bership is 1,495. The Rev. Mr. J. W. Brown is pastor.

[John R. Hawkins, Financial Secretary of the A. M. E. Church, reports \$245,523 in . @ Dr. W. M. Moss, pastor of Concord Bapdollar money raised by the A. M. E. Church. This is an increase of \$32,000 over the previous year.

Representatives of colored Methodist churches have taken a first step toward union in their recent meeting at Birmingham, Ala., which will mean a united church of two and one-half million members.

POLITICS.

HE Oklahoma State Supreme Court has compelled the county to give the Negro citizens of Boley an election precinct. Formerly, the two thousand Negro inhabitants of the city were forced to go six or seven miles to vote.

It is reported that Oscar DePriest, defeated for the nomination for Alderman in Chicago by Robert R. Jackson, will run as an independent candidate.

PERSONAL.

D OSCOE C. JAMISON, the promising young Negro poet, is dead.

There are three colored members among sixteen of the District of Columbia National Poster Competition Campaign Committee for the best War Savings Stamps posters: Messrs. T. W. Hunster, Minor Normal School; W. D. Nixon, Dunbar High School; and B. C. Dodson, Armstrong High School. C Homer B. Roberts, of Wilmington, Kan.; Charles S. Smith, Jr., Detroit, Mich.; Butler R. Wilson, Jr., of Boston, Mass.; and Prof. Alvin Jones, of Baltimore, Md., have been commissioned Lieutenants in the 325th Field Signal Battalion, Camp Sherman,

The Board of Public Welfare in Omaha, Neb., has added a colored worker to its staff in the person of Ruth Wallace, who has done similar work in Kansas City.

In Erwin County, Ga., the sheriff has appointed a colored tax collector, Richard H. Singleton

© Dr. Byron Watson, of Washington, D. C., has been commissioned a First Lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps of the National Army.

The fifth Negro to be appointed to the Police Department in New York City, Officer Delancy N. Scroggins, has been assigned · to the Tenth Precinct, after serving six months as a detective.

(Adolph (Ziggy) Hamblin, a Negro, is captain of Knox College baseball team, Galesburg, Ill.

tist Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., has been seriously ill, but is recovering. His church owns property worth \$150,000.

@ Prof. William Pickens of Morgan College has been addressing audiences in New York City for National Negro Health Week.

© Dr. W. H. Vail has been elected president of the State Negro Welfare League in Newark, N. J.

C Plummer Lewis, a veteran of the Civil War, died recently in Louisville, Ky., at the age of seventy-four years.

J. Murray Jeffres, a colored man, owns and operates the Charlotte Milling and Power Company at Charlotte, Va. He lights the colored section of the town and has been asked to light the white section.

The Hon. Emmett J. Scott, Assistant Secretary of War, has been made a member of the Finance Committee of the District of Columbia Chapter of the American Red Cross in connection with the campaign for one hundred million dollars.

Major Otis B. Duncan of the 370th Infantry (formerly the Eighth Illinois) has been made a Lieutenant-Colonel.

Adele Ruffin, a colored worker of the National War Work Council of the Y. W. C. A., is at Newport News, Va., in the interest of the colored troopers and work among Negro women and girls.

C Silas Cluke, Negro member of the Freshman class in Atchison High School (mixed), won first place in the four minute contest dealing with War Saving Stamps.

C Daniel Murray, of Washington, and Bishop John Hurst have bought seventy-five building lots in Baltimore County, Md., for

(I A colored applicant, Henrietta T. Seth, of Philadelphia, Pa., averaged thirteenth in a class of two hundred applicants for a position as government stenographer. She has been assigned to the munition plant at Eddystone, at a salary of \$1,200.

(Among over one hundred white and three Negro applicants in a Civil Service examination for clerkship in Atlanta, Ga., Mrs. M. S. Jackson, one of the colored applicants, ranked highest. Her mark in mathematics was 99 per cent.

C Sergeant Joseph L. Stevens, at Camp Stanley, Tex., made 96 out of 100 at target

range, thus becoming second in rank among four thousand white and colored troopers and first in his own platoon.

@ Paul Robeson, football star at Rutgers College in New Jersey, has been elected a member of the senior secret society, "Cap and Skull."

Mrs. Helen Curtis, wife of the late James L. Curtis, U. S. Minister to Liberia, has sailed for France to do canteen work under the Y. M. C. A.

(Mt. Zion Congregational Church, Cleveland, Ohio, organized in 1864, has made the Rev. Mr. George V. Clark its pastor emeritus. The present pastor is the Rev. Mr. I. K. Merchant.

Mrs. Howard Gould gave up her suite in the Raleigh Hotel, Washington, D. C., recently, because Professor Kelly Miller was denied the privilege of riding in the passenger elevator when he called to see her.

Lieut. H. A. Rogers is chaplain of the Eleventh, Twelfth and Thirteenth Battalions of the First Provisional Regiment (colored) at Camp Gordon, Ga., being the only Negro officer in the Eighty-second Di-

Mrs. Grace Wilson, of Chicago, has been sworn in as policewoman and assigned to the Third District. She will receive \$1,000 the first year and \$1,400 thereafter.

[John A. Simms, for eighty-two years a HE King of England has conferred resident of Washington, D. C., and steward at the White House during the administration of President Hayes, is dead.

The funeral of George Fleming, a colored man who for thirty-one years was court messenger in Augusta, Ga., was attended by judges and city officials.

C Mrs. Maggie L. Walker, of Richmond, has won the first trial of her suit for insurance of \$7,500 on her late husband's life. The case will be appealed to the Supreme Court of Virginia.

The estate of the late Professor H. T. Kealing, of Kansas City, Kan., has been appraised at \$50,000.

The Misses T. Brooks and C. Henry have been appointed clerks by the postmaster in New York City.

John Parker, a colored man seventythree years old, was killed at Laurel, Del., in saving the life of a girl. He pushed the. girl off the fender of an automobile.

Richard B. Fitzgerald, a well-known brickmaker of Durham, N. C., is dead at the age of seventy-five.

Mrs. Lucy Thurman, a prominent colored woman and sister of Bishop C. S. Smith, is dead at Jackson, Mich., at the age of sixty-eight.

J. R. E. Lee, Principal of the Lincoln High School, Kansas City, Mo., has been elected president of Lincoln Institute, Jefferson City, Mo. He succeeds Benjamin F. Allen, who has long been connected with the institution.

@ Professor J. R. L. Diggs is teaching French at Howard University.

Mrs. Sallie Phillips, wife of Archdeacon Henry L. Phillips of Philadelphia, is dead. @ Dr. S. B. Jones, College Physician of the A. & T. College, Greensboro, N. C., has been called into the service of the British Government as physician and magistrate.

James T. Cole, widely known Negro butler, is dead in St. Louis.

C Earl Perkins, a twelve-year-old colored boy, is the champion speller of Ramsey County, Minn. He defeated seventy-eight white children.

The late Mrs. Margaret E. Zimmerman, of New York, left \$10,000 to the American Church Institute for Negroes in her will. C Dr. E.-F. Eggleston, Pastor of Thirteenth

Avenue Presbyterian Church, Newark, N. J.,

FOREIGN.

the Order of the British Empire upon the Hon. H. A. L. Simpson, a colored member in the Jamaica Legislature from King-

The British War Department has awarded military medals to Messrs. Harry Defasse, L. G. Murray, Oscar Delapenha, Oscar Brown and David Thomas of the British West Indian contingent.

The following citations for bravery have been made in a British West India regiment: Pte. C. Hyntiman (Trinidad) .-- For gallantry and devotion to duty on November 7, 1917, when his company was covering the withdrawal of a squadron of Imperial Service Cavalry from Two Tree Farm. Under heavy shell fire, he repeatedly volunteered to run messages from the officer conducting the withdrawal to the advanced parties. He showed a fine example of courage and devotion to duty to those around him in trying circumstances. Pte. F. Puller (Jamaica) .-For gallantry and devotion to duty shown repeatedly whilst acting as a scout in patrol work in No Man's Land on the nights of the