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LEAGUE MAKES DEFINITE PLANS FOR YEAR 1926

At a recent meeting, in London, of the Executive Committee of the Canadian League for the Advancement of Colored People they drew up and decided upon definite plans for the present year. Chief among these plans is the educational programme for both young and older people. By request of the Educational Committee, which consists of Prof. Fred. Landon, chairman; Prof. J. A. Dale, Mr. Justice Renwick W. Riddell, C. L. Burton, Esq., Jno. McDonald, Esq., W. T. Sampson, Esq., and J. F. Jenkins, a substantial sum has been set aside to assist talented and worthy colored boys and girls in furthering their education. While the Committee had in mind the young people, it is believed that assistance would not be withheld from adults with special talent, who are desirous of improving themselves. This view of the situation follows from the fact that the educational program of the present year includes adults as well as the young people.

If, therefore, persons who are desirous of furthering their education and who are unable (financially) to do so themselves, will communicate with the Executive Board, such requests will be given earnest consideration.

Another plan agreed upon is to continue to establish branches as rapidly as possible throughout Ontario wherever there is a sufficient number of colored people resident. It was also decided to keep in touch with the seven branches already established, in Chatham, Windsor, Dresden, Toronto, St. Catharines, Brantford and Niagara Falls in order to keep alive the spirit of enthusiasm and to see that the League's plan of self improvement, is carried out.

The official organ, The Dawn of Tomorrow, was the subject of the gravest consideration. In view of the fact that The Dawn is considered of much importance to the League, both for its educative value and as a connecting link between the various branches, the Executive decided to assume the financial obligations of the paper for the present year. This will mean a great advantage to the Dawn

Judge Condemns All-White Jury

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 7th— Because no colored citizens are allowed to serve on juries in the courts of the State of North Carolina, and because he felt that therefore a Negro could not be sure of a fair trial in that State, Common Pleas Court Judge James B. Drew, on Saturday, refused to grant papers for the extradition of Sandy Huser, an aged colored man wanted in Winston-Salem on liquor charges. Instead, Judge Drew ordered that Huser be released on a writ of habeas corpus.

In making what he considered a clean stand for justice, Judge Drew stated:

"I am not going to send this man back to North Carolina, where it is evident, if the facts, as related here, are correct, he will not be given a fair trial, and where he was indicted by a Grand Jury on which colored people were not permitted to serve."

Judge Drew opposed the extradition of Huser when he was informed by D. C. Kirby, a North Carolina attorney that Negroes were not allowed to serve on juries in the State of North Carolina.

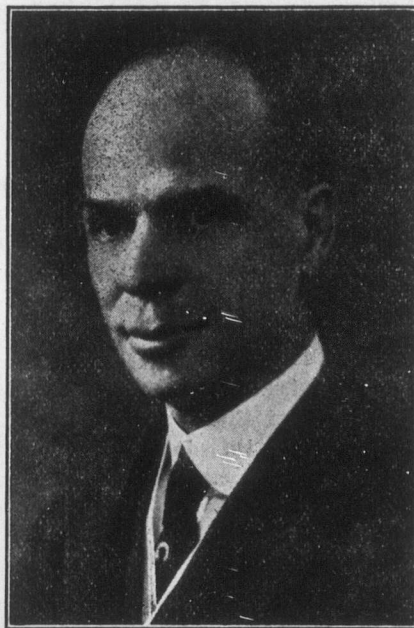
from a standpoint of size, reading matter, and regularity of publication. Subscribers and agents may expect their papers regularly in the future.

The Board feels specially favored in securing the services of B. E. Fountaine, well-known artist and vice-president of the National Movement, to solicit funds for carrying on the work of the present year. Mr. Fountaine's interest in the League as well as his integrity, is beyond question. In accepting this position he was forced to give up a better one. But he cheerfully consented to do so for the sake of the League. He will enter upon his new duties immediately.

Arrangements were also made for emergencies in which the betterment and self-improvement of the colored people are involved. In carrying out this programme the Executive asks the co-operation of the various branches and that of the general public.

Some Facts About Mr. Leon Joseph

Some facts about Leon Joseph QXv Leon Joseph, of Toronto, Canada, is a native of New Orleans, La. He served there as the Vice-President of the Allen League for many years and was also one of the founders of the New Orleans Coloured Y.M.C.A. He has been a resident of Toronto for the past twelve years. His activities during that time are worthy of note. In the winter of 1921 he was the instigator of a series of free suppers which were given in the basement of the Grant A.M.E. Church for the freindless and unemployed. During



MR. LEON JOSEPH, one of Toronto's most valued citizens who is soon to leave for New York where he will reside. He will be greatly missed by the people of Ontario.

the winter of the next year, 1922 owing to his thoughtful idea, a concert was given, which netted a goodly amount of cash for the object of relieving the unemployment situation which was rather acute at the time. A year later, in 1923, being financial agent for the Grant A.M.E. Church, it was through his inspiration and the co-operation of the pastor that they succeeded in liquidating the church mortgage, the amount of which was \$5,000.

He was also influential in 1925 in securing for the church, the sum of \$690 which paid off the second mortgage on the parsonage. In the same year Mr. Joseph was responsible for

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BRANCH OF LEAGUE AT NIAGARA FALLS

Last Friday evening Secretary Jenkins was called to Niagara Falls for the purpose of establishing a branch of the Canadian League for the Advancement of Colored People. Owing to the fact that one of the oldest citizens passed away just before Mr. Jenkins arrived, the enthusiasm for the meeting was somewhat dampened. However, a branch of the League was formed and much interest was shown by those who were present. The meeting was held in the B.M.E. Ch. and both Rev. Johnson, pastor and Mr. Quarls were very instrumental in assisting in the establishing of the League. By a unanimous vote the house went into permanent organization, but since several of the most prominent citizens were unavoidably absent, the election of permanent officers was deferred until a later date.

We believe, from the earnestness which was apparent, that the Falls is destined to have one of the strongest branches of the League.

Elevator Operator Saves Woman's Life

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 23—Only the quick action of Henry Smith, an elevator operator in the Criminal Court Building of this city saved the life of Mrs. Georgette Romini, white.

Mrs. Romini had just come from an inquest into the murder of her husband and was in a dazed condition. On leaving the office of an assistant state's attorney on the second-floor of the Criminal Court Building, she saw the elevator about to leave. She rushed forward in an effort to make it. Just as it started up, she shot her hands between its closing doors, flung the gate open, missed the elevator, and, carried by her momentum, plunged partially through the opening. Smith instantly stopped his elevator dead and held it motionless while the woman, supported by the side of the car and her hands, dangled eighty-five feet above the floor of the shaft. Onlookers warmly congratulated Smith on his quick thinking. Had he raised or lowered his car a few inches, Mrs. Romini must either have fallen to her death or been crushed between the elevator and the floor.

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Editorial

HOW HAS THE NEGRO USED HIS FREEDOM?

By ROBERT B. ELEAZER

(This article sent out by the Interracial Commission, was published widely by the white press on December 18, the anniversary of the adoption of the Thirteenth Amendment.)

Sixty years ago—on December 18, to be exact—the Thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution was adopted making slavery unconstitutional in the United States. The Emancipation Proclamation was issued on January 1, 1863, but since it applied only to persons then held as slaves in the States "in rebellion," and even excepted certain areas in some of those States, the real freedom of the Negro dates from the adoption of the Thirteenth Amendment. The present is a fitting time to ask what use the race has made of its freedom in the intervening years. Here are a few highlights from the story:

Economic Advance

When freed in 1865, American Negroes owned 12000 homes and operated 20,000 farms. Now they own 700,000 homes and operate a million farms. Then they conducted 2,100 businesses; now they conduct 70,000. Meantime their aggregate wealth has increased from \$20,000,000 to \$2,000,000,000, one hundred times as much.

In 1924 there were 73 Negro banks, with \$6,250,000 capital, \$20,000,000 of resources, and an annual business of \$100,000,000.

Thirty-five Negro life insurance companies report \$200,000,000 of insurance in force on the lives of 1,100,000 persons. These companies have eight thousand employees and are wholly capitalized and managed by Negroes.

One of these companies, the North Carolina Mutual, has more than \$42,000,000 of insurance in force and an annual income of over \$2,000,000. The Bankers Fire Insurance Company of Durham, N.C., has nearly 10,000,000 of insurance in force.

Invention and Industry.

Elijah McCoy, Detroit inventor, has taken out fifty-seven patents in America and ten in Europe. The universally used lubricating cup for machinery is one of his inventions. Altogether, thousands of patents have been issued to colored inventors.

In 1920 there were in America 332,249 Negroes engaged in skilled and

semi-skilled occupations.

A big textile mill at La Grange, Ga., uses Negro labor almost exclusively; also a hosiery mill at Durham, N.C. Altogether, more than 20,000 Negroes are employed in textile industries.

During the Great War a number of world records for industrial processes were broken by Negro workers.

Religion.

There are in the United States 47,000 Negro Churches, with five million members, and 46,000 Sunday Schools enrolling three million pupils.

Members of colored churches contribute annually \$550,000 to home and foreign missions.

The 332,000 Negro members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in five years contributed \$1,941,979 to the Centenary Fund of that Church.

Negroes have contributed nearly \$350,000 toward the erection of colored Y.M.C.A. buildings in fourteen cities.

The Olivet Baptist Church, of Chicago, is said to be the largest protestant congregation in the world, having a membership of 10,000. It carries on an extensive community programme, having fifty-three departments and employing thirty paid workers. Its annual operating budget is about \$50,000.

Education.

In 1865, ninety per cent. of the Negroes were illiterate; now about 20 per cent. Then there were 100,000 Negroes in school, now 2,150,000.

There are in the United States about 10,000 Negro college graduates. Six-hundred and seventy-five received the Bachelor's degree last year.

The degree of Doctor of Philosophy has been awarded to twenty-nine Negroes by American universities.

Sixty have been elected to membership in the Phi Beta Kappa scholarship fraternity.

In four years' work, Eunice Hutton took both the A.B. and A.M. degrees at Smith College, Mass., the largest girls' college in the world. Only one other student at Smith has ever equalled this record.

H. S. Blackstone received the degree of Ph.D., from the University of Pennsylvania at the age of twenty-three, one of the youngest students ever receiving this degree.

Constance Crocker finished from the Girls' High School in Boston at the head of a class of 308.

Archibald Carey, Chicago high school student, was awarded first and a prize of \$1000 in the District Oratorical Contest for high school students, including several States.

Through their Churches and otherwise, Negroes raise annually \$3,000,000 for the support of their schools.

A number of Negroes have recently given to Negro colleges sums ranging from \$5,000 to \$25,000 each.

Literature and Art

More than a hundred volumes of Negro poetry have been published in America.

Countee P. Cullen, of New York, in 1923 and again in 1924 won second prize in the Witter Bynner undergraduate poetry contest, open to all colleges of America and participated in by seven hundred students, representing three hundred institutions.

Prof. Isaac Fisher, of Nashville, Tenn., has won five literary prizes in open national contests, one a prize of \$500 offered by Everybody's Magazine for the best article on prohibition.

Helen Perry, of Chicago, won the third prize of \$500 in a \$30,000 National Scenario Contest conducted by the Chicago Daily News. There were 27,000 entries in the contest.

E. M. Bannister, of Providence, R.I., attained distinction as a painter and founded the Providence Art Club.

The French Government has purchased and hung in the Luxemburg Gallery a number of paintings by Henry O. Tanner.

King D. Gannaway, of Chicago, won first honors in the annual Wanner Art Exhibit in Philadelphia, in which there were nine hundred exhibitors.

Paul Robeson, Negro actor, has recently achieved remarkable success in America and in England in the role of "Emperor Jones."

Music

Roland Hayes, Georgia Negro, has attained international fame as a tenor, having sung with great success before the most critical audiences of America and Europe, including the King and Queen of England and the Queen Mother of Spain.

Harry T. Burleigh, baritone, has for twenty years been a soloist in one of the leading Episcopal Churches of New York.

Marion Anderson, colored contralto appeared during the season of 1923-24 as soloist with the Philadelphia Philharmonic Society.

J. Rosamond Johnson has composed light operas for Klaw and Erlanger, and many popular songs for May Irwin, Lillian Russell, and Anna Held.

The Negro and the Flag

During the Spanish American War, Negro troops in the regular Army distinguished themselves at the battles of Guasimas, El Caney and San Juan Hill.

Three hundred and eighty thousand American Negroes were enrolled for service in the World War, of whom two hundred thousand were sent to France. They were the first of the American Expeditionary Force to get into action, and two Negroes of the 369th Infantry were the first American soldiers decorated for bravery.

The Croix de Guerre was awarded to four entire Negro regiments for heroism in action. One of these, the 370th, was commanded entirely by Negroes, with the exception of the colonel. Thirty officers of this regiment received medals of honor for bravery. Altogether, some sixty Negro officers were so decorated.

Science, Exploration, Athletics

Prof. Geo. Carver, of Tuskegee Institute, is perhaps the best known agricultural chemist in America and has developed hundreds of products that promise untold value to the South and the nation.

Matthew A. Henson was with Commodore Robert A. Peary in his discovery of the North Pole and in seven other polar expeditions. He was selected, according to Peary, for "his adaptability, fitness, and loyalty."

Three Negro athletes were among the American representatives in the 1924 Olympic games in Paris. One of them, DeHart Hubbard, won the broad jump with a record of twenty-four feet six inches. He has since beaten his own record with a leap of more than twenty-five feet.

In the years 1919-1924, the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission awarded medals to six Negroes for deeds of heroism and sacrifice.

"Who's Who in America" for 1925 lists eighty-one Negroes in its roster of distinguished Americans.

These are but random paragraphs from a story that led Ambassador James Bryce some years ago to assert that in an equal length of time no other race had ever made such progress. Contemplating the same record, a well-known Southerner recently said:

"The Negro is not a menace to America. He has proved himself worthy of confidence. He has been and may continue to be a blessing. He only needs unnecessary barriers, removed from his way, and a chance to demonstrate that under God he is a man and can play a man's part."

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BRANTFORD

Mrs. Irene Stewart and children have retired to Windsor after nursing her mother, Mrs. John Lucas who has been very ill for three weeks but is convalescing nicely.

Mrs. Horrace Marshall of Woodstock also spent a few days at the bedside of her sister, Mrs. J. Lucas.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Wilson and Mr. Beckles of Toronto spent the holidays with Mrs. Wilson's mother and sister Mrs. Chas. Walker and Miss Gladys.

Miss Ruth Washington and Mr. P. Lewis of London were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Johnson for the holidays.

Mrs. E. Murray of Dayton, Ohio is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Brown.

Mr. P. Delfish, W. McCurtis, H. Johnson, C. Johnson, E. Johnson all spent the holidays with their families.

Rev. H. D. Wright has returned after visiting in Windsor.

Mr. Johnnie Lucas, London, spent the holidays with his parents, Rev. S. A. and Mrs. Lucas.

Mr. and Mrs. James Murry spent the holidays in Princeton, visiting his daughter, Mrs. James Palmer.

Service was held Christmas morning at which time the pastor, Rev. H. D. Wright, gave us a beautiful sermon.

Sunday the 27th was Quarterly Meeting, Rev. F. O. Stewart, of Toronto, was the speaker for the day, delivering two wonderful sermons.

Rev. Stewart spent Monday in the city calling on old friends, and renewing acquaintances. All were glad to see him.

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OWEN SOUND

The Yuletide was very quietly spent here at Owen Sound, the day being very cold. Our people spent the day in their houses feasting on the Xmas geese and turkeys, roast beef and plum pudding, candies, oranges and a little spirits of alcohol to liven things up, to make the day of all days the merriest day of the year.

On the 22nd the Sabbath School gave a Christmas concert and presentation tree in the B.M.E. Church which was very much enjoyed by those present. The pastor was chairman, assisted by Mrs. C. Johnston. The programme consisted of Xmas Carols, recitations, songs and dialogues which were well rendered by the school children.

On Sunday, Dec. 27th, the pastor celebrated the anniversary of the Birthday of our Lord and Saviour of the world and took for his text the 2nd chapter of Luke, dwelling upon the advent of our Lord into the world and the many blessings it had brought with it; His lowly birth among the oxen, the sheep, and the asses, which was God the Father creation made for man's use. Jesus was to come in the same way, to be the burden bearer of the sins of the whole world and so it was God's will that His Son should be born among the beasts of burden. God, the all wise, knows how to govern the things of earth.

We are glad to report that our men are all back from the waters.

Our good brother H. Woodbeck and son George are home and are looking well. The fresh water hts built them up in flesh.

Allen Patterson is home for the winter with his sister and aunt, the latter being very poorly at this writing. Mr. Morton Scott is back with us again looking fine. He is assisting in our concert at the Sailors' Supper which takes place on Dec. 30th.

Mrs. J. White is on the sick list. She fell on the stree some weeks ago and hurt her back. Her daughter, Miss Julia White, of Toronto is home with her for the holiday.

Mrs. J. Morton, of Toronto is home with her mother, Mrs. S. Earles, for the Christmas tide. Her sister, Miss Rachel Earls of Toronto, came with her to spend the holiday season.

African Students Visit England

New York, Dec. 30—According to press reports received here, a party of 150 men and women students of the University of South Africa arrived in London England, Monday on a six weeks' visit to Europe. The trip was sponsored by the National Union of Students on behalf of the international Confederation of Students.

The students from Africa will remain in London for a week. They were scheduled to be officially received at Lancaster House by the Government on Tuesday. It was planned to carry the visitors to Oxford, Cambridge, Manchester, Liverpool and elsewhere in England, after which they will go to France, Belgium and Holland.

South Africa Sends Representative to U.S.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30—Having advanced to a position in world politics and commerce where it is deemed necessary to be represented in the United States and Canada from a commercial standpoint, the Union of South Africa has sent to New York City its first trade commissioner in the person of Eric H. Louw, whose offices will be at No. 11, Broadway. Mr. Louw is a native of the Orange Free State and comes here with the reputation of being one of the most popular and successful young men in South African Business affairs.

He started out as a barrister, being educated at the university of Stellenbosch and later taking his LL.B. at Grahamstown, where the University of South Africa is located. After two years of successful practice in the higher courts, Mr. Louw, being the only son, gave up his chosen profession to take charge of his father's large general merchandising business at Beaufort West.

In the seven years he was connected in commercial life, according to a large South African Journal, Mr. Louw expanded this business to where it became a dominant factor in his section of the Southern Hemisphere.

—Christian Science Monitor.

Heart Sewed And Man Still Lives

New Orleans, Jan. 7.—The unheard of in science occurred here Friday, when a man lived after an operation in which seven stitches were taken in his heart.

John Lewis, colored, was stabbed in the heart with a dagger Friday morning. He was rushed to the charity hospital where physicians considered that he would never live. Dr. Martin Miller, however, proceeded to perform a very delicate operation. He took seven stitches to close the deep gash in the wounded man's heart. Twenty-four hours after the operation, much to the marvel of many old medical men, Lewis was breathing, feebly, but regularly.

Dempsey Calls Off Bout With Wills

Los Angeles, Cal.—Declaring that his contract called for payments to be made November 1st of this year and these not forthcoming up to November 27th, Jack Dempsey has called off his bout with Harry Wills.

In a signed statement issued, Jack Dempsey announced that his contract with Floyd Fitzsimmons, calling for a bout with Harry Wills next September, had been abrogated.

Notice was served upon the promoter that the contract was considered null and void. Dempsey said that he now has a counter proposal from Fitzsimmons under consideration.

ST. CATHARINES

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Nicholson and family motored to Niagara Falls Sunday afternoon to attend Quarterly Meeting Service at the B. M. E. Church.

Mr. J. B. Brewster, Rev. H. F. Logan, Mr. Allan Bell, Miss Verita Smith and Chester Smith motored to the Falls on Sunday and attended the Quarterly Service.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bell of Toronto are visiting their parents during the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Sykes of Buffalo, N.Y. spent the holiday season as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell, Geneva St.

Dr. Beckley of Washington, D.C. is visiting at the home of Mrs. Charles Bell, the guest of Miss Gertrude Bell.

Misses Gertrude and Bessie Bell and Dr. Beckley made a flying trip to Hamilton on Sunday.

Mr. E. Irish of Toronto passed through the city on Christmas Day, enroute to Buffalo and called on some friends.

Miss Hattie Young of Niagara Falls, N.Y. spent Christmas as guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brewster.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Williams and family of Lockport, N.Y. spent Christmas Day in the City, the guests of Mrs. M. Leger.

The Annual Masonic Service was held in the B.M.E. Church on Sunday with Bro. Ivan H. Dorsey, chaplain, presiding in the pulpit. He gave a good discourse.

Interacial Meeting Is Bearing Fruit

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 1—The discussions at the state interracial meeting held here a few days ago are already bearing fruit in opening to colored physicians the opportunity for study offered by hospital clinics. Dr. James Bruce, eminent child specialist of this city has issued a cordial invitation to the colored physicians to attend his clinic at the Children's Hospital every Monday. The announcement was made through Mrs. Helm Bruce, a member of the state and local interracial committees and one of the city's most prominent women.

\$20,000 For N. C. Orphans' Home

Winston-Salem, N.C., Jan. 1—As the result of a gift of \$20,000 from an unknown donor, the Memorial Industrial School, an institution for the care of colored orphans, is soon to be moved to a new and more suitable site. The new location, which was purchased with the money provided in the gift, comprises 386 acres located on a new highway north of the city. The school will be situated on a commanding ridge, with a splendid view of the surrounding mountains. The name of the institution's benefactor was withheld at his own request.

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LONDON

Mrs. J. F. Jenkins and Mrs. Mattie Chandler entertained a few friends on the last evening of the Old Year. All reported having an enjoyable time.

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Miss Ruth Washington, Messrs P. Lewis and John Lucas spent Xmas Day in Brantford.

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Miss Myrtle Hooper spent the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Moore, in Windsor.

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Mr. Arthur Smith has been very ill for the past few days.

Friends of Mr. Albert Smith are pleased to see him able to be out again.

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Mrs. Geo. Workman entertained the choir of the B.M.E. Church after their practice last Friday evening. An appetizing lunch was served and in other ways Mrs. Workman lived up to her reputation as an ideal hostess.

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Mr. and Mrs. Louis Groat spent a part of the Christmas holidays with her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mathews.

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Miss Alice Drake has been confined to her bed for the past week suffering from a slight attack of influenza. Her condition is somewhat improved.

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Mrs. Eliza Groat has been indisposed for a few days. We hope for her speedy recovery.

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Mr. G. Stickland, of Guelph, is with us at the present and expects to be in the city for some time, employed in constructing one of our new school buildings.

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The Union Supper under the auspices of the Dramatic Club of the Baptist Church last Thursday, was a great success.

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Mr. and Mrs. Albert Butler of Wellington Street entertained a few friends on the 2nd of the present month. The evening was spent in a most delightful manner by all who were present.

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Mrs. Louise Washington entertained Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Harris and Mr. Samuel Harris at dinner on New Year's Day.

Greensboro, N.C., Jan. 1—Mrs. L. Richardson, of this city, has offered to donate \$50,000 for the establishment here of a hospital for colored people, contingent upon the city of Greensboro and the County of Guilford providing maintenance. It is said that the city officials have agreed as to the city's share. The county board of commissioners will take the matter up at an early date. Mrs. Sternberger of this city, gave ten thousand dollars for laboratory equipment. The colored group will raise ten thousand dollars for beds and other equipment.

MONTREAL

A grand musical concert under the auspices of the Excelsior W.C.T.U. was given at Bethel A.M.E. Church, which was a marked success. Among those on the programme was Mrs. John Scott, the great temperance orator and Mrs. Copping, elocutionist.

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Rev. and Mrs. Johnson of United States, have opened up a lunch room in connection with the Mission on Notre Dame Street.

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Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Jones on the birth of a daughter.

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Our hearts go out in sympathy to Mr. J. Wright, of Selby St., in the death of his wife, leaving a husband and four little children to mourn their loss.

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H. S. Ross, K.C., delivered an address to the Mite Missionary Society on Sunday, Dec. 27th, at Bethel Ch., subject, "Seek ye first the kingdom of heaven."

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There passed away on Sunday, December 27th, at St. Agathe Sanitarium, Que., in the full hope of a glorious resurrection, Miss May Iles of Demerara, S.A., sister in law of pastor Stucker, of the Brotherhood Church, Verdun.

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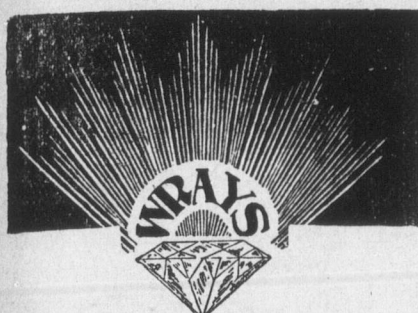
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Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir:

I send you the following concerning
lynchings for the past year as com-
piled by Tuskegee Institute in the
Department of Records and Research.
I find there were 16 persons lynched
in 1925. This number, ranking with
the number 16 for 1924 as the smallest
number of persons lynched in any
year since records of lynchings have
been kept, is 17 less than the number
33 for 1923, and 41 less than the num-
ber 57 for 1922. Two of the victims
were insane. Three others had been
formally released by the courts. 10
of the persons lynched were taken
from the hands of the law, 2 from
jails and 8 from officers of the law
outside of jails. Two of those lynched
were burned at the stake and one
was put to death and body burned.

There were 39 instances in which
officers of the law prevented lynch-
ings. 7 of these were in Northern
states and 32 in Southern states. In
26 of the cases the prisoners were re-
moved or the guards augmented or
other precautions taken. In 13 other
instances, armed force was used to re-
pel the would be lynchers. In 3 in-
stances during the year persons
charged with being connected with
lynching mobs were indicted. Of the
41 persons thus before the courts, 21
were sentenced; 5 suspended sent-
ences dependent on good behaviour,
of from 4 to 12 months on the road;
1 for 30 days in jail; and 15 of from
6 months on the road to 8 years in
the penitentiary.

Of the sixteen persons lynched all
were Negroes. 6 or less than one
half of those put to death were charg-
ed with rape or attempted rape.

The offences charged were: murder,
6; rape, 4; attempted rape, 2;
killing officer of the law, 2; attack-
ing child, 1; insulting woman, 1.

The states in which lynchings oc-
curred and the number in each state
are as follows: Alabama, 1; Arkan-
sas, 1; Florida, 2; Georgia, 2; Louisi-
ana, 1; Mississippi, 6; Missouri, 1;
Utah, 1; Virginia, 1.

Yours very truly,
R. R. MOTON,
Principal.

TORONTO

Mr. and Mrs. W. Rogers, of 212
Woodfield Rd., entertained a number
of friends on their 25th wedding an-
niversary. They received a number
of beautiful silver presents.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Simpson, 14 Lake-
view Ave., entertained a few friends
at whist on New Years night and
quite a pleasant time was had by
those present.

Mr. Brown, father of Mrs. A. Mc-
Ewin Williams, made a short visit to
the city and took his grand son A.
McEwin Williams Jr. home with him
for the winter.

The various societies and churches
of Toronto succeeded in supplying
Christmas dinners for all they found
in need of help. That's the real
Christmas spirit.

Quite a few Toronto boys and girls
skate during the winter months. It
would be a splendid idea to organize
skating parties or a hockey team.
What do you think of it?

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd entertained a
few of their friends at home in their
new flat on College St. Whist was
the pleasure of the evening, after
which a splendid repast was
served to those present. All depart-
ed in the wee hours of the morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Johnson anti-
cipate a trip home in the very near
future.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Montgomery visit-
ed friends in Buffalo during the Xmas
holidays.

Mrs. Alonzo Jenkins returned from
a visit to her home in West Virginia;
but anticipates being in Toronto only
a short time, after which she expects
to return to West Virginia again. We
wish you a bright and prosperous
New Year in your new venture.

Quite a large crowd attended the
dance New Year's night.

Did you read the report of the poli-
tical meeting at Occident Hall as it
was written up in the "Telegram" It
is funny how such large papers can
employ such small reporters.

Our three churches are now on a
firm footing with three splendid lead-
ers, and it is a pleasure to attend any
one of them. Now is the time to get
the church-going habit, it means a
great deal to be a member of some
church congregation, especially if you
are sick and alone.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jones, entertain-
ed a few friends Christmas day. A
very pleasant time was had and every
one went home full of turkey and
other good things.

According to all reports, turkeys,
geese and ducks suffered a heavy set
back this Christmas. Wise birds and
fouls kept out of sight.

We see the Simcoe Cleaners are
moving to 120 University Ave., Cor.
of Dundas and University Ave. We
hope it is a good move.

Mr. Geirie is always on the job at
the Duncan Cafe supplying you with
something good to eat. Don't fail to
meet him while visiting in Toronto.

Quite a number of porters ate their
Christmas turkeys at home this year.

Douglas Lewis our welterweight
boxer, easily disposed of his opponent
New Year's night at the Standard
Theatre. Keep up the good work,
Doug.

Sunday, Jan. 3rd, was observed as
"Covenant Day" and truly the Holy
Spirit was made manifest to the lit-
tle band of worshippers who attended
the services, especially at 11 a.m.
Our pastor, though somewhat indis-
posed owing to a heavy cold, deliver-
ed a very timely message for the be-
ginning of the New Year, using for
his text, Ps. 55: 22, Sub. "Comforting
Assurance." At 7 p.m. the subject
was: "The Untrodden Path", text
Josh. 3: 4. About 23 members re-
newed their covenant by promising to
do some real work for the Church dur-
ing the year 1926. A week of prayer
is being observed from the 4th to the
8th of Jan.

The watch-night service was well
attended on Thursday night.

Those of our number who are on
the sick list are as follows: Mr. C. A.

Johnson, our chorister; Miss S. Stan-
field; Mrs. Skanks; Mrs. (Rev.) Jack-
son has recovered from a severe fall
on the ice. Mrs. O. R. Beecher is
convalescing slowly at this writing.

Rev. and Mrs. Stewart wish to thank
the members and friends of Toronto
for their kind remembrances during
the Christmas season.

Our 2nd quarterly communion ser-
vice will be observed on Sunday, Jan-
17th, when, Rev. C. W. Carpenter of
Grant A.M.E. Church will be the
speaker at 3 p.m.

Mrs. Jenkins, a sister of Mrs. R. H.
Clarke of 964 Gerrard Street, is vis-
iting her sister for a few days.

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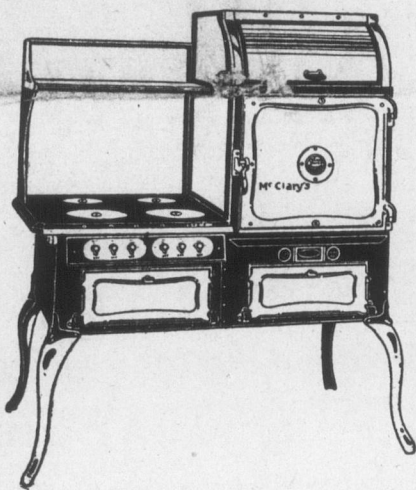
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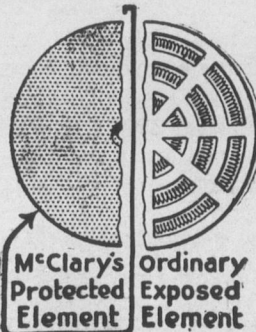
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Some Facts About Mr. Leon Joseph

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a concert under the auspices of the U.N.I.A. for the unemployed and destitute citizens of Toronto, which was a distinct success. During the recent mayoralty campaign, through the influence of Mr. Joseph and Mr. Holden, who were delegates of the coloured political league of Toronto, brought about the presence of His Worship, the Mayor at a meeting of the Coloured Political League held in the U.N.I.A. Hall. The event is worthy of note, it being the first time in many years that a Mayor has even attended a meeting held by any coloured organization in this city. We regret to mention that about the 25th of January Mr. Joseph will make his departure for the United States, where he intends to make his permanent abode. There will be given in his honour a farewell reception under the auspices of the U.N.I.A. on the 22nd of January. He is a member of the Grant A.M.E. Church and is connected with the U.N.I.A., C.L.A.C.P., Coloured Political League, Oddfellows, Scottish Mechanics and Home Service Ass. He is also Advertising Solicitor of The Dawn of Tomorrow. The Pastors of the various churches and also a delegate from each of the above mentioned organizations will be present at his farewell reception. Mr. Joseph has been of great assistance to everyone in general at all times during his stay in Toronto and his presence will be greatly missed by all his friends. He has been the means of securing situations for many of his race "when jobs were hard to find."

All in all he is what we term a staunch race supporter.

Charleston Enters Paris

Associated Negro Press

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 6th—According to a dispatch written to the Chicago Tribune by Henry Wales, the Charleston has become one of the feature dances of the night clubs of Paris. Rudolph Valentino, the sheik, is reported recently to have won a contest at Mitchell's, a cabaret conducted by an American colored man, and attended by tourists and prominent Frenchmen. Valentino's partner was Mrs. Laura Gould, former wife of George Gould. The Ambassador of Spain was one of the spectators present. It is also reported that in a dance revue of the ages to be staged by the Paris Opera, the Charleston is to have its place.

New Playwright Invades New York Theatre

NEW YORK, Jan. 7th—Close after the appearance of Garland Anderson of Los Angeles, on Broadway with his play, another Westerner has invaded the New York theatrical world with a play, called—"The Midnight Council of King." The author of the play is J. E. Cobb, of Wichita, Kans. He has also written "Revolution in Abyssinia," and "Missionary," dramas, and three comedies, "The Midnight Council of King" is based upon an epoch in the history of the darker race.

World's Fleetest Runners to Meet

NEW YORK, Dec. 30—DeHart Hubbard will be one of the four fastest dashmen in the world who will "toe the mark" in a special sprint series which will be one of the features of the annual indoor track meet under the auspices of the Millrose A.A. at Madison Square Garden on the night of February 4th, according to the announcements made by Millrose officials Wednesday.

The quartette scheduled to face the starter's gun are DeHart Hubbard, Western Conference title holder; Hubert Houben, the star German runner who conquered Charley Paddock and Loren Murchison in Germany in a number of races last year; Frank Hussey, the national A. A. U. 100-yd. title holder, who is now wearing the colors of Boston College, and Murchison.

Under the program the races will be at forty yards, then sixty, then in the event of a tie for points, the third and deciding heat will be staged, and this heat will be at fifty yards. This meet also will serve to introduce Houben to American track and field followers.

Particular pains are being taken with the construction of the special banked track which will be used for the meet, in view of the importance and significance of the sprints. It is understood the track will be so constructed that the opening at one end can be divided, thus permitting the sprinters to start nearer the end of the hall and finish nearer the centre than was possible in the old Garden in past years.

It is not expected that his first experience with the short indoor running spikes will interfere to any serious extent with the running of Houben, who has never engaged in indoor competition. The German sprinter, known as a fast man off the mark, is expected to be particularly dangerous to his American rivals in the forty-yard dash, although Murchison, Hubbard and Hussey also are noted for their ability to get under way fast.

Awarded Prize For Cotton Raising

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 30—One of the happiest persons in St. Francis County is Jim Ferguson, a share-cropper on a farm in that vicinity who has just been awarded a \$150 prize for raising the largest amount of lint cotton on five acres of land. The prize was offered this year by the Forrest City Chamber of Commerce to all farmers in St. Francis County as an incentive to more efficient cotton growing.

Ferguson, it is said, was unaware of the competition that was going on between the cotton growers of his district, and he expressed great surprise when informed of his noteworthy accomplishment. The colored agriculturist produced 4,963 pounds of cotton on his five acres of land.

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