

## Mr. P. A. Aiken 'was an inspiration to others'

Mr. Percival Augustus Aiken was a man who did a great deal of social service, and was an inspiration to others, said Dr. L. Varma as he spoke at the funeral services which were held for Mr. Aiken at Jackson's Memorial Chapel at East Street Wednesday afternoon.

The eulogy was given by Mr. Clarence Stephens who said that Mr. Aiken was a pioneer in the private electrical contractors' field, and he set a very high standard of work.

He was an authority on conduit wiring and as a result he was one of the first private electrical contractors to be employed by Government and private firms.

Mr. Stephens said in part that Mr. Aiken had made a great contribution to citizenship, in that he inaugurated the Electrical Contractors' Association which fostered universality of standards in the electrical field.

In social work he was a pioneer in youth improvement and the general conditions of living and working in the country. Mr. Stephens then spoke of the contribution that Mr. Aiken had made to the Universal Negro Improvement Association and also to church life. He ended by saying that Mr. Aiken would be greatly missed in the fields in which he gave service.

### Prayers

Prayers were said by Mr. G. Mitchell, and the lessons were read by Miss Alice Gallier. Dr. Ugo Giachery, travelling executive of the Baha'i Faith chanted prayer of Bahula.

Monsignor Gladstone Wilson was also present.

Family mourners were Mrs. H. Webster, daughter, Messrs. David and Eugene Aiken, bro-

thers; Mrs. Harold Levy, sister, Mr. Harold Levy, brother-in-law, Mrs. Ira Aiken, sister-in-law, Mr. Tyrone Aiken, grandson; Miss Madge Aiken, Mrs. Lloyd Soares, and Miss Gloria Bucknor, nieces; Mrs. Evelyn Thomas, Misses Ruth and Athalia Medley, Mrs. Carl Dumont, Mr. Kenneth Ross and Mrs. William Aiken, cousins.

**Pall bearers were Messrs. Ira and Keith Aiken, brothers; Mr. David Aiken, Mr. Harry Bucknor, nephews, and Mr. William Aiken, cousin; Messrs. Roy Jeffrey, Fitz Henly, Eustace White, and Eustace Williamson.**

Among the large gathering were Professor and Mrs. Leslie Robinson, Mr. Jimmy Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hawthorne, Mr. T. Bowen, Misses Vie Pinnock, E. DeLisser, Thelma Stewart, Dorothy Walker, Olive Stewart, Flo Robinson, Amy Stewart, Mollie Phillips, and W. LeMaud. Mr. Bill Sykes, Mother Peter Claver, Mr. and Mrs. George Brissett, Mrs. N. Panton, Misses Ivy Nicholson, Maud Davidson, Leila Wilson, E. Dyer, M. Gordon, and Marjorie Henry.

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