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This is a positive warning—No papers will be sent to any one in debt to this paper until paid up. Take notice and pay up or you will be deprived of the great religious weekly. The re-cross means your time is out.

There are some white folks so full of hellish prejudice that they blame all Negroes for what one does but we are glad that the majority are not in that class in this class.

The resolution adopted by the colored citizens of Wagoner show where our people stand as good citizens. The colored citizens of Wagoner cover themselves with glory and have made the right record for the race.

Prof Johnson at Tallahassee, Mose Johnson and others object to having threats made as to the annihilation of the residents in that locality and were prepared to be at the annihilation (Good)

The rot from the Wagoner Sayings will bluff no one. The Negroes are for law and order, they did right to disarm the cowardly hounds who were making threats against all Negroes for the crime of one. Barking dogs seldom bite, but we say to the Sayings man that the men who protected their firesides did right and will do it again, and if our friend doubts it, go out with the next gang and see.

A man who will commit the crime of rape, no matter what his color is, and ought to suffer the most severe penalty known to the law. No mob has the right to punish the criminal. Our courts are sufficiently able to administer the law and no man, white, black or red has the right to take upon himself the authority to say who is guilty and prescribe the manner of punishment Down with mob law.

HOW THEY SPEND IT.

A Freedman living near Boynton sold his land the other day and came to town and entered a drug store and called for a cigar. The clerk handed him a Henry George, which he refused saying he wanted a tea center. The clerk pulled the wrapper off a

bunch of three for five and handed them out. The Negro picked up a cigar and threw down a dollar, saying that he did not want any change as a silver dollar was the smallest piece of money he would carry.—Boynton News.

If the above is true it shows all the d—n phools are not dead yet but that one will be as dead as Hector when he gets rid of his money which will be in six months at the present rate of expenditures.

HE WOULDN'T MIX.

A Negro who persisted in occupying a seat with a white man in a coach on the north bound Katy train yesterday, got smashed in the mouth by the white man and is minus a few teeth and some hide. Officer Joe Depew, who was present, made a quick assessment of \$10 each for the episode and the parties continued their journey, but not in the same seat. 'S'matter with a seperate coach law?—Democrat.

It was an even scrap and honors were about even from what we can learn. The colored man was Rev. Walker, and everybody knows Walker will defend himself. There was hide and teeth lost by both combatants. They say the preacher fought like hades.

Seperate coach don't go here, yet, brother, if you need one we advise you to migrate to the twin hell, Arkansas or Texas.

OUR BELIEF.

We believe in obeying the law, respecting the rights of others, using our best efforts to capture criminals by assisting the officers of the law, opposing mobs and all classes of men, white, black or red, who commit the crime of rape; and in protecting our homes at any and all hazards. We believe that a mob is no better than any other set of out-laws and that they should be treated as such. We believe that our Maker intended such and if we believed the opposite we would hurl the thing called life back to the giver as a thankless

The most cowardly deed a man can do is, the failure to protect his home, (wife and children) and the most patriotic act that can be performed is to lay down his life if need be in protection of the loved ones who make home all that heaven is.

N. E. Durant reports that the U. S. Commissioner at Wagoner turned over the colored man who was suspected of the crime of rape to the city authorities after he had satisfied himself that he was the wrong man. That was a strange procedure and we are surprised at the act.

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RESOURCES		LIABILITIES	
Loans and Discounts	\$410,936.13	Capital	\$200,000.00
Overdrafts (Cotton)	23,198.89	Surplus and Profit	16,978.26
Bonds and Premiums	106,080.49	Circulation	50,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	5,046.26	Deposits	345,142.28
Cash and Exchange	68,125.35	Reserved for Taxes	1,286.38
	\$613,886.92		\$613,887.92

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