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FAMOUS EDITOR OF "MERCURY" TO STUDY THE WESTERN NEGRO

Desires to Meet Intellectual Negroes
of Pacific Coast in His Quest for
Book Material.

Pacific Coast News Bureau.

Henry Louis Mencken, one of America's greatest literary geniuses, editor of the "American Mercury," and at one time candidate for the presidency, will visit California early in November with a desire as he expresses it "to meet the intellectual Negro" of the Pacific Coast.

Officially a Southerner.

Born in Baltimore below the Mason & Dixon line and thus officially a Southerner, Editor Mencken's greatness as one writer puts it, "is not only found in the most uncanny and superlative stunning inborn diplomacy and deepest reasoning brilliancy in his articles and his books, but fully as decisive and rare in his sterling honesty and genuine sincerity that he always maintained in his splendid crusades for mankind's rights and the square justice for the downtrodden ones."

A Champion of the Masses

"At every movement directed against the Negro, Mencken fought bravely and defiantly for the black brother's rights, and from this honorable literary pathway all the combined hellhounds of America's lily-white discrimination leagues and clubs could not dislodge or silence the doughty and peerless Mencken," says Louis Michel who has charge of the assembling of the 1,000 members of the colored reception committee who will welcome Editor Mencken to California.

Champions the Postal Worker.

Editor Mencken who is visiting California in his quest for available material for his forthcoming book on "The Truth and the Future of the Negro," and whose Mercury magazine of the issue of April, 1926, was barred from the United States mails because of publication of the famous "Hatrack" story, recently in a copyright article to the Chicago Tribune takes a rap at the United States postal administration, condemning the postal rates and championing the postal employees. He marvels "at the extraordinary efficiency of its ill-paid and anonymous underlings" and fails to see how they are "induced to work for the low less often than bank clerks and are 'at least twice as competent as the employees of railroads.'"

MRS. C. E. JENKINS
Advertising Manager of The Dawn.



She presented her husband, the editor, with two seven-pound baby boys last Monday morning.

California University Promotes Colored Star

Colored Substitute to Replace Star
Tackle on Bear Varsity.

Pacific Coast News Bureau.

Berkely, Cal., Nov. 2.—Robert Francis, former star player in his prep days as captain of the Polytechnic High School team of San Francisco, who was sidetracked to the substitute bench by the late Andy Smith, has finally after two years of waiting been promoted to his rightful position as a member of the varsity squad.

Replaces Famous Tackle

Francis, a sensational half-back in his prep days, was shifted to the line by Smith when he entered the University of California. Failing to function with merit in this position, he was sidetracked to the bench. This year, after defeats by St. Marys, the Oregon Aggies and the University of Southern California, Coach Clarence Price in seeking new material for his positions left unoccupied through injuries, decided to give Francis his chance with the varsity as tackle, replacing Fred Coltrim who with Poulson of Stanford U. and Brice Taylor (colored) of University of Southern California, are rated as the best tackles on the Coast. Coltrain was injured in the recent game with the University of Southern California.

Negro Baptists Greater In N.Y. and Chicago

Detroit Also Has Shown An Enormous
Increase. Churches Are Multiplied
About Ten Times in Number.

New York, Oct. 27.—The Board of Missionary Co-operation of the Northern Baptist Convention announced on Saturday that there are at present more Negro than White Baptists in both New York and Chicago. In Detroit the Colored American Baptists also almost outnumbered the whites at the present time.

Shows Religious Zeal

The religious status of the colored Americans in the two largest cities of the country is remarkable considering that they are outnumbered 25 to 1 in New York and 15 to 1 in Chicago. Some attribute the standing to the greater religious ardor of the colored American, while others believe it due to the recent migrations from the South in which these cities figures so prominently.

The increase has been so great in Detroit that where there were only 5 Colored Baptist churches there in 1917 there are now 60.

Have \$6,000,000 Budget

The northern influx of Colored Americans and the great increase throughout the country of wide unchurched suburban belts were named as two outstanding problems to be met by a special \$1,000,000 fund to be raised next year by Northern Baptists for church building. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., it was announced has pledged \$250,000 outright and another \$50,000 contingent upon other contributions, this money to be applied to the present year's budget. For the year beginning May 1, 1927, the budget has been fixed at over \$6,000,000.

AWARDED \$1000 "FELLOW"
BY MUSICAL FOUNDATION

Washington, Oct. 27.—A \$1000 fellowship for the pursuit of advanced studies in music has been awarded to Miss Anola Miller, Howard University School of Music graduate, by the Julliard Musical Foundation for her outstanding accomplishment in music. Miss Miller will continue her work in voice culture. She was one of the winners of a \$250 scholarship offered by the Independent Benevolent Protective Order of Colored Elks.

Miss Cornelia Lampton, another graduate of Howard, has also won a Julliard Musical Foundation fellowship. She is well known as a concert pianist.

ORIENT BREAKING SHACKLES OF NORDIC DOMINATION

Industrial Development of the East
Passing from White Man's Hands.

Philadelphia, Oct. 27.—(Special release).—Few people realize the extent to which the industrial development of the Far East is falling into the hands of its own people, says "Living Age." The Chinese are taking the tin business of the Straits Settlements away from the English; the rubber plantations of Sumatra are becoming the property of wealthy Malays; and India, China and Japan have already built up modern textile and engineering industries of some importance. The colored people of the orient, in a word, are trying to liberate themselves not only from the political tutelage, but also from the economic dominion of the white man.

Although Japan raises no cotton and India does, she can manufacture cheaper than her competitor, and is driving the products of the Hindoo and the Paris mill owners of Bombay, not only from the Persian gulf market but also from India itself. While her labor costs are lower, her spinners receiving only about 3 cents for an 11-hour day, other elements also account for this. Her mills are better organized, equipped and managed.

A German correspondent, writing in "Vossische Zeitung," makes this comparison of the industrial efficiency of the two countries: "I have visited cotton mills in Bombay, and I have just seen a number of those in Osaka. The mills in Japan are much cleaner and more sanitary than the sheds, filthy with betel nut spit, where the Hindus work. Every large Japanese factory has a restaurant where the employees can get three good meals for 4 or 5 cents each. Many factories have dormitories for the unmarried employees, and the little cottages of the married help are quite up to the average accommodations in that country. Intercourse between managers and workers is courteous. No Japanese would stand for a moment the rough treatment which is customary in India. On the other hand, Japanese wages are from a quarter to a third lower, and their working day is from one to two hours longer than in India." —St. Louis Argus.

Sunday Evening.

Father—Where are you going to-night?
Son—I am on my way to worship.
Father—I know that; but what's her name?