

## EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS.

Lynch got lynched down in Missouri last Wednesday and the rather odd thing about it Lynch was a white man and the lynchers were all white men and thus does crime beget crime and the sins of the father fall upon the children even to the third and fourth generation. Retribution is bound to follow these years of lawlessness in this country and the innocent will have to suffer for the guilty.

According to the black dispatches Monroe Trotter is now in France and is telling no one his mission, and if that be true then what can he accomplish while there so far as the colored man of this country is concerned, but if not actuated by selfish motives he will be able to fill his brain with much valuable information, which can be of invaluable service to the readers of his paper.

It was proposed some time ago to disband the Seattle Negro Business Men's League on the grounds that it had accomplished little or nothing during its expensive existence, but the proposal did not even receive a second. That was some five months ago and since that time it has not had a quarter attended meeting. Enthusiasm without determination does not get you very far from the hitching post.

An Arkansas colored man was thrown into jail because he had all of \$800 in his possession, charged with "having too much money." Had he not have had any money then he would have been thrown into jail charged with not having any money—a vagrant, with no visible means of support. In the South its next to impossible for a colored man to please the fastidious foibles of the white man.

Back to the farm is having its day in Seattle among the colored citizens, and, if those who have gone do a hundredth part as well as they think they will do, no more shortage of food stuffs will have to be reported for the Northwest next year. We are with you brothers. Go to it.

An anti-lynching bill has been introduced in Congress, which will never pass, and if it does, it will never be enforced. This lynching disease will have to be worked out of the system rather than out of the hide before its ravages can be checked.

Down in Java a volcanic eruption recently took place and 15,000 persons are dead as a result thereof! In other words, Java has had a volcanic Bolshevik outbreak.

Liberia is charged with being ninety per cent ignorant. The reptiles and varmints have doubtless been enumerated in that reckoning.

If Henry Gregg is as successful in snaring jack rabbits as he was in snaring dogs, the twenty-one years he worked for the city of Seattle then Mrs. Gregg will be able to can enough jack rabbit meat in the course of a season to supply a goodly part of Seattle with the tasteful morsels.

Gay Paree seems to have so charmed Uncle Sam's chief executive that he just cannot tear himself away. Well, we have heard it said that others have gone and done likewise.

If Ruth Garrison is crazy then why want her evidence in the Storr's case. Ruth has been the same as acquitted by a jury and now it looks very much like Storrs will be treated equally kind.

Advancing colored folks is not often done in Seattle, and if James Weldon Johnson, with his matchless eloquence and logic can succeed in having it done then off comes our hat to James Weldon Johnson.

Unless Germany gets busy in signing the peace pact it begins to look as if she will have to get busy hiding from the Allies' fring squad.

South and Central American citizens are largely Negroes, says Senator Reed. Thank ye sah fur de information.

It begins to look as if President Wilson is going to have trouble in giving to the world the long expected millennium his prolonged stay in Europe to the contrary notwithstanding. It is now threatened that in case he U. S. senate refuses to back him up he will be a third term candidate for the presidency, which we truly hope he will have the audacity to try.

And now Senator Reed would have you believe that the "heavy, heavy hangs over your head," is nothing more nor less than that time worn bug bear "nigger dominancy."

Who is foolish enough to kill the coal man, though this be June, will probably have to explain to Judge Gordon why that apartment house was not heated as the law requires.

Getting in bad with the newspapers, especially the Star and Record, seems to be a pleasing diversion of Chief of Police Warren. Wonder if he "jest nachurly luv'es" to see his name in print?

Turkey will have to go some if she hopes to discount the cruelties of the United States practiced upon her colored population in her (Turkey) Armenian atrocities.

In declaring his presidential running "behind him," President Wilson is voicing the sentiment of a great majority of the voters of the United States.

Of course "boys are needed to work on the farms of this country, but very few of them plan to work where they are needed worse.

Chicago is more or less perturbed over what is to be done with the colored folks who are flocking thither in large numbers. Give them such work as they can

Yesterday's memories caused tears to be mingled with rejoicings—tears for the dead and rejoicing for the fifteenth amendments.

More court house is wanted in King county and that too with Ruth Garrison in the pen—how funny!

Uncle Sam's N. C. 4 has flown across the pond and thereby beating Johnny Bull at his own game.

Having cleared over \$19,000 last month Seattle's street car system looms up as some investment to read about.

perform and such work as you want performed and the question will be immediately answered and the problem satisfactorily solved. The reason there is a Negro problem in the United States is because the white folks will it.

Eat your breakfast in New York and your dinner in London is going some, but that's what's coming.

May, according to the weather man, has been some wet, and yet it been no more so than has our supreme court.

Hawker flew away, but he didn't fly back, which cost him \$25,000.

### STOLEN FROM THIEVES

John Burroughs, the naturalist, was talking about Germany.

"It's dangerous to confabulate with the Germans," he said, "for they're too tricky for us. The Germans are the trickiest people in the world.

"A German at a dinner party took in a lady whose name he didn't catch. During the fish course he saw a man who had showed him up the week before in a crooked business deal, and he muttered to the lady ferociously:

"Do you see that man to the left of the epergne? Well, if there's one man on earth I hate it's him."

"Why," said the lady, "he's my husband."

"Yes, of course," said the German, "That is why I hate him."

Mrs. Ghostwalk had got the spiritualistic craze, and got into the habit of receiving

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messages from the departed when she ought to have been getting her husband's dinner. Hubby protested, and then he acted. In a week she was cured, and his friends marveled.

"How did you do it?" they asked him. "Oh," said he smiling, "I got the craze too, and every seance we went to I got a loving message from my first wife—see?"

Gen. Leonard Wood said at a dinner in Washington:

"A new soldier is always nervous and apt to make mistakes, but this is no sign of cowardice and soon wears off.

"A new soldier was having his first experience at night duty. The password was 'discount.'

"As he paced back and forth a black figure suddenly loomed up before him.

"Halt! Who goes there?" he challenged.

"A friend," was the reply.

"Advance friend" said the soldier, "advance and give the discount!"

"Our opponents have always got a flip-pant answer ready," said a congressman, in an argument. "They're like the waiter in the cafeteria.

"Waiter," said a patron, "there's not a single oyster in this oyster soup."

"Well," said the waiter, flippantly, "what about it? You had cabinet pudding yesterday, but you didn't find Josh Daniels or Newty Baker in it, did you?"

Two Irish soldiers were digging themselves in. One, a six-foot giant, found himself handicapped by the shortness of his intrenching tools and he continually paused to straighten himself and ease his back. During these pauses his comrade became conversational.

"Mike," he asked once, "what wud ye do with a million pounds?"

"Add four inches to the handle of this shovel," replied Mike.

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