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est bit of impersonating I've ever seen. And I want to congratulate you again. body'll ever know a real honest-togoodness darkey actually sang those songs for you tonight, either-But say! by golly, couldn't that gal Magnolia sing! And couldn't she shake a wicked hoof!"

N.A.A.C.P. Battle Front

(Continued from page 406) N. A. A. C. P. called upon them to do

That the exclusion of Miss Catchings should have taken place at all was an outrage. That no white person in all New York had the courage or common decency to protest against it, is something in the nature of a calamity. It shows once again that Negroes, if they are to make themselves felt, if they are not to lose the rights they precariously hold, must function as a group. They must realize that such an exclusion as that of Miss Catchings, is not a mere individual case. It represents the rise, in its most menacing and ugly form, of the slavery idea, the southern determination to stigmatize as inferior any Negro, man or woman regardless of ability, service and record of accomplishment, who desires to pursue the path of opportunity freely open

The N. A. A. C. P. is not yet through with the case of Miss Gladys L. Catchings and the bigots who rule the Sloane Maternity Hospital and the Presbyterian Hospital ("Without Regard to Race, Creed or Color"). It will continue to agitate this case until all hope of redress is exhausted or until justice is done Miss Catchings and to opportunity to continue their education and increase their capacity for pub-H. J. S. lic service.

SOME WHO PROTESTED

COME colored people did vigorously protest at the exclusion of Miss Catchings from the special course in to him seemed a vast dark unpoliced Sloane Maternity Hospital. Here are wilderness. The heap of him under extracts from their letters, copies of the bedding looked pitiably small, surwhich they sent to the N. A. A. C. P.: prisingly tiny for a boy of nine. Mr. Caspar Holstein: "This act of "Go to sleep again," Mother Gard-

got out. edge, and a contributor to the Presby-"Well, fellows," John Ketchem fi- terian Hospital Fund, I am forced to nally concluded, "you sure put over protest in her behalf. On the portals your part of the act with a bang. And of the Presbyterian Hospital is an inyou, Miss Virginia Lee, did the clever- scription which reads: 'Regardless of Race, Color or Creed'. It was the realization of the dire need of an in-. . . That audience went home baffled stitution founded on such a great printonight. You gave 'em something to ciple that prompted me to contribute wonder about, argue about. And I to the Fund, and it would reflect on my bet it'll keep 'em coming back to the manhood, I feel, to allow a departure Lyric for a long time, too. And no- from this noble principle to go unchallenged."

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action on the part of Sloane Hospital." Eugene McIntosh, proprietor Harlem Employment Agency: "May I not as a colored man and contributor to the Building Fund of the Medical Center, ask whether the treatment accorded Miss Catchings, or discrimination on account of race, creed or color, represents the policy of the Hospital? Of the greatest importance in connection with this matter as I see it, and what was stressed by the Building Fund Committee in soliciting contributions, is the perpetuation in the Medical Center, not repression, of that Godly spirit and principle, 'without regard to race, creed or color' so nobly advanced by the Founder of the Presbyterian Hospital."

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The Little Page

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Mother Gardner turned out the light. The eyes were again gleaming

in the darkness.

"Gee!" Denny broke out with a surging sob. "I wish Reuben was here. -We'd have some time!"

"Reuben," began Mother Gardner, "is about seventeen now. He---"

"Let him rummage!" She recalled his hearty request.

"In the morning, Denny, open the same little closet door. You'll find some little gifts. You may play with the things my grandson Reuben left too. Good night." And she covered Bethune-Cookman the little heap carefully and made a New Year resolve that Christmas Eve night. She was not going to try to

LITTLE card came through the That made my heart so merry! A Christmas card with silver stars

make Reuben of Denny.

And crimson holly berry!

Along the Color Line (Continued from page 414)

Horstead Principal of Fourah Bay College, Sierra Leone.

Miss Rebecca Davis of Nashville, Tennessee, the Jeanes Fund expert for Liberia, has arrived in London en route to Monrovia. She is a graduate of the A. and I. College, Nashvile, and of Western Reserve University.

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