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ASSOCIATE EDITOR ANSWERS CHARGE THAT BLACK MEN ARE RAPISTS COLORED MOTHERS JAILED IN TEXAS

WHOLE FAMILY MUST SERVE FROM TWO TO THREE YEARS IN "PEN"—THREE BABIES UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE AMONG NUMBER.—GRANDFATHER IS ALSO CONVICTED

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Institute Investigation.—Charged With Assault With Intent to Murder

(Special to The Advocate)

NEW YORK, June 16.—The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People today made public an account of the jailing in Texas of three colored babies, seven months, 8 months and three months old respectively, with their mothers. The Houston Post, of Thursday morning, May 23, prints the following report of the case:

BLACK BABIES GO TO PRISON
Mothers Sentenced to "Pen"; Take Children With Them

Three sucking Negro babies were part of a whole family that passed through Houston Wednesday on their way to the penitentiary. They are charged with no crime, but their mothers, all sisters, two brothers, and their grandfathers were convicted of assault to murder in Foard County last week. They were in charge of Bud Russell, penitentiary agent. The assault was made upon Sheriff L. D. Campbell and his deputies when they made a visit to the farm operated by the Negroes for the purpose of making an arrest for some trivial offense.

The brothers, Eugene, 12 and Nathaniel, 14, were sentenced to the reform school. Their grandfather, Luke, and the three women, Bertha, Levy and Mandy, were sentenced to the State farm for from two to three years.

The babies are Emma Sue, seven months old; May Lou, eight months old, and Bobby Cloud, three months old. The entire family gave their surnames as Wells.

When the babies are released from the farm they will be husky youngsters.

"We ain't done nothin'," one of the women said. "These white folks said that we had to go and they wuz nobody to take the babies so they had to come 'long too."

The Negroes are said to have fired on the sheriff's force with shotguns. But in spite of this, he gave a letter to the agent directed to penitentiary officials, asking that the family be treated kindly.

Tom Thumb Wedding

The Tom Thumb wedding in return engagement Monday night at Mount Olivet Baptist church to a well filled house was an affair worthy of commendation. Little men and little women were the main attractions of the wedding besides, they played other important roles in the program which was augmented by some of the best local grown up talent. The whole program was good and all performed admirably. However, special mention must be made of little Bernice Williams, the three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Williams. Bernice, in addition to being the charming little bride, sang sweetly: "Yes, We Have No Bananas". Mesdames Stevens and Wilson had charge of the affair.

Victim of Auto Accident. Felix Martin, chauffeur for the Wilcox family for the past four years, died Tuesday night in a local hospital as a result of internal injuries and a fractured skull, which he received when the car of his employer, which he was driving, left the Shattuck road about a mile south of the Zion church Monday afternoon, rolled over six times, finally coming to a stop 60 feet down the hillside.

Shot Trying to Escape. Holly Hollandine, who is serving a year's sentence at Kelly Butte, attempted to escape Monday by climbing over a high fence. Hollandine was shot by a couple of guards through the right arm and was taken immediately to the county hospital for treatment.

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Local and Foreign News Briefs

S. Porter, an officer of Mt. Olivet Baptist church, is the proud owner of a handsome Gardner automobile.

TENTS, TENTS, TENTS!
For Rent—Completely furnished tents at Curry's Colony, Seaside, Oregon. Phone Broadway 1541.—Adv.

Famous Singer Gets Divorce. Mme. Florence Cole-Talbert, noted race singer, was granted a divorce from her husband, W. D. Talbert in Chicago, last week.

Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping; also 1 single room, 1228 East Tenth St., North.—Walnut 2709.—Adv.

Mrs. Pierre Passes. Mrs. S. D. Pierre of Tacoma, Wash., died last Thursday at her home. The Advocate extends its heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

For Rent—Furnished tent; stove, bed, dishes and everything; fishing, swimming and bathing. Phone Mrs. R. E. Morrison, Sunset 2941.—Adv.

Not Guilty. Spencer Mitchell, who was arrested several months ago, charged with robbing Rev. Tom Smith of several hundred dollars, was acquitted of the charge Monday in the Circuit Court.

ALL STAR CONCERT

An all-star sacred concert will be given Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, June 29th, at First A. M. E. Zion church, 417 Williams avenue. Stay off that date.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Latimer, 397 E. 38th street, North, motored to Seattle this week for a few weeks' visit with friends.

GIBBONS SCHOOL ELECTS PRESIDENT

Mr. Victor Daniel, of the Manual Training School, Borden town, N. J., has been engaged as principal of the

Cardinal Gibbons Institute, to take effect July 1, at a meeting of the Board of Trustees held in Washington on June 6. The board also engaged Mrs. Daniel as assistant-principal and matron.

The California Jubilee Quartet who sang at Mt. Olivet Baptist church, last Sunday morning, gave a fine exhibition of sacred and jubilee songs, and the large congregation showed its appreciation by giving them a liberal collection.

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St. Johns Day Celebrated. Members of Excelsior Lodge of Masons celebrated St. Johns Day with a splendid program Sunday evening at First A. M. E. Zion church. Rev. E. J. Magruder, pastor of the church, delivered the sermon.

Furnished Rooms for Rent—Men preferred. 190 Cherry Street. Phone East 6444.—Adv.

Rose City Beneficial Club, 225 N. 15th Street, was refused license to operate by the City Council Wednesday. Abatement proceedings have been instituted by the Federal government against the place by order of the City Council.

A delightful letter was received by the Associate Editor from Mrs. Jas. Johnson of Seattle, praising Portland and Portlanders. A card also was received from Mrs. E. H. Dupree of Tacoma, expressing her appreciation for such lovely visit in Portland.

Warren Webb, 62 E. Randolph St., Chicago, arrived in the city yesterday on a joint business and pleasure trip.

BIG MASS MEETING CALLED
The Multnomah County Fair Association have given over the sale of all the tickets to the Multnomah County Fair at Gresham, July 29 to

August 3rd, inclusive to the Children's Farm Home on a 50-50 basis. A committee has been organized for the sale, with Mr. J. N. Barde, well known business man, as chairman. A mass meeting to complete the organization will be held in the auditorium of the public library Tuesday night next. The public is invited to attend. The funds raised in this campaign will be for the construction of a boys' building, largely to be used for housing boys from the city of Portland who are awaiting its opening.

A committee of colored ladies headed by Mrs. Katherine Gray will work in this movement and large things are expected of them.

THE MISSES HOOKERS' RECITAL BRILLIANT SUCCESS

Charming indeed was the recital of Misses Violet and Gwendolyn Hooker at the Portland Woman's Club building, Thursday evening, June 26.

A representative audience of musicians and music patrons listened to the program which was well balanced with readings by Miss Gwendolyn and songs by Miss Violet.

Both were compelled to respond to encore after encore.

Never before did these young artists sing and recite so well, and never before did they look so charming. Miss Violet looked beautiful in a simple draped gown of imported pink silk voile over a white satin dress skirt, and Miss Gwendolyn was pretty in a blue crepe de chine, trimmed with row after row of white Val lace.

Miss Violet sang so beautifully, "A Night of Romance," "Consecration" and "All For You," that the audience would not let her go until she responded with "Swanee River," which she sang like a finished artist.

Again, when she sang "Il Bacio," that favorite of Artistic she did it so well that she had to respond with an encore number, "The Daisy Song."

Her closing number, "Habenera" (from Carmen), a very difficult piece, she sang in costume to the surprise



Violet Gwendolyn

(Courtesy Oregon Daily Journal)

and delight of all. This was particularly a hard number and she did it well, paying loving attention to every little detail.

Throughout the entire program her voice was splendid, her tones clear, vibrant and refreshing.

Miss Gwendolyn proved herself worthy of all the praise and applause which the audience so abundantly showered upon her in response to each of her numbers.

Her last number elicited spontaneous applause and pleasure when she appeared in boy's costume, slouch hat in everything and rendered in a perfect Italian way "Da Summer's Cum," "The Temperamental Tommaso," and "Da Greata Basaball," all by T. A. Daly.

Gorgeous bouquets of flowers and other gifts were showered on the girls in abundance.

Miss Olga Ruff, accompanist, comes in for praise, for it was largely due to her sympathetic accompanying that the young singer was able to sing her program with such ease and success.

So pleased were those who were present with the program that a return engagement was immediately booked by Rev. E. J. Magruder, July 11th, at First A. M. E. Zion church.

The beautiful Mason and Hamlin grand piano was by courtesy of the Wiley B. Allen Company. Both Miss Violet and Gwendolyn Hooker are pupils of Mrs. Fred L. Olson.

Mrs. Mary Franklin, Melda Byrd and Lottie Johnson, ushered; each wore a corage bouquet of sweet peas. Mesdames Fred L. Olson and E. D. Cannady had charge.

Please pay your subscription to The Advocate and avoid missing an issue of the paper.

SOUTHERN OREGON EDITOR SAYS BLACKS ARE RAPISTS—TALKS OF WHITE SUPREMACY AND BOASTS OF MORALITY OF WHITES—ASSOCIATE EDITOR GIVEN SEVERAL TITLES

Says Best Thing White Race Could Do is to Bundle Up Black Race and Ship Them to Africa—Terms Upon Which Advice Would Be Accepted Outlined

(By Mrs. E. D. Cannady, also known as "Negress Editor" and "She Wizard")

We promised last week to comment on a few things which the editor of The Southern Oregon Spokesman introduced in an article in his paper under date of June 14th, replying to our editorial comment of June 7th on "Keeping Grants Pass White."

In speaking of lowering the standards of the white race by the presence of colored people, we stated that the white "gentleman" who seduced colored women was a menace to the progress of our race in this country. The editor of the Spokesman adds this: "The only greater menace is the black who brutally attacks white women." We knew he would say that and we are glad he did. That is the old stereotyped excuse the white man has used until it is hoary, for lynching and burning black men. We admit we have criminals in our race, and no people are more anxious that they be dealt with according to law than we are; we can conceive of nothing more obnoxious and harmful to society than the man, whether he be black or white, who seeks to destroy womanhood, and the black criminal and the white criminal should be dealt with alike. But let us remind the editor of the Spokesman that no one race has a "corner" on raping as we see it, but if there is such a thing, it cannot truthfully be fastened upon the Negro. Out of the 28 lynchings in the United States for 1923 only one of the victims was charged with having attacked a white woman. It isn't that the ratio is reduced so much, but that people are enlightened more, and are investigating these stereotyped reports of rape. In support of the above statement, read the report which was submitted to last Congress by Representative Leonidas C. Dyer of Missouri on the lynching question.

If the editor of the Spokesman wanted to be an honest, truthful man, who desired to help the people with whom he contacted, he would quit his boasting of superiority, which he will never live up to; and if he is so clean and pure, and if the organization which he seems to represent is so noble and good, let us ask him why it is necessary for its members to wear "diapers" over their faces and do their work at night? If what the organization preaches and practices is right, why not uncover your faces and come out into the open? Let us also ask what about the morals of your noble leaders, Simmons and Clarke, both of whom were convicted of fraud and immorality? If the locality you represent is so clean and pure that only the "cream" of whites are attracted thereto, how can you account for such news items appearing on the front page of your paper, June 7th, as follows: "DR. BILLY FINED \$50 FOR ILLEGAL PRACTICE." A portion of the article reads: "It will be remembered that a few weeks ago Dr. Billick was ar-

rested on two charges of abortion wherein two of his patients died from operations illegally performed, according to autopsies held by the state health department doctors." On May 4th in the Spokesman we read of a Dr. Marr who is an electro-physician, practicing in Grants Pass. Speaking of the electric machine used by the doctor, the article continues: "There is big money in it and one doesn't need to know much more than the knowledge of an electrician apprentice, in order to get the jack in great quantities with such machine. This machine will perform illegal operations endangering women's lives." Now we would like to ask our "moralist", the editor of the Spokesman, what difference does it make if the machine can perform illegal operations? It most certainly would be harmless in a place like Grants Pass, because the "cream" of white people occupy that locality, according to Mr. Green, and therefore they would not stand for such a thing as an illegal operation.

Has the editor of the Spokesman taken into consideration the fact that a large number of the "rapes" alleged to have been committed by black men upon white women, include clandestine relations between a black man and a white woman. The truth of the matter is when white women are discovered with their black paramours, they cry out "rape" in order to hide their own lust and save their own necks and position in society. They have found it works well and therefore use it to great advantage. Some of them have so confessed, the records of which I can furnish the editor of the Spokesman upon application. Again, many of the alleged rapes of white women by colored men are found to have been white men with blackened faces. If the white newspaper press printed the truth and the whole truth about this question, the black man would loom up as being superior morally to some of the white gent's our contemporary wishes to set up on a pedestal.

Leading thinking men and women of the black race are not anxious for the amalgamation of the races; they are intelligent enough to conceive of a condition of society wherein all races of men associate equally in a friendly manner, able to transact business, civic and otherwise, and yet each race maintaining its own racial identity. Personally, I would not change my brown face, black hair and eyes for the whitest, blonde-haired Follies beauty. God has so designed me, and I am content with his idea of beauty. The rose and the lily; the tulip and the honeysuckle do not

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