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Digesting...
The News
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Inconsistent Credit!

Families, of all races, as well as cities and towns, are now suffering from the use too much credit. Here, therefore, the councilors of various local corporate governments have solved all their current financial burdens through increased borrowings. Like individuals, they now find their income greatly curtailed and are unable to meet their obligations.

The situation, now so general, should teach our race a great lesson. When it comes to securing, making use of, and living on an inconsistent credit, none can excel us. Maintaining this credit however, is entirely self-defeating. No credit can be permanently maintained without a corresponding ability to pay the premiums exacted.

A safe rule, among financiers, is that credit for permanent improvements is wise, but that credit for meeting expenses is not only unwise but shows a very unhealthy state of affairs. Applying this theory to our personal affairs we find that there is a great need for readjusting our standards of living.

Some may scoff at these words of caution but to them I would suggest that they sit down and prepare a statement, in black and white, showing every item of expenditure that will be required during the next thirty days, and then compare that with their income for the same period.

If your expenditures exceed the possible, or probable, income, then you are living on an inconsistent credit and traveling the sure road to bankruptcy and trouble, unless you immediately readjust your living standards to conform with your ability to produce.

This argument, of course, is for those who are employed or who have a definite income. The thousands who are unemployed know from experience the truth of these statements and they again join the ranks of the producers that they will set aside a definite proportion of their income to meet just such emergencies as they are now passing through.

In business, the companies that are now sufficiently capable of weathering the storms are those who have operated on a closely budgeted scale, maintaining expenses out of income, and setting aside a reserve and surplus fund.

If it will not work in business affairs, or in the administration of governmental departments, certainly, living on an inconsistent credit will not work for private individuals.

Before it is too late, analyze your personal affairs and correct the evil of living on an inconsistent credit.

EXPERT SPEAKS BEFORE HARLEM BUSINESS MEN'S CLUB

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—The Harlem Business Men's Club heard Mr. F. J. Nichols, an expert from the Merchants Service Bureau of the National Cash Register Company last Tuesday night at their regular meeting at 447 Lenox Avenue. He said, "The general getting better of their income is showing a decided improvement." Mr. Nichols was brought to the meeting by Mr. A. L. Holsey, president of the National C.M.A. Stores, who also introduced the speaker. The C.M.A. grocers also attended the meeting in a body, making it a joint meeting between the Business Men's Club and the grocers.

WAS LOVABLE CHARACTER

Mrs. Jennie Bailey, who recently died in Portland and whose funeral services were held at St. Mary's Cathedral, was for a number of years employed at Madeline Catholic School in Irvington. She was a beautiful, character and made many friends. Mrs. Miles to mourn her loss, a sister Mrs. Mildred Smith of Market st.

FRENCH MUNICIPALITY PROTEST "FRAME-UP"

Modest Physician Advances Science

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 12.—The Oklahoma City Times pays tribute to the work of Dr. S. C. Snelson, Howard graduate, as an assistant city physician.

Dr. Snelson, according to the Times, "tucked away in a little office on 915 Avenue, is doing an unexciting service to humanity, a job dedicated to improving his race, toward the end of a career jammed full of thrills and experience.

A resume of the struggles and achievements of this Negro physician may serve as an inspiration to others struggling for humanity in far off places.

Dr. Snelson lacked three years of being born a slave. He attended the public schools of Georgia; Atlanta University; did work in Cambridge, Mass., the University of Pennsylvania, Howard University; Bellevue Hospital Medical College, New York; Heidelberg, in Germany; and the University of Bologna, France.

During those years he received the degrees of A. B., A. M., M. D., and Ph. D. Prior to his higher education he

attended school in Liverpool, England and along the west coast of Africa, where he followed his father, a missionary.

Because of the efficient way in which he handled public health work in Savannah, Dr. Snelson was recommended to the British navy when a battleship stopped off Savannah looking for a doctor to take charge of a serious typhoid epidemic that had broken out in Cuba.

This position afforded the doctor an opportunity of going to Africa, So. America, around through the Straits of Magellan to the west coast, and back to the United States. He also served as a doctor and scientist of the Canadian army on an expedition into the Canadian Klondike, seeking gold by analyzing the content of mountain streams.

Returning from this trip, he addressed the Universities of Winnipeg and Toronto, and was sent to London to report to the government. As a volunteer during the World War he was assigned to duty in Camp Lee, Va., in charge of mess hall sanitation work.

AGED NEGRO GETS DEATH WILL APPEAL TO SUPREME COURT

STUDENTS STUDY WORLD PEACE AS PART OF COURSE

EXPOSE PLAN TO SEND NEGROES INTO PEONAGE

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—A nation of opposition by Negroes of the nation to plan to return Negroes by northern cities to southern farms, has been sent to President Hoover and to leaders in the Senate and House of Representatives, by the N. A. A. C. P.

The project outlined in a special Washington dispatch yesterday to the New York Herald-Tribune, by Mark Sullivan, is called a plan for the "deportation of Negroes into peonage," in the N. A. A. C. P. letter.

The plan suggested as an alternative to the La Follette relief bill which the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is supporting, would provide federal funds for trains to take "indigent Negroes from New York, Detroit and Chicago back to the South from which they were lured through the ill balanced prosperity of a few years ago."

Commenting on this the Association's letter to President Hoover and the Congressional leaders signed by Walter White, says:

"The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, speaking in behalf of twelve million American Negro citizens and in behalf of intelligent and fair-minded citizens of other races, takes this means of going on record most emphatically against any such proposal."

MURDER 'FARM' HEAD KILLED IN PRISON BREAK

MILLEDGEVILLE, Ga., Feb. 11.—John S. Williams, white trusty in the state penitentiary here, was killed in a midnight escape which three white prisoners made Monday. Williams was run over by an automobile which the fugitives had seized and were using to make good their escape.

In such a way did the notorious John S. Williams operate in the infamous "murder farm" operated in Jasper County until ten years ago, come to his end. It was alleged at the time of Williams trial that he had killed or caused to be killed eleven Negro farm hands.

Official attention was focussed on Williams operations in 1921 when complaints were made that he was violating the laws against peonage. It was his habit to go into court and pay fines or bonds for Negroes arrested for trivial offenses. He would then take these men to his farm to work out the debt to him. They were kept on the farm as slaves when they became unruly they were slain.

After it was apparent that an exposure was to be made, Williams is reported to have caused several more of his peons to be killed. Their bodies were found in the Yellow River. He was convicted of murder and given a life sentence. Convicted with him, was Clyde Manning, a Negro overseer, who was used as a tool by Williams.

AMONG THE CONVALESCENT

Measures J. Readus, Fannie Cosby, Dolly Paries, J. D. Patton, Charby Harris and Laura Jones. Mrs. Jones makes her home with Mrs. C. A. Jenkins on E. 13th St. N.

VAN VECTENS DESERT HARLEM NIGHT LIFE

New York, Feb. 16.—Tired of the jazz life to be found in Harlem cabarets, where for so many years he and his wife, a Russian actress, have foregone Van Vechten, writer and author of "Nigger Heaven" and Fania Marinoff, his wife, a Russian actress, have foregone "parties" and gin and Harlem, according to a statement from Mrs. Van Vechten, who last week said that she and her husband had become bored with night life.

Speaking of the whole period, Fania said: "I have memories of hundreds of parties in apartments, night clubs, speakeas, honky-tonks—in Harlem, in Greenwich Village—all over. I'm tired of it. It was just a phase in the life of this generation. I never liked it. It was very hollow.

For years prior to the writing of "Nigger Heaven", a book which excited both favorable and unfavorable comment, Mr. Van Vechten was a frequent visitor to Harlem night clubs and to the homes of number of prominent Negroes in Harlem.

U. S. SHOWS ITS APPRECIATION

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 12.—The United States Department of State has instructed Addison E. Southard, American minister to Ethiopia, to express the appreciation of this government to the three Abyssinian policemen who struck Southard some weeks ago when his automobile hit an Abyssinian woman. The department has also advised Southard to ask the Abyssinian authorities to lift the fine of 100 Mara Theresa Dollars, which was imposed upon the policemen in addition to a year's imprisonment.

This action of the state department followed an editorial protestation of the Amsterdam News of New York last week when the News pointed out that the fine was sufficient to keep the men in prison for the rest of their lives and suggested that Southard should be the first one to request that the fine be lightened since the punishment was out of all proportion to their crime. The action of the Department of State suggests that justice will be more nearly accomplished although the men still will be required to spend a year in jail for striking Mr. Southard, the Kentuckian who is minister to the Negro empire.

HARLEM CHURCH SCENE OF HOUSEWIVES MEET

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—Salem M. E. Church, Seventh Ave. and 12th St. E., Rev. F. A. Cullen, pastor, was the scene of a mass meeting of Unit No. 3 of the Harlem Housewives League Sunday afternoon, Mrs. Mattie D. Hunter, 145 W. 123rd Street, president, Mrs. B. Roach presided and speakers were Mrs. A. K. Lewis, field staff representative of the National C.M.A. stores, Mrs. W. Amos, president of the Jamaica Housewives League, and A. L. Holsey, president of the National C.M.A. A determined effort is being made by Harlem women, through the Housewives League to bring more Negro grocery business into Negro owned and operated stores.

UNIVERSITY TO OBSERVE BIRTH

HOWARD UNIVERSITY TO CELEBRATE SIXTY-FIFTH BIRTHDAY PRESIDENT EXPRESSES APPRECIATION OF ALUMNI COOPERATION

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 12.—On March 2, 1932 Howard University will be sixty-five years old. The University obtained her charter from the Federal Government on March 2, 1867. The University this year will celebrate her birthday by dedicating three new women's dormitories which have been recently erected at a cost of \$70,000. These dormitories were opened for use at the beginning of the current school year and are said to be among the best equipped dormitories for Negro youth in the United States.

One of the features of the Charter Day Celebration will be the Annual Dinner in the University Dining Hall sponsored by the Washington Alumni. Similar Charter Day Dinners are held by Howard Alumni all over the United States. In a statement given out today by President Mordcaid W. Johnson this Charter Day Dinner is spoken of as one of the most inspiring occasions connected with the University life.

RADIO TALKS MAIN FEATURE

DAILY PAPERS CONTRIBUTE INFORMATIVE EDITORIALS

The Advocate officially opened the annual Negro History Week, on Monday, Feb. 8th when promptly at 12 o'clock, Beatrice Cannady-Franklin, editor of KOBH, the Daily Journal, broadcast from her radio station, Morning Oregonian. At this time the speaker answered the questions, why a Negro history week observance is necessary and in what ways the program was to be put over.

On Tuesday, Feb. 9th, she again was on the air for 5 minutes from station KOBH, the Daily Journal. At this time she told of successful local efforts in teaching Negro history in the public schools and read paragraphs from a paper written by a white student. On the same day evening at 9:30 o'clock Mrs. Franklin broadcast for 15 minutes over station KXL, Multnomah hotel, subject, "Negro Poetry."

On Thursday morning, the manager of The Advocate, Jerome Franklin and Dr. DeNorval Unthank broadcast over station KEX. Mr. Franklin told of the celebration of Negro history week, urged radio listeners to read Mrs. Franklin's introduction during the week, and then introduced Dr. Unthank who spoke for ten minutes on the subject, "The Negro Physician."

Special feature articles and editorials appeared in the local dailies on Negro Achievement, tonight, Saturday, at 9:45 to 10:00 o'clock Mrs. Franklin will again be on the air. Her subject will be, "The Negro Brings His Gifts," and again on Sunday she will broadcast over KTRB, Weatherly Bldg. on "Negro History and Race Relations."

INVESTIGATE 30-MINUTE TRIAL OF NEGRO BOY

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 12.—Workers for the League of Struggle for Negro Rights and the International Labor Defense here are investigating the raiding of the electric chair of James Hollins, 22-year-old Negro worker of Sapulpa, Okla., charged with rape.

Hollins was arrested December 25, tried in a special session of night court that same night, and found guilty after a trial that lasted half an hour.

Investigators have discovered that Hollins had been going with a girl for two years, but that when a white man found the two together, he raised the cry of "rape."

Demonstrations of Negro and white workers in Kansas City have protested the frame-up of Hollins and have sent telegrams to Governor Murray of Oklahoma demanding the release of the victim. A district conference is planned for some time this month, to be held in Oklahoma City and to consider ways of means of fighting this new frame-up.

85 Cities Honor J. Rosenwald

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Climaxing the observance of exercises memorializing



which were held simultaneously in 85 cities last Sunday, was the announcement by the committee in charge of the Chicago celebration and which had sponsored the nation wide effort, that the event would be made an annual one and that the first Sunday in each February would be known as "Rosenwald Day."

The spontaneous and enthusiastic acceptance by the colored people of the country of the opportunity to honor the philanthropist whose works of beneficence had been closely bound up with racial life, is said to have touched and established the members of immediate establish a definite memorial day.

The memorials of the day began with a broadcast over a nationwide hook up of a program featuring "The Southsiders" who sang several of Mr. Rosenwald's favorite songs, followed by an address by Dr. Channing H. Tobias, senior secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

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