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## LINCOLN

Lincoln's memory is to be honored not only by the Negro but by the whole of America as the framer and issuer of the "emancipation Proclamation."

There are myriads of good things in the life of Lincoln which cause humanity to love and idolize him, but we believe that it was his selflessness and beautiful love for humanity that made him so great. "The servants of humanity—these are the superior men whatever race color or creed."

We love Lincoln because he loved and served mankind. "There need be no reservation in our appreciation of Lincoln because the great proclamation was for those states who remained in rebellion against the Union. This fact need not be dodged, for Lincoln was chief magistrate and was in duty bound to accomplish the end by strategy and diplomacy. No less therefore, should we appreciate him because the stated defense of the proclamation was as a necessity to save the Union."

"Nor should we seek out and emphasize those statements and policies of Lincoln in which he seemed to be willing to let slavery in states remain if thereby the Union could be surely saved by the agreement or the warring Southern Confederacy. Not only did he utter strong statements for the end of slavery, but here is good ground for believing that he was maneuvering the Union into a vantage position for victory without slavery and there are utterances of his to indicate that he felt sure freedom would be the final result in every move he made and position he took, feeling that he must act from the position of the head of the nation obligated to save the Republic through the Union of States."

Let us honor Lincoln as an enemy of the slave principle and in fact the official emancipator of our race.

## ADVOCATE WANTED

A letter has been received at our office from the Internal Trade Union Committee of Negro Workers, of Hamburg, Germany, requesting The Advocate to be sent to them. The letter reads: "Hundreds of African, West Indian, Indian, Arab, Somali and other colonial Seamen who sail to Hamburg visit our club and reading rooms and will greatly enjoy reading your paper."

"You no doubt will be very glad to hear of the great interest which these colored workers are taking in the Negro question in America, especially since the outrageous Scottsboro case in Alabama. Unfortunately we do not get enough colored newspapers to give them. That is why we appeal to you to help us."

The letter is signed by the committee of the Seamen's section.

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## FREDERICK DOUGLASS

We have a little book on our desk which is a brief story of the life of Frederick Douglass, Negro slave and one of the outstanding anti-slavery movement advocates and workers. The book is written especially for children and no Negro child can read it without growing "chesty" with pride of the race which produced such a character, and without becoming imbued with his courageous spirit to dare and do, to climb to greater heights than he achieved.

There are many things which distinguished Frederick Douglass, and which make him a fine example of courage and devotion to principle. He lived in a perilous time when the cause of freedom for his race was most unpopular and when advocating it was a risky thing to do. However, after disguising as a sailor and making a successful break for freedom, he aided many more of his brother-slaves in gaining their freedom.

It is said that early in his career as a slave he observed that the slave who was easily handled was the one most often whipped and decided then and there he would make it difficult for his master to flog him. The result was he seldom ever was flogged. This principle he used throughout his life. Douglass never accepted defeat and worked at home and abroad for freedom of the American slave.

Douglass was born a slave in Maryland in 1817 or on about the 14th day. Speaking at an anti-slavery convention, it was noted that he spoke with great power and conviction. He was immediately sent out on lecture tours both in America and in Europe, in the cause of freedom.

He afterwards settled in Rochester, N. Y. and began to publish an abolition paper known as the "North Star." He held a number of prominent political positions, the more important of which: Marshall of the District of Columbia Recorder of Deeds of the District, and minister to Haiti.

Negroes everywhere should give due honor to this champion of their cause whose birthday occurs Monday, Feb. 14th. It is hoped that due observance of Douglass Day will held in Portland.

## THE ROOSEVELTS

A number of the inquiries have come to The Advocate regarding the relationship of Roosevelt. The following is self explanatory:

The Roosevelt family emigrated to America and settled in New Amsterdam in 1644. Franklin Roosevelt, Governor of New York, is descended from Jacobus Roosevelt, of that first emigrant family, and T. R. Roosevelt was descended from Johannes, a brother of Jacobus. Franklin Roosevelt is therefore a very far away cousin of Theodore Roosevelt and not his son or brother as has been widely reported. Mrs. Roosevelt, the wife of the Governor, is the daughter of Elliott Roosevelt, a brother of Theodore, and therefore a niece of the late

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## NEGRO HISTORY WEEK

The National Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, inspired by its director, Carter Woodson, 7 yrs. ago initiated a movement, known as "Negro History Week." The beginning was small like the beginning of any movement of merit but each year it has grown, attracting new supporters with each succeeding year, until today in every section of the United States the occasion is observed in some fitting manner.

Not only has the Association succeeded in arousing nationwide interest in the study of Negro history but from European universities and centers of culture like those of England, Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia, have come numerous requests for the publications released by the Association, and foreign scholars report that they make extensive use of them in instructing their students in social science. In China, Japan and Australia the same thing is being done.

Why is it necessary to set aside a special time to emphasize Negro history? To fully answer this question, would require more space than can be devoted to it at this time, but briefly stated, because of his historical background in America which all intelligent Americans know, the Negro was regarded as mere chattel and it took four years of bloody war to transform him into a man. This condition created the so-called "Negro Problem" resulting in a peculiar situation which created a nation within a nation. And owing to race prejudice and other reasons, the true history of the Negro has not been recorded in the textbooks in use throughout the nation. Therefore neither the white nor the colored student has had any appreciable amount of information on the subject.

The Negro student has been compelled to study the same kind of books, hence the Negro child's education as it pertains to his race has been sorely deficient. This accounts for the inferiority complex prevalent in Negro people. Lack of race consciousness so necessary to instill pride.

This country's material wealth was built upon the broad, brawny shoulders of the Negro. He has contributed to America, not only his brawn, but his brain, contributed to our culture and his heart to our spiritual advancement. He has on every occasion when our nation was in danger, come to her rescue with his unerring loyalty, fidelity and patriotism—defending her at home and at the battle front. Why shouldn't a record so worthy as this be recorded in our school books? Indeed without this record of the Negro's contribution to progress, our histories are many pages short of our most important achievements.

Teaching the Negro history to the white people will broaden their horizon; it will prove to them that the Negro is imbued with the same kind of spirit and strives for the same ideals as his white brother—and since information plays such an important role in bringing about a better understanding, it is imperative that white people study Negro history in order to bring about better relations between the races.

If the purpose of history teaching in our public schools is to train for citizenship, what kind of a citizen will the Negro be, if the history he studies does not comprehend his race? The education of any race is incomplete and lopsided unless it embodies the ideals of that race. By contemplating

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the deeds of the worthy members of his race, the Negro youth will be inspired to attain the highest objective of life.

Because of existing conditions, the inevitable conclusion is that Negro history should be taught in all the schools of all races in the United States.

The teaching of Negro history will bring knowledge of those essential elements without which there can be no solution of the race problem.

## HAVE YOU A "HIDDEN HUNGER?"

Unemployment emergencies have reduced living expenses of many families to the primitive necessities of food, shelter and clothing.

"If there are times and places of such dire destitution that sacrifices must be made even among the three bare essentials of food; bread, milk and some fruit or vegetable, each in the cheapest available form, what then?" asks Dr. Henry C. Sherman, Professor of Nutrition, Columbia University. Answering his own question, he says: "Milk builds bone and muscle better than any other food. And more than that, milk is both the cheapest and the most effective of the nutritional deficiencies which open the way to diseases. The dietary should be built around bread and milk. The lower the level of expenditure, the more, one must forego other foods and concentrate effort upon providing these two, supplemented by a little of some inexpensive fruit or vegetable."

## MEHARY MEDICAL COLLEGE

The Pacific Christian Advocate of February 11th, carried an illuminating article by Wyatt B. Brummett, entitled "Beginning at the End" which tells the story of Mehary Medical College and its long battle for adequate school building and equipment and the beginning of a new era of service to the Negro Race.

Another article entitled "Some Thirty Fold and—Some a Hundred" portraying the work of the church in the education of the Negro in the sound and an editorial on Negro and Lincoln by B. E. Jones, of New Orleans.

The Pacific Christian Advocate, of which Edward Laird Mills, is the versatile editor, is published in Portland and those of our own race who would appreciate having this up-to-date and obviously accurate information of one of our two foremost medical schools, would do well to get a copy of the magazine at the office of the Christian Advocate in the Artisan Bldg.

## PROTECTION

The situation in China, where a virtual state of war exists between the Japanese and Chinese, has occasioned the greatest concern in Washington. For the first time since the World War a conference was held by the President with the Secretaries of State, War and Navy, the Chief of Staff and the Chief of Naval Operations to consider what steps should be taken to afford further protection of American citizens in the International settlement at Shanghai. As a result of this conference the President gave orders that the 31st Regiment of about 1,000 men on the Tientsin port Chaumont, should be sent at once to Shanghai. The Cruiser Houston and six destroyers had already left Manila for that destination. With these additions to the Marines already there, the total American force in the settlement will number about 2,500. It is hoped and believed that the mere presence of this force together with forces nearly equal in number representing the government of France and Great Britain already there, will be sufficient to serve the purpose without the necessity of actual fighting. The situation however is fraught with the most dangerous possibilities. While this government naturally will maintain a strictly neutral attitude as between China and Japan, there is a strong feeling that Japanese have proceeded with unnecessary violence in view of the helpless condition of China, and that if it becomes necessary, strong measures must be taken to restore peace.

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Rev. W. R. Lovell, Minister

## MOUNT OLIVET BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. J. D. WILSON, Pastor  
In keeping with the spirit of the day, the pastor will speak upon the subject, "The Negro in American Life" at the morning service. He will discuss Negro achievement amid hardships and discouragements. Among salient statements from his speech are the following: "The Negro is urged to support his government—uphold law and not be moved by the glittering promises made to us by representatives of outside governments."

"Despite segregation, Jim-crowism, mob-rule and lynching, the Negro has remained loyal, dutiful and hopeful and has made marked progress in every way."  
Rev. Wilson spoke last Thursday before a meeting of the Federated clubs at the Williams Avenue Branch Y. W. C. A. the occasion was known as "Club Day." His subject was, "Negroes of Achievement." He gave brief biographies of a number of outstanding Negroes in our history including such characters as Frederick Douglass, Booker Washington, George Carver, and placed special emphasis on the outstanding women in history such as the late Mary B. Talbert, Mary Church Terrell, Mary McLeod Bethune and Nannie Burroughs. His address was filled with information and entertainment and pleased the interested audience.

In the evening, "Denominational Day" will be observed with appropriate service. A re-statement of principles of the Baptist denomination will be the high light of the meeting.  
Rev. Wilson and his congregation to the church.

## BETHEL AME CHURCH NOTES

The chorus under the direction of Prof. Bartlett will sing at the Sunnyside Methodist Church, Sunday night at regular service.

The Juvenile program last Sunday consisting of musical numbers and readings given by children from 4 to 12 twelve years of age, was a decided success, showing both talent and training.

The Joymaker's Dramatic Club met at the home of Juanita and Vernon Gaskins on Union Avenue. Games were played followed by lovely refreshments.

On Feb. 17, a chill and chattering dinner will be served at residence of Mrs. S. Pickett on 418 Vancouver Ave. A group consisting of Gwendolyn Hooker, Geraldine Jefferson, Eleanor Gragg, Dolores Burdine, Melvin Dawson, Robert Price and Charles Johnson visited the Rose City Methodist Church Christian endeavor last Sunday, and joined in an open discussion of the Situation of the Race Problem. It was decided that love and education were the fundamental principles for the solution.

Sunday at 7:00 the Boys and Girls contest will close with a cake given to the side which has had the largest attendance for the past two months. The C. E. with Miss Gwendolyn Hooker presiding, will have charge of regular evening services.



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The Democratic shindy has commenced to take concrete form. Former Governor, Al Smith has entered the list of presidential candidates. The "Brown derby" was tossed in when he gave out a statement that while he would not canvass for pre-convention delegates there would be no objection on his part if his friends wished to present his name. The entrance of Smith has rather mixed up matters in the Andy Jackson camp. Many comments have been made by the leaders of both major political parties. It depends on the bias of the commentators as to what stress is placed on the act. Most of them believe that it is a gesture to "Stop Roosevelt." If he is not stopped now there will be no stopping him. The Jack Garner boom, promoted by Hearst, is doomed for an early dissolution. Newton Baker has eliminated himself—too much pro-League of Nations, and favor of European debt cancelling—Ritchie of Maryland, is out of the running, and Bulkeley, Ohio least mentioned of all, looms as the dark horse, that is, should Roosevelt be defeated for the nomination. The reaction from the New York governor seems to have set in after his formal denunciation of United States participation in the League of Nations and the pronouncement against debt cancellation. Critics declare that he is too willing to conform to expediency. Well; That's politics.

Just this one more thought on the question of Prohibition. There are thousands—yes hundreds of thousands of men and women throughout the United States who would become indignant if accused of being treasonable if violating any law laid down in the Constitution. Their sense of loyalty and decent citizenship would be shocked, yet they think nothing of breaking the Constitutional law of the 18th Amendment. It is the violation of the prohibitory law that tends to lessen the respect that should be held for other regulatory statutes. Mob law and lynching come under the same heading.

## NEGRO LITERATURE INTERESTING TOPIC FOR NEGRO HISTORY

ONTARIO, Ore., Feb. 11—Negro literature was the subject for the Study club program on Thursday, and provided one of the most interesting afternoons of the study calendar. Mrs. Ray Emmott discussed negro poetry, prose and drama; Mrs. F. L. Olmstead, in costume, gave the musical readings, "Po' Lil' Lamb" and "Spring Fever." Mrs. S. A. Regan gave the negro spiritual, "Swing Low," and responded to an encore with "Don't You Cry, Ma' Honey." Mrs. Harold Day gave a piano solo, "Barcarolle," from Nathaniel Dett's suite. Hostesses for the program were Mrs. S. D. Dorman, Mrs. S. A. Regan, Mrs. C. H. Keele, Mrs. J. C. Bartlett, Mrs. Phoebe Biggs, Mrs. Ray Emmott, Mrs. Olmstead and Mrs. O. M. Castleman.



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