# WHITE MAN RAPES 6 YEAR OLD NEGRO CHILD

## Jimmie Hizzoner and ..Mahatma Gandhi..

BY WILLIAM PICKENS

Gandhi and "Jimmie", – those two names measure the difference in size and importance of these two men. One is a Mahatma, a "Great Soul"; the other is "Hizzoner", a little soul who by accident drifted into a fairly big place .

The Times reports that in London Gandhi, against the advices of some of those who know Mayor Walker too well, invited the Mayor to call, and that the Mayor of New York accepted the invitation. But while Gandhi waited for an hour at the appointed time to receive "the Mayor" "Jimmie" went out to see the "night life" of London. With a chance for an interview with the greatest man of the world and of the age, the charming little fellow from 'N'York' preferred to go and see something that he can better see in New York City. Night life is nothing new to a man who has been for years the mayor of New York. Did some British influence whisper to Walker that the British would prefer that he should not visit Gandhi?

We do not believe that his British hosts could keep the Mayor of New York from visiting Gandhi, or would even ask him to be so rude as to slight the invitation which he had already accepted. But we notice that at first, when Gandhi came with his loin cloth and shawl, the British were reported as holding their sides with "laughter". But the laughing stopped when Gandhi said:

"Equal partnership" for India; and that if India stays in the British Empire, it must be held not "by force but by the silken cord of love." "There was a time when I was proud of being called a British subject. Now I would far rather be called a rebel than a subject." The giggling of his "polite" British hosts turned to seriuos thinking whenthis mighty little brown man demanded for his oppressed country a partnership, "but not a partnership imposed by one nation on another."

In other words, Gandhi takes the self-respecting position that he is quite willing that India should stay in the British Empire, as an equal member thereof, but not that it should be kept in, as a subject nation. If India is in the Empire against her will, then India is in slavery. That sort of courage and tho't does not call for laughter. It is calculated to make the Britishers forget all about that loin cloth and shawl and even for the time being to become unconscious of the color of that skin. There is a brain behind thinking like that, and a hero behind the expression of such thought in such a place, –and brains and heroism are colorless.

Some day James Walker may be remembered chiefly because he was rude and slighting to the Mahatma,– something like the immortality of the snake that bit Cleopatra or the Brutus that stabbed Caesar. –After all, perhaps it was best that John Haynes Holmes advised the Mahatma not to waste any precious time on "Jimmie".

## SCOTSBORO DEFENSE ATTORN'Y

Gen. George W Chamlee, one of the most prominent defense lawyers in the south, has been retained by the Internatioal Labor Defense league to defend the eight Scottsboro boys now under death sentence in Kirby Prison. Gen. Chamlee is now preparaing briefs to be argued before the Alabama supreme court in November.

## 300 HUNGRY CHILDREN MARCH FOR FOOD

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 15— Three hundred children from the working class sections of Cleveland with their parents marched from their neighborhoods to the Board of Education to demand free hot lunches, clothing and school supplies. Some had walked long distances and without leadership because they felt so much the needs of the demands that the Free Food Clubs are putting up. Parents with babies in their arms and other children with them came down.

At the door of the Board of Education meeting place they were met with closed elevators, on going to the stairs they found these also barred.

A small group, however, managed to get up to the meeting place of the Board and found that the members of it had sneaked away like dirty rats ("yellow as the skin of the banana" one of the kids remarked) and that there was no meeting going on. A week ago they had met with a committee of five and told us that this was what they wanted, to meet and discuss peacefully, but when the children and their parents came down, they did not wish to see their needs face to face, so they sneaked away. At the square to which the demonstrators proceded, the speakers got up and gave the report. The mothers of the children told how they had to see their children go to school hungry because there was nothing at home to feed them with, and how the charities told them to be a little more economical with the $3 that they are given to feed families of seven and more. Little children got up and told how they had to stay after school because they could not get their school supplies and because they did not have clothes to keep them warm. Children told how teachers punish them for having no books and try to scare them out of the Food Fighters.

Food Clubs are being organized in the schools, steps are being taken to organize children's hunger marches in preparation for the county hunger march. The spirit of the children who suffer and of their parents is with us and they are ready to strike when the time comes. ——Daily Worker

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## KEEPING -FIT-

A Health Column

By DeNorval Unthank, M. D.

### SCIENCE OR PROPAGANDA?

The influx of Negroes to Northern cities has led to some necessary shifting of health statistics in many of the large cities of the country. In the last fifteen years these particular cities have been faced with the distinct problem of taking care of many more sick Negroes than ever before. Many of these cities have attempted to make quite a problem out of this situation.

One often wonders if some authorities are not too prone to blame new disease situations upon the shifting Negro population.

The cities of the upper Mississippi valley have had several small pox epidemics and an increase in their deaths from heart diseases. These particular cities have received their share of the Negro influx. Is it fair to say that this influx is the cause of the epidemics and the changed statistics.

Authorities are often too quick to draw conclusions. Many medical books are written by men who are teaching in institutions where the clinical material is from forty to eighty per cent Negro. These particular books possess a decided prejudiced twang that is most certainly disconcerting to the average Negro medical student.

No consideration is given to the fact that these statistics are drawn only from a class of Negro rather than the whole group.

One authority in a typical central city examined one thousand Negroes. He claims to have found only one in this group free from all physical defects and evidences of disease. Nine hundred and sixty six had some kind of malformation. Five hundred and sixty six had some heart abnormalities.

No allowances have been made that more than likely these one thousand Negroes were not a typical cross section of the Negro population of that particular city. No allowances have been made for the fact that some of the examiners may have been prejudiced and biased in their opinions. No allowances have been made but most certainly conclusions have been drawn and national publicity given to the facts.

Such conditions make one wonder whether some of our most noted authorities are practicing science or propaganda.

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## Helpful hints

by Nancy Lee

### CONTENTMENT

Every day we hear the complaning women about the reduction in salaries and the lack of material prosperity.

One thing can be said that if the American women did'nt make so many demands on their husbands for luxuries, we probably would have been spared the regenerating effect of a financial slump.

It is a wonderful thing to be contented with one's lot and not strive for material things. It is the striving for these things that makes wrinkles and gray hairs, and causes discontent and unhappines, and is the forerunner of separation and divorce. When women can't get their alimony and have to battle in the arena of the business world to keep body and soul together, then they will understand the price men pay to maintain a home and rear a family.

There is one thing women could emulate from the opposite sex and that is to shoulder responsibility without complaining. The complaining men do is not for themselves, but family demands are so great, and rivalry with their friends so immoderate that they get an inferiority complex, decrying the fact that they are unable to provide more for their loved ones, which makes them moody and self-conscious.

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by Ralph C. Clyde
City Commissioner

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The documents should be addressed to the City Council, Portland, Oregon, and not to an official. Each document will then be given a name and listed in the printed Calender.

Emergency measures may even be considered after the close of the Calender, by a four-fifths vote of the Council.

Years ago when there was no calendar, good and bad measures slipped in together. No one knew yhat was coming up, nor when it was coming up, except those on the inside. With the event of the Calendar, this has all been changed for the better.

## DENTAL TALKS

(By Dr. Voight Jones)

### Lost Teeth

It should not be necessary to dwell on the misfortune of losing a tooth. Nearly everyone knows that each tooth has a definite function to perform. If one of the teeth is missing, our chewing apparatus is affected and we have a situation similiar to that of an automobile with one of its cylinders missing.

An important function of any tooth, aside from grinding our food is to hold the teeth on either side of it in their proper positions. If a tooth is lost the teeth on either side tip toward the vacant place, the teeth next to these teeth move slightly toward the empty space and so on. Thus the loss of a single tooth may meen the impairment of the efficiency of every tooth in the jaw.

The slight movement of the teeth in the jaw where the tooth wa extracted is enough to disturb the teeth in the oposite jaw. When a tooth is lost is means the loss of the usefulness of the tooth in the other jaw which came in contact with it during mastication.

Why not have your teeth examined now and prevent the loss of your teeth?

## BOOK REVIEW

"THE STORY OF HAITI"

Reviewed by Clifford Miachell

By Harriet Gibbs Marshall (The Christopher Publishing House Boston, Mass)

As the name implies this is the story of Haiti from 1492 up to the present. The author, Mrs Harriet Gibbs Marshall, daughter of Judge Mifflin W. Gibbs, and well known for her musical and educational activities in the city of Washington, D. C. has spent years in gathering her facts about the little island of Haiti and she presents in chronologocal order the complete history of the struggles of the Hatians.

For three centuries these black folks were enslaved. Differing from the slaves in the United States who were imported for that purpose, the Haitians were kept in bondage by foreign European powers who fought amongst themselves for the privilege of conquering, ruling and enslaving the natives of Haiti.

In this book we leran of the struggles of a long line of valiant Haitian slaves who rose up in rebellion, fighting against the odds of strong governments in order to bring freedom to their fellowmen. This, eventually, they were able to do and in 1804 the Haitians threw off the yoke of slavery, setting up their own state of independency.

This period is then followed by over a hundred years of political intrigue and the overthrow through tricky very interesting "The Story of Haiti".

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(By I. L. D. Press Service)

PETERSBURGH, Va.—A six year old negro child of the town is in critical condition following a criminal attack upon her by a son of a wealthy merchant of Petersburgh. The white people of the city have been doing all in their power to hush up the affair. The young brute's father went so far as to be indignant because his son was exposed.

The child went to the store to get a doll house. She was taken into a back room by the young rapist and attacked. She was let go with several lacerations.

The white ruling class immediately realized that the incident was a most effective exposure of their whole system of outrageous oppression of the Negroes. The local newspapers gave the story less than half an inch of space on an inside page.

How different is their reaction when the slightest rumor of a Negro having looked a white woman spuare in the face. If some white wench had taken it into her head to indulge herself with the company of a man, and to blame it all upon a negro in case she had to explain herself, the white ruling class would have worked up a big campaign with streamer headlines on the front page of all the papers. They would have used their resources to whip up a sentiment for mass lynching and persecution as they did in Birmingham when two society women were killed by an unidentified person whose race is not even known.

Dozens of Negroes have been killed wounded and beaten up on the flimsy statement of the women, and another one is being framed up as the murderer, Willie Peterson, a worker.

Why are they so silent about the Petersburgh incident? Because they want to keep on corrupting white workers with the lying propaganda of race discrimination. The white ruling class is so brazen in its policy of Negro oppression that the rich merchant demanded an apology from the child's mother for exposing his son. Now he wants to pay her to hush the matter up

The child's mother is a working class woman who has to be away from home all day, slaving and she has no way of properly taking care of the child while she is away.

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 12— Ethel Taylor, 13 year old school girl, was shot to death here last week when she resisted a brutal assault and an attempt to rape her by a white man, Sam Levido.

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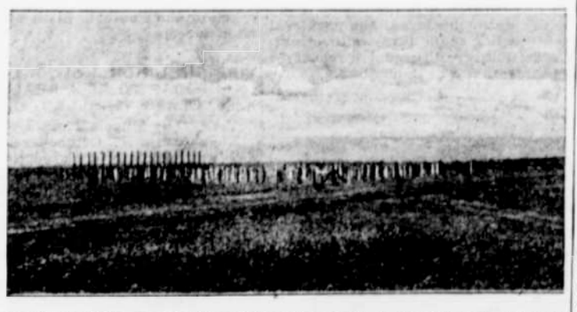
## Tests in Field Laboratories Add To Life Span of Telephone Poles

On the top of a hill near Limon, Colorado, there is an unusual sight. Standing upright are closely-bunched columns in long ordered rows looking like a burying ground of some savage race. But on nearer inspection these columns turn out to be poles, much like fence posts, but with the diameter of the usual telephone pole. They are, in fact, telephone poles; not carrying cross-arms and supporting wires, but undergoing weathering tests as part of the laboratory research program of Bell Telephone Laboratories.



At Limon, Colo., stands this testing plot of telephone poles. Their short length facilitates handling and examination.

The plot at Limon is one of the three maintained in this country by the Bell System for investigations to prolong the life of its telephone poles. Six miles from the Gulf of Mexico at Gulfport, Mississippi, there is another, and the third is at Chester, New Jersey.

### Weighing the Advantages

Before they are put into the ground, practically all telephone poles are treated with preservatives to resist the decay of wood. There are various kinds of preservatives used, consisting of coal tar distillates and other chemical compounds. The problem of the telephone engineer is to find out which one of these is the best for the particular conditions encountered.

One type of preservative may be more effective than another in warm, humid atmospheres, and an entirely different kind superior in a dry climate. Or in certain climates the difference in decay resistance of certain preservatives may be so slight that it would prove wiser to use the less effective one because of its much lower cost. Other climates, other soils might make it imperative to use the first preservative regardless of its greater price.

These are among the problems that these strange appearing test plots help to decide. There is also the matter of the different woods for telephone poles. Southern yellow pine, chestnut, cedar, and lodgepole pine are all used, and each has its advantages under certain conditions.

The telephone pole, which in its unassuming way performs a yeoman's task in providing telephone communication, is beset by numerous enemies. Small white burrowers known as termites eat their way in veritable little tunnels through the poles. In some regions of the country a black insect, referred to as the carpenter ant, commits similar depredations. But the chief foe is decay, which is brought about by fungous organisms.

In combatting these enemies, creosote is the most commonly used preservative. It is a heavy black coal-tar product with an asphaltic smell. In creosoting Southern pine poles, 100 to 250 poles are placed in a huge cylinder. Its ends are then bolted on to permit the running-up of high pressures. The oil is at a temperature of approximately 200° F., and the treatment continues for several hours, until the poles become well impregnated with the creosote oil.

### For a Long and Useful Life

Chestnut and cedar poles are given open-tank treatment. Fifty or more poles are stood on end, and first hot and then cold creosote oil is run into the tank. The hot-cold process is used because the fibres of the wood will contract when subject to cooling and draw in the oil.

A very much extended lease on life is given to telephone poles by the use of the preservatives. The engineers at the test plot can easily demonstrate this by showing the difference in poles, both cut from the same log and set out at the same time, one of which has been given a preservative treatment while the other hasn't.

This borer will bring out a solid plug of wood which shows how far the creosote has penetrated the pole.

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