

A SQUARE DEAL

This government is based upon the fundamental idea that each man, no matter what his occupation, his race, or his religious belief, is entitled to be treated on his merits as a man, and neither favored nor discriminated against because of any accident in his position.—Theodore Roosevelt.



A STRONG CHARACTER

Race prejudice is bound to give way before the influence of character, education and wealth. These are necessary to the growth of our race. Without wealth there can be no leisure, without leisure there can be no thought, and without thought there can be no progress.—Booker T. Washington.

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REAL ESTATE SHARK VICTIMIZES GROUP OF COLORED PEOPLE

(Preston News Service)
COLUMBUS, Ohio, Nov. 27.—The brief career of William Moore, aged 42 years, as a real estate agent, during which time he sold a piece of property at 269-271 North Ohio avenue, to four different persons, ended disastrously Thursday when Moore was taken into custody by detectives on a charge of embezzlement.

In a warrant filed by Mrs. Bettie Coleman, the would-be real estate dealer is charged with embezzling \$150 from her. Moore's career started a week ago according to police when he called at various houses under the pretense of being a real estate agent, with the North Ohio Avenue property for sale. Among the victims, police declare, is Mrs. Daisy Carter, from whom he secured a payment of \$75.00. He also victimized John Hearnese out of \$15.00 and a note for \$60.00. Mrs. Cora Mitchell told police that the impostor obtained a payment of \$200.00 from her on the same property.

In reality, police aver, the property in question is owned by E. J. Roush, and that Moore had not been connected with the sale in any way. When questioned, police say, Moore confessed his guilt. He declared to the officials that he was drunk at the time the various deals were made and, therefore, was unaccountable for his actions.

More was arrested at the home of Mrs. Coleman when he appeared there to secure another payment on the property. It has been learned by detectives that Moore is an expert confidence man, whose home is in Louisville, Ky., and he has always made a specialty of swindling women, especially widows, who have been known to have a little money. Local authorities are communicating with Kentucky officials in an effort to obtain a complete record of Moore's past.

In The Editors Mail

Mr. Editor:—

This comes to announce for the benefit of the innumerable host of comrades the passing of First Sergeant (Jasper) William S. Jones, U. S. Army, retired, Troop "I," 9th Cavalry, who answered the call of the grim reaper on Monday, November 5th, 1923, at Cheyenne, Wyoming.

The funeral services were conducted from the undertaking parlors of Finkbinger & Co., by Reverend S. E. Newell, pastor of Allen M. E. church. Mrs. James E. Smith was in charge of the song service.

Invocation by Sergeant McCombs, deacon of the Baptist church.

The Reverend Newell read the scripture lesson, the 133d Psalm, the last verse of which he used as the funeral message: "For there the Lord commanded a blessing, even life evermore."

The obituary was prepared and read by Mr. M. T. Dean, formerly Regimental Sergeant Major, 9th Cavalry, and late Major in the World War, who prefaced his reading with a very timely biography on the life of First Sergeant Jones as he knew him.

The remains were removed from the undertaking parlors followed by the congregation to Fort D. A. Russell, where the cortege was met by the Commanding General, his Staff and the Post Chaplain and the military escort and firing squad.

Sergeant Jones is survived by his wife and adopted daughter, and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.

We sincerely trust that their loss is Heaven's gain.

The enclosed is the obituary.

REV. S. E. NEWELL.

Cheyenne, Wyo.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Nov. 20.—William S. Jones, Retired First Sergeant, U. S. Army, died Monday afternoon; cause of death enema poisoning.

First Sergeant Jones was born November 25th, 1862, at Manassas, Virginia. Died November 5th, 1923, at Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Born during the Civil War between the State, the son of a veteran of that great conflict, and a grandson of a veteran of the Revolutionary War, which freed the young republic from the yoke of Great Britain, it was but fitting that young Jones, as

WHOLESALE ARREST AND VACCINATION OF BLACKS IS STOPPED

(Preston News Service)
ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 27.—Following a storm of protests from Negroes of this city to the Health Department regarding the wholesale vaccinations of Negroes coming from the South at the Union Station, the local health officials have finally decided to stop vaccinating persons coming from the South.

It is said that from July 29 to October 29 an average of 200 persons were examined daily. It is said that 480 were examined in one day. The most of these subject to examination were Negroes, who bitterly resented the alleged discrimination against them. It is claimed that when Negroes put up such a vigorous protest against the health department, that department began to stop whites from the South also. The chief of the department said that less than ten diseased persons arrived each day now, and he felt that the matter of examinations could be dispensed with as it was not necessary.

"ROBED MEN DELIVER PRISONERS"—MRS. JACKSON

(Preston News Service)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 27.—"About midnight I saw forty robed men deliver the prisoners. The whole county is rotten and I wish we could take them all out and lynch them," declared Mrs. Helen Jackson, a prisoner, to officials following the jail delivery here last Wednesday night. Among the Negroes who escaped were: Herbert Henderson, James Harris, Melvin Walker, and Joe Bailor, and eight white prisoners. Every available man of the Arlington county police force is on the outlook for the escaped prisoners. It said the delivery was effected from the outside.

soon as of the right age, enter the military service of his country.

On July 21st, 1885, he presented himself for enlistment, was accepted and joined the Ninth U. S. Cavalry at Stillwater, Oklahoma—then a robber-infested country. During the latter part of '85 and to April of '87 he served with Troop "I," 9th Cavalry, rounding up Indians and renegade whites.

Just before the Squadron entrained for Fort Robinson, Nebraska, Private Jones was appointed Trumpeter of Troop "I." Arriving at Fort Robinson, the next few years were spent in rounding up and making good Indians out of the "Bad Indians" in the Dakotas, Nebraska and Wyoming.

In 1890 he was with Troop "I" under Captain Henry at the Pine Ridge Agency during the "Messiah Craze," and at the White River Bad Lands. In 1895 the Bannock Indians went "bad," and headed for the Jackson Hole country of Wyoming, but were soon rounded up by Troop "I" and other troops of the "Buffalo Regiment," 9th Cavalry.

For the next few years his troop spent ten out of every twelve months in the field.

August 21, 1897, Trumpeter (Jasper) Jones was appointed Corporal and in October of the same year was promoted Sergeant.

In 1898, during the Spanish American War, Troop "I" was part of the First Brigade of the Cavalry Division under General Joseph Wheeler, as Brigade Commander, and General Shafter as Division Commander, which on June 24th landed at Las Guisimas, Cuba, and immediately went into action. Sergeant Jones was engaged on July 1, 2, 3, 10 and 11, and was present at the surrender before Santiago, Cuba.

April 15, 1901, Troop "I" embarked for the Philippine Islands, where it saw active service under the then Lieutenant Charles Young in Southern Luzon, Leyte, Samar and around Bauan, Batangas Province.

Upon the return of the troop from service in the Philippine Islands in 1902, Sergeant Jones was appointed First Sergeant by Captain Charles Young. He served continuously in this grade until his retirement from active service on January 9th, 1913, while serving with his troop on the Mexican Border at Douglas, Arizona.

Because of his ever cheerful and always pleasing personality, his comrades regretted his retirement, but sincerely wished for him a useful and long life as a civilian. Upon retirement he took up his residence in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

CONGRESSMAN DYER PLEADS FOR SUPPORT ANTI-LYNCHING BILL

(Preston News Service)
PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Speaking before a large and enthusiastic audience of this city to the Health Department regarding the wholesale vaccinations of Negroes coming from the South at the Union Station, the local health officials have finally decided to stop vaccinating persons coming from the South.

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The meeting was held under the auspices of the Pittsburgh Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People of which Atty. Frank R. Steward is president. Congressman Dyer was introduced by Rev. T. W. Wallace, a life-long friend of the Dyer family.

Congressman Dyer advanced many reasons why the anti-lynching bill, known as the Dyer Anti-Lynching Bill, should be enacted into law. He gave a volume of facts showing why the measure was defeated at the last session of Congress and he also stated that he would re-introduce the measure at the next session of Congress.

He pointed out the many things that the Negroes of this country could do to create favorable sentiment for the measure, chief among them being for each Negro to send his senator and representative a letter, a telegram asking them to support the bill; also get your white friends in your community to use their influence for the passage of the measure. One of the greatest curses that ever befell a nation is that of mob violence. The United States leads in this barbaric crime. The victims of this crime are Negroes. The fair name of America must be secured; this curse must be obliterated. Negroes must join, whole-hearted and earnestly, in this campaign of education to create favorable sentiment for this measure in order that the law may be rigidly enforced following its enactment, he concluded.

STENOGRAPHER TO MAYOR OF PITTSBURGH SPENDS THANKSGIVING WEEK IN NEW YORK

(Preston News Service)
PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Mrs. Beatrice Hill Bayless, stenographer to Mayor William A. Magee, of Pittsburgh, is spending Thanksgiving week in New York City as the guest of her aunt and cousin, Mrs. Alice Miles and Miss Ada Miles, of St. Nicholas Avenue.

It is said that Mrs. Bayless is the first and only Negro woman in the United States to hold a position of this kind. Among one hundred women who took a competitive examination for the position she stood highest with a rating of 99 1/2 per cent. Mrs. Bayless is the first colored woman to be graduated from the Commercial and Accounting Department of the Margaret Morrison Schol of the Carnegie Institute of Technology. Following her graduation from Tech she was employed for a number of years as a stenographer in the office of the late Dr. Booker T. Washington at Tuskegee, and for four years as stenographer and book keeper for the Pittsburgh Courier Publishing Company by Atty. Robert L. Vann, editor. She received Magna Cum Laude upon her graduation from Carnegie Tech.

Mrs. Bayless is active in political and welfare work in Pittsburgh, retiring in disposition and unassuming. She was born in Richmond, Va., and came to Pittsburgh with her parents when she was seven years of age. She is the wife of the manager of the Strait-Tex Chemical Company.

SLAYS BAD MAN; GETS SHORT TERM

(Preston News Service)
PINE BLUFF, Ark.—Turner Brown, charged with the killing of Josh Caldwell, at what is known as a "hog eye" dance several weeks ago, pleaded guilty in Circuit court last Wednesday and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

Brown said that he shot in self-defense when the other man approached with a drawn knife, after having attacked Brown's sister. He told the court that Caldwell was regarded as a dangerous man and was known by many as a "bad man."

EMPEROR JONES DOES NOT MAKE HIT WITH FRENCH SAY REPORTS

(Preston News Service)
PARIS. — Eugene O'Neill's play, "The Emperor Jones," which opened here at the Theatre de L'Odeon last Monday night, was about as impressive as a motion picture of salmon fishing, according to a French theatrical critic.

In general the reviewers were silent, and except a few protests. It is said that the production was presented here for the benefit of the Franco-American fund to erect a monument in memory of athletes killed in the war. Even this appeal failed to draw attendance after the first night. They claim the play seems to be a little primitive on the stage of France's second theatre where so many masterpieces have been seen.

LOCAL NEWS

Leaving For Texas—Mrs. Eliza Kenney of 212 East Lincoln street, left Thursday evening November 22 for Fort Worth, Texas, to spend Thanksgiving and Christmas with relatives.

Home From Springs—Miss Myrtle Hackett and Mrs. Gertrude McCutcheon returned last week from a two weeks' stay at the Springs, where both took treatments. They were greatly benefited and look the picture of health.

Mesa Visitors—Mrs. R. N. Roan and Mrs. J. McKelvey and little Orin Roan of Mesa were business visitors in Phoenix one day last week.

Ray Visitor—Wm. P. Crump, produce merchant of Ray, Ariz., spent several days in Phoenix last week visiting his family.

Orval Anderson Passes—Word received from Oakland, Calif., is to the effect that Orval Anderson passed away in that city following a brief illness. Mr. Anderson is a former resident of Albuquerque, N. M., and for a time was in the railway mail service. He leaves a wife and four daughters and other relatives to mourn his passing.

Many Newcomers—Phoenix is enjoying a rapid growth of her colored population, as many are coming from Oklahoma and other southern states. The majority of them find work in the cotton fields while a few are employed at the oil mills and in other places. There is room for more. Come, let every one that desires come, and cast his lot with us.

Home From Coast—Mrs. J. O. Green returned recently from a pleasant vacation spent in California with relatives.

Sues For Divorce—Mrs. Laura Young has filed suit for divorce against Dan Young, alleging cruelty and non-support as ground for action.

Great Christmas Program—The Pastor's Social Workers, together with the Tanner Chapel Sunday school, plan to give a splendid Christmas program at this church. The young people of the church are taking great interest in the plan, and it is predicted by the leaders, that the affair will surpass anything ever attempted in this line. Watch for announcement of date and get ready to attend.

Experienced Painters—Mr. J. C. Walker and brother, experienced painters and paper hangers, are recent arrivals from Oklahoma and are seeking employment in their line. When in need of a first-class painter or paper hanger, just call at their home, 38 N. 11th street, or phone 4663.

Officers Installed—A public installation and reception held last week at the C. M. E. church, when the newly elected officers of the Booker T. Washington Hospital club were inducted into office, proved a delightful affair. Mrs. J. J. Brown is president of this club.

TWELVE WHITES STILL REMAIN AT TUSKEGEE HOSPITAL, AVERS

(Preston News Service)
MONTGOMERY, Ala., Nov. 27.—According to a report from Director Hines to President Coolidge last Tuesday, all of the personnel, except twelve whites, at the United States Veterans' Hospital at Tuskegee, are Negroes. It is said that Director Hines submitted the report to the President, following numerous protests from Negro organizations to him against manning the hospital, an institution for the care of Negro service men, with white personnel.

According to persons close to Director Hines and aware of the many problems confronting him in carrying out the wishes of the late President Harding in manning the hospital in the face of various obstructions placed in his way by southern whites, Director Hines needs to be commended by Negroes over the country for the success he has made in this connection.

The report shows that 12 white staff members are still on the force and that there are 248 Negroes employed there. Among the 12 whites are three commissioned officers, designated as the directing heads of the institution. All of the specialists and physicians, except two, are Negroes, and all of the nurses are Negroes.

While Director Hines did not explicitly state that he would further reduce the white personnel down to two—a director in chief and an assistant—and the remainder of the personnel to be Negroes, it is expected that he will carry out his original plan.

Negro leaders in all parts of the country still hold the theory that the entire force at the hospital should be Negroes, and appear not to be satisfied until such is actually put into effect. Just what further action President Coolidge will take in the matter has not yet been indicated, and Negroes are anxiously awaiting his action in the matter.

En Route to Texas—Rev. John Brooks, his wife and sisters, Mrs. Samuels and Mrs. Lewis, spent a few hours in Phoenix with their friends, Mrs. Chester Maryland and sisters, at 1207 East Jefferson street, while en route from California to Gonzales, Texas. They were called to Texas on account of the death of a brother.

Purchase New Studebaker—Mr. J. A. McCarty, prominent merchant of Prescott, motored down to Phoenix a few days ago in his Cleveland touring car and traded it in on a bright new Studebaker Six. He now has a REAL CAR.

Purchase Reo—Rev. E. E. Burkhalter, pastor of the Second Baptist church, and formerly owner of a new model Buick car, has exchanged the Buick for a bright new Reo touring car.

Trip to Texas—Mrs. Bertha Helm, Mrs. Perry Morris and Mrs. Corean Little made a flying trip to El Paso, Texas, on business and pleasure.

Lest You Forget—Brother Rosser, the vegetable dealer, is still delivering fresh fruit and vegetables right at your door, and his prices are away below the other fellows'. Patronize Brother Rosser.

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Makes Improvements—Mrs. Lena Wells of 510 So. Central avenue, has made extensive improvements on her home. A new shingle roof has been added, a new room and other worthwhile improvements. Mrs. Wells is among our most progressive citizens.

Mrs. Potts Passes—Word received by Mr. Edgar E. Potts of this city is to the effect that his wife, Mrs. E. E. Potts, who was visiting relatives in Texas, died very suddenly November 5, following a severe hemorrhage. She was a member of the Household of Ruth and that organization had charge of the funeral arrangements.

CLEMENCY GRANTED ELAINE RIOTERS BY THE GOVERNOR

(Preston News Service)
LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—Governor McRea's proclamation commuting to 12 years' imprisonment the death sentences of the six Elaine Negroes still at the state penitentiary, was put on record last Wednesday.

Under the proclamations the 12 years' sentence began on Wednesday and according to present penitentiary law, the men may not be paroled at the end of a third of their terms, as is the case ordinarily. The law forbids paroling commuted men at the end of a third of their terms.

The following is the proclamation, commuting the sentence of Frank Hicks:

The sentence of death heretofore imposed upon Frank Hicks by the Phillips County Circuit Court is hereby commuted to 12 years' imprisonment in the state penitentiary. All were the same. They were issued to Ed. Hicks, Frank Moore, J. E. Knox, Ed. Coleman and Paul Hall.

BAPTIST MINISTER HELD UNDER \$500 BOND

(Preston News Service)
PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Wife says he threatened to kill her and burn off her head, were among the things told before Judge Kline in criminal court here Friday afternoon by Mrs. Daisy Patterson, wife of the Rev. W. A. Patterson, a minister, formerly pastor of the Second African Baptist church of Weirton, W. Va. Mrs. Patterson said that her husband divided his time between carrying the hod and pastoring when he was not under the influence of "shine."

Police officers testified that when arrested Mr. Patterson had a pint of whiskey, partially consumed when they interrupted a "prayer service" at his home in Cliff street, October 28, following complaint of neighbors that Patterson was abusing his wife.

Mrs. Patterson stated that her husband had told her that he would blow her brains out, and had taken a lid from the stove and threatened to put her head in it and burn it off. She assured the court that she lived in fear of her life when Patterson was unrestrained.

Judge Kline asked Patterson why he left Weirton, "as it seemed you and your wife got along very well while you were pastoring there." Patterson told the judge that he had a little difficulty with his congregation at Weirton, "when they refused to accept the pure Gospel, and I came to Pittsburgh to earn my living by carrying the hod," he declared.

Judge Kline placed a bond of \$500 over Patterson to keep the peace with respect to his wife, Mrs. Daisy Patterson, who placed surety of the peace charge against him.

CITIZENS OF ORANGE CONSIDER STEPS FOR CARING FOR INCREASED NEGRO POPULATION

(Preston News Service)
ORANGE, N. J., Nov. 28.—A conference was held at the Y. M. C. A. building last Thursday night by leading businessmen and members of the Civic organizations of Orange to consider "Problems of Our Colored Citizens" under the leadership of B. B. Hodgeman.

Health officials and members of the school board, as well as real estate men and others were present. It was brought out at the conference that because of the great influx of colored families from the South, over-crowded conditions prevail in tenement houses and the schools. Rent profiteering is prevalent and a strenuous effort will be made to put a ban on this.

Following a general discussion of the various phases of the problems confronted by the Negroes a special committee was formed to make an accurate survey of the situation and report at the next meeting with recommendations for solution of these problems, if possible.

BISHOP CAREY HOLDS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

(Preston News Service)
NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 27.—The fifty-first session of the Tennessee annual conference closed here last Sunday at St. John's A. M. E. church, presided over by the Rev. Dr. A. J. Carey, of Chicago. Several connectional officers of the church attended the conference and delivered addresses.

HUNDRED THOUSAND BLACKS LEAVE SOUTH DURING 1923, AVERS

(Preston News Service)
PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—According to an announcement following the survey of the Industrial Board, more than 100,000 Negroes have left the South during 1923 and have settled in the North. The present migratory flight of Negroes from the South has been almost wholly industrial and in large measure has been superinduced by the alarming shortage of common labor in the North.

It shows that in many instances whole church congregations, headed by their pastors, have moved North and settled down. Employers also induced Negroes to come North in large numbers, by sending "labor Scouts" south for that purpose. On some occasions entire train loads have come into this city as well as into other large northern cities. Another method effective in bringing them to the North was by those already up north writing to their friends. Attention was called to the effect that the revival of the Ku Klux Klan, the various articles in the Negro newspapers about the treatment of Negroes in the South, and then the educational advantages offered to Negro children, so sadly neglected in the South.

The report further shows that from 1914 to 1923 more than a million and a half Negroes have left the South and have distributed themselves throughout the western, northern and eastern states, settling most densely in St. Louis, Detroit, Cleveland, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and New York City. This migration has created some problems—relations between black and white; housing; and schooling, are among the chief.

THOUGHT HALLOWEENERS WERE KLUXERS; FIRES INTO CROWD; GETS YEAR IN JAIL

(Preston News Service)
PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 28.—Commenting on the true spirit of democracy and good sportsmanship, W. P. Bayler had the following to say: "The kind of law which is alleged to have been meted out to the poor colored man who shot one of a crowd of boys in the foot in self-defense at Pocomoke, Md., on Halloween, is more and more incensing dangerous elements. The poor man, no doubt, imagined that his life was in danger. Should not the boys, the appearing cause of the whole trouble, not be handled for their offense and the colored man allowed to go free? That would look more like democratic justice, would it not, instead of giving the defender a year in the house of correction?"

It is said that the convicted man told the court that he thought the crowd was a gang of Ku Kluxers, and being from the South he just knew he would be killed, and so he started firing first.

TO ESTABLISH ORPHAN-AGE AT ORANGE

(Preston News Service)
ORANGE, N. J.—Early next spring an orphan asylum for Negro children will be opened on property at 172 Hickory street, this city, just purchased by the Orphan Rescue Association of New Jersey. The building is an eleven-room, two-family house. The property was purchased for \$11,000. It is said that the association has been collecting money for several years for this purpose. The first payment of \$2,000 has been made.

At the last meeting the following officers were elected: Rev. H. H. Thomas, president; Mrs. Norma E. Thompson, vice-president; Miss Frances Watkins, treasurer; and Miss Charity Oakes, secretary.

SNATCH THIEF HELD UNDER \$5,000 BOND

(Preston News Service)
ATLANTA, Ga., Nov. 28.—Chester Arnold, said to be one of the most desperate snatch thieves in this section, was caught last Wednesday after he had snatched a package of money containing \$1,500 from Mrs. W. N. Gallaher, was bound over in the recorder's court under \$5,000 bond on a charge of robbery.

Chester, according to the officers, threw talcum powder in the eyes of Mrs. Gallaher, and then grabbed the money which she was to deposit in a bank. He was caught after a chase of several blocks.