

the *Dallas Express* Publishing Company President J. P. Starks reported a capital stock paid in of \$5,000. The business for 1917 amounted to \$11,880 and \$4,794 was spent in salaries. A dividend of 2 per cent was declared and paid by vote of the Board of Directors.

☐ Colored waiters are being employed in the hotels of Springfield, Mass.

☐ Henry Fennell, a colored farmer of Ware County, Ga., made a crop worth over \$3,000 last year, consisting mainly of cotton, with corn, fodder, potatoes, syrup and meat.

☐ The laborers in the Chicago packing houses, who have been fighting for the right to organize since 1886, have at last been given the right to organize by the government. Many Negroes are among the new union men.

☐ Colored waiters from the South are being used in Baltimore hotels to take the places of colored and white strikers.

SOCIAL PROGRESS.

GOVERNOR HARRINGTON, of Maryland, has signed the bill for the establishment of a tuberculosis sanitarium for colored people. The appropriation for the first year is \$50,000, and the second \$25,000. ☐ Through efforts of the local branch of the N. A. A. C. P., the "Jim-Crow" signs at Hog Island, near Philadelphia, effecting 3,500 colored men employed in government ship-building, have been removed.

☐ A five day campaign for one thousand members has added 1,365 members to the Twelfth Street Branch of the Y. M. C. A. in Washington, D. C. S. W. Rutherford was general chairman and R. P. Hamlin, director.

☐ The *New York Times* reports that A. S. Burleson, Postmaster General, and C. R. Johns of Austin, Tex., are joint owners of a large plantation in Central Texas on which Negro convicts are leased.

☐ The cornerstone of the \$100,000 colored Y. M. C. A. building in Baltimore, Md., has been laid with fitting ceremony.

☐ The Pekin Theatre in Savannah, Ga., owned and operated by Negroes, has been visited by disastrous fire. It was established ten years ago and had a seating capacity of seven hundred.

☐ Thirty-three colored insane patients were burned by an accidental fire at the State Hospital, Norman, Okla.

☐ Henry F. Downing is appealing for books

for colored soldiers. He is co-operating with the American Library Association and may be reached at 61 Bible House, New York City.

☐ The work of constructing the new colored Y. M. C. A. building on 135th street, New York City, has begun. It is to be six stories high and will cost \$200,000.

☐ White people of Baltimore are backing a campaign to save St. Elizabeth's Home, a colored orphanage with three hundred inmates, which is in financial difficulty.

☐ Federal Judge Dyer, of St. Louis, Mo., has made permanent his temporary injunction against the Negro segregation ordinance.

☐ Edith Durant, a colored girl of Oklahoma, will be of age July 2. She owns an oil well in Tulsa County which gives her a large income. She will receive something like \$150,000 in cash and title to land worth a million dollars. Mrs. Sallie Hodge Lee also comes of age this year and will receive a large fortune. She is married and has one child. Bertha Rector, who has already been mentioned several times, is only fourteen years old and is worth close upon a million dollars. White guardians have done much to waste the money belonging to these minors.

☐ When the colored school children found that their parents were being segregated at a concert which the children were giving at the Colored High School, Evansville, Ind., they struck until the colored people were allowed to sit where they pleased.

☐ As a result of a bill appropriating \$5,000 for a public employment office in "that locality which in the opinion of the Industrial Commission would best serve the interest of the Negro population," an office has been opened in the Harlem section of New York City. Assemblyman E. A. Johnson was the author of the bill.

☐ A parade in Atlanta, Ga., represented every phase of colored life. It was reviewed by the Governor and the Mayor. Thousands of school children were in line. Negro troops from Camp Gordon took part in the procession and were enthusiastically applauded.

☐ President Wilson received in conference recently Dr. R. R. Moton, the Hon. Emmett J. Scott, Dr. Ernest Lyon and the Hon. William H. Lewis. The subject of a loan to Liberia was discussed.

☐ The Kentucky Legislature has passed



COOKING SCHOOL IN NEW ORLEANS, LA., CONDUCTED BY MRS. BLANCHE A. PERKINS, WHERE THE N. O. GAS COMPANY WILL SPEND \$12,000 FOR TEACHING WAR ECONOMY TO 1200 COLORED WOMEN.

in both Houses the bill making county officials liable for lynching.

☐ The Piedmont Sanitorium, a state institution for colored tubercular patients, has been opened near Richmond, Va. It has 310 acres and provides for 800 patients.

☐ A commission on the Church and Social Service in the A. M. E. Church has been organized under the direction of Dr. R. R. Wright, Jr.

☐ A new \$50,000 home for aged and infirm Negroes has been erected in Jackson County, Mo.

☐ The Plaza Theatre, Denver, Colo., as a result of a protest on the part of the N. A. A. C. P. admits Negroes to all parts of the house.

☐ Kansas City, Mo., has an open air school for Negro children.

☐ A theatre for Negroes has been opened at Muscle Shoals, Ala., where the great dam is being built. It seats twelve hundred people.

EDUCATION.

ATCHISON HIGH SCHOOL, (mixed) graduates five Negroes this year: Sybil Brown, Elsie Thomas, Walter Gray, George Holmes and Charles Shobe.

☐ Georgia is starting its first State Normal School for Negroes on 122 acres, near Albany. J. W. Holley is to be president.

☐ Howard University closed May 5, and the whole plant has been turned over to the government for the training of students in radio telegraphy and other mechanical arts connected with the war.

☐ Fourteen nurses were graduated from Dixie Hospital of Hampton Institute. Dr. Lyman Abbott of New York was the speaker at the ceremonies.

THE CHURCH.

MOTHER ZION CHURCH in New York City raised over \$15,000 last year. It has assets of \$75,800, against which are mortgages of \$25,000. The church mem-