# ST. LOUIS GREETS

TINE. ALL HONOR THE HEAD OF FIFTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT.

Notable Gathering At St. Paul Chapel, Where Reception Was Held-Spirit Of Unity Prevails.

By CHARLES S. HUNTER. St. Louis.-The colored people of St. ment in the educational world because of the splendid equipment of its schools. race in this section.

and scores of visiting clergymen from the Fifth episcopal district of the A. M. E. church gathered at St. Paul chapel to welcome Bishop H. B. Parks eyes over the platforms of the two great to the district.

It was a notable gathering-notable mot alone in the fact that all the col- connected with this body to pray, labor touch us. bred evangelical churches in the city and work, above all, urging them to stand wied with each other in extending cor- united in the solving of our own problem. dial greetings to the distinguished Agnes Adams, Mrs. Ernestine Ross, Miss churchman, but because of the domi- Elizabeth A. Mickens, Mrs. M. Cravath mant note of racial unity sounded by Simpson, secretary. all the speakers in an effort to foster every possible agency for racial betterment and uplift.

Secret Society and Political Notes. Another big event was the sessions of the grand lodge Knights of Pythias and Knights of Tabor. These gatherings have brought together hundreds of representative men and women from all parts of the state. The unique features of the occasion were the joint encampment of their uniform departments at Kulage park, joint participation in the monster parade educators and workers along other and a union competitive drill and mili- special lines of racial uplift from tary ball.

ing his growing sense of racial con- go far toward bringing about better sciousness by bringing out candidates | conditions in rural life if properly for nomination for state senator and used. congressman of the Twelfth congres- Addresses were made by industrial sional district, the second richest dis- supervisors in rural schools of Virtrict in the United States, the Wall ginia. Jackson Davis, supervisor of street district in New York being first | rural elementary schools in Virginia,

in wealth. feel sure that the enthusiastic support | United States bureau of education told which will be given the candidates the story of Negro progress revealed will have a twofold moral effect, inas- by the census of 1910. much as it will create wholesome re- The figures show that the colored spect for the Negro politically, as well farmers of the south cultivate 100,000,as make him more fully conscious of 000 acres. The buildings on these his own power when exercised as a farms are worth almost a billion dol- upward as they have done if there had notice of the knock, but went on with

Real Estate and Banking Interests. The most notable event in business circles is the organization of a bank, capitalized at \$200,000, in which some of the foremost men of the race locally are interested.

Realty investments are active. New business ventures are being launched weekly. The Osborne Printing company has installed a cylinder press. upon which will be printed the Western Star of Zion, a publication created by the recent general conference of the A. M. E. Zion church.

Feeling that the church should have a part in the selection of proper amusements for the people. St. Paul chapel. under the splendid leadership of Dr. W. Sampson Brooks, has projected a monster terrace garden which will afford enjoyment and pleasure for all who ginia. Robert R. Moton, commandant desire such diversion.

Influence of the Press Recognized. ing, crushing competition of American institute discussed the problem of feedindustrial life, he is realizing that ing students economically.

cess in the struggles of life. propaganda the Argus, the Advance, conducted by Dr. J. J. France, Portsthe Central Afro-American and the mouth, Va., and Charles K. Graham Western Star of Zion, our local publi- of Hampton institute. cations, are rendering yeoman service.

This is evidence that the power of the press is still vital in molding public sentiment and in creating an atmosphere in which reforms must of necessity thrive and develop good fruitage.

Competent Man on Staff of Y. M. C. A. The Young Men's Christian association in Indianapolis, Ind., is fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Joseph C. Hayes on its official staff. Mr Hayes is a native of Terre Haute, in which city he received his earlier education. He was also a student at Wal den university in Nashville, Tenn., for three years. Mr. Hayes is fond of athletics and music. His special line will be in the membership department.

Musical Productions of E. C. Melvin. One of the busiest composers in Pittsburgh is Edward C. Melvin. whose special line is piano and violin composition. "Musing." one of his best piano pieces, is attracting wide attention. Mr. Melvin is young, ambitious and self reliant. If he con tinues he will some day rank with those whose musical productions have made tiem famous.

#### WOMEN DEPLORE LYNCHING. LIAVNICO

Northeastern Federation Believes Gov-

ernment Can Stop Mob Vjolence. The committee on resolutions at the recent meeting of the Northeastern Federation of Women's Clubs held in Jersey City, N. J., made the following report. which was adopted:

We, the resolutions committee of the Northeastern Federation of Women's Clubs, assembled in Jersev City, N. J., in the Lafayette Presbyterian church. beg to submit for your consideration and adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved. That we unanimously express our gratitude to the Entertaining club. the Afro-American Women's Industrial league, also to the Art club, which so ably assisted them, and to the mayor of the city for his cordial words of welcome; also to the pastor and members of the Lafayette Presbyterian church.

Resolved, That we extend our hearty thanks to the little pages and to all those who faithfully served on the program and that we congratulate the race for the Louis, filled with the infectious pro- splendid number of graduates who have come from our schools and colleges this gressive spirit of this western metrop- year. We commend the parents of these olis, are making history. Long promi- graduates for their sacrifice and perseverance, thereby making it possible for these graduates to reach the desired goal.

Resolved. That we deplore the steady conspicuous in religious circles by the increase of lynchings and the continued apathy of the United States government magnificence of its churches, its col- in not enforcing the constitution even pored population is now experiencing a when women and children are being E. Haynes, one of the directors of the business and political awakening that lynched. As it is known the United States augurs big things for the future of the for the protection of American citizens, Professor Haynes was recently hon- one has ever reached the bottom of the we feel act 6 and others similar of the ored with the degree of doctor of fall. The fall is 741 feet high, more The latter part of July hundreds of constitution make it possible for the government to prevent lynchings without philosophy by Columbia university. than four times the height of Niagara, representative citizens, business and state legislation. That we extend to the Dr. Haynes' address is in part as fol- more than three times the height of professional men from all the churches | National Association For the Advancement of Colored People thanks for its lows: great work in protecting and advancing the rights of our people.

political parties in our country we see no solution of our great American problem. We beg every woman here and at home Miss Roberta J. Dunbar, chairman; Mrs.

#### ECHOES FROM THE HAMPTON INSTITUTE CONFERENCE

Prominent Educators Bring Hopeful Message From Rural Districts.

Hampton, Va.-The sixteenth annual Hampton Institute conference recently held in this town was attended by many sections. The information re-In politics the black voter is evidenc- | ceived from the various speakers will |

outlined the work of the supervising The voters are very optimistic and teachers. Thomas Jesse Jones of the

> cent. White farms have increased 18 per cent. white population 24 per cent. The Negro death rate has been reduced during the last decade from 29 ly abused, often poorly provided for, it

to 24 per thousand. Negroes in the United States increased at the rate of 113 per cent. This rate is equal to that of European countries securing increases by birth over deaths. Negro illiteracy has decreased from 44 per cent to 30.

In Virginia the reduction has been from 44.6 to 30 per cent. In 1910 67 to make a plea for a better environment per cent of all colored farmers in Virginia owned their farms. Colored owners in Georgia increased 38 per cent.; farms owned by colored men increased from 82,000 to 122,000.

J. M. Gandy, Petersburg, Va., spoke on needs of Negro rural life in Virof Hampton institute, spoke on the "Negro Organization Society," found- cities. The spirit of harmony and thrift is ed for the improvement of the Negro in the air; a new Negro is forging to conditions through state wide co-opthe front, and, recognizing the grind- eration. E. L. Snyder of the Tuskegee

thoroughness and solidarity of purpose | M. W. Reddick, Americus, Ga., disalone can warrant any measure of suc- cussed methods of raising money for schools. Round tables dealing with In the furtherance of this new racial problems of health and farm life were

#### HIRAM H. STARR DIES AT 85.

Wealthy Western Pioneer Leaves Estate to Booker T. Washington.

It is reported that Hiram H. Starr. educational purposes in connection with the Tuskegee (Ala.) institute.

Mr. Starr resided in Falls City, Ore., and was a member of the Free Methodist Episcopal church. He was never married and was eighty-five years of age. A nephew in Maricopa, Cal., said to be the only surviving relative.

Henry Lincoln Johnson's New Client Henry Lincoln Johnson, recorder of deeds at Washington, has been elected attorney general of the National Negro Independent Political league. He in moving against race proscriptive measures, as well as the drafting of legislation for the amelioration of prejudiced conditions. Mr. Johnson is the law school of the University of Michigan.

# TO CLUBWOMEN

MUCH OF PROGRESS MADE DUE TO THEIR FIDELITY.

Director Of National League On Urban Conditions Emphasizes Work And Benefits Of Organization.

Hampton, Va.-The biennial conlargely attended. Delegates from wo- Remedies."-Westminster Gazette. men's clubs in most all sections of the country were present. Among the men invited to speak and who delivered addresses was Professor George National League on Urban Conditions.

they have been beset with foes from with- Only now and then, from the hidden out and fees and fears from within, but in spite of it all they have made progress. I hope you will not think that wish merely to throw bouquets when I



DR. GEORGE W. HAYNES.

When truth gets a hearing there will be hood. Although largely unprotected, greathas contributed the greatest power producing our progress. With a number of others, it is my privilege to work day by day to better the environment for that at his head from behind the curtains. aspiring womanhood, for the manhood upon which it depends and for the childhood from which it buds. Therefore I come before you, delegates of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs,

and larger freedom. Since the year of the emancipation proclamation Negroes have been moving in large numbers to the towns and cities. I population still live in the country, yet in the eleven southern states the number living in towns and cities has increased 1 per cent each year during nearly thirty years. There is now between 16 and 20 age to propose. per cent of the total population living in

I come, therefore, to plead for your cooperation with the National League on to make the city environment of our people better and their adjustment to it easier. My subject falls naturally into three parts - (1) the movement of Nebetter the city environment. In our practical activities in the cities i

within two years there has been tremendous progress made, far larger than what any of us dreamed at the beginning. In New York city we have combined three of the strongest organizations made up of the leading white and colored citizens that National league, now support the only colored probation officer in the court of

I wish there were time for me to tell a wealthy western pioneer, died re- you of the great service Miss Grace Campcently, leaving all of his estate to Dr. bell is rendering to scores of our young Booker T. Washington, to be used for men and young women who are unfortunate enough to come within the toils of the law. We have a travelers' aid and protective worker, whose work in dealing with young women and girls as she meets them at the boats and trains and as she sets knowledge of them before they fall would fill another interesting chapter. We run a boys' camp and supervise the myself off sometimes!" And, slipping fresh air work being done in the city. We have some neighborhood clubs for bettering the conditions in the neighborhood and have brought together all of the people working among girls and working among boys in the city for a monthly conference over the problems at which they are working. These are only some of the many activities of our New York work. We have developed branches that are starting similar work in Philadelphia, St. will have charge of the league's work Louis, Memphis and in Nashville. We are beginning with travelers' aid work by workers in Baltimore and Norfolk. In the matter of bringing home the problems of social uplift to our college youth the league has affiliated with Fisk university. an alumnus of Atlanta university and Atlanta Baptist college and Talladega college in developing courses in economics, sociology and history.

Hardy as an Architect. Most people know that Thomas Har-

dy's first profession was that of architecture, but fewer are probably aware of the nature of his earliest efforts as a scribe. It was a rather strange one, consisting in the writing Samuel Richardson, compose the letters, but was merely an amanuensis. When Mr. Hardy began to write on South 422 or South 396-Y. his own account his first article ap- Mount Vernon 5138 peared in Chambers' Journal. It was an article entitled "How I Built Myself a House," written when the emwas fond of his first profession, and for twelve years he enjoyed it, becoming a prize man of the Royal Institution of British Architects in 1863. But by the time he was thirty it had beamong books rather than houses and vention of the National Association of churches, and he relinquished archi-Women's Clubs recently held in this tecture for literature after the appeartown at the Hampton institute was ance of his first volume, "Desperate

#### Magnificent Kaieteur.

One of the greatest natural wonders in the world is the falls of Kaieteur, in British Guiana. The valley through which the river flows, below the falls, is quite impassable, and probably no 106 E. Mulberry St. Bunker Hill monument, 200 feet highthe semicentennial of our emancipation 300 feet higher than St. Peter's dome. As we carefully look with microscopic from chattel slavery. During the years A smooth but rapid river, nearly 400 that have passed we have climbed slowly, feet wide, flows quietly to the brink but surely, up the heights of civilization, and turns quietly downward. In its lifting as we climb all the nations that fall it breaks into soft white mist and reaches the bottom in a chaos of seeth-As our people have struggled upward ing clouds. There is a gentle roar. caverns at the bottom, a deep, thunderous growl arises that gives some hint of the forces contending there .-National Geographic Magazine.

#### A Feathered Beauty.

The quezal of Guatemala is considered the most beautiful bird in the world. Its plumage vies with the rainbow and shines with a metallic luster. Until within the last few years it was unknown to science, mainly owing to the fact that it is a bermit among the Premiums collected weekly from the homes of the insured feathered creatures, delighting in the silence of high altitudes. It dwells on mountain heights above 7,000 feet in elevation. The quezal was the royal bird of the Azters, and its plumes were used to decorate the headdresses and clocks of the kings of that land. Its breast is a bribiant scarlet, while its green tail attains a length of three feet. It is about the size of the common pigeon. It nests in holes in rotten trees, which it enlarges with its bill, so as to make a roomy and comfortable residence. The young are hatched totally devoid of feathers.

#### A Case of Poetic Justice.

The following is a case of poetic justice as meted out in France: A Parisian architect was sitting in his office when he heard a knock at the door. As he wished to be alone he took no doubting that his visitor was a robber, curtains. Presently the thief entered and proceeded to rifle the place. Then suddenly he started and grew pale. In a mirror he had seen a revolver leveled "Open the window," ordered the ar-

chitect, "and shout 'Police!" The burglar had no alternative but to obey and so summoned the officer by whom he was to be arrested.-Green

#### Scarcely English.

It was the lunch hour and the bookkeeper had contrived to have five minutes' chat with the girl who kept the petty cash. He was in love with her and had summoned up sufficient cour-

"Marry you?" exclaimed the girl. "Good gracious, no! I don't want nothing to do with you. I wouldn't marry Urban Conditions Among Us in its efforts you-not if you was the last man on earth. Is that plain English?"

The bookkeeper was mortified. "It is certainly plain enough." he adgroes to cities, (2) seggregation within the mitted, "but I'm afraid I can't concities and what it means, and (3) plans to scientiously call it English."-London Answers.

#### Camphor Laurels In Japan.

There is a stringent law in Japan that when one camphor laurel is cut down another must be planted in its have been working for five or six years place. The tree is hardy and long lived. at various phases of conditions there, attaining to an enormous size. It is These organizations, now formed into the covered with a small leaf of a vivid green color. The seed, or berries, grow in clusters, resembling the black currant in size and appearance. And the wood is employed for every purpose. from cabinetmaking to shipbuilding.

Took Himself Off. Foote, the comedian, was once threatened with a whipping because he had caricatured a certain man. He apologized fervently, adding, "Why, I take through an opening in a fence, he illustrated the deed.

#### Presumption.

"What are you writing, old chap?" "An article entitled 'Advice to Grad-

"Eh! Advice to grad- Well, of air the presumption!"-Boston Transcript.

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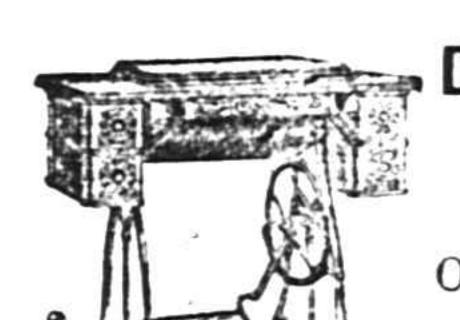
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