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AS EXPECTED the finding of the investigating jury in the Frank lynching was, the crime was committed by "justice unknown" and Georgia continues in a State of Anarchy.

UNCLE SAM has made lots of noise about our neutral rights when Germany, through dire necessity, retaliated against the attempts of Great Britain to kill and starve out the German. Now let's see what Uncle Sam will say to England's embargo on raw cotton, which will so materially affect the farmers of this country.

IF TULSA HAD a few more whole-hearted colored men like J. H. Goodwin, our possibilities would be almost unlimited. Goodwin is a real home-brother—a booster for his true worth. He is a credit to Tulsa and should be appreciated for his true worth.

ROOSEVELT AND RACE SUICIDE. THEODORE ROOSEVELT advises a mother of seven children to keep on bearing them, even though her husband has lost his position and her home is threatened with foreclosure. "Hard luck does not lessen our duty to society," reasons the colonel. But how about society's duty to these women and her husband? Society maintains conditions which make it inevitable that some willing workers are displaced from opportunities to support their families. This society, under such circumstances, has a right to insist on performance of a duty to itself. There will cease to be trouble with performance by individuals of their duty to society as soon as society does its duty to individuals.

THE STATE CAPITAL AND THE NEGRO. ACCORDING TO AUTHENTIC REPORTS the white workmen on the State Capitol, now being constructed at Oklahoma City at the expense of all the taxpayers of Oklahoma, strike a few days ago because negroes were employed as common laborers. The negroes were peremptorily dismissed and the white workmen returned to their work with the assurance that no negroes would be employed hereafter.

This is a slap in the face to every negro in the state. The negroes of Oklahoma are heavy taxpayers and are by rights entitled to get some of the money they are paying to build the State Capitol.

In 1910 the negroes of this state paid taxes on farm lands, buildings, etc., to the value of more than 25 millions of dollars—to be exact \$25,365,640.00. This does not include the valuable city property owned by negroes in Oklahoma and for which they pay heavy taxes and in spite of this a few negro laborers were dismissed from work on the State Capitol because a few selfish, unmanly white men objected to working with them.

IT ALL DEPENDS ON WHOSE OX IS GORED. FRANK HARDING, editor of the Peckin Journal, threw a fit on the Frank lynching last week, which wound up in the following narrow-minded, idiotic phraseology:

"The action of the mob is denounced all over the country, and the sentiment of many prominent public men is that punishment should be meted out to its members. The work of this mob is worse than the most horrible negro lynching that ever occurred."

For this degenerate low-lived cause the lynching of negroes has no horrors. It is in this spirit which has fed the mob-minded murderers of this country for all these years, and when it comes from the editor of a community paper, the columns of which should be used to uplift humanity, instead of debasing it, it is all the more alarming. Harding is the type of man it requires to compose mobs to lynch poor, defenseless negroes and gloat over the occurrence. A few years ago at Weleetka, a cowardly mob, composed of Harding's kind, murdered a poor defenseless colored woman and her 14-year-old son, because the husband shot a white man. This, however, was not as horrible as the lynching of Frank in Georgia, in the opinion of Harding.

We disapprove the lynching of Frank, as all good citizens should, but more than this we sincerely regret that the citizens of Peckin, Oklahoma, cannot boast of a real true MAN in the person of their editor. And if the occasion should ever arise that the good citizens of that town decide to rid themselves of all undesirable citizens, we trust for their own good, they will not overlook editor Harding. For all that's low, debased and cowardly in man, Harding is particularly "it."

Okmulgee News

Mrs. B. A. Nance, W. H. Fort and Mrs. A. Nance, returned Saturday from Tulsa, where they attended the Grand Lodge. A pleasant time is reported.

Rev. S. S. Jones is having dirt hauled for the building of a new Baptist Church on Central Ave.

Mrs. I. W. Cunningham and Miss Daisy Anderson attended the Baptist Sunday-school Convention in Clearview last week.

Miss Beulah Roberts spent the week here with Mrs. Carpenter of this city.

Rev. T. W. Kidd passed through the city Tuesday enroute to Holdenville to attend the A. M. E. Sunday School Convention.

Dr. Young of Boley was a visitor in our city Monday.

There is a bazaar at the grounds of the Missionary Baptist Church this week for the benefit of the new building.

Prof. Carter was in the city this week in the interest of the of the Topeka Industrial Institute.

The Union revival closed last Sunday night after a successful meeting.

Mrs. Araminta Nance is substituting for Mrs. Ada Key this week in district, 20.

Nowata Items

Mrs. Mayfield is reported much improved.

Miss Treva Everett returned to Tulsa Sunday.

Mrs. Jonny Turk of Wichita is here visiting her mother-in-law Mrs. Rach of Turk.

Askins and Turk are putting their horses in training for the Negro Fair at Coffeyville. These gentlemen say they are the best west of the Miss.

Mrs. Harvey Knave left for Bartlesville to visit home folks.

Robt. L. Fortune, attorney at law of Wilhoitton is in the city on business.

T. C. Sanders left for Bartlesville and other points for the week.

Big Delegation attended the Baptist Association at Hayden Sunday.

Rev. Harralson returned this morning from a 3 weeks visit from points outside the State.

Sapulpa Letter

I am a reader of your paper and have been for 5 years, and only in case of this kind do the sympathy for my race ever arouse me to the known duties to have my thoughts put before the public. I pray God that the time will come when our leading colored women can stand up and maintain the mark of justice to be applied to every one of the feminine sex in whatever case it becomes necessary. The time is now ripe when the Negro man has no jurisdiction as to the protection of themselves nor their families. This is caused by a lack of ambition to do things for themselves. That weak dependence on the white man's side causes us to undergo many hardships, if we would only apply the strength and will to our working nerves to go the rescue of our brother and sister and share in their troubles, if the price is blood and money. Of all the various lynchings that have occurred how many thoughts of comfort have cheered the grief-stricken relatives in either case by one of the race going to their assistance.

I want to say to the sternhood at large that we the women of this district have piled our lamps and girdled tight our swords, loaded our guns with a sufficient supply of surplus ammunition to stand by our sisters till time knows us no more. We know wonder if there is a brother or a sister of this hard pressed Ethiopian race that will go with us through the sad and painful hour of death. We only want you to organize your clubs and prepare yourselves to take up the duty of battle that is falling upon our shoulders to do

unless an ending will be without redemption. We want to resolve the idea by solving the problem that God means for us to do something for the protection of ourselves and not wait for him to do so many things that he assigns to us to do. Much more could be said but I want to hear from my neighbor sister as a whole.

McAlester News

The A. M. E. District Conference was in Session here last week, quite a few delegates and visitors.

Rev. Rice of Coffeyville, Kansas, filled the pulpit at Ward's Chapel Sunday at 11 A. M.

The Sunday-school Convention of A. M. E. Church, was largely attended, at Alderson last week.

Mrs. J. M. Price, was a Delegate from the Missionary Society.

Mrs. Katie Alexander, President of the W. H. & F. M. attended the Convention.

Mr. Herbert Leslie, has been elected as lay Delegate to the General Conference in 1916.

Miss Ethel Austin and Mr. P. Crutchfield have returned from Alderson, where they represented our Sunday-school in Convention. They report a pleasant as well as profitable session.

Dr. E. W. South was called to Topka, to the bed side of his father, who is very ill.

Mrs. Emma Worthan, of Atoka, spent several days in the city, Guest of Mrs. Thompson.

Miss Ione Allison is home after an absence of several months. Glad to have you home again Miss A.

Mr. George Stephens, one of the oldest citizens of this State, and father of Mrs. F. A. Morris, died in Kansas City, Mo., the 16th. His remains will be shipped here for interment.

He leaves a wife, several children a host of relatives and friends. The bereaved have the sympathy of the entire community. Mr. Stephens was well known here as a very successful business man.

Mrs. Birdie Lynch of Tulsa, and Mrs. M. E. Kidd of Muskogee were pleasant visitors this week.

Dr. Young of Boley, was attending the M. E. District Conference last week.

Mrs. M. L. Brookins is visiting the District Conference at Holdenville.

The Phyllis Wealthy Club rendered a Program at Well & Whiteoak Park, Monday evening.

Mrs. J. D. Davis is recuperating at Claremore.

Mrs. Bannon and daughter, Mrs. Sybil B. Chapman were pleasant visitors.

Mrs. Stewart of Sapulpa, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jones.

The Club ladies will give a guessing contest at Park, Monday night the 23rd.

The State Federation of Negro Women Club, will convene in Boley on the 26th, and through the state, Clubs are getting ready for said meeting.

SICK LIST.

Mrs. E-tea, Smith, Ivy, Morgan and Buster Roebuck.

A Match game of Base Ball on the 6th, between the ladies of A. M. E. and Mt. Triumph watch us. Nurses and Doctors will be on hand.

Mrs. Chlora Woods was called to Muskogee, to the bed side of her sister.

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Wanted, a pump with capacity of one-quarter gallon a minute, to handle warm salty fluid, to work for seventy years night and day without a shut-down, at the rate of seventy strokes per minute. Must be guaranteed to operate for the full period of time without repairs or adjustments, to require no attention; must have automatic control and contain its own motive power, and must have a duty per million foot-pounds superior to the best triple-expansion high-duty unit ever made.

Do you think the manufacturer would bid for the job? If he were a timid man he would probably agree with you and tell you to come around next week, meanwhile edging you toward the door before your insanity took a violent form. Or if he were not afraid of lunatics he would say: "You poor bug, such a pump as you speak of never existed nor ever will except in the brain of a perpetual-motion freak such as I see before me!" Which shows how much he knows about it, for both you and he carry just such a pump around with you, and each of you thinks too much of your possession to sell it for any money.—John H. Van Deventer, in the Engineering Magazine.

KING CREDITED WITH VIOLIN

Monarch Who Ruled in Ceylon Believed to Have Invented Famous Musical Instrument.

Havana, king of Ceylon, is believed to have invented the violin, 5000 B. C. The instrument was called the ravanastrom. A similar instrument was introduced into Great Britain by the Anglo-Saxons under the name of fytel, from which the modern word "fiddle" is derived. The violin in its present form was first made in the fifteenth or sixteenth century. The earliest violin maker was Gaspard di Salo of Lombardy, Italy. It is thought that the Italian school of violin making was founded by him at Brescia. Violas were the principal bowed instruments from the end of the fifteenth to the end of the seventeenth centuries, but they were gradually replaced by violins of Brescian make. The school of Cremona so perfected the art of violin making that the Cremona violin became the most famous of all musical instruments. Modern makers have never been able to improve on the Cremona violins. Andrea Amati founded the Cremona school. The greatest of all violin makers was Antonio Stradivari. His best work was done from 1700 to 1720. This is known as his "golden period."

OLD GREEK HAD RIGHT IDEA

Xenophon's Conception of the Dignity and Value of Agriculture is Beyond Criticism.

Xenophon's work on agriculture lacks the divine afflatus of the Georgics and the patient, comprehensive research of Varro's "De Re Rustica;" its more modest hope is shown by the name he gave it: "Oeconomica," or, as Etienne de La Boetie rendered it, "La Menagerie"—a capital word, that has gone down in life!

Xenophon traced the rule of the farm on rather general lines; he started from the principle that, in the main, agriculture is made up of common sense and diligence. To critics who blame him as unscientific let it be said that in southern farming, at least, these two qualities will carry the cultivator further than the most beautiful steam plow. The standpoint from which he viewed the agriculturist was not without elevation, though it did not strike him, as it struck Virgil, that the husbandman was a sort of high priest. But neither did he regard him as the mere servant of private and selfish ends. The landed proprietor was the pillar of society and agriculture the life-blood of the state; the fields grew more than corn—they grew men. This was his point of view.—New York Telegram.

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