

# *Pickets Parade Before 'Unfair' Stores in Washington in Demand for Clerk Jobs*

## **MUST GIVE POSITIONS TO RACE**

WASHINGTON, D. C.,  
Sept. 29.—Picketing of the  
store of the Great Atlantic  
& Pacific Tea company at  
Ninth and S Sts. N. W., by  
members of the New Ne-  
gro alliance was scheduled  
to begin Wednesday morn-  
ing.

An informal boycott of the  
store went into effect last  
Monday. Reports reaching the  
offices of the New Negro alli-  
ance at 1232 U St. N. W., in-  
dicate a heavy loss in patron-  
age by the A. & P. store at  
Ninth and S Sts. N. W.

### **Purpose of Boycott**

The informal boycott was decided  
upon by the alliance at its regular  
weekly meeting at the 12th St. branch  
Young Men's Christian association  
last Saturday night.

The purpose of the boycott is to  
force the employment of Race clerks  
in this store. A committee repre-  
senting the alliance had petitioned  
the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea  
company to employ Race clerks in  
stores where the patronage is pre-  
dominantly of our people.

Before petitioning the company to  
employ clerks, a survey of the neigh-  
borhood was made and facts show-  
ing the number of Race patrons and  
the approximate amount of money  
they spent at the Ninth and S Sts.  
store were presented to the manage-  
ment of the Great Atlantic & Pacific  
Tea company.

At the meeting last Saturday night,  
John Aubrey Davis, administrator of  
the alliance, who left the next day  
for Wisconsin university, where he  
is a student, outlined plans for ac-  
complishing an effective boycott of  
the store at Ninth and S Sts. His  
directions were supplemented by re-  
marks by Belford V. Lawson, an at-  
torney, who appealed for the whole-  
hearted co-operation of every mem-  
ber of the alliance.

The alliance was encouraged by a  
patron of the store, who lives in  
French St., who told of the effect let-  
ters sent by the alliance to patrons  
of the store are having.