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## "CRACKER" TOURISTS IN FRANCE VENT SPLEEN ON RACE MAN

## KLAN WARNS SQUIRE--MIXED MARRIAGE

MAGISTRATE "MARKED MAN" AFTER UNITING WHITE WOMAN AND HER DARK-SKINNED LOVER AT LEBANON, PENN.

Couple Got Marriage License After Clerk Was Confronted With the Fact That There Is Nothing in the Pennsylvania Statutes Forbidding Mixed Marriages

LEBANON, Pa., Aug. 9.—Robert L. Miller, city magistrate and alderman in the Fourth Ward last week, received a Ku Klux Klan warning in the form of a visit by two strangers. They told him they were from Harrisburg and questioned him about his performance of a marriage ceremony on June 28, in which the principals were James R. Johnson, colored, and Miss Mary C. Patterson, white, both of Harrisburg.

The couple got a marriage license here after Clark Strauss was confronted with the fact that there is nothing in the Pennsylvania statutes forbidding the marriage of whites and Negroes. First the couple asked a Presbyterian minister to perform the ceremony, but he refused. They next tried Alderman Miller, who consented after satisfying himself that it was legal.

Declaring that Alderman Miller would be "marked" when he comes up for re-election, the strangers left a card bearing the inscription "The Ku Klux Klan are here, there and everywhere. If you are interested, address Postoffice Box 120 Harrisburg."

SEASIDE, OREGON

(By a Vacationer.)

It is glorious, this tenting out at Seaside, Oregon. No clock to worry you about time, no office hours to make, just bathing, eating and sleeping. We have had eight days of it already and would like many times more. Cooking, eating and sleeping all in one room! No rules of sanitation, yet we are all well, happy—always sleepy and hungry. We sit on the beach in the blazing sun with a sunshade and eye shade, and then squint our eyes to look four feet beyond where we are. We go in the ocean, the great Pacific, ride waves until the undercurrent persistently pulls at our legs and tells us it is

time to get out. We come out, roll in the sand, take a nap, read a bit of news, perhaps eat a cookie or two—we stretch out for a few hours and then return to the waves, wet ourselves all up, get on more sand, return to our tents, eat again, dress up and promenade along the sea wall, buy popcorn and candy, ride in the merry-go-round, return home, eat some more and sleep. This is Seaside, and all Portland seems to be "doin' it."

James Curry jammed an ice pick into one of his fingers a few days ago and was forced to lay off from the observation car job.

The Seven Days Adventist denomination are holding a camp meeting at Hillsboro, Ore.

T. B. Norman, who is Grand Master of the order of U. B. F. of California, is here and has organized a branch of the order. He is also the Grand Secretary of the K. of P. of that state. While here he was the recipient of many social favors, prominent among them was a trip on the highway.

FOOT NOTES TO AFRICAN HISTORY

Mr. Agamemnon,

Mr. Agamemnon, the famous scraper of Greece, was the brother of Menelaus, husband of the cute chicken known as Helen of Troy. They were born colored and at the age when most children are.

When Paris, sheik of Troy, skipped with Helen, the Greeks declared a fight fest and buddy Agamemnon was made the head military gazoo.

Aga was some permissives as a general and when he was all dolled up in his brass plate and Woolworth diamonds, he knocked em silly.

Once Aga and his chief side kicking hero, Achilles, got into a hot argument that almost wrecked the war.

It was thuswise. The Greeks had left their ladies home and made it a practice of gathering up other folks' ladies. In one of the forays, Kid Achilles gathered in a flock of fine feminine screams and kept the prettiest for himself.

Bud Aga objected. He claimed that because he was the big noise, he should have the fluffiest fluffs for himself. He told Kid Achilles if he didn't hand 'em over he would take a fall out of his anatomy. Kid objected and retired from the lime-light.

When the Trojans found that Kid Achilles was off the job, they jumped on the Greeks and almost knocked the daylights out of them. Aga got scared and offered back the chickens, but Kid answered with that famous reply: "Nay, nay, Pauline; nay, nay!"

When the war was over, Agamemnon was warned not to return to the family igloo, but having nowhere else to go he went.

In the meantime wifey, Madame Clytemnestra, had another sheik and that night when Aga took off his boots and threw himself across the bed for a nap, Clytie carved her initials on him with a razor.

This was the end of Agamemnon, the big Greekian smoke who commanded the Greeks in their war on Troy. It was a sorrowful end, but while he was going, he was going some.

### Local and Foreign News Briefs

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Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Strain have returned from a week or so visit to Seattle and other Sound cities.

CAUGHT BIG BASS

Mr. and Mrs. Huber Jones and a party of friends formed a fishing party several days ago and Mrs. Jones proved to be the luckiest of the group, she having caught one of the largest bass that was ever known to be caught by any other fisherman in the state and now she is the envy of all the fishermen.

GRAND ALL STAR CONCERT

Given under auspices of Knights of Bethel Church, Wednesday evening, August 22, 1923, for the benefit of the Winter Fuel Fund, Bethel A. M. E. Church. G. V. Grayson, promoter.

Mr. Dave Bradley, father of Mrs. Roy Garnett, has purchased a six-room cottage on 19th street N., in the Alberta Addition.

SILVERTON, OREGON

To The Advocate:

Dear Editor and Manager:

Please allow me to thank you through the columns of your paper for the wonderful support I received from an ad. I sent you last week, and the quick results in helping me to get a good home for my baby. A paper like yours, managed by our race, should have the hearty support of every colored man and woman in the city of its birth. I thank you.

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REV. AND MRS. MAGRUDER RETURN FROM CALIFORNIA

Rev. and Mrs. Magruder spent two weeks in California attending to personal business and also in the interest of the annual conferences of the coast. Rev. Magruder being secretary of two conferences has been trying to help select a central point where a joint session may be held in September. They visited Oakland first of all and stayed at the home of Mr. Duncan, one of Oakland's leading real estate men. There were many callers, among whom were Revs. J. W. Brown of A. M. E. church, San Francisco; G. W. Scott, of M. E. church, Oakland, and Lovell of A. M. E. Zion church, Oakland. On Saturday, the 4th, they motored to Lemore and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. Brunson. On Sunday, they motored to Hanford and worshipped with the Rev. Moore, former pastor of A. M. E. Zion church at Portland. Rev. Moore is reported as doing well. Sunday evening the emergency committee of G.U.O.O.F. met and elected Rev. Magruder delegate to Grand Lodge held at Hanford, August 6-10, which is reported to have been the best session yet held. O. Anderson

of San Francisco was elected Grand Master over S. C. Moore by one vote. Editor Bass declined the nomination for a sixth term.

Rev. and Mrs. Magruder left Hanford Sunday at 8:30 A. M., worshiping with Rev. C. C. Carter of Fresno at 11 A. M., and with Rev. T. Allen Harvey of Sacramento at 8 P. M.

The minister reports progress throughout California, and an increasing population among the race. Little Stephen shared the trip with his parents.

HOTEL NOTES

Johnnie Moyer, the handsome little captain in the Portland dining room, is taking a vacation.

Ed Taylor, recently of the discarded dining car, is now a Seattle.

PARIS, Aug. 9.—It is learned that the Quai d'Orsay's somewhat startling communiqué last week saying that if foreign tourists did not quit baiting colored Frenchmen, the government would inflict punishment, had its immediate origin in an incident of several days ago, during a visit of some Americans to the battle-fields.

A French surgeon, who is a Negro, occupied one of the seats in the big tourists' automobile as it started on the trip to the region of Rethyma. Practically all the other 20 occupants were from the United States.

They objected to the presence of the colored surgeon among them, but nevertheless the car got under way. A few miles out of Paris the Americans renewed their protests, which led to a heated argument, in which the Americans said they wouldn't ride with a "nigger," and the Negro replied:

"I fought four and a half years, during most of which you Americans were not fighting. It seems to me I have as much right as you to go to see the battle fields."

The end of it was that the Americans threw the man out of the car and left him by the roadside. The result was a protest to the foreign office.

Deputies Candace and Bousse, both Negroes, have served notice on Pre-

VICTIM WAS VETERAN OF THE WORLD WAR—WHITE AMERICANS REFUSE TO RIDE OVER BATTLEFIELDS WITH COLORED SURGEON

American Prejudices Scored as Temps Comments on Government Warning.—Two Negro Deputies Serve Notice on Poncaire They Bring Issue Up at Next Parliament Meeting

(Special)

PARIS, Aug. 9.—It is learned that mier Poincare that they will interpose the government on this issue when Parliament reopens.

The Temps devoted an editorial headed "Prejudice" to the actions of American tourists toward black Frenchmen. After expressing pleasure that France sees so many American tourists, the Temps asks: "But why must a certain number of them forget that they are not in their own country and that all the usages of their country are not necessarily our usages? Their question of whites and blacks is one for our American friends, and the solution they have found shows that a country can at the same time be democratic and also yield to prejudice.

"We have nothing to do with the attitude which prevails in America among her citizens. That is not our business. But this is France, and with us the color line is totally unknown. Our forefathers didn't write the Declaration les Droits de l'Homme (declaration of the rights of man) for us to forget its letter and its spirit.

"Besides, our lack of all discrimination against colored men is not inspired alone by doctrine. The blacks, with whom we come in contact, come from the French colonies. Whatever their status—citizens, subjects or protégés—they are our compatriots, and we treat them as such. How could it be otherwise when so many of them fought by our side to save France?

"That small number of our Americans who forget that the French Republic makes no differentiation among the inhabitants of its

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