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LEST WE FORGET, February 12 is the anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birthday.

THE GROUND HOG weather prophets are predicting an early spring.

THE STAR expresses deepest sympathy for the distress many of our readers have experienced on account of the flu epidemic raging all over the country.

OUR READERS should not fail to read the many advertisements appearing on another page in our weekly directory of mercantile and professional Negroes of Tulsa. Read and patronize them is a racial duty.

IT IS well to know the subscription rate of the Tulsa Star. They are \$2.00 for 12 months; \$1.50 for six months, and \$1.00 for three months. Every one will profit by sending us subscriptions for a year, rather than 6 or 3 months.

THE STAR will be issued regularly on time hereafter and should be in hands of our Oklahoma agents no later than Saturday morning. We shall expect large orders from our agents and urge them to get busy.

Grand Master E. D. Jefferson, D. G. M. of the G. U. O. of O. F., was in the city, visiting O. W. Gurley, Frank Smith and J. E. Hardy, prominent members of the order. The Grand Master is a Mason that looks after the members of the Grand United Odd Fellows. Jefferson is a man of the hour and does business for that institution. Too much can not be said about this Race Mason.

BLACK BILLY SUNDAY
ATTRACTS BIG AUDIENCES.

Muskogee Overflowed With Arkansas Negro Families Seeking Homes.

Star News Service.
Muskogee, Feb. 5.—The revival services being carried on by "Black Billy Sunday" at the Antioch Baptist Church on North Fourth street, are attracting large and enthusiastic audiences every night. The manner in which this Negro evangelist attacks Satan and sin is in a large degree similar to that of the original white Billy Sunday. These exhortations for the wicked to leave crooked paths and to take up the journey along the narrow and straight path are making deep impression and many converts have crowned the speaker's efforts. Muskogee's "little giant" the Rev. S. S. Jones, is being congratulated for inaugurating a much needed revival under such an able and competent leader.

During the past week, real estate agents have reaped a harvest locating nearly a hundred Negro families who have been compelled by harsh and brutal treatment to leave the districts around Dumas, Pine Bluff, and Elaine, Arkansas. Many of these refugees were financially able to buy city homes, while others secured locations on farms as renters and crop-sharers. The most of these emigrants are intelligent and thrifty in appearance, and it appears that Arkansas' loss will be Oklahoma's gain.

The Rev. S. M. Twine, Twine building, who is at the head of a real estate business operating in nearly every state in the Union, was out looking for an expert bookkeeper and office assistant last Monday. The Reverend says he is unable to find among the youth of the city, anyone competent to do the work in his office.

Mr. G. L. Cochran, well known citizen of Winfield, Kans., was in Tulsa Monday on his way to Guthrie, Okla. While here he visited Editor Smitherman, who unfortunately was confined to his home by illness.

Shall The Dead Live Again?

The faithful Job, after suffering great bodily pain and mental anguish, and after praying that he might die and go to the grave and there rest in silence until the wrath of God be over past, asked the questions: "If a man die shall he live again?" (Job 14:14.) Millions have asked this question since that time and had it been fairly treated and honestly answered by those who claim to teach the word of God (the clergy class) much sorrow would have been avoided in the earth.

According to statistics furnished approximately nine million men were the victims of the great world war just passed. Within that same period of time twelve million fell victims to the dread pestilence, "Spanish influenza." For some years now in addition to this the average death rate in the world has been approximately one hundred thousand per day. When there is a great calamity and many people lose their lives, the people of the earth stand amazed and shocked, but in the daily routine of affairs death has become so common that many think it must always be this way. Most naturally the people have looked to something to bring comfort to their hearts concerning their dead friends and something upon which they could base their hopes for the future for themselves. Truly this is an earth of sorrow, and the sorrow of a people bowed down under the great burden of sin, groaning and travailing for something that would deliver them from it. The poet has well expressed it when he says:

"The earth is old with centuries,
But not for this she hangs her head;
Closer to her heart the sorrow lies,
She holds so many dead."

From the bloody battlefields broken regiments have returned and some fathers, mothers and sweet hearts have waited at the stations and looked in vain for the coming of the one they have dearly loved and they have asked: "Shall we see him again?" "If they have fallen in battle is there any hope of our being again united in happiness and love?" The scriptures alone answer this question satisfactorily.

The hope of the world lies in the resurrection of the dead. Wonderful beautiful is the doctrine of the resurrection of the dead and those who see and appreciate it rejoice in the fact that God, in the exercise of His loving kindness, has provided a means whereby those who have suffered death might be awakened again, and those waiting in sorrow may have their hearts made glad. "A voice was heard in Rama lamentation and bitter weeping Rachel weeping for her children, refused to be comforted for her children, because they were not. (They were dead, not conscious somewhere.) Thus, saith the Lord, refrain thy voice from weeping and thine eyes from tears, for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the Lord, and they shall come again from the land of the enemy. And there is hope in the end, saith the Lord, that thy children shall come again to their own border." (Jeremiah 13:15-17.)

Every where in the Bible death is spoken of as an enemy. The land of the enemy, therefore is the condition of death. The promise here is that these dead shall be brought back to their own border, namely, the earth, their former condition.

We here submit that if the doctrine of inherent immortality is correct, then there could be no resurrection of the dead, for the reason that you can not resurrect a person that is immortal-death proof. Resurrection means "a re-ascending to life," and no one could be immortal without having life in its fullness. Hence the doctrine of the inherent immortality of the soul denies the resurrection of the dead. We further state that if the doctrine of eternal torture is true, the resurrection of the dead could not be true for the reason that no one could be eternally tortured, without having eternal life, an indestructible existence, and if one is already in a state of life indestructible and subject to eternal torment, a re-ascending to life, a resurrection would be utterly impossible. Thus we see that the doctrine of eternal torture is a plain denial of the doctrine of the resurrection of the dead.

We further state that if the dead are conscious and can now communicate with their living friends thru the influence of mediums, or otherwise, that the doctrine of the resurrection could not be true, for the reason that one who is conscious and able to communicate could not be resurrected to life, for they already would have life. Hence the doctrine of spiritualists or communication with the dead is a denial of the resurrection of the dead.

All these doctrine completely deny the great ransom sacrifice. The ransom sacrifice is the keynote to every doctrine, as to whether or not it is true or false. In other words, it is the measuring rod by which every teaching can be measured and it can be determined whether any doctrine is true or false. Thus we see that if the Bible teaches clearly and conclusively the resurrection of the dead and the doctrine of the great ransom sacrifice, the other doctrines of inherent immortality, eternal torment and spiritualism, are as false as the devil himself and this we will prove by the scriptures.

Ransom means literally "a corresponding price." God created the first Adam, perfect in organism and character. He gave him his law, the penalty of which prescribed death for its violation. He violated the law and death came upon him. While under that sentence of death he be-

gat children. He did not begat any children while in a perfect state and condition but did after he had violated God's just law and the sentence of death was passed upon him and he was driven out of the garden. Being legally condemned and having the death process in him, and feeding upon the poisonous elements of the earth, and being in a dying condition, necessarily Adam could not transmit to his offspring the perfect life germ. The race not being born until after Adam's sin would legally come under condemnation by inheritance. Therefore all of Adam's progeny were born in an imperfect condition.

Evidently this was David's thought when he said: "Behold I was shapen in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me." (Psalms 51:5.) Every child born is imperfect, a sinner subject to death, not because of any willful wrong doings on its part but because the child inherited this condition from Father Adam. St. Paul corroborates this when he says, "By one man sin entered into the world." (Rom. 5:12.)

Every one dies therefore, because he cannot avoid it, and this death would be eternal had not God graciously provided a ransom price or redemptive process. Jehovah made promise saying, "I will ransom them from the power of the grave, I will redeem them from death, O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction." (Hos. 13:14.) Be it noticed here that He did not promise to redeem or ransom any one from a conscious state of hell torture, but His promise is entirely consistent with all the other scripture, that the dead are dead, awaiting the progressive steps of Jehovah's plan to awaken them out of death.

A perfect man (Adam) sinned. Nothing but a perfect man could redeem him. God provided in his law "a life for a life, a tooth for a tooth." Man has ever desired redemption and deliverance, but to carry this out himself was an impossibility. Hence the Psalmist wrote, "None can by any means redeem his brother or give God a ransom for him." (Psalm 49:7.)

In his perhuman condition Jesus was the logo. He was God's active agent in the creation of all things. God promised to deliver mankind and the one who should accomplish this deliverance would be honored above all others and He offered this honor to Jesus. Consequently His life was transferred from the spirit to human condition. "He was made flesh and dwelt among us." (John 1:14.) The whole race, being under the condemnation of death, desired life, and Jesus said, "I am come that ye might have life." (John 10:10.) Of Him the Apostle Paul writes, "We see Jesus who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering death, crowned with glory and honor, that He by the grace of God might taste death for every man." (Heb. 2:9.) He was born of a woman not begotten of man, being begotten by the power of Jehovah (Luke 1:35.) When He reached the age of thirty years he was a perfect man, physically, mentally, in character, every way. He exactly corresponded with Adam before he sinned. Therefore, He was able to become the ransom, a corresponding price. He offered himself in full consecration to the Father. God accepted Him and begat Him to the divine nature. He was crucified upon the cross and was raised from the dead by the Father's power, and ascended upon high, with the price sufficient to redeem all mankind.

Why did not God permit His beloved Son to come to the earth and die? "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16.) His resurrection from the dead is a complete guarantee that all the dead shall be awakened. The Apostle Paul says: "There shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and the unjust." (Act 24:15.) Jesus declared that the hour is coming when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of man and live, when all the dead in their graves shall be awakened and brought forth to be given a full knowledge of the truth and a trial for life. (John 5:25, 28, 29.)

There was a class of clergymen in Jesus' days known as the Sadducees, who denied the resurrection of the dead. There is a class of clergymen today who by their teachings deny in substance, if not in terms, the resurrection of the dead. How strange that they have been unable to see that one must be dead before he can be raised from the dead. If alive they could not be resurrected. When Jesus said that God sent Him to earth to die in order that the others might have life and might not perish, it meant that they would perish and could not live except by His death and resurrection and any position or teaching, therefore, that denies the unconscious state of the dead, denies the ransom and denies the resurrection.

The Apostle Paul emphasizes this argument when he says, "Now, if Christ be preached that He rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen?" I Cor. 15:12, 13.)

The converse of this proposition must of necessity be true. If Christ did rise from the dead, then all others who have died must also be brought forth. Emphasizing this fact the apostle further says, "If Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain?" Verse 14.) In other words, it would be useless to preach anything about God's plan the condition of the dead, or any-

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thing else if we deny the resurrection of the dead. If we took any other position we would be false witnesses, and so says the apostle "Ver and we are found false witnesses of God because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ; whom He raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not. For if the dead rise not then is Christ not raised? And if Christ be not raised your faith is vain, ye are yet in your sins. Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished." (Verse 14-18.) Is it not strange that St. Paul did not say here that even those fallen asleep in Christ are alive in Purgatory, waiting to be prayed out by some priest. Why not take the Apostle Paul, the Lord Jesus Christ and all the faithful writers of the Bible words concerning the condition of the dead and Jehovah's stated plan of resurrecting the dead? Why should not the people cast out all and refuse to listen to those whose principal object is to get in all the filthy lucre and undeserved honors they can. It is no wonder the people are so far in the dark concerning the plan of salvation. They have already permitted these false shepherds, wolves in sheep's clothing (the false clergy) to lead them too far in darkness. The time has come when every honest hearted individual should demand the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth on matters pertaining to God's great plan of salvation.

In the Apostle's argument concerning the resurrection of the dead in I Cor. 15th chapter, after arguing the negative side of the question he assumes the positive side and says, "But now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first fruit of them that slept" (Verse 20.) In other words, for 4,000 years man had been dying and in that time none had been resurrected. Now Jesus, the perfect one had come, He had suffered death and God had raised Him up from the dead and He was the first that ever was raised up. Continuing his argument Saint Paul says, "For since by man (Adam) came death, by man (Jesus) came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so all in Christ shall be made alive but every man in his own order Christ the first fruits, afterward (after the resurrection of the Christ) they that are Christ's at His appearing." (Verses 21, 23.) Thus He establishes the fact that until the second coming of Christ, the dead must remain dead, wholly unconscious out of existence, and at the second coming of Christ the resurrection takes place. This same apostle continuing his argument in his epistle to the Thessalonians says, "But I would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning them that are asleep (dead) that ye sorrow not even as others which have no hope for if we believe that Jesus died and rose sleeping (in death) in Jesus will God bring with him. (Otherwise stated not until the coming of Jesus will those asleep in death be awakened.) For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout and the voice of the archangel, and the trump of God, and the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with Him in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so shall we ever be with the Lord." (I Thes. 4:13-16.) Here the apostle

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however, is discussing particularly the resurrection of the church, that these shall be first resurrected. Afterward shall come the resurrection of mankind in general. The purpose of their awakening out of death is to give them a fair trial for life. The apostle gives this thought when he says: "For it is the will of God that all men be saved and come unto the knowledge of the truth." (I Thes. 2:3, 4.) The salvation here mentioned is the salvation from death provided by the merit of Christ Jesus.

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