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### "Straining at a Gnat . . ."

The comments of the local and Southern dailies editorially on the Philadelphia "hate" strike were in the main blaming the administration and the FEPC for the tieup of the "City of Brotherly Love" transportation system which kept thousands of war workers from make ing urgently needed war materials for the boys at the front. It was the first time strikers were acclaimed in the Southern press and not condemned; the reason they were striking for white supremacy. The President's Committee on Fair-Smployment Practice was viciously criticized for attempting to seek to upgrade Negro workers to the level of motormen and conductors. The Philadelphia strike was the Southern editorial writers' meat and they went to town and had a field day.

It appears, however, a little strange and far fetched that these writers who can get so steamed up over a "hate" strike in Philadelphia cannot find the space to ask for tolerance, understanding, square dealing, justice and fair play for the Negro in the South, who is oppressed, bullied and brutalized by "Southern hospitality." Hardly ever is a word spoken for bettering racial relationships, for adequate school facilities, adequate recreational facilities, adequate economic opportunities or the political opportunities that are accorded all American citizens. Seldom if at all do these writers condemn the brutalities of the police, sheriffs and mobs who in the last three months have killed four Negroes in cold blood (2 in Mississippi and 2 in Louisiana), and run and beaten Negroes out of their home town (New Iberia). In other words, these writers lack the moral guts or are too blinded by prejudice to write straight or fearlessly on conditions in their own backyards.

The Rev. William C. Kernan in an article caption ed "The Common Defense" gives somewhat of a clear picture of the type of people who say they believe in justice, freedom and honesty but deal in deceit and hypocrisy, and we quote the article in its entirety:

'There are people who will readily admit the truth of the Christian principle that all men, without any exceptions whatever, are created in the image of God, and the democratic principle that 'all men are created equal' that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights.' But quite as often as not, in applying these principles to specific situations, these same people urge the kind of caution which amounts to refusing to apply these principles at all.

"They know, as indeed we all do, that the miserable hovels in which Negroes live, the discrimination against Negroes in public places and in employment, the lack of health and educational opportunities for them, and the blatant manner in which they are prevented from voting in some parts of this country are, at every single point, denials of the Christian doctrine of man made in God's image, and the democratic principle of equal rights. If you believe what Christianity and dem-

"Principles cannot be held in a vacuum. In orde to live principles must be applied. We must begin to apply them somewhere, sometime to the problems of

our Negro brothers in America.

"Someone is sure to answer that our Christian and American principles are being applied to the improve ment of the status of Negroes in America. That i right. They are. But not by the people who plead 'caution' as an excuse for inaction. Our principles ar being applied, however gradually, by people who believ in them and who know that you cannot believe in any principle for long unless you give it expression at once. -Louisiana Weekly.

### To Safeguard Negro Gains

An Editorial in New York Tribune, July 25, 1944.

The Negro's participation in war production ha grown steadily, according to statistics of the War Man power Commission. Since the fall of 1942 the percent age of non-whites employed in munitions industries such as shipbuilding and aircraft production, has rise 4.6 per cent to the present 7.3 per cent. However, sex eral factors are causing concern among Negroes regard ing the prospect of maintaining these gains in the post war period. Their employment progress in industric less concerned with war has not been so rapid: only 3. per cent of employees in textile mills are non-whites, 3. per cent in utilities and 1.1 per cent in communications They recognize that such progress as has been made is in great part, due to manpower shortages, and that period of less than full employment, such as the car cellation of war plants will doubtless bring, usuallmeans of disproportionate number of Negroes unem

To help secure the gains, the Republican platform calls for the establishment by Federal legislation of permanent Fair Employment Practices Committee. No groes value the aid which the President's committee backed by an anti-discrimination clause in governmen contracts, has been able to give them. For their how is that once the Negro is accepted in industrial organ zations he may, by proving his worth, gradually over come projudices which have long hampered his progress Therefore, a cogent reason for their concern over futur prospects is the fact that everything about the presen FEPC is temporary and indefinite. It is an executive agency never legally constituted by Congress. Its pow ers rest solely on the President's vague war-time powers subject to court interpretation in some distant day. I was at first financed out of the President's emergence funds, but in June of this year, after bitter debate ove limitation of powers Congress had never attempted & define, Congress included an appropriation for it in the national war agencies bill.

The point we would make here is that grudging countenance given by Congress to a temporary execu tive agency does not provide an effective means fo securing a greater measure of economic justice for Nic groes. Congress should itself establish an agency v safeguard the Negro's opportunity to prove himself now when manpower is in demand. In view of the intransigeance of Southern opposition, probably only

Republican Congress will be able to do that.

### OPEN LETTE

TO FLORIDA NAACP BRANCHES

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Democro workers
When the next meeting of the
Florida State Conference was voted to Panama City last October, we planned to recommend that the time s be changed so that the meeting could be held before schools opened for 1945-1946. We felt that this change would be necessary for the convenience of the large number of teachers r. in our group. Because of the diffinculty in getting to Panama City from the peninsula section of Florida, teachers would probably have to lose about two days from school to attend r. this meeting. And since school of-g-ficials in Florida have little love for the NAACP, it might be difficult for teachers to get excuses.

After our meeting in Ocala last October, the Government placed certain restrictions on travel that would have made it difficult for us to hold a meeting of that size for the duration. On July 17, therefore, we notigied Mr. E. W. Edwards, president of ethe Panama City Branch, that we r had decided to follow the precedent set by the National Office and postpone our state meeting until restric-

tions on travel were eased. The Atomic bomb and Russian's entry ended the Asiatic conflict earlier than any of had expected. But since hostilities ceased only a few weeks before the opening of schools, we did not have time to prepare for a successful meeting. In view of these facts, therefore, we plan to hold a big meeting in Panama City short-ly. has neen employed as instruction the State Teachers' college of Fa ws etteville. N. C. He holds the degr not of Bachelor of Science from Hampt cor Institute and the degree of Master Arts from Columbia university. Prof. Dixon has also taught. Hungerford school here in Florida.

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# Florida NAACP Will Seek Support of Church

ress of the organization over the past five years and pointed out that the number of chapters had in-

ORLANDO—(ANP) — Asserting that the object of the NAACP was not to condone lawlessness or to prohibit the application of the law prohibit the application of the law prohibit the application of the law as evidence that the NAACP is promisconduct, President Harry Thisconduct, President Harry Thisconduct, President Harry Thisconduct, President Harry This endeavors. The chapter was lite endeavors. The chapter was the outcome of the work done by the organization which enlightened the citizens of the community that the citizens of the communi

unity was needed in any community if it is to hope to receive the benefis of democracy.

The matter of setting up chancussed and the president suggested that since the previous amendment to grant charters to groups of twenty-five had not been approved by the national body, it is advisable for the small groups to associate themselves with the nearest chapter and for the chartered chapter to recognize this group as a ter to recognize this group as a committee in its respective community.

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In a plea to the directors, G. D. Rogers, president of the Central Life Insurance Company, Tampa, and also representative from the Manatee county chapter, urged that publicity be given to the cases that the NAACP has under consideration in all the liberal publications, regardless of race. "There are pienty of liberal and fair-minded people in the South who will give publicly to our cause if it is presented with wisdom and we have facts to back up our contentions," the insurance executive continued. tinued.

During the reports from the various chapters, Rev. Black, representative from the Lake Wales Chapter, told the audience that if the ministers in their community did not come to the NAACP take the NAACP to them.

### Florida Conference, NAACP Calls Four District Meetings

In an effort to stimulate the drive for 25,000 members, the Florida State Conference of the NAACP has ar-ranged to hold four district meetings early in May. For the convenience of the 70 branches in Florida, these meetings will be held in different

sections of the state.
Schedule of District Meetings —
May 3, Mt. Zion AME Church, Ocala, May 5, New Salem Missionary Baptist Church, Tampa; May 7, Tabernacle (8th St. and Division), West Palm Beach; May 10, McLane Com-

munity Center, Marianna.

The main feature at each of these meetings will be an address by Mr. Daniel E. Byrd of New Orleans, membership co-ordinator of the Fifth District. Mr. Byrd has charge of the NA-ACP membership campaign in the several southeastern states. He is also executive secretary of the New Orleans Branch of the NAACP and president of the Lousiana State Confer-

Each district meeting will begin at 12:00 p. m. The Tampa Branch is also sponsoring a big mass meeting and membership rally at New Salem Missionary Baptist Church on the night of May 5th, and the West Palm Beach Branch is sponsoring a similar mass meeting at Tabernacle on the night of May 7th. Mr. Byrd and visiting branch officers will speak at these night meetings. Mr. Byrd also will speak for several other branches during his stay in Forida.

Membership chairmen of Florida branches are especially urged to attend these district meetings. Other officers, members, and friends also

are cordially invited.

We solicit the full cooperation of Florida Negro citizens in this drive for 25,000 members. Let us build up a stronger Association to carry on this fight against injustices and racial discrimination. Join your local branch. Urge your friends to join. If there is not a branch in your community, we shall be glad to help you organ-Tize one. Just notify Harry T. Moore,



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### NAACR To Take Action In New Smyrna Case

At a recent one-day Emergency Conference in Grlando a very serious case of police brutal ty in New Smyrna Beach was brought to the attention of the group. The Florida State Conference, NAACP immediately requested Atty. E. E. Callaway, liberal white lawyer of Lakeland, to go up and make an investigation. Atty. Callaway spent two days in Volusia County talking with the Sher If and other officers , with other witnesses. Below is quoted ex-"About 11:30 A. M. on Saturday, Nov. 16th of this year, a Negro wy the name of L. P. Rainge, who had come in off his run as a fireman for the Florida East Coast Railroad, was in his home with his wife and children and two other Negroes at New Smyrna in Volusia Gounty, when two deputy sheriffs entered his home where Rainge and his family were sitting at the dinning table and said, "You all are under arrest". Rainge asked. "What have we done? We are in our home bothering no one. Do you have a warrant for us?" Deputy Galbreath answered, "We don't have to have a worrant to armost to high S. of . . . like you you'll find out later what we want you for . When Rainge's wife began to protest, Galbreath grabbed her and pushed her back over a chair. In the fall she struck a piece of furnitume, injuring her so badly that she had a mis-carriage that might and lost her

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Dr. Jones, the doctor who first treated Mrs. Rainge, told Atty. Callavay that he found Mrs. Rainge. "in sprous condition, very excited and crying, and bleeding profusely". That Sunday Dr. Bartley, Negro physician, was called, and Mrs. Rainge taken to the Negro Hospital in tone, where blood transfusions has to the support of the

tona, where blood transfusions have to be administered.

This case is a direct challenge every Negro and to every liberal minded white citizen in Florida. So long as such acts of police brutality are permitted to go unchallenged, all, of us are in grave danger. Atty. Callaway has recommended the following legal procedure for this case: (1) A civil suit for damages against the Sheriff's Office. (2) Criminal action in Federal Court against the offending Deputy.

# Lakeland Lawyer Urges White Citizens to Respect Negro Rights

LAKELAND—Mr. Kelsey one of our deepest consolations. Blanton, noted lawyer of this We feel that the greater part of city, recently wrote the Lakeland our colored people have a yearn-

His lett's follows:

The law firm of waits. I am reco. a member has been representing the interests of the Florida division of the National Association for the Advancement of our Negro people in cases before our courts, hearings in one of which have recently been held in Bar-

The organization is headed in this state by a Prof. Harry T. Moore, an educated but unpretentious Florida-born and bred Negro, who is as free from Communism or other radicalism as any of us. We have contacted a representative of the national association, who travels through much of the United States, and he, too, is a Florida-born and bred Negro and appears equally conservative. Many white persons belong to the national organization, some of them in the south, even in Lakeland. It was founded by white people. We have been informed, in substance, We that its purposes are only what its name truly implies, and that it is not interested in party politics. Our engagement is purely and simply that of investigating and of defending members of the Negro race in cases where we decide their legal and constitutional rights are being abused.

We yield to no one in devotion to the best in our southern customs and traditions. We feel that the harmony and helpful relationship that has come to prevail between the races in our southland, and is still growing, is a vindication of our southern customs. That development is

Ledger, leading daily, that the rights of Negro citizens should be respected and protected by oughly consist of the our establishment. their

live with them and know them. The greatest obstacle to prop-

er interracial spirit is the abuse of prisoners in too many places in our state by officers untrained to a high sense of their responsibilities, or lacking the qualities necessary to humane, as well as firm, enforcement of the law. Shocking instances are frequently occurring. The unfortunate are mostly, but not all, Negroes.

As judge of the county court of Polk county, I found an evil system prevailing of railroading helpless persons, many of them entirely innocent, through that court. A former occupant of that office, himself from the porth boasts of the rubble that north, boasted of the public roads he had built through that system. I broke it up, but it was not until having a personal encounter with the sheriff, in which I was cut to the bone in my forehead with brass knucks.

But this unfortunate condition is being gradually overcome.
The constitutional provision recently involved in Polk county
has been the stated law of Florida since Justice Whitfield of our Supreme Court announced it 40 years ago. Both of our races have suffered in the past more than can be told, from the work of agents from other sections that came among us. It is for us here, locally, to direct and apply that which has become the law of the

# The Importance Of the General Election

By BARRY T. MOORE

MIMS-In most states of the "Solid South" general elections usually arouse less interest than Democratic primaries. This is because the one-party system has made the Democratic primary the real election in the South for over 50 years. The winner in a Demoeratic primary is usually considered a sure winner in the general election.

But the general election facing us on November 2nd is a most unusual one. Not since 1860 has this country been so divided in a Presidential election. In fact, the Presidential elections of 1860 and 1948 are similar in many respects. In 1860 the slavery question was the hurning issue. The Democrat tic Party split over this issue and eventually offered two candidates for president. The Constitutional Union Party tried to "soft-pedal" the slavery question and adopted a platform that emphasized the importance of holding the Constitution and preserving the Union. The new Republican Party opposed the extension of slavery into the territories and nominated Abraham Lincoln for president. Lincoln was elected. and when the smoke of the Civil-War cleared five years later, chattle slavery had been abolished

In 1948, as in 1860, we find our nation again divided on the race question. In 1860 it was called the slavery question. 1948 it is called the question of civil rights. But the fundamental issue is the same in both cases. The basic question is this; Shall America continue to treat Negros as slaves, inferior beings and second-class citizens, or shall No. groes be treated as free human beings with all of the rights and privileges of full citizenship? Philadelphia this year, the reaction was about the same as it was at the Democratic Convention in Charleston and Baltimore in 1860. The reactionary "States" Southerners walked out in 1860 held another convention in Richmand, and nominated Breckinridge of Kentucky. The reactionary Dixiecrats walked out again in 1948, journeyed to Birmingham, and nominated Thurmond of South Carolina.

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# THE WITCH HUNT ROU UP NEGROES LIKE CA

(An Editorial)

Two recent cases give glaring evidence of the hunt which always has plagued the Negro of the d At Clearwater a woman was alleged to have by a culprit that "sounded like a Negro." Woung couple, while asleep on the beach, was mu both cases Negroes were rounded up like cattle though it is manifest to any observing eye the were unlikely the doers of these acts.

One reason for this haphazard method of arr groes is the lack of training of most sheriffs in cr won Most of them are ordinary but earnest la were able to get elected to the office.

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# Citizens Plan To Boycott Station In Negro Sec

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### Moore Presides at Florida NAACP

Prof. Harry T. Moore, president of Florida State Conference, branch of National Association for Advancement of Colored People held an interesting and constructive board of directors meeting in Orlando Sunday afternoon, March 12.

The members assembled at the Good Neighborhood Clubs Center, 210-212 S. Parramore, from whence they proceeded to the Ebenezer Methodist church where the sessions were held and dinner served by the Orange Co. branch of the NAACP. This meeting was largely attended by officers and board members from all over the state.

Mr. Moore, in his very intelligent and dignified manner heard reports and resolutions and made many fine suggestions in interest of all wellmeaning citizens of Florida and the

negro in particular.

Miss O. Beatrice McLin, state secretary of St. Petersburg along with President Moore and the state treasurer, Rev. K. S. Johnson of Sanford rendered informative and inspiring reports. Plans for continued expansion in branch membership and the general uplift of America's most loyal are very desirous of doing his level best in helping to make the world safe for Democracy. Many new branches have been added since the last state conference which reflects much credit upon the leadership of Prof. Moore an also the fine cooperation of state officers and directors along with other community minded and race loving citizens. Speaking of the latter we are praying that their tribe will increase.

Our next state conference will be held in the Marion County branch in October at Ocala. Rev. W. J. H. Black who is president of the Lake Wales branch of the NAACP is making a strong bid for the state organization to come to his city for its next meeting following the conference at Ocala. Rev. Mr. Black is a wide awake and energetic worker of this fine and humanitarian institution.

Mr. Eimer Silas, president of the Bevard County branch presented the board of directors with copies of a far-reaching resolution which was adopted in its entirety and as a result the office of the state secretary, Miss O. B .McLin was designated as the state headquarters to which information of all worthwhile branch activities would go and in turn she will issue monthly news letters to be mailed to the head of state branches and to members of the state board of direc-

Watch the next issue of The Eatonite Magazine for further echoes from the directors' conference.

### **OBSTRUCTIONISTS BLOCK EATONVILLE** ADVANCEMENT

The Better Eatonville Building Club Loss in Mayor's Election Candidate Upholding All-Night Jook Ioints Operations Elected.

EATONVILLE - SUPPOSEDLY AMERICA'S OLDEST INCOR-PORATED NEGRO VILLAGE

SERIES NO. ONE

Sensing the grave need for a right about face in the social, economic and political activities of this all-negro village which is without doubt, as it now stands, a gros sreflection on its founders as well as the men who held Eatonville together up to about the past two decades and last but not least the very fine white people who encouraged their black brothers and sisters to keep together their little village in the name of a town which they had hoped would have been, long before this, an appreciable example of self government that would have justified its name which was tacitizens (negro) who are doing and ken, as we understand, from Captain Mrs. Florence V. Eaton, (one of the first settlers of Maitland). Capt. Eaton, along with other fine white citizens helped the negroes in this community to get a start along the way to a thriving town which was some 25 or 30-years ago. To see it today it will make a progressive mind wonder.

A Fine Chance

Therefore the Better, Eatonville Building Clubs composed of most of the fine women and a few thoroughgoing men of Eatonville and adjoining vicinity, set about to remedy the present plight of this town.

Eatonville, more than 50 years old No street lights, no water in case of fire, no grocery store, no meat or fish market, no place to buy a piece of dry goods, no town hall or council chamber, but instead are housing the following offices in private homes:

Tax assessor, tax collector, police headquarters, town clerk, town treas-

urer, mayor's office.

Decent Citizens' Plans Obstructed . There were and are those who, from time to time have tried to help pull Eatonville to the front but because of a domineering, short-sighted group that continues to stand in the way and fight all comers who have the grit, guts and vision to develop this allnegro village to the point that it will be a credit to the race and enhance the appreciation of the many fine and sympathetic white-citizens for the negroes efforts in places of trust and responsibility. But instead of proving his ability to operate a municipal government run exclusively for negroes, uplift and the aid of o he is showing by his ignorance of re- in bond rallys, salvage

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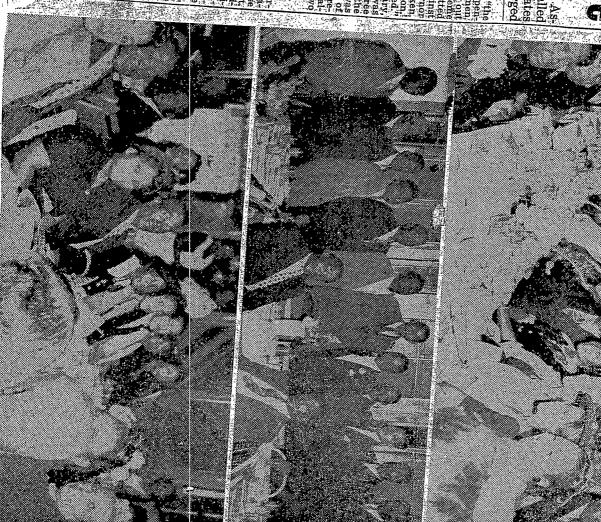
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Meeting Will Be Called Soon To Acquaint The Public With Plan

TO RENT LOCKERS

### Firm Plans To Construct Building Near Market

Considerable interest has been aroused here since the first announcement that a cold storage locker plant might be built here adjacent to the Titusville state farmers market.

The proposal to build the cold storage was made by the Bush Insulation Co. of New York City, under the sponsorship of the state market system. No local capital will be sought. The company, however, plans to rent the lockers to local people, and it is believed by those who have investigated the matter that a sufficient number of people here will be interested in the project to warrant the con-

Lockers would rent for \$12.50 of the local \$15, and \$17.50 annually, depending on the size and accessibility. Similar plants have been in successful operation in many communities of this size.

> A representative of the state market system is expected to come here in the next few weeks to discuss the project at a public meeting.

### Surgical Dressing Rooms Are Closed

Red Cross surgical dressing rooms, maintained at the Woman's Club building here in the past two years, have been closed, and the work has been discontinued here. Red Cross women all over the nation have done a masterful job of supplying dressings, and there will be no further work done along that line, pending orders from headquarters at Atlanta. Hence no workers are needed for the surgical dressing rooms here, it was announced this week by chapter officials.

Bee Men To Meet

Closed Shop Issue Favored Here; All Amendments Win WATSON RUNNER-UP

proposed amendments to the state constitution in Tuesday's election. was proposal No. 5. It proposed to make it unlawful to force any worker to belong to a labor organization in order to hold a job in Florida, altho it did not prevent his membership.

The amendment was decisively carried. Most of the support of the amendment came from rural districts, and the opposition was centered in cities of the state, where unions fought it vigorously.

The amendment is considered a warning to unions that the public is sickened by the racketeer methods used in this state in the early stages of the war when the unions collected hundreds of from ands of high, with 2681 votes. dollars in Florida wind millions throughout the nation for the right of patriotic citizens to work for their government on military projects.
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wrote into the State Constitution eight, other amendments submit tention on Florida, rolled up a ted for their approval. Unofficial majority of more than 18;000. and incomplete returns indicated It was proposed for the purpose safe margins for ratification of of guaranteeing that no one shall all the amendments all the amendments on the other

proposed amendments were as fol

Intangible tax, 979 pcts for 61,686, against 33,360.

Senatorial districts, 907 pcts. for 48,629, against 40,255.

Justice of Peace, 945 pcts. for 59,667, against 30,925.

pcts. for 55,051, against 29,138.

Prohibiting closed shop, 1,243 pcts. for 122,647, against 106,-

Uniform government, 842 pcts, for 46,362, against 44,478.

Elective office vacancies, 928 pcts, for 54,791, against 27,547.

Commissioners, 951 pcts. for 51,383, against 38,071.

Hillsborough consolidation, 950 pcts, for 49,489, against 35,248.

LEAVES AFTER VISIT Alexander Lowry left, this morn-

Fortenberry Returned To Position As County Board Member

### Chief interest among the nine All Amendments Favored \* By Brevard Voters

Millard Caldwell, Democratic nominee for governor of Florida led the ticket in Brevard County in the general election Tuesday, when the nation returned President Roosevelt to office, and increased the party's leadership in Congress. All Democratic candidates for state and county offices, most of them without opposition from GOP ranks, were elected.

Caldwell received 3043 votes in this county. Second highest was Attorney General Tom Watson who received 2848 votes. Congressman Joe Hendricks was third

All of the nine proposed state constitutional amendments were carried in this county, and they also carried in the state.

The anti-closed shop amendment, focusing nation-wide atbe denied a job because of membership or non-membership in a

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### Fortenberry Wins

A. Fortenberry veteran member of the Board of County Commissioners, and chairman of that body for many years, easily defeated his "independent" opponent, L. Election court officers, 938 M. Crowder who waged a "writein" campaign for votes throughout the county. The unofficial vote was Fortenberry 2520, Crowder 780.

> Crowder carried two precincts, Lotus and Canaveral, both small. Fortenberry lead in all other precincts, including all of the larger towns of the county, Titusville giving him a lead of 407 to 71.

Tabulated precinct results of the election are printed elsewhere on this page.

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### Soldier Beaten on Street Car by Policeman

(Editor's Note-The following is reported by F. J. Johnson, who was on the street car at the time.)

Sunday night, around 10:30 o'clock while riding on the Fair Oak: street car which was partly filled by negroes, no whites except a soldier and a city policeman, I noticed that a group of soldiers got on at 22nd St. and Columbus Drive. Two of them took seats in front of me and the other one sat in front of them and began talking to them. Presently the officer spoke to him, saying, "Get up and get back where you were." As the soldier did not move at once, the officer stood up over him and drew back his club saying "Get up N - - - , I said." By this time the soldier looked and as he did the officer struck him on the shoulder as he threw up his hand, preventing the blow from landing on his head. The officer continued to strike him with the club and as the car reached 7th avenue the policeman snatched the soldier and repeated the statement. The soldier said: "I am a soldier. I did not think it any harm to sit over and talk to my friends." With that the policeman snatched him off the car and struck him again while on the ground, then carried him over on the other side of the street. Just bafore leaving the car the policeman prlaced his thand in his pecket as if to draw his pistol, but did not.

These are the things that bring about much heartache to the people of our race, knowing that we are trying to fight against Hitlerism abroad e least, the and find the same thing going on at ts own but home. If we are to win the war we leaps and must forget about color, for in heaven there is no difference in man; for God too stupid has no respect of person. He is a unionly publi- versal God and not a God of race or color. In His sight there is nothing s to Eaton- but justice, love and joy. Let us resed that the member we are all in battle. A house divided against itself cannot stand.

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In Orlando, let us patronize as much is himself a as possible Riley's Men's Shop, 524 d as such W. Church street. The business is op-Christian or erated and owned by Z. L. Riley, Ord feel. That lando's friendly merchant. You can few law in find at this nifty shows first THIS MONTH'S COVER

The scene on the front cover of this issue of The Good Neighbors Bulletin indicates the high regard of the U. S. Government and its citizenry for a fine life of service such as that of Dr. Goo. Washington Carver, in naming this fine liberty ship after the noted negro teacher



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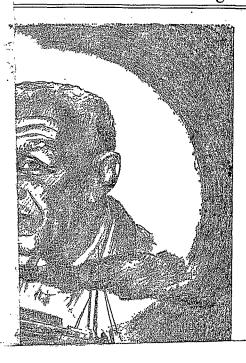
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### More Florida State Conference Meet Here

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program were: Rev. M. T. Coker, Pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church (Invocation) Scripture by t he Rev. J. H. Hart, pastor of Union Baptist Church; Welcome on behalf of the various organization came from Dr. J. A. Simpson, Dr. J. H. Terrell, Mrs. L. B. Weston, Mrs. Anne Hogan-Brewer Solo numbers were by, Mesdames Willie Mae Powell, Valeria Sanchez, Irene Eagleton, and several interesting musical numbers by Choir No, 2 of Payne Chapel A. M. E. Church, Mr. J. D. Dellagall President and Miss Hazel St. Clair directoress. The address delivered by Mr. W. B. Stewart, The Negro in the Present Orisis was very ably handled, giving plenty of food for thoughts. Mr. Stewart is the newly appointed Principal of Industrial High School. The response and Echoes from the State Confe ence, was given by Miss O. B. McLin, Conference secretary and a resident of St. Petersburg rlorida. Dr. Duncan, very prominently known surgeon Medical physician of Jacksonville, Florida was present and was given time to make brief remarks to the grown p. Mr. Harry T. Moore, State President of the Conference was introduced a n d he in turn introduces members of the State Conference's Statt. The propram came to a closed with benediction by the Rev. Hart Toe cream and cake were served to delegates and friends following the

closed of the program.

Business session of the Conference opens Saturday morning, closing out, Sunday afternoon, with a mass-meeting and program to be held at Payne Chapel A. M. E. Church, of which the Rev. contributed to the success of the Carey A. Gibbs is the pastor. The meeting will take place at 3:30 p. m. The public at large is invited to attend.

exercise and know it.

Negroes must play a safe and sane political game and not alienate the leadership of our white friends by rushing too fast. Let's go slow and become acclimated to our new status.

But all of this is of no purpose if we don't register. That is the first thing we must do. We should go now to the registration office and put down our name as Democrats. Then we shall be in position to do something for ourselves as well as help our white friends.

We also should want to cast a vote against Dr. Lex Green, the self-styled poor man's candidate. He has been too long at the public trough and too long shouting empty nothings at the electorate. We will show good sense if we vote solidly against him. We can at least return his compliment by showing we don't want him as he has shown that he does not want our vote.

Again, we urge our people everywhere to register now as Democrats, but if you just can't do that, then register as Republican, or Independent, or anything else. By all means, register before the books close.

### State Rep. Baskin To Seek Governor's Post in '47 Primary

By The Associated Press
State Rep. W. S. (Buddy) Baskin of Marion County yesterday became the first aspirant to announce formally his candidacy for governor in the 1948 Florida Democratic Primary.

Baskin, who served in the 1945 session of the State House, said he will base his campaign on "the issue of the states" rights and white supremacy." He is a native of Anthony, where he now resides, and is engaged in the farming and mercantile business.

# Negro Voters Help Swing Election In Florida Resort Town

By HARRY T. MOORE

MIAMI—The growing power of the Negro vote in Southern communities was demonstrated again recently when Negro voters of Riviera Beach helped to elect a mayor and three councilmen.

Riviera Beach is a little Florida resort town just north of West Palm Beach. Negroes reside in two different sections of the town, with a white settlement lying between them. In previous elections, therefore, it seems that there had been some difficulty in getting the Negro voters together, and their full strength had never been shown. This time, however, representatives from the two branches of the NAACP, the Palm Beach County Voters League, and the Progressive Voters League of Elorida were able to get together and form the "Joint Political Action Committee of Negro Civic Organizations of Riviera Beach."

Using the techniques of the Progressive Voters League, this Joint Political Action Committee submitted written questionaires to the candidates in an effort to determine their stand on matters that primarily affect the welfare of Negro citizens, such as the paving of streets in the colored sections and the employment of Negro policemen. On the basis of the answers received from these questionaires, the Joint Committee endorsed a candidate for each position.

Three of the four candidates recommended by the Negrogroups led in the first primary, but Charles Graves, the man whom they supported for councilman in Group 5, was eliminated. The Joint Committee then endorsed Rex North, one of the two remaining candidates in that group. In the run-off election on April 5th all of the candidates supported by the

Negro groups were elected.

The mayor's race furnished a splendid example of the balance of power wielded by the Negro voters. In the first primary white voters cast 350 ballots for Fred Owens, 253 for Paul Ernest, and 226 for B. Fox Griffin. But the heavy vote that Griffin received from the Negro precinct lifted him from third place to first place and caused Ernest to be eliminated. In the run-off election the mayor's mayor's race was in doubt until the returns from the Negro precinct were announced. In fact, Fred Owens piled up a margin of 109 votes over Griffin in the white precinct, but this lead was erased when Negroes gave Griffin 246 votes while giving Owens only 20 votes. Thus Griffin won with a total of 737 votes to 620 votes for Owens.

Another interesting feature of this race was the fact that Negroes cast 26 more votes in the run-off than they did in the first primary, while white voters cast the same number in both elections. This was in marked contrast to the case in Duval County there years ago when a slackened Negro vote in the second primary permitted the return of reactionary John E. Matthews of Jacksonville to the State Senate.

The four civic organizations mentioned above deserve much credit for throwing their full strength into this election.

### NEGRO CENTER BIDS SOUGHT BY DAYTONA

DAYTONA—The city has advertised for bids on the Negro recreation center to be constructed at the Cypress St. playground. They will be opened by City Commissioners May 2.

Specifications for the building, for which about \$97,000 remains from the recreational facilities bond issue, may be obtained from City Manager Titus or Harry M. Griffin, architest

# **Harry Moore Blasts** "Sold Out" Artists

League met in Orlando on Fet. 16. Mr. Broughton submitted an ofal report of his conference with Attorney General Tom Watson and members of the State Demo-Cratic Executive Committee in Tampa Then the question of the proposed lim-crow voting plan was brought up and discussed at length. He was autic apparent that the majority opposed the lim-crow plan The only question involved was the best promoted in Combatting his Some expressed the opinion that many discouraging:

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club guest. All three are expect- | 1944, and retailing at \$3.50 or less Several other guests have been ed to address the club members. invited to the meeting.

# Negroes May Vote Court Supreme

The State Supreme Court last at that time. titled to vote in Florida Demo- on reports week ruled that negroes are encratic primary elections.

preme Court ruling under which Duck Season Will Be survivors insurance. That is, opened to negroes. The high court said a primary is an integral part of an election in which all citizens have a constiutional The unanimous decision

ford affirmed two companion Cirdirecting a The opinions dealt largely with supervisor of registration to register two negroes as Democrats. cuit Court rulings

Florida law permits the Demobership qualifications and for many years, negroes have been cratic party to lay down memorganization. ing the cases to court. barred from the both races. · \*

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This action was believed to preparation for termination of all shoe rationing early next year. A War Production Board official said prospects are "very good" for elimination of the rationing program have been taken in

OPA said its action was based shoes are not moving was dealers' stocks.

# Eighty-Day Affair

Opinions by Justice Rivers Bu- | 1945 waterfowl hunting season announced Saturday, just as it And the outlook for ammuniyet to be determined. At present Secretary of the Interior will be only an 80-day Washington, August was last year.

Republican primaries are open to tribution during the fall. Now only farmers, ranchers and law the technical precedure of bring- | tion to shoot at them is something there is no free ammunition for sportsmen hunters but War Prohope that a limited amount will be available for commercial disduction Board officials expressed · Negroes always have been al- enforcement agencies get shells.

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