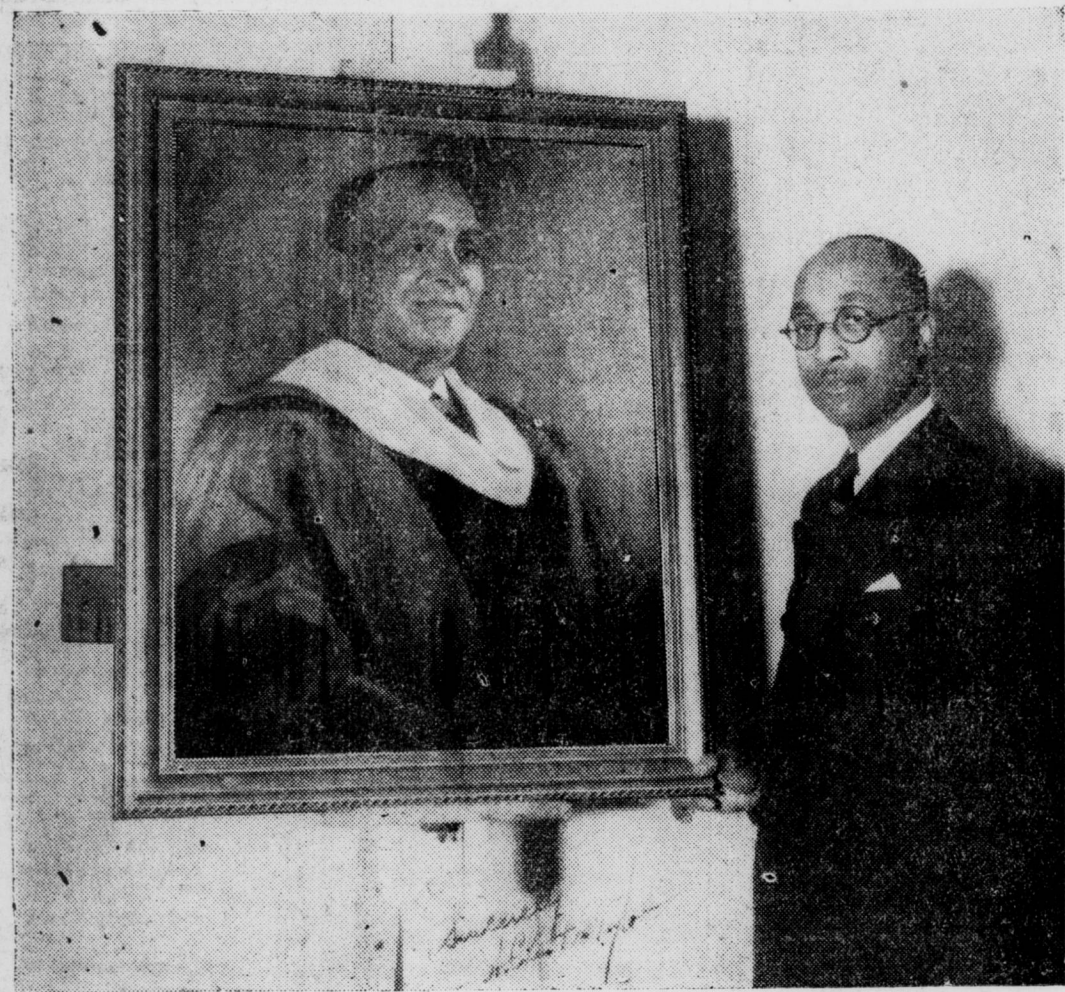


Claim Airplane, Termed New, Invented By Negro Years Ago

Class Presents President's Portrait



Chosen as a symbol of courageous leadership of a great educator, a painting of President F. D. Bluford was presented to A. and T. College, Greensboro, N. C., by the class of 1940 as a feature of the 42nd commencement exercises last week. J. Archie Hargraves, who made the presentation on behalf of the class, is pictured here beside the painting.

Obtained Patent On April 7, 1925

WASHINGTON —(ANP)— Fifteen years after a patent had been obtained by a Negro, much to do is being made over the invention of a plane which rises perpendicularly without having to be taken off in the usual manner, so much so that lots of space has been devoted to this "new" invention.

However, the records of the department show that on April 7, 1925, William H. Le, a colored man of West Virginia, obtained a patent on a plane "made to hover in the air, ascend and descend vertically as well as be propelled along the ground as a wheeled vehicle either in a forward or a reverse manner."

Whether or not there was any commercial possibility in the plane was not indicated by the records, however the patent is on file on the Patent Office, along with hundreds of other inventions by Negroes throughout the country.

Ohio Leads In Negro Youths' Placements

COLUMBUS, Ohio.—(A. N. P.)— Ohio led the states of New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, in placing Negro youths under 21 years of age in private employment during the last six months of 1939. Ohio Bureau of Unemployment Compensation officials have informed Gov. John W. Bricker.

The comparisons which found Ohio in top position were based on private placements of Negro boys as a percentage of all private placements of boys, and in private placements of Negro girls as a percentage of all private placements of girls under 21 years of age, bureau officials announced.

Ohio's showing in this respect was credited largely to the efforts

of the Negro placement unit, employment service division of the Ohio Bureau of Unemployment Compensation, under the direction of Chester J. Gray.

Ohio ranked fourth among the states listed, in its proportion of all placements of youths under 21 years of age to total placements, the report to Gov. Bricker stated.

A total of 4,065 more Negro workers of all ages were placed in employment in 1939 than in 1938 by the Ohio BUC's employment service division, bureau officials also announced.

Bureau officials report steady increases have been noted each month in placements of Negro workers through EUC Employment Security centers since the first of this year.

This Model Community Wins First Prize



Winner of the nationwide contest to select the community which has contributed the most to the welfare of its residents was Slossfield Community Center of Birmingham which will receive a \$1,000 International truck awarded by the International Harvester Co. of Chicago, sponsor of the competition.

Top picture shows the Maternity Clinic building of Slossfield center, a \$250,000 project comprising four buildings and bottom shows the blighted area in Birmingham where the community center arose. Inset is the committee of judges which met

in New York on May 9 to select the winner. Seated, left to right, are Dr. Channing Tobias, national council of the Y M C A.; Mrs. John Hope, widow of the late president of Atlanta University, who acted in the absence of Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, who was ill, and Dr. Frederick D. Patterson, president of Tuskegee Institute. Standing, left to right are Walter White, executive secretary of the N. A. A. C. P.; S. B. White, secretary of the International Harvester Co., who was present but took no part in the judging, and Dr. M. O. Bousfield, Negro health director of the Julius Rosenwald fund, chairman of the award committee. (ANP Photo)

Miss. Farm Youths On Air In Washington

WASHINGTON.—(A. N. P.)— At the request of officials of the United States Department of Agriculture, Mississippi Negro 4-H club boys and girls gave a broadcast on the National Farm and Home program over NBC from Washington Saturday.

Three 4-H club boys, three 4-H club girls, the supervising field agent, the supervising 4-H club agents, and two county extension agents, made the trip to the national capitol.

Robert Greenlee of Attala county, William Strickland of Pike, Rogers Bearden of Tishahatchie, Annie Bell Orr of Noxubee, Bertha Davis of Pike, and Alice Thompson of Lafayette are the club members who made the trip and took part on the program.

T. M. Campbell, field agent, Tuskegee; G. C. Cypress and Mrs. Beatrice Childress, State 4-H club agents; James Williams, county agent of Attala county; and Miss Mabel E. Clopton, home demonstration agent of Noxubee county, accompanied the delegation.

Race Leaders Attend Flag Ceremonies

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—(S. N. S.)— An impressive flag-raising ceremony, to which over a score of prominent colored Memphians were specially invited guests, was conducted on the grounds of the Memphis Juvenile Court last Thursday afternoon.

Judge Camille Kelly, initiator and director of the unique patriotic ceremony, paid a special tribute to the colored visitors during the course of the program. Immediately following a brief address by Mayor Walter Chandler, who stressed the significance of the American flag, "Today, the envy of the world," Judge Kelly acknowledged the presence of the colored citizens among the group of several hundred persons present, stating that in times of stress as well as of peace "we may count on the absolute loyalty of all the colored people."

Her observation was received with a round of applause. The flag-raising ceremony was occasioned by the gift of a large United States flag by the American Legion Auxiliary, Col. W. J. Bacon, former sheriff, opened the program with an explanation of flag etiquette and a brief historical sketch of the country's emblem.

Among colored Memphians present were: Dr. N. M. Watson, Mr. J. A. Beauchamp, Dr. J. W. Hise, Mr. Eddie Hayes,



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M. J. L.—Again I am coming to you for help. There has been a change in my handling of the loan on my farm and I wish to know what to expect? Advise me what would be best for me to do about this farm.

Ans: This change won't affect you any if the notes are kept up properly. After giving your case careful consideration . . . I seem to think that you would perhaps be better satisfied on a smaller place. See if you can't sell your farm and buy one smaller and better suited to your present needs.

E. E. G.—Does this girl that I am interested in care for me? Of course I know that I wrote her a silly letter but I would do almost anything to win her back. Tell me how?

Ans: Go to her and come clean about the letter. Tell her exactly what a sap you were to do such a thing, your being frank will have a tendency to make her change her mind about you immediately, she likes you, but letters such as the one you wrote, disgust her.

N. S.—My problem is a personal one and I need assistance. I have a weakness which displeases myself and wife. I have taken tonics out they don't seem to help. Can you help me?

Ans: Stop taking all medicines and arrange to go to a good physician. Conditions such as yours have greatly improved during the past few years with the proper medical treatment. Consult with some good doctor in our city about his subject and give him your operation. A change will no doubt take place.

E. T.—Several months ago I wrote you and every day that passes proves to me that you are right. Thank you. Tell me if my mother-in-law would keep my children awhile? Would this be the best thing for me under the present conditions?

Ans: She would be happy to keep these youngsters while you go to work. Yes, it is necessary for you to find work immediately and your youngsters will be in good hands with their grandparents. Within six weeks time you will be able to help them considerably.

A. H. W.—Tell me please sir will I succeed in the attempt that I am making?

Ans: Yes, it seems to me that you are going to be successful in your present plans. There is no need to worry seriously . . . your FATHER is going to stick by you.

M. R. C.—Has this man got me "root worked"? He tried to go with me three months before I yielded to him. I know I don't love him, but for some reason I feel that I can't do without him sometimes. Help me.

Ans: He can't affect your life with roots. The whole trouble is you are lonesome . . . if you made some worthwhile friends you wouldn't even consider going with this man. Don't go with anyone that you know you can't learn to care for.

E. P.—I wish to know if my husband is going to build me a house? He promised me he would sometime ago and he backed out. Will he?

Ans: Lack of funds was what made him change his mind. He's anxious as you are to build, but it can't be done without money. He is making every effort to build by the first of next year.

J. C. T.—I am a young married man and we have a baby. On the job I now have, it does not pay enough to take care of my family and I would like to know if I should quit? Answer in THE WORLD.

Ans: Before you quit, set yourself another job first. True, you aren't making any headway, but you are keeping that old wolf away from the door. You can find another job soon, but not by just looking for one. You've got to get out and hustle you up a job. Brother, so get going.

E. G.—Why haven't I got any beads? Other girls have them but not me. What is the matter with me?

Ans: You take life too seriously. Boys enjoy the company of girls for the fun there is in it and there is no fun taking a gal out who sits around and mopes and bellyaches about "poor me." Brighten up Lassie.

B. S.—Why does my husband stay out all night?

Ans: Because of your high faluting ideas on sexual life. I don't blame your husband one bit. If you want to hold your man you had better write me privately, and I'll guarantee that both of you will be satisfied if you follow my instructions.

Favorable Reaction To ROTC Petition Experienced

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—(S. N. S.)— Public reaction to the request made last week by the Memphis Council of Colored Civic Clubs that units of the ROTC (military training organization) be established in the two local senior high schools, Booker T. Washington and Manassas, has been widespread and enthusiastic, according to indications observed by members of the organization, and as indicated by inquiries by phone and other means made at the Memphis World office. One Council member, whose

work puts him in constant contact with white Memphis leaders, stated that he observed a generally favorable reaction on the part of such persons, and expressed the further belief that it is possible for the units to be established here in the near future.

The Council, acting on the suggestion of Prof. Leo Zinn, well-known LeMoyn College instructor and active civic leader, met last week and formulated a petition for the units. The petition followed

DARK HUMOR



Brothah Knight, Mistah Peaboy begs t'report he ain' wearin' his fez account his wife put a flower an' a bird onto it an' wore to her bridge club.

Landlords Who Take Federal Checks Cause Of Lynchings

NEW YORK.—(S. N. S.)— Praising the recent anti-lynching broadcast sponsored by the National Association

Cotton Pickers Air Views To Nat'l Office of NAACP

for the Advancement of Colored People, a Negro worker in Mississippi told the association in a letter, excerpts of which were made public today, that the real factor responsible for lynching in the South is the southern landlord who "will take what you make and the government check when it comes too."

Giving the lie to those southern leaders who say that the states are proving that they can "handle lynchings," and that there is "no need to pass an Anti-lynching bill," the writer of the letter, whose name is kept anonymous for obvious reasons, said:

"I just want to give some points on what bring about lynching in the South. It is the unjust landlord. They will take what you make and take the Government check too. When it comes they will not let you see how much the

check calls for. We will have to sign it and if we speak about he check they are ready to shoot you down at once. You know in reason, that some colored will fight them and then they will get up a mob crowd to lynch us."

Varied Activity Slated For Daily Vacation School

ATLANTA, Ga.—(S. N. S.)— Central and West Mitchell churches are the focal points of a daily vocational Bible School, which will be conducted under the auspices of the two churches mentioned and the Urban League, for with, and among the people of that entire section of the city.

A variety of activities, including handicraft, dramatics music, typing, cooking, Bible study and recreation will be stressed. Classes will be held from 9 to 12:15 P. M., Monday through Friday. Registration will be held from 9 to 12 o'clock Saturday morning at Central church. Students will pay no fees at all. People of all ages are eligible to attend.

Father Seeks His Missing Daughter

ATLANTA, Ga.—(S. N. S.)— Lawson Dumas of 2613 Williams Street, Chattanooga, Tenn., is seeking his daughter, Sarah, whom he has not seen since 1906. The only information he could furnish was that the person sought was born in Godfrey, Georgia, in 1905; her mother's name being Lola Adams before marriage. The Chattanoogaan says that he heard his daughter was in Atlanta and a member of the public school system, having attended Normal High School in 1913.

Lysol Poisoning Claims Life Of Mrs. M. S. Gilbert

ATLANTA, Ga.—(S. N. S.)— Mrs. Myrtus Swann Gilbert, 34, of 120 Sims street, died late Sunday night at Grady Hospital. She was admitted Saturday morning after she drank a large dose of lysol, police reported. Neighbors were quoted as saying Mrs. Gilbert had told them she wanted to die. An empty lysol bottle and a glass showing traces of the poison were found in the woman's house, police reports revealed.

ISSUES BOOK ON NEGRO CONGRESS

RALEIGH, N. C.—(A. N. P.)— A survey of the Negro in Congress from 1870 to 1901, made by Dr. Samuel D. Smith, associate professor of social studies at the Mississippi State College for Women, appeared this week having just been published.