

☐ A soldiers' and sailors' welfare commission has been organized at Los Angeles. Mrs. J. M. Scott and Noah D. Thompson are among the eighteen members.

☐ An attempt was made to leave the colored soldiers out of the Washington Birthday Parade on Fifth Avenue, New York. The Governor interfered and the battalion of the 367th colored regiment, which paraded, received the most attention and applause among the 10,000 marchers.

☐ James E. Ellis, a colored member of the engineering corps of the United States Army, is dead in France. His will be the first gold star in the Knoxville, Tenn., service flag.

☐ Thirty colored men are attending the third officers' training camp at Camp Grant, Ill. There is no color line.

☐ An American Negro band led the American soldiers who returned from their first experiences in the trenches in a parade at Aix les Bains, France.

☐ Seven Governors reviewed the Illinois reserve militia, including a battalion of colored reserves, under the command of Major John R. Marshall.

☐ Meharry Medical School, Nashville, Tenn., has a Service Flag with eighty-seven stars.

☐ First Lieutenant W. W. Publes, of the Dental Reserve Corps, has been promoted to a captaincy and is attached to the 349th Field Artillery, Camp Dix, Wrightstown, N. J. He is a graduate of the State College of Massachusetts and Chicago College of Dental Surgery.

☐ Negro troops from Camp Stewart headed a parade on Washington's Birthday in Norfolk, Va.

☐ At Newport News, Va., \$600,000 is to be expended for the housing of Negro stevedore regiments.

☐ The Government is planning to establish a modern city within fourteen miles of Charleston, W. Va., to house 11,000 workers in a munition plant which will be erected. Y. M. C. A. buildings, etc., will be opened to Negroes on equal terms with whites.

☐ The 367th Colored Infantry at Camp Upton, N. Y., has erected a \$40,000 auditorium. The soldiers gave \$14,000 toward it.

MUSIC AND ART.

AT the Wanamaker Auditorium in New York City, J. Rosamond Johnson, assisted by other artists from the Music

School Settlement for Colored People, rendered afternoon concerts of Negro Music for one week beginning on Lincoln's Birthday.

☐ The Clef Club, Inc., of New York City, appeared in an entertainment for soldiers and sailors at the Harris Theatre. "Deacon" Johnson was their musical director.

☐ "Le Coc D'Or" has been produced at the Metropolitan Opera House. It is an opera pantomime based on a fairy tale by Poushkin.

☐ The Dunbar Amusement Corporation is erecting The Dunbar Theatre at Broad and Lombard Streets, Philadelphia. It will cost between \$250,000 and \$300,000.

☐ *The Mentor* of February 1, in its Department of Music Series, contains historical sketches of American musicians and American music. A short biography is given of H. T. Burleigh, baritone composer.

☐ "In Summer," a song for high and low voice, by H. T. Burleigh, is among this composer's late output. Another successful song, "The Sailor's Wife," is being sung by many noted artists.

☐ Following their successful appearance before The Music Lovers' Club of Boston, an exclusive organization composed of distinguished musicians and their friends, Maud Cuney Hare, and William H. Richardson, have been tendered active membership in that organization, the same to take effect next season, and have been voted honorary guests for the remainder of the present season.

☐ Harry T. Burleigh's "Ethiopia Saluting the Colors," after Walt Whitman's poem of the Civil War, was one of the numbers given by William H. Richardson at a "Lincoln Day Musical" given by Mme. Edith Noyes-Greene, the American pianist-composer of Boston, Mass. The song offerings were prefaced by music-talks by Maud Cuney Hare.

☐ Kemper Harreld, violinist, and Director of Music of Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga., has recently become the owner of a very fine violin by Guisepppe Morello Odani, Naples, 1738.

☐ *Musical America* says of the playing of Clarence Cameron White at the recent concert given by the N. A. A. C. P. at Jordan Hall, Boston, Mass.: "Mr. White's tone is even more beautiful than last year, warm, velvety, joyous."

☐ The Harry T. Burleigh Choral Society of Portland, Oregon, under the direction of

Mrs. E. D. Cannady, recently presented in recital Mr. Roland Hayes, tenor.

☐ The Matinee Musical Club of Philadelphia, Pa., gave a musical on February 19, in the Ball Room of the Bellevue Stratford. The program was mainly drawn from works of H. T. Burleigh. The Club chorus sang "Bye and Bye" and "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot." The soli given were—"Your Lips are Wine," "One Year (1914-1915)," "Deep River," "Go Down, Moses," and "Sinner, Please Doan Let Dis Harves' Pass."

☐ The first Cincinnati performance of Coleridge-Taylor's rhapsodie dance for orchestra, "Bamboula," was given by the Symphony Orchestra of that city at a recent concert under the direction of the guest conductor, Victor Herbert.

☐ The Cornhill Company of Boston announces three cash prizes for the best review of James Weldon Johnson's book of poems, "Fifty Years and Other Poems." The competition is open to the undergraduates of all colored colleges. The judges will be Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois, Dr. R. R. Moton, and Charles W. Chesnutt.

☐ *Musical America* of March 2 gives a detailed account of an excellent recital given by pupils of the Martin-Smith Music School at Aeolian Hall, New York City, on February 21. Particular mention is made of the work of Eugene Mars Martin, the little son of the director who played Zimbalist's Suite in G Minor, Bach's A Minor Concerto, L Folia, by Corelli, and a movement from Tschaiakowsky's D Major Concerto.

☐ Henry F. Gilbert has written a ballet for the Metropolitan Opera House, employing many of the Creole rhythms made popular by the colored composer, Louis M. Gottschalk. The ballet, which is known as the "Dance in Place Congo," will be soon brought out in New York.

☐ A portrait of Lieutenant O. McKaine, of the 367th Colored Infantry, painted by Orlando Ronland, has been on exhibition at the Ralston Art Gallery, Fifth Avenue, New York City.

☐ A remarkable series of five educational recitals is being given in New York City, in the auditorium of the Rush Memorial Church, under the personal management of Mrs. Daisy Tapley. At the first of these musicals Mrs. Florence Cole-Talbert, soprano, who recently won the diamond medal at the Chicago Musical College, and Mr. Ed-

win Coates, pianist, a graduate of the Institute of Musical Art, New York City, were the artists. At the second of these recitals Mrs. Nellie Moore Mundy, pianist and lecturer; Miss Minnie Brown, soprano, and Garfield Warren Tarrant, baritone, were the artists. The third recital of the series is announced, with Mr. Roland Hayes, tenor, and Mr. H. Leonard Jeter, violin-cellist, as the artists.

☐ At the University Museum, Philadelphia, an exhibition of the art of the Negroes of West Africa has been made. The specimens are extremely fine and representative.

EDUCATION.

TWO Negro students were among 125 graduates of Townsend Harris Hall at the City College of New York: Harcourt Tynes, winner of the Senior Class Medal, spoke on "International Reconstruction." He received an ovation from the audience. The other colored graduate was Gladstone Shirley, who won the department prizes in French and Spanish.

☐ The Colored High School, Dallas, Tex., graduated eleven girls and nine boys. From the ward elementary schools fifty-two colored children were graduated.

☐ Of twenty-nine graduates from the Philadelphia School of Pedagogy three were Negroes. One of the Negroes was C. B. Clinton, who averaged 90% during his practise as a teacher and has since been added to the Philadelphia Public School System.

☐ The Legislature of South Carolina has appropriated \$63,500 for a new academic building at the Colored State College.

☐ Collegiate courses in agriculture, including botany, chemistry, animal husbandry, horticulture, and rural sociology have been added to the curriculum of Howard University. They will lead to the degree of Bachelor of Science in Agriculture.

☐ The principal of the Wendell Phillips High School, Chicago, Ill., informs us that the report of discrimination in that school toward colored children appearing in the *Chicago Defender* and quoted in *THE CRISIS* has been acknowledged by the *Defender* as untrue and that the publishers have apologized for it.

☐ Julius Rosenwald has given \$5,000 to supplement funds for building a colored school house in Maryland.

☐ The Service Flag of Howard University has 168 stars.