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## NOTED SCIENTIST KNOCKS RACIAL SUPERIORITY WHITE MOB KILLS WRONG MAN GIRLS FEAR

### CHICAGO STENOGRAPHERS FAIL TO IDENTIFY MAN BEATEN TO DEATH WITH BALL BAT AFTER BEING ACCUSED OF "USUAL CRIME"; FRIENDS CLAIM INNOCENCE.

### Police Hunt Suspects and Act to Prevent Race War; President of Association Claims That White Men Were Responsible for the Alleged Crime.

(Special from N. A. A. C. P. News Bureau)  
Chicago, Oct. 9.—The mob that beat to death William Bell, colored, early this morning at 14th and Miller streets in the heart of the West Side "bad lands," in the belief that he attempted to assault two young white girls, probably killed the wrong man.

The police say the girl, Betty Deutsch and Bertha Greenblatt, stenographers, have failed to identify Bell.

The girls were on their way home after midnight. In front of the Deutsch home at 1357 Miller street they paused to chat. A colored man ran up and said, according to Miss Deutsch, "come across the street. I have lots of money and an automobile."

The girls shrank back, the man seized Miss Deutsch by the arm and shoulder and started to drag her across the street, they declared. Both screamed. A dozen men in a nearby sacramental wine shop heard the screams and ran to the scene.

When the crowd arrived they found Bell. He was knocked down and beaten to death with a baseball bat.

Thomas Clark and Albert Harper, colored, said they were with Bell walking past the Deutsch home when they heard the girls scream and saw a man

run away. They ran too, but Bell stood his ground. They saw him surrounded and killed. The girls could not identify Bell, but said he wore a coat and hat like the man who accosted them.

Otto Epstein, who is connected with the wine shop, is under arrest as the wielder of the bat. He denies it but Harper and Thomas accuse him.

Mayor Dever deplored the killing of Bell and promised to bring the slayers to justice.

Hundreds of police have been sent into the block district to keep peace.

As a commentary upon the above story, the N. A. A. C. P. made public the following telegram received from Morris Lewis, secretary of the Chicago branch of the N. A. A. C. P.:

"Lynched wrong man. Girls were stopped by two white men in Ford automobile. One crossed street to wine shop and reported to gang there. Bell, a laborer on way home, (was) accosted by white man demanding what he was doing talking to those women. Was ignorant of incident. Without warning was set upon, beaten with baseball bat and trampled. Maxwell district noted for race disturbances and police indifferent."

Much Interest Manifested In Coolidge Campaign

Judging by the way voters are registering in the Coolidge Club at 314 Macleay Bldg., the President will be a sure winner in this state at the November election. Miss Beria Kirk and Mrs. Genevieve Mullen will assist next week at the headquarters with Miss Helen Logan.

### Coming Events

N. A. A. C. P. Mass Meeting Sunday, Oct. 19th.  
Hallowe'en Dance, Wanauma Chapter, O. E. S., October 31st.  
Past Patrons and Matrons Club, O. E. S. Dance, November 11th.  
D. C. members—particulars later.  
Nov. 25th—Particulars later.

The Old Rose Club held its regular meeting at the Y. W. C. A. on Friday afternoon at 3:00 P. M.

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### MARCUS GRAVEY PLEADS FOR RACE TO THINK AND ACT; URGES ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL HOME FOR BLACK PEOPLE

Tuesday night, Oct. 14 at Mt. Oliver Baptist Church, Honorable Marcus Garvey, President General of the Universal Negro Improvement Association, addressed an enthusiastic audience on the subject of Africa and the possibilities of it becoming the future National home of the negroes of the world. Space will not permit the full text, but following are some of the high-lights of his speech.

"The U. N. I. A. represents the sentiment now in making among Negro people of the world. The daughters and sons of Ethiopia know the day has come that not only every part, but universal Africa must stretch forth her hands. We bring you a message of hope based upon preparation, a brighter day based upon present day thinking and present day activities. The black race has been flattered too long. We are self-satisfied, while hell is bursting around us, but it is gratifying to note that all of us do not fall for flattery—some of us are searching and probing for the truth, and are telling the truth to the world. The U. N. I. A. is often referred to as a bunch of ignorant people, I think it is a great compliment to the U. N. I. A. to be able to hold together 11,000,000 ignorant Negroes, when it is a known fact that one-half dozen intelligent Negroes can't hold together for one-half hour. Ignorant people have always brought about great changes in the world's history; the common people were so ignorant that they saw virtue in the Christ, even on the Mount when He delivered that great Socialist speech, the greatest political speech ever delivered after He had been cast aside by the learned peoples of the age. Now intelligence has soured back over the centuries and accepted this same Christ whom ignorance accepted centuries ago. And the U. N. I. A. hopes that intelligence may some day accept the program of the U. N. I. A. We are still somewhat in the propaganda—the educational stage. If we as a race of people had been thinking about

the world in which we live, there would be no need for me to be here now.

Men everywhere are re-adjusting themselves to meet the demands of the hour. Every nation is preparing but the Negro. He stares death in the face at this hour, and doesn't know it. He laughs, he dances, he carouses; he eats, he drinks, he sleeps. It is from that lethargy that the U. N. I. A. is trying to arouse him. We are a race in the last period of our existence without preparation. Another one hundred years will tell another awful tale about our race which once lived. Here the speaker cited the case of the American Indians who looked on—and died.

"Why vote for the exclusion of Asiatics from this country? For the preservation of America for Americans. The time is coming when room and space will be at a premium in America—then the weaker man has to move out for the stronger man. As the new urge for freedom actuates the Frenchman, the Indians and all Asiatics, so it has stirred the sleeping Consciousness of four hundred millions of black people the world over. No one but a fool can say that the program of the U. N. I. A. is untimely."

White men had the vision four centuries ago of a 1924 America; they did not wait until 1924 to begin. The same vision that led the Pilgrim Fathers, is the same vision which leads the U. N. I. A.

Here Mr. Garvey flayed the race for depending upon the leadership of white people, especially mentioning the N. A. A. C. P. and Dr. DuBois. He ended this by saying, "that after fifty years the Negroes are still unable to lead themselves." And because the U. N. I. A. has given out a program as big as Constantine's as big as Alexander's, as big as Kaiser Wilhelm's, as big as Geo. Washington's as big as the patriarchs who built up France, purely by Negro from top to bottom, aid from bottom to top, they say Garvey is crazy.

We have swallowed the white man's books and his thoughts without digesting the mind now we are suffering

from indigestion. The Japanese do not swallow his thoughts; the Chinese refuse to swallow his thoughts and no other nation swallows them but our own. God did not graft the white man's brains onto mine, and until you can show me that one-half my brain is white and one-half is black, I am not going to let any white man think for me.

"The speaker said that an individual is not judged by the fine clothes he wears, nor by the color of his skin, but by his independent contribution to civilization, and what is true of an individual is true of a race. He stated that the Negro has been only a consumer, and until he produces, he will always remain a tail-ender. That Africa is sought by the Negroes of the world for a national home, where they may give expression to their own thoughts and their own deeds and present their independent contribution to the world, was a logical one in the mind of the speaker.

He urged his hearers to be proud of their race, "for," said he, "black people are going to make history." He urged a higher plane of living for the race. Instead of so much stress being put on dying, Mr. Garvey closed his discourse by appealing for support of the Steamship Company now organized in the U. N. I. A. and the steamship which is already being purchased. The U. N. I. A. anticipates making a trip to the West Indies for raw materials to be manufactured into commodities and returned to the natives. In January, the ship will sail on its maiden commercial trip to Africa, announced the speaker. Mr. Garvey stated that at present the program of the U. N. I. A. was necessarily educational and industrial.

Jno. C. Logan, one of Portland's oldest and most highly respected citizens introduced the speaker. R. Bird, President of the local branch of the Association presided. Mr. Garvey left on the midnight train for Seattle to fill a speaking engagement, on his cross-country trip.

### FRANZ BOAZ, LEADING SCIENTIST, HITS "RACE INFERIORITY" DOCTRINE IN AMERICAN MERCURY MAGAZINE IN ARTICLE ENTITLED "THE QUESTION OF RACE PURITY"

### Says Unfavorable Opinion of the Race Is Based Upon Complete Ignorance of African Native Conditions and of Race's Achievements in Every Avenue.

(By N. A. A. C. P. Press Service)  
Professor Franz Boas, of Columbia Univ., and curator at the American Museum of Natural History, in an article entitled "The Question of Race Purity," published in the American Mercury for October, attacks the doctrine of race inferiority and race superiority and asserts that science has yet seen no proof that any race is superior to any other.

"I insist," writes Professor Boas, "that nobody has ever given satisfactory proof of an inherent inequality of races, and that the final solution of this problem still has to be found."

Concerning the prejudice against Negroes in America, Professor Boas writes:

"It is particularly worth remarking that the current unfavorable opinion of the Negro is based largely on complete ignorance of African native conditions, and of Negro achievements in the industries and arts and in political organizations, and that likewise the glorification of our own race is founded exclusively on a consideration of the cultural opportunities given to the few and on the complete neglect of the

cultural primitiveness of the great mass of individuals, which finds expression intellectually in the uncritical acceptance of traditional attitudes and emotionally in the case with which they succumb to the power of fashionable passions. We may say with certainty that the local types of a single race like the European are each so variable that fixed hereditary differences in mental characteristics between the types as a whole are most unlikely. We may say, furthermore, that cultural anthropology makes the existence of fundamental racial differences very improbable."

George Galford of Houston, Tex., is stopping at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Howard, 357 13th St. Mrs. Galford will join him later and they will make Portland their home.

Keep the date—Nov. 25th.—Adv.

E. H. Ficklen is among new subscribers to The Advocate. Mr. Ficklen is having a 15 pound cake baked for his mother's 101st birthday anniversary early in November.

### LOCAL and FOREIGN NEWS BRIEFS

### Golden Rule Dinner Given

At the Multnomah Hotel, Friday, October 10, at 6:30 P. M., Portland residents of Armenian, Syrian and Grecian birth and the Multnomah Hotel gave a complimentary dinner to more than two hundred prominent men and women of the city, representing various nationalities and interests.

The dinner was one of a series of international Golden Rule dinners given for the purpose of awakening the people of the world to the internationally useful possibilities in the service rendered to the children of the Near East.

The menu: Pila Armenian, olives, bread and cocoa, were served in porcelain plates and tin cups made in the potteries at Jerusalem, and are said to be better than those used by the Near East orphans. The fare represented what the Near East orphans eat 365 days of the year.

A letter from Governor Pierce, who could not be present, was read by Rev. W. B. Hinson, the master of ceremonies; A. Karabales, president of the Hellenic-American league, gave the welcome address; Congressman Elton Watkins emphasized the practice of the Golden Rule in America; Harvey Ahenson, who recently returned from the Near East, drew a vivid picture of the condition of the Near East, the work necessary to be done there, the needs of properly educating and training the youth for leadership in the industries, etc., and said that those in America who did not help in the great cause would miss a wonderful opportunity for service. Judge O. P. Coshov of Roseburg also spoke. Two little Greek lads played violin selections. W. B. Hinson was chairman of the Golden Rule committee and Rev. J. J. Hand-saker is state director of the Near East Relief work. Mrs. E. D. Cannady and A. H. Morrow, of The Advocate Publishing Co., were among those present.

### Mrs. Franklyn Ill

Mrs. Cora Franklyn lies ill at her home, 1405 52nd and E. Davis Sts., with rheumatism. She is under the care of a physician and has been confined to bed for two weeks.

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### Dies at Home of Her Daughter

(By Mrs. Ralph Flowers)  
Mrs. Mary Thomas died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Waldo Bogle, 567 E. 35th St. South, Monday morning, following an illness of several months. The news of her death came as a surprise to those who did not know that her illness was so serious. She was born in Glasgow, Kentucky, in 1850. She came to Portland in 1898 where she made her residence. Mrs. Thomas was a faithful member of Bethel church over a period of many years and was a member of the Stewardess Board of the church; She was an active member of The Household of Ruth. She was an enthusiastic



member of the Religious Department of the Williams Ave. Y. W. C. A. She was also a member of the Old Rose Club.

She was child by her friends about taking care of herself, but she always said that she enjoyed doing for others. She always had the best of health; she had no complications of disease during her life.

Besides a host of friends she leaves a daughter, Mrs. Waldo Bogle, two grandsons, Richard Bogle and Eugene Powell of Phoenix, Arizona.

Funeral services were held Friday at 2 o'clock from Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. E. C. Dyer read the simple burial rites.

The floral offerings were beautiful and numerous.

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