THE RACE'S RISE

Progress by Stages.

Long Expected Volume, Dealing With the Struggles and Achievements of Afro-Americans In the Keystone State, Ready For Distribution Scholarship of Author In Evidence

By N. BARNETT DODSON.

Philadelphia.-Included in the June output of periodicals published by the A. M. E. Book Concern in this city is Dr. R. R. Wright's long expected volume, entitled "The Pennsylvania Negro-A Study In Economic History.' The book is the result of Dr. Wright's sociological investigations made while he held the research fellowship in soclology at the University of Pennsyl-

The book contains 250 pages, is neat ly bound and shows the excellent handiwork of the Book Concern. Filled with facts and figures showing the marvelous progress of the Negro through many years, it ought to be in the home of every family of the race.

The author treats after the careful manner of a thoroughly trained mind the various present day problems of the Pennsylvania Negro from the point of view of his historical development. He not only asks, for example, what is the amount of crime among Negroes, but what is the history of Negro crime in the state and what are the various agencies tending | cian attracted to her many influential

. The chapters are: "Slavery In the Colony of Pennsylvania," "The Abolition of Slavery," "The Free People of inent part and was enthusiastically ap- I and giving the family a free pass I The Negro Population Since the Civil | She also played acceptably the organ | 3 War," "Occupations of Pennsylvania in one of the Catholic churches of Ith-Negroes," "Their Business Enterprises," "Ownership of Property," "Churches and Secret Societies," "Edncation of Pennsylvania Negroes," "Negro and Crime," "Poverty Among the piano during the exercises. She Negroes," "Interracial Contact and So. cial Progress."

Illustrating the method and material | the commencement exercises. used by Dr. Wright, the following quotations are to the point. Under! the chapter of "Slavery In the Colony Ithaca. Mr. Jones is one of the most of Pennsylvania" he says: "When the successful and best known lawyers in colony of Pennsylvania was founded the country, and his beautiful home by William Penn, Negro slavery was a at 1901 Tenth street northwest is the recognized institution in the new Mecca for the most prominent people world. The Dutch and Swedes who set in the city. His younger daughter is Aug. 20. The sessions will be held i But whence they came is not exactly | lyn. known.

"It is known, however, that as early as 1639 an offender, one Coinclesse, was sentenced 'to serve along with the blacks' of South river (the Delaware), and in 1677 one James Sunderlands is said to have been a slaveholder ir the Delaware neighborhood. * * * The Penn colony arrived in 1682. Though there is no record of any of them owning slaves at that time, it is probable that slaves were early procured by many.

upon deciding to come to Pennsylvania ning on Wednesday, Aug. 21. It will by the Rev. Dr. Winn of Baltimore. At Clay Smith, one of the trio. for.' * * William Penn himself held in the Seventh regiment armory. pared with other colonies, slavery in from every section of the country. Pennsylvania was mild. Yet there Mr. W. D. Neighbors is secretary of was a distinct status."

few and was punishable for offenses against morals only when whites were involved. For adultery a white person was imprisoned one year and fined £50, but there was no penalty for Negroes committing this crime. * * Negroes were punishable by death for five offenses, whites for only one. Ne. groes were usually whipped for minor offenses, while whites were fined."

The most thrilling chapter is that on "The Rise of the Free People of Color," showing the work of that magnificent group of anti-slavery men and women of color as they strove to lift them-

In introducing chapter 4 Dr. Wright days' meeting. says, "The civil war marks distinct break in the history of the Negro population of Pennsylvania, at their doors.

The Negro population, however, grew very rapidly after the war, the Negroes congregating in the cities. More than half of Pennsylvania's Negroes live in | cavalry have saved up \$110,000, which the cities of Pittsburgh and Philadel- | they wish to invest in wholly legitiphia. Discussing causes of immigra- mate business in the interest of the tion, Dr. Wright suggests the hope of | race, says the Dallas (Tex.) Express. dom as the main reasons. His detailed | a department store to consist of a bankcomparison of wages and conditions ing system, millinery and dry goods, cans during the past year \$750,000 was bome! That's all."

WON HER SPURS AT ITHACA

Miss Clarice A. Jones Returns to Washington With Honors.

Washington.-Miss Clarice A. Jones who graduated in June from the Itha. ca (N. Y.) Conservatory of Music, has been the recipient of marked attention since her return to this city. She is regarded as a valuable addition to the musical life of the city and has already received several offers to teach in prominent southern schools.

She is a graduate of the high school of this city, being one of the youngest ENVES FACTS AND FIGURES, pupils that ever completed the public school course here. During the four years she was a student at the conserv. atory her marked ability as a musi-



MISS CLARICE A. JONES.

friends in both races, and she was in great demand at musicales.

In a recital in May she took a promplauded by the large audience present. aca. Her graduation was attended by T to hear of it. her parents, Attorney and Mrs. Thom. as L. Jones, whose hearts glowed with pride as Miss Jones took her place at won the plaudits of the many who had come from far and near to witness

Attorney and Mrs. Jones were the re. cipients of marked attention while in a student at Pratt institute in Brook.

PREPARES FOR NATIONAL NEGRO BUSINESS LEAGUE.

Local Organization In Chicago Takes Time by Forelock.

ward the coming meeting of the Na. be prepared to accommodate the fall and break a leg." tional Negro Business league to be throngs which will be in attendance.

owned slaves. * * The Pennsyl The local business league in Chicago vania colonists procured their slaves is actively engaged in working out ev. chiefly from the West Indies." Sum | ery detail of arrangements for the enming up his chapter on slavery, Dr. | tertainment of the delegates and vis-Wright says: "On the whole, as com- itors who will come in large numbers

the local league and is prepared to Dr. Wright's discussion of the Negro | register the names of delegates and alaves' legal status is exhaustive and visitors in advance of the meeting. exceedingly scholarly. He concludes It is the aim of the local league as by pointing out some of the legal dif. | well as it is the desire of the executerences between Negroes and whites: | tive committee of the national organ-"As to morals, for example, it was tak- | ization to make the coming meeting en for granted that the Negro had but surpass that of last year in Little Rock, Ark.

Besides the meeting of the business league there will be held the fourth annual meeting of the National Negro Press association, the National Bankers' association, the National Funeral Directors' association and the Nation in Indianapolis, Ind., has attracted One day a summons came to the two al Negro Bar association.

roads will be allowed to those at rally fond of drawing and painting and before the end came. Together they tending the convention. Special Pull- shows unusual ability in the use of the drove out to the farm. He was not man cars may be had upon applica- brush. tion where a sufficient number of per- In the arrangement of colors and the ped up in bed and given a stimulant sons desire to travel together. Many selection of subjects he manifests ran that he might talk. speakers of note will address the va- skill and delicate taste. He has only selves and their fellows to a higher rious organizations during the three been a student at the Herron Art

Scholarship For Layton J. Wheaten. In the recent competitve examination causing a decided change in its char- at Storer college, for a free scholarship acter." There was a less selected kind in Lincoln university Layton J. Wheaof Negro immigration from the south. | ton, son of Attorney J. Frank Wheaton | devoted the greater part of his time | and I want to go with a clear con-Newer avenues of labor and opportu- of New York, was the victor. Young to portrait painting in oil from life science. Dave Benson and me was mittes for self expression caused the Wheaton is fond of outdoor sports since he commenced his studies at the better class of Negroes to remain at and has carried first honors many institute. the south. Another influence was the | times in the great athletic contests of neglect of the northern Negro by the | the school during his student residence northern whites. who were so busy at Harpers Ferry, the seat of Storer attending to the needs of the southern | college. Mr. Wheaton will enter upon freedmen that they forgot the brother his studies at Lincoln university when the school opens next fall.

> Soldiers May Engage In Business. Members of the Ninth United States partments.

National Association's Part In

Big Civil Action Noted. No one can follow closely the work of the National Association For the Advancement of Colored People without being convinced that it came into being for a specific purpose. The association was organized to combat the spirit of persecution and prejudice which confronts the colored

people in this country. The organization also exists to assure to the race every right, privilege and opportunity to , which every citizen of the United States is entitled. Theoretically all but those most imbued ' with race prejudice grant the L justness of those principles for which the association contends.

The July issue of the Crisis is an educational number. It con-. tains special news about our colleges, with illustrations, and also T has a number of other articles of timely interest. It also refers to the now famous Bolin case as follows:

From time to time we have reported the progress of the Bolin case against the Palisades (New York) Amusement park. Last • summer Mr. Paul C. Bolin, or-I ganist at St. Philip's P. E. + church. New York, together. with his brother, Mr. L. W. Bolin, his wife and some friends, went to Palisades park, where several of them were refused admittance.

The National Association For the Advancement of Colored People became interested in the case and tried to get a criminal indictment. The local district at-I terney was dilatory, and nothing was done. Then on advice . of our attorneys a civil suit was ? brought.

The company saw no escape and, having no defense, promptly came to terms by paying the for the season. If there is any I further color discrimination at Palisades park we should be glad

MOUNT BETHEL BAPTIST TO MEET IN WASHINGTON

Cosmopolitan Church Selected For An nual Session Aug. 20.

The thirty-sixth annual meeting of the Mount Bethel Baptist association will meet in Washington on Tuesday the spacious auditorium of the Cosmo Rev. Simon P. W. Drew is the founder

and pastor. The churches within the jurisdiction of the association have greatly increas ed in membership during the fisca year. The attendance of delegates and visitors will therefore be larger that that of previous years. The commit don't make no difference whether Dave tee of arrangements has the matter of fell thirty-nine or forty feet." Interest is now being directed to entertainment well under way and wil

"James Claypoole, an Englishman, held in Chicago for three days begin. The annual sermon will be preached in 1862, wrote, 'Advise me in thy be the thirteenth annual meeting of the evening session of the first day the next what I might have two Negroes | the league, and the sessions will be feature will be the doctrinal sermon which will be delivered by the Rev Dr. J. Watkins, also of Baltimore . Some of the noted musicians and vo aching to have Dave fall and break his calists of the city will be heard at the neck." various sessions of the association.

The large territory covered by the Bethel association makes it possible story." for it to do its full quota of missionary and educational work. While the de nomination should not neglect its mis sionaries on the foreign field, attention is called to the fact that there is a pressing need just now for an increase of funds for home mission and educa. tional work.

YOUNG ARTIST AIMS HIGH.

Success of A. J. Franklin at Herron In-

lin, student in the Herron Art institute | pealed to to finish it. much attention in the educational cir "he usual reduced rates on all rail- cles of the city. Mr. Franklin is natu

school for about nine months. His crayon and oil sketches, however, bear

the mark of a finished painter. Being directed by experienced teach ers who are deeply interested in his promising career, young Franklin has after chestnuts."

While the various professions seen to be crowded with workers, Mr. Frank lin believes in the survival of the fit test and that there is plenty of room on top. He is young, self reliant and persistent. With these necessary es sentials to success, coupled with his love for his chosen calling, he has made up his mind to make the best of his opportunities.

Large Sum For Association Work. Besides the large sums secured for of work in the north and south is high- shoe, drug, grocery and restaurant de raised for Young Men's Christian asso lation work throughout the country. away with a smile on his face.

THE BOLIN CASE SETTLED! THE DEACON'S STORY

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erary Press.

Snyder, the grocer in the village of South 422 or South 396-Y. Hampton, had a room back of his Mount Vernon 5138 store in which certain old fellows used to gather of an evening and play checkers or tell yarns. It was a harmless gathering, and no one ever criticised it. The club, as it was called, had been running two or three years telling a story. He was always quiet and thoughtful, and he started to do

the others. "How Silas come purty nigh losing his scalp puts me in mind of something," observed the deacon to the great surprise of all in the room.

something that night that astonished

He waited a minute for all to settle back in their chairs and then went on: "Twenty years ago me an' Dave Ben. son went up to Wildcat hill to gather chestnuts. On the way up I told Dave that we must be careful, as I had a feeling that something was going to happen. When we got to the hill we found chestnuts thicker 'n fleas on a dog. There was no need of climbing a tree, but bimeby Dave said he was going to do it.

"'Dave, it's dangerous,' says I. "'William, I know it,' he replies.

"It was jest about two minutes later," said the deacon as he looked around, "that"-

"What?" asked every man in chorus. The deacon had opened his lips to reply when there was a great shouting from the street, and all the men in the room ran out. A mad dog had passed without biting any one, but the meeting of the club had been broken up, and the rest of the deacon's story must wait. It did wait. For one cause or another he did not drop into the room again for three years. Then he found only four of the original seven that had heard the first part of his story. The quartet were very anxious to hear the outcome, however, and the deacon sat down and said:

chestnut tree, and there was me stand. ing on the ground. Dave was a good something was going to happen. Some of you may have had 'em. I kept hollering up to Dave to be careful for mercy's sake, and he kept replying that he would, when"-

"Yes, deacon. When what?" "Let's see. I think Dave had been married about seven years then. I may have been eight, and it may have politan Baptist church, of which the been only six. I don't want to say eight if it wasn't but six."

"But let that go. Dave is up a tree." "He was. I should say he was up forty feet. Might have been a foot more or less. I thought of going back there to measure, but I never did." "But get along to the accident.

"I told him that it would be awful to "Deacon, will you tell us at once what happened?" interrupted Henry

"I was going to."

"But get to it. then." "I didn't know there was any hurry about it. Seems to me you are just

"No, no. no! But, you see, it's three years since you started in on this

for time. At least I hain't, and I'll save the rest for some other day." Apologies were made and arguments

used, but the deacon's feelings had been hurt, and he walked off without another word. In the next three years three of the original seven men died and two moved away, leaving only two to wonder when they would ever find the deacon in the mood to finish that story. Dave Benson had moved to

survivors that Deacon Strathers lay dying of fever and wanted to see them only conscious, but he had been prop-

"Boys," he said, after he had offered toem a greeting band, "six years ago in Snyder's back room I started in to tell you a story."

"Yes, deacon." "I never finished it." "No, and don't try to now." "But I must. 'I feel I owe it to you.

"You were." "He climbed a tree."

"So you said." "I tried to stop him, but up he went."

"And I was hollering at him to be careful for mercy's sake, when something happened." "And what happened? We have been

wondering for years." "Why. Dave said be guessed he'd come down."

"And be tumbled and"-"Nope. Slid down like a cat and eases and stops the hair from falling higher wages and more personal free They contemplate the establishment of the work and maintenance of educa never even tore his trousers, and we out and starts it at once to growing tional institutions among Afro-Ameri | got a bushel of chestnuts and come And that night the deacon passed

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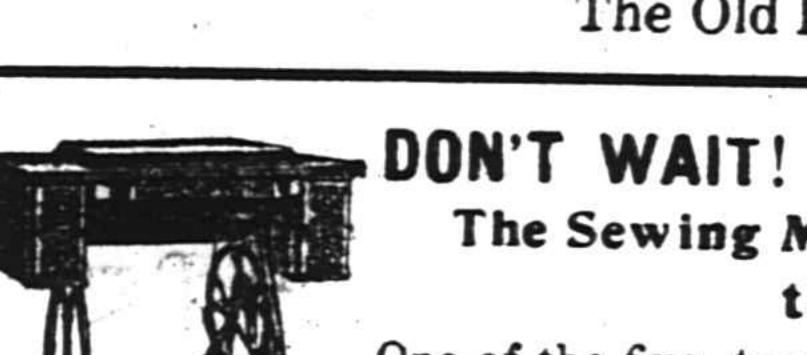
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