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"BE MEN, NOT MOLLYCODDLES."

Marking the successful culmination of a course of hard study, the annual commencement of the National Law School was held in Washington. Senator James E. Martine delivered the address to the graduates and among other things he said:

"Be men, not mollycoddles," he told them, "for if there is any class of men the world despises it is the class known as mollycoddles." And a mollycoddle is that breed of humanity which has the distinction of being indefinable. It is too bad that Senator Martine's advice was not given to a class containing Afro-American youth for it is sadly needed.

In the majority of the addresses delivered at Afro-American school commencements the speakers practically advise the graduates to become mollycoddles and give up all of their rights as men. They are told to be good and the white man will hand them everything on a silver platter. A lot of such disgusting dope is passed out to Afro-American graduates every year.

There are entirely too many Afro-American mollycoddles on earth right now and it will be well for the race if no more are turned out by the schools.

SEGREGATING REPUBLICANS.

The Central Afro-American of Saint Louis in a timely editorial protests against the action of certain branches of the Republican party in Saint Louis in putting the Afro-American voters off to themselves and shutting them out of the party councils in the formation of campaign plans. The Afro-American says:

"Especially is it true of some wards in this city, where the Afro-American voters are directed to hold separate meetings, where the only work they can accomplish is to carry out the instructions given them by the advocates of this segregation idea. It is an idea entirely foreign to true Republican principles, having no place upon the roll of honor with the names of Lincoln, Sumner, Grant, Douglas

PROTEST AGAINST WRONG.

To submit in silence when we should protest makes cowards out of men.

The human race has climbed on protest.

Had no voice been raised against injustice, ignorance and lust; the inquisition yet would serve the law, and guillotines decide our last disputes.

The few who dare, must speak and speak again to right the wrongs of many.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

and others, but very properly belongs in the category of ideas advocated by Vardaman, Tillman, Blease and their ilk.

No separate meetings are necessary for the German, Irish, Jew, Italian or any English-speaking race of Republicans, then why in the name of all that is honest and fair are such meetings necessary for Afro-American Republicans. Afro-Americans do not demand more than their share of recognition in appointments, based upon their numerical strength, and they will never be satisfied with less. All voters in the Republican Party should have the right to express their preferences for men who desire their support at the polls, and this can only be done by Afro-American representatives being admitted to the party councils where the selections of the party organization are discussed. This is the only method we know of whereby all party organizations can in all truth act for a "government of the people, by the people, and for the people."

Let us have ONE PARTY COUNCIL participated in by representatives of ALL NATIONALITIES, then we shall have TRUE HARMONY, and a singleness of purpose that will sweep aside all opposition.

To all of which THE APPEAL says Amen.

PLAYING WITH FIRE.

The Afro-Americans in Atlantic City who are bending every energy to get a jimcrow principal for their jimcrow school ought to be in better business. They are making a great mistake. Instead of extending jimcrowism they ought to fight it and have the jimcrow school abolished as it is contrary to the laws of the state of New Jersey.

Segregation NEVER plays. Perhaps the children of the men who are agitating this matter will curse them in the days to come and they will be justified in doing so.

Any man who at any time justifies and fights for the segregation of his people from other American citizens is not only an enemy of his race but he is also an enemy of the Republic. Caste begets caste. If the Afro-American people are segregated why not the Jews next? Then perhaps some numerically weak class of citizens of foreign birth. Then perhaps the rich and the poor will be separated in the schools. Who knows?

The jimcrow agitators of Atlantic City are playing with fire.

THE JEWS DID IT.

The great wholesale drygoods house of H. B. Claflin & Co. has failed, and the Jews did it.

Years ago A. T. Stewart the first great drygoods merchant prince of America, angered the Jews by refusing to receive them as guests at the Grand Hotel at Saratoga, of which he was the owner. Jewish merchants all over the country combined and in a few years forced him to the wall.

The Chaffin Company is really the reorganized Stewart business. For years Jewish merchants have been withdrawing their trade and when the pinch came Jewish bankers, remembering the insult to their people in the past, refused to furnish the money to enable the firm to tide over the trouble.

The Jews never forget an injury and who wrongs the race must pay the price.

Would that the Afro-American would learn to punish their enemies.

THE FLAG FAKERS.

There was a great flag celebration on Flag Day at the Post Office Department Building in Washington.

Secretary of State Bryan made a great speech and the assembled officials and clerks gave great whoops, sang patriotic songs and probably flattered themselves that they were really patriotic.

Yet in that building every day the

flag is dishonored. Postmaster General Burleson, probably the most prejudiced man in the Cabinet, issues discriminating orders, Alexander Stephens, Superintendent, arranges the details of his segregation schemes in the Railway Man Service, and Auditor Kram, the "Father of Segregation," continues the infamous work he started some years ago.

What a farce!

THE REASON WHY.

Segregation has come to Louisville because the Afro-Americans in that city have not been aggressive in their fight against injustice.

Some years ago a proposal was made for a jimcrow library and it was accepted without protest.

Residential segregation came as a natural sequence.

The idea of the Caucasian fiends of the South is that persons with an admixture of African blood must be kept in a separate social status subject to their whims and caprices.

The Afro-Americans who accept public segregation in any form, WITHOUT PROTEST are doing themselves a great wrong and hanging a millstone about their children's necks.

EVERY KIND OF JIMCROWISM SHOULD BE FOUGHT TO A FINISH.

INTERMARRIAGE OF RACES ALL RIGHT.

Intermarriage of whites with Japanese, Hindus and other orientals was defended by Professor Franz Boas of Columbia University, a noted anthropologist, in one of the series of lectures which he is delivering at the summer session of the University of California.

"All this feeling out here in California against the intermarriage of Americans and Japanese, as well as between whites and other oriental peoples, is simply foolish sentimentality, without the slightest biological foundation," Professor Boas said.

"Practically all the population of Europe is the product of the most widely divergent racial intermixtures. Humanity, fundamentally, is very nearly identical the world over, no matter what may be the color or race."

A ray of hope may now reach the hearts of the faithful Afro-American Democrats. Representative Smith of Maryland called on President Wilson a few days ago to urge the appointment of a white man as Recorder of Deeds, of the District of Columbia, now held by Henry Lincoln Johnson, or was held by him prior to July 1.

It is understood he was to resign July 1. President Wilson told Representative Smith that soon after his inauguration he promised to appoint only Afro-Americans to positions held by Afro-Americans whenever changes were made and he intended to do so. This was not done in the case of minister to Hayti, the best position held by an Afro-American and a few other less important places, but we suppose like Rip Van Winkle, "we won't count those."

We'll see what we will see.

This is the glorious 4th of July, the anniversary of the day that the great Declaration of Independence was signed, which declares, "all men are born free and equal and endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, among which are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, etc. etc." There are 10,000,000 good, loyal citizens of this country, to the manor born, to whom that Declaration now means nothing, therefore they are not very much enthused over the glorious 4th.

On the person of a man who looked like a prize hobo and who was living at a 10-cent lodging house in New York, police found \$53,000 in bills and bank notes. We suppose the poor fellow was afraid the high cost of living would break him if he lived according to his means.

RACE PREJUDICE.

I am convinced myself that there is no more evil thing in this present world than Race Prejudice; none at all. I write deliberately—it is the worst single thing in life now. It justifies and holds together more baseness, cruelty and abomination than any other sort of error in the world. Through its body runs the black blood of coarse lust, suspicion, jealousy and persecution and all the darkest poisons of the human soul.

—H. G. Wells in N. Y. Independent.

THIS IS THE CENTENNIAL YEAR OF "THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER"



Upper, the Constellation; lower, the original "Star Spangled Banner," which flew at Fort McHenry (now in the National museum, Washington).

This year sees the centennial celebration of the writing of "The Star Spangled Banner," the national song, by Francis Scott Key. The anthem was inspired by the bombardment of Fort McHenry, near Baltimore, in September, 1814. Various celebrations, official and unofficial, have been planned, and the occasion will be remembered on the Fourth of July of this year. The government decided to repair and restore the historic frigate Constellation at a cost of \$50,000, so that the vessel might be taken to Baltimore for exhibition in September during "The Star Spangled Banner" centennial at Fort McHenry and afterward stationed permanently in the Potomac river, near the Washington monument and the Lincoln memorial. The frigate has been stationed at the naval training station at Newport, R. I. and is the oldest vessel in the American navy.

RAISING THE SCHOOLHOUSE FLAG

A Fourth of July Poem Today the birthright of her hopes the younger nation sings As on the pinions of the light the banner lifts its wings. Today the future on us smiles and studious labor ceases To set the flag above the school, our fortress wall of peace— War bugles old, storm beating drums and veterans scarred and true And children marching for the states mid roses winned with dew. Behind ye thrice a hundred years, before a thousand grand, What says the past to you today, O children of the land? What are thy legends, O thou flag that gladdens land and sea? What is thy meaning in the air amid the jubilee?

Flag of the sun that glows for all, Flag of the breeze that blows for all, Flag of the sea that flows for all, Flag of the school that stands for all, Flag of the people, one and all— The peaceful bugles blow and blow across the silver sea. What is thy meaning in the air? Oh, banner, answer me!

Oh, my America, whose flag we throne amid the sky, Beneath whose folds 'tis life to live and noblest death to die, I hear the peaceful bugles blow across the silver sea. And bless my God my palace stands a cottage home in thee! So speak the voices of the past, ye children of the land, Behind us thrice a hundred years, before a thousand grand, Such are the legends of yon flag that gladdens land and sea; Such is the hand that scrolls the air this day of jubilee.

Flag of the sun that shines for all, Flag of the breeze that blows for all, Flag of the sea that flows for all, Flag of the school that stands for all, Flag of the people, one and all— Hail, flag of liberty, all hail! Hail, glorious yes to a comet! —Hezekiah Butterworth in Youth's Companion.

Franklin's Suit of Clothes. Shortly before the outbreak of the Revolution Benjamin Franklin, then postmaster general for the American colonies, was in London trying to get fair treatment for the Americans. His petition was dismissed by the government as "groundless, scandalous and vexatious," and he lost his official post. On returning to his lodgings that night, says Lossing's "Pictorial Field Book of the Revolution," Franklin took off the suit of clothes he had worn and declared that he would never wear it again until he should sign the declaration of England and the independence of America. More than ten years later he donned the suit again when he signed the treaty of peace which freed the United States.

Hawthorne Born July 4. Nathaniel Hawthorne, one of the greatest of American writers, whose work is distinctively American, was born on July 4, 1804.

Silence is infamous.

Possibly the worst thing permitted to go on and work injury to Negroes, has been the silence of Negro speakers in the face of the infamous lies Ben. Tillman, Vardaman, Blease and others have been telling the North and West about Negroes raping white women. By all means they should have been rebuked and their statements proven lies, but as it is, both sections believe it. Shame on the intelligent men and women of our race who allow these base calumniators to slander us.—Pioneer Press, Martinsburg, W. Va.

"SANE" FOURTH GAINING.

Fewer Lives and Limbs Now Lost in Day's Celebration.

The celebration of the Fourth of July with fireworks, which in former years caused death or injury to an average of 4,000 persons a year, is becoming a memory. The day passed off last year with only 8 dead and 385 injured in the entire country.

The sane Fourth movement has spread widely since last year, which showed a great reduction in casualties as compared with previous years. In Kansas alone fifty towns have passed ordinances forbidding the death dealing kind of celebration.

The saving of life and limb in the larger cities is shown by the following comparison of casualties:

	1908	1909	1910
Boston	0	4	51
Chicago	0	7	12
Cincinnati	0	0	6
Cleveland	0	0	62
Harrisburg	0	2	2
Kansas City	0	0	30
Los Angeles	0	0	0
Milwaukee	0	3	1
New York	0	6	6
St. Louis	0	4	138
Washington	0	0	41

THE PATRIOTIC BUNNIES



We are patriotic bunnies. Of our country grand we brag. Though we cannot fight her battles, We can still uphold her flag!

Criticising.

The true rule of life is to praise everything good and knock and criticize everything bad and detrimental to public welfare. So here's to the fellow who criticises and knocks. He is the brave man of the community. He is the one that stands between the people and abject social, financial and political servitudes, for he is a real man with an opinion and not afraid to express it.—Portland Advocate.

What Segregation Means

Rev. Quincy Ewing, a Southern Caucasian, Born and Reared in Mississippi, Shows the Policy of the South is to Keep the Afro-American in Inferior Status.

BY REV. QUINCY EWING.

But we are very far from needing to rely upon any general consideration in support of the proposition advanced above. It is supported by evidences on every hand, waiting only the eye of recognition. Scarcely a day passes but something is said or done with this end in view, to emphasize, lest they forget, the conviction for both white man and Negro that the latter is and must remain an inferior. Let me instance a few such evidences.

Consider, first, the "Jim Crow" legislation in the manner of its enforcement. Such legislation is supposed to have for its object the separation of the races in trains, street cars, etc., to save the white people from occasional contact with drunken, rowdy, ill-mannered Negroes, and to prevent personal encounters between the whites and blacks. Members of the different races occupy the same cars, separated only by absurdly inadequate little open-mesh wire screens, so tiny and in light that a conductor can move them from one seat to another with the strength of his little finger. Needless to add, these screens would serve to obscure neither sound, sight, nor smell of drunken rowdies who sat behind them! In summer cars, black and white passengers may be separated not even by a make-believe screen; they are simply required, respectively, to occupy certain seats in the front or the back end of the cars.

In Birmingham, Alabama, the front seats are assigned to Negroes in all closed cars, and the back seats in the one case, and the back seats in the other, it is not easy to understand in the light of the letter and alleged derelict purpose of the law is clearly not the separation of the races in public conveyances on equal terms; therefore the Negro must do so, not as of the white man's regulation. "This place you may occupy, that other you may not, because I am I and you are you, lest to you or to me it should be obscured that I am I and you are you." Such is the real spirit of the Jim Crow laws.

Evidences of Christianity

IN HOLY RUSSIA.

Jewish Girl Outraged and Crucified By Russians. Berlin—One of the most revolting crimes in the dark history of Russia was reported here in a special dispatch from St. Petersburg, telling of three Russian youths having outraged and then crucified the daughter of a poor Jewish fisherman in Stavropol, on the Volga. After outraging the young girl, the dispatch declares, the three youths nailed her to a cross above one of the graves. Nails were driven through her hands and feet and even through her eyes. The three murderers were arrested, but their friends in the town released them and they escaped, it is asserted.

THE ONLY SOLUTION.

Recently at the Church of England Congress at Southampton, Sir Sidney Olivier, who was governor of Jamaica from 1907 to the end of 1912, put forward the claim that no solution of the American color question was possible except by a resolute disclaimer of the color line and the race differentiation theory.

Sir Sidney Olivier certainly knows what he is talking about. In the Island of Jamaica, where he was governor for five years, there are about 800,000 colored people and only 20,000 whites and yet there is absolutely no friction between the races. Jamaica is a British colony and the government is just. Colored men enjoy every civil and political right which white men have and there is no color line.

Among other things Sir Sidney said: "My study and comparison of conditions in the United States and the West Indies," he said, "has brought me to that conclusion. American and colonial politicians and public men are not Exeter Hall abolitionists nor evangelical Christian missionaries. I do not expect them to adopt the methods of missionaries, nor do I sympathize with all their programmes. But it cannot be ignored that it happened that the faiths of the men who laid the foundations for the peaceful development of the mixed community in

THE SIN OF SILENCE

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