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**PORTLAND LOCALS**

**Mr. Paul Strain** the genial proprietor of the Chicago Clothing Co. in the Almsworth Building, Third and Oak Streets, is a firm and true friend of our people. Call and get acquainted with him.

Mrs. Julia Green, one of our pioneer citizens is indisposed.

Mr. A. Harris, who had his finger amputated several weeks ago is still at St. Vincent's hospital in a critical condition.

The theatres were generously patronized this week by Afro-Americans caused by the presence of "Black Patti and her Trubadors."

Mrs. Clara Bettis underwent another operation at Good Samaritan hospital on Wednesday of this week for the purpose of benefiting her eye sight.

An Irish social is announced to be held at the A. M. E. Zion church on the 18th inst. As they never do things by half it behooves the public to attend.

Mr. Robert Jackson, one of the oldest and most reliable employes of the hotel Portland was compelled by sickness to be absent from his post one day this week.

The Apron bazaar given last week at the Zion church Thirteenth and Main streets was a decided success both socially and financially and reflects great credit on the committee in charge of the same.

Mr. Sim Reddy, who has been suffering with a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism was removed to the Good Samaritan hospital on last Friday and underwent an operation. He is doing nicely at present.

Mrs. M. E. Fullilove will address the young people's meeting of the A. M. E. Zion church on Sunday evening, March 10th at 7 p. m. At 8 p. m. Rev. Barber will fill the pulpit in the absence of Rev. Geo. E. Jackson, the regular pastor.

Mr. C. C. Craddock returned the first of the week after a two weeks sojourn at St. Martin's Springs, greatly improved in health and spirits and was able to resume his position with the Pullman Palace Car Company on last Monday evening.

Mr. John Smith Washington, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Washington of Twelfth street North died at their residence Tuesday after a lingering illness and was buried at Lone Fir cemetery Wednesday, Rev. Smith of Mt. Olivet church officiating.

Mrs. J. C. Logan gave an enjoyable reception in honor of her mother who left for her home on Wednesday evening. A large number of her friends were present and wished their departing friend God speed regretting that her stay in our midst had been so short.

The members of the various churches are making preparations to celebrate Easter. Special music by the various choirs as well as appropriate exercises by the members of the Sunday schools. The pleasing information comes from the milliner's convention held a few days ago in Chicago that ladies' hats are to be more gorgeous and costly than heretofore.

The many friends of Mrs. Marie Butler will be pained to learn of her death which occurred at Vancouver, B. C., on the 26th inst. Interment was at City View cemetery. Mrs. Butler had resided in Portland for over 17 years and was at one time connected with the A. M. E. Zion church of this city. Last year being ill, her life long friend, Mrs. Susie Ford persuaded her to come to Vancouver and live with her. She loves a sister in the east as well as other relatives to mourn her loss.

The public press prints an article stating that a plan has been devised by the citizens of the State of Louisiana which contemplates supplanting the negro plantation laborers with state imported white immigrants. Whilst there is no need to fear that the scheme will be a success it is to be hoped that it will be tried as no means could be devised which would sooner break up the infamous and unlawful treatment accorded the farm hands in that section of the country than the exercising it in the case of individuals who could and would appeal to some strong government to see that justice was meted out to them. Then penance would be stamped out in the south land.

A visit to the several business enterprises being conducted by negro men and women in this city would be in the nature of a discovery and agreeable surprise to the majority of our people and cause us to give up the belief that conditions are worse now than they were ten or twenty years ago. We find barber shops, grocery stores, restaurants, tailor shops, cafes, boarding and rooming houses, furniture stores, real estate and employment offices, boot black stands, laundries, etc., all being run by Afro-Americans, and comparing favorably with any like establishments in the city, thereby assuring many of our people employ-

ment and in nearly all cases their patrons can be certain of polite and courteous treatment from the attendants who will be found perfectly competent and in few cases will customers be unable to secure what ever they desire. These enterprising men and women deserve to a greater degree than has been accorded them the patronage of their fellow citizens. Let us, when for one reason or another we feel that it is more desirable to take a meal away from home with our families patronize one of these restaurants or boarding houses where we do not have to take a side room to be welcome, where we know we will not be embarrassed by being told if we sit in the main dining room that we do not serve colored people here, but rather where we can feel that what we spend will be appreciated. Likewise with the grocery stores, tailor shops, etc. Give them at least a portion of your trade, remembering that if their trade grows so that they can employ an errand boy or another salesman or woman that it is likely to be another position filled with an Afro-American—a little above a menial one. How many of the stores run by the other race will give our boys or girls a chance to act as clerk or saleslady or even an errand boy or delivery wagon driver. Let us ponder these things and try each of us in our humble way to better our conditions along these lines and ere long we will be surprised at the material improvement.

**PROMINENT COLORED PEOPLE**

**Who Have Accomplished Much and Who Are Held in High Esteem by the People All Over the Country.**  
(By Eugene Fields of Chicago.)

Mr. James A. Scott of Chicago, Ill., is one of the prominent lawyers of this city. He is formerly from the State of Mississippi and several years ago previous to his coming to Chicago, he was elected clerk of the Circuit Court of one of the large and wealthy districts in the State of Mississippi, and has for some years in the city of Chicago filled an important position as one of the expert clerks in the recorder's office of Cook county. He has lately commenced the practice of his profession as a lawyer and has been employed as the attorney for the Commercial Consolidated Company of Chicago. Lawyer Scott is a republican in politics, and is a man of honor and ability.

Mr. John F. Cragwell of Seattle, Wash., is a representative citizen of Seattle, in the State of Washington, and is one among the leading and wealthiest colored men on the Pacific Coast. Mr. Cragwell takes a deep interest in the affairs of his race, politically, religiously, educationally, and industrially.

Mrs. J. H. Johnson of Chicago, Ill., is an excellent christian lady and a woman of a great deal of race pride. She is an influential member of several secret and benevolent organizations among the colored people, and is deputy grand matron of the State of Illinois, of the Order of Daughters of Sphinx, and is also the Royal Matron of Queen Esther Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star of Chicago, and is also one of the associate supreme grand matrons of the Supreme Grand Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star of the United States and Canada.

Mr. Edward E. Wilson of Chicago, Ill., is a prominent member of the Chicago bar. He was born in the State of Texas, but has resided in Chicago for a number of years. Previous to his coming to the city of Chicago, he resided for a short time in the state of Massachusetts and graduated with high honors from the Williams college, in the state of Massachusetts. Mr. Wilson is a learned and prominent man of his race, and has on several occasions contributed an excellent and interesting article to some of the leading magazines of the country. He has won distinction in his chosen profession of the law.

Hon. Theodore W. Jones of Chicago, Ill., is one of the influential men of his race. In the year of 1894 he was elected on the republican ticket by an overwhelming majority as one of the county commissioners of Cook county, and he has accomplished much for the benefit of his race. No other colored man has ever held a position as a county commissioner of Cook county who displayed as much ability and judgment in the management of the great business interests of Cook county that come before the county board from time to time as the Honorable Theodore W. Jones.

**OUR CHICAGO LETTER**

The New Age is on sale at Levy's News Stand, 506 Thirty-seventh st., Chicago.

Chicago, Ill., Mar. 1, 1907.

Special to the Portland New Age.

Mr. Samuel Young of 2921 Armour avenue is on the sick list.

Hon. Geo. H. Jackson, ex-member of the legislature of Cincinnati, Ohio, was in the city last week.

Last week the Centennial Social and Literary Club was organized among the colored people. Mr. Robert Sanders was elected president.

Lawyer S. A. T. Watkins, the assistant prosecuting attorney at Chicago, has been promoted and assigned to the municipal court at Harrison street.

Occidental Club passed a series of resolutions of censure against W. T. Vernon, the registrar of the United States treasurer for the speech that he made in Chicago recently, and branded him as a coward and traitor to his race.

A musical treat was given to the people of Chicago who were fortunate enough to get tickets to the concert given at Bethesda Baptist church last Thursday evening. The house was filled, and the programme was excellent.

Mrs. Nannie Duncan of 4813 Dear-

born street, is one of the enterprising workers in the Christian church.

The Order of True Reformers in the city of Chicago has a membership of 500, and according to the last report, the order is doing splendidly.

There is a strong effort now being made by a large number of republicans in the city of Chicago and all over the county of Cook, to defeat Judge Benjamin Smith, who is now a candidate for re-election on the republican ticket for one of the judges of the Superior court of Cook county. Since he has been on the bench the way he has treated a great many of the lawyers and other persons who have had business in his court, he has made himself very unpopular with a large number of people in Chicago. All the indications point now that he will be beaten by 25,000 majority.

John M. Collins, chief of police of the police department of Chicago is beyond doubt, the very best man that has ever been chief of police of the city of Chicago, and Mayor Dunne is to be congratulated for having selected such a competent and fair-minded man as John M. Collins for the place. Chicago needs just such a man as chief of police as John M. Collins. It must be remembered that when Chief John M. Collins took hold of the police department in Chicago and became the general superintendent of the police force of Chicago, he found on the police force a number of worthless, dishonest, and unreliable police officers, and some of them were holding important positions in the police department. He has succeeded in weeding them nearly all out, and has placed the police department upon such a high standing that it is far in advance of any police department in any city in the United States.

The management of the Colored Department of the Jamestown Exposition made a great mistake when they selected James H. Porter of Chicago to be their field agent to collect exhibits from the colored people throughout this section of the country. This is the same James H. Porter of Chicago that figured in a conspicuous manner a few years ago in what was called, the Mid-Summer Colored Exposition, that was held in Chicago. It will be remembered that some of the colored people who had exhibits at that exposition had to commence a law suit in the courts of this city to get back their property. Some of the colored people never got back their property at all, and some of the colored people secured the services of Lawyer John G. Jones of Chicago, and several law suits were the result before they succeeded in getting back their own property. The colored people in Chicago, and all over the State of Illinois have made up their minds that if they have anything to exhibit for the Jamestown exposition that rather than have a law suit about the matter, rather than to have it stolen away from them, they will keep their property at home.

**BIG AID TO TIMBER BARONS.**

**President's Proclamation Bonanza for Weyerhaeuser Syndicate.**

Seattle, Wash., March 6.—In the belief that to create more forest reserves in the state of Washington would be to prevent timber on the public domain from falling into the hands of the timber and lumber barons of the country, President Roosevelt signed a proclamation adding 4,291,000 acres of timber land to the reserves already created in the state. By so doing, however, the president gave to the Weyerhaeuser Timber company and to other rich corporations absolutely undisputed sovereignty over some of the richest and most valuable lands in the state. That the president was uninformed when he made what is undoubtedly one of his most remarkable orders is shown by the fact that he has placed in the hands of the timber barons a power they never dreamed of having.

The Weyerhaeuser and other big timber land owning corporations either now have the ownership of all the lands surrounding the reserves just created, or will soon have them. Under such circumstances, the timber baron could log off up to the reserves, constructing railroads which would be paid for out of the profits of the lower country.

Under the forest reserve act the government can sell timber to those who wish to buy and who have the price. The small logger, owning no timber lands reaching to the reserves and without means of transportation of any kind, will be absolutely and effectually barred from bidding for the government timber. Only the timber baron and the logging magnate could apply to purchase.

**LIKE HIS PREDECESSORS.**

**Senators Defend Hermann—Fulton and Meldrum Testify.**

Washington, March 6.—It developed in the trial of Binger Hermann yesterday that government officials make a practice of keeping private letter press copybooks and that they have all used their discretion as to what should and what should not go into their private books. It was shown that it has likewise been discretionary with officials to take their private books with them upon retirement or leave them behind, as they saw fit. Senator Teller, of Colorado, who was secretary of the interior under President Arthur, testified that he copied in his private letter books many letters relating to matters before his department, and when he retired, he took the books with him and no question was ever raised as to the propriety of his action.

Senator Carter, of Montana, who was land commissioner in President Harrison's time, had more rigid ideas on the subject, and left behind him all his private letter books that contained letters relating to the business of his office.

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