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### A BOOK OF SERMONS

The Advocate acknowledges with appreciation, receipt of a copy of "Selected Sermons" by the Reverend Mr. J. H. L. Rhone, from the publishers, The Smith Printing Company, Waco, Texas. The book which was reviewed in The Advocate several weeks ago by Clifford C. Mitchell, is introduced by the following statement: "To my mother, the influence of whose early training has always shaped my ministerial policy; to the mother of my children whose memory has been an ever-present inspiration throughout my ministerial career; to my children at whose urgent request this volume is published."

The author explains that the sermons are not intended for other ministers to preach but to inspire and aid them in the preparation of their discourses.

The volume of seventy pages is artistically bound in tan cover printed in brown and finished with brown silk cord.

The sermons are brief, thorough, profound, inspiring and illuminating.

These days are surely filled with gloom for those republican officeholders of Washington who will soon be asked to step down and get out to make room for the host of hungry democrats who have been kept away from the pie counter so long.

### THE NEWSPAPER'S INFLUENCE

(By E. D. Cannady)  
Surely the newspapers would rule the world could all the men who give their direction appreciate what they should be and were their motives high and true.

We read the speeches made in public assemblies by so-called great men. We read them every day and also of the applause that is their accompaniment and then like echoes, the truth comes back that the best of them are but conscious or unconscious plagiarisms; that some obscure newspaper first gave to their expression.

Kings bend down to deceive their people and the world through the press. The courts and the pulpits are not indifferent to it. Statesmen are influenced for good or evil by the newspaper. Just now hundreds of men and women, too, are hoping and longing to obtain an appointment to some sort of position at Washington through the influence of the newspaper.

Liar's ever talk the loudest and press their claims most vigorously. However, persons of probity and intelligence need not fear liars and knickers. Unjust criticism always serves as a homerang.

Governor Meier's message to the state legislature was received with enthusiasm, but it's going to take some time for the common people to understand just what it was all about.

### THE ADVOCATE IN EVERY WHITE HOME IN 1933

For the last past twenty-nine years, THE ADVOCATE has been published in the City of Portland. It is a weekly newspaper, independent, politically published in the interest of the colored people specially and serves as a mediator or bridge between the white and Negro races in the state.

It's present owner and editor has been with the paper for twenty-one years, serving in various capacities from printer to editor and vice versa. And for the same period of time, THE ADVOCATE has striven sincerely and continuously to create a better understanding between the races and to promote, not only interracial tolerance but friendship, love and appreciation between the black and the white people. In this interracial work, we feel safe in saying that THE ADVOCATE editor led out in the Northwest, not only through the columns of the paper, but in the home, through the school, college and church organizations.

Pioneering in such work is not all roses. Many times the very people whom she thought to help misunderstood her motives and would censure her for "trying to be white". It is pleasing to observe, however, that these same people who adversely criticized her interracial activities, themselves have caught the spirit and in the parlance of slang, "everybody's doing it now."

business conditions were at their best—and it goes without the saying that now it is living only through the sacrifices of its editor and associates. These sacrifices, of course, have an end, like everything else—and finance in the newspaper office is limited, quite. Practically every subscriber on our books is delinquent in their payments. If each one would send in just a dollar, let us say, on account, we could give a much better paper. We cannot give our best thought to our work when we have to spend most of our time chasing the dollar.

We, like many other Negro newspapers using the syndicated feature section were unable to give the necessary support to its publishers back East and they were compelled to discontinue publishing it. We nor the others could support them when our subscribers and advertisers failed to pay us.

THE ADVOCATE has started a circulation campaign with the following slogan: "The Advocate in Every White Home in Oregon in 1933."

Why such a slogan? It is common knowledge that Negroes read newspapers published by the white people. Daily they read or hear discussed news which is published in these papers as well as their editorial columns. The average Negro keeps fairly well up with the white world—the same as the old Negro servants in the south knew all about their white employer's activities, often in and out of the household.

How many white homes in Oregon have Negro newspapers coming to them? Comparatively speaking, not many. Is not the white race interested in what one-tenth of the nation's population—the Negro—is doing? To be sure they must be but most of them depend on the daily newspaper for information regarding the Negro.

We are sorry to say, that very little constructive news pertaining to the Negro ever finds its way into the columns of the white dailies. The Negro's criminal record is to be found there. Once in a while a special article of a constructive nature appears in their columns especially if it relates to music or some other entertaining feature as the appearance of the Tuskegee choir in Radio City, New York, as the Negro as a musician is not disputed, but the absence of the regular standardized news relating to Negroes is general.

How can white people then learn about the Negro, what he is doing, how he is faring and what he is thinking? Certainly not from the reading of the average white daily. Such information can only be obtained from the Negro newspapers.

Some years ago, one might have been severely censured and even ostracized from certain circles if he had had a Negro newspaper come to his home. But in the light of present-day development and mental progress, intelligent whites should make it a rule to buy at least one good Negro newspaper. How else can one become fully developed if he leaves out of his education such an important study as the American Negro?

We are living in an age when the world is experiencing the death throes of old out-worn customs and prejudices and the agony of labor in the birth of a new era. Today is the day of personal investigation. Everywhere individuals are investigating and seeking the truth for themselves. How can they know the truth about the Negro unless they read about or personally to solve their common problems.

THE ADVOCATE is the only Negro newspaper published in the State of Oregon. It's sole reason for existing is to be of service in promoting more friendly relations between the races by disseminating information which it believes to be of help and which is necessary before the races can begin to solve their common problems.

THE ADVOCATE is only \$2.50 per year—52 weeks. We want every white family and business place in the state to subscribe for THE ADVOCATE and assist us in promoting our helpful and greatly needed program. It is very little to ask but many together will aid very materially.

We are anxious for that day in our interracial relationship when we, the Negro and the white—can live peacefully, amicably and harmoniously together in the same world, in the same country, in the same state, in the same city, and if need be on the same street.

Such is the mission of THE ADVOCATE. Want you, and you, and you aid us by remitting for your subscription at once?

## LETTERS FROM PEOPLE

WRITER THINKS FIRST POINT IN JORDAN CASE IS WON

Portland, Oregon, January 25—To the editor:  
Your letter of January 13, including clippings from the papers of Klamath Falls, giving accounts of the trial of Theodore Jordan, received several days ago.

Please accept my thanks for the same; also for the publicity given through THE ADVOCATE, both from the national office and the local branch's activities.

The present status of Jordan is: On the 15th instant attorney Myers of Klamath Falls, associate counsel with C. W. Robinson of Portland, argued the motion for new trial. Judge Duncan, the trial judge took the matter under advisement, but informed the attorneys that if he did not grant the new trial, he would open way for an appeal and stay of execution which as you know is scheduled for February 3. Our big job is to raise funds for attorneys' fees, etc.

Respectfully yours,  
CLARENCE E. IVEY,  
Pres. Portland Branch N. A. A. C. P.,  
945 Tibbetts Street, Portland, Ore.

### WRITER PLEADS FOR LAWS TO PROTECT CHILDREN

Says There is No Need For Children To Work During The Depression

Palo Alto, Calif., January 25—To the editor:  
Child Labor continues to be a serious problem and the annual reminder of Child Labor Day observance the last Saturday, Sunday and Monday of January continues necessary. There is never any excuse for child labor, but in the present period of unemployment of millions of adults, there is less than no excuse—there is heavy blame.

Child labor has been called our MEANEST crime.

Every child should have a chance for education, play and growth. Now its chance varies with the standards of the state it happens to inhabit. The state laws aimed to protect children from labor, and the state laws on compulsory school attendance vary widely. So does the enforcement of what laws there are. But the number of child laborers continues about the same in proportion to total number of workers of all ages.

The standard of protective laws for children has arisen slowly but steadily. Progress is due mainly to the organized work of the National Child Labor Committee and the generous publicity of the press.

Set ALL children free.  
Yours for children's rights,  
ALICE PARK,  
Secretary, Western Press Committee, Direction American Humane Education Society.

### ANTI NARCOTIC SOCIETY GRATEFUL FOR USE OF ADVOCATE COLUMNS IN ITS PROGRAM

Portland, Oregon, January 27—To the editor:  
We are enclosing an article we believe will be interesting and instructive to your readers and will also bring to their attention the seriousness of this work.

We wish to thank you for the opportunity of getting our message over to your readers, and hope that it in some way be of benefit, if only to a few.

Would you be kind enough to let us have three copies for our files. Again thanking you, I remain,  
Sincerely yours,  
HOWARD GRAY,  
Director

### IRVIN GOODMAN TO SPEAK BEFORE STATE LEGISLATURE

International Labor Defense Attorney To Urge Repeal of Syndicalism Law

Portland, Oregon, January 27—To the editor:  
As a direct result of the state-wide mass protest and demonstrations led by the International Labor Defense against the Oregon Criminal Syndicalism Law, and of the demand for the repeal of this law raised by the I.L.D. and supported by the hundreds of workers' and farmers' delegates to the State Hunger March to Salem on the 5th of January, the Oregon State Legislature has now been forced to take action toward the repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law.

A bill for the repeal of this law has been introduced by Senator Ashby C. Dickson of Multnomah County and is now pending before the House of Representatives. Also, Irvin Goodman, I.L.D. attorney, has received permission to speak before both houses of the legislature to explain the character of the Criminal Syndicalism Law and the necessity of its repeal.

However, this does not mean that the fight of the working class against this vicious anti-labor law is yet won. The passage of the Criminal Syndicalism Repeal Act by the Legislature must be enforced by mass state-wide demands. Every worker, every member and friend of the International Labor Defense and every member of organized labor should immediately send letters and resolutions to your state representatives or senators demanding favorable action on this bill. Organizations and labor unions should also send resolutions to the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate demanding passage of the bill.

Only by this means, by the continuation of our efforts and the mass demands of every worker and sympathizer of labor, can we consolidate our victory and force the Legislature to wipe off the statute books of Oregon this law which violates every fundamental right of freedom of the working class.

Fraternally yours,  
EMIL LINREN,  
Section Organizer

## Local News Events

Mrs. Martha Russel writes from her home in Washington, D. C. and sends her check for another year's renewal to THE ADVOCATE. Thanks very much, Mrs. Russel. Let others please do likewise.

Mrs. Laura Brown, of Longview renews her annual subscription to THE ADVOCATE this week. Mrs. Brown writes that the few colored people in Longview are being well cared for during the depression.

Watch for the coming of the Rhythm Racketeers.

### COLORADO VOTERS ORGANIZE DEMOCRATIC LEAGUE OF ORE.

The Colored Democratic League of Oregon is the name of a new political organization recently formed in Portland.

The officers are: Charles Adams, 1060 E. 14th street north; William H. LaBelle, Vice-president; Jerome Y. Franklin, Secretary; Charles Morgan, treasurer.

The League, which will become a member of the Democratic State organization, plans to study governmental problems and stimulate young people of the race to study politics and take a larger interest in civic, political, and economic problems.

The next meeting of the league will be held tomorrow (Sunday) at 1060 E. 14th street north at 2 P. M. Every body interested in this kind of activity is cordially invited to attend and if they so desire, to join the league.

Those who attended the "Big Broadcast" at Bethel A. M. E. church some time ago, will be given the opportunity of witnessing the "Bigger Broadcast" soon. Watch THE ADVOCATE for further announcements.

The boys of the Trojan club are soon to present a novel program entitled "The Showboat". Watch for announcements of this extravaganza.

The likeness of Yolande Dubois Williams, the infant granddaughter of Doctor W. E. R. Dubois, appears in the February Crisis.

Joseph N. Hill, is the first colored man to hold a full professorship at Lincoln university, Pa. He graduated at Lincoln and has done post graduate work at Lincoln, the Chicago University and the University of Penn. He is a brother of Rev. D. G. Hill, pastor of Bethel church at Portland, Oregon.

Thornton Betts writes THE ADVOCATE from his home, 1505 Union St., Dacula, Calif. Mr. Betts formerly attended North Pacific college here.

THE ADVOCATE editor has been chosen as one of forty-five "writers and thinkers" by Editor Robert L. Vann, of the Pittsburgh Courier, to contribute a special article on national conditions to be published in the Courier and called to the attention of the incoming national administration.

Two colored men were sworn in as jurors in the Criminal division of the Fulton Superior Court at Atlanta, Ga., last week. This is the first time since 1862 that colored men have been selected as jurors in Georgia and this was done to prevent an appeal from the verdict of a case to be tried in this court.

"Rhythm Racketeers"! Oh, they're hot, an HOW!

The EAST TENNESSEE NEWS of Knoxville, Tenn., carried a reprint from The Advocate re Miss Clara Ingersoll qualifying as a registered nurse in its issue of Jan. 19th.

### A NEW MUSIC AGGREGATION

The Stewart-Park Church Childrens Singing Band, is the latest music organization. It is composed of eleven children all of whom belong to the Henderson and Crane families. The band sings spirituals, folk songs and read poetry. They are trained by Mrs. Mable Henderson and Mrs. Madge Crane. A silver offering is taken at their programs, all of which is turned over to their church. Concerts have been given by the young folk at Richfield, Wn.; Hillsboro, Oregon, Oregon City, Oregon and they are booked to appear at Estacada, and at Columbia academy, at Battleground, Wn.

Mrs. Henderson explained that this was a serviceable way thought out

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CALL ADVOCATE WONDERFUL Philadelphia, Pa., January 24—To the editor:  
Find enclosed 10 cents for which please send me at once a copy of your wonderful paper.  
Hoping you will forward it soon, I remain,  
Very truly yours,  
GREGORY J. BYRIS

by herself and Mrs. Crane to keep their children employed and happy during these restless times.

You'll think of Duke Ellington when you hear the Rhythm Racketeers!

James Williams, a school teacher of Henderson, Texas, arrived in the city a few days ago to push his claim and that of other relatives for a share in the late Betty Knox estate. Miss Knox died several years ago in Portland.

Joe Hicks, one of the few colored citizens who resides in Medford, Oregon, motored to Portland Monday.

"How this city has grown since I was here 15 years ago!" he remarked to an ADVOCATE reporter.

In the Daily Journal of January 17, there appeared a letter written by the Advocate editor against pension conditions on government work in the Mississippi Delta area.

Among distinguished callers at the Henninghoff & Gaddie Mortuary this week was Rev. G. G. Gardner.

George Sanders, a former Portlander, now of Los Angeles, is back and says that if he can find a place to eat and sleep, he is going to remain, for Los Angeles, he says, is full and running over with unemployed men and women of all races.

Don't miss their dance when they come to Portland.

It is rumored that a popular widow is planning to marry a man worth plenty of dough; but he lives in another state, to be sure, he must.

W. H. Lewis, of Kindorf Road is reported to be quite ill.

10 Musicians!

Very encouraging news of improved condition of E. D. Rawlins who is confined at the Good Samaritan hospital, has been released.

Mrs. Sylvia Carter, of Omaha, Neb., stopped over in Portland on Monday between trains while enroute to Salem to visit her son who is confined in the state prison.

Mrs. George Adams, of Trenton, N. J., a maid for a wealthy white family was here Sunday and was registered at Hotel Heathman.

Andy Bundy, Pacific Coast feather-weight fighting champion, returned from a visit to Oakland last week.

Artists — All!

John Winters of Chicago, spent a day in Portland with friends Monday. He was bound for Butte, Montana, his former home.

Charlie Redd, restaurateur, is reported to be quarantined at his home on account of Mrs. Redd having the diphtheria.

Their music burns one up!

Mrs. Alice Jamison is greatly improved to the delight of her friends. Mrs. Jamison has been confined to her home, 1150 Holgate for more than five weeks with rheumatism.

Mrs. Maybelle Cochran who spent a few weeks in Portland on business recently, has returned to her home in San Diego, California.

Following a long illness, Mrs. W. G. Ford died on Wednesday morning at Multnomah hospital. The Fords have long been residents and citizens of Portland. Mrs. Ford was a member and an officer, stewardess, of Bethel A. M. E. church. Funeral services were conducted Friday from Bethel church with Rev. D. G. Hill, Jr., in charge. The choir of the church sang with Mrs. Jesse Grayson, soloist.

Mrs. Martha Simpson, of 645 East Sixteenth street south, a pioneer citizen of Portland, is ill and confined to her home. Mrs. Simpson is suffering with an injured limb.

### CAMP AND AUXILIARY MEET

Sgt. Joseph White Camp and the Ladies Auxiliary will hold their regular meeting tonight at their hall in the county court house.

The newly elected president of the Auxiliary, Mrs. Winnie Davis, and the secretary, Mrs. Marvin McGinnis will meet next Wednesday night with the Auxiliary of Scout Young Camp to get pointers on the work for their Auxiliary.

All members of both camp and Aux. are urged to be present at the meeting tonight.

Sgt. Joseph White Camp  
SPANISH - AMERICAN WAR VETERANS  
—and—  
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## New World Order

### (SECOND INSTALLMENT)

Note: Last week we stated that the next installment would be under the caption of "The Impotence of Statesmanship" when it should have been, "A War Weary World" as that is the first subtitle in the booklet.

Writing several paragraphs under the title "A WAR WEARY WORLD", Shoghi Effendi continues:

Neither the force which the framers and guarantors of the Peace Treaties have mastered, nor the lofty deals which originally animated the authors of the Covenant of the League of Nations, have proved a sufficient bulwark against the forces of internal disruption with which a structure so laboriously contrived had been consistently assailed. Neither the provisions of the so-called Settlement which the victorious Powers have sought to impose, nor the machiavry of an institution which America's illustrious and farseeing president had conceived, have proved, either in conception or practice, adequate instruments to ensure the integrity of the Order they had striven to establish. "The ills from which the world now suffers," wrote 'Abdu'l-Baha in January 1920, "will multiply; the gloom, which envelops it will deepen. The Balkans will remain discontented. Its restlessness will increase. The vanquished Powers will continue to agitate. They will resort to every measure that may rekindle the flame of war. Movements, newly-born and world-wide in their range, will exert their utmost effort for the advancement of their designs. The movement of the Left will acquire great importance. Its influence will spread."

Economic distress, since those words were written, together with political confusion, financial upheavals, religious restlessness and racial animosities, seem to have conspired to add immeasurably to the burdens under which an impoverished, a war-weary world is groaning. Such has been the cumulative effect of these successive crises, following one another with such bewildering rapidity, that the very foundations of society are trembling. The world, to which

ever continent we turn our gaze, to however remote a region our survey may extend, is everywhere assailed by forces it can neither explain nor control.

Europe, hitherto regarded as the cradle of a highly-vaunted civilization, as the torch-bearer of liberty and the mainstay of the forces of world industry and commerce, stands bewildered and paralysed at the sight of so tremendous an upheaval. Long cherished ideals in the political no less than in the economic sphere of human activity are being severely tested under the pressure of reactionary forces on one hand and of an insidious and persistent radicalism on the other. From the heart of Asia distant rumblings, ominous and insistent, portend the steady onslaught of a creed which, by its negation of God, His Laws and Principles, threatens to disrupt the foundations of human society. The clamor of a nascent nationalism, coupled with a recrudescence of skepticism and unbelief, come as added misfortunes to a continent hitherto regarded as the symbol of age-long stability and undisturbed resignation. From darkest Africa the first stirrings of a conscious and determined revolt against the aims and methods of political and economic imperialism can be increasingly discerned, adding their share to the growing vicissitudes of a troubled age. Not even in America, which until very recently prided itself on its traditional policy of aloofness and the self-contained character of its economy, the invulnerability of its institutions and the evidences of its growing prosperity and prestige, has been able to resist the impelling forces that have swept her into vortex of an economic hurricane that now threatens to impair the basis of her own industrial and economic life. Even far-away Australia, which, owing to its remoteness from the storm-centers of Europe, would have been expected to be immune from the trials and torments of an ailing continent, has been caught in this whirlpool of passion and strife, impotent to extricate herself from their ensnaring influence.

(To be continued next week)



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