

RACE COMMISSION REPORT

The Commission of Race Relations appointed by ex-Governor Frank O. Lowden following the Chicago race riot in July and August, 1919, has completed its investigations and is now engaged in preparing a final report of its findings, conclusions and recommendations.

Devoting its efforts to a study of the Chicago riot as presenting many phases of the race problem, the commission has placed great emphasis upon the study of the conditions of life of the race in this community and the broad question of race relations. In order to successfully do this the commission was organized into six committees, each engaged with the respective study of racial clashes, housing, industry, crime, racial contact and public opinion.

Racial differences and contact in schools, transportation lines, parks and other recreation places were given an exhaustive study.

The contact in mixed neighborhoods, the adjustment of Southern Race families coming to Chicago and a complete survey of Race agencies and institutions were investigated.

While the preliminary report offers no conclusion or solution of the Race problems, it indicates the exhaustive nature of the work done by this commission.

The members of the commission are Edgar A. Bancroft, chairman; Dr. Francis W. Shepardson, vice chairman; Robert S. Abbott, William Scott Bond, Edward Osgood Brown, George Cleveland Hall, George H. Jackson, Harry Eugene Kelly, Victor F. Lawson, Adelbert H. Roberts, Julius Rosenwald, Lacey Kirk Williams, Graham Rameyn Taylor, executive secretary, and Chas. S. Johnson, assistant executive secretary.

First Depositor in New Bank

Miss Marvel Clinkscale, 3641 State street, has the distinction of being the first depositor in Binga's State Bank, opened recently for business and the pride of Race progress among our community in Chicago and Illinois. A vast throng waited outside for the opening of the bank and Miss Clinkscale was the first to reach the window and have her account recorded. Miss Clinkscale is proud



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is receiving the congratulations of her friends.

EIGHTH REGIMENT NOTES

Forty-eight officers of the regiment attended the inaugural ceremonies at Springfield on Monday, Jan. 10. The Chicago officers left Sunday night in a private Pullman car and were met at Springfield by Colonel Duncan. The officers took part in the inaugural parade and attended the new governor's reception at the mansion at 8:00 p. m., Monday evening. The officers were royally entertained by the citizens of Springfield. There were numerous dinner parties, the most notable being presided over by Dr. and Mrs. Shepard A. Ware, who provided a most sumptuous repast, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The Knights of Pythias entertained the officers in the evening with a grand ball at Masonic Hall. * The regiment, in preparation for its contemplated trip to the inauguration at Washington, is drilling each Wednesday and Friday night from 8:30 to 10:30 p. m. The public is invited to visit the armory to see the soldiers at their drills and exercises on these nights. * Captain Robert L. Chavis has been reassigned to command Co. F, vice Captain Franklin McFarland, transferred to command Co. G. * Major Stuart A. Betts has been granted four months' leave of absence to visit California. During his absence Captain Stewart Alexander will command the second battalion. * Recent appointments in the regiment include: Private Norman J. Freeman promoted to 2d lieutenant and assigned to Co. M at Quincy; Sergeants Scott Roffles and Matthew R. Johnson, promoted to 2d lieutenant and assigned to Co. E and the Machine Gun Co., respectively; First Lieutenant Orville R. Smith, promoted to captain and assigned to command Co. I, at Springfield; Sergeant Benjamin L. Taylor, promoted to first lieutenant and assigned to Co. I at Springfield.

Church Buys Temple

Hundreds of south side residents were present Sunday, Jan. 9, at the opening services of Pilgrim Baptist church, 33d street and Indiana avenue, which was formerly known as the Hobrew Temple. The church, under its pastor, Rev. S. E. J. Watson, was located at 27th and Indiana avenue, but recently purchased the temple at a cost of \$75,000. Rev. Watson came to this city recently from Little Rock, Ark. Since coming here he has raised the membership of Pilgrim Baptist church from 200 to 1,350 members. He has the distinction of having bought and paid for a church in every town where he served as pastor. He resides at 560 East 36th street, with his wife and six children. He has a daughter studying law at the University of Chicago.

Tuesday night special services were held at the church in which business and professional men participated. The object was to stimulate interest in Race enterprises. David A. McGowan, president of the Chicago Business League, presided. Short addresses were made by Assistant Corporation Counsel Wm. E. King, Editor N. D. Brascher and Claude Barnett, J. L. Thomas and Dr. Brackett. Rev. Watson proposes to inaugurate a "trade week," during which time every one will be urged to buy merchandise from members of the Race. Mayor Thompson will address a citizens' meeting there on Friday evening, Jan. 14.

Traps Hold-Up Man

Norman Wilson, 22 years old, 2958 Prairie avenue, armed himself with a gun and started out to be "a bad man." The first person he encountered was Frank E. Foster (white), who was returning to his home at 2904 Prairie avenue. Wilson ordered Foster to hold up his hands, and glanced around to see if anybody was watching. That was his undoing, for quick as a flash Foster grabbed his arm which held the gun, and, gaining possession of the revolver, the tables were turned, and he marched Wilson to the Cottage Grove avenue station. Wilson, according to the police, confessed that he, with two companions, Alfred Hindrew, a West Indian, 21 years old, and Jackson Humble, 26 years old, 3224 Graves court, had done jobs together. The two companions, when arrested on Wilson's information, were both armed with guns.

Conductor Draws Pistol

Mrs. Emma Smith, a widow, 4609 Vincennes avenue, was brutally assaulted by James Rafferty (white), a street car conductor on the 27th and Lake Park street car line. Rafferty drew a pistol and threatened to throw Mrs. Smith from the car following a dispute over a transfer. Passengers interfered and saved her. Attorney Richard E. Westbrook secured a warrant for Rafferty's arrest on charge of assault and carrying concealed weapons.

Clever Check Forger

Joseph De Parks, 37 years old, 3634 State street, played no favorites in nationalities when he chose to pass his checks. He in some manner obtained checks of the Illinois Central railroad and passed one for \$75 on Middleton Brownlee, 3127 State street, one on Y. U. Ton, 628 State street, and another on Mrs. Hattie Hernerish, 752 State street. He was held to the grand jury on three charges of confidence game under bonds of \$1,000 each.