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Mohr Murder Case Attracts Attention

Former United States Attorney Lewis
a Conspicuous Figure at Trial
Table.

TWO RACE TYPES CONTRASTED.

Lewis and Edwards Excellent Exam-
ples of Highest Type of Amer-
icans, Regardless of Color.

Providence, R. I., Jan. 19.—The
Mohr case, now being tried here, is
perhaps the greatest legal drama ever
enacted in this section of the country.
Few trials have contained the com-
plications of this one and never before
has this quaint old New England town
been so stirred.

The Negro is represented in this
case in both its lighter and darker
shades. Brown, Spellman and Healis,
the three youths upon whom the State
is endeavoring to fix the direct res-
ponsibility of the crime, are represent-
atives of the shiftless and worthless
class of their race while William H.
Lewis and John C. Edwards, the bril-
liant attorneys who are defending
Brown and Spellman, are excellent ex-
amples of the very highest type of
Americans, regardless of color.

Mrs. Elizabeth Mohr, the wife of
the late physician, and the co-defen-
dant of the colored lads, with her
weak, passionate face, is not an ap-
pealing figure as she sits motionless
in the court room between her attor-
neys. She is, however, the central
figure in the case, for it is she, the
State claims, who instigated the he-
nious plot to slay her wealthy hus-
band. At first it was claimed that
Mrs. Mohr was actuated by jealousy,
but later, it was alleged that she
wanted to come into possession of his
wealth. Now it is alleged that she
has been infatuated with her chauff-
eur, Healis, and wanted to get the
doctor out of the way. Any and all
of the reasons may or may not have
prompted the woman to be anxious
to rid herself of her husband, but if
she is connected at all, the first two
reasons are the most plausible. Her
alleged intimacy with Healis was per-
haps a coincidence, and may have
aided the original motives.

When Healis took the stand today
the first real knowledge of his alleged
intimacy with Mrs. Mohr was brought
out when two letters were produced,
which had been written by Mrs. Mohr
to Healis. The letters were not read
but counsel for the defense were al-
lowed to inspect them. It was evident
that counsel for Mrs. Mohr was an-
noyed by the presence of these let-
ters. It seemed to have been their in-
tention to prove that the doctor's life
was a dual one, and that his alleged
intimacy with other women was un-
just to his wife; but this testimony of

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Please Remember This

The Monitor is the only Negro newspaper published, not only in
Omaha, but in the whole state of Nebraska. It now has a large cir-
culation in Omaha and vicinity and ultimately will be read by every
colored family in the state. To reach the colored people, advertise in
The Monitor.



MISS BLANCHE THOMPSON,
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Something to Make You Think

BOOKS BY OUR OWN AUTHORS.

Many people who count themselves well informed know very little after
all of the real happenings during and after the civil war, as it affects the col-
ored people. True, the histories give a version that must be accepted for lack
of something better. But it must be remembered that most books on the sub-
ject were written by white men and women, which would be equivalent to say-
ing that they would be colored more or less to suit their own prej-
udices.

We are asked, for instance, to criticize "The Birth of a Nation." In a
general way we can point out the objectionable parts, but can we intelligently
pick out the chaff from the wheat? There are always two sides to every
story. We learn the white man's side, because it is forced upon us. In recent
years we are beginning to learn our own side because we have within our
ranks such eminent writers as Kelly Miller, Professor Du Bois, Major John R.
Lynch, and others who have given the world word pictures from our point of
view.

"Facts of Reconstruction," the recent classic from the pen of Major
Lynch, has found place in the libraries of most of the great universities,
which argues well for its authenticity and value as a matter of record. This
and other books by race writers should be in the home of every one. We can-
not be too well versed on the things that have vitally touched our lives.—Chi-
cago Defender.

SUPREME COURT DECIDES CASE.

The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania recently handed down its opinion in
the case of the Commonwealth vs. Athens George, sustaining Justice Kephart
of the Superior Court, who held in his opinion that theatre managers MUST
provide EQUAL and sufficient accommodations and no discrimination on ac-
count of race or color will be permitted.

The case was taken up for a final ruling on the matter, and the final word
of the Supreme Court gives the Negroes and the theater managers just what

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Brazil Ideal Country For Colored Man

Equality Everywhere and Foremost
Citizens of Republic Are Members
of Race.

ANY PAN-AMERICAN PROGRAM.

Proposed by United States Must Be
Prepared to Accept These
Conditions.

Rio de Janeiro, Jan. 21.—Few peo-
ple in the United States, who have not
been to this country, can appreciate
the vastness and great growth along
all lines of the Republic of Brazil.
This country may be said to be the
Elysian field of the Black people. If
any doubt exists in the mind of the
American white man that the Black
people are incapable of self-govern-
ment he need only to see and study
the Black people of this wonderful
republic to be convinced. Here they
have attained the highest degree of
proficiency in every department of
human endeavor. In the city of Rio
de Janeiro from which this article is
written, Black men are owners of the
largest business enterprises, some of
which employ thousands of men and
women and represent millions of in-
vested capital. This city is one of the
oldest in the Western Hemisphere
and has grown in importance and pop-
ulation until it is now ranked as the
sixth largest city in the world.

It will be of interest to the col-
ored population of the United States
to know that among the Presidents of
this republic the ablest is conceded
to have been H. E. Nilo Pechana, who
presided over the destinies of this
country as its chief executive from
1908 to 1912. His wise and progres-
sive administration was responsible
for an era of development such as the
country had not hitherto known. Un-
der his regime six thousand miles of
government-owned railroads were
built, which connected the capital with
every principal city in the republic.
Senor Pecanha resides in the city of
Rio de Janeiro, and is regarded as the
elder statesman whose counsel and ad-
vice is always sought and adopted on
all great government questions. No-
table among the high ranking officials
of the government who are members
of the Black race are the Chief Justice
of the Supreme Court, Chief Secre-
tary of Foreign Relations, Secretary
of the Treasury and Minister of Edu-
cation. The form of government is
identical with that of the United
States. The Congress has, out of its
460 members, ninety-two identified
with the Black race. In the Senate
twenty-two of the forty members are
Blacks. The army and navy are thor-
oughly representative of the Black
people. The vice-admiral, who is
highest ranking officer in the navy, is
a member of the Black race, and offi-

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General Race News

ORGANIZE FOR PROTECTION —MANHOOD AWAKENING

Thomasville, Ga., Jan. 14.—Sheriff Rheberg of this city, upon complaint of Sidney McRae, a farmer of this county, who, while returning home from Boston Friday night, was fired upon by some one from ambush, arrested two innocent race men whom he claimed to suspect of the shooting. There is positively no evidence against the accused. The shooting occurred at night and the alleged assassins are impossible of identification. Notwithstanding this astonishing truth, the crime, as usual, falls upon the defenseless. At the courthouse there is talk of lynching, but the race is organized to defend their lives and those who may be in the custody of the law. "We are going to stop lynching if we have to die to the man. Unless we fight and defend our homes we will be murdered one by one by a lawless rabble that is a disgrace to the South. Fully realizing these truths, we are prepared to fight, and fight to the bitter end. Our lives are unsafe and those of our families while race-hating murderers are allowed immunity from punishment under a Jim Crow government. We are going to fight, and we want the world to know it. 'Liberty or death' is the slogan. The spirit of manhood won freedom for our fathers and, banded together, we are going to free Georgia of lynch law," said a brave race man here today.

MEMPHIS REPUBLICANS WANT CHURCH.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 28.—Republicans of Shelby county and Tenth Congressional districts are up in arms because they believe that Robert R. Church, Jr., was a victim of treachery at the recent meeting of the Republican executive committee in Nashville. It was promised by the Calhoun contingency, which is the faction in favor with Charles D. Hilles, national committee chairman, that Mr. Church would be elected to a place on the State executive committee.

The Memphis "Big Four," Gen. Saml. L. Calhoun, R. R. Church, Jr., Frank S. Elgin, ex-U. S. marshal, and Dr. J. T. Spence, collector of customs, were said to be in harmony and agreed on Church for the vacancy from the Tenth district, but at the last moment the three white men went back on Church and Elgin was elected.

Notwithstanding this action the local Republicans declare that Mr. Church will be the delegate from this district to the National Republican Convention at Chicago June 7. He was a delegate to the last convention and made a good record.

WELL-KNOWN ACTRESS ANSWERS CALL

New York City, Jan. 21.—Mollie Dill, who for years was identified with the Black Patti show, Cole and Johnson's "Red Moon" company and "The Shoo Fly Regiment," and who also toured with the Williams and Walker company, died and was buried here week before last. The end came in Bellevue hospital and the interment was in St. Michael cemetery.

BAND MASTER WIDELY RECOGNIZED.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 28.—With Major N. Clark Smith as conductor, forty students of Western university, Kansas side, appeared in concert at the Paseo Y. M. C. A. Friday night, January 21.

Major Clark, whose funeral march composed in memory of Frederick Douglas, was played at the funeral of Booker T. Washington, is a Kansas City Negro who has achieved international recognition. He worked as a boy for the Carl Hoffman Music Co. and later for Lyon and Healey, Chicago, where Mr. Healey discovered his talent and sent him to Zeigfield, head of the Chicago Musical College, and Felix Borowski, the Russian composer at that time in Chicago. In a short time Clark gained recognition abroad and was decorated for his musical achievement at the Paris Exposition. Now he is at Western University. Two of his former pupils are bandmasters in Russian and Singalese regiments, now fighting.

DR. WALL APPOINTED BOROUGH PHYSICIAN

Rankin, Pa.—Dr. Arthur A. Wall has recently been appointed borough physician of Rankin, Pa. He is the first colored physician to hold that position since this has been a borough. Dr. Wall is a North Carolinian by birth, a graduate of Leonard Medical school, class 1909, and has successfully passed the state boards of West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

He chose this field of labor six years ago, and has faithfully served the people in this and surrounding borough, demonstrating his skill as a physician and his worth as a Christian gentleman.

WABASH EMPLOYEES SEEK INCREASE IN PAY.

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 28.—A petition praying for increased wages and better conditions presented by Wabash train porters to the management of the company was given favorable consideration by the officials who later will make their announcement. In view of the general movement by large corporations to improve the conditions of the worker better conditions for these men are expected.

SURGICAL NURSE RECEIVES PROMOTION

Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 21.—Miss E. R. Van Ranken, graduate of Lincoln Hospital and Training school, New York, of the class of 1914, who has been head surgical nurse of the Home sanitarium, has been promoted to the position of head nurse of the institution.

KANSAS CITY GETS BUSINESS LEAGUE

Tuskegee, Ala., Jan. 21.—After consideration of the several invitations that have been received, the executive committee of the National Negro Business league has decided to hold the next meeting of the league in Kansas City. The meeting will be held August 16-18, 1916.

HELEN HAGAN IN RECITAL.

New York City, Jan. 21.—Miss Helen Hagan, who has the degree of Mus. B. of Yale University, and at the same time winning the Samuel Simon Sanford Fellowship, providing for foreign study abroad, gave a concert here last night at the Music School Settlement. She was supported by Mr. Rosamond Johnson, Miss Ethel Richardson and Miss Reba Fairfax. The program was highly appreciated and a large audience greeted the artists.

Miss Hagan will be heard in Omaha February 10th.

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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.

SUPREME COURT DECIDES CASE.

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will be required under the law. Equal accommodations means just what it says. The manager can no longer put his Negro patrons in the gallery unless he is prepared to prove that gallery seats are equal to any other seats in the house. This opinion gives us something we have not had before; it places the burden upon the theaters to prove that the seats they offer their patrons of color are equal to the seats they offer their white patrons. In view of the schedule of prices we think it an impossibility to prove any such thing. If we are to have equal accommodations, we certainly must have admission, the daily insulting declarations of some of the managers to the contrary notwithstanding.

It becomes us well to deport ourselves like gentlemen and ladies; to insist upon our rights under the law with intelligence and decorum. Be persistent, but be calm, respectful and ever mindful that YOU must be a gentleman, regardless of the other man.—The Pittsburgh Courier.

A POOR RULE.

The news of the killing of a score of American citizens in Mexico by native soldiers or bandits, and the knowledge of the position taken in the matter by the Administration at Washington must bring to every thinking Negro one question which stands out above all others. It is not the question of whether the United States should intervene in Mexico or stay out of Mexico; the question is, "Why one attitude on Mexico and an entirely opposite one on Haiti?"

It was claimed that the cause of humanity demanded that this Government should go into Haiti and put an end to revolution and anarchy. The question naturally arises, "Have political conditions in Haiti ever reached such a low level as they have now reached in Mexico? This much is true, that whether under one supreme government in Haiti or under two or three pretending governments, the safety of foreigners has been guaranteed and secured. If, as is true, this Government sent an army into Haiti and fought unequal battles with the ill equipped natives, in which many of them have been killed, and took full control of Haitian affairs, because the Island Republic had been in a state of revolution for some months, what should it not do in the case of Mexico, where for a year and a half there has been no shadow of responsible government, and where American men, women and children have been killed by hundreds?

If intervention in Haiti was a duty in answer to the demands of common humanity, a duty, the performance of which will result in untold benefits to the Haitians, why is not the same true of Mexico? These questions are sure to press themselves upon all thinking colored men. They are bound to wonder if the difference between the cases of Mexico and Haiti is one of size or color.—The New York Age.

BRAZIL IDEAL COUNTRY FOR COLORED MAN.

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cers of the rank of captain and lieutenant identified with the Black race are in the majority. The army is largely officered by race men, all

thoroughly trained in every department of the art of war.

Perhaps no country in the world whose population is thirty million, nearly fifty percent of which is the Black race, offers such a splendid example of the two races harmoniously living together and developing with-

out friction. Here no such thing as prejudice exists. The whites and blacks are equal in every respect; and no thought of one's color ever enters the mind of anyone, no matter what

the occasion. Indeed, if there exist anywhere on earth an ideal spot for the black man it can without doubt safely be said to be the Republic of Brazil.

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Quincy, Illinois—"The genuine surprise of the season, delighting the audience with her rare ability and charming personality."—Quincy Whig.

Dallas, Texas—"A remarkable and brilliant virtuoso, possessing a faultless technique and great breadth of interpretation."—Dallas Express.

Mobile, Ala.—"From the beginning of the program to the end Miss Hagan delighted her audience."—Mobile Weekly.

Birmingham, Ala.—"She enters her work with all her soul and played with an ease and artistic touch that at once proclaimed her the finished artist."

Parkersburg, W. Va.—"A finished artist of great ability, although young in years."—Parkersburg News.

Program Begins 8:30 p. m. Sharp. Admission 35 cents.
Tickets on sale at the People's Drug Store and Price Terrell's Drug Store.

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A SIGNIFICANT ACTION.

The Corn Exchange National Bank of Chicago recently gave employment in the institution, presumably clerical positions, we have not been advised as to that, to two young colored women and one young man. The Foresters, a strong fraternal race organization, thereupon withdrew its deposits, amounting all told to a large sum, from other banking institutions and deposited it with the Corn Exchange Bank. Other secret societies and individuals, it is alleged, are going to do the same thing.

This action is significant, suggestive and commendable. It shows that our people are beginning to wake up and are determined to give their patronage, banking, commercial and other, to firms and institutions that are at least willing to make the effort to "tote fair."

Only last week, in commenting in these columns on the reports of building and loan companies, and urging our readers to use such institutions in saving their money and buying homes, we called attention to the fact that none of these institutions in Omaha gives our race any employment whatsoever, not even so much as a janitorship. The same is true with two notable exceptions, of the banks of this city, in which our people are comparatively heavy depositors. Two banks, the United States National and the Omaha National, each employ a colored man as messenger. Why should not others do at least as much as this? More than this, why could not a clerical position for some capable colored young man or woman be found among the large clerical force employed by the larger banks of the city? Perhaps if the race in Omaha follows the example of their Chicago brethren such an opening may be found or made.

Individually, the deposits made by our people may be small, but when taken in the aggregate and the funds of the numerous secret societies and fraternal organizations are taken into account, they run well up into the thousands. The judicious concentration of such deposits in the banking institutions which give employment to our people we believe would prove advantageous to us.

And in this connection, why should not a concerted move be made upon the part of our people to obtain employment not only in banks and commercial institutions, but also in public utility concerns like the Omaha Electric Light and Power Company, the Omaha Gas and the Nebraska Telephone Company? Our people spend thousands of dollars yearly with all these concerns. Why

should they not give us some returns in the way of employment?

To the gentlemen in charge of these institutions we are taking the liberty of sending copies of The Monitor with this editorial marked. We respectfully ask you to consider as a matter of simple economic justice, if you are acting quite fair in withholding employment within your gift from a class of people who constitute, in accordance with their numbers, a large percentage of your patrons? Doubtless, you have never thought of it in this light, if at all. Please consider it now, and as fair-minded men, we are quite sure you will admit that our contention is absolutely right. Whether you will have the moral courage to take favorable action in our behalf is another question. We hope some of you have.

It will be well for us all to take note of the significant action of the colored people of Chicago, as symptomatic of the growing demand of colored Americans everywhere for reasonable reciprocity.

KEEP YOUR MOUTH CLEAN.

You read an exceedingly interesting, instructive and practical article in last week's issue under Science Notes on Oral Sepsis. The article was contributed by Dr. Craig Morris, one of our dentists, who is a graduate of Creighton Dental College, and shows how an unclean mouth furnishes a choice breeding ground for bacteria which cause decayed teeth and abscesses, the result of which will eventually poison the whole system and engender many serious diseases to which flesh may easily fall heir. The chief burden of this instructive article is this: KEEP YOUR MOUTH CLEAN.

And, by the way, this is an excellent motto to keep constantly before our young men especially, although, be it said to their shame, old men need to keep it in mind, too, and so do many young girls and women. We might be bold enough to add to this list old women, too, were it not that there are so few "old women" these days.

So many boys and young men foul their mouths with profanity and salacious jokes and stories that it shows "moral sepsis" to be very prevalent. Foul language indicates a foul mind. A foul mind means a vitiated or weakened moral nature. Now just as the whole physical nature can become diseased by neglecting to cleanse the mouth, so the moral nature can become diseased by dirty speech.

To avoid "oral sepsis" and the pain and suffering which it brings,

"keep your mouth clean," and to avoid "moral sepsis", with its sad and far-reaching misery and woe, "keep your mouth clean."

An educational anti-spitting campaign has been started by Mrs. H. C. Sumney with the purpose of abolishing the habit of promiscuous spitting which is a menace to the public health. The plan proposed to accomplish this is educational, rather than legislative. This nuisance has been abated considerably, if not almost entirely, on street cars and public conveyances. There has been some improvement too in this matter in reference to spitting on sidewalks, since to do so is punishable by a fine. But there is lots of room for further improvement, and if the people can be brought to see that this habit is a menace to public health, the reform sought will be speedily accomplished. It is up to each individual to see that he does not offend in this matter and to make himself a willing helper in his educational campaign.

Funds are being raised for the relief of the Jews who are suffering untold privations because of the European war. It is to be hoped that our people will cheerfully contribute to the relief fund. Aside from humanitarian instincts which should move us to give is the fact that in this country the Jews have shown themselves to be loyal and dependable friends of our race.

We desire to remind political candidates that our columns are open for their advertisements and that if they desire to reach the colored voters they can do so with the least expense by using The Monitor. Our advertising columns are open to candidates of all parties.

That western kid-napping story struck us when we read it, as fishy. So it was an elopement after all, just what we thought it was.

If it is our duty never to do wrong at all, it is also our duty never to repay wrong with wrong.—Plato.

"POLLY TICKS."

Do you know "Polly Ticks?" She's a coy, elusive and fascinating maiden of rather doubtful age, whom many love to woo. Get your name on her list as one of her ardent wooers. Gentlemen, if you have a political aspiration That will lead you to risk flirtation With "Polly Ticks," a dream and inspiration, Do not have the slightest hesitation in taking advantage of our circulation, To reach that portion of our population, Which can grant you circumambulation With this lady of your choice and station.

MOHR MURDER CASE ATTRACTS ATTENTION.

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Healis brings another great complication.

Public sentiment in and about Providence is greatly divided. Many persons sympathize with Mrs. Mohr, and quite a number sympathize with Brown and Spellman, but little or no sympathy is evidenced for Healis, who turned State's evidence, and thereby sacrificed his alleged conspirators.

Lawyer William H. Lewis, the famous Boston attorney, at one time, assistant United States Attorney, is the only unpaid attorney in the case. It has been said that Brown's eighteen year old wife is retaining Mr. Lewis, but such is not the case. Mr. Lewis said his presence in the case was simply altruistic, and not in an effort to gain fame and fortune. However, he is being praised on all sides because of his recognized ability and his conspicuous refinement. He never indulges in unnecessary discussion. Every time he rises he has some sufficient cause, and two-thirds of his objections are sustained by the court. In cross-examination, Mr. Lewis is exceedingly clever. His rapid-fire method of sending questions at the State's witness is the feature of the trial.—John R. Williams in Baltimore Afro-American.

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Events and Persons

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News for This Department Must Be Received by Wednesday Night.

What is a Kentucky Belle?—Adv.

Mrs. Jesse Carroll, 122 South Twenty-eighth avenue, who has been quite ill for a month, is slowly improving.

John Grant Pegg spent Monday in Blair, where he went to purchase stock for his ranch. He is pleased with the fact that the city has provided him with an automobile for his work as city inspector of weights and measures.

The New Era Dramatic Club will give their first performance, "A Kentucky Belle," at the beautiful auditorium of the Y. W. C. A. building February 4. Tickets can be secured at the box office of the Mecca skating rink, or call Harney 4360. The boxes have all been taken. Choice seats can be had on the lower floor and the balcony. Prices 25c and 50c—Adv.

The Phi Delta girls met at the home of Miss Mary Newman, 2211 North Twenty-eighth avenue, Wednesday of last week. The names of eight high school girls were proposed for membership.

Norman Workcuff, father of Randolph Workcuff, died January 23 at his home, 3624 Ohio street, with pneumonia. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon from the residence The Rev. W. T. Osborne officiated. Jones and Chiles had charge of the funeral and interment which was in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Mr. Workcuff was eighty-five years of age at the time of his death and survived his wife, who died January 19, by only four days. Notice of Mrs. Workcuff's death was given in our last week's issue.

The Big Twelve Whist Club, which met week before last, as the guests of Dorris Thornton, 2818 Miami St., met Wednesday night of this week as the guests of Emery R. Smith, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hicks, 2020 Clark street.

The parish social given in St. Philip's Guild room last Thursday night was a very pleasant affair. Those present enjoyed themselves with checkers, pit and an advertising guessing contest. In the guessing contest the prize went to Mrs. Chas. W. Dickerson. Another social will be given next Thursday night.

Helen Hagan, February 10.

Mrs. Emma Mosby, of St. Paul, Minn., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Delia Brown, 1103 North Nineteenth street.

His many friends will regret to hear that George W. Parker has the smallpox. He has been taken to the hospital for smallpox patients.

Mr. C. H. Harris, 2912 Grant St., who has been very ill with the grippe, is able to be out again.

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Mrs. Lee Allen and Miss Lutie M. Bryant were leaders in a surprise party for Miss Margaret La Cour Monday night. The honoree was presented with a beautiful gold bracelet.

The Social Hour Club was entertained at its first meeting of the year, January 5, by Mrs. Silas Johnson, 2306 North Twenty-ninth street. After luncheon the afternoon was spent in needle work. Mrs. L. C. Sayles was the hostess at the next meeting two weeks later.

Is-a-belle a Kentucky Belle?—Adv.

Have you sent in your subscription yet? You will have to hurry to get in under the one dollar rate.

Mrs. Henry Buford, 3510 Blondo street, who has been very ill for the past two weeks, is much better.

The U. B. F. Lodge is growing quite rapidly, having increased its membership from twenty-five to thirty-seven within the last six months, with a large number of applications for membership pending. The lodge has opened an employment bureau and has secured work for several of its members. Charles G. Garrett is chairman of the employment bureau and Earl Jones, assistant.

Last Saturday night, under the leadership of Mesdames John Smith and Harry Williams, a number of friends tendered Mrs. Luther Dillard a pleasant surprise in honor of her wedding anniversary. As a visible evidence of their visit they left a gift of a set of solid silver spoons.

Mr. Earl Jones has been on the sick list.

Bayliss Pegg entertained in honor of his wife's birthday anniversary Tuesday night at their residence, 2716 Miami street. A large number of guests were present. The evening was pleasantly spent at cards and dancing.

Among the pupils who enter high school next week appear the names of Frank Toner from Kellom, Etta Davis and Aline Bentley from Long and Henry Smith from Franklin.

After an illness of fifteen months, Walter Johnson, a brother of George N. Johnson, formerly of Omaha, but now of Chicago, died in that city Wednesday, January 19. Mr. Johnson has the sympathy of his many Omaha friends in the bereavement that has come to him.

Mrs. R. C. Price returned from Kansas City Wednesday, where she went to bury her mother.

The Elite Whist Club met with Mrs. E. West, 2006 North Twenty-eighth street, Wednesday, January 19. The prize was won by Mrs. Williamson.

The Negro Women's Christian association held an interesting meeting at the home Wednesday afternoon.



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A TALK ON THRIFT, No. 2.

Thrift is good management, and nowhere is good management more manifest than in the home. You can soon tell what manner of housekeeper the wife is, for the impress of her ideals and ideas is on every hand. She can waste all the husband earns, or she can save the major part.

Housekeeping is the most complicated work in the world, and she who can keep a house well is a good business woman. She can make her work drudgery or she can make it a pleasure. Men fail in business and the world knows it, but how many home failures there are of which the world never hears!

It is easy to detect the woman who fails as a housekeeper. If you see the dishes unwashed, the children unkempt, clothes strung all over the house, the bath littered, the corners dirty and a general air of neglect, you may depend upon it she has failed as a business housekeeper. She does not know how.

Writing in the Ladies' Home Journal, one woman tells how she succeeds as a home-maker and as a business woman in the home. She aims at simplicity. She has simple furnishings, but good. She has no "parlor"—that abomination of olden time, but a living room, where they really live. Most parlors are merely to look at, not to use. She has simple meals—things "they are all stuck on," as her little boy puts it, but lots of them. Baked beans only, but lots of them and good. And who couldn't make a meal on the beans mother used to bake?

She has no curtains at the windows; her windows are for light and air, not to display curtains and catch the dust and keep out the sunlight. She wastes no food.

A fireless cooker saves gas and time and food. She keeps biscuit flour mixed with the proper proportion of salt and baking powder and biscuits for her oven in five minutes! She has all her kitchen utensils handy, cans and receptacles labeled, and thus she saves steps. Some women walk too much on their jobs. She always has change in the house, runs no accounts, pays cash on delivery, weighs her purchases and takes nothing for granted. She keeps account of all her expenditures and knows where her money goes and what it buys. She doesn't hire much help, because she doesn't need it. She studies her job and succeeds because she knows how.

OUT OF THE SILENCE.

And what can you say when the day is done

And you've gone to your bed to rest?

When the shadows come and the light has gone

O'er the rim of the golden west,
And a silvery beam of the moon creeps in

As if in an aimless quest?

What do you say

When a kindly voice that you seem to know,

Out of the shadows speaks soft and low,

"Well, what did you do today?"

Oh, what can you say when you're all alone

With the master of all the tasks?

How much of a sin do you have to town

When the voice of the master asks?
How many things that you left undone

Your studied answer makes?

What do you say

When out of the shades of the silent night

The master speaks with the master's right;

"Well, what did you do today?"

Thrice blest is he of the humble way
Who sinks to his bed of rest—

The rest he earned with a toiling day
With love of his labor blest—

Who hears the voice of the master ask

And can truthfully say, "My best!"

The man can say,

"I've trod the way of my best intent;
I've helped a friend and I've made a friend."

To "What did you do today?"

—John D. Wells in Buffalo News.

THE MOTHER AS A CHARACTER-MAKING FORCE.

When a man proves himself honest, courageous, true, and rises to success people say, "He is a self-made man." I am inclined to think that even in his case we may "look for the woman," with good assurance that we will find back of him some woman who has helped to form his character.

It may have been a sister who was his playmate in childhood, his companion in youth, and who encouraged his efforts to do right and frowned upon his desire to do wrong.

It may have been a teacher who, to her lessons of book-learning, added instruction in right living and gave him a start toward high ideals.

It may have been a young girl who was to him the ideal woman and whose life spoke to him more eloquently than any sermon.

But more than likely it was the mother who from his babyhood had been teaching him to do right; at first in all the little ways possible to a child, and then showing him how the truths she had taught could be applied to the harder problems of life. She had showed him that his ambition should not be satisfied with bodily growth. He should not desire merely to be a big man, but a good man; that he should be just as eager to grow in character as in size.—Purity Magazine.

A CORRECTION.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Jan. 24, 1916.

Rev. J. A. Williams,

Editor Monitor—I am writing this to correct a rumor prevalent among my friends in your city.

The Mrs. Hamler mentioned in the Grand Island paper is no relative of mine. I have been living in Cheyenne, Wyoming, at 2519 Reed St., for the past five years.

Very truly yours,

Mrs. M. H. Hamler.

EXPLICIT

"Are you of the opinion, James," asked a slim-looking man of his companion, "that Dr. Smith's medicine does any good?"

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Science Notes

BY WILLIAM G. HAYNES.

COLD BATHS AND HORSE SENSE.

By Edwin F. Bowers, M. D.

"What, if any, advantage has a cold bath?"

The advantage of a cold bath over the ordinary or bath-room variety of bath is that it demonstrates either an indomitable will or a superabundant vitality and recuperative power.

One of the axioms of medical science is that "there is no action without reaction." And upon whether the reaction is beneficial or not depends the value of the cold matutinal tub.

If, after a bracing plunges in the icy water and a skin-reddening-bout with a coarse towel, there is developed a genial feeling of exhilaration and a fine wholesome glow, the cold bath is health-giving—provided that it doesn't produce rheumatism and stiffness.

If, however, the "dip" is taken, not because the full-blooded body exults in the caress of the tingling water, but because the family expects the hero to perform, the bath will probably do no good, and may do much harm.

If there results a direct shock, leaving one irritable and nervous, the rigor of the temperature should be abated. If the "reaction" consists in a livid face, blue lips and chattering teeth, a fit of shivering, and a large assortment of goose-pimples, the cold bath has proved itself not only harmful, but perhaps an actual source of danger.

For when the blood is driven from the surface by the chill impact, and the vaso-motor nervous system, heart, and arteries lack the "punch" to drive it back again, an added weight or overstrain is placed upon the great internal blood-vessels which may, by over-dilation, weaken them permanently.

When delicate nerves are lashed by the cruel whip of cold, and the warm, rich blood fails to rush back to calm them and to provide extra nutriment to repair their waste, it means that sooner or later—if the practice is persisted in—this bath enthusiast is going to go nervously bankrupt.

The business man who finds himself "snapping" at his clerks, the workman who catches himself twitching and "jumping,"—with that peculiar sudden jump that starts from nowhere in particular and ends in the same place,—the mother who "gets out of patience" on the slightest provocation, or on no provocation at all—all these may be suffering merely from cold-bathitis.

WARM BATHS FOR RHEUMATICS

But, granting that none of these symptoms obtrude themselves, the sudden chilling of the surface and the blood remaining in the surface blood-vessels may throw out of solution a portion of the overload of uric acid that the blood frequently carries, even in healthy individuals, depositing it, in the form of sharp crystals, in the muscular tissues or in the joints.

It is quite true that the daily cold plunge is one of the finest forms of health insurance ever devised, a regular ne plus ultra "toughener"—provided one is tough enough to stand it.

If one derives increased vitality from it, rest assured that it stimulates a truly wholesome and desirable form

of vitality, and can in no way result in harm—either at the time or in the future.

However, if one desires a bath for cleansing purposes, for the eminent satisfaction of feeling fresh and wholesome, there can be no question but that the warm or even hot bath should have the preference.

But if one wants a bath to brag about, to drag by the ears into every topic of conversation on wintry mornings, there is nothing in the world that even roughly approximates—much less equals—an icy cold bath.

"ICE IS FOOD."

Of course "ice is food in Kansas," as the attorney general of that state announces in a recent ruling on the subject. Ice is food everywhere else in America, too, as anybody knows who has seen the small boy or girl gleefully grab a splinter and convert it into an all-day sucker while it lasted.

There is a peculiar joy in eating ice. Really, nothing else in the line of food consuming quite compares to it. There are refreshments which bite back, and some with a delicious thrill—to say nothing of a few which possess a kick that is a caution. But ice is all this, yet different. You can't eat it very rapidly, although you feel the necessity of doing so because it is melting in your eager grasp. It chills while it delights—you squeal with happiness while you shriek from frigidity, and in the same breath. And as you munch your little chunk of congelation, somebody else slips a sliver down your back—so that you are iced within and without, like a modern theater with a cooling system. And as you flip your fragment from one grimy paw to the other, meanwhile trying to wriggle away from the avalanche coursing down your back, the bliss you experience is of the kind so aptly described as "something different."

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SOUTH SIDE.

(Mrs. Lulu Thornton, Correspondent)

Mr. Robert Severe of 4421 South 26th street, who has been confined to his home since last Thursday with an attack of la grippe, is slowly improving.

The drama entitled "Farm Folks," given by the A. M. E. Sunday School Dramatic club, South Side, at the Odd Fellows Hall, was not only a financial success, but it proved to us that in our young minds lie material for a solid character waiting to be tutored to the highest standard of manhood and womanhood.

We are glad to note that Miss Lela Dudley, who has been sick for more than a month, is able to be out again. Miss Dudley has been missed greatly by her church as well as from other social functions.

Mrs. Lendolph Olliver, who underwent two operations at the St. Joseph hospital three weeks ago, is still seriously ill.

Miss Iler Myres, who had her foot dangerously injured some time ago, was able to play her part in the drama given last Thursday evening.

Mrs. Sadie Stapleton of 5601 South 24th street, who has been seriously ill with tonsillitis, is recovering.

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

EVENTS AND PERSONS.

Ben Stanley has selected four of the soloists for the cantata, Queen Esther. Eleven other of the principal characters are yet to be chosen. The four parts assigned are, Mrs. J. H. Hutten, soprano, Queen Esther; John E. Jeltz, bass, King Ashuerus; Mrs. Maud Ray, contralto, Zerish; Rufus Long, baritone, Haman.

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