

BUSINESS LEAGUE FOR KINGSPORT NEGROES

Dr. M. M. McCloud, Vice-President Heads Canvass For Members Here.

Kingsport negroes, under the leadership of Dr. M. M. Cloud, are making a canvass for members for the Negro Business League of this city, which will be a part of the organization in Sullivan County, Tenn., and Washington County, Va.

"The object of the League," said Dr. Cloud, "is to promote the financial and commercial development of the negro and further his educational and social programme. The latter includes the building of an industrial school, the establishment of a recreational center, the improvement of sanitary conditions, the developments of churches and lodges, the securing of a hospital and last, but not least, the promotion of good citizenship."

Fifty cents, it is announced, is the amount of the yearly dues. The canvass will be concluded July 15.

Robert Clay, of Bristol, is President of the League and Dr. Cloud, Vice President.

WENT OVER AS SERGEANT COMES BACK LIEUTENANT

R. L. Cross, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cross of No. 588 Watauga Street, who went overseas in May, 1918, with Co. K of the 317th Infantry as a sergeant and who fought through the Somme

BEESON WILL DRAW PLANS FOR SCHOOLS

The Board of Education Also Chooses Sites for Three New Buildings.

Architect B. R. Beeson was retained by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen Wednesday to draw the plans for the three new grammar school buildings which will be erected in Kingsport this summer.

The Board also selected the sites upon which the structures will be built, and announced that construction will be started as soon as the specifications are received and the bonds sold.

Sixty thousand dollars of bonds have been authorized, but before the issue is advertised for bidders the Board will determine by the specifications how much money will be actually required. It is thought probably that the buildings can be erected for \$45,000 or \$50,000.

They will be of the bungalow type and an effort will be made to have them completed by the time school is opened for the fall term, Sept. 15.

The sites chosen for the buildings are near the intersection of Sullivan Street and Sullivan Boulevard; on Yadkin Street near the Bristol Highway, and on the Oklahoma property, which is the site of the present colored school building. The two buildings for white children will contain six rooms each, while the colored school building will contain three rooms.