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PORTLAND LOCALS

Mrs. Allen returned a few days ago from the beach.
Mrs. Mabel Davis has returned from her visit to her mother, Mrs. Clark, of Tacoma.
Mr. W. M. Bynum is expecting to leave Portland soon for a visit to Los Angeles, Cal.

Mrs. Ida Stanford who has been visiting in our city for some time returned last week to her home in North Yakima.

Don't forget the Emancipation Proclamation celebration at the Auditorium at the fair grounds Saturday, September 22.

The ladies of the Bethel church are preparing to give a concert on or about Thanksgiving. Full particulars will be known later.

Mr. Ralph Galloway has resigned his position at the barber shop on Sixth street and has accepted a position at the Portland Hotel. Mr. Roy Wilson succeeded him at his former place.

Mrs. Ashby received a letter from her daughter, Miss Mattie Ashby, stating that she will leave St. Paul soon for Chicago, where she will enter school. Mrs. Ashby will join her daughter in Chicago in a few weeks.

On Thursday of last week a little gathering of young ladies and gentlemen met with Mrs. L. A. Goodwin at 1120 East Salmon. The evening was spent in singing and dancing until the few hours compelled them to seek their various homes.

The Reed-French Piano Company offers to the most graceful couple in the cake walk a handsome pair of imported pearl opera glasses. The Reed-French Piano Manufacturing Co. is the largest piano concern on the Pacific coast and has generously donated this prize.

The high school opened this year on Sept. 17 under the new direction of limiting all courses to 4 years. Notwithstanding the extended year we are glad to see so many of our girls and boys entering for German, Latin, English and commercial courses. It shows that we are progressing, so give us your encouragement.

TACOMA NOTES

Meredithe sells good butter, 1106 Commercial street, Tacoma, Wash. Free—one car ticket with each \$1.00 purchase of teas, coffees, canned or package goods.

Mrs. Lawhorn left last Friday for a visit to Everett.

Don't forget the masquerade dance the 31st of October.

Mrs. Cristina who has been very low is up and around.

Mrs. L. E. Clarke, who has been very low, is improving slowly.

Mr. Lion Foster, of Washington, D. C., was in the city last Wednesday.

Mrs. Flowers, of Spokane, was in our city visiting friends last Saturday.

Miss Carrie Cristina is going to leave our city this week to live in Colfax.

Mrs. D. W. Gibson and Mrs. Paul Ury left last Friday to visit the state fair at North Yakima.

Mrs. Mabel Davis, who was visiting her mother, Mrs. Clark, left last Friday for her home in Portland.

Miss Helen Stafford, of Spokane, was in our city a few days last week visiting the Misses Laura and Carrie Cristina.

Miss Lena Turner, of Portland, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Wilson, of this city, made a flying visit to Seattle yesterday.

Mrs. Anderson and family who have been visiting this summer in St. Paul, returned home last Thursday. They report having had a nice time.

The Ladies' society gave a reception to Rev. and Mrs. S. S. Freeman and daughters last Tuesday night at the A. M. E. church. There was a large attendance.

The Old Joker club had another social dance last Wednesday night at Parker's hall and they had a large attendance. Everyone who went reports having a swell time. As usual the Seattle people turned out well.

There was last week a little social gathering at the residence of Miss Laura Cristina in honor of Miss Lena Turner of Portland. Misses Carrie Cristina and Myrtle Hall assisted Miss Cristina. There were a few solos rendered. Those present were Misses Turner, Laura and Carrie Cristina, Myrtle Hall, Martha Goldsburg, Deia Tanna, Laura White, Dassel Lawhorn, and Messrs. Clifford Freeman, Phil Rucker, Dee Gibson, Norris Bennett, Arthur Raglen, Ernest Tanna, George Moore, George Longress, George Jones and Lee Rucker.

OUR CHICAGO LETTER

Chicago, Sept. 13th, 1906.
Miss Ollie French, wife of Police Officer Martin French, died last week.

Mr. A. A. Hodges has returned home from Michigan. Mr. Theodore W. Jones has returned from Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. James Porter who has been out of a job for a long time has succeeded in getting a messenger's place over in the Recorder's office.

The Pekin Theatre under the management of Mr. R. J. Motts is having a great success in this city. It is patronized by the best people in Chicago.

Mr. George Taylor and Mr. Sherman Gill both colored men got in a disputable quarrel and fight on last Monday evening. Both of the men were drunk and created a great disturbance in the neighborhood where they were. Mr. George Taylor is a Pullman car porter and lived at 2919 Armour avenue. The sooner the Pullman Car Company gets rid of all such individuals as that the better off they will be.

One of the colored churches in Chicago that has done and is continually doing the colored people in this city a great deal of harm and damage is the Bethel A. M. E. church of which Rev. A. J. Cary is the pastor. The followers of this church and the pastor is continually preaching and advocating the infamous and destructive doctrine, and that is to have the separate schools for the colored children in Chicago. They meet every Sunday and through the week at this place and preach and advocate this infamous doctrine. It is to be hoped that Rev. A. J. Cary will leave this city and never be re-appointed to a church in Chicago. Let him go back to Georgia and remain there the balance of his life, where the separate school system is in force.

SAVANNAH'S FOUR BANKS. Savannah, Ga., August 24.—This city boasts four Afro-American banks—the Metropolitan, the Wage Earners' Afro-American and the Union Savings company. All are doing well.

Spokane, Wash., Sept. 18.—To the Editor of the New Age. Dear Sir—A half fare rate to Spokane has been made by the railroads to be in effect next week for the benefit of the Pacific Northwest convention of commercial clubs held during the Spokane Interstate fair. The convention will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 25 and 26, and the fair opens Sept. 24, continuing until October 6. Never before have the railroads granted a rate for the Spokane Interstate fairs for so wide a territory. This half fare rate—one fare for the round trip—applies from all points in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana. Some of the roads have not specified what day this will be good, but it is certain it will enable the visitors to reach the fair on the first day, and to give them ample time to see everything there is to be seen at this Spokane exposition, and to attend all the meetings of the convention.

The Northern Pacific will sell next Monday a one fare rate ticket to Spokane from all points in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana; and from points so remote that a person cannot reach Spokane in time for the convention if he starts Monday, this road will sell tickets Sunday, September 23. Other roads are expected to do the same. The Northern Pacific makes it possible for the person coming to Spokane on this ticket to remain two weeks.

No convention ever held in the Pacific Northwest, save excepting the very important meeting of the Irrigation Congress, recently in session at Boise, is of greater value than the convention which is to be held in Spokane two days next week. The shrewdest business men of this part of the Pacific Northwest are planning the program and propose a movement which will advertise the four states in a way which will rival the greatest advertising schemes which the Canadian government and the Canadian Pacific railway have been using to draw people of the United States into the Alberta country. Already many delegates are promised for the convention, assuring the important meeting desired.

The committees which are planning the meeting fight shy of everything which is for individual localities as against the entire Northwest. There is so much of vast importance upon which all communities in the four states can unite, that the convention will find that it will have all it can do to plan this work.

Among the questions which have been suggested for discussion are the placing of lecturers in the east, advertising the Pacific northwest; opening of rivers and harbors; the establishment of a strong northwest press bureau; securing by united action national conventions for all the cities of the northwest, which are large enough to entertain them; the placing of an immigration agent in Europe; securing of an appropriation by the legislature of each of the four states for the advertising of that state; the co-operation of the United States government for forest protection, including the patrol of forests by United States cavalry troops, and the urging of leading cities to hold annual expositions and fairs.

It is important that every commercial body send delegates to this convention and notify R. C. Rohrbacher, secretary at Spokane, of the name of the delegates, as fast as they are chosen. Railroad officials are not only giving unusual rates for the benefit of this convention, but many of the officials are writing personal letters, endorsing the importance of the movement and promising to be present.

Yours truly, STOREY BUCK, Press Agent.

OUR WORST ENEMIES.

It is apparent to our mind that the worst enemies of our race at the present time are mean white and bad Negroes. The one class charges us with all of the crimes in the decalogue and the other class is steadily in the business of proving these charges to be true, while the great mass of our people are striving to improve their condition educationally, religiously, morally, industrially and financially. For this reason, it is absolutely essential that we be more polite and more obliging to the better class of white people. Strive to win their friendship and merit their approval. They will then do much to defend us against the unjust imputations of their own people. The aggravating misrepresentations of us will increase just as we advance along all lines and amass wealth and acquire property.

If we get the substance, we can afford to pay no attention to the shadow. Early settlers in this country had to risk the hardships of Indian warfare and we should be content to brave the dangers of race prejudice. The United States is the garden spot of the world for financial progress at this time. Foreigners are reaping a harvest and the Afro-American will be blind indeed should he fail to make the most of his opportunities. A rolling stone gathers no moss and a wondering mind no strength. Let us outwit the Negro hating white man and secure the support of the justice loving white folks at all hazards.—Planet.

AFRO-AMERICAN PHYSICIANS.

(From The Philadelphia Press.) Nearly 1,000 colored physicians in all the various fields of medicine are represented by the National Medical Association, now meeting in this city. Its members represent hospitals in this city, Richmond, Charleston and other cities. Negro medical education at Howard University in Washington and in other institutions, training schools for nurses and the wide and hopeful beginnings of medical science for 10,000,000 of our population.

This will surprise only those who are unaware of the extent to which the Negro, thrown back on himself by racial proscription, social ostracism and universal obstacles to his profession, is successfully creating his own world in social, professional and personal life. Where the Negro communities in our Northern cities and the Southern states relied wholly 20 or 25 years ago on white physicians, they now have their own. This city has already a group of Negro physicians as highly educated, as carefully trained, as high in their professional ethics and as able as any of a similar practice in the community. In the South the Negro physician is receiving recognition achieved by no other member of his race. In many cities he is received in consultation by white practitioners, and in more than one Southern county the young Negro doctor, fresh from a Northern college, is the best equipped and best educated physician in the countryside.

The Negro race in this country, in this, as in much else, is placing himself in the forefront of the less advantaged races. Compared with their white fellow citizens, the Negro population inevitably lacks at all points. It is in the rear. But if we turn to the general mass of colored races the world over, outside of Japan, there is no one body of 10,000,000 human beings, not white, who have so many college graduates, so many educated physicians, so large a share in civilized life or are making more progress than the general body of American Negroes.

In the great area south of the United States and in all the tropics, the colored physician is certain to become the practitioner of the future. In the end it is he who will practically solve the problems of sanitation and the repression of disease in the tropics. Rightly considered, the colored physician is today the vanguard of science and medical practice in the millions of the colored races the world around, and the Medical Association now meeting in this city represents as no other can the manly and successful attempt of a race, which has innumerable odds against it, to demonstrate that, denied many opportunities, it is still sufficient unto itself, and can as other races have done, solve its own social, medical and sanitary problems by creating its own world of progress, research, education and medical practice.

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