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Editorial

CANADIAN NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Last Monday evening about seventy-five of the colored citizens of London met at Uulster Hall and organized the Canadian Association for the Advancement of Colored People. At this meeting were several white citizens who took an active part in the proceedings and who became members of the association, pledging their support in every way. The Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club and the Kiwanis Club had been approached concerning the advisability of such a movement. They all expressed themselves as being heartily in sympathy with such a movement and individual members have pledged their support.

This organization marks the first effort that has been put forth in the Dominion to unite the whole colored population into one organization. As stated in the constitution, the object of the organization shall be to bring about co-operation and co-ordination of existing bodies and agencies of all races for improving the industrial, economic, social and spiritual conditions of Negroes and to develop other agencies and organizations where necessary; to lend assistance and encouragement to Negro boys and girls with special talent in securing special training, who otherwise would not receive such training; to make studies of the industrial, economic, social and spiritual conditions among Negroes; to gather statistics concerning the Canadian Negro and to publish same in its official organ, The Dawn of Tomorrow; to assist in maintaining The Dawn of Tomorrow and in general to promote, encourage, assist and engage in any and all kinds of work of improving conditions among Negroes.

The organization has already taken steps to apply for a charter. It intends to begin immediately upon an active campaign. London is naturally to be the home office and the headquarters but the society intends to begin to establish branches in any city or town in the Dominion where such a society may be deemed necessary, any community which might be interested in having a branch of the Canadian National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, is advised to write to the Secretary immediately.

It has been said that such an org-

anization as this cannot exist here in Canada for the reasons that the Canadian Negro is not interested in his own progress nor are their white brothers interested in him. However we shall see. The colored people of London have, in a modest, unassuming, yet determined way, made a start. They are deserving of much credit for this attempt.

MILITARY HONORS FOR SHOW.

Boston, Mass., Aug.—(By The Associated Negro Press)—The Second Separate Battalion of the National Guard occupied seats, marching into the theatre in military order, at a performance during the final week of the run of "In Bamville" at the Tremont Theatre, in tribute to Noble Sissle's war record, and as an appreciation of the donations that the company has made toward worthy philanthropies while in the city.

COLOR QUESTION TEST OF CIVILIZATION

Williamstown, Mass., Aug.—(By The Associated Negro Press)—The solution of the color question threatens to become the acid test of Occidental civilization, said Sir Valentine Chirol, director of the foreign department of the London Times, in the second of his lectures at the Institute of Politics tonight. He reviewed racial and economic forces at work in India and added:

"It is not by the sword that England can hope to rule India. What is to be feared at present is not over rebellion against English rule, but a steady estrangement of the best elements of India itself, without whose aid, and the whole weight of India co-operation the whole scheme of reform may languish and perhaps perbe thrown into the scales in favor of a final breach with Occidental civilization. It will be an evil day for the Occident if all the other political, social and economic problems with which it is faced in the Orient come to be merged into one comprehensive color problem which must irresistibly unite against the West all the different races and creeds of the otherwise disunited Orient."

COOLIDGE DRAWS NO COLOR LINE

Washington, Aug. 11—Replying to a letter of protest against the candidacy of a Negro in New York State for Congress, President Coolidge to-day expressed "amazement" at the suggestion that he intervene, and reaffirmed his intention of administering the constitution, which, he pointed out, guarantees equal rights to all citizens, without discrimination on account of race or color.

The letter said in part:

"Our constitution guarantees equal rights to all our citizens, without discrimination on account of race or color. I have taken my oath to support that constitution. It is the source of your rights and my rights. I propose to regard it and administer it, as the source of the rights of all the people, whatever their belief or race. A colored man is precisely as much entitled to submit his candidacy in a party primary as is any other citizen. The decision must be made by the constituents to whom he offers himself and by nobody else."

FORT ERIE NOTES

Mrs. L. Chandler is visiting relatives in Olean, N.Y.

Miss D. Chandler, of Niagara Falls, N.Y. visited relatives on Sunday.

Mr. L. Wilson visited friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bright, Mr. and Mrs. T. Smith and Mr. R. Bright, motored to Olean to a picnic. All reported a pleasant time.

Rev. Woodcock preached a splendid sermon on Sunday evening.

Miss Roberts of Buffalo was a visitor of Mr. Jas. Chandler.

COLLINGWOOD NOTES

Mr. Hudson of the Maple St. Methodist preached on Sunday evening to a good congregation, and his discourses were enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. Hugh Woodbeck of Owen Sound motored down on Sunday and spent the day with her husband, who is staying in town. She was accompanied by her three sons. All worshipped with us at the B.M.E. Church on Sunday evening.

Miss Jackson and Miss Mildred Jackson of Toronto are the guests of Miss Dorothy Sheffield, also Mr. C. Taylor of Owen Sound.

The Collingwood friends are always pleased to see and welcome any strangers who may coe in our midst.

Mr. John Graham of Colorado Springs, and Mrs. Lena Brown, of Chicago were the week end guests of their sister, Mrs. David Green.

Miss Minnie Sheffield, Miss Florence and Marguerite were in Toronto last Thursday and Friday. Marguerite's many friends are rejoicing with her that the specialist still retains hopes for her regaining her sight.

The annual Sunday School picnic was held at the Second Line on Wednesday of last week. The day was fine and a large crowd took advantage of it. Each and every one carried baskets laden with good things and when the table was spread and everyone sat down, they claimed it the largest picnic we have had for some time.

Mrs. Edward Thompson of Shank Bay is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. George Thompson.

Quite a number of our people went to see the Royalton launched at the Collingwood ship yard here on Saturday. It is a large freighter which had been on the stocks here during the winter.

WOODSTOCK NOTES

Mrs. Pauls, of Hamilton has been visiting in the city.

Rev. Mrs. J. G. Taylor has returned home after visiting with her son, Mr. Will Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cromwell have returned home after a business trip in Collingwood.

Service was held on Sunday evening with Brother Faite the speaker for the evening.

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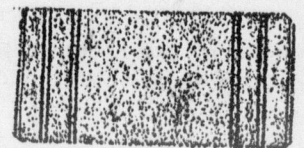
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