

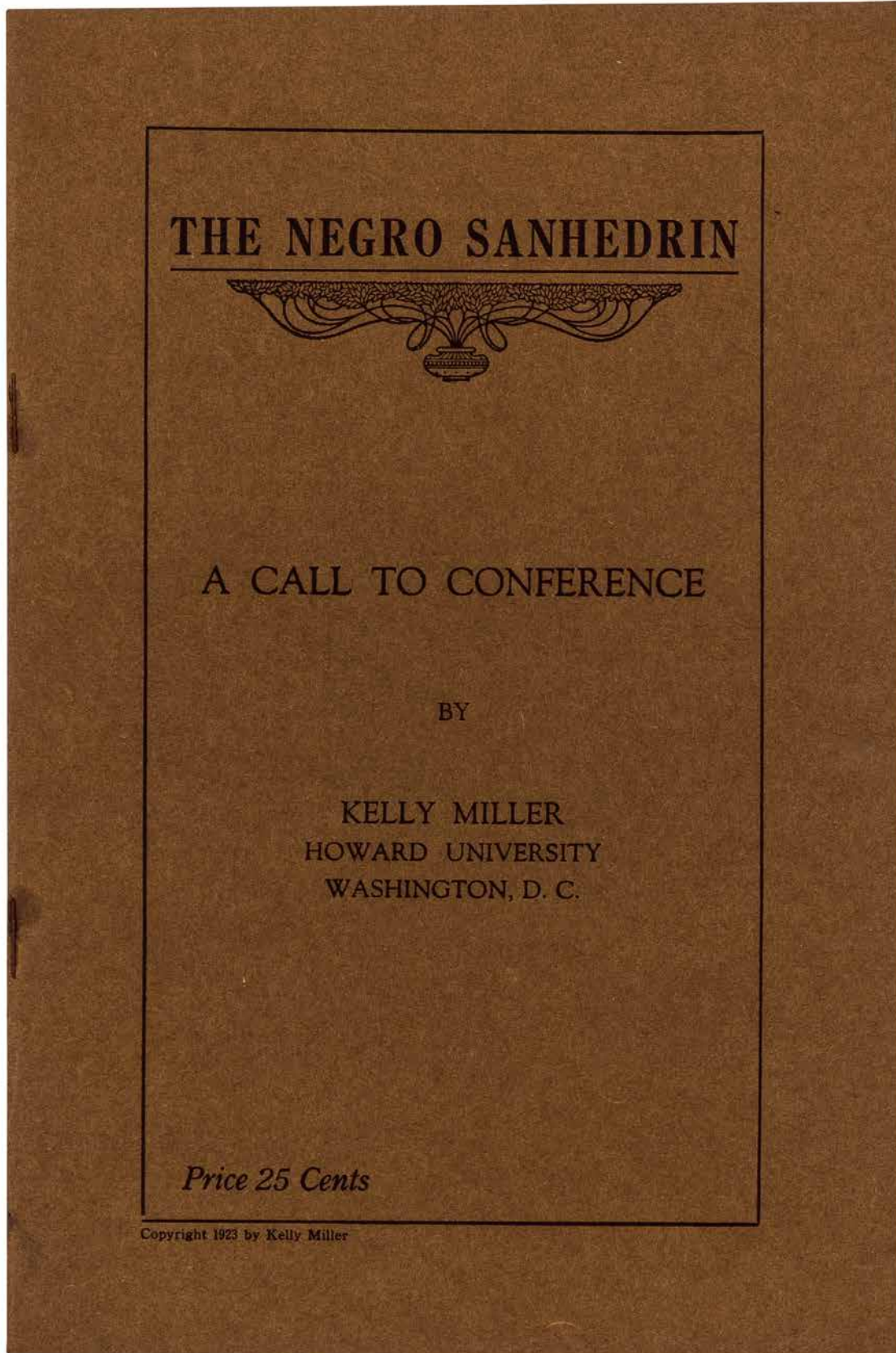


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First edition. Printed brown wrappers. 22, [1] pp. Staples oxidized, and small stains on the rear wrap, probably where the pamphlet was removed from a scrapbook leaf, else a nice, near fine copy. A call for a conference of Negro organizations to be held in Chicago in 1924. Rare. *OCLC* locates no copies. [\[BTC#337154\]](#)

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Sanhedrin

The Sanhedrin was a Jewish assembly or council. The Great Sanhedrin was composed of seventy-one members, and sat at Jerusalem with supreme jurisdiction. The Lesser Sanhedrin, composed of twenty-three members, sat in each province with local and limited jurisdiction.

The use of the term in its present application grew out of the circumstances surrounding the Jews in Europe under the domination of Napoleon Bonaparte. The Emperor found that the relation between the Jew and the Gentile worlds was a fruitful source of antagonism, persecution and race friction. In order to compose this troublesome situation he called a Sanhedrin of all of the Jews under his jurisdiction, which assembled upon his invitation and perfected a scheme of working relationship between the two groups that has operated with more or less success and satisfaction down to the present time. Similarity of situation suggests a like conference of the Negro peoples of the United States to-day under the ancient designation. The Greater Sanhedrin with nation-wide function, and the Lesser Sanhedrin limited to city and local jurisdiction, also suggest a happy comparison.