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"Don't ask for rights. Take them. An don't let any man give them to ye. A right that is handed to ye fr awthin' has somethin' the matter with it."—Mr. Dooley.

"They have rights who dare maintain them."—James Russell Lowell.

LEADERS AND FOLLOWERS

One of the greatest stumbling blocks that impedes the progress of the colored race as it struggles up the pathway of progress, is too many would-be leaders. They exist by the hundred-fold. Mushroom-like they spring up over night. Every time a preacher becomes disgruntled, he sets up another church. A trustee becomes dissatisfied because he cannot boss the trustee board and still another church jumps into existence. Petty selfish ambitions cause splits and schisms in our secret organizations; because every stock holder who owns a dollar's worth of stock wants to control the business, the organization is disrupted and finally ends on the scrap heap. We have a thousand and one clubs, each headed by some sore-head who refused to remain in another organization, in as much as he could not be the leader. Social organizations are plentiful because every one wants to lead.

This turmoil for leadership results in thousands of useless organizations without power to accomplish the elaborate program which they offer to the public in their mad scramble to be leaders. Without loyal followers Washington could not have crossed the Delaware. Abraham Lincoln could never have broken the chains of the bondsmen had it not been for those courageous, brave souls who rushed to his aid when the Union was threatened by a rebellious South. Toussaint L' Overture, the brave black general, could not have sent the French hordes home a conquered army without the assistance of his faithful black warriors. General Foch smashed the Hindenburg line because millions of men were willing to follow his commands. Tuskegee stands as a monument to Booker T. Washington, but without the sacrifice of his fellow workers Tuskegee would have dried up and died. Jesus, the Lowly Nazarene, was unable to accomplish His great mission until He found His first twelve followers. Christianity marches triumphantly on in exact proportion as men are willing to take up their beds and follow His leadership.

A successful leadership, therefore absolutely depends upon those who are willing to follow. Without followers there can be no leadership. Anybody can aspire for leadership, but it takes a strong, bighearted, unselfish soul to be a worker in the ranks. Since everybody can not lead, some must follow.

What we need is a child labor law to keep them from working their parents pocket books so hard. Sweet peace is about to dawn at last. The Christian nations are finally agreeing to protect each other from one another. That is the League of Nations in a nut shell.

No man can wholly escape suffering. If it isn't poverty or rheumatism, it may be love.

HENRY LINCOLN JOHNSON

The inimitable Henry Lincoln Johnson, Republican National Committeeman from Georgia, and gladiator, for decade after decade, in the arena of national, racial and interracial politics, has answered his Master's call and left this soiled world for the peace that knows no ending. "Linc," as he was popularly known, by both friend and foe, was a political character, the mould of whose counterpart has been lost amid these years of political strife. A gifted orator, a keen logician, and analyzer of men, and a man of uncanny foresight, Colonel Johnson was one of the most picturesque figures Negro political and professional life has ever had. As a champion of the cause of the meek and lowly, either in or out of court, the deceased Georgian had but few equals and as a counsellor of troubled, "Linc" was loved the country over by those whom he had so often shown the silver lining of their clouds.

No one can forget the sturdy battles Colonel Johnson fought innumerable times; nor are the impregnable defences which he placed in the pathways of his opponents easily possible of imitation by any who may seek to don his mantle. His parries with Senate Committees and with other inquisitors from the country's brightest minds will long be remembered by both admirers and his critics. The Colonel died with his boots on, following one of his characteristically strenuous campaigns in behalf of his friends, and the chair which once held his massive frame is draped in mourning for its departed host whom none so worthy to succeed, at this time, so far as we can scan. He goes from a life of useful service, unselfishly given, to the reward of an unknown world, which, sooner or later we must all enter.

The valiant Georgian lived his life for his friends, his race, and his party. Strong, determined, fearless, always cheerful and never too weary to put his shoulders to the wheel which turned Right and Justice onward, Henry Lincoln Johnson will linger long in the memories of those who knew him and who were thoughtful enough to appreciate the fact that his useful career was one of complete sacrifice. That his soul may rest in peace is our ardent prayer; and that the boots he left behind may some near day be filled by some other equally valiant and vigorous patriot, who, like the Col., will press forward seeking our second emancipation from the age of racial misrepresentation, is our sincere hope.

If you packed a million trunks for a trip, your wife would cram something else in your pockets.

Pullman car porters and dining car waiters have about succeeded in having the term, "George" cut out by passengers. Now it's up to the hotel waiters to get busy and do likewise.

Men and women who occupy high places in society, church and state, need carefully to watch their steps for the scandal monger and the blackmailer are always on their trail.

Old timers are mourning the passing of John Kelly, who was well liked and who had a host of friends in the long ago, who will cherish his memory as long as they live.

If you chance to know a colored man who is not subscribing for some newspaper published by his own racial group, you may mark it down that such an one is not doing his full duty as a good citizen.

UNGRATEFUL Have you ever had the experience of doing your best for an individual who in return could not speak a kind word for you? If you have then you know something about ungratefulness.

If you want to be knocked and criticized by the average individual, just do something out of the ordinary.

Too bad that Philadelphia Court didn't turn over to the N. A. C. P. the fund left by Houston in 1845 to be used in abolishing slavery to a society now declared legally dead. The N. A. C. P. is a society for the abolishment of slavery, functioning today as faithfully as the Anti-Slavery Society was in those dark days before the Civil war.

Some of us never know what we want till we are satisfied we can't get it.

There seems to be no sensible or just cause for the arrest of Senator Stanfield by the Baker, Oregon police officers which occurred in that town last Sunday. The claim that the Senator was drunk and disorderly is not proven by such arrest, nor is it believed by those who know Mr. Stanfield. Whether it was a dirty frame-up or the voluntary act of a petty officer the brutal and uncalled for treatment of the Senator is a discredit to the state of Oregon.

Now that we have become so successful in convicting evolutionists, it might be well to try it on murderers.

Tammany won the nomination for their man in the primary election last Tuesday, for Mayor of New York, but can Tammany elect him?

Our idea of a bad insurance risk is a small man with a big temper.

A DAY AT A TIME

By Josephine Turnham One secret of a sweet and happy Christian life, is learning to live by the day. It is the long stretches that tire us. We think of life as a whole, running on for us. We cannot carry this load until we are three score and ten. We cannot fight this battle continually for a half century. But really there are no long stretches. Life does not come to us all at one time; it comes only a day at a time. Even tomorrow is never ours until it becomes today, and we have nothing whatever to do with it but to pass down today's work well done, and today's life well lived.

It is a blessed secret, of living by the day. Any one can carry his burden, however heavy, till nightfall. Any one can do his work, however hard, for one day. Any one can live sweetly, patiently, and joyfully, purely, until the sun goes down. And this is all life ever means to us—just one little day. "Do today's duty; fight today's temptations, and do not weaken or distract by looking forward to things you can not see and could not understand if you saw them." God gives us nights to shut down upon our little days. We can not see beyond. Short horizons make life easier and give us one of the blessed secrets of brave, true, holy, happy living.

HOT'EL NOTES

F. H. Harrington, who has made a splendid record as manager of The Portland Hotel, left Saturday, for Seaside Oregon where he will recuperate for the next three or four months.

John Moyer, former captain in The Portland dining room, who has been in the country, has returned to the city, looking as fine as a fiddle.

DOINGS OF THE ELKS

Arthur Love, a member of Rose City Lodge suffered a paralytic stroke on last Tuesday evening. Clarence Leo, one of the Bills, is here from Oakland and will in charge of a Parlor Car from here to Marshfield.

Thomas Williams, a hearty Bill, who resides on Eighth Street is reported to be improved.

Williams Avenue Y.W.C.A.

The High School Reserve will meet Thursday afternoon after school. The Blue Triangle Club will not meet Friday this week but will meet on the 24th. The Grade School Reserve will meet Saturday at 1:30 p. m.

The members of the Win. Avenue Committee of Managers and the Executive Secretary are attending the conference of Board Members and Secretaries at Rock Creek Camp this week. Plans for the years work in all departments will be discussed. The Five Hundred Culture Club will present to the Board Committee of the Y. W. C. A. at its next meeting a contribution on the Building Fund. This is the third club to assist the Y and the cooperation of the clubs is highly appreciated by the Board. For rent a house, and furniture for sale. East 2125. Adv.

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WRITER OBJECTS TO TERM "SAMBO"

Portland, Oregon, Sept. 7, 1925 To the Editor: As a Negro I wish to register thru your columns, my disapproval of the course of Mayor Baker yesterday in his welcome to Monday by resorting to the use of what is known as a "darky story", and thereby offering gratuitous insult to the Negroes of this city.

It is well known by this time, or it ought to be, by all intelligent white people, that, whether wisely or not, colored people or peculiarly sensitive to these ridiculous stories told at their expense, and that such are always listened to by them with a feeling of resentment; and as the Mayor is supposed to be a man of more than average intelligence, his resort to such is looked upon as no other than a brutal and vulgar disregard for the feelings of those he ridiculed.

It was all the more inexcusable on the part of the Mayor in that his story was purely one of invention, having no element of truth, since any man of his intelligence should well know that to apply the term "Sambo" to a colored soldier by an officer in the Army is unthinkable.

It is to be regretted that the city's chief executive in the inauguration of a great religious campaign could not forego the opportunity to insult a portion of the citizens by an exhibition of his traditional race prejudice.

COLUMBIAN BRIEFS

Colored lawyers of Virginia have organized a state Bar Association. Building trade wages are at the highest peak they have ever been.

In our present state of development it is the more regrettable that it is the crying need.

During the past two years 31 corporations have been organized by West Virginia colored business men.

Forty years ago there were forty divorcees for every one hundred marriages in Japan. Now there are only two.

The making of beautiful furniture from mahogany is rapidly becoming one of the crafts of West Africa.

Beans are an important staple food and the average yearly crop is worth \$50,000,000 to the farmers of the U. S.

The American public spent \$300,000,000 last year for carbonated beverages and some of this income reached owners of bottling works.

The Liberator Government proposes to establish telephonic communication between Monrovia and Cape Palmas and the intervening coastal towns.

Conference are the Rocky Mountain News, the Times, the Post, and the Denver Star are the local colored weeklies.

In addition, the Christian Science Monitor, of Boston, designated a special correspondent and published dispatches aggregating four and one half feet of news column.

BIG TIME AT A. M. E. ZION

All Fraternal organizations are invited to come to Zion church on Thursday evening September 24th and witness a good program of music.

The N. O. White and G. V. Gray, of the Masonic Lodge, by F. D. Thomas; the Elks Lodge by Lee C. Anderson and E. D. Cannady; the U. B. of F. Lodge by G. M. Payne. Other fraternal organizations will have representative. J. A. Ewing will represent the N. A. A. C. P.; O. S. Thomas will preside.

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NOTICE Regular meetings of the Portland Branch of the National Association for the advancement of Colored People held every second Monday evening at Bethel A. M. E. Church, Larrabee and McMillen streets. LEE ANDERSON, Sec'y. J. A. EWING, Pres.

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N. A. A. C. P. PROTESTS UNJUST ARRESTS OF INNOCENT PEOPLE

New York World Features Statements By White

New York, N. Y. Sept. 14— Following a number of recent crimes in and near New York City, for which innocent Negroes were arrested, only to be discharged for lack of evidence, New York World asked for and featured on September 8th, a statement from Walter F. White, Assistant Secretary of the N. A. A. C. P., protesting against the injustice done to individual Negroes and to the entire race.

"The terrible murder of little Mary Daly by the mental defective, Harrison Noel of New Jersey," said Mr. White, "brings to light a second case within recent months in the Metropolitan area in which Negroes have been made victims of mob hysteria."

"In the Daly murder the first reports told of the kidnapping by a Negro. Race prejudice flamed into existence and if Raymond Pierce, the Negro taxi driver had not been killed some hours before by Noel, there is a possibility that he would have been killed by a mob."

"A short time ago the newspapers carried alarming headlines telling of the arrest of a number of Negroes accused of the murder of Florence Kane in Brooklyn. Investigation has resulted in the release of every one of the Negroes arrested and no longer is a Negro suspected of committing that brutal murder."

"Negroes have been time and again victimized and all Negroes have been made to suffer through too great eagerness on the part of public officials to cover up their own negligence or their lack of information, to accuse Negroes because it is a popular thing to do."

Commenting upon this statement published in the New York World and its effect upon public sentiment as evidenced by numerous telephone and other messages he had received, Mr. White said, it was an object lesson in the Negro's opportunity to influence the conduct of white dailies.

"If colored people will let white editors know of their displeasure when it is sought to fasten crime upon individual Negroes and on the race, if they will write letters to and call upon editors in person, they can not only change the attitude of white newspapers but profoundly affect, through those newspapers, the sentiment of the entire community. Colored people should stop buying newspapers which continue to abuse them, and they should let the editors know it. No newspaper wants to lose readers, colored or white. The results achieved will depend entirely on the energy of colored people in going after those results."

DENVER DAILIES GIVE N. A. A. C. P. MORE THAN 50 FT. SPACE

New York, N. Y. Sept. 15— The daily newspapers of Denver and Colorado Springs, Colorado, devoted more than 50 feet of news and editorial space to the 16th Annual Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; it was announced today, besides the exceptional support given the Conference by the local colored editors.

The white dailies which so extensively covered the proceedings of the Agents Wanted—Men and women make \$8 per day introducing dress goods; no experience required. Samples furnished. Blubird Supply House, 926 Broadway, New York.

FOR YOUR LIBRARY Scott's Official History of the American Negro in the World War, by Emmett J. Scott, A. M., LL. D., special assistant to the secretary of war, can be purchased at The Advocate office, 312-313 Macleay Building, Broadway 5807.

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Negro Spirituals Featured

New York, N. Y. Sept. 17— The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 69 Fifth Av., New York City has been informed by the Victor Talking Machine Co., that records of 4 Negro Spirituals sung by Paul Robeson and Lawrence Brown, with Mr. Brown at the piano, are to be released September 25th. They are: "Were You There", "Steal Away", "Joshua Fit De Battle Ob Jericho" and "Bye and Bye".

Other records by Messrs. Robeson and Brown will be released in the near future.

Mr. Robeson opened at the Ambassador Theatre, in London, on Thursday, Sept. 10, playing the title role in Eugene O'Neill's "The Emperor Jones."

Churches, lodges, and other fraternal societies are asked to keep clear the days, Sept. 21 to Sept. 28, which will be designated as "Zion Week." The friendly cooperation of the public is respectfully solicited.

Place, A. M. E. Zion church, 417 Williams Ave.

Fraternally Yours, REV. H. LEO JOHNSTON.

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M. P. Christianson, Albany, bladder trouble. John Roth, Albany, adenoids and tonsils.

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