

# SAVAGE MOB LYNCH'S MAN PLAN MONUMENT TO HONOR RACE AVIATOR

Digesting . . .  
The News  
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PAID IN FULL

Were I to set a charge on the humble service that I have attempted to render through this column since its inception nearly three years ago, I would consider the bill "paid in full" after reading the editorial, presumably by "Book" Lawton, in the Kansas Whip, of Topeka, issue of February 9th, reading as follows:

NO. 30667

"Somewhere within the broad expanse of the United States of America, a brilliant mind, a regenerated soul; answering to the No. '30667', hides his time and awaits the hour when 'society' shall roll back like a scroll; the prison bars that restrain his freedom until the full measure of justice is meted out; and 'society' has collected its full debt.

"He pays! He pays! He pays! The striped or gray uniforms are symbols of an institution that crucifies human souls to avenge the illusions of society; that it is a moral force, capable of meting out justice to those who transgress its civil and moral code.

"Were I to name the most brilliant literary men of my group, the No. 30667, would stand beside those of DuBois, Pickets, Simmons, Hughes, and Wilkins. And were I obliged to choose from the whole field the one whose star shines the more brilliant amid the greater number of shackles that retard each in his sphere, I would seek the solitude of the grim gray walls of the prison, to pin upon the breast of No. 30667, a star of hope; the gratitude of a race.

"Uncomplainingly, he languishes behind steel and stone and writes beautifully of the better things of life, like a great 'General'; directing a battle on many fronts, he conducts a system of information so stupendous, as to affect the readers of more than half a hundred (colored) newspapers in the United States. When I see No. 30667's column alongside that of my own, sharing with mine the same pages; it is with a feeling of doubtful equity of what falls from my pen, that I appreciate the honor.

"Surely the kind hand of Providence, searching over the universe for those who suffer fate, will touch the hem of his garments, and cause to fade the cruel stripes, the stigma of a prison slave that rideth swiftly as the winds, to scatter its filth and its brand, even before his going.

"The law of reciprocity! Is it not dead? Arise and loose the shackles; society has been paid! Give to him the reward of your bargain, as he has given to you. Hear his knocking at your door, which echoes the ears of twelve millions of colored Americans? By his advice and gentle kindness under reversed conditions, he has lightened the yoke about their necks and lighted the darker avenues of their lives, and awaits at the fork of the roads to lead them through green pastures watered and grown in the flickering shadows of a gloomy prison — by the ray and hope of one that has lived not alone for himself; but for them and their God — which is his also.

"It has been my pleasure to exchange with No. 30667, compliments and acknowledgments to each for his writings. It is my further pleasure to unsheathe the sword in his name, as he has for the millions of us. To scale the heights of society, higher to the impregnable wall, which like an iceberg, stands haughtily in contempt of those who are beating back.

"In closing, may I admonish that we all shall take up the gauge of battle; our cry shall be: 'Liberty for No. 30667!' Let it be in unison, that its volume will be like the peal of mighty thunder which will rock the foundation of society, to echo through the halls of justice and expend its force in the dark archives of 'Jackson Prison' — When the victory shall have been won."

And for such an expression, from a comparative stranger, gladly do I mark the bill for my humble service — 'Paid in Full'.

## DENIES ASSAULTED BY RACE MAN

### POLICE PROTECT "DE LAWD" WHITE MAN

#### LOCAL NAACP OFFICIALS CONTINUE 'BRUTAL' ATTACK ON JORDAN

YET ON OTHER HAND HE WOULD BARGAIN WITH HIM IF JORDAN WOULD DENOUNCE OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS. WHOLE CONTENT OF LETTER IS HIGHLY ILLUMINATING ON STAND TAKEN

#### LOCAL MINISTERS AND OTHER PROFESSIONALS DENOUNCED

Called "Godless and Communists"

Portland, Oregon, March 3—Special to The Advocate—Correspondence now in the hands of the Jordan Defense Committee indicates that Clarence E. Ivey, Charles Robinson, and other officials of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People are continuing their campaign of attack on Theodore Jordan, colored, now under sentence of death at the Oregon State Penitentiary.

The organization which, a few days ago, assuming the responsibility for saving Jordan from the gallows, is now indulging in a series of letter-writings resulting in attacks addressed to Jordan which have aroused wide-spread indignation in many quarters.

Last week The Advocate published in full a letter written by Charles Robinson, attorney, called in by the N. A. A. C. P. on the case, to Jordan, and witnessed by Clarence E. Ivey and V. E. Keene, Robert Creamer, local attorney, commenting upon the letter said:

"It is one of the most vicious expressions of animosity I have ever read. It is certainly a brutal thing to send to a man under sentence of death."

Although Robinson, Ivey and Keene in the above-mentioned letter announced their intentions to withdraw from the case, declaring that Jordan's police record, among other factors, had influenced their decision, the following

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## GOODMAN PLANS JORDAN DEFENSE

#### JORDAN APPEAL BEING PREPARED

Klamath Falls, Oregon, March 1—Irwin Goodman, Portland attorney retained as co-counsel for Theodore Jordan, young Negro, recently convicted of the murder of F. C. Sullivan, S. P. dining car steward and sentenced to be hanged, arrived in Klamath Falls Monday morning of last week to make a thorough survey of the case with W. P. Myers, local defense counsel.

Goodman has been retained to assist in the Jordan defense by the International Labor Defense Society.

The Portland attorney ordered a complete transcript of testimony made to present in the appeal of the case to the Supreme court. Al Randt, circuit court reporter, began on the transcript Monday, and it is estimated that about 30 days will be required for the work. The appeal will then be filed immediately.

Jordan, who was sentenced to be hanged on February 17, has been granted a 60-day stay of execution pending the filing of appeal.

## FEAR HARRISON MAY BE KIDNAPPED, OFFICERS TAKE PRECAUTION

#### COLORED SLAYER HANGED BY SOUTHERN MOB

(As reported in the daily white press) Ringgold, La., Feb. 20 — Nelson Nash, Negro, who kidnaped a bank cashier and his wife in an attempted robbery and killed the man, for defending the woman against attack, was lynched by a band of angry citizens at the scene of the slaying yesterday.

As news of the crime spread several hundred citizens organized posse and captured Nash 15 miles away and brought him back to Ringgold, where officers said he confessed the slaying.

The crowd spirited the Negro away to the scene of the slaying, hanged him from a tree and riddled his body with bullets.

## SUCCUMBS SUN.

#### MRS. YOUNG'S DEATH COMES AS SHOCK TO MANY

The death of Mrs. Ella Young, of 4026 N. Garfield avenue on last Sunday was a distinct shock to her many friends who had failed to realize just how ill she was. The end came about 2 P. M. Sunday of acute heart attack. She was found lying by her bed dead by her next door neighbor and friend, Mrs. E. L. Jamison, of 4025 N. Garfield avenue who had just been over to call on her a few hours before and who sat up with Mrs. Young all night on Saturday to minister to her.

Mrs. Young was born fifty-four years ago in Kansas City, Mo. and she had been a resident of Portland for more than eight years. She was an officer and member of Bethel church, Bethel choir and chorus; she was a talented and industrious woman and had many friends.

Funeral services were held Friday, March 3rd at Bethel church with the J. P. Finley, morticians, in charge. Rev. Hill delivered the principal eulogy and the church choir furnished the music. Interment in Mount Scott Cemetery.

Surviving are three daughters and seven grand-children: The daughters are Mrs. Edna Henderson, of Chicago; Mrs. Mae Gibson of Merced Falls, Calif.; Mrs. Cleota Hatcher, of Bremerton, Washington; a son-in-law, Mr. M. M. Hatcher of Bremerton. The grand-children are: Benjamin Moore, of Chicago; Walter Gibson, of Merced Falls, Calif.; and Melvin M. Jr., Cleota Marie, Christina Odell, Frank Nolan and Gerald James Hatcher of Bremerton, Washington. Mr. and Mrs. Hatcher motored from Bremerton Monday to attend the funeral and look after its arrangement.

The funeral was largely attended and the floral pieces were numerous.

#### COLORED DEMOCRATIC CLUB NO. 2 ORGANIZED

On last Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Payne, of 134 Cherry street, a senior democratic club was organized with Mr. I. Z. Triplett, president; Marvin McGinnis, First Vice President; I. H. Payne, Second Vice President and F. D. Young, secretary. Another meeting will be held at the same place tomorrow, Sunday at 2 P. M. and all persons of the age of 35 and over are cordially invited to be present.

#### NEW YORK, March 2— (By ANP)

Marc Connelly and Rowland Stebbins, author and producer, respectively, of "The Green Pastures", were requested in a letter Tuesday by the N. A. A. C. P. to cancel the remainder of the engagement of the show at the National Theatre in Washington, D. C.

The Association gave two reasons for its request: because threats had been made against the life of Richard B. Harrison, who plays the role of "De Lawd" in the play, so that it is necessary for him to have police protection, and because withdrawal of the play would serve as "a rebuke to the intolerance and prejudice in the capital of the country."

Mr. Stebbins who, with Mr. Connelly, strongly denounced the policy of racial exclusion practiced at the National theatre, stated that the existence of a contract would preclude giving consideration to the requests of the N. A. A. C. P.

#### Our New Leader



Franklin D. Roosevelt

Franklin Delano Roosevelt who was inaugurated as the thirty-second president of the United States of America today, Saturday, March 4, 1933 at the Nation's Capital. People from all over the United States attended the colorful affair.

Owing to lack of space, a large amount of correspondence in connection with the Scottsboro and Jordan cases had to be omitted from this issue.

The Advocate would appreciate it very much if our subscribers would pay their bills promptly so we can give you your paper on time.

#### AIDS WHITE MAN IN FLOGGING

WILMINGTON, N. C., Mar. 1—ANP Dallas Bradshaw, 26-year-old white man, and Roy Jones, about the same age, have been taken into custody by the police and are being held pending the outcome of injuries inflicted upon Stacy Holland, 21-year-old white man.

Bradshaw and Jones are said to have lured Holland into the woods where they tied him to a tree and whipped him. After the whipping, Bradshaw was said to have shot him.

Before shooting him, Holland told the police, Bradshaw asked him if he would rather be shot in the head or in the heart. Holland selected his head.

#### THE LOUISIANA LYNCHING AS RELATED BY A COLORED MAN EYE-WITNESS TO THE ORGY

(Reprinted from the Pittsburg Courier of February 25th)

I'll Never Forget The Cries of That Dying Man. Phantom Reporter writes as He Recalls That Night of Terror.

Editor's note: Because of the tense feeling in Louisiana following the lynching of Nelson Maab, the name of this eye witness to Ringgold's "Bloody Sunday" has been withheld.

SHREVEPORT, La., Feb. 19—I've just seen a human wolf-pack in full cry! I've just seen men—yes, and women, too—stripped of their veneer of civilization, take the life of an ignorant, deluded, black man.

And tonight, as I sit here trying to write the story of Ringgold's "Bloody Sunday", a day which blasphemed Him who gave His life that we might live, I can't seem to close my ears to the cries of that mob of bloodthirsty whites whose throats rumbled to the cry, "We'll burn him at the stake!"

Nor can I shut out the agonized cry of poor Nelson Mash, whose voice rose in muted appeal as he looked to the Heavens and chanted "Oh, God! Forgive them, for they know not what they do."

"A Bloody Sunday" Tonight the hands of more than 200 white men were drenched in the blood of a 24-year old Negro, aftermath of one of the greatest travesties on justice this country has ever seen.

They told me that Louisiana was just a step removed from barbarism. Tonight I'm willing to believe it. I'm willing to believe, tonight that a Negro in some parts of Louisiana dare not call his soul his own. I know his body is not his own.

Town Had Been Ugly All day long it he city has been in an ugly, bloodthirsty mood. I'm light-skinned, and even down here they don't know that the blood of Negroes flows in my veins.

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## WHITE MAN EXONERATES COLORED MAN

Nashville, Tenn., March 2—(By ANP)—Proof that not all the tales of attacks by Negroes given out by the police are true, was contained in a signed statement Tuesday, placed in the hands of police here by J. L. McCloud, that somebody had erred when it was reported that a Negro had attacked his 22-year-old wife.

Mr. McCloud admitted that he and his wife had been held up by a colored bandit, but asserted in their statement: "The Negro told us he was not going to hurt us, but wanted our money."

He was at a loss to understand how anybody could have reported that his wife was attacked.

#### AVIATOR'S WIFE IS DESTITUTE

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Mar. 1 (ANP)—Mrs. Herman Banning, wife of the transcontinental aviator who lost his life two weeks is reported to be ill and destitute at her home, 1019 E. 25th st. Banning had been able to make but little money as a result of his aerial exploits and died without providing for his widow. Insurance for aviators is practically impossible to obtain.

#### SEEK NEGRO PLAYS

CHICAGO, Mar. 1—(ANP) A movement has been started to seek plays by and of the group, on the part of A. Dilworth Faber according to an announcement made here.

Authors of the group are being urged to send in their manuscripts to the above address for consideration. According to Mr. Faber, all manuscripts will be carefully read and considered with the idea of producing those selected in Chicago during the Spring, Summer and Fall of this year.

All manuscripts should be typed on one side of the paper and those not selected will be returned to the writers. "We believe" said Mr. Faber, "that we are opening up a real channel and opportunity for Negro writers and also that out of our efforts will be the means of discovering much talent in the group."

Mr. Faber is well known in Chicago and for a number of years has been interested in the "Little Movement" that has the support and cooperation of Mrs. George Cleveland Hall and other social leaders of this city.

## "RACKET"

A Novellette—by—Trezvant Anderson—Eastern Newspaper writer

(For the National Feature Service)

A story of what happened when rival racketeers in the Nation's Capitol began muscling in on each other's fields, and territory, and how a woman and a reporter ended it in a great battle of wits and chance.

SYNOPSIS: Buck White and Joe French were the leading racketeers in Washington, and had a corner on almost everything, including the numbers, night clubs, liquor, and what-not, until Brooks and another ambitious smart guy, Freeman, started easing them into the background. By accident or maybe not, on September 2, Federal cops raided Buck's smart night club, the Alcolon, and found ten quarts of liquor on the premises, and padlocked the bright-spot. White and French were jailed, and released on bail, for their trial, under Federal laws. One month later shots rang out, and when the excitement and hubbub had subsided, Harry Brooks was found riddled with bullets.

The next night while the police were unbending every effort to find out who killed Harry Brooks, Al Freeman was shot to death in a hall of bullets in front of his pressing club next door to the Rialto theater, where he used this front as a shield for his real business. No clues were left, except

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## BANNING CALLED AVIATION MARTYR

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Mar. 1—ANP—Death is always tragic but in this new venture that Mr. Banning tried so hard to lead the race they should carry on. He is a martyr to the cause, and a noble young man died nobly. Steps should be taken to provide a monument to his memory.

Thus spoke Rev. Dr. Griffith, pastor of the Second Baptist church as he conducted the last rites over J. Herman Banning in the beautiful chapel of Conner and Johnson's Undertaking establishment last Thursday. He was buried on the hillside in Evergreen cemetery.

Funeral services were held by Wm. Powell were dressed in black aviation uniforms with a gold wing insignia pinned on the left breast. The body of Banning was dressed the same way. There was not a dry eye in the little gathering. Mr. Sam Moore, white, owner of Banning cross-continental plane and other white friends were as deeply moved as the colored mourners. Steps will be taken at once to purchase a monument.

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## NEW SHOW IS A MYSTERY

NEW YORK, Mar. 1—(ANP) Secrecy surrounds the production of the Hall Johnson group of singers in a play sponsored by a white producer from the Rialto. Rehearsals have been conducted in local halls in Harlem for the past month. Guards have been posted at doorways to permit no one to enter save members of the choir and the principles.

#### G. TURNER SPEAKS AT FELLOWSHIP MEETING

Eugene, Oregon, March 1—Geneva Turner, junior in sociology, at the U. of O., spoke on the subject of "The Outlook of the Negro Youth" at a World Fellowship meeting held recently at the Y. W. bungalow.

Miss Turner, of Portland, gave an economic and social background of the American Negro, his home life, and the problems he is dealing with today.

During the term the group has discussed conditions in various phases of life in America.

#### POLICE SEIZE PROMINENT FAR WEST PHYSICIAN

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Mar. 1—(By ANP) Dr. M. Marmillion was taken into custody by the police and held without bail in connection with the death of 17-year-old daughter of Mrs. Viola Scott, 1539 E. 39th street.

The charge against Marmillion is murder by abortion.

Archie Henderson, girl's sweetheart stated he gave physician \$25 to treat her tonsils.

Mrs. Scott claimed physician told her daughter had been pregnant for three months.

Dr. Marmillion is president of the Western Medical Association and owner of the Marmillion building at Thirty-third and Central avenue.

The Young Colored Democratic League of Oregon held a most interesting meeting Thursday night, a report of which will appear in next week's issue of The Advocate.