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DARROW TALKS AT DEPRI CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON, Dec. —Over one thousand persons packed the John Wesley A.M.E. Zion Church here last Friday to hear Clarence Darrow, noted lawyer of Chicago, address the final meeting of the De-Priest Non-Partisan Conference which convened here last week. Mr. Darrow told his audience that the time had passed when the Negro was the darling of the North and that now the only salvation of the colored man lay in banding together for their own deliverance.

"I think the Negro needn't expect much from the white man. Nowadays the white man has a hard enough time looking after himself even after taking jobs away from the Negro," declared the speaker.

Discusses Politics.

The audience broke forth in applause a number of times during the lawyer's address. Most of the applause came during his caustic comment on the political situation for the colored voters. "I have voted every ticket except the Republican ticket," said the speaker.

"While I am not going to advise the Negro not to vote the Republican ticket, I do say that there is no reasonable weapon which the Negro can get that he ought not use. The ballot is about the cheapest and most effective weapon the Negro has, and he certainly ought to make full use of it."

Would Have Negro Keep Politicians Guessing.

Political power is very important the speaker said. "If there is one thing the Negro ought to do it is to keep politicians guessing. You cannot add to your political power unless they think you will vote independently. While I would not advise any group in America to put themselves first above other interests of good government, I certainly advise the colored people to do so. No other question on earth is so important to Negroes as the question of color. In other words, you have got to make politicians afraid of you—and politicians are none too brave."

Wishing One and All A Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year



Rev. E. Alph. Richardson, Gen. Sec. of B.M.E. Conference

No better purpose could possess us than to give ourselves more fully to the work of evangelism in all of its branches. Heartiest cooperation and earnest prayers are requested for the work of our whole church. Wishing all a very Merry Christmas.

Race's Health Improves

CHICAGO, Dec. — That there has been a decided improvement in the health of the Negro, was indicated in figures presented by George R. Arthur, Director of the Rosenwald Fund.

According to Mr. Arthur during the years immediately following the Civil War the Negro death rate was 40 per 1,000. In 1911 it had dropped to 17 per 1,000 and in 1929 the rate was 14 per 1,000.

"In checking up the death rate from specific causes," said Mr. Arthur, "We find that tuberculosis has shown the greatest decline. Out of every 100,000 colored people in 1911 418 died of this disease as contrasted with 225 per 100,000 dying of the same disease in 1926, representing a decline of 54 per cent."

MAKE MARCH ON THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. — "Sign of the times" attended the opening of the Seventy-second Congress here when 2,000 colored and white "hungry marchers" paraded through the streets of the capital bearing banners and shouting and singing in a communistic demonstration. They demanded Federal guarantees of employment for the idle at a minimum wage and the enacting of national unemployment insurance legislation.

Warn They Will Return.

Repelled by police guards in their efforts to enter the White House and the Capitol, the served notice on the Capitol that they would return here late in February with a "superior force to sweep aside the armed thugs of the Government."

They marched first to the Capital where they were kept inside a roped area with machine guns and tear gas bombs trained on them. They next went to the White House where guards told them that the President could not receive a committee, but they could send a written message. This was dissatisfactory with the leader and they proceeded to the front of the American Federation of Labor building. Here a committee was received in the office of President Green. They condemned the Federation for not favoring unemployment insurance. The last stop was the Auditorium where a flood of inflammatory oratory was unleashed.

Denounce Government.

In front of the White House David Pondexter, a colored marcher from Indianapolis, was lifted to the shoulders of his companions. He told the crowd "President Hoover had barricaded himself behind the police and refused to see them. The worker," he said, "will not take no for an answer." A colored marcher acted as chairman at the Auditorium meeting. He told the crowd that he represented the most oppressed race in the country.

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TO ALL THE RACES

The history of our race began in a fearful tragedy. The fall of our first parents into sin brought about their expulsion from Eden. Here they had all needed comforts and enjoyed full fellowship with Him. But the enemy of the souls of men, who, watching his chance, wrought discord, then God in His boundless mercy began the work of redemption at once. God's redemptive purpose was formed in Eternity and its revelation began immediately after the fall.

"And the Lord God said unto the serpent because thou hast done this thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life.

I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed, it shall bruise thy head and thou shalt bruise his heel."

Thus discord grew among the peoples of the earth and men forgot God. However strife must cease, discord become harmony, love must be disseminated, men must commune with God, there must be peace in the midst of the people. Christ which is Messiah is born in unfavourable surroundings. A stable, can we imagine the cooing of the pigeon, the lowing of the oxen, braying of the asses, the bleak wind, unfavourable is it not for a mother and a newly born babe? But oh what glory fills this place as the Son of God is come. This event has not passed unnoticed for immediately there is heard the heavenly Hosts praising God and saying "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good-will toward men."

This redemptive plan has affected the nations and individuals throughout the centuries, amid the changing scenes finally Christ is heard to say, "My peace, I leave with you, not as the world giveth." History bears record of some very earnest efforts along this line, Utrecht, Trent, Versailles, and the Kellogg Peace Pact. All of these are in a great measure good and necessary as a "Thus far shalt thou go and no farther) with the most harmonious plans by the people, the wisest legislation of all the parliaments, it is still that peace which the world gives. The Peace which comes through Christ is that which passeth human understanding. Such peace sets our minds and hearts at ease. Ease is not a spirit of indifference. "Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

There has come a friendlier feeling among men these recent years,

which augurs well for future amity in our communities and among the nations.

This Advent Season proves that the spirit of good will can exist and be exercised (with no reference to the commercial phase, though it is shown in a fine spirit). The spirit of thoughtfulness, helping, doing, cheering, doing the way of the Master who went about expressing Good-Will to all mankind, exercising sympathy, doing works of love.

The Lions, Kiwanis, Rotarians, Good Fellows, and goodwill tours are all agencies by which the Christ Spirit shall be made manifest, and shall we all give ourselves to Him more resolutely in order that His Peace may abide.

—E. ALPH RICHARDSON

LONDON NOTES

Mr. Allen Myers of Toronto has spent the past month with his brother J. Myers of Simcoe St. A much needed rest has had the desired result.

Mrs. Chas. Poindexter was called to be with a cousin, Mr. Frank Harris of Battle Creek, Mich. who it is reported, is very ill.

Sunday, December 20th will be Communion Services at Bethemanuel when Rev. L. C. Gow of Hamilton will be the guest speaker.

IN MEMORIUM

In loving memory of our dear mother, Mrs. M. Stewart who passed away December 8th, 1930.

Too dearly loved to be forgotten by her children.

Edna, Wilkes, Mable

KINGSTON, N.C. — Dewey Tyrance, a 12 year old boy unschooled and unlettered is reported to be making a name for himself as a preacher in various churches near here. His friend, Clyde Leon Morton, a retired printer reports that the boy preacher has hundreds of followers who work themselves up into a religious fervor because of his eloquent sermons and absolute sincerity. The boy is seeking a schooling and wants to become a minister of the gospel according to Morton. He has three large congregations in churches nearby.

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Trio Wins in the Cleveland Council-
manic Race. Fred Moore is Loser
in New York.

WASHINGTON. — Coupled with
political backwashes in New York,
Boston and Detroit, where Negro vot-
ers were instrumental in electing
white candidates over their colored
opponents, came unprecedented sur-
ges of power shown by a Negro el-
electorate thoroughly awakened to the
power of the ballot. At least seven
Negro candidates for important State
and municipal office emerged vic-
torious in the off year election. In
practically every election the Negro
balloting was responsible for the de-
feat or election of white candidates.
This year's collection was marked,
not only by a larger Negro registra-
tion as well as by a wonderful dis-
play of political individualism on the
part of the masses of Negro voters.

In Cleveland three of the nine Ne-
groes seeking places on the city
Council were successful. Dr. Leroy
N. Bundy and Attorney Lawrence O.
Payne were elected from the Third
Ward and Attorney Clayborne George
from the Fourth Ward. Alexander
H. Martin, local attorney, seeking
election as municipal judge was de-
feated. In Cincinnati, Frank A. B.
Hall, seeking election to the City
Council was elected.

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — Demon-
strating an invention which appar-
ently defies the laws of physics, J.
H. Montgomery of San Gabriel, Cal.
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ize the science of flying.

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further than his ability to control it,"
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to the prevalent view of scientists,
birds do not fly by taking advantage
of air currents, but their power to
soar is due to the structure of their
pinions, which are filled with thou-
sands of vortices which catch the air.

In other words, the law of vorter
and vacuum is the principle which
enables the bird to soar. Nature
steps in and endeavors to close the
vacuum by lifting the bird into it."

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same principle by which birds soar,
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 Supposing by a wild flight of the imaginations that South Africa was to become independent, with a complete severance of ties from Great Britain, there would still be a bone of contention between her government and officials of the British crown namely, the native problem. There are 5,000,000 colored people of all shades in the Union. Two bits of colored land remain under the direct control of the British Government in London—Basutoland and Swaziland. Neither has a pressing desire to exchange British for South African rule. Basutoland is in the heart of the Union. Under the House of Windsor it would prove a thorn in the flesh of Independent South Af-

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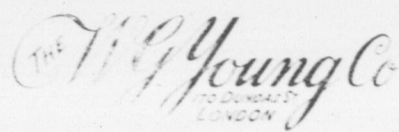
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Thoughtful Galilean shepherds
Watching o'er their flocks by night
Back, through ages dim and distant,
Our imaginations wing,
Till we stand beside those shepherds
And we hear the angels sing:—
"Glory be to God, the highest,
Peace on earth, good will to men!"

Then there's added to their anthem
Long before the light of morn—
"Unto you, in David's City,
Christ, the Lord, this day is born!"
Strange the birthplace—'tis a stable—
Lambs and sheep and kine are
there

All around the Babe intrusted
To the Virgin Mother's care!
Yet, we hear the songsters saying:—
"Lo, 'tis tidings good we bring;
Then, with gladsome hearts and voices,

Join us, while we praise and sing:
Glory be to God, the highest,
Peace on earth, good will to men!"

'Tis the wonder of all wonders
Why, for us, God's Son was born,
Knowing that in thorny pathways
He must suffer shame and scorn.
Friends He found among the shepherds—

Men who watched their flocks with
care—

But the throng of David's City
Knew not that the Christ was
there.

Angels, to the reigning Caesar
Ne'er a song that night did bring,
But some humble, peasant people
Heard the sky-sent songsters sing:
"Glory be to God, the highest,
Peace on earth, good will to men!"

Caesar's palm, though gloved, was
gory,

Armies stood at his command,
But no sword was held for warfare
In the Infant's dimpled hand.
'Twas the Roman's proud ambition
O'er the world by force to reign;
'Twas Love's yearnings were imbedded

In the manger-Baby's brain;
Yet, to Him shall hearts be yielded
Till the vaulted heavens ring,
While the ransomed from all nations
With unwearied voices sing:—
"Glory be to God, the highest,"
And the angels shout, "AMEN!"
—MACK

LONDON NOTES

The course of study on The Person and work of the Holy Spirit which Rev. Richardson has taken up with the members has awakened new interest in church relationship.

Mrs. Bessie Fountaine who has been ill for the past three weeks is quite well again.

Mrs. Mary Ball noncontracted a slight cold and was ordered to bed by her physirian. She is quite regained now.

Mrs. Bertha Moxley who is still in Victoria Hospital is just fair at this writing.

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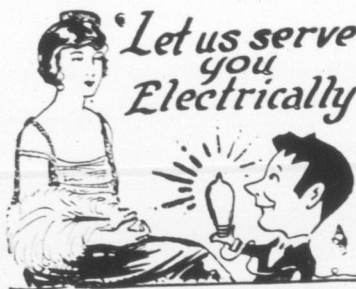
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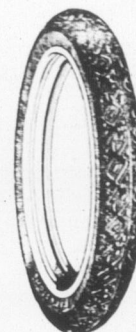
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RICHMOND, Va., -- Efforts of Maggie A. Devers at LaFayette, Ga., to locate members of her family who may be living here, revealed again the sad facts of family disruption attendant upon the whole slave system before the War of Rebellion. In a letter published here recently, Miss Dever writes:

"My mother, who is dead, was born and reared in Richmond. She often told us children of her life there. She said she was sold in front of the Orange Court House along with two other children. A white man by the name of Tolerver sold her as slave to a white man by the name of Jim Wardlaw before the War of Rebellion. She was Mr. Jim's servant and slave till the war. Afterwards she came South. She met and married my father. Well, they had four children.

"I am the only one living. My father served in the War of Rebellion. After the war they lived together, then he died. Mother often told us she was separated from her father and mother there. She said her mother's name was Hanna Johnson. She also had some brothers named George, Robert and Phillip; some sisters named Martha and Mary Johnson. I am writing you to ask you if you could find any of the Johnson family or any of the descendants of the Johnson's. If you can I will be glad to find them as mother had no folks and I am lonely without them."

NEW YORK -- In an article written especially for the Associated Press and released here, Mahatma Ghandi noted Indian leader declared that prayer alone saved him from becoming a lunatic. "I have had my share of the bitterest public and private experiences, wrote the Hindu sage, "They threw me into temporary despair. If I was able to get rid of that despair, it was because of prayer.

"I am not a man of learning, but I humbly claim to be a man of prayer. I am indifferent as to form. Every one is a law unto itself in that respect. But there are some well marked roads and it is safe to walk along the beaten tracks trod by ancient teachers."

As far back as 1791 the Negro has made himself felt in boxing annals. In that early era of bare knuckle fighting when rounds terminated when either of the principals slipped or intentionally dropped to the ground, there was an English heavy-weight fighter known as "The Black This formidable African who waded his way through the British rowdies of the 17th century, gained lasting fame by knocking out the great Treadway in 35 rounds of bruising milling. Bill Richmond, a slave born on Staten Island bobbed up in England the cradle of early prize-fighting around 1805-10 while slightly above the middleweight poundage Richmond fought the great Tom Cribb and gave him 'merry ned' while it lasted.

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WASHINGTON, That the recent observance of Education Week was the most wide-spread and most significant since the inauguration of the movement was the opinion of the United States Bureau of Education, following the reports received from various sections of the country.

The highlight was the coast to coast broadcast over the National Broadcasting Company's network of stations of a special program with Dr. Julius Klein, assistant secretary of the Department of Commerce as the principal speaker.

"Education" is satisfying in itself and it will always pay its way. More ample education facilities for our Colored fellow-citizens will prove an eminently worth-while investment from every conceivable business as well as social point of view" concluded Dr. Julius Klein.

"The increase of wealth, productivity and consuming capacity among Negroes," he said, has progressed in the same proportion as their educational advancement. Education of the Negro, "declared he, pays by creating more wants and increasing his purchasing power. Plainly, then, it is the part of wisdom for our business to give careful and persistent thought to the Negro as a potential market.

The future success of business in this Country absolutely requires an increasingly high standard of intelligence in our citizens, and that means, most assuredly a great extension of education facilities for Colored people."

He presented a statistical picture of the status of the Negro business and gave data on the extent of the Negro Market. He also described the development of the C.M.A. Stores a group of Negro owned groceries sponsored by the National Business League and commented upon the advance in commercial education being made by the Race group. Incidentally, he paid a compliment in connection with the progress of business training to J. A. Jackson of the Department of Commerce Staff whom he described as "Competent" and to whose work he gives great credit.

"With reference to the business possibilities of The Negro he said: "The Negro has proven that with opportunity, he can achieve success in almost any business field. And he is eager to know how to fill his place effectively in any of the diverse spheres of industry and trade. In general, he earnestly desires to be equipped to meet the demands that may be made upon him for service to the Nation and the age in which he lives."

Other speakers on the program were H. Council Trenholm, president of the Alabama Teachers College. Dr. Ambrose Caliver of the U.S. Bureau of Education and Dr. G. C. Wilkerson, First Assistant Superintendent of Schools of the District of Columbia.

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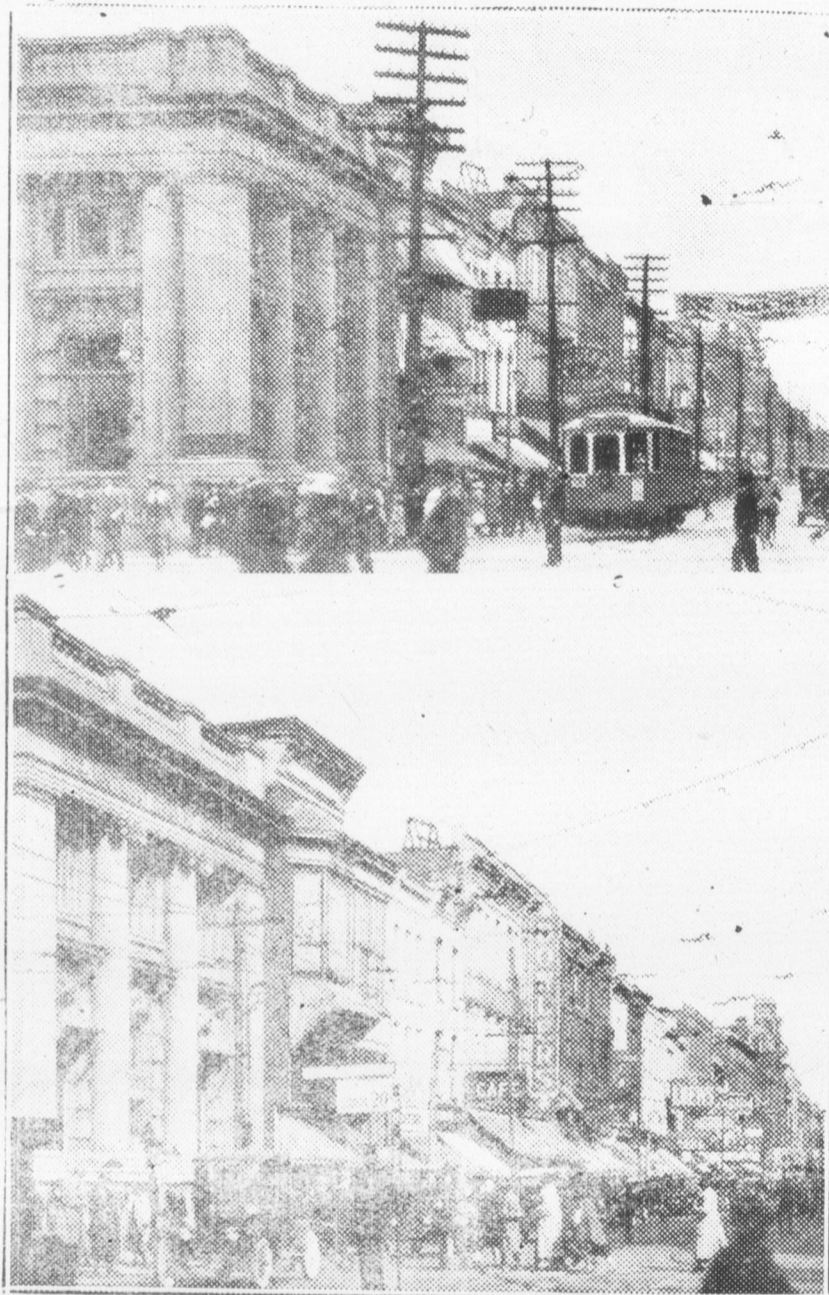
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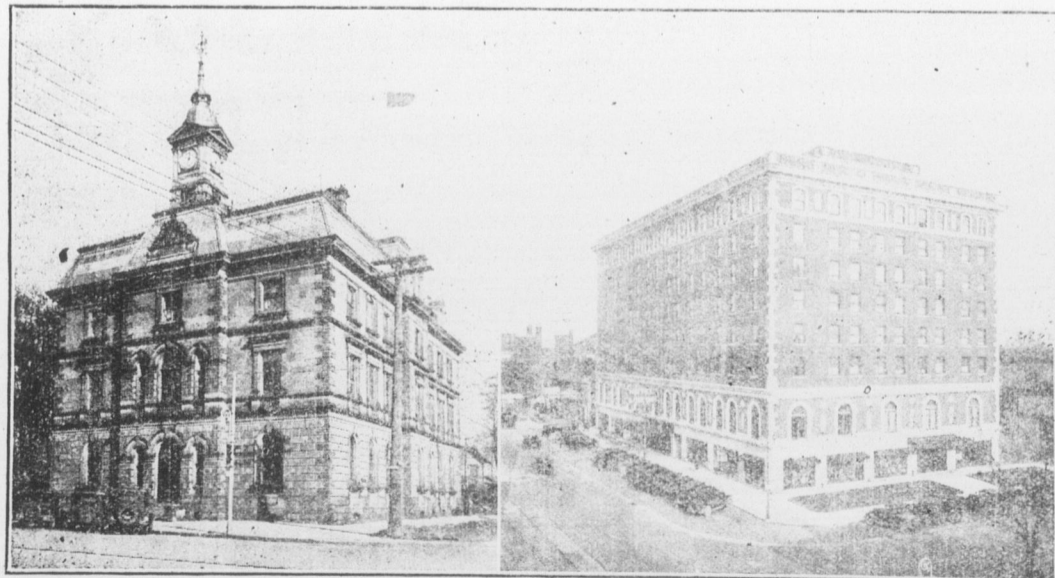
London has many distinct advantages to offer prospective manufacturers, combining as it does many features essential for profitable manufacturing. It is a city large enough to have an abundance of labor available at all times. More than 80 per cent of the citizens are of Anglo-Celtic origin, and manufacturers are enabled to build up working forces of high quality. A very large percentage of citizens own their own homes, a fact which partly accounts for the remarkable stability of labor conditions here. Labor troubles are foreign to London.

It is a point at which raw materials can be assembled quickly and economically and as a distributing centre it has no superior in Canada. The city is served by the Canadian National, Canadian Pacific, the Michigan Central operating its own terminal in London, Pere Marquette and Wabash, the latter three roads operating jointly with the London and Port Stanley Railway, a modern municipally-owned and operated electric road connecting the city with Port Stanley, the largest and best-equipped harbor on the north shore of Lake Erie. Interswitching facilities on terms very advantageous to shippers exist between all lines entering the city. Lake shipping facilities at Port Stanley include a daily freight and passenger service to Cleveland, by Steamships of the Cleveland-Canada Division of the Cleveland and Buffalo Transit Company. There is also a daily car ferry service between this port and Conneaut Harbor, Ohio. The Canada Steamship Lines, the largest operating on the Great Lakes, and Tree Line freighters, make Port Stanley a regular port of call for east and west bound service.

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