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People of Cincinnati Defeat Segregation

An Effort to Force Them to Send Children to Separate School is Defeated.

DABNEY STATES CASE PLAINLY

Colored People Object to the Idea Involved in Segregation and Jim Crowism.

Cincinnati, O.—The colored people of Cincinnati have finally defeated an effort made for over a year to compel all the children of the race to attend the Stowe School, known as a colored school. This attempt at segregation has been resisted by the parents for many months, but every obstacle had been placed in the way of their securing transfer or admission for the children to the other schools. When the matter was put up squarely to the superintendent, no legal authority could be found for forcing the children to attend the colored school and transfers were finally secured to the schools of their choice.

The situation was summed up by W. P. Dabney, in the Union, as follows: "We wish it distinctly understood that intelligent colored people do not object to colored teachers, but they do object to colored schools, they object to the idea involved in segregation, Jim Crowism, and prejudice in public institutions supported by taxation, directly or indirectly, of citizens of the community. They love colored teachers and they respect colored teachers, but feel that they should be distributed among all of the schools, just as the children should be free to go to any school. There is a tendency now to segregate Negroes in everything of a public nature, and we regret to say that some of our colored leaders, spurred on by ambition and desire for money, fight for their own selfish desires rather than labor for the general good. We have no German, Irish, Jewish, Italian or French schools. Only the colored people are ranked as unworthy of association, regardless of their ability, morals or wealth. What a rotten system of Christianity. If Negro children are not up to standard, their competition with white children will bring them up to the standard. We want mixed schools, which means teachers as well as pupils."

CHICAGOANS PROTEST AGAINST SEPARATE CANTONMENTS

Chicago, Ill.—Protesting against the announced policy of keeping colored and white soldiers separately in cantonments and insisting "that regiments be formed and training provided without making any distinction based on race, a letter of protest has been sent to President Wilson, signed by the executive committee of the committee on national citizenship defense."

HAS SEEN FORTY YEARS OF SERVICE

Philadelphia, Pa.—Charles T. Dorsey, 70 years old, has just celebrated the fortieth anniversary of his entrance into service at the Union League Club. He is one of the oldest employees in point of service, and stands high in the esteem of employers and fellow employees.

KNOW HIS BUSINESS

An English militant crusader strolled into a barn when a young man was milking a cow. "How is it that you are not at the front, young man?" "Because, m'um," answered the milkman, "there ain't no milk at that end."

PEDESTRIAN LEMME WRITES FROM DES MOINES

Letter Received Too Late For Last Week's Issue.

Des Moines, Ia., Sept. 16, 1917. Editor The Monitor:

After many ups and downs I arrived in this city late last evening and was a very tired man, but thanks to my knowledge of hydrotherapy, I am around today just feeling fine.

In my effort to reach here I traveled just fifty-seven miles out of my way. I covered the following towns, and left one or more monitors in each of them: Logan, Harlan, Jacksonville, Portsmouth, Kimballton, Hamlin, Exira, Long Branch, Guthrie Center, Panora, Dallas Center, Grim and Camp Dodge, Des Moines.

I just give you the above so you

might refer to the map and figure out for yourself.

Camp Dodge is a wonderful place. To emerge out of a wood on the top of a hill and feast your eyes on it is a pleasing experience. They told me that it has an area of thirty-two square miles and they also have beautiful golf links for the officers. Each quarter is arranged to house 200 men. The camp sits right down in a valley and a beautiful stream of water runs through it. On the side of the hill going toward Des Moines is dotted with tents picturesquely situated. The commander there expects to have between 40,000 and 50,000 men before spring.

I arrived in Des Moines and stopped at the Thompson Hotel and was housed very comfortably.

I changed clothing after having hydro treatment and went out, enjoyed a good dinner at one of the nice cafes of the city and then proceeded to meet the soldier boys of our race at Fort Des Moines, which was very stimulating. I went out to the Fort on Sunday and visited the Y. M. C. A. quarters there which Mr. De Frantz, of Kansas City, presides over, and he permitted me to sell The Monitor there. I did so very, very successfully. I am only sorry that I did not have 500 Monitors; I could have sold them as easily as 100.

I attended church Sunday night at the M. E. Church. Rev. Birt is the pastor, a very able man.

I am going to have on the rest of my journey post card pictures of myself, made by a race man, Mr. Santee, the official photographer at the Fort. Enclosed you will find one of them. I buy them in thousands lots. Mr. Santee has a large gallery in Kansas City, Mo., also here. He is a very progressive man.

Tomorrow I expect to arrange with one of the busiest drug stores it has been my pleasure to see, conducted by either white or black, in years, to take an agency for The Monitor. The proprietor expressed a desire to do the same. It is the McGraw Drug Co., on 10th and Center streets.

I had a very agreeable surprise at Fort Des Moines Sunday. I found I had a son there in training, Albert J. Lemme. Just imagine my surprise when I found it out. I was one of the happiest fathers in the world, because it was my boy. He left Sunday night.

I also had the pleasure of shaking hands with the first gift the Negro race has given to Uncle Sam and the French government—the hospital corps which left Sunday night for France. They are as fine and well trained a set of men as you would ever want to see. I wished them God speed and good luck.

I sold the Daily News on the streets here today and made quite a hit with the Des Moines Press Association.

I am sorry, but I have to wait here until Tuesday morning on account of my stuff to work with; so greet me with papers at Grinnell, Iowa, for Saturday afternoon. I am trying hard to get subscribers, which I hope to do before I leave here.

Wednesday, Sept. 19, '17.

Well, Dear Editor: I have been out all day plodding and find that I am too close to home to do much for The Monitor, except to establish an agency.

The people here all take the By-stander and say of course that they would buy The Monitor if it were on sale here somewhere, but they seem to have been done by some man who took their order and some money for an out-of-town paper, and who didn't deliver the paper, and so that being the case, they don't like to trust any one else. And, believe me, he did his work well.

I was out to the Fort again yesterday and saw the boys pass in review before a major general; and, say, it was grand. They did it like vets. I also saw Lieut. Peebles and he looks just fine in his uniform—"a soldier to the manner born." I also had the pleasure of meeting three young men who, out of thirty-five thousand at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, were the only three colored there. They were in the medical department of that camp. They graduated there and are now telling the boys how to do it here. They are from the 15th N. Y. regiment. Their names are Sergeant F. L. Slade, Sergeant E. O. Jones and Sergeant J. H. Walker.

Well, this is all for this time. I will remit tomorrow before I leave. I hope to be in Newton tomorrow night and Grinnell Saturday. I hope to proceed right along after leaving here, but I had to wait for cards to work with.

Sincerely yours,
R. J. LEMME, Enroute
Walking to New York.

Give Us a Colored Commander for Colored Troops

PRESIDENT WILSON, COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE ARMY, TWELVE MILLION COLORED AMERICANS RESPECTFULLY PETITION YOU, SIR, TO GIVE OUR RACE A GENERAL IN THE PERSON OF CHARLES YOUNG, DAVIS, GREEN OR ANY OTHER COMPETENT MAN NOW SERVING IN THE ARMY, AND TO GIVE HIM COMMAND OF COLORED TROOPS; AND WE PLEDGE YOU OUR HONOR THAT OUR COUNTRY WILL THRILL WITH PRIDE AT THE VALOR OF THE TROOPS UNDER HIS COMMAND.

GIVE US A COLORED COMMANDER FOR COLORED TROOPS. OUR LOYALTY AND SERVICE MERIT THIS RECOGNITION.

Curly Hair Made Straight

Trade Slogan Which Has Put a Progressive and Resourceful Colored Woman in the Rockefeller Class—Interesting Story by Frances L. Garside in Kansas City Star.

I have a friend who, in a private secretarial position, gets one of those fancy salaries that make other women wonder why she doesn't dress better, or give a fortune to a foreign missionary society, or send rescue expeditions to her less fortunate kin, the criticism depending on the kind of glasses through which the critic looks on life. That she gives away more than she keeps her friends know, and it was something of a surprise to learn recently that she had spent \$60 in a most extraordinary fashion on herself.

She had had a permanent crimp put in her hair! Those of us, whose hair is so straight that if we curl it and then shed a tear the dampness takes out the curl, were filled with envy. It was beautiful, with the ripples all over it, but the process, she said, was excruciating. The victim (or heroine, as you choose) is seated and a fan-shaped arrangement filled with innumerable electric globes is fitted over her head, a strand of hair being rolled in each globe. Then the current is applied, and she is forced to sit absolutely still for several hours. As these are the days when we peel our potatoes in fear that a secret service man will arrest us because they are not peeled thinner, we could not agree on the wisdom of her expenditure, but we did agree that never had we seen a more beautiful effect. Then, in a few weeks, the ripples began to recede, and in three weeks not a ripple was left, proving that nothing in this life is permanent, not even a crimp.

The colored folks are also dissatisfied with the way God made them, and pay so much to have their curly hair made straight that in a certain section given over to their race in New York City there are numerous beauty parlors, and in the windows of all of them there are little notices to the effect that Mme. Walker's methods are employed. Mme. Walker is the wealthiest Negro woman in the United States. Having learned how a passing crimp is put in hair it would be interesting to learn how a permanent crimp is taken out. I called on her.

Her home in New York City is in a \$50,000 house she recently presented her daughter. The facing is of red brick, with marble trimmings; there are French windows on the four floors, and two entrances, business and residential. The business entrance was easily gained. I found myself in a very large beauty parlor with parquet floors, with the ceiling, side walls and decorations of a delicate gray. A clerk told me I could not see madam, she was asleep, but she kindly made an appointment for me, and on the second call I was taken upstairs and seated in the drawing room to await madam's convenience. I am not a Southerner; I waited.

When she came into the room a few minutes later I realized how adaptable my sex is to change from poverty to wealth, for Mrs. Walker, washerwoman fourteen years ago, carried her generous weight gracefully on high French heels and wore an expensive pink-flowered lavender silk dressing gown on a week-day morning, with a lack of self-consciousness few of us know when we get on our Sunday clothes. She has an income of one-quarter million dollars a year. She made every cent of her money without aid or encouragement from any living soul. Pause while you take off your hat to her.

Mrs. Walker was born in Delta, La., of ex-slave parents. Left an orphan at

seven, she was treated with such cruelty by those with whom she lived that she married at fourteen to get a home. She had known only three months' schooling in her life, but her husband seems to have been above the ordinary, for he induced her to go to night school after she was married. She was left a widow at twenty with one child, and her only means of support was the washub.

Fourteen years ago her hair began coming out, and she prayed the Lord to save it.

"He answered my prayer," she told me, "for one night I had a dream, and in that dream a big black man appeared to me and told me what to mix up for my hair. Some of the remedy was grown in Africa, but I sent for it, mixed it, put it on my scalp and in a few weeks my hair was coming in faster than it had ever fallen out. I tried it on my friends; it helped them. I made up my mind I would begin to sell it."

She was living in St. Louis then, and as Colorado was a more promising field than Missouri for bald heads, she moved to Denver. This was just fourteen years ago, and when she arrived there she had a dollar and a half in her pocket. She got a place as a cook. Then, with a little money ahead, she bought her ingredients, rented an attic, working two days in the week to pay her rent, and began to brew her herbs, making up the "grower" by the tubful. She has always had a respect for printers' ink that places her ahead of many white folks, for as fast as she earned a little money she spent it in advertising, and at one time owned a newspaper of her own called the Afro-American in which she exploited editorially, telegraphically and locally the wonders of her wares.

She went on the road; she established agents in various towns; she moved to Indianapolis, where her factory is now located, and opened headquarters in Pittsburgh and New York, and always she advertised, spending more on printer's ink in the beginning than she spent on bread and butter.

Mme. Walker has made her fortune by exploiting her hair tonic as a grower, but an application or two, and presto, the hair is straight. But if the hair is wet the curl comes back so that the grower must be reapplied every two weeks, at least. She does not cater to the white folk's trade with this wonderful mixture that makes two hairs grow where one grew before. Some day she will, and then and then an addition will have to be built to the adding machine to estimate her income.

She conducts a number of beauty course schools, turning out twenty graduates at the school in New York every six weeks. She recently held a meeting of her agents in Philadelphia, and they came from far and near, four hundred strong. She employs five domestics in her New York home, six girls work in her office; she has a force much larger in Indianapolis, and has her own lawyer. It is her intention in the coming year to enlarge her factory, putting in machinery that will make the output of the "grower" twenty tubs a day. When you think what these twenty tubs represent in a renewal of woman's crowning glory, you grow breathless.

Mme. Walker favors her own sex. She helps women to increase their wage earning abilities as no other Negro woman has ever done. Her agent in Philadelphia was earning \$5 a week as a servant when madame found her; her income is \$250 a week now.

Madame is the only Negro woman on earth who ever gave \$1,000 to the Y. M. C. A., and she maintains, year after year, six students at Tuskegee, Ala., paying all their expenses. She lives in luxury, but is not a profligate, giving to the poor what many white folks of her income devote to riotous living. It is her greatest regret that she did not have an education when young, but she is making up for it with a private tutor, and you must take off your hat to her again.

She is shrewd and has courage and ability or she could not have made the climb. She has a memory of the struggle that will keep her from ever making any reckless plunges that will jeopardize her interests.

Her secretary, a young man of pleasing address, took me through the house, and this was not the least interesting part of my visit. Everything was bought without regard to cost, but with considerable regard to good taste. The daughter's bedroom is furnished with ivory tinted furniture of Louis XVI style and the bedroom set cost \$4,500.

"There is nothing more expensive to be had or I'd have bought it," said the madame, humbly. The hangings are in old rose, and the pictures and statuary in the room are as costly as the furniture. Her own room is furnished in mahogany.

There was one of those big \$200 Victrolas in the bedroom hall, and the Lathrooms are of the kind you read about in connection with the Astors. I thought one Victrola would surely satisfy, but saw another in the drawing room covered with gold leaf to match a gold leaf grand piano, and an immense gold leaf harp. That isn't all, oh, you who are buying a \$25 graphophone on the installment plan and satisfying the cravings of your soul for music at the Ten Cent store! In the main hall there is a player organ that reaches to the ceiling, and is fine enough for any church, but it no longer pleases, and there is to be a pipe organ built in the house in its place.

The dining room has the one in Wanamaker's show place—the House of Palatial—beaten by a great many feet of walnut and cut glass, and the kitchen dazzled with white tile walls and floor, and from its windows I caught a glimpse of a garden with one of those things in it which we who never sat under one called a "marquee."

Sh! It's a secret; Madame Walker is building a home to cost one-quarter million dollars in the most exclusive residential spot on the Hudson; but the white folks living up there don't know the color of the future neighbor. That is, they don't know it yet.—Kansas City Star.

DEMOCRACY AND LIBERTY ONE THEME OF AK-SAR-BEN

If the heart of every Nebraskan is not thrilled, and if his patriotism is not at boiling point, it will be no fault of King Ak-Sar-Ben, whose benign reign has begun.

For everything Ak-Sar-Ben is patriotic. The two big parades, the electrical and the daylight, are built upon the old thought of Democracy and Liberty. The grand display of fireworks will be a reproduction of the great Battle of Verdun. The decorations will be in the national colors. Even the carnival shows will breathe the thoughts of Democracy and Liberty.

The great coronation ball will be entirely military in character. In short, Ak-Sar-Ben will be a grand patriotic celebration in which every subject of Quivera can take part.

RIOT VICTIMS GET DAMAGES

East St. Louis.—Suits for \$2,400 as a result of the recent riots in this city resulted in \$204 being awarded colored persons in Judge Clark's court Friday of last week.

The East St. Louis decision is the first that has been made concerning the liability of the city of East St. Louis for damages sustained during the riots. If the many cases of a similar nature pending against the city in the Circuit Court here are decided against the city, a possibility of bankruptcy will exist.

FEDERAL INVESTIGATION ILLINOIS MASSACRE

Washington, D. C.—Investigation of the East St. Louis riots will begin October 1, it was announced here September 11, by the newly appointed Congressional Investigating Committee.

Peerless In His Precarious Profession

Colored Man, According to Postal Officials, Has Stolen \$90,000 From Government.

Best Informed Man in Country on Post Office System.

Wichita, Kans., Sept. 24.—Charles A. Stevens, known to postal inspectors as the most notorious mail thief in the United States, was placed on trial here today for the fifth time in the federal court. Stevens is a colored man and has served six years in United States prisons for stealing mail. He is now charged with stealing seven registered mail pouches from a Santa Fe train between Dodge City and Syracuse, Kans.

Inspectors say thefts for which he already has served in prison have netted him more than \$90,000.

Stevens was sentenced to fifteen years in the federal prison from Kansas City, December, 1908, upon conviction of stealing registered mail pouches which contained \$76,000 in currency and \$20,000 worth of diamonds. After serving five years of this sentence he obtained release on a habeas corpus proceeding.

Authorities in postoffice matters declare that Stevens is the best informed man in the country on the operation of the American postoffice system. Fred Robertson, United States attorney, has subpoenaed witnesses from all parts of the United States to testify against him.

"NEBRASKANS KNOW NOT WHAT FAILURE MEANS"

Organizing for the great Liberty Loan Drive, Nebraskans have one thought in view,—that the state will respond to its quota in as decisive a manner as it did in the former drive when the quota was well over-subscribed.

The Liberty Loan drive will be made during the month of October, with October 24 designated as Liberty Day. Nebraska's quota will be about \$27,000,000, or about fifty per cent more than its previous allotment.

"Nebraska's reputation is at stake as is the Nation's in this campaign. Failure would mean saying to the German Alliance, 'we're not in this war to win.' But there will be no failure. America and Nebraska will respond in a most decisive manner." Such is the terse and emphatic statement of T. C. Byrne, chairman of the state organization for the sale of these bonds.

ONE CERTIFIED FROM NEW HAMPSHIRE

Portsmouth, N. H.—Portsmouth, as in the Civil War, may furnish the only colored man from the State of New Hampshire for service in the national army. Edward Chambers Hicks, 25 years old, a machinist, living at 46 Bow street, passed the physical examination of the Portsmouth draft board and has been certified for service.

In the Civil War but one colored man from New Hampshire was drafted and he came from Portsmouth.

Hicks told the exemption board he would not claim exemption and was glad that he would be called upon to nerve the nation.

TO CHOOSE COLORED NURSES FOR WAR SERVICE

Colored registered nurses throughout the country are in receipt of information from the Red Cross headquarters at Washington that a Government Base Hospital will be established at Des Moines, Iowa, in connection with the training camp for colored troops. About 150 nurses will be selected for service, fifty being assigned to immediate duty and 100 held in reserve.

While the Red Cross states that there will not be any probability of foreign duty for the colored nurses just yet, it promises that the colored nurses will be accepted under precisely the same status as the white nurses.

STORM DOES DAMAGE IN NORTH CAROLINA

Raleigh, N. C.—Property damage reaching several hundred thousand dollars, heavy damage to crops and drowning of three colored men resulted from the heavy rains of the last few days in eastern North Carolina.

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SAVING THE GIRLS

We have noted with pleasure the effort to be made by some of Omaha's leading women to throw a safeguard around young girls by keeping them off the streets at night. Their plan is to approach the task from the kindly and friendly interest side, rather than from that of coercion and the exercise of police-power. Their method impresses us as being extremely wise, for sweet persuasion generally wins where force fails. Tactful, motherly women can do much in arousing thoughtless girls to an appreciation of the dangers to which they are exposing themselves by running the streets at night and freely associating with youths as they thoughtless and unrestrained as themselves.

That this movement is timely can be questioned by no one whose duties take him upon our downtown streets at night. Giggling girls in their early teens are to be seen everywhere flitting around and with men, some of these being mere youths, others men of maturer years. They are evidently out for what they call "a good time." What they call "a good time" frequently ends most disastrously. As yet very few Colored girls are seen on the down town streets, but on North Twenty-fourth in the vicinity of Lake are to be noted conditions similar to those which obtain among their fairer sisters on the down town streets.

Those conditions should be corrected. Mothers and fathers in the first place should see to it that their children, both boys and girls, are kept off the streets at night and from places where their morals are in danger. Men and women who realize the temptations and pitfalls which beset our youth should make it a matter of conscience to speak kindly to these boys and girls in an earnest effort to help them do right.

In "saving the girls," we are saving the boys, too. Let us all do our best to help our boys and girls grow into strong, clean and noble manhood and womanhood.

And, boys and girls, The Monitor appeals to you, confident that you are quite anxious to do right, to do your part in helping one another to avoid any conduct, and word or deed which will bring you suffering and regret. Boys, help "save the girls," girls, help "save the boys." For the boys and girls of today will be the men and women of tomorrow, and upon the kind of men and women that we are depends the safety and perpetuity of the nation.

BY NO MEANS IMPROBABLE

A leading member of the Commercial Club of Nashville, Tenn., a few weeks ago was holding conversation with a gentleman of our acquaintance in one of the well-appointed rooms of that influential organization. Our acquaintance is a New Yorker and in the employ of the Government. Their conversation was concerning the co-operation of all classes of American citizens in the winning of the war.

Among other things the Southern gentleman said: "If we are frank we must admit that we have much to learn and do in our own country for democracy. We are going to learn a great deal before this war is over. For example, we must get a different view on the race question which so largely affects our life in the South. There must come a better understanding between the races. Before this war is over, I expect to see members of the white race and of the black race meeting together in this room to exchange views and to discuss plans for solving the common problem in which they as well as we are deeply interested. We must meet as men each anxious to do a man's part. Strange as it may seem, impossible as many may think, I expect to see such a conference held in this very room."

Please remember that this conversation was held in one of the rooms of the Commercial Club, of Nashville, Tenn., and that the gentleman who made this statement is one of the most influential men of Nashville, and a Southerner of the Southerners.

His statement is significant of the growing recognition upon the part of the best minds of the South of the fact that the Colored American has something to contribute towards the solution of the problems of democracy.

When it is recalled that the unexpected happened in Nashville a few months ago, the views of this gentleman are not so visionary as one might be disposed to think. At the great Red

Cross meeting in that city representatives of both races sat on the same platform and the large mixed audience was thrilled by the eloquence of both white and Colored speakers. It was an unusual, and we believe, an unprecedented civic meeting in that section of the country. From such a public meeting to a private conference between representatives of both races in the Commercial Club rooms is not a very long step, is it? But it is a giant stride towards the recognition of true democracy.

A GRACIOUS ACT OF CHARITY

It is the habit to read and to believe that American business corporations are soulless, but if this be so one local firm must be absolved and receive the thanks of the public for an act of real charity and liberal generosity. Four weeks ago a Colored man by the name of Sylvester Keyser came to Omaha on transportation and went to work with the American Smelting and Refining company. Keyser also brought his mother.

Last Friday Keyser took ill with acute appendicitis and was removed by the company to St. Catherine's hospital. Sunday Keyser died. He had no money, his wages over expenses going South to assist the rest of his family. He still owed the smelter \$25 on his transportation and it was under no obligation to do anything in the matter. Had Keyser been employed by any other large local business the chances are that his body would be resting in the potter's field today. Without solicitation the management of the smelters sent his body to the Western Undertaking company, had it carefully embalmed, purchased a casket and robe, and shipped the body back to Pensacola, Fla. Mrs. Keyser, mother of the deceased, was given a ticket so that she might accompany the body home.

This is but one instance of many that is making the smelters appreciated by many Colored Omahans who know. There is no local company employing a large number of men that is showing so much consideration for its Colored employees, and many of the old timers around are now working for this company. In a future issue it is our intention to review some of the things the smelter has done and is doing for its Colored men, but at this time we wish only to call attention to a charitable act that should not be passed without mention.

RECREATION AND AMUSEMENT

Recreation and amusement are important matters in every normal human life. The young crave amusement. Pleasure-seeking has its rightful place. Those who indiscriminately condemn all forms of amusement are wrong.

It is the duty of parents to give their children every opportunity for legitimate amusement and recreation at home, or in such surroundings as will eliminate all influence which tend to lower the moral tone.

If, for example, you have children who are fond of dancing, give a dancing party for them now and then at home, where their friends and companions can be invited, and you can know who your children's associates are. And so with other legitimate forms of amusement and recreation. Encourage them to observe proportion in all they do.

NEW YORK AGE THIRTY YEARS YOUNG

The New York Age, the ablest and most influential race journal in the United States, this month celebrates the thirtieth anniversary of its publication. Previous to 1887 it was published first under the name of the New York Freeman, and subsequently under that of the New York Globe. It has had a long, useful and honorable career.

In an editorial leader in its issue of September 20 it tells a fascinating story of many changes it has noted in and around New York during its eventful career. Progress has been made along all lines. The Age has played no small part in this progress.

The Monitor extends congratulations to The Age and wishes it continued and well deserved success.

Do your level best wherever you may be employed.

Can you stand the acid test?

Obvious Observations

The U. S. Government has uncovered traitors by the thousands, but it hasn't found a Colored traitor—yet!

As Marcus Aurelius said when he started to turn on the shower bath, the longest thing in the world to wait for is pay day.

Isn't this lovely weather, Anabel? Either they aren't doing a blessed thing on the war fronts, or else the censor is working his scissors over time.

Have you dug your potatoes or has someone else dug them before you got a chance?

The common people are sitting tight and watching for the price of coal, but it is a long long watch.

From various bits of animated evidence it appears that there are enough blind tigers and blind pigs around Omaha to start a zoo that will make Hagenback look like an amateur collector.

The rumor is out that Omaha may get a war hospital. Let us hope, but if Omaha had the things she once had that got away and also the things that she thought she was going to get and never did, she would back little old New York off the boards as a metropolitan burg.

What's the difference between a newspaper and a balloon? Why, the balloon can stay up on air and the newspaper can't. So please pass the friend coin this way.

Thanking you for your ardent attention, we will now take our vocal lesson.

SKITS OF SOLOMON

AK-SAR-BEN

Ak-Sar-Ben is an annual festival put across by Omahans to let the surrounding country know that it is still on the map.

I started twenty-three years ago, and is now well past voting age. It is best to talk about the bad points of things before we start boosting the good ones, and the main bad point about the Ak show is that it always happens in the midst of chilly weather and rain. The sun usually shines brightly and the winds blow softly up until the beginning of Ak week, and then both renig. People used to hope and pray that the meteorological influences would be lovely, but they have gotten out of the habit now. They now know what to expect. The fine point about Ak week is that it certainly aids in the disappearance of money, that is, your money. The next fine point is the parades. There are several parades, and for the average reader the best part of the parade is the Colored band. Then come the floats. These are magnificent papier mache representations of things as we think they should have looked when they happened. Often they never happened, but that doesn't hurt the imagination a bit. Another nice feature is that the city usually looks respectable once a year if no more. The streets are actually cleaned and plenty of red, white, blue, yellow and green, warm up the atmosphere. Another fine point is the crowd. They are generally nice crowds, only having a pick-pocket occasionally. They are nice crowds because they bump and jostle you, tread on your corns, tear off your buttons, fill your mouth and eyes with confetti, and burst your ear drums with noise. They would do more to make life pleasanter, only they haven't been able to invent any more. It is another fine point that it happens only once a year. Once is plenty.

FOOD CONSERVATION

Not only in our homes will our people have an opportunity of saving food, but also in restaurants, hotels and private families where many are employed, they can do a vast deal to save food. This is tremendously important matter. Wanton waste of food means that within a few months this country will be facing starvation. Do not waste an ounce of food. Study where you can save. Substitute corn bread for wheat bread. Cut down on the amount of meat you use. In every way possible study how and where you can save food. Not only is this a patriotic duty, but it is a duty of self-preservation.

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I was talking to a mother the other day who had agreed with her son that he did not really need to enter high school. She held that times were hard, her boy knew enough to earn good wages and he'd most probably be taken to war before he had finished his four years' work.

I could not convince her that even though he were taken before completing his course, each year of study made him better fitted to serve his country, and prepared him to better labor in any vocation whatsoever. Real education means preparedness.

To educate is not to cram a supply of information about literature, science, history, or the languages, but to develop the individual capabilities of the child.

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Educate the child.

My first child, I have no song to give you;
No lark could pipe to slies so dull and gray;
Yet, ere we part, one lesson I can leave you
For every day.

Be good, sweet maid, and let who will be clever;
Do noble things, not dream them, all day long;
And make life, death and that vast forever
One grand sweet song.

THREE KINDS OF GIVERS

Some witty person once said: "There are three kinds of givers—the flut, the sponge, and the honeycomb."

To get anything out of a flint, you must hammer it, and then you get only chips and sparks.

To get water out of a sponge you must squeeze it, and the more you squeeze the more you will get.

But the honeycomb just overflows with its own sweetness.

Some people are stingy and hard; they give nothing away if they can help it.

Others are good natured; they yield to pressure, and the more they are pressed the more they will give.

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Events and Persons

Mrs. Lula McQuarrie, of Tacoma, Wash., formerly of Omaha, is here to settle with her former husband, A. McQuarrie. She is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. W. McQuarrie, 287 No. 27th avenue.

John A. Singleton left early Thursday morning for Washington, D. C., to resume his studies in Howard University. Enroute east he will spend a day visiting friends and classmates at the Officers' Reserve Training Camp at Des Moines, Ia.

Hair growing and hair preservation, scalp treatment, manicuring and massage. Smith, Chiles & Wheeler, 2414 North 24th. Webster 2024.—Adv.

Miss May A. Logan, the eldest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. C. G. Logan, is teaching in the city school of Sedalia, Mo. She recently graduated from the Teachers' Normal Course, Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark.

Miss Fostoria Logan leaves Monday for Rust College, Holly Springs, Miss. Mrs. M. A. Walker, 2609 Blondo, is confined to her bed at home, with a nervous breakdown. She is under the care of Dr. L. E. Britt.

Smoke John Ruskin 5c Cigar. Biggest and Best.—Adv.

Rev. S. A. Stripling, of Topeka, Kans., District Superintendent of the Topeka district of the M. E. Church, will preach at Grove M. E. Church Sunday morning at 11. The sermon will be followed by the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and General Class.

Subscribe for The Monitor. \$1.50 a year and worth it.

Mrs. Lula Hemmingsway and son Robert of Memphis, Tenn., are visiting W. V. Countee of 2612 Patrick avenue. Mr. Countee is Mrs. Hemmingsway's brother.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Osborne left last Tuesday for Coffeyville, Kan., to attend the Kansas-Nebraska Conference of the A. M. E. Church.

Albert Cambrie of Herington, Ia., was an Omaha visitor Sunday.

Plain sewing done. Children's clothes a specialty. Mrs. L. Johnson, Webster 1621.—Adv.

The Wide-a-Wake Twenty-four, of Zion Baptist Church, was entertained last Friday by Mrs. Ashby, 2411 Poppleton avenue. A delicious luncheon was served.

Mrs. Duncan entertained Mrs. Stephenson, Mrs. Butler and Mrs. Lindsay at dinner Sunday, in honor of Mrs. Cooper, of Chicago, Ill.

Ladies tailoring and dressmaking. Mrs. E. M. January, 2310 N. 25th St. Webster 1483.—Adv.

Mrs. Fanny Cooper, of Chicago, Ill., spent a few days in Omaha, the guest of Mrs. M. C. Stephenson.

Pleasant Green Baptist Church, ending a revival with 25 additions to the Church, will have a baptizing at the Missouri river, Sunday, September 30.

The pastor will preach baptismal sermon at 12 o'clock at the Church. There will be a special car leave the church at 2 o'clock sharp, 1417 North

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24th street. Rev. J. Costello, pastor.

Mrs. Nate Hunter returned Friday after having spent a delightful six weeks' visit in Chicago.

Don't be a slacker. Attend the masque halloween ball at the Mecca, given by the O. N. E. Club.—Adv.

Mrs. A. Hurlin has returned home from several points in Missouri and Kansas.

Mrs. R. B. Moldin, of Minneapolis, spent three days with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Metcalfe, enroute to Kansas City.

For dressmaking, call Miss Alexander, 2415 N. 20th st. Webster 3927.

Albert Hurt is visiting his parents. Mrs. Wm. Haynes, of Kearney, Neb., is in the city for a brief visit.

Don't forget the guessing contest to be held at Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, 26th and Seward. A one-dollar prize will be given to the one guessing the number or nearest number of beans in a jar. There will also be a splendid program rendered. Rev. M. H. Wilkinson, pastor; Mrs. H. C. Watts, Mrs. Edgar Jones, managers.

The O. N. E. Club will give a masquerade ball on Halloween at the Mecca.

Sylvester Keyser, recently of Pensacola, Fla., died last Sunday of acute appendicitis. His body was shipped home by the American Smelting and Refining company, the firm of which he was an employee. The Western Undertaking company handled the case.

Miss Irene Cochran was given a surprise party on her birthday, Sept. 17th, by members of the Zion Baptist church choir. A delightful evening was spent and she was thoroughly surprised. The party was given at the residence of Mrs. Bert Turner.

Miss Cochran is organist of Zion Baptist church.

Frank Douglas, well-known Union Pacific veteran, returned to Omaha from Chicago Monday. Mr. Douglas reports a delightful visit and says that State street looks like it has most of Omaha's Colored population.

PARKE REVERES AS BUSINESS MANAGER

Owing to the fact that Mr. George Wells Parker has found it impossible for some weeks to devote his entire time, as formerly, to the business management of The Monitor, he has retired from that position, but will continue on the staff as contributing editor and help in whatever other way his time will allow.

TRAVELING REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MONITOR

Fred C. Williams, who has accepted the position of traveling representative of The Monitor, will leave next week for Lincoln, Atchison, St. Joseph and other points where he will solicit subscriptions and advertisers and secure agents and correspondents.

EQUIPS PLAYGROUND FOR EMPLOYEES' CHILDREN

Enola, Pa.—The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has installed playground equipment for the use of Colored children living near Summerdale on the railroad property. The equipment consists of sandboxes, swings, seesaws and other playground necessities. The fathers of the children are employed by the company as track laborers and a colony has been established near Summerdale where the Colored people are quartered.

SEVEN BROTHERS IN NEW YORK'S COLORED REGIMENT

Camp Upton, L. I.—A unique feature of the Fifteenth regiment and on which it claims a record is the presence of seven brothers. Six of them are here at Camp Upton and the seventh is with the other battalion. Their name is Fowler and their parents live in Glen Cove. They are Benjamin, Jr., 36; John, 31; Richard, 28; Howard, 26; Roy, 22; and George, 18.

1500 ATTEND COLLEGE OPENING

Muskogee, Okla.—Fifteen hundred persons witnessed the opening of the Flipper-Key Davis University September 14. The university is conducted under the auspices of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. Bishop J. M. Conner is the official head of the institution.

COLORED MEN TO BE CALLED IN OCTOBER

Washington, D. C.—The first of the drafted Colored men will be called to the national army in the third increment October 3. Secretary of War Baker stated recently. As far as possible they will be trained at the nearest cantonment.

"THE COLORED TROOPS FOUGHT NOBLY"

Governor Manning, of Jamaica, has received word from Sir Edmund Allenby, commander-in-chief of the Egyptian forces, that the Colored fighters, performed gallantly during two successful raids on British trenches.

THE SMITH DEFENSE FUND

Please bear in mind that contributions are requested for the defense of Smith, who is being held for the murder of Mrs. C. L. Nethaway. Send in your contributions.

WILL LECTURE AT THE MECCA

It will be shown by picture machine that "The Birth of All Nations was the Black Man." Religiously, educationally and politically. The matter is founded on Elder Jas. M. Webb's great book "The Black Man Was the



Father of Civilization." Every picture shown on the screen will be fully explained in the lecture. Books, pictures and songs will be sold. At the Mecca Hall, Grant Street, near 24th, Tuesday, October 2nd. Adults 15c. Children, 10c. Doors Open at 8 o'clock. Pictures shown at 8:30. Webster 3390. 2820 North 26th St.

LETTER FROM MOTHER OF NETHAWAY MURDER SUSPECT

The following letter from the aged mother of Larkin McCloud, whose stage name as a wrestler was "Thunderbolt" or Charles Smith, the man being held for the Nethaway murder, will be read with interest by Monitor readers. It is published as sent us, without correction:

Lawrence, Kans., Sept. 24, 1917.

Rev. John Albert Williams, Pastor of the Colored Church of St. Philip:

My Dear Brother in Christ—I now take the pleasure in writing you in the behavior of my son, Larkin McCloud. I have the clipping your paper there and I must say it is nothing but the Holy Spirit that has revealed it unto you Colored brothering to defend this poor boy. There is no one that feels this burden like a mother and I can't believe that I borned a murderer in the world even if they find him guilty. I can't believe that my son is guilty of anything like that. I am afraid this is another St. Joe, Mo., scrape, but the beauty of it they didn't convict the wrong man if they didn't get the rite one. My son is not an outcast. He had a good home and he went away last April to work and I have never heard of him since until I heard of this. I had been in the hospital all last year and it took all we had and he went to work in order to get more wages so he might help his father and I more. If you see that I can help you any way except finnee let me know. We haven't anything finnee my husband is old and getting frail and spent every thing we had trying to save my eyesight, but if my coming to see the boy will do any good you let me know and perhaps the Lord will open the way for me to see my boy that I may get there. May God bless you in my prayer. We are tranger here but not in Christ.

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N. W. C. A. NOTES

Founders' day was celebrated at the N. W. C. A. Home Thursday afternoon, Sept. 13, from 3 to 8. A large number of friends called during the receiving hours. At 7 o'clock a splendid program was rendered. Addresses were made by Dr. L. E. Britt, Lawyer Amos Scruggs, Rev. and Mrs. Wilkinson and the members of the advisory board. A dainty luncheon was served by Mrs. Henry Moore.

Mr. David Moore continues quite ill at the home.

Donations of canned fruit or vegetables will be gratefully received for the winter.

There is room in the Home for several inmates. Make application to Mrs. J. A. Smith, Webster 4409.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. Keyser, mother of Sylvester Keyser, who died last week, wishes to thank the friends in the neighborhood and the men at the smelter for the purse of \$29.65 which was so generously given her. She says that she will carry back to the South kind memories of Northern people and not forget their kindness.

LECTURE LARGELY ATTENDED

Elder James M. Webb of Chicago was greeted by a large and appreciative audience at Bethel Baptist church last Tuesday night when he delivered his lecture on "The Black Man: Religiously, Educationally and Politically."

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANT

To Nettle E. Thornton, Non-Resident Defendant.

Notice is hereby given that on the 25th day of June, 1917, Oscar H. Thornton, as plaintiff, filed his petition against you in the District Court of Douglas County, Nebraska, the object and avowed of which is to obtain a decree of divorce from you on the grounds of desertion for a period of more than two years prior to the filing of said petition.

On September 26, 1917, Honorable Arthur C. Wakeley, Judge of said Court, issued an order that service of the notice of the filing of said petition be had upon you by publication. You are therefore required to answer said petition on or before the 5th day of November, 1917, or the allegations of said petition will be taken as true, and a divorce as therein prayed for.

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South Side Notes

Mr. Samuel Washington and Mrs. Mary House were quietly married Saturday evening by Rev. H. Stapleton at the Rev. Mr. Stapleton's home, 24th and W streets.

Bethel Baptist Church held baptismal services Wednesday. Three persons were baptised.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Orum have moved to their new home at 5410 South 27th street.

Mrs. Lula Thornton received a message from Kansas City bearing the sad news of the death of her only uncle, Mr. C. Gray.

Rev. T. A. Tuggart married Mr. Carl Smith and Miss Irene Britton at his home at 27th and Corby streets. The young people will be at home to their many friends at 29th and S streets.

Mrs. J. Whildby, of 29th and T Sts., will give an entertainment at her home Saturday evening for the purpose of buying brick for the remodeling of the church.

Mr. James Mitchell has opened a first class shining parlor and cigar stand at 28th and Q streets. He asks the patronage of all.

NOTES OF ZION

BAPTIST CHURCH

The work of Zion Baptist Church is progressing nicely along all lines. All auxiliaries are resuming activities after a lull during the summer months caused by so many members being away on vacations.

Thursday, October 11, will be banner day for the church. October 15 to 20, "Harvest Home" gathering will be celebrated. Don't forget the dates and watch for further announcements.

The missionary circle was entertained Thursday, September 20, by Mrs. R. W. Kelly. A very interesting meeting was held, the event of the evening being the report of the secretary, Mrs. L. Rose, the delegate who had just returned from the thirty-ninth annual session of the Iowa-Nebraska association, held at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, with which the mission circles held a joint session.

She presented to the local circle the state banner, which they were awarded for having raised the largest amount of money for home and foreign missions during the past year, the amount being \$221.50.

The next meeting will be held with Mrs. J. Harris, 2912 Burdette St.

Election of officers will be held the first Thursday in October. Everyone is urged to help us on to victory in this noble cause.

For real estate, loans, insurance and investments, see Eugene Thomas first. Rooms 413-14, Karbach Block, 15th and Douglas. Phone Douglas 3607.—Adv.

Lincoln Department

Anita M. Taylor, Call L9810 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.

Mr. W. B. Walker, who has been visiting his son, Mr. Robert Walker, for the past few days, returned to his home at Overland, Neb.

Mr. Cecil Wright left last week for Red Cloud, Kansas, where he was drafted.

The rally last Sunday at Mt. Zion Baptist Church was a decided success. Mr. George Todd reported the largest amount of money raised \$28.50. Mrs. Ed. Griffen was second, with \$28.26. Total amount reported was \$149.50.

Mrs. Louis Holmes is ill with la grippe.

The Optimistic Set held a very pleasant social last Friday evening. The evening was passed quickly with cards and music after which light refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Hamelin, of 5015 W St., were agreeably surprised by a week-end visit from their brother, Mr. H. H. Hamelin, of Omaha.

The L. L. S. Kensington Club met Monday afternoon with Mrs. Spann. Most of the members were present and spent a very enjoyable afternoon. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Robert Johnson, 907 S street.

Mr. T. P. Pahr leaves Monday, October 1st, for Howard University to complete a course in pharmacy.

Rev. J. W. Webb, of Chicago, will lecture Monday evening at the Baptist Church. Subject, "The Black Man's Place in the Bible."

The Optimistic Club will meet Thursday with Mrs. Clyde Malone.

Watch for the drama to be given soon by the members of Gideon Band. Mrs. E. Griffen, directress.

Mrs. Charles Haynes had as dinner guests Sunday, Mrs. Bragg and Mrs. Bruelle, of Omaha.

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I am writing on board a Jim Crow Car from Little Rock, Ark., toward St. Louis, Mo., a horrible night ride. The Colored women have one end of a smoker, separated from smoking white men by a partition that rises only part the way from the floor toward the ceiling of the car. All of the smoke and fumes, and some of the oaths come over. Some of these Colored people have already spent two nights in this same car-end, coming all the way from the lower side of Texas. For them the name of the train must sound very much like irony: it is "The Sunshine Special."

Just behind us is a chair car for white people where they can stretch out and rest with sanitary napkins under their heads. They have paid exactly the same "first class" fares paid by these Colored passengers. But in the Jim Crow Car there are only straight-backed seats filled with the dust and grime of neglect. All of these Colored people are at home, and some of them giving audible expression to the wish to reach Poplar Bluff, the first stop in Missouri, so that they can go back into that chair car, and out of the squalor and discomfort of this car-end. And some of these Colored men are in the service of the United States, summoned from the far corners of Texas to Newport News, Va., to be trained to fight for democracy in Europe; and because they travel practically all of the way through southern territory they must sit up for three nights and days, without change of clothing or a bit of warm food, certainly a good preparation for trench warfare.

Then, "Why does the Negro leave the South?"—Indeed! You would FEEL a large part of the answer if you could be on this train in this Jim Crow Car, and share for one night the longing of these people to reach the line that divides Missouri from Arkansas, or any other part of "the line" that separates Dixie from the rest of creation!

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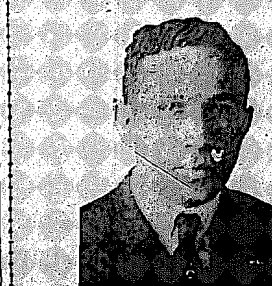
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