, March 15—Mailed from the Dominican Republic, presumably to escape the press censorship of the American Occupation in Haiti, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has received a declaration signed by leading citizens of the black Republic of Haiti, asking that self-government be restored to the people in their land.

The Declaration protests against the "negation of democratic government" by the Americans in Haiti, and asserts that Haitian citizens have to pay import duties which they have not sanctioned and the proceeds of which are spent by Americans.

The signers ask restoration of popular government in 1930, and abrogation of the law which gives those now in power complete control of the casting and counting of votes making of elections a "simple fraud on the exercise of the most sacred right of citizens."

The Declaration, dated at Port au Prince, 15th February, 1929, is signed by a group among whom are leading lawyers and former diplomats and legislators.

BECOMES MEMBER OF N. Y. BAR

NEW YORK, Mar.—Attorney Francis E. Rivers, who holds an A.B. degree and a Phi Beta Kappa Key from Yale University and a LL.B. from Columbia U., was made the first Race member of the New York Bar Association as a result of the action of the body. Attorney Rivers, who is one of the city's foremost leaders has practised here for six years. In the Bar Association he will come in contact with some of the most outstanding men of the country.

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Editorial

AFRICA IN FOREFRONT AGAIN.

It will be recalled that the great free for all scramble by the great powers over the division of Africa, the dark continent did as much or more than anything else to precipitate the World War. The powers fought themselves out of men and money. Then came a cessation, during which time each power is watching the rest with jealous and covetous eyes, waiting an opportunity to pick a fuss. The world knows that their differences have been only partly patched-up. Evidence of a re-appearance of the old trouble is apparent as time goes on. And now, to make matters worse, white Africa herself is beginning to bare its fangs at itself and the native is the bone of contention.

Ex-Premier Smuts, now leader of the opposition in the S. African parliament is willing to offer the natives a policy which savours of some sort of half-hearted justice. Although a Boer himself and perhaps having inherited from his race much of its impetuosity, still Mr. Smuts is Statesman enough to look far enough into the future to see that the natives are not fooling when they demand their rights as citizens and that as time goes by the natives will become even more insistent in these demands. He therefore, for the preservation of the white race in Africa, advocates certain concessions to the natives.

The present premier, Mr. Hertzog would even take from the natives the few privileges and certain lands which they now possess. Displaying all the hot-headedness of his clan he has made the native question a political issue—whether the control of S. Africa shall remain in the hands of the whites or pass to the natives.

The methods which he advocates are unstatesmanlike and inhuman and they show not the slightest regard for the people whom he and his ancestors have murdered and robbed for more than two hundred years. But Premier Hertzog seems to have overlooked the fact that the natives are growing in intelligence and wisdom and to some extent, in wealth. He looks at the whole of native Africa as still a sleeping giant, to be used for the comfort and ease and convenience of the white race. It is true that native Africa is still asleep. But it is also true, judging from her groans, that she is on the verge of awaking.

Her loud protests against the recent color bar bill shows she is not now sleeping soundly. The fact that recently a business corporation was formed that was capitalized at approximately one million dollars of native money under native control tells a story, the significance of which is not hard to understand. The powers that rule Africa have made it next to impossible for colored missionaries to enter that country. There is a reason for this and this reason is not unknown to colored folk in America nor to the native African, and so—since we cannot go to them, the natives are coming to us, going to other enlightened countries for a short sojourn and then returning home again. Marcus Garvey, it is stated, is the best known man in the world to the native Africans. Why? Because they have heard that Garvey would free Africa from her traducers. Garvey, of course, might not ever be able to do this, but the fact that Africa is ready to receive her saviour shows she is beginning to awake.

We say without offering a threat, but as good advice that Premier Hertzog is foolish to deceive himself and the whites of Africa into believing that the natives who form such an overwhelming majority of the population of S. Africa will forever lie asleep and allow a puny minority of whites to mistreat, rob and cheat them and to make laws which are meant to abridge their progress. If something is not done to allay the situation within a few years from today truly there will be hell in Africa and the natives will not be the only people to experience its horrors.

LONDON NEWS.

Mrs. Eliza Groat of Trafalgar St. who has been very ill is much improved.

Mrs. A. Hill is in the Victoria Hospital for the purpose of undergoing an operation.

Distinguished Visitors.

Mrs. Chas. Smith and her two children Jeraldine and Charles Jr. spent a very pleasant two weeks with her sister and brother-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Berrp of Front Street.

During her stay here she was entertained at dinner by Reverend and Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Pearl Brown and Mrs. Maud Cabrera. On leaving the city Mrs. Smith went to Toronto where she visited her father, Mr. Geo. Hollingsworth and other relatives before returning to her home at Buffalo.

On March 14th a reception and birthday party was held in honour of Mrs. Chas. Baldwin at the home of Mrs. Alice Groat, Horton Street. Many of Mrs. Baldwin's friends were there to wish her many happy returns and to make the evening a pleasant one. She received several useful presents.

On March 14th, through the efforts of Miss Jessie Harrison, music teacher and Mrs. C. E. Jenkins, a most delightful concert was held at St. Andrews' Hall. Their joint efforts brought together some of the city's best musical talent of both races. While the audience was small it showed every indication of appreciating

the splendid numbers offered. The proceeds from the concert went to assist the mortgage fund of the B.M.E. Church.

Mrs. Mabel Harris of Adelaide St. gave birth to a fine baby boy last Monday evening. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

Rev. E. A. Richardson was invited to Brantford last Sunday to assist in the communion service. During his absence Mr. Lillicott spoke at our local church in the evening. He preached one of his usual splendid sermons.

Friends of Mrs. Mary Coursey of Grey Street will be glad to learn that she is much improved after her recent illness.

Mrs. Ann Barnes of Hamilton was a recent visitor in the city.

Mr. Albert Smith, who has been ill is now able to resume his usual duties.

Mrs. Maggie Coursey of Central Ave is now much improved after a lengthy illness.

The chicken supper last Monday evening in the B.M.E. School Room under the auspices of the Church Aid was a success.

On March 10th, Miss Florence Lightburn entertained in honor of her friend, Miss Hilda Carter of Dresden. Many of the young people were present to greet Miss Carter on this occasion. Out of town guests were the Messrs Scott and Harrison of Detroit. The affair was held at Miss Lightburn's residence, 11 Maitland St. Following this on Saturday evening Miss Lightburn entertained for Miss Carter at cards and dance at the residence of Mrs. Alice Groat, Horton St. The young people enjoyed themselves immensely.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Thompson and Mr. Billie Thompson, all of Kitchener, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Poindexter.

OWEN SOUND.

The B.M.E. Church is progressing nicely under the guidance of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson during the present time in which we are without a pastor. Mrs. Harrison, our superintendent of Sunday School, maintains great interest in her work. Our local white friends lend us timely assistance.

The Greenlaw entertainment in Knox United Church was a great success, there being around 400 persons present to hear a most delightful program. Mr. Greenlaw was assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Wm. Harrison, Mr. W. Johnston and Miss Edna Johnston. The proceeds of the concert amounted to \$175, which was applied on the parsonage mortgage.

Officers of the Sunday School gave the pupils a delightful "Joy ride over the city on February 20th. After a pleasant whirl they retired to the home of one of the officers for refreshments.

The Mothers' Club of the B.M.E. Church recently held a valentine social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Scott. There was a good attendance and everybody enjoyed himself. Mrs. Harrison was convenor, assisted by Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Harris.

On Sunday, March 10th, Rev. T. H. Jackson, of Toronto was with us. His trip was of a business nature which had to do with the church's finance. He also took up the matter of Church Union, which subject had been most freely discussed among the members. We trust Rev. Jackson's explanation will set the matter in a clearer light. While he was with us, Mrs. Harrison was appointed to collect money to pay off the mortgage on the parsonage. This was necessary because of the fact that the Ministerial Association has severed their connection with us.

On the 15th of March the Missionary Society of our church held a corn beef and cabbage supper at the home of Mrs. Ida Patterson. There were many people present and the affair was a great success.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Talbert held a social evening for the young people on March 12th. All report a splendid time.

Mrs. D. Green of Toronto was a recent visitor in our city.

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Letters to the Editor

While I am on this subject of race a subject that does not always appeal to me as the farm, if it teaches a man anything at all as some might say, there's one thing certain, he soon realizes that the petty differences of race or class are but a drop in the bucket to compare with the mighty forces that surround us. I made the statement some time ago, that the Colored man was an optimist by nature. Whether this is because we the told in the land where he came from originally the sun shines almost continually, and the food fairly drops into the mouth, or not, I cannot say, but I know this to be a fact nevertheless. The question arises, can he maintain this optimism here in America, under the conditions I have described and in many instances circumstances of a far graver nature.

To explain by attitude on this I would have to tell you a story. It's an old story and told in many ways but it's worth repeating in my own way, I believe.

In the beginning of the Christian era we are told as the people began to multiply it became evident that for them to rise above their natural surroundings, a mysterious hand appeared on the scene, and through messengers there came the law, a law which men may hate, yet few will dispute its majesty, nor has anyone been able to find a substitute.

As this law began to be administered under one judge after another and one ruler after another, the people began to murmur against this law, in fact their is evidence that they fell down badly in their attempt to keep this law. This murmur became so general and prolonged that this same mysterious Hand appeared and through His messengers the people were promised a teacher and counsellor, who would point the way that the people would be eased and healed through the application of this law.

This Teacher did not appear as soon as expected nor in the manner most men would have had Him appear but the main point to most men is He did appear. The only man living that walked and talked with men and who could give the people His word, come what may, go what may, His word should not pass, and we—after 1928 years are living witnesses o that fact.

We now no longer have to say we believe, we now know.

This Teacher never to my limited knowledge promised that the people would not at some future time get wearied of this spiritual as well as moral law, nor are we secure from again mistaking the substance for the shadow, but were given ample assurance that again, come what may, go what may, never again shall this Christian world be allowed to sink back to the dark ages.

We have had many advocates of the principles of this Teacher in the last half of the eighteenth century and have a great many yet. For the sake of your younger readers I would like to mention a few such as Beecher, Talmadge, Livingston, Peel, Lincoln, James A. Garfield, Frederic Douglas, Booker T. Washington, The latter four, whose spirit the most sor-

did things this world has to offer, could not break.

These men and many many more, some of them—not all perhaps, physical giants, but we know they had the courage of their convictions.

Now this teacher spoke definitely of a third meeting with men on common ground, when the veil of mystery that surrounds us shall be cleared away. He also spoke of many things concerning this third meeting, especially the settling up of his Father's business. I will have to leave it to the opinion of the readers as to when this meeting takes place, at the end of our three score and ten or some future date. In this third meeting lies our main outlook on life. In fact there is a question I have been turning over in my mind for some years now.

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GET-ACQUAINTED CLUB

Under the auspices of the Get-Acquainted Club, a concert which constituted a decidedly musical treat of the highest type was held last night in the Metropolitan Church auditorium. Albert A. Greenlaw, baritone, of Detroit, appearing on the program with the club chorus. The Rev. E. A. Richardson, pastor of the B.M.E. Church, presided.

Among the best numbers of Mr. Greenlaw were "The Gospel Train," "Steal Away to Jesus" and "Were You There When they Crucified ml Lord?" Noted as one of the leading singers of the folk-song and spirituals of his race in America, Mr. Greenlaw enhanced and fully upheld the reputation which he enjoys by his excellent singing last night. Among the other numbers which he sang were "King of the Forest Am I," "Mighty Like a Rose," "Heaven, Heaven," June Will Bring the Roses" and "I Want To Be Ready."

A feature of the programme was the brilliant work of Paul Lewis, basso, of London, who appeared in two special numbers, a quartet number with James F. Jenkins, tenor; Mrs. Bertha Moxley and Mrs. Pearl Brown, and in a duet, "The Quarrel" with Mrs. Florence Coursey. These numbers were repeated after insistent applause.

One of the best chorus numbers was the "Moon Songs," the solo parts in which were admirably taken by Miss Gladys Stafford and Mrs. Moxley. The program was worthy of a much larger audience, rain possibly having something to do with the slowness of the attendance.

Rev. E. A. Richardson accompanied Mr. Greenlaw and Mrs. Pearl Kelly accompanied the Club.

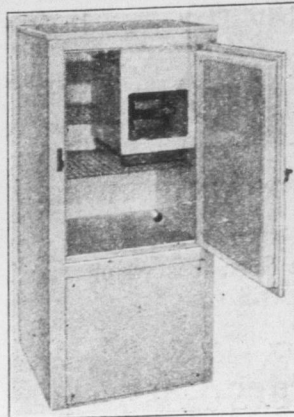
The executive staff of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, with offices in New York City, sits on its perch with the watchful eye of an eagle and darts as swiftly to the aid of a distressed community, where Negroes are being made victims or the attempt is being made to jeopardize the freedom and well being of law-abiding men and women of color.

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By the folk of any clime,
And the impress that all these deeds have made
On the shifting sands of time.

I've stood by the graves of some warriors brave
And mused on their grand career;
But no voice there bade me their dreams to sing
Though lowly I've bowed mine ear.
I've looked for a theme from the moaning winds
Which about my cabin wail;
From the darkness of the night I've asked,
But I've sought to no avail.

Then I lifted on high my seeking soul,
With its hearing at command;
Then I plainly heard at my heart a knock—
The knock of a pierced hand;
And behold, there stood a dear friend of mine
Who has borne my grief and sin;
He patiently waits to become the guest
To all who will let him in.

The more that I gaze on His eager face
The more beauty there I see;
But I marvel much, in my inmost soul,
That ever He sought for me.
The longer I dwell in His love and care
The more joy to me they bring;
And, while life shall last, of the tender knock
Of His pierced hand I'll sing.

London, Ont.
March 10th, 1929.

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DU BOIS WIPES FLOOR WITH STODDARD IN DEBATE ON CULTURAL EQUALITY.

New York, March 22nd,—Report from Chicago by George White of the American Missionary Association to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, states that in the debate on "Should The Negro Be Encouraged To Seek Cultural Equality?", Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois decisively defeated Lothrop Stoddard, author of "The Rising Tide of Color" and "The Revolt Against Civilization."

"The Du Bois-Stoddard debate was a sorry spectacle for Stoddard, writes Mr. White. "Du Bois had him licked before he opened his mouth and it was a pathetic thing to see him floundering around in the sea of irresistible logic which enveloped him. He got so desperate he admitted that races were 'different' instead of inferior, and this in the face of that special class he creates in his book, 'The Revolt Against Civilization.'"

"He said it is only a small clique of Negroes in the North who are contending, under the guise of cultural equality, for social equality," to which Du Bois replied; "Who said we wanted to marry your daughter?" and that it was perfectly apparent that the 'Nordic' had 'married' the daughters of every other nation on the face of the earth. Du Bois said; 'I am here presumably to represent the Negro, but everybody can see I am also representing the Nordic.'

"Stoddard then advocated bi-racialism, a vertical line of division; Du Bois took him South and demonstrated so thoroughly how impossible it was that he looked utterly disconcerted. In short, it was no debate, it was a rout."

STRATFORD NEWS.

Mrs. J. D. Hall, after two months' illness, is able to be up and around again.

Mrs. J. D. Hall entertained a few friends on the 27th of February being her daughter's 18th birthday. All who were presented reported a lovely time.

Mrs. Harold of Guelph, spent a few days with her mother.

Mrs. M. Mathews of London is spending a few days with her nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hesson, of

this city.

Mrs. M. E. Harrison, Miss Juno Harrison and Mrs. Robert Hesson spent a day in Toronto at the Hair Dressing Convention.

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Native Torturer Commits Suicide

NAIROBI, British East Africa.—The body of Robert Oakley, a wealthy British farmer in Kenya and brother of T. Oakley, English Conservative in Parliament, has been found near here. He was on trial in the Supreme Court, charged with torturing a native with the intention of extorting a confession regarding the theft of fowls.

According to the prosecution, Oakley employed the native custom of constricting fingers with bowstrings, but he denied the accusation. His native head man was similarly charged and a European constable was charged with abetting him.

Oakley disappeared after the third day of the trial and his body with a rifle beside it was found two miles outside of town. The fatal wound was apparently self-inflicted, the authorities said.

Two years ago Oakley was acquitted of a charge of branding natives. On the present occasion, owing to a mistake by the district magistrate, he had been confined in a native prison and it is thought that the ignominy unbalanced his mind.

Judge Attacks Harlem Morals

New York, March 14th.—Harlem morals came in for a bit of caustic criticism here Monday at the hands of Judge Charles C. Nott, Jr., of the Court of General Sessions in an address delivered before a meeting of the National Probation Association.

The judge declared that the moral conditions in Harlem are "deplorable and very dangerous and unless something is done to improve conditions, with the population increasing steadily they will become more and more serious."

According to the opinion of Judge Nott, the black and tan night clubs, which he stated some white people think it is smart to patronize, are the main breeding places of crime. Under this same head he inclined dance halls and other amusement places where Negroes and whites mingle freely.

Costly Dancing Palace For Detroit

Detroit, Mich., March—Citizens of Detroit have formed a corporation which has for its object the construction of a \$250,000 dancing palace, to be known as "Princess Palace." The sale of stock has already begun. The organization is sponsored by some of Detroit's leading business men. The officers of the Princess Palace Corporation are: Moses Walker, President; J. F. DeWitt, Vice President; William Jennifer, Chairman of the Board; Thomas J. Ormsby, General Manager; Michael Parks, Treasurer.

When completed it will be one of the finest in Michigan and will be located on Forest Avenue between St. Antoine and Beaubien Streets.

Another of Houston Rioters Released

New York, Mar. 15—With the release on parole of Charles Banks, all but one of the former 24th Infantrymen, of whom 67 were sentenced to life and long term imprisonment for alleged participation in the Houston Riot of 1927, have been released.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People which has championed these colored soldiers from the time of the Houston riot, has received a letter from Banks, saying he has now been released on parole, is in Chicago, and offering thanks for the "great assistance" rendered him by the N.A.A.C.P. Special Legal Assistant and other officers.

Bank's case was called to the attention of the Parole Officer at Leavenworth Barracks, by the N.A.A.C.P. last August and his case has been carefully followed up.

Will Rogers Has It!

New York, ar. 15—Will Rogers, the famous monologist, is quoted in the New York Times of March 14th, on the attempts of Texas Democrats to restrict membership as follows:

"Now here is a tip to my good friend Dan Moody, the Governor. When a child is born of what is suspected of Democratic parentage, brand it with the letter 'D' on the left hip. Then at the election time just run 'em through the chute and tally 'em."

Will Rogers' comment will be of interest and amusement to Negroes throughout the country, because of the attempt made to exclude Negroes from the white Democratic primaries. It will be remembered that the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People took to and won in the United States Supreme Court, the now famous case of Nixon vs. Herndon, which decision nullified attempts to bar Negroes by legislative action from the so-called white primaries.

The Advancement Association is now contesting a similar attempt to bar Negroes by means of legislative authority given to political parties to determine their own qualifications of membership.

Atlanta, Georgia, March—The commission on Interracial co-operation, with headquarters in this city, is broadcasting an appeal for general co-operation in making a success of National Negro Health Week, which will be observed this year from March 31st to April 7th. In every community, those interested are urged to take the initiative in organizing for its observance, or to volunteer their services to those who may be already promoting it.

A thoroughgoing program of health education clinics and sanitation has been laid out by the Public Health Service and other agencies interested and a bulletin of valuable suggestions for making the programme a success has been prepared by the Public Health Service. Copies of this bulletin may be had from the offices of the Commission, 409 Palmer Building, this city.

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