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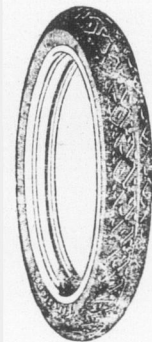
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COLORED EDITOR MOURNED BY MANY

Funeral Largely Attended by Citizens and Many Friends From Outside Points

James F. Jenkins, well known London resident and familiar figure in many parts of Ontario passed away at his late residence, 95 Glenwood Ave. on Wednesday, May 6th; Mr. Jenkins had been ill in St. Joseph's Hospital where he had undergone a serious operation. Reports were that he was improving favourably, when a sudden change took him.

The deceased was born in Forsythe, Ga., 47 years ago, and was the second youngest in the family of the late James and Mary Jane Jenkins. He was educated in the Public and Secondary schools passing on and taking the Bachelor's degree in Arts at Atlanta, Ga. He went to Chicago in 1905 where he took a business course and did some writing for Dr. Dubois' paper (The Moon).

Mr. Jenkins came to London twenty-four years ago where he has lived and engaged in many enterprises.

The deceased was a member of the Bethemanuel B.M.E. Church, and an active member of the choir. Mr. Jenkins devoted much of his time to interests of a Community and National nature. So keen was his interest in the well being of the Colored race that he was among the prime movers of the Canadian League for the Advancement of Colored People. His services were valuable in this direction and he was chosen Executive and Organizing Secretary, which office he held at his death. He was assistant Judge of the London Juvenile Court where his ability to interpret relationships was of inestimable value.

The funeral service was conducted from Bethemanuel Church which was packed to capacity. Rev. E. Alph. Richardson, Pastor of the church officiated, assisted by Rev. D. N. McCamus of the United Church and Canon G. Q. Warner, Judge of the Juvenile Court. Condolences were conveyed by Mr. David Ross Sr., Treasurer of the League for the Advancement of Colored People (Executive), Rev. Geo. Gilmore, President of the Ministerial Association; Rev. F. O. Stewart, Assistant Sec. of the B.M.E. Conference, and pastor of

"Gone, But Not Forgotten"



The Late Editor, James F. Jenkins

Windsor church, and Rev. Canon Warner of Cronyn Memorial Anglican Church.

Rev. Mr. Richardson, speaking from the incident of Christ raising Lazarus; concluded a very simple but impressive service with the assurance that all who in faith and trust live here, serve, and make sacrifice, shall have a resurrection into peace and everlasting life. This passing too is for the Glory of God and to the intent that men might believe in His Son. Col. Murray, postmaster; Col. W. J. Brown, and Prof. Landon, under whom the deceased was pursuing his M.A. work were present; also Mr. F. Williams, president of the West Indian Trading Association, of Toronto; Mrs. Rev. Wright, Brantford; Mr. S. Smith, Woodstock; Mr. Wm. Butler, Lucan; Mr. J. Pinkney, Toronto and many others.

The floral expressions told of the high esteem in which the deceased was held. Interment was made in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Surviving him are his beloved wife Christina and eight children, James Jr., Evelyn, Kathleen, Fred, Christina, Donald, Ross, and Marion, and an aged aunt, Miss Younge, Forsythe, Ga.

FAMED TRAINER SUFFERS ATTACK

Tom Bass, famous Colored horseman of Mexico, Mo., was stricken by a heart attack while riding in the five-gaited saddle stake at the closing performance of the Spring Horse Show on Sunday afternoon at the Missouri State Arena. Tense apprehension gripped the aristocratic spectators as the well known participant was lifted from his mount, Earl, an entree of the Casa Loma Stock and Saddle Farm of Marshfield, Mo., but he was revived in time to witness Rex Lee Bourbon win the event.

Mr. Bass has ridden in St. Louis horse shows for more than 40 years during which time he has attained the reputation of being one of the world's foremost riders and trainers. Because of his weak heart and advanced years, he had curtailed his riding in recent years. He rode in the St. Louis National Horse Show last fall and sold a number of famous horses at that time.

Belle Beach, a horse that was judged the most intelligent of all high school horses, was trained by Mr. Bass. For many years the famous trainer rode Rex McDonald, the greatest show horse of all times.

GEORGIA SEXTON TO BE HONOURED

SPARTA, Ga., —N. C. Wesley, who served the First Baptist Church of Providence, R.I. until his death recently, will be honored in a memorial drinking fountain to be erected at the Colored Agricultural and Industrial School here. The church recently sent a check to Linton Ingraham, head of the school, for use in erecting the memorial.

RELIC OF TURKISH INVASION.

Housebreakers pulling down an old building in a Budapest suburb found in one of the walls a box containing a dried palm leaf, such as was used in India for writing upon during the middle ages.

The leaf is completely covered with characters vaguely representing Sanscrit writing. The Budapest School of Oriental Studies presumes it was brought to Hungary during one of the waves of Turkish invasion.

Duke Ellington Guest of Shriners

Duke Ellington and members of his celebrated Cotton Club Orchestra were among the distinguished guests who attended the banquet and dance given by Shriners of Medinah Temple, Wednesday night, at the Peoples Finance auditorium. Duke's wife and his father were also present.

The Shrine banquet was complimentary to Langston Harrison, presiding officer of Medinah Nobles of the mystic organization. Speech-making and music, both vocal and instrumental were features while the Shriners dined. George W. Draper, past potentate, was master of ceremonies. G. B. Key, treasurer of Missouri Grand Lodge of Masons; George Washington Lewis, right eminent commander of Knights Templars and I. H. Bradbury, chief rabban of Shriners of North and South America delivered short addresses touching on the principles of their order.

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Canada is once more engaged in a major financial operation, the most important since the War. A Conversion Loan has been designed and created for the purpose of replacing in whole or in part the existing short-term war loan maturities which fall due within the next three years.

Favorable conditions now prevailing in the gilt-edged security markets, reflecting abnormal ease of credit, no doubt actuated Premier Bennett in his choice of time and plan for the execution of this operation, and he is now seeking the fullest cooperation of Canadian investors, who are holding bonds that fall within the scope of the conversion program, in order that the ultimate task of refunding may be reduced to an operation of simplicity, and thus avoid undue pressure on financial markets at a time when wider demands may be made upon the financial resources of the country.

Canadian investors will no doubt welcome an opportunity of exchanging their short-term holdings for a prime government issue maturing in a period of twenty-five years and bearing an attractive coupon rate. There is a deeper significance, however, than mere investment opportunity. There is a patriotic appeal, a challenge to Canadians no less urgent than in war time, to carry this gigantic project through to a successful conclusion. The spectacle of overwhelming support would unquestionably still further enhance the financial prestige of Canada in the eyes of the world.

A total of \$1,082,000,000 of Canadian war loans mature up to the end of 1934. The 1933 and 1934 issues constitute the major portion of this huge total. The Government is asking for an exchange of securities. It is not seeking new money. The initial amount offered of conversion loan amounts to \$250,000,000. The Government reserves the right, however, to raise the total if considered wise and expedient. Government policy in this direction will no doubt, be guided by the character of the public response.

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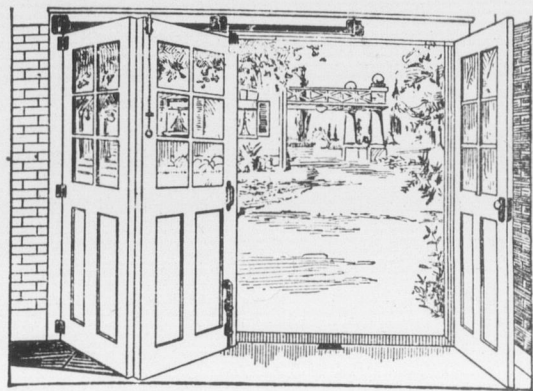
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This number has been dedicated to Mrs. Hoover, wife of President of the United States, also published in many newspapers.

If when Christ dwelt on this earth, He chose to be a master of the brush,

The very Lord who thought 'twas worth His while to stoop, the crying babes to hush

Though every painting He'd release Would cause His glory to increase, I do believe His masterpiece, Would be of Mother.

If music was the medium Through which He sought to save the soul of man,

If through sweet tones His love did come By voice or by the master touch of hand;

Though every song would cause to weep, The angels at His wounded feet,

The song He prized, the one most sweet Would be of Mother.

If it had been His will to write Consoling verses, deep and rich with truth,

Like poets who sit through the night To bless old age, inspire the heart of youth,

This genius on whom Pilate frowned Who bade the silent leave the ground His crowning poem the most profound,

Would be of Mother.

If as a sculptor of our age Christ formed the things that lend long life to fame

Or if in history, on artists' page We marvelled at the works below His name,

Among the works He'd dedicate To God supreme on whom we wait,

The image found most truly great Would be of Mother.

But Christ chose love above all arts, And to the art of love we must give place;

With love—He softened stony hearts And filled them with His free redeeming grace,

When we would reach for things divine, With human love, like yours and mine,

The love found clinging to its shrine Would be of Mother.

—LEO M. DORSEY.

FIRST COLORED MUNICIPAL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA READY!

Baltimore, Md., May — What it is believed will be the first appearance of a colored municipal symphony orchestra in this country will take place on Wednesday evening, May 21 in the auditorium of Douglass High School.

The orchestra, consisting of seventy-five pieces and conducted by Chas. L. Harris was founded last year thru the \$1000 gift of a wealthy Baltimorean. It was taken under municipal auspices this year when the city allowed \$1500 in the budget for its 1931 activities.

Ruth Lee McAbee, soprano and assistant supervisor of music in colored public schools, will be soloist on the opening program.

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(From Toronto Star Weekly)

A Quebec writer recently declared that Toronto has more literary culture than Montreal. One proof of that is the fact that another poet has taken up residence among us.

He is Leo M. Dorsey, a member of the colored race and a native-born Canadian whose birthplace is St. Catharines. He says, "Toronto is a good place for a poet to live in."

Though a black poet he is not a gloomy one. His youthful, unwrinkled face is wreathed with smiles and mobile with expressionistic rhythm. He voices the joys as well as sorrows of his race and writes Negro comics as well as spirituals.

"I can't get altogether away from the jazz stuff," he remarked. "I guess it's in the blood."

He is only 31 but he already has to his credit 500 poems and 60 lyrics. Though his songs are not of war, he is a warrior poet, for he was three years in the Canadian army. After the war he became a wandering minstrel and, like Ulysses and Edgar Guest, has seen many cities.

Competent critics hearing his poetical readings and dramatic recitations have declared that he is the greatest living Negro poet on this continent. Southerners who know their Negro minstrelsy affirm that he is the equal of Paul Dunbar who was to the black people what Homer was to the Greeks.

Judge Roberts of Lockport, N.Y., was his Maecenas and launched him on his poetical career. This patron who lived to see his protege attain success, praised him for his vivid word pictures and characters true to Negro life.

KILLED SLEEPING IN OVEN

HAMMOND, Ind., May — Being chilly and tired Judge Thompson, 40 year-old foundry labourer, was attracted by the warm oven under which the fire had been turned out. He crawled inside to take a nap. Thompson overslept and fellow workmen, not knowing he was inside lighted the fire. His scorched body was discovered an hour later.

LAI D IT ON TO NEGROES.

MACON, Ga., May — After attempting for more than three weeks to fasten the crime on two Negroes, De Lois Clements, 19 year-old white boy, and the son of Telfair County's representative-elect in the state legislature confessed that he alone was responsible for the killing of L. J. Clegg, wealthy white citizen of McRae, Georgia.

The crime was committed on the night off April 8 and Clements was placed under arrest when he went to the police and told them that he took part in the killing. His first confession fastened the actual killing on two Negroes in McRae and named a prominent white man as the instigator of the crime.

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aging in attendance. The pastor, E.
Alph Richardson spoke at both ser-
vices. Addressing a large congrega-
tion in the evening Rev. Richardson
dealt with "Disarmament." using
Mica 4: 3-4 and St. Luke 2. 14. He
deplored the heathenish abuses
which were now the basis of the
science of war. He was sure how-
ever that as men and women gave
themselves unto the Lord the impel-
ling spirit would bring about a nor-
mal condition of peace within and
then good will to all.

Mr. Gordon Johnson of Brantford
was a week-end visitor with his uncle
Mr. John Malott.

We are sorry to report the illness
of Mrs. Stella Claybourne of Mar-
quette, Mich. but are pleased to learn
she is doing favourably.

Mr. Claybourne came to the city
from his home to see his wife who is
visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
J. Irons.

Mr. Wm. Taylor and Mrs. Chris.
Brown are improving at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. John Williams of De-
troit visited our city for a few days
the guests of his brother-in-law, Mr.
Frank Pryor.

Mr. Geo. Ellerton Crawford, stud-
ent pastor of Woodstock and Strat-
ford paid a hurried visit to the par-
sonage and Byron Sanatorium on
Monday.

BRANTFORD NOTES.

The Ladies' Aid Society were very
successful in holding their Semi-An-
nual Bazaar at the B.M.E. Church re-
cently.

The Senior and Junior Art Club
held their Semi-Annual fine arts dis-
play in conjunction with the Ladies'
Aid Society, under the auspices of
Mrs. J. Thomas Murray, president.
Prizes awarded were as follows: Sen-
ior Division, First Prize Mrs. Thom-
as Murray, 187 Grey St.; Second Miss
Bertha Johnson, 2 Park Ave.

Junior Division, Miss Winnifred
McCurtis, 281 Nelson St., first; Miss
Muriel Johnson of 2 Park Ave., 2nd

We extend our deepest sympathy
for the illness of Mrs. Seely Mallott
and Mr. James Murray. Our prayers
and wishes are for a speedy recov-
ery.

Mr. Gordon C. Johnson, electrical
contractor has returned home after
a month's absence in conjunction
with two successful electrical instal-
lations for light, heat and power.

B.M.E. CHURCH NOTES.

Superintendent H. D. Wright paid
his annual visit on Sunday, May 3rd.
Rev. Wright spoke at both services
and his messages were very help-
ful.

Mr. Wm. Taylor is progressing
favourably at this writing.

The School Anniversary Program
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Mrs. Chris. Brown is on the mend
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WAR LOAN 5% BONDS MATURING 1st OCTOBER, 1931—Holders of these bonds have the privilege of exchanging into bonds maturing 1st November, 1956, bearing interest from 1st April, 1931. The first coupon will be for six months' tax-free interest at the rate of 5% per annum payable 1st October, 1931; the second coupon will be for seven months' interest at the rate of 4½% per annum payable 1st May, 1932; thereafter to maturity interest will be payable half-yearly at 4½% per annum.

RENEWAL LOAN 5½% BONDS MATURING 1st NOVEMBER, 1932—Holders of these bonds have the privilege of exchanging into bonds maturing 1st November, 1957, bearing 4½% interest payable half-yearly from 1st May, 1931. There will also be attached to these bonds three adjustment-coupons payable respectively on 1st November, 1931, and 1st May and November, 1932, for additional interest at the rate of 1% per annum.

VICTORY LOAN 5½% BONDS MATURING 1st NOVEMBER, 1933—Holders of these bonds have the privilege of exchanging into bonds maturing 1st November, 1958, bearing 4½% interest payable half-yearly from 1st May, 1931. The first five interest coupons, being those to and including 1st November, 1933, will be tax-free. There will also be attached to these bonds five tax-free adjustment-coupons payable respectively on 1st November, 1931, and 1st May and November, 1932 and 1933, for additional interest at the rate of 1% per annum.

VICTORY LOAN 9½% BONDS MATURING 1st NOVEMBER, 1934—Holders of these bonds have the privilege of exchanging into bonds maturing 1st November, 1959, bearing 4½% interest payable half-yearly from 1st May, 1931. There will also be attached to these bonds seven adjustment-coupons payable respectively on 1st November, 1931, and 1st May and November, 1932, 1933 and 1934, for additional interest at the rate of 1% per annum.

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The subscription lists to the foregoing will open on 11th May, 1931, and will close on or before 23rd May, 1931, at the discretion of the Minister of Finance.

Department of Finance, Ottawa, May 11th, 1931.

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