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SECTION I.

PRICE: 5 CENTS

WORLD-FAMOUS INVENTOR DIES IN POVERTY BEN BESS FREED AFTER 13 YRS. IMPRISONMENT

ELIJAH MCCOY DIES IN DETROIT

SAVED FROM BURIAL IN POTTERS FIELD

Detroit, Mich., Oct. 24.—Elijah McCoy, one of the most famous race inventors in the world died in poverty at Eloise, institution for the aged, last week. He was buried from Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. W. H. Peck, presiding, at noon Thursday.

His greatest invention was the lubricator which is used on all surface, subway, elevated and steam railroads.

Rev. Peck and Rev. R. L. Bradley, pastor of Second Baptist Church saved the inventor from burial in the potter's field by an appeal to friends this week and he was instead buried in honor.

Mrs. McCoy, his deceased wife, shared her husband's fame as she was the first race woman to be elected a member of the exclusive 20th Century Club here as well as having been a prominent clubwoman.

Mrs. Mary Borders is here from Denver and will make her home here.

STAIRWAY FALL COSTS \$6,000

A verdict for \$6000 personal injury damages was awarded Eva L. Teel, in her suit against A. B. Steinbach estate and Jennie Levy, owners of property at 209 Cherry street, by a jury in Circuit Judge Evans' court yesterday. The complaint alleged that the plaintiff was injured June 22, 1928, when the stairway at the Cherry street premises, which she had leased, gave way, dropping her to the basement.

D. C. COMMISSIONERS TO GO

D. C. Commissioners Scheduled "To Go"

Washington, Oct. 25.—(CNS)—The rumor that President Hoover is looking for two outstanding Washington residents to appoint as District Commissioners in February is hailed by many race leaders here as a chance to "get somewhere" with the requests for better representation in the several departments of the District Government.

The men Hoover is after, it was reported, are of the type that he calls the "new patriots"—that is, men who have been notably successful in their own fields, who are not pressed for money and who are willing to make a sacrifice in order to perform some worth-while public service.

Almost ninety-nine per cent of the clerk-grade employees of the District government are white. There is but one colored clerk in the District Building under Commissioner Dougherty, only six under Commissioner Taliaferro, and three under the Engineer Commissioner and one unclassified.

Great Mock Conference, First A. M. E. Zion Church, Monday, November 4, 8 p. m.

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DRY BILL SEEN AS BOOMERANG

BETHEL'S FINAL RADIO PROGRAMME

With the coming radio program by Bethel A. M. E. Church Sunday (tomorrow) from 5 to 6 o'clock in the afternoon, will mark the end of a series of Sunday afternoon sacred concerts presented by this



MRS. JESSE COLES-GRAYSON church under the direction of its pastor, Rev. Mr. Daniel G. Hill, Jr., covering a period of five months. This news will be received with regret by many radio fans who have looked forward each Sunday to hearing them.

The Rev. Mr. Hill said in speaking of the work "I have tried to give a worthwhile service to the public through these sacred programs. All of them have not measured up to the standard, but I have used all the material available in order that the programs might be as varied as possible. It was also my desire to give many a chance to exercise their talents who otherwise might never have been sought out to broadcast. They have learned something and at the same time have aided in entertaining countless thousands." The Rev. Mr. Hill will give the inspirational talk this Sunday and Jessie Coles-Grayson will be the soloist assisted by a chorus of twenty voices under the direction of Mr. Hill.

This is to be Bethel's final radio program of this particular series.

DEATHS ON INCREASE FROM AUTO ACCIDENTS

Washington, Oct. 25.—(CNS)—The Department of Commerce announces that during the four weeks ending October 5, 1928, 78 large cities in the United States reported 752 deaths from automobile accidents. This number (758) compares with 624 deaths during the four weeks ending October 6, 1928. Most of these deaths were the result of accidents which occurred within the corporate limits of the city, although some accidents occurred outside of the city limits.

INTER-RACIAL WORK TOLD IN NEW PAMPHLET

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 24.—"An Adventure in Faith," is the title of a pamphlet just off the press and published by the Commission on Interracial Cooperation, headquarters at 409 Palmer building, this city, in which is set forth the story of the interracial organizations which for the past ten years have been at work in the South for the improvement of race relations. The pamphlet may be had by just writing for it.

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COMING NEGRO ACHIEVEMENT WEEK

November 10 to 16 has been set aside as Negro Achievement Week. The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Linwood G. Koger, director. Further information may be secured from the director whose address is 1212 Pennsylvania Avenue, Baltimore, Md.

ELIMINATION OF NEGRO GRID STAR PROTESTED BY N.A.A.C.P.

N. Y. NOT TO PLAY COLORED STAR AGAINST GEORGIA

New York, Oct. 23.—Unofficial reports that the University of Georgia had requested New York university to keep Dave Myers, negro star, out of the lineup when the two teams play here November 9, has brought an official protest from Walter White, acting secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Professor Giles Courtney, chairman of the New York university board of athletic control, hastened to deny that Georgia had requested the benching of Myers, one of the most potent of New York university football players.

Athens, Ga., Oct. 23.—(AP)—Dr. S. V. Sanford, dean of the University of Georgia, said today that a "gentlemen's agreement" had been reached with athletic officials of New York university that Dave Myers, negro quarterback of the Eastern eleven, would not be played against the Georgia team at New York November 9.

DIES, FOLLOWING LONG ILLNESS

An illness which lasted for five long years ended on Wednesday, October 16, when Charles Strawder died at the State Hospital in Salem, Oregon. The remains were brought to Portland for burial. The service was conducted Monday, from the Miller & Tracey Mortuary, and was largely attended by friends of the family. Mr. Strawder leaves to mourn their loss, a widow, Mrs. Strawder, 118 E. 74th street north, and three sons, Ernest, A. Webster and Henry Strawder and several grandchildren.

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WOULD YOU MARRY? Girl of 22; \$50,000; will inherit \$50,000. Widow, 40; \$78,000. Photos and descriptions free. Club, Mrs. Warn, 8377 W. Fourth St., Los Angeles, Cal.

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EXONERATED IN SHOOTING

Winthrop Delahoussaye was exonerated of the charge of assault with intent to kill by the county grand jury Friday. A not true bill was reported. Delahoussaye was one of the principals in an affray at the roadside of the late Birdlegs Reed recently in which Elmer Jones, a porter, was shot. Delahoussaye maintained that Jones fired at him first. Jones who was wounded in the stomach, is reported to have recovered.

DIES IN WASHINGTON

Mrs. Lina Lawrence who has been in ill health for a period of years, died at her residence in Winlock, Wash., and was buried Tuesday the 22nd in Winlock. Mrs. Lawrence leaves to mourn their loss, a husband, Charles Lawrence, a daughter, Mrs. W. B. Rose and a grand-daughter, Mrs. Ivan Jackson, all of Portland. Mesdames Clara Anderson, Ed. Thompson and Ivan Jackson from Portland attended the funeral.

HOOVER SPEAKS

Washington, Oct. 25.—(CNS)—President Hoover will make an Armistice Day address here November 11 before representatives of the American Legion, to be delivered in the Auditorium of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mrs Logan Writes

Mrs. Clara Logan writes The Advocate from Los Angeles, that she and her family are comfortably settled in their new environment. They have met many former Portlanders since arriving there which makes them feel more "at home." Mrs. Logan says she is enjoying the renewal of acquaintances of girlhood days, but that she hopes to come back to "ear old Portland" next year, if only for a visit. She wishes to be remembered to all inquiring friends.

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This is a Famous Vivant Set and includes face powder, \$1.00; Rouge, 75c; Tissue Cream \$1.00; Depilatory \$1.00; Facial Astringent \$1.75; Bath Salt 1.00; Toilet Water \$1.25; Perfume \$1.75; Brilliantine 75c; Skin Whitener 75c. Total Value \$15.00. Special price, \$1.97 for all ten pieces to introduce this line. Send no money but clip coupon.

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Washington, Oct. 25.—(CNS)—

It is claimed that the dissension over the proposed law to place all liquor purchasers in the same criminal category as bootleggers has reduced the effectiveness of dry forces to the lowest point since the passage of the Eighteenth Amendment. Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas, co-author of the Eighteenth Amendment, introduced the bill in the Senate October 7, and the conservative dries, including leaders of the Anti-Saloon League and the Women's Christian Temperance Union, have split with the ardent prohibitionists over the issue.

The conservatives fear to make the law apply to the purchaser because they know a wave of indignation subsequently would sweep over the country.

BISHOP'S DAUGHTER TO BE MARRIED

Miss Willetta Matthews will be married on the 25th of October to a prominent young man in Rochester, Va., according to word received here by friends of her family. The bride-elect is the oldest daughter of Bishop and Mrs. W. W. Matthews who are stationed in Africa.

THE NEGRO ARRIVS

Washington, Oct. 25.—(CNS)—Commenting upon the statements of Count Herman Keperling, celebrated philosopher-traveler, teacher, writing in the October Atlantic Monthly on "What the Negro Means to America," the New York Herald Tribune, in an editorial "The Negro Arrives," agrees that the Negro, not merely as a vaudeville joke, and not merely as a highbrow cult has arrived.

Friend of Mrs. Millie R. Trumbull will be happy to know that she is back home after a three weeks vacation which she spent with her sister in Indianapolis, Ind. She returned Saturday.



Arrow Tips By Kits Reid

The Advocate does not necessarily share in Kits Reid's views, but whether we do or not, her opinions are sane, and logical and well worth reading. It is your privilege as well as ours to disagree with Kits and she invites your opinion upon subjects she discusses from time to time in her column.

KITS THINKS NEGRO SHOULD CEASE APING WHITES

Make Themselves Sought After, Instead of Seeking.

In that splendid book "Whither Mankind," edited by Chas. Beard, we find a chapter on Race and Civilization by George A. Dorsey in which he says that "there is no warrant for the assumption that certain races are 'higher' than others, or that there are any 'pure' races, or that race mixtures or 'hybrid races' are biologically (or culturally) inferior; or even that any existing classification of mankind according to biologic or heritable features and psychological or cultural traits has any permanent scientific merit."

All of which must be rather disheartening to those who boast of their Nordic strains of "superiority" which, according to Mr. Dorsey is a chimera.

If we black folk could just get the habit of thought that our place in the sun is ours if we will quit aping the white part of the race, we will accomplish more for our people than in any other way. Let us look upon the matter of segregation give voice to our preference for our own people. If the white race wants to build a fence around itself let it do so but we can demonstrate through our own culture that the Nordics are shutting out as well as shutting in. Why waste time on an un-spiritual action? Let us build ourselves and our race. The signs all over the world point toward the ultimate deterioration of the dominant race. Let us see to it that our black race is not dragged down in that collapse.

A CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all our friends for their kindness and sympathy shown in our recent bereavement in the death of our beloved husband and father, Charles Strawder, who departed this life on Wednesday, October 16, at Salem, Oregon. We are also grateful for the many beautiful floral offerings.

Signed:
Mrs. Bettie Strawder, widow
Henry Strawder
Ernest Strawder
A. Webster Strawder, sons.

The Advocate is in receipt of a check for five dollars from the Honorable Walter L. Cohen of New Orleans, La. Mr. Cohen, perhaps the most outstanding Negro politician in the South, has, for a number of years been a regular subscriber to The Advocate.

CONVICTED ON WOMAN'S FALSE TESTIMONY

BEN BESS, FREE, LEAVES JAIL AFTER LONG LEGAL FIGHT

New York, Oct. 18.—Ben Bess, South Carolina colored farmer, has left prison and is a free man, after having served fourteen years of a 30-year prison term on the perjured testimony of a white woman. N. J. Frederick and A. L. King, attorneys, assisted legally and financially by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, carried the case to the Supreme Court of South Carolina which, in an En Banc session this week handed down an opinion in favor of Ben Bess, reversing the decree of the circuit court.

The legal fight arose over the revocation of a pardon which Governor Richards issued when the white woman on her sick bed signed an affidavit repudiating the testimony on which Bess had been convicted.

After Bess had been pardoned and released the woman who regained her health, made a second affidavit stating that her intention had been to "forgive" Ben Bess, not to declare him innocent. Thereupon the Governor revoked the pardon he had issued and Bess was again imprisoned.

Habeas corpus proceedings were instituted by Mr. Frederick, who contended that a pardon once issued could not be revoked. When Judge Townsend held that the pardon had been secured through fraud, appeal was taken to the supreme court, which ordered Bess released. On Tuesday, Bess walked out of prison, a free man.

Before his original conviction, Ben Bess narrowly escaped lynching. The N. A. A. C. P. points out that the final liberation and vindication of this innocent man dramatically demonstrates the inability of lynching mobs to determine questions of fact.

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