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Both Races Assemble to Honor Washington

Carnegie Hall More Than Filled by Enthusiastic Supporters of the Great Leader.

MAJOR MOTON CHIEF SPEAKER

More Than Half Million Dollars Has Already Been Subscribed to Booker Washington Memorial Fund.

Nearly three thousand men and women—colored and white—attended the big memorial meeting held last Friday evening at Carnegie Hall in honor of the late Dr. Booker T. Washington; so great was the demand of citizens to attend the meeting that hundreds were turned away by the large force of police detailed outside of the hall.

The spectacle presented inside Carnegie Hall was unusual in many respects, and the meeting could not have been more cosmopolitan in character. On the platform sat men of prominence of both races; the Northerner and the Southerner vied with each other in lauding the life and achievements of Booker T. Washington, while in the audience the rich and the poor, the white and the colored sat side by side in boxes, orchestra and gallery.

The meeting was held under the joint auspices of Hampton, Tuskegee and the Urban League. Seth Lowe, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Tuskegee Institute, presided. Music was furnished by the Music School Settlement for Colored People, J. Rosamond Johnson, director, and Roland W. Hayes, tenor soloist; the Fisk Quartet and the Tuskegee Quintet.

Moton to Receive Loyal Support.

In the opening address of the evening, after commenting on the great service performed by Booker T. Washington for both races, Mr. Lowe declared that the Board of Trustees of Tuskegee Institute, the prominent white and colored people of Alabama and the influential white people of North and South generally had pledged themselves to loyally support Major R. R. Moton, who has been chosen Dr. Washington's successor.

Mr. Lowe urged the white and colored people of the country to contribute to the Booker T. Washington Memorial Fund, and set the big audience to applauding by stating the white people had already subscribed \$650,000. He read a telegram from Emmet J. Scott, secretary of the Tuskegee Institute, which told of the part the colored people of the country were playing in raising \$250,000, the amount they are asked to contribute.

Speakers Laud Washington.

Dr. H. B. Frissell, principal of Hampton Institute, spoke of the early life of Booker T. Washington. Of how the Tuskegeean had come to Hampton presenting a none too hopeful appearance and the novel manner in which he was admitted to the school as a

Something to Make You Think

FROM A SPEECH BY FREDERICK DOUGLAS AT LOUISVILLE, KY., SEPTEMBER, 1883.

"If the six million colored people in this country, armed with the Constitution of the United States, with a million votes of their own to lean upon, and millions of white men at their backs whose hearts are responsive to the claims of humanity, have not sufficient spirit and wisdom to organize and combine to defend themselves from outrage, discrimination and oppression, it will be idle for them to expect that the Republican party or any other political party will organize and combine for them, or care what becomes of them."

(FROM A MAGAZINE ARTICLE, 1886)

"The question is whether the white man can ever be elevated to that plan of justice, humanity and Christian civilization which will permit Negroes, Indians and Chinamen, and other darker colored races to enjoy an equal chance in the race of life. It is not so much whether these races can be made Christians as whether white people can be made Christians. The Negro is few, the white man is many. The Negro is weak, the white man is strong. In the problem of the Negro's future, the white man is therefore the chief factor. He is the potter; the Negro the clay. It is for him to say whether the Negro shall become a well-rounded, symmetrical man, or be cramped, deformed and dwarfed. A plant deprived of warmth, moisture and sunlight cannot live and grow. And a people deprived of the means of an honest livelihood must wither and die. All I ask for the Negro is fair play. Give him this, and I have no fear for his future. The great mass of the Colored people in this country are now, and must continue to be, in the South; and there, if anywhere, they must survive or perish.

"It is idle to suppose these people can make any larger degree of progress in morals, religion and material conditions, while their persons are unprotected, their rights unsecured, their labor defrauded, and they are kept only a little beyond the starving point."

student, by sweeping a room, which he did well.

William H. Lewis, of Boston, former Assistant United States Attorney General, spoke on behalf of the National League on Urban Conditions Among Negroes. Mr. Lewis told of how he bitterly fought Dr. Washington while attending Harvard, then believing that Latin was more important to one's education and well-being than labor, but that he later became an enthusiastic disciple of the Tuskegeean and his doctrine that "Labor Conquers All."

One of the most significant addresses of the evening was made by William G. Wilcox, a member of the Investment Committee of the Board of Trustees of Tuskegee Institute, who was elected president of the New York Board of Education only a few days ago. Mr. Wilcox stated that so favorably had he been impressed with the methods of education employed at Tuskegee that it was his intention to introduce them in the public schools of Greater New York.

Dr. James H. Dillard, a prominent white educator from the South, who was closely associated with Booker T. Washington on many educational boards, spoke of the Tuskegeean as one of the great men of the South, regardless of color, and denied the charge as absolutely false that Dr.

Washington was a truckler, citing instances of the renowned educator's aggressiveness when engaged with white people on questions involving the rights of the Negro.

It was after 11 o'clock when Maj. R. R. Moton, principal-elect of Tuskegee, and the principal speaker of the evening, began to talk, and those in the audience paid him a great compliment by remaining in their seats at such a late hour.

Major Moton occasioned no little merriment by stating he hoped no one would believe for a moment that he thought he could fill Dr. Washington's place; that it will require the combined energy and efforts of all the Negroes in America, who will need the co-operation and backing of the white people to carry on Dr. Washington's work. "And then, I doubt whether it would be done as effectively as he did it," said the speaker.

Maj. Moton's Address.

The following extracts are from Maj. Moton's address:

Negro Not an Accursed Race.

"If any one us because of weakness and failings within our race, or because of unfairness, injustice and inconvenience without, or because of the color of our faces and the texture of our hair have been hitherto lacking in appreciation of our race, or have been

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Democratic Mayor Raps "Jim Crow" Bill

Does Not See Why Races Should be Separated in Public Carriers of that City.

WOMEN OPPOSE THE MEASURE.

Leading White Papers Fighting Proposed Law Through Their Editorial Columns. Colonel Watter-son Enters Fray.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 25.—Not only are the self-respecting members of the race bitterly opposed to the Knight Bill which is designed to draw the color line on street cars of this city, but the white citizens and the daily press as well are fighting the bill to be introduced in the legislature at Frankfort, Ky., the state capital. Ever since Louisville has been a city the two races have been friendly. Due to scrimmages in a day coach by members of the race, the "Jim Crow" bill was first introduced some years ago. The people of the city and the press prevented its passage at that time. Louisville people said that a fight between two ill-bred race men on a train upon the mountains was no indication of the whole race's lack of good manners or gentility.

Democratic Mayor Speaks.

Mayor Buschmeyer of this city, a "dyed-in-wool" Democrat, had the following to say on the proposed separate street car law:

"I see no reason for the passage of a law by the Kentucky Legislature providing that members of the race and whites must occupy separate seats on the street cars, and, in the absence of a reason, such laws should not be adopted.

"The existing relations between whites and blacks in Louisville are good, and I for one want them to remain so. Better street car manners are to be desired both by members of the race and white people.

"I do not think the proposed street car law should pass. There is certainly no demand for such a law from Louisville."

Citizens Object Vehemently.

Members of the race in this city are no cringers. As soon as the bill was first made known, such men as Editor Lee Brown, Dr. J. C. A. Lattimore, Rev. C. H. Parrish, William Warley, Prof. A. E. Meyzeek, Dr. Walls, J. A. Emmerson, Leonard Haley, Dr. H. B. Beck, J. B. Cooper, Tom Young, Dr. Kinslow, A. B. McAfee, Dr. Ballard, R. C. Simmons, Dr. P. R. Peters, and hundreds of others formed a strong organization to work vigorously against the bill. These men knew that if they "laid down" the bill would be passed. They knew that if public consciousness was allowed to remain silent on the question, soon there would be "Jim Crow" cars on the streets of Louisville. These men went to work—they pulled every

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GROW WITH GROWING
OMAHA

General Race News

MADE 15 CENTS A DAY, GAVE "PETER'S PENCE" \$2.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 9, 1916.—Those who attended the Old Cathedral regularly have missed, in the last month, a humble Negro woman, Annie McClean, who received communion daily. This woman, past 80 years of age, probably was the most generous contributor, proportionate to her means, of any parishioner of the Old Cathedral. Prior to her recent death in the City Hospital, where she was sick only a few days, she had worked for 15 cents a day. Out of that meager wage she managed to give \$2 annually to "Peter's pence."

The wage of 15 cents a day, which would amount to \$46.95 for the 313 working days in the year, seems incredible to the average working man or woman, but it is vouched for by several persons who know Annie McClean. It was given to her for shell-ing peanuts long hours each day. Her fingers, stiff with age and infirmity, could earn no more than this tender sum. It was not sufficient for her living, but material needs were relieved for her by her pastor, through the aid of the Vincent de Paul Society.

Annie McClean was small, black and timid. She never failed to present herself at the mass at break of day, and her last act was to have a friend write a "thanksgiving" for her, that she might send it to the Messenger of the Sacred Heart, because her needs had been relieved.

TO STAGE MASSIVE RACE PICTURE.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 25.—A motion picture depicting the American Colored man from the earliest days when he was a barbarian in Africa, down through American history and a great dream of the future, is the idea of A. A. Anderson, a Colored man, who has written a scenario for such a production and now is organizing a company to produce it.

In the film all of the actors will be Colored people and Anderson said he could secure all he needed in Kansas City. His idea is to have a picture on the order of the "Birth of a Nation" in its massiveness. He said several hundred persons would be used in the cast. By means of the picture he hopes to show the advancement and development of the race and at the same time arouse in him an ambition for the future.

Anderson is getting the company together and will start rehearsals at once. The Heart of American Film Corporation will begin taking the pictures next month.

DREW EQUALS WORLD'S RECORD

New York, Feb. 18, 1916.—Howard P. Drew, representing the University of Southern California, gave another exhibition of his great speed at the Fordham University games in the Twenty-second Regiment Armory, last Friday night. Drew won the 90-yard special race defeating for the third time in recent games, Roy Morse the Salem Crescent A. C. flyer and the Joe Loomis of Chicago.

Drew equalled his own mark of 9 1-5 seconds for 90 yards which is the world's record. After running the 90-yards Drew continued on fifteen yards where he finished in 10 2-5 equalling the world's record time made by W. H. Hargrave of Yale.

COLORED GIRL CLERK FIGHTS PREJUDICE.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 25.—Miss Jane R. Bosfield, 5 Sorento street, Allston, was discharged from her position at Medfield State Hospital, where she was a stenographer. She retained counsel and appealed to the trustees of the hospital, alleging that Dr. Edward French, superintendent, discharged her because she was colored. Dr. French has alleged incompetency as a reason for his action, but Miss Bosfield declares that in making requisition on the civil service commission for another stenographer the superintendent asked specifically for a white appointee.

The trustees met to hear Miss Bosfield's case, but her attorneys, Williams and Williams, decided to take it direct to the Supreme Court with an appeal for her reinstatement.

She alleges that the hospital officials refused at first to allow her to have a room, but finally gave her one over the morgue, and that she was not allowed to eat in the dining room, but had meals served in the office. She went to the dining room on one occasion, but was told not to do so again and her discharge soon followed.

NEW ORLEANS WANTS NO GRANDFATHER LITIGATION.

New Orleans, La., Feb. 16.—Suits have been filed in the District Court at Greata demanding that twenty-four voters who have been voting under the "grandfather clause" be stricken from the polling lists. This is done because of the belief in some quarters that a recent abrogation of "grandfather clauses" by the United States Supreme Court affects the status of voters who registered thereunder. An increase in the Negro vote in the State is expected, provided the colored eligibles pay their poll taxes.

"We must get rid of these 'grandfather' voters sooner or later," says the New Orleans Picayune, so that they will not involve the state in what may be serious differences with the federal authorities."

WEALTHY MAN DIES; WIDOW DIES ALSO.

Ahoskie, N. C.—W. D. Newsome, 94 years old, the wealthiest colored man in Hertford county, died here recently, and the death of his widow, Mrs. Alice Reynolds Newsome, 60 years old, followed in twenty-four hours.

Mr. Newsome paid taxes on more acres of land than any man in the county, white or colored, owning most of the land lying between the towns of Winton and Ahoskie. Nearly all of his storehouses in Ahoskie were occupied by white tenants, the buildings being among the best in the town. He was easily worth \$100,000.

HOME FOR COLORED GIRLS.

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 25.—Colored women interested in philanthropy for their race met Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 16, at 245 North Twenty-first St., to plan arrangements for the new home which is to be established at that address. The home is to be similar to that of the Big Sisters and will be for Colored girls who are homeless, and those dependent, as well as those who have been delinquent.

CARNEGIE LIBRARY FOR NASHVILLE NEGROES.

Nashville, Tenn.—The new \$25,000 branch library for colored citizens was formally opened with appropriate exercises under the auspices of the Nashville Negro Board of Trade. A. N. Johnson, president, was the principal speaker.

Andrew Carnegie gave \$25,000 for the building. The city of Nashville gave \$5,000 to purchase the site. Local colored citizens contributed \$1,000 that a more desirable lot could be bought.

Miss Mariam Hadley, a Fisk graduate, is the librarian, and Miss Hattie Watkins is her assistant.

MEDAL OF HONOR FOR SPANISH WAR OFFICER.

Duluth, Minn.—Thaddeus W. Stopp, 623 Fifth avenue, who served as a lieutenant with the 8th Illinois under Col. John R. Marshall during the Spanish-American war, has been given a medal of honor by the government for distinguished services during the military occupation of Cuba, 1898-1902.

Lieut. Stopp is a native Chicagoan, but has resided in Duluth for the past seven years. He is a photographer.

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"Won't you take my seat?" said the man in the street car, as he lifted his hat to the pretty girl.

"No, thank you," she replied. "I've been skating all the afternoon and I'm tired out sitting down."—Puck.

News of the Churches and Religious Topics

Directory.

Baptist—

Bethel—Twenty-ninth and T streets South Omaha. The Rev. J. C. Brown, pastor, residence 467 South Thirty-first street. Services, Morning, 11; evening, 7:30; Sunday School 1 p. m.; B. Y. P. B., 6:30 p. m.; praise service, 7:30 p. m.

Mt. Moriah—Twenty-sixth and Seward streets. The Rev. W. B. M. Scott, pastor. Services: Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m.

Zion—Twenty-sixth and Franklin (temporary location). The Rev. W. F. Botts, pastor; residence, 2522 Grant street. Telephone Webster 5838. Services: Devotional hour, 10:30 a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m.; Sunday School, 1 to 2 p. m.; pastor's Bible class, 2 to 3 p. m.; B. Y. P. U., 6:30 p. m.; choir devotion, 7:30 p. m.; preaching 8 p. m.

Episcopal—

Church of St. Philip the Deacon—Twenty-first near Paul street. The Rev. John Albert Williams, rector. Residence, 1119 North Twenty-first street. Telephone Webster 4243. Services daily at 7 a. m. and 9 a. m. Fri-

days at 8 p. m. Sundays at 7:30 a. m., 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 12:45 p. m.

Methodist—

Allen Chapel, A. M. E., 5233 South Twenty-fifth street, South Omaha.—The Rev. John H. Nichols, pastor. Residence, 5233 South Twenty-fifth m. and 8:00 p. m.; Sunday school, 1:30; class meeting, 12:00; A. C. E. L., 6:30; prayer meeting, Tuesday evening at 8:00.

Grove M. E.—Twenty-second and Seward streets. The Rev. G. G. Logan, pastor. Residence, 1628 North Twenty-second street. Services: Sunday School at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Epworth League, 6:30 p. m.

St. John's A. M. E.—Eighteenth and Webster streets. The Rev. W. T. Osborne, pastor. Residence, 613 North Eighteenth street. Telephone Douglas 5914. Services: Sunday, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., preaching; 12 noon, class; 1:15 p. m., Sunday School; 7 p. m., Endeavor; Wednesday, 8 p. m., prayer and class meetings. Everybody made welcome at all of these meetings.

BOTH RACES ASSEMBLE TO HONOR WASHINGTON

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afraid to be unmistakably identified with the Negro race—let us in the name of the God who made us forever dispel any such foolish, childish, disastrous notions. Let us remember, once and for always, that no race that is ashamed of itself, no race that despises itself, can gain the confidence and respect of other races or will ever be truly great and useful.

"Let us remember also that we are not an accursed people; that races with whiter faces have and are still going through difficulties infinitely more trying and embarrassing than such that face us; that we have in this country vast opportunities for usefulness and service. We are creatures of God's most perfect handiwork, and any lack of appreciation on our part is a reflection on the great Creator. Though Negroes and black, and though living under hampering difficulties and inconveniences, God meant that we should be just as honest, just as industrious, just as skillful, just as pure, just as intelligent, just as God-like as any human being that walks on the face of God's earth.

"I hope and I believe that because of the life that has so recently gone out from among us that we as a people will hence forward as never before unselfishly work together—not necessarily in unison, not thinking, feeling and acting alike always, but always in perfect harmony and mutual helpfulness for a great race and for a great nation. This, then, is the most important lesson we can learn from the life and teachings of our great leader and benefactor."

The Heirs of Opportunity.

"I congratulate the Negro race most heartily and earnestly, and I congratulate myself, and I congratulate the nation, too, because we are all prouder, richer and happier and better because this man lived, labored and triumphantly died—and he died, too, a poor man, as far as this world's goods

are concerned, but rich in achievement and in service. He found a most trying, embarrassing, discouraging race problem, and left us a clear, definite, hopeful, unselfish race program. Whether this program is being worked out through Edeards at Snow Hill, Cornelia Bower at Mt. Meigs, Alabama Long at Christionberg, Virginia, Holtzelaw at Utica, Mississippi—whether through a Jeanes school or a Rosenwald school—whether at Baldwin farms or through the Negro Business League or whether through the lives and characters and earnest work of thousands of graduates and former students of Tuskegee Institute—it matters little, it is the same vitalizing, courageous, unselfish spirit of Booker T. Washington, the same wise, unselfish program, working earnestly for the good of men and to the glory of God.

"I believe, my friends, that you who are the heirs of the opportunities of the culture and of the wealth of the ages; you who love humanity and justice; you who love our glorious country; I believe truly that you will see to it that the great institution through which he worked, and for which he died, will be maintained and operated to its fullest capacity, and with the greatest efficiency that these black boys and girls, these sometimes called the despised and rejected children may continue to have a chance, a chance to be trained, a chance to be educated, a chance to be efficient, a chance to be useful to their race and country, a chance to be decent, a chance to serve."

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JOHNSON ADMITS FAKED FIGHT.

Under the headline "Why Johnson Faked His Fight With Willard" the People's Journal, of Glasgow, Scotland, published an interview with Jack Johnson, in which the colored pugilist is made to say:

"I say now that there is not a man breathing whom I think I could not beat. These may be big words from the boxer who was beaten by Jess Willard at Havana, but those 'in the know' will be able to read between the lines. I am not speaking disrespectfully of Willard, because I think he is a great fellow—as far as a man is concerned; but if he were as good a boxer as he is a nice fellow he would be a great fighter.

"My fight with Willard was a financial proposition. But the story goes back some little way. You can hardly be expected to realize how I was persecuted after becoming champion. Yes, I suffered some at the hands of the 'dandy' people in America because they could not find a white man to beat me.

"Well, they promised me that if I would consent to be defeated by Willard I would no longer be molested and would enjoy the freedom any other man would. I would be allowed to see my old mother, who couldn't travel to see me. I would have my motor cars and other property restored to me. It sounded very at-

tractive, but they played the double cross on me."

"Have you made up your mind what you will say when you get to Congress?"

"Yes," replied the statesman. "Till I see how things are going I intend simply to sit through the roll call and say, 'I present'—Washington Star.

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INTROSPECTION.

In these days of rapid progress along all lines, when time saving is the chief factor of daily life, we often fail to gauge the true conception of introspection, or self-examination, and lose sight of the influence it bears upon the proper development of individual and community life.

At least once a year there comes a time when modern business houses take an inventory of their stock. Every nook and corner of the establishment is searched that no article might be left unrecorded. The purpose of this process is to obtain the actual cash value of the stock at the time the inventory is taken. The success of the system is dependent upon the care and accuracy expressed in tabulating and pricing each item. The value of the inventory lies in that fact that it is a means of determining whether the business is a paying or a losing proposition.

This process when applied to the individual is introspection and is a necessary step towards the acquiring of knowledge of one's self. Suppose, for instance, each of us withdraws from the distractions of business and social life, goes into a quiet room alone and asks himself, or herself, these questions: What have I done? What am I doing? What have I planned to do? The task at first astounds us by its vastness, and we hesitate to face the issue. Let us not stop, however, but examine thoroughly the moral, physical, intellectual and spiritual phases of our lives, answering each question truthfully, not adopting the lives of our neighbors as a standard of comparison, but drawing our conclusions in strict accordance with the laws of Christianity. It is only by such a process that we are able to get our bearings while weathering the storms of life.

At this stage of our race's development, the unbiased, self-scrutiny of individuals is one of the firmest foundations upon which the hope and success of the entire race can be built. With political issues to be decided; with prejudices to be overcome, and friendly relations with other races to be strengthened, the necessity of individual thought, upon each and all of these problems must be obvious. Thought that is clear and vigorous should be encouraged and stimulated by surrounding conditions and circumstances. Such questions as these confront each of us, demanding an answer. What have I done for the community that is worthy of praise, or condemnation? How can I improve upon the good deeds, and counteract the effect of the bad ones I have committed?

The inevitable result of such a process, is to afford a certain amount of comfort and encouragement when the

good deeds are reviewed. On the other hand the failures and shortcomings will stand in ghost-like array to haunt us with their accusing fingers. These are not to subdue us with fear, but are to spur us on to grasp the offerings of the future. Furthermore, this self-examination gives us a firm grip upon ourselves by making us intimately acquainted with our own weaknesses and powers. In no better way can we acquire the self-influence that can make us turn our faces unflinchingly to the world, asking no odds—only a fair chance; that can make us walk straight ahead, stooping to no lower act than raising a weary traveler and urging him on to further efforts.

So let us pause awhile and get ourselves well in hand, for only in this way can we arrive at a proper relationship between ourselves, our fellow beings, and our God. Then, and then only, will we be able to profit by a due sense of proportion—or the proper valuation of the components of life; and by this valuation, pleasures, ambitions, sorrows, joys, cares, pains, hates and loves will be correctly balanced upon the pages of the Book of Life. Finally, we shall be able to recognize the helping hands stretched out to us from all sides, and shall find the place in this great scheme of things, where we are best fitted to aid in the efficient and harmonious working of the wheel of the universe.

W. G. H.

INFLUENCE.

Influence is often defined as the gradual or unseen operation of some cause; or the ability to sway the will of another. In some way or other the word has acquired a shade of meaning that narrows it quite considerably, and carries the idea that influence can be wielded only by persons of great power, political, financial or intellectual as the case may be. Such an idea is entirely wrong, for every individual, from the new-born babe to the ruler of nations has a part in altering the lives of others that is as unmistakable and as lasting in its effects in the one instance as it is in the other.

Influence is an attribute of man that is felt before his birth, continues throughout his entire life, and lives long after the body, through which it acted, has returned to the dust from whence it came. What father or mother is there who can deny that his or her life has been changed by the mere expectation of a son or daughter. This is most clearly the influence exerted by the unborn infant. Its sphere of action is small, it is true, but its effect is immeasurable. The new ideas of life opened up and the changes in the natures of the parents, are results of the infant's influence that

cannot be fully measured even by the parents themselves. So on through childhood, manhood and old age the child passes, influencing every individual with whom it comes in contact.

Have you ever seen a drunken sot on the street and said to yourself, "My God, may Thy help and strength keep me from falling to such a depth." That is the influence of that drunkard upon your life. If you consider carefully, you will realize that every face you see, every place you go, everything you hear, or see, a smell, or taste or touch, makes some impression upon you. In other words, it bears some influence upon you.

So in your turn do you influence others. The father takes out his watch, looks at it and replaces it in his pocket—a commonplace act, indeed. The son sees him do this and considers it a most important step towards manhood, and as a result asks his "daddy" to get him a watch. In like manner is every act of mother, sister or brother watched by some eager eye.

How careful then should we be that no wrong word should pass our lips to find its echo in the mouth of some innocent urchin; that no hasty act of ours should stir another to deeds that cause regret. Whether we recognize the change or not, we may rest assured that every individual with whom we come in contact is influenced by our acts, our conversation, or even by our presence. Let us then not waste this opportunity to use our influence for good.

The words of Douglas are really "something to make us think" for never were they more appropriate than at the present time. They show distinctly this man's understanding of the needs of his people, and they are strong evidence of his remarkable insight into the future. Today, however, the Negro is more "potter" and less "clay" for the moulding of his career is becoming more and more an operation of his own than of the white man.

The death of Judge English, like the death of any great man, is a loss to the entire community. It is not necessary to relate here the part he played in the city's activities, but it is fitting that our attention be directed

to the fact that his death was the outcome of his refusal to desert his post of duty. Some may call him foolishly, but at all events they must admire his courageous example.

W. H. G.

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Feb. 18, '16.
Rev. John Albert Williams.

Please find enclosed money order covering my subscription for The Monitor, and oblige.

Yours respectfully,

HENRY DUNCAN.

Omaha, Neb., Feb. 21, 1916.
Editor The Monitor:

The report has gained currency that the Department of Street Cleaning and Maintenance has been remiss in giving employment to colored men removing snow. In fairness it must be stated that Mr. Drexel and Mr. Dean Noyes both have been entirely just to the colored people, employing those who applied for work during the snow cleaning period. And, as you know, Mr. Arthur Creighton had colored men working under him in the Street Repair Department, and that colored men have been working regularly at the City Asphalt Plant.

I have been employed as foreman of a street cleaning gang of colored men for nearly one year, and I have been treated with entire fairness, both by Mr. Drexel and Mr. Noyes, as have the colored men in the other departments under Mr. Drexel. Let us keep the record straight.

OLE W. JACKSON.

Neigh, Neb., Feb. 7, 1916.
Rev. John Albert Williams:

Dear Sir—I am enclosing a check for one year's subscription for The Monitor. I have been receiving The Monitor for some time and can say I have enjoyed reading it very much indeed. I find it to be one of the best papers I have read for the time it has been published. And, now, here is hoping The Monitor will live on forever. Thanking you for the copies you have sent me.

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Events and Persons

In Which You Will Be More or Less Interested.
News for This Department Must Be Received by Wednesday Night.

Monday evening, October 21, at the Grove M. E. Church an entertainment was given, the following people taking part: Recitations by Andrew Reed, a pianologue by Mrs. J. W. Moss, piano solo by Miss Watson, and a solo by Miss Duval.

Mr. Willie Curtis, of 1022 No. 21st street, died Monday, the 14th. Banks and Wilkes had charge of the funeral.

Mr. Clifford Johnson, of 822 Park avenue, died February 8th. The remains were shipped to Manhattan, Kansas, for burial February 21 by Banks and Wilkes.

For County Treasurer
EMMET G. SOLOMON—adv.

The Elite Whist Club met at the residence of Mrs. L. O. Gregory, 2622 North 25th, last Wednesday. Luncheon was served at 1:30, after which whist was played. The prize was won by Mrs. Solomon.

Mrs. Zenobia Diggs, of Parsons, Kansas, paid a surprise visit to her sister, Mrs. Osborne, on Sunday. Her stay was interrupted by reason of her husband's illness.

John N. Baldwin announces his candidacy for the republican nomination for police magistrate of Omaha, and respectfully solicits the support of all colored voters.—Adv.

A party of young people, piloted by Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Black, surprised Mrs. Chas. Solomon at their home, 26th and Patrick avenue, last Friday evening. Whist was played, the first prize for gentlemen was won by Mr. Chas. Dickerson; the ladies' prize by Mrs. G. S. Riggs.

Mrs. Lutie Scott is seriously ill with la grippe at her residence, 1941 South 16th street.

The Art and Domestic Science Section met last Tuesday at 2 p. m., February 22nd, at the residence of Mrs. G. W. Ashby, 2111 Poppleton avenue. Mrs. Ashby and Allie Smith, chairman.

The Woman's Club will give a Leap Year supper at the residence of Mrs. E. Jeltz, Tuesday evening, February 29th, for the benefit of charity.

For County Treasurer
EMMET G. SOLOMON—adv.

Mrs. W. Moore, of 2120 North 30th street, entertained at dinner Wednesday evening, complimentary to The Rev. M. H. Wilkinson, of Salt Lake City.

Guy Vanshick died at the County Hospital February 18. He was buried February 20th from the undertaking parlors of Banks and Wilks.

Mrs. Anna Singleton underwent a serious operation last Saturday at the Lord Lister Hospital.

Miss Georgia Robinson, a reader of The Monitor, has written from Nebraska City for four seats for the cantata of Queen Esther.

Services will be held Sunday at St. Philip's at the usual hour.

Will N. Johnson, Lawyer, Southwest Corner of Fourteenth and Douglas Sts. Douglas 4956.

Mrs. Lucinda Smith Davis was called to Topeka, Kansas, on account of the illness of her niece, Mrs. Olle Anderson.

The New Era Dramatic Club held its regular meeting Friday evening of last week. Parts were assigned for a new play.

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After several weeks of sickness Mr. P. H. Jenken is again able to be out.

Get ready for the Bungalow Apron Ball, to be given at the Alamo Hall, March 2nd. Devereaux orchestra. Admission 35 cents.—Adv.

Mrs. Pryor, wife of Dr. Pryor, 2414 Blonde street, left Wednesday evening for Chicago, to visit her sister.

Mr. Harry Lewis, who has been very ill, is much improved.

The merchants and firms who advertise with us show that they want your trade. When patronizing them tell them that you saw their advertisement in The Monitor.

On Wednesday of last week the Social Hour Club was entertained by Mrs. B. Johnson.

For County Treasurer
EMMET G. SOLOMON—adv.

The dancing party given by the Helpers Club was well attended and all report a delightful time.

Mr. Fred Early, who has been very ill for some time, is slowly improving.

Miss Alberta Ford, of Kansas City, Mo., is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. F. Gant, of 2211 North 27th avenue.

SOUTH SIDE.

(Mrs. Lulu Thornton, Correspondent)

Mr. Scruggs and Mr. Woodward will take part in the Queen Esther cantata, to be given March 6th.

The Monitor is on sale at R. S. Woodward's barber shop, 409 North 26th.

Mrs. Wm. Perkins, of 4917 South 26th street, who underwent an operation about three weeks ago at Clarkson Memorial hospital, returned home Wednesday morning, February 23rd, and is getting along nicely.

The Allen Endeavor League of Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church, South Side, rendered an excellent program Sunday, February 13th. It was the sixteenth anniversary of the Allen Endeavor League. The audience listened to three or four strong papers. On Monday night a short program was rendered in honor of Hon. F. K. Douglass.

Mrs. Olliver, who has been sick for several months, and who has been at the St. Joseph's Hospital for over a month, although not much improved, will be removed home this week.

Miss Clara Mitchell, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mitchell, of 6617 South 27th street, was quietly married to Mr. Gus Lowe last Thursday evening by the Rev. J. H. Nichols. The marriage came as a surprise to her many friends.

Don't forget and don't miss the Grand Patriotic Drill Saturday night, February 26th, at A. O. U. W. Temple, 25th and M streets, South Side.

We are glad to note that Mrs. Frank Gray, who was quite sick the first of this week, is rapidly convalescing.

Those who have studied history, minds were carried back to Colonial days when Master Ralph Perry and little Miss Ruth Adams so becomingly represented George and Martha Washington at a Washington birthday party given at Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church, February 22nd.

John W. Long has announced his candidacy for nomination at the republican primaries for the state legislature. Let us all get behind him and boost. Chicago and other cities have shown what united action on the

part of our race can do. Let Omaha fall in line. Long for the legislature.

DANCING AND THE NEGRO.

Miss Ruth St. Denis, who is one of the leading exponents of modern dancing, and who enters the realm of vaudeville this week at the Palace Theatre, New York, has declared that the Negro is the real dancing teacher, and that modern dances have learned grace and naturalness of movement from him. She so expressed herself in an interview which appeared in the Evening Mail of January 29. Said Miss St. Denis:

"The Negro is our real dancing teacher. To him it is a vital and necessary thing to dance. He loves it and gets much joy out of his easy and graceful, if somewhat heavy mode of movement. From the black we have learned what little underlying grace and naturalness of movement we possess."

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WASTED HEROISM.

Guy de Maupassant, in his story, "The Diamond Necklace," tells of the pretty wife of a young clerk who borrowed of her rich friend a diamond necklace to wear to a ball. She lost the jewels. In a panic of fear she had her husband purchase another necklace to replace it. They had to go in debt, and for years they slaved, enduring the greatest hardships, to pay for it. One day, when she was a bent and broken woman, old before her time from scrubbing and doing all kinds of menial labor, she met her friend. In conversation with her she told her friend, confessing all.

"Why," said her friend, "I'm so sorry. The necklace I lent you was a paste imitation, as I keep my jewels in the safe."

A whole life wrecked by vanity and for want of sufficient frankness to go to her friend at once and tell the truth!

This story is typical. Have you not known a woman to go suffering through life simply because she was too proud and stubborn to come openly to her husband and have an understanding?

The obstinate sealed lips! How they have worked estrangement and bitterness between son and father, daughter, mother, friend and friend, which a little sense and humility might have avoided.

Here is a woman, working her fingers to the bone, creasing her face and bowing her back into unloveliness, cramping her mind and starving her soul, and all with the noblest of motives, for she thinks she is doing her duty to her children. Has she never realized that her first duty toward them is so to develop herself that she shall be her children's companion and friend when they reach the age when they shall cease to need a mother's care and shall want a mother's friendship?

A noble, and wasted, sacrifice!

How many useless torments are ours too because of fear!

Looking back over my own life I can see that most of my sufferings were due to fears, and that they were all, every one of them, both useless and poisonous.

Of all the demons that ride poor mortals, fear is the most malicious. What a world of senseless fears we harbor!

There are fears of sickness and of health, fears of going to the poorhouse, fears for our own abilities and success, fears for the loyalty of those that love us, fears for the future of our children, fears of this world and of the next!

And not one of them has done us good. When misfortune did come, our fears had unnerved us and we were ill prepared to meet it.

I remember when I was a little boy I was told the most dreadful stories about the end of the world. These tales worked upon my imagination so that I was in a continued fever of apprehension. Every morning I used to get from bed and look out of the window to see if it was raining fire and brimstone yet. It seems silly enough now, but it was very real then, and I suffered all a child could.

What are the causes of useless sacrifice? What things make all this wasted heroism? Let us see.

First, as I have indicated, is fear. If a danger is inevitable we shall

meet it all the better if we approach it unafraid. If it is not sure, fear is vain. In any case, fear disturbs the judgment, weakens the moral force and doubles the dangers.

Then comes ignorance. Our first duty is not to follow our convictions, but to have rational convictions. Let us first find out whether the things we believe are facts and not inventions. A little time spent in honest investigation will save us a deal of misery.

Ask yourself, "What is worth while?" Examine all apparent duties by the light of the greater issues of life. Let health and love and tomorrow have their say. There's nary a nonsensical duty we take up which we never would have considered if we had looked at it from the larger, higher view-point.

Two good questions to ask one's self are: "What's the use?" and "How will this look to me in ten years from now?" Time is the test that is surest.

There are sacrifices that are unavoidable, and the making of them nobles us. There are plenty of occasions for heroism, many loads that we ought to bear. But enough are called for by intelligence and a well ordered conscience, without manufacturing fictitious struggles.

DR. FRANK CRANE,
In Woman's World.

GOING HOME TO MOTHER.

Just what is meant by going home to one's mother, in its larger sense, is perhaps a little difficult to define. Yet surely, it must be a very universal experience. Have we not all at some time—often following a period of confusion and stress of circumstances—suddenly experienced that deep sense of finding ourselves where we belonged? A sense of restfulness, of homecoming; of general rightness and well doing? It is a sloughing off of the nonessential and the trivial and a shifting of the spirit into deeper and simpler channels; a pause, when in the midst of all this mad dance of time and circumstances one gets a sudden enlarging glimpse of truth and of eternity.—Atlantic Monthly.

POLICE MUST PAY FOR ENTERING LODGE ROOM.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 25.—John McArdle, a white police officer, must pay \$274 to John M. Banner and William Woody, members of Pythian Lodge, which the police officer raided while candidates were being initiated. The two men brought suit against the officer and the jury brought in a verdict for \$137 for each of the men.

Attorney F. R. Steward was the counsel for the colored men, and it is probable that other suits will be entered against the trespassing policeman.

SUNDAY DRAWS COLOR LINE AGAIN.

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 25.—In the evangelistic revivals planned for Billy Sunday in Baltimore, the local committee has provided separate meetings for the colored people, and the co-operation of the race has not been asked for.

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Science Notes

BY WILLIAM G. HAYNES.

HAVE YOU TRIED NO. 17

The following very interesting questions and answers are clipped from the Scientific American. The first experiment would probably make an excellent qualifying test for prospective Christian Science converts.

1. A vessel of boiling water may be removed from the stove, while boiling, and set on the palm of the hand, and retained without discomfort so long as the water continues to boil. Where does the cold come from to cool the metal bottom of the vessel while boiling? 2. A cat may be suspended by the legs, in the air, a few inches from the floor (say six inches), and when released, in this short space, will turn over and strike on her feet. Where does she find the leverage to shift the center of gravity, so as to turn her body over in this short space? A. 1. The explanation of the fact that a kettle of boiling water may be placed on the palm of the hand without discomfort is this: The heat necessary to keep the water boiling comes from the iron of the kettle and thus the iron is cooled, so long as the water boils. The sensation of cold arises from the taking of heat out of the hand by the iron. It is a good conductor of heat and so gives its heat to boil the water and becomes cooler to the hand. When the water no longer boils then the iron becomes too hot for the hand to endure it. 2. The turning of a cat in midair has been a puzzle to scientific men. Pictures of its falling were made by the National Academy of France by cameras before the days of the moving picture camera, which showed the cat in different positions during its fall. These showed wide changes in the position of its body, especially in the humping of its back, the movement of head and legs and the switching of its tail. All these actions doubtless produce the rotation. The remarkable features of it all is the wonderful rapidity with which the mind of the animal must work to direct these motions.

THE HEART OF THE ATHLETE.

At a meeting of the Medical Society of the State of Pennsylvania, Dr. Robert N. Wilson of Philadelphia said that two vital questions involved in college and schoolboy competitive athletics were: (1) The ultimate (post-graduation) result of public competitive athletics upon the health and lives of the participants; (2) the possibility of determining the genuine physical integrity of the proposed participant or his lack of the same, especially with respect to his heart. Reference was made to the many deaths in recent years among former athletes. He knew of no instance of recovery from a major infectious disease in an athlete, except in the typhoid epidemic at Easton, where a number of undergraduates—probably not then shorn of their resisting forces—had made a successful fight and recovered. It was to be remembered that the normal heart would not tolerate repeated insults without loss of recuperative power. Latent athletic injuries would seem to explain the tendency of the strong and robust to die when the less powerful won out against infectious disease. A still more radical evil was the encouragement offered by college and university to the schoolboy to

emulate his college brother in competitive athletics. Dr. Wilson said that he stopped short of advising against active competition as the Germans had, but pointed rather to signboards written in bold letters. Trainers should be taught the meaning of the collapse of today in the future of the athlete. He believed that some day college authorities must of necessity conclude that no form of athletic event was sane which demanded of the participants the semiconscious state of heart exhaustion at its conclusion.—Scientific American Supplement.

HEALTH PRECAUTIONS IN LAUNDRIES.

The washing of garments in large public institutions, where the soiled linen of a thousand families is mixed together, is a comparatively new thing in our civilization and demands precautions that were unnecessary when washing-day was a purely domestic holiday. The operation of washing, to be sure, is in itself a sterilizing process, and investigation has shown that there is little or no danger from this source, but washing is not the only incident of laundry-work, and there remain dangers of infective communication that can not be overlooked. Says an editorial writer in The Journal of the American Medical Association (Chicago):

"The high temperature, soap, washing-soda, and other chemicals to which clothes in the laundry are subjected in the washing process are responsible for a sterilizing action. Bacteriologic examinations have repeatedly demonstrated that it is effective. Dr. Dederer, who represents the Committee on Occupational Diseases of the woman's department of the National Civic Federation, frankly states that there is no danger to public health from 'mixed washing' of clothing with contaminated articles. It is pointed out, however, that while the washing process practically sterilizes the clothes, the reinfection of clean linen is possible when it is sorted and counted in the same room with soiled linen. Clean linen, when exposed to infection through contact with soiled linen, may disseminate infection. The upshot of this is that soiled linen ought not to be received, sorted, or marked in rooms in which clean linen is kept. Eating and drinking should be prohibited in rooms in which soiled linen is manipulated, and laundry-workers should be instructed concerning the latent hygienic dangers which they may encounter in their work. Sanitary measures involving personal hygiene are essential for their own welfare as well as that of the public served. The problems involved have never received any serious attention from public authorities in this country; but the rapid growth of the laundry-business is certain to awaken interest in them, as it has been aroused in the case of public restaurants, bakeries, food-shops, and other institutions which are assuming household functions."—Literary Digest.

WASTE NEWSPAPERS AS A FUEL FOR MILITARY CAMPS.

Italy has aptly and inexpensively solved the problem of supplying her soldiers, who are campaigning in the mountains where dry wood is scarce, with suitable fuel for their camp fires.

In all the leading cities of Italy there have been organized bands of boys and girls who go about collecting all the discarded newspapers they can find. These are brought to establishments where other boys and girls convert the sheets of paper into

solid rods of fuel, under the direction of women teachers. These are then cut into short lengths and packed in individual bags for distribution among the soldiers in the mountains.

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DEMOCRATIC MAYOR RAPS

LOUISVILLE "JIM CROW" BILL.

(Continued from first page.)

were possible. The first man to speak out was the Mayor. They did not stop there. "Marse" Henry Watterson who was at his winter quarters at Palm Beach, Fla., was roused, and the Colonel grasped the situation immediately. He has always been known to be fair and just in his editorial columns.

Women Play Their Part.

The women of the race have been playing their part to keep the law from being passed. Those who work out in service are doing the work. In most families of this city, race women are in service. They have the ear of big business men's wives who in turn have spoken to their husbands to use their influence on the legislatures of this city to vote against the bill. These women have taken such a keen interest in opposition to the bill that white people have become stirred as never before to help them. Letters have been written to other members of the Legislature to vote against the bill. So many look upon the bill as a "bugaboo." It is said that, if it passes it will be a means of delivering the vote of the race into the hands of the Republican Party. Naturally this will effect the independent vote and the Democratic party will be the sufferer. This is one city where race men have divided their vote and the division has been a means of both parties making a bid for the votes of the race. Public opinion, however, has risen higher; mere politics and the press of the city are opposing the bill on the question of fair play, and on the ground that Louisville does not want nor need such a bill passed; there is no reason for it and therefore it should not become a law. The press of the city wants it known that it is not the desire of the citizens of this city to have such a law, but just a personal desire of Mr. Knight. Some say that he wants to ride into popularity with his foot upon the necks of the members of the race—that he wants to be another Vardaman or Hoke Smith, but Henry Watterson says as long as he lives no such characters shall disgrace the fair name of Kentucky. The last time Col. Watterson spoke in public before a mixed audience, he said, after being introduced by the Rev. C. H. Parrish, "I want children of your race to have the same educational opportunities as my own children." Today he is saying through his paper, he wants his and other men's children to sit side by side in a street car and not that they should be put off to a side like sheep. It is reported here that the bill will fail because of such strong opposition.

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Zaha Temple No. 52, A. E. A. O. U. M., S., Omaha, Neb. Meetings the fourth Wednesday in each month. N. Hunter, Ill. Potentate; Charles W. Dickerson, Ill. Recorder.

Shaffer Chapter No. 42, O. E. S., Omaha, Neb. Meetings first and third Friday in each month. Maggie Ransom, R. M. Elnora Obee, Secretary.

Rescue Lodge No. 25, A. F. & A. M., Omaha, Neb. Meetings first and third Monday in each month. Lodge rooms, Twenty-fourth and Charles streets. William Burrell, W. M.; H. Warner, Secretary.

Omaha Lodge No. 146, A. F. & A. M., Omaha, Neb. Meetings first and third Fridays of every month. Lodge room 1018 Douglas street. Will N. Johnson, W. M.; Wynn McCulloch, Secretary.

Keystone Lodge No. 4, K. of P., Omaha, Neb. Meetings first and third Thursday of each month. C. H. Lewis, C. C.; J. H. Glover, K. of R. S.

Western Star No. 1, K. of P.—Meetings second and fourth Thursdays in each month. J. N. Thomas, C. C.; E. R. Robinson, K. of R. and S.

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FERRIS ASSAILS "BIRTH OF A NATION."

Lansing Mich., Feb. 10.—"It was the most damnable thing I ever witnessed, and not for \$50 would I again sit for three hours and watch such scenes," declared Gov. Woodbridge N. Ferris, in discussing the motion picture play, "The Birth of a Nation."

"If it were in my power I would issue an order today not to allow the picture to again be shown in our state. It recalls to mind things that are past and gone, greatly overplays them and does no good, but plenty of harm. Words cannot express the contempt I feel for the entire matter."

"Any effort to revive the awful scenes of the civil war and the reconstruction period after the manner of 'The Birth of a Nation' must prove harmful to the American people. 'The Birth of a Nation' is not only a positive insult to the colored people; it is an insult to the intelligence of the white race. Would that Dante could reappear on earth long enough to see 'The Birth of a Nation,' he would tender his apologies to film makers of 1916."

"With the exception of the culmination of the play, the majority of the scenes arouse anger, revenge, horror and hate. Is it possible that the American people hanker for this sort of thing? Human beings do not grow sweeter and better because they employ every possible opportunity for rehearsing the past—for recalling quarrels and conflicts of days gone by."

"'The Birth of a Nation' does not symbolize peace; it symbolizes hell," Perry, in the Detroit News.

Shortest Short Stories.

Chapter I—Ill.

Chapter II—Pill.

Chapter III—Bill.

—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Chapter I—Beau.

Chapter II—Dough.

Chapter III—Show.

—Zanesville Signal.

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