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A BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

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Colored Business Needs Our Support

The bravest man in the field of business endeavor is the colored business man. Unlike any other group of business men, his field of effort is confined strictly to the members of his own race.

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The above editorial appeared in the Arkansas Survey, Little Rock, Ark., February 14th. The editor spoke the gospel truth and from what he says it appears that some of our Oregon group must have migrated Arkansasward.

The Advocate columns are open for your news. There is no charge for regular news items.

The Episcopal Church

"The Oregon Churchman," the official organ of the Episcopal Diocese of Oregon, a monthly publication, came to the office of The Advocate this week.

When a bootlegger tells you he has some good stuff, he might mean that it is good to kill any one who drinks it.

Monument to Colored Soldiers

Colored people appreciate Representative Fish's efforts in behalf of the erection of a monument to commemorate the valor of the American colored soldiers attached to the French Army during the late world war.

We are in receipt of an editorial from the Palo Alto Times, which we plan to reproduce and comment on in the near future.

Opportunity for the Race

We are accustomed to think of the presence of twelve million colored people in the United States as a problem, and speak of it accordingly. We wish we might rather think of it as a responsibility, an opportunity and a challenge.

In writing to the Honorable Marcus Garvey who is a prisoner in Atlanta Federal penitentiary, Atlanta, Ga., address your communication to No. 19359, and he will get it.

The Bulldog Grip

The ability of the bulldog to hold on is his main asset in combat. Advertisers need some of his tenacity to keep their business at an even keel.

Portland is all astir over the coming of Roland Hayes, noted Race tenor, to the Municipal Auditorium March 17th, in recital.

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A Business League among the colored people is doing big things in every town of consequence except in the city of Roses.

Notice

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Oregon; United States of America, Libellant, vs. Two Hundred Cases of Adulterated Oranges and Four Hundred Cases of Adulterated Oranges.

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CLARENCE R. HOTCHKISS, United States Marshal for the District of Oregon. ALLAN BYNON, Assistant United States Attorney for Libellant.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon For Multnomah County Probate Department Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of GEORGE SAUNDERS of the State of Oregon for Multnomah County, and has qualified.

A LAUGH FOR YOU

(By George!) There is only one thing that looks less new than a made-over hat, thinks Turner, and that is a flivver with a new coat of paint.

It's a small word, thinks Minor, and so often the man you owe appears while you are paying cash for gas.

Looney gey has been banned in most places but Ivey says there are still looney people driving cars that ought to be banned.

It is not had luck for a black cat to cross in front of a car, says Glass, provided he gets clear across.

In the old days, too, there was a filling station on every corner, but Strain says it had shiny mirrors and brass hardware.

Most Ford jokes are written by persons who haven't money to buy a flivver, sniffs Flowers.

It's going to take quite a while for the average citizen to pick out just what good was accomplished for the people of Oregon by the lawmakers at Salem.

It is to be regretted that the majority of our people have not yet emancipated themselves in their thought life as to be able to follow their own better judgment.

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COLORED ALDERMAN VINDICATED

George Harris, Editor New York News, Is Declared Properly Elected As Alderman

Attorney Sues City for Back Pay at \$250 Per Month for Six Months.

(Preston News Service) New York City, Jan. 22.—The Appellate Division decided last week that George W. Harris, colored, was legally elected a member of the Board of Aldermen from the Twenty-first Aldermanic District on Nov. 8, 1921, and that John W. Smith was unlawfully seated in Harris' place from July 6, 1923, until the end of the term on Dec. 31, 1923.

"This is a vindication for Harris," said his attorney, Abraham Brekstone. "He had served as alderman before, but received a black eye politically when the Board of Aldermen unseated him after he had served part of his term. Now he may run for office again. We will at once seek to recover back pay at \$250 a month from the city."

Harris, who is a Republican and who owns and edits the New York News, received 5,984 votes against 5,905 votes for Smith, a Democrat, on the face of the returns in the 1921 general election. Harris received a certificate of election and took his seat, but in January, 1922, at the first meeting of the new Board of Aldermen held several hearings, re-canvassing the ballots and declaring that Smith had been elected by a plurality of 46 votes. The board then adopted resolutions unseating Harris and seating Smith.

Counsel for Harris then obtained a writ of certiorari, on which the Appellate Division reviewed the action of the Board of Aldermen. Justice Victor J. Dowling, who wrote the opinion, all the other judges concurring, devoted himself chiefly to an analysis of 389 ballots which the Board of Aldermen's committee had declared void.

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News of the Churches

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The Stranger's Sabbath Home The presiding elder of the Oregon-Washington, also pastor of First A. M. E. Zion church, Rev. H. Leo Johnston, left last Friday to visit the brethren at Walla Walla and Pasco. He brought them greetings from Bishop J. W. Martin. Rev. Johnston will occupy the pulpit next Sunday. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered. On March 20 Brother R. Bolwin will give a concert at this church. Don't forget the mock conference, help us make it a success.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST 62nd St. and 39th Ave. S. E. Sabbath School, 10 A. M. Bible Study, 11 A. M. Y. P. M. V. society, 2 P. M. Mrs. K. O. Johnson, Leader. Visitors welcome.

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Value of Reading Negro Literature

By Alice M. Hansaker. If I wish to know a man intimately, to interpret his thoughts and actions aright, I will, if possible, read his autobiography rather than a biography of him.

So if I would truly know the underlying purposes, thoughts and aspirations of the colored race I must get them from the writings of the colored authors, poets and musicians themselves. And it is a matter for congratulation, both to the colored race and to other Americans, that so large and worthy a literature is being produced by the colored people.

This should be read widely by other races because it is a setting forth of the ideals and purposes of the Negro race at first hand and therefore interprets the race rightly. And in the second place it should be read by the colored people themselves because the high ideals and aspirations set forth, and the noble emotions expressed, will be an incentive to better character building and larger achievement.

Again, negro literature should be read by all people because it affects our views concerning the rapidity of race progress. Who has not been thrilled at the possibilities wrapped up in an unlettered slave boy as he has read the autobiography of Booker T. Washington? Who can fail to be convinced by it that the uplift of human beings from the most primitive conditions to the highest type of civilized Christian citizens can be accomplished in the life of a single individual?

It need not be the work of centuries but can be consummated in a single generation if proper facilities for education and uplift are provided.

Then too, the works of our colored writers should be read for their own intrinsic value and beauty. Where can straighter thinking and clearer presentation of race problems and achievements be found than in the writing of William Pickens or James Weldon Johnson? What poetry appeals more to the heart's humanity than the undying verse of Paul Lawrence Dunbar? Where can we find a finer example of English literature than in the writings of W. E. B. Dubois? Aside from his eloquent, scholarly presentation of the problems of his race we have in his writings a beauty of diction, a force that cannot be excelled and is rarely equalled in the realm of literature.

And I might multiply instances for the warm heart and intense feeling of the negro, coupled with his racial inheritance coming from centuries of bondage and oppression, have given him the power to portray the intensest human emotions in an unusual way. Through suffering he has been made a perfect interpreter of the deep things of the human heart.

In a word then, the study of the work of our colored writers will give to the colored reader an increased respect for the achievements of his race as well as a keener ambition toward noble living and high thinking and in a white reader, such a study will awaken an admiration that leads to a respect for, and a better understanding of his brother in color. And when mutual respect and understanding come, ancient prejudices and hatred will pass away and the Christmas song of the angels becomes an accomplished fact through the reign of good-will among men.

NOTICE

Regular meetings of the Portland Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People held every second Monday evening at Zion A. M. E. church, 417 Williams Ave. J. A. EWING, Pres. LEE ANDERSON, Sec'y.

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Members of order—Inside rooms 75c a day, \$3 a week; outside rooms \$1 a day, \$4 a week. Non-members—Inside rooms 75c a day, \$4 a week; outside rooms \$1 a day, \$5 a week. Announcement is also made that at a conference of grand chancellors at Hot Springs, Dec. 29, there was projected a universal campaign for 50,000 new members, from Jan. 1 to July 1, 1925. A special dispensation for lowering the initiation fee has been granted to all grand lodges and grand-court jurisdictions.

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