

New Opportunities for The New Negro.

(By The Associated Negro Press)
RINCEADADA, LOWER CALIF., Nov. 18—A Negro State in this section of Lower California is among the probabilities of the near future. At least this is the prediction of a group of enterprising colored men who recently organized The Lower California Mexican land and development Company.

51,500 acres of land have been purchased by this company near here. It is a rich, dark soil land highly suitable for agricultural purposes and the climate is the most salubrious in the Western Hemisphere. In fact, according to the best known authorities in this section this Negro Company has been more than fortunate in the selection of the site they have made for their project. No winter average temperature of not more than 75 degrees the year round, make the proposed colony an ideal proposition from the very start. The scheme as announced by Hugh E. Macbeth, well known Negro Attorney, is to place at least 500 families of indigent Negroes in this section of Lower California land below the border and permit them to acquire possessions of their farms on long-term payments.

The company was incorporated for \$250,000 and Mr. Macbeth states that virtually the entire lease of stock was taken up by wealthy Negroes in this city. The colonization company has already sent several families to "Little Liberia," he says and an active campaign for colonists will be made during the next six months.

The colony lies sixty-eight miles South of San Diego, thirty-seven miles northeast of here and five miles inland from the coast. It is believed that 70% of the tract is irrigable. It is flanked by Mountains of the coast range.

Negroes Buy Land.
This tract of farm land was purchased by Los Angeles Negroes in 1918 and since that time has been used largely for wheat growing. Complete soil and water tests have been made and the company is now ready to break the land up into units of forty acres and multiples thereof for the benefit of homesteaders.

In the opinion of Mr. Troy, who is head of the company, the oil outlook is bright, as promising as the agricultural future of the district in question. He declares that wells of good water can be secured at a depth of from six to twenty feet, and that the supply seems inexhaustible. The lands lie alongside the Mexican highway leading to San Diego. Roads are not good but the company hopes to improve them when colonists arrive in large numbers.

The land is too near the coast for good cotton culture. The best results will be secured by growing live stock and such crops as walnuts, deciduous and citrus fruits, alfalfa, potatoes and melons.

Next spring, officers of the company, with several prominent Mexicans from this section will make a tour of the United States, visiting many cities, where wealthy Negroes reside, to lay the facts before them and secure their moral and financial support for the undertaking.

"It is not our purpose to 'establish this colony as a retreat for, poverty stricken Negroes,' says Macbeth. "The country is raw and undeveloped and it will take cracker-jack farmers to bring out that best that is in it, but there are wonderful possibilities hidden there for the man who has a little livestock and a little machinery and a great deal of determination."

"Probably as many as fifty Negro families will go from southern California to the colony, but our present plan is to go into the southern states and take from there to Mexico the best colored farmers the South has produced."

Tuskegee Remembered In a Will.

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, ALA. Nov. 18—Principal Mott announced today that he had received notice from the late Mrs. Betty Williams of the fact that she had recently died leaving a will which provided for Tuskegee Institute to receive from her estate approximately \$2500. During her lifetime Mrs. Williams was an admirer of the late Dr. Booker T. Washington, and on several occasions had given various expressions of interest in work of Tuskegee Institute.

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