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## GREATEST CATASTROPHE EXPERIENCED IN HISTORY OF THE CITY OF NASHVILLE.

### WILL SERVE THEIR COUNTRY

More Than Six Hundred Will Answer Call.

NASHVILLE'S BEST GIVEN FOR THE SERVICE—WILL ENTRAIN HERE—TO BE STATIONED AT CAMP TAYLOR—A PARTIAL LIST.

As had been expected another call to serve has been issued to the men of the draft age of this city. The announcement was made this week by the Local Board for Division No. One of the city of Nashville, calling for a number of the drafted men to report for duty at room 318 Stahlman Building at eight o'clock Sunday morning, July 28th. It is certain that all the men named below will be entrained in this city and will be taken to Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky., and that they are to leave Monday morning, July 29th. The following is a partial list of the men called with their alternates:

Walter Burns, 1811 Heiman St.  
Charles Evans, 1408 16th Avenue, North.

Andrew Jackson Floyd, 742 St. Charles Street.  
Clifford Moore, 923 Morrison St.

Joseph Powell, 1216 Jackson St.  
Edgar Hayes, 2510 Bateria St.  
Henry Ferguson, 929 Morrison St.  
Walter Cartwright, 1118 Third Ave., N.

Edwin Carter, 2817 West Hill St.  
Jack Carey Hardison, Clifton Ave.  
Phillips William McNairy, 917 Morrison St.

Walter Sebastian, Shelbyville, Tenn.  
James Anderson, 1915 Sixth Ave., N.

Virgil Hendley, Vanderbilt Campus.  
James Vaughn, 397 West Hill St.  
Ernest B. Stoves, 422 Jo Johnson Ave.

Will Franklin, care Arthur Spann, 31st and Clara St.  
Sam Bates, 220 23rd Ave., N.

Ewing Waddy, 512 Louisiana Ave.  
Reuben Hill, 123 12th Ave., N.  
Clarence Love Goodman, 705 32nd Ave., N.

Henry Loyd Johnson, 805 25th Ave., N.  
John Harry Matthews, 1303 Jackson St.

Jack Moore, 714 25th Ave., N.  
Porter Burns, 1410 16th Ave., N.  
Robert George Prazier, 118 Ninth Ave., N.

John Clark, 1016 West Green St., Louisville, Ky.  
Guy Pointer, Harris Brick Co., Zanesville, Ohio.

Charles Manlove, 1609 Hamilton St.  
Eugene William Evans, 3561 Rhodes Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Benjamin Harrison Richardson, Martin, Tenn., R. F. D. 4, Box 42.  
Daniel Carlson, Paris, Ky., R. 3.

Lloyd Robinson, 1219 Walnut Street, Chicago, Ill.  
William Jones, 1019 Seventh Avenue N.

Andrew Stanton Johnson, 148 Exchange St., Buffalo, N. Y.  
Robert Ewing, 3306 Georgia Ave., Union St.

William Kirby, care Parish Shoe Co., Union St.  
Albert White, 1404 Heiman St.

John Leonard Byers, 3728 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.  
Samuel Silvester Dungey, 1607 Heiman St.

Lemuel Doss Gordon, 8 Howland St., Pontiac, Mich.  
Will Luck Williams, 1530 Mary St.

John Douglas, 1001 11th Ave., N.  
John McKinney, 1120 Porterfield St.  
Will Thurston, 915 Tenth Ave., N.

Robert Etter, 1823 Marino St.  
Dee Ross, Tennessee Chemical Quar-ters.

John Montgomery, 1712 Jefferson St.  
Vergie Jones, Martha, Tenn., R. 2, Box 70.

John Vernon, 1023 40th Ave., N.  
Clarence Thomas, 1004 14th Ave., N.

Ed Horney, 400 Clifton Ave.  
Brick Dooler, 503 Senate Avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.

### A. AND I. SUMMER SCHOOL CLOSES

Teachers To Visit Art Exhibit Centennial Park.

SIXTY COUNTIES REPRESENTED—BACCALAUREATE SERMON SUNDAY—COMMENCEMENT ON THURSDAY NIGHT AT 8:00 O'CLOCK.

The Agricultural and Industrial State Normal Summer School has an enrollment of 55—representing sixty counties of Tennessee and a few from the border states. This is the most studious and industrious body that has ever assembled at the institution.

During the summer session teachers have had the pleasure of hearing some of the most able speakers in the United States, namely—Prof. Chas. Ketter, Miss Virginia Moore, Division of Extension, University of Tennessee, Prof. S. L. Smith, Supervisor of Colored Schools of Tennessee, Dr. M. Jacobs, State Veterinarian, Miss Anna T. Richardson, Home Economics, Washington, D. C., Dr. James Sullivan, National Sanitary League, New York, Dr. Louise Lefort, New York, Prof. H. C. Weber, Supt. of Nashville City Schools. State Superintendent S. W. Sherrill will deliver an address Thursday, July 11, at 10 o'clock. Second Thursday in July of each year has been set aside by teachers of the state as President's Day. This has been designated by the President of the institution as a day for our Tennessee boys on the firing line in France. Many of the leading citizens of Nashville will be on program. The public is cordially invited.

Teachers Will Visit the Art Exhibit at the Parthenon

Through the influence of Dr. J. T. Phillips, the teachers in attendance at the summer session have been extended the opportunity of visiting the Art Exhibit at the Parthenon, Saturday, July 13, from 10 a. m. to 8 p. m. The teachers regard this invitation as a rare treat and will be very glad to avail themselves of this opportunity to see this wonderful collection of paintings.

Second Summer School Commencement

The Second Summer School Commencement Exercises will begin Sunday, July 14. Baccalaureate Sermon at 3:30 p. m. Sunday, July 14. Commencement address Thursday night, July 18, at 8 o'clock, will be delivered by Dr. Bruce Payne, President George Peabody College for Teachers. A cordial invitation is extended to the public.

Marion Horton, 740 East Fehr St., Louisville, Ky.

Rollie Eugene Everette, 4616 Indiana Avenue.

William Farmer, 920 Locklayer St.  
William James John Henry Gregory, 1215 East Thirteenth St., Indianapolis, Ind.

Clay Harris, 111 Chemical Company, Robert Gooch, 810 Eleventh Avenue North.

Harris Dyer, 1014 Harrison St.  
Wayman B. Lewis, 3202 Watkins St.

Henry Wilson, 2410 Cedar St.  
Jesse Porter, care G. F. Bertrand, Camp 2, Terre Haute, Ind.

Josiah Robert Archey, Forty-ninth and Charlotte Avenue.  
Clem Cartwright, 2404 Wells St.

John William Augustus Andrew Orr, 406 Clifton Avenue.  
Allen Johnson, 1033 Seventh Avenue, North.

John Henry Blackman, 1200 Scovel St.  
Willie Powell, corner Forty-sixth Avenue and Jefferson Street.

Ludovic Partee, Read Phosphate Road.

Edw. Landers, 609 Clifton Avenue.  
Harvey Pratt, 5112 Louisiana Ave.  
Saul Hudson, 1202 Third Avenue, North.

John Thomas Eberhart, Thirty-fifth and Centennial Boulevard.  
Walter Washington Caldwell, 503 Eighth Avenue, North.

Everette Kennedy, 805 Nineteenth Avenue, North.

John Braden, 2403 Wells Street.  
John Farmer, 908 Ninth Avenue, N.  
Wave Cecil, Forty-third and McChes-nan Avenue.

Henry Hill, care Winston and Co., Lee Hall, Va.  
Hugh Gilmore, 1020 Ninth Avenue, North.

L. P. Fisher, 1623 Phillips Street.  
James William Turner, 1700 Patterson Street.

### I. O. O. F. IN 13TH ANNUAL SESSION

Several Nashville Men Elected To Offices.

BIENNIAL MEETING AT GALLATIN—GRAND OFFICERS ELECTED—SUPREME MASTER DR. J. B. SINGLETON PRESENT—PATRIOTIC ADDRESSES.

The Independent Order of Immaculates met a convention at Gallatin, Tennessee, July 2, this being the thirteenth biennial session of the jurisdiction of Tennessee, a large delegation from throughout the state was in attendance. Grand officers elected to succeed themselves were Dr. J. W. Whitfield, Grand Master, who now begins his third term in office; Summerfield Brown, Grand Chaplain; Dr. J. A. Lester, Secretary; Dr. J. B. Singleton, Grand Treasurer; Dr. J. C. Ramsey, Grand Scribe; Dr. F. D. Smith, Grand Marshal; Nashville; W. Henderson Young, G. Attorney, Nashville; Malissa Bennett, G. W. Q. Harrisville; Robert Weir, G. P. S. Lebanon, Tenn.; Ed Boddie, O. G. Gallatin, Tenn.; Geo. Davidson, I. G. S. Tullahoma; Robert Slayton, G. R. S. Alton Park, Chattanooga; Irene Dowell, G. Messenger, Nashville, Tenn.

Endowment Bureau.

President, Grand Master J. W. Whitfield, 501 Third Avenue, N. Nashville.  
Dr. J. A. Lester, Secretary, 408 Cedar Street, Nashville, Tenn.

E. L. Kinzer, Treasurer, 410 Cedar Street, Nashville, Tenn.

W. H. McGavock, Nashville.  
Grand Master's Advisory Board:  
Dr. J. A. Lester, Nashville.  
Dr. F. D. Smith, Nashville. Secretary.

Rev. Preston Taylor, Nashville.  
E. L. Kinzer, Nashville.  
Robert Carter, Nashville.

Mrs. Rebecca Lester, Nashville.  
Mrs. Hattie Bender, Nashville.  
Mrs. Ida Woods, Gallatin.

Mrs. Malissa Bennett, Harrisville.  
W. H. McGavock, Nashville.  
Mrs. C. A. Shatt, Tullahoma.  
J. T. Patton, Franklin, Tenn.

The convention was honored with a visit from Dr. J. B. Singleton, of Nashville, Tenn., who was recently elected Supreme Master of the Independent Order of Immaculates U. S. A. He delivered an address to the convention, congratulating them for the progress made during the last two years.

He said notwithstanding the many difficulties they had to overcome since the last grand session, he assured them that the future prospect for the Order was bright and hopeful.

Dr. J. W. Whitfield, State Grand Master, delivered his biennial address Wednesday morning, July 3rd, at 10 o'clock. The address was very interesting and contained matter of great importance to the Order. He is an eloquent and forceful speaker and held the entire convention spellbound for two hours.

In the afternoon session the various grand officers made their reports. The mayor's welcome address on behalf of the citizens of Gallatin was delivered by his representative, who made a splendid speech full of wholesome instruction. Wednesday night an hour was set apart for patriotic exercises conducted by Dr. J. A. Lester. Excellent patriotic speeches were made. Immediately after the reports of grand officers and committees were rendered, the Grand Master announced the election of grand officers for the ensuing term of two years was in order. When the Grand Master concluded his biennial address in the midst of great applause and demonstration of approval, the convention went wild and during the excitement a motion prevailed to suspend the rules and elect the present Grand Master by acclamation. Grand Master Whitfield, objected, stating that he would not accept the election except a chance was given any one who may desire to run. Summerfield Brown, of Nashville, was placed before the convention by P. F. Hill. The result was that Dr. J. W. Whitfield was elected by an overwhelming majority. Supreme Master Dr. J. B. Singleton, befittingly installed the officers-elect. The convention adjourned to meet in Harrisville the first Tuesday in July, 1920.

The Fraternal Gazette, of which Grand Master Whitfield is editor and founder, was endorsed by the entire convention.

Edwin Hues Pettis, 1624 1-2 12th Avenue, North.

Oliver Hambrick, 1408 Sixteenth Avenue, North.

Oscar Evans, 2825 Clifton Pike.  
Moyd Grigsby, 1112 Porterfield St., rear.

Robert Samuel Handspeth, 1921 Alabama Street.  
James Davis, 535 West Eleventh Street, Indianapolis, Ind.

Marvin Gray, 1039 Twenty-first Avenue, North.

James Barry, 1903 Sixth Avenue, North.

Percey Gregory, 901 Twenty-fourth Avenue, North.

Felix Page, 3312 Georgia Avenue.  
William Broadway, rear 2020 First Street, Louisville, Ky.

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### 121 PEOPLE KILLED IN WRECK

Col. "Y" Gym Used As Temporary Hospital.

SCORES WOUNDED IN HEAD-ON COLLISION—SOME ONE BLUNDERED—SIGNALS MIXED—MANY FAMILIES BEREAVED—MANY STILL BODIES UNIDENTIFIED.

Because somebody blundered, at least 121 persons were killed and fifty-seven injured shortly after 7:00 o'clock on Tuesday morning, when a Nashville passenger train No. 1 from Memphis and No. 4 from Nashville crashed head-on together just around the sharp, steep graded curve at Dutchman's Bend, about five miles from the city near the Harding road.

Both engines reared and fell on either side of the track, unrecognized masses of twisted iron and steel, while the fearful impact of the blow drove the express car of the north-bound train through the flimsy wooden coaches loaded with human freight, telescoped the smoking car in front and piling high in air the two cars behind it, both packed to the aisles with Negroes en route to the powder plant and some 150 other regular passengers.

Just where lies the blame, it is impossible now to say. Officials of the road are silent. But one of the things is reasonably sure—that the engineer of No. 4 was given wrong instructions, ran by his signal, or overlooked the schedule on which he was supposed to run. That he knew the Memphis train to be a little late, leads to the conjecture that he was attempting to reach the switch at Harding station, a short distance before the inbound train arrived at that point.

As Engineer Kennedy's train approached the signal tower in the new shops, it is authoritatively stated, he blew for his signal and was given in a clear board. Before the train had passed under the tower, however, the board was dropped, signaling him to stop. The supposition is that he never saw this signal, as both the tower man and switch engineer tried in vain to attract his attention. Besides this, getting a clear signal gave him no right to proceed, as he knew that another passenger train having the right of way was approaching at a great distance.

Orders given him upon leaving the station are said to have advised him that Train No. 1 would meet Train No. 7 (an accommodation train, formerly) at Harding Station, and are also reported to have given the engine number of train No. 1. The conductor of Kennedy's train is understood to have stated that he was busy taking up tickets after leaving the station and did not notice that the train had run past the double track, which extends for three quarters of a mile beyond the new shops, until it was almost at the scene of the wreck.

The speed of the two trains when they met is estimated by old and experienced railroad men as being not less than sixty miles an hour.

The scene immediately following the collision is indescribable. Those escaping unhurt or with lesser injuries fled from the spot in a veritable panic. The cornfield on both sides of the track was trampled by many feet and littered with fragments of iron and wood hurled from the demolished cars. The dead lay here and there, grotesquely sprawling where they fell. The dying moaned appeals for aid or, speechless, rolled their heads from side to side and writhed in agony. Everywhere there was blood and suffering and chaos.

From the wreckage, beneath which many still lived, shrieks and muffled cries arose, and here and there helpless yet visible victims prayed for speedy deliverance by death.

As soon as possible every available doctor and nurse was rushed to the scene, and a steady stream of ambulances and automobiles, turned over by their owners to assist in the work of mercy, began the task of transporting to local hospitals and undertaking establishments the dying and the dead.

Among the very first to arrive and who plunged immediately into the work of rescue, doing much effective "first aid" before even the doctors or the wrecking train reached the scene were Alfred T. Levine, Frank Sanderson, Frank David, John J. Vertrees, Jr., and Harry Friedman.

At a time when conditions were at their worst these men labored practically without tools and struggled tirelessly against great odds.

In spite of the most strenuous work, however, the labor of recovering the bodies of the dead, many of whom are mangled beyond the possibility of recognition, has not yet been completed. At a late hour in the afternoon the bodies of six Negroes, all fearfully mutilated, were discovered beneath a pile of debris thought to be merely a scrap heap from the demolished engines.

All morning long attention centered about the telescoped smoking car of the outbound train, train crews working hard to raise with jacks the heavy body of the express coach beneath which was plinked or crushed most of the white victims. In

### BIG DAY AT NATIONAL SEMINARY

Churches To Hold Union 11 A. M. Services.

GREAT PREPARATIONS MADE—FOURTH SUNDAY WILL BE OBSERVED—MANY VISITORS EXPECTED—OLD-TIME CAMP RENDERED.

Great preparations are being made by the Baptist churches of this city to observe Nashville Day out at the Theological Seminary, Sunday, July 28. This will be the fourth Sunday in the month, and, according to the plans and announcements made by Doctors H. M. Burns, J. L. Harding, C. H. Clark, G. B. Taylor, G. B. Bolden, A. W. Porter, and in fact the following list of active ministers and pastors: Dr. W. H. Whitaker, Dr. J. C. Fields, Dr. T. J. Tunstall, Dr. J. A. Brown, Dr. G. B. Taylor, Dr. J. C. Harding, Dr. J. N. O. Alexander, Dr. H. A. Alfred, Dr. W. S. Ellington, Dr. S. S. Stuberfield, Dr. D. A. Weakley, Dr. C. C. Roland, Dr. A. Phillips, Dr. N. T. Stoner, Dr. R. A. Alexander, Rev. J. Moore. The day is to be given almost entirely to the City-wide Educational Rally. Most of the Baptist Churches are to transfer their eleven o'clock and three o'clock services on that Sunday to the campus of the Theological Seminary. A special program has been arranged and sermons will be preached and lectures delivered in interest of religious education. A month chorus under the direction of the National Choralist will furnish the singing throughout the day. It is estimated by the Baptist people that at least 5,000 will be on the grounds during the day, as they have arranged to serve meals so that it will not be necessary for any to go to their homes until the day services are over.

Christian Education, as is being emphasized by the leaders of the Baptist State Convention of Tennessee, seems to be the watchword. And now that the Summer School is in full swing, being largely attended, the indications point to the Theological Seminary project being a huge success. While practically all of the Baptist pastors will be out of the city the week preceding this City-wide drive, they are to return, according to the best advice from Clarksville to throw their whole strength and their full support to the making of this effort the greatest success in the history of the Baptists of this city. It would appear that the increasing interest in the Theological Seminary has not been confined to Nashville and the State of Tennessee, as the correspondence and the inquiries from other sections of the country relative to the school have taken up the time of practically one man. One of the leading Baptists of the city remarked, only recently that he was gratified beyond expression to see the earnestness on the part of the preachers of the city to acquire more knowledge. "They are coming daily with book in hand, and the love of Jesus in their hearts, trying to prepare themselves for the message that they have to deliver." He said, in further discussing the increasing interest in the Seminary. Further announcement of the plans are to the effect that special care will be run from the transfer station for the convenience of those hundreds who will go out to the old Boswell College site, for Sunday. The regular old-time camp meeting enthusiasm seems to be apparent throughout, and from all indications Baptist, large and small, will participate in this celebration.

one of the seats, his body held as in a vise, sat one of the passengers, still conscious, but with three of the dead crushed against him. Here the work began. The side of the car was chopped away and the man released, apparently in a dying condition.

From beneath the express car, some thirty men were later removed, only the last of their number being alive. His name could not be ascertained, but in the band of his hat were stamped the initials E. T. B. Wearing apparel of every description strewn the ground, among which were several women's slippers, but it is believed that they belonged to the few Negro women passengers who either fed the scene or are numbered among the unidentified or undiscovered dead.

To hundreds of men and women of Nashville, besides the doctors, nurses and others, are due unstinted praise for their labors in the work of rescue and alleviation of the suffering. Patients and bandages were in abundance, large quantities of ice were sent out from the city, and calls for assistance of any kind were promptly answered by those nearest at hand. Deputy sheriffs, du Pont police, special agents from the Department of Justice and members of the home guard afforded the police valuable assistance in handling the immense crowd of souvenir collectors that crowded everywhere, but no thefts of valuables were reported, although sentences and other baggage was strewn broadcast over the grounds.

Up to a late hour Tuesday night all street cars leading to the scene of the wreck were packed with sightseers, and taxicabs did an enormous business during the entire day and evening. It is estimated by members of the police department that during the day nearly 50,000 persons visited the site, and that no accidents occurred.

It is largely due to those officers on whom the duty devolved of keeping the huge throng in order.

Late comers were disappointed, however as the wrecking crews labored so effectively that the tracks were cleared and put in order in time for trains No. 2 to leave the Union Station on time for its regular run at 10 o'clock Tuesday night.

This, it is stated, is the first passenger train wreck on the N. C. and St. L. in many years, although a disastrous rear-end freight collision occurred several months ago within a few hundred yards of the site of the present wreck, on which occasion three of the trainmen were killed and many heavily loaded cars smashed to bits.

Crowds of people visited the establishments of A. N. Johnson, Taylor and Co. and W. H. McGavock, undertakers, to view the dead of the wreck which occurred Tuesday morning. Each place was a beehive of activity. The morgues were filled to overflowing with the dead and the halls were used to accommodate the bodies in some instances. The dead were brought in every conceivable gruesome shape. A. N. Johnson had trucks to assist in transferring the bodies. These trucks were open, and the bodies laid crosswise piled high as possible not to roll off. One body was brought in a washbuck. Others had heads, hands and arms cut off, while some were split in two. Several women were among the colored workers who were coming from Memphis and other stations en route to work at the Government powder plant. Colored doctors and nurses were rushed to the scene, and rendered all aid possible. Many who reside here and were expecting relatives today thronged the streets and visited the undertakers' establishments. A large number of help-ers were kept busy moving bodies from ambulances, while as many others were kept busy inside the establishments, which were filled to capacity. Extra embalmers were se-

### EPWORTH LEAGUE ANNUAL MEETING

Dr. Sebastian Presided At Notable Gathering.

EXCELLENT SESSION—MANY DELEGATES ATTEND—HARTSVILLE GENEROUSLY ENTER-TAINED—EXCELLENT PROGRAM RENDERED.

Special to the Globe: Harrisville, Tenn., June 22, 1918.—The Tennessee Annual Conference Epworth League Convention convened here June 26-28, with the president, Dr. Jesse P. Price, in the chair. The pastor, Rev. H. E. Erwin, and congregation had everything well prepared for the great number of incomers and spared no pains to make it pleasant for them.

The following clergymen were present: Dr. J. D. Chavis, Dist. Supt. Memphis District; Rev. J. H. Ellis, District Superintendent Nashville District; Dr. Eli J. Guthrie, District Superintendent Cumberland River District; Rev. F. N. Collier, Dr. J. W. Sebastian, Bishop I. B. Scott, D. D., L. D., Rev. Wm. Neal, Rev. G. A. C. Hill, Rev. Anderson Phillips, Rev. Dr. Robert A. Dowell and Rev. Thomas Mrs. Mattie C. Chavis, the very able wife of Dr. J. D. Chavis, was with us and was so helpful to us.

Dr. J. W. Sebastian, the third vice president, was asked to preside at the organ throughout the convention, and take charge of the music of the choir and with the very able assistance of Mrs. Bessie M. Brooks, the music was said to be the best ever heard in Harrisville. This was said by those who live in Harrisville. The Rev. Dr. Robert A. Dowell was elected secretary of the convention in the absence of the secretary, Miss Susie O. Brown, who was handicapped on account of sickness.

The convention was the best in its history. The following were elected for another year: Dr. J. P. Price, president emeritus; Rev. Dr. Eli J. Guthrie, president; Rev. F. N. Collier, first vice president; Rev. Wm. Neal, 2nd vice president; Rev. Dr. R. A. Dowell, third vice president; Rev. Dr. J. W. Sebastian, fourth vice president; Miss S. O. Brown, secretary; Miss Etty L. King, corresponding secretary; Rev. H. E. Erwin, treasurer.

On Wednesday night, the 26th, Bishop Scott delivered one of his famous lectures on "The Mystery of Africa," which was the finest in the business. On Thursday afternoon at 3:40, Dr. J. D. Chavis preached a great sermon. On Wednesday morning, the 26th, the Rev. William Neal delivered a great sermon. On Thursday night, the 27th, the Rev. F. N. Collier delivered a great sermon that will not be forgotten by the convention. His theme was "Gospel Nick-nacks." Friday night was a great concert conducted by Mrs. J. D. Chavis. Mrs. Fessie M. Brooks was re-elected Conference Superintendent Union Epworth League. This goes the convention on the pages of history.

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### EQUAL RIGHTS PLEA TO CONGRESS

Leaders Of Race Only Want Justice For All.

LYNCHING A CRIME—FIVE OTHER REQUESTS—NEGROES DISCRIMINATED AGAINST IN FEDERAL BUILDINGS—OFFICERS ELECTED.

Congress is requested to make lynching a crime against the Federal government, and as such subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal courts, in a petition unanimously passed by the National Colored Liberty Congress, which closed its session here yesterday.

This and five other requests for the abolition of specific race discriminations are advocated by the petitioners as win-the-war measure. The petition has been placed in the hands of Senator Penrose, and is to be presented to the Senate this week.

The Colored Congress proposes that Negroes are discriminated against in public and Federal buildings in Federal territory, in public carriers operated by the government in certain states, in the army and navy school, in the right of suffrage in certain states and in the civil service.

The petitioners ask, in view of the military service rendered by their race during the present war, "that our own republic may not be a part of the world not safe for democracy." They also protest the segregation of races in officers' schools.

The Congress was called for the purpose of laying the cause of the colored man before the United States Congress, and was attended by 115 delegates from 33 states. H. H. Harrison, of New York, was chairman of the Congress, and Prof. J. W. Bell, of Kentucky, Secretary. William H. Trotter, of Boston, was elected chairman of the national executive committee for the coming year. M. W. Spencer was elected Secretary.

cured to prepare the bodies for identification, if possible. A number of women and children are among the dead.

George Hall, railroad porter on the train going out from Nashville, was among the dead. He was a resident of Nashville, and his body is at Taylor and Co's.

In speaking of their escape, several survivors at the "Y" said when the impact came between the two trains, they were miraculously thrown out of the windows clear of the wreck.

In some instances the escape of the more fortunate bordered on the miraculous. Noticeable among this number was the case of Milton Frank, a brother of John P. and Jas. Frank, the Fourth Avenue clothiers. Young Frank was with his friend Milton Lowenstein, when the latter proposed that they go into the smoker and have a smoke. When they reached that car, Frank objected to the crowded condition and returned to his car, where he went into the smoking compartment and smoked alone.

When the crash came he was thrown from the floor, but finding a convenient hammer broke the glass and crawled to safety. Others were recovered from beneath the wreck practically unhurt.

While the scenes at the white morgues were heartrending, those at the establishments of A. N. Johnson and Taylor and Co. were most pitiful. At the former place there were twenty-four unidentified bodies of Negroes and all day long a line passed in and out in vain hope of identifying some absent relative or friend. At a late hour no identifications had been made.

Three identifications were made at Taylor and Co's by relatives or white friends. The body line was forgotten and the whites rushed to the aid of the brother in black, offering any and every assistance in their hour of trouble.

To the lot of W. H. McGavock fell the care of the bodies of the Negroes from Pegasus Station and Burns. He succeeded in getting the names of all but one of the bodies sent to his place.

Coffins were staked on trucks as long as they could be piled and rushed to the several establishments where the attendants worked until late in the night preparing the remains for shipment or burial. So anxious were the undertakers to do their full duty in the emergency that all bodies were prepared for burial without awaiting the arrival of relatives or the identification of the remains.

Never before have such scenes been witnessed in this city and the horror of the day was long remain in the minds and memory of the thousands that viewed the greatest holocaust the South has witnessed in a generation.

THE DEAD.

Private John F. Hussey, Uhlman, Wilson B. Harris, Navy Reserves No. 2.