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MEXICAN LABOR COMPETITION

Of utmost importance to the thousands of Negro laborers employed in the cotton fields, on the railroads, at the docks and in diversified common labor occupations, particularly in the southwestern localities semi-adjacent to the Mexican border, is the Immigration Bill just introduced by Senator James E. Watson, Republican, of Indiana.

CRIME IN HIGH PLACES

It is mighty great shame for any decent citizens of Oregon, Portland in particular, to have to confess to the world that a number of their business and professional men had been arrested, and some had confessed to having committed one of the most diabolical crimes known in annals of criminal history.

WHAT HAS RELIGION TO DO WITH IT

By Dr. Francis H. Rowley in "OUR DUMB ANIMALS" One cannot help wondering why the churches which stand for the religion of the sovereign religious teacher of all time so seldom have anything to say about their adherents' relation to that vast world of animal life around them, above them, below them, capable with them of pain and pleasure, sensitive to suffering, placed here upon the earth by the same creative power that placed us here, made of the same elements of which we are made, bone of our bone, flesh of our flesh, in many ways wiser than we are, with faculties often far beyond our own, giving us in innumerable instances a friendship, companionship, devotion, enriching, blessing, gladdening our lives.

REGISTER AND VOTE

The registration books are open now at the Court House. If you are not already registered, go and do so. Think of the numbers of our people in the Southern states who are denied the right of franchise. Do you want that right taken away from you? It is possible if a large number of people persist in refusing to exercise this privilege and duty. It is an outrageous charge against the understanding and intelligence of the voters of this state that less than one-half of the people who can, will not vote. If this is true, which is not doubted, we have no right to kick against the type of men who are elected to public office. Unless you go to the polls and cast your ballot at every election, you should have nothing to say. Some people, when asked why they fail to vote usually reply, "it won't do any good - one or two votes don't count for anything. Such silly talk in a close election such as have been held in Oregon and in other states. One or two votes have

been known to elect unfit candidate. There are enough colored votes in Oregon, Portland in particular, if cast for a particular candidate, could put him in office. But many of the voters fail to do their duty, and yet they are the ones who usually do the most hollering about the colored people not having any representation in the City, County nor State government. It is the duty of every citizen to vote and we urge our group not to neglect that duty. But in order to be prepared to vote, go to the Court House and register. The registration books close April 17th just one month prior to the Primary election.

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Order of Service

- 1. Prelude - Selected
2. Processional
3. Responsive Reading, Chant, Prayer
4. Congregational Hymn
5. (a) Scripture Reading - Chant - (b) Prayer - Chant.
6. Announcements
7. Anthem (Missionary Offering)
8. Sermon
9. Prayer Chant
10. Invitational
11. Offering
12. Recessional
13. Doxology
14. Benediction.

Services Sunday were well attended. Dr. Caston again had something in store for his hearers. Subject: "The Treasury", Mark 12-41. "Jesus said that the church must have a Treasury here on earth. The people haven't the dignity to the church that they should. No power on earth can make a man more liberal than the power of God."

Rev. Caston said that he who preached the gospel should live by the gospel. His business is saving souls. And so live himself that people will have respect for him. That all labor is worthy of his hire. One thing Dr. Caston said he wished to impress upon the minds of the people was that if they never saw a church cut of debt, that they would see Mt. Olivet out of debt. Rev. Caston wants all department budgets in so the budget as a whole can be made up. Hurray, department heads, the calendar is well outlined for Feb. and March.

Everybody is looking forward to the installation of Dr. Caston, Sunday March 4th. Three big services on that day. Don't miss a one. Three big men will bring the messages to us.

Every night during the following week will add its inspiration to this crowning event. Monday night is S. School night. All children are requested to bring their parents and sit with them.

Tuesday night is B. Y. P. U. night. Visiting members of the Willamette B. Y. P. U. are invited to be present and to furnish some stunts. Wednesday night is Mission societies night. All women's organizations of the city will be invited to attend in a body and to have some part on the program.

Thursday night is Trustees and Deacons night. Friday night, is musical organizations night. A special musical program will be rendered, followed by a large informal reception.

March 11 is the beginning of Soul Saving Revival. Preaching by the pastor each night. Rev. Caston, we want to shake Portland from bottom to top, like it never was before.

March 18, continuation of revival meetings.

March 25th, every member canvass for 1928 budget.

Subject for Sunday, February 26, 11 A. M. "The Library of Heaven"; 7 P. M., "The Anointed One". Come early so you may be seated before the service begins.

Collection for last Sunday, \$174.04. Dr. Caston addressed the chapel service at Reed College Friday noon on the race question.

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