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FIND COLORED CHILDREN INTELLIGENT AS WHITE

N.A.A.C.P. Press Service.

A report received from Los Angeles, California, by the N.A.A.C.P. states that tests made upon public school children of Los Angeles show colored children to be as intelligent as the whites..

The tests were given to 500 Negro elementary school children, during the year 1922-23 and the report says "the group is probably representative of the Negro elementary school population of Los Angeles."

The findings are summarized as follows:

"1. Intelligence level..... The median intelligence quotients and the distribution of intelligence over, the various classificatory groups indicates that there is no significant difference shown in the intelligence level of the Negro children and that of children in the fifteen schools taken as a whole."

"2. Educational accomplishment—The average accomplishment and range of accomplishment for Negro children is practically the same as for the total population of the fifteen schools."

"3. Reading comprehension—The average ability for all Negro children tested was 0.203 of a grade below the norm, while that of pupils in forty elementary schools was 0.016 of a grade below norm. This is not a significant variation."

"4. Arithmetic ability—The average ability for all Negro children tested was 0.103 of a grade above the norm, while that for pupils in forty elementary schools was 0.38 of a grade above norm. The difference represents a little less than three months' school work."

"5. Spelling ability—The average ability for all Negro children tested was 0.973 of a grade below the norm, while that for pupils in forty elementary schools was 0.79 of a grade below norm. Although the Negro children are nearly a whole grade retarded in spelling ability, the situation is not materially different for the total school population."

The report is made by Willis W. Clark, of Los Angeles for the city school system.

Rises From Clerk To Sec'y of Corporation

Rises from clerk to Secretary of corporation, Denver, Colo., March 4—One of the largest distributors of high class radio instruments in the middle and far west, the Denver Radio Service Corporation, through the action of its board of directors, has appointed a young colored man, Henry W. Hinkle, to the secretaryship of this concern.

Hinkle was at one time an ordinary deputy in the assessor's office. He later became chief clerk, introducing three different modifications in the company's book-keeping system. His last position was with the Tubbs Investment Company, where he was a clerk.

New York Civic Clubs Hear of Negro Gifts

By N.A.A.C.P. Press Service

The Civic Club of New York City recently gave an evening to the discussion of the Negro's gifts to America. The meeting arose as a consequence of the "Harlem Number," published as the March issue of The Survey Graphic Magazine.

Speakers at the meeting were Prof. Alain Locke, of Howard University, who planned and worked on the "Harlem Number" of the Survey Graphic; Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois, Editor of The Crisis; James Weldon Johnson and Walter White, Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Konrad Bercovici, author and lecturer; and Miss Elise Johnson McDougald, Assistant Principal of Public School 89 in Harlem.

Prof. Locke spoke of the youth movement in the Negro race and its spiritual and cultural significance. Dr. DuBois censured the historians' conspiracy to deny the Negro credit for his share in America's upbuilding. Mr. Johnson spoke of the bad moral effect upon the nation that comes of oppressing a minority group and said the race problem involves "saving black America's body and white America's soul." Konrad Bercovici gave his impressions of Harlem life and ridiculed "Nordic" pretensions to superiority. Miss McDougald told of her work among colored mothers and children. Mr. White discussed the effects of race

Questions And Answers Column

How many Negroes are there in the United States, and how many Negro millionaires?

Approximately twelve millions. There is no data on the number of Negro millionaires and we cannot answer definitely.

Was Hannibal a Negro?

He most certainly was. However the term "Negro" was unknown to the ancients. Nearly all the nations of that day were either African or of African descent and the mere mention of a person's nationality was an index to his eshtnic derivation. Egyptians were from reddish brown to deep black, but they were called Egyptians and nothing else. Carthage was settled by Phoenecians, a black race and as it grew, surrounding African tribes became part of the nation. No picture has been left of Hannibal, nor a description, but from the time in which he lived and considering the people of that day, he could have been nothing else but an African Negro. White people in those times were mighty few and very seldom seen.

Just what territory did ancient Ethiopia embrace?

There have been archeologists who claim that Ethiouia at one time embraced almost the whole of northern Africa, extending to the Atlantic. This is because the remains discovered, indicate a similarity of civilization. The Ethiouia of history, however, included Abyssinia north of Egypt and the capital was located at Marce, just north of the Egyptian boundary. The ancient Egyptians and the Ethiopians were very closely akin, adopting the same style of architecture and worshipping the same gods.

Were there any Negroes in prehistoric America?

Evidences of both Negroes and Chinese have been uncovered in excavations in the Americas.

prejudice on white and colored people.

A packed auditorium applauded the addresses. The Civic Club is the outstanding liberal club of New York City, and a meeting of this sort held there is expected to have far-reaching effects.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMME FEATURES LEAGUE MEETING

A special meeting of the Canadian League for the Advancement of Colored People was held in the Y.M.C.A. last Tuesday, March 3rd, at which time a number of colored children participated. The children were trained by Miss Alice Drake, for the occasion. They sang songs and gave recitations, all compositions of Negro poets or musicians. An original poem by Miss Hilda Carter of Dresden, Ontario, was the feature of the evening. Miss Carter is a student at the Normal School here in the city and she is regarded as a brilliant student.

A large crowd attended this affair, it being the first of its kind in the city.

Charter Presented.

Mr. J. F. Jenins, Secretary of the League, gave a report of the work of the League. He said that he had met with great success in his work of interesting businessmen and manufacturers in the advancement of the League. He also spoke of an interview with Mr. C. A. Burton, manager of the Robert Simpson Co., Ltd., Toronto, and said that he had been assured of some consideration from him by way of employment of colored people. The Charter which was granted to the League a few weeks ago, was presented by Mr. Jenkins. This gives the League power to organize in all parts of the dominion, and work will be started along this line very shortly. Mr. B. E. Fountain, and Mr. McWilliams, the latter who is principal of the Ealing School where a number of the colored children are attending, were also speakers at the meeting. The Rev. Mr. Stewart, pastor of the B.M.E. Church presided.

Spokane Bars "Birth of a Nation"

Spokane, Wash., March 6—The protest of the N.A.A.C.P., headed by Rev. E. B. Reed, Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church (colored) against the showing of the "Birth of a Nation" resulted in the outlawing of the film in this city last week.

The City Council, under the direction of Dan Dunning, secretary to Commissioner of Public Safety, ordered the picture stopped. The engagement of the picture was at one of the city's leading theatres.

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Editorial

MARTYR OR VILLAIN, SAINT OR SINNER?

By the action of the higher court in the State of New York in sustaining the decision of the lower court, Marcus Garvey has been sent to Federal Prison in Atlanta, Ga., to serve a term of five years for using the U.S. mails for fraudulent purposes.

As to the law and as to the facts in the case (we know not. Still we are inclined to believe the courts gave Garvey every chance for a fair and impartial trial, even allowing him to conduct his own defence, and yet, in his own soul and in his intention whether he is guilty of the charge is something that is known only to himself and to his Creator. "Everyone must decide for himself whether the occasion justifies in the courts of heaven an act which must needs be condemned in the courts of earth."

In more than one way Garvey is an exceptionally remarkable and brilliant man, and for that very reason his misfortune is a catastrophe to the whole race. He has done more to awaken the slumbering spirit of race consciousness in the breasts of the Negro race throughout the world than any other man, living or dead: and for this alone, if for nothing else, he is entitled to "a place in the sun."

We have tried to view his schemes for the betterment of the race in the light of quiet reason. His "back to Africa" scheme, for those who were fitted and who wanted to go, his "Black Star Line" to handle the produce of the West Indians who are forced to sell for less than market value, his idea of building factories and other business enterprises for the employment of colored people, his idea of making Africa a grand republic for the benefit of the African people and their descendants, his idea that the world would be bound to respect such a republic—all appeal to us as being sane and sensible. While we may differ greatly with him in his method of procedure in his attempt to reach his goal we have only words of praise for his lofty purposes.

Had Garvey used other tactics, had he gathered and kept around him the race's most talented and educated men to carry out the many excellent schemes which his fertile brains produced, he would today be heralded by all classes as the greatest mind the race has ever produced. That he

violated the law seems evident, still who knows but that this was a result of his over zealotness for the success of his schemes for the success of all black peoples? Did not Oliver Cromwell, George Washington and John Brown violate the law to accomplish that which was to their minds more beneficial to humanity than was the law which they violated?

History will tell whether Garvey is martyr or villain, saint or sinner, and whatever place assigns him he will at least be credited with having helped our group to realize this one thing that for the good of the race there must be a common bond of unity running from breast to breast among among black people.

IF YOU'LL ONLY TRY.

Now my friend, just stop your grumbling.

When you have a task to do;
That all the hard hard work falls to you.

Don't go 'round always mumbling,
Hop right in and go to it,
Don't sit 'round and sigh;
You'll find that you can do it,
If you'll only try.

Whatever your task is don't get rattled,

But be calm, don't lose your head;
For it is clear thinking that wins battles
And not procrastination, fear and dread.

Whatever it is, buckle down to it,
Make up your mind to do or die;
You'll find a way to do it,
If you'll only try.

Don't give in for each little trifle,
Be the master of all your plans;
And if your task be honest and right-ful,

The world makes a way for the determined man.

Never give up once you begin it.
For the reward is success is high;
Just say "I'll stick since I'm in it,"
And you will, if you'll only try.

Of course you'll find lots of rough places,

All along life's highway;
And you'll meet folks with grouchy faces,

As you travel day by day.
Just make up your mind to go the limit,

And your goal you'll reach by and by;
Obstacles won't keep a determined man from winning.

And you can, too, but you've got to try.

—By E. R. Douglas, Negro Poet

Boston, Mass., March 4—Mrs. Catherine Minor, said to be 119 years old, who was buried here last week, if her memory were true, is one of the few mortals who ever lived to see two eclipses of the sun such as that which occurred recently. She used to relate with enthusiasm how she had seen an eclipse of the sun in 1811.

Mrs. Catherine's father was one of Washington's slaves. She had 12 children, all of whom are dead and is survived by several grand children and great grandchildren.

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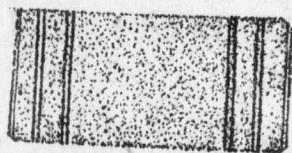
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On next Tuesday evening, March
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pate. Mrs. Budd and Mrs. Kelley
are arranging the entertainment.

A very impressive memorial ser-
vice was held in the B.M.E. Church
on Thursday evening, March 5th by
the Church Aid in memory of Robert
Harris, who was president of this
organization. Mr. Harris departed
this life on Saturday, Feb. 14th at
Detroit, Mich. Brother C. H. Brown,
president of the men's brotherhood,
and brother H. A. Mackey, his class
leader assisted the pastor in this ser-
vice.

The Sunday services were suffi-
ciently interesting and drew a large
audience at both morning and even-
ing gatherings. Despite all draw-
backs and handicaps, the good work
continues on. The subject at 11 a.m.
"Isaiah's Call and Commission."

Points emphasized: All we Christian
people have got that voice ringing in
our ears. Whatever I have is my
brother's. Most of all, if I have
Christ for my Saviour, that makes it
a crime in me if I do not carry Him,
somehow, to other people. God wants
no pressed men. It must be volun-
teers that do this work. At 7 p.m.
a capacity audience listened with
marked attention to the discourse
from the subject, "What is Truth?"
Several striking illustrations to what
it was very likely to be, was given by
the speaker, who closed by saying
that truth was that against which all
opposition is weak and insignificant.
We may eclipse the light of truth but
we can not extinguish it.

Mrs. George Workman is quite in-
disposed at this writing. Our pray-
ers are for her speedy recovery.

Mr. Arthur Harris of Hamilton, is
visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs.
John Harris of Philip Street, this
city.

Rev. E. M. Wood, pastor of Hill
Street Baptist Church, is visiting his
family in Detroit this week.

Quite a number of London folk are
on the sick list. Mrs. Fred Harris
is somewhat improved after a two
weeks' illness. Mrs. J. F. Jenkins,
Mrs. Geo. Chandler and Mrs. Harry
Fountain have all been quite sick but
are much better this week.

Mr. Frank Budd is getting along
very nicely in Victoria Hospital,
where he underwent an operation for
appendicitis. His many friends are
anxious for a speedy recovery.

Mme. L. Hunter, our lyric soprano
has returned from Buffalo, N.Y. re-
porting great success in her program
rendered there.

Mme. L. Wells has returned from
Windsor, where she was called a few
weeks ago to the bedside of her
mother.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Fred
Kelly have been confined to their
home with the mumps. They are
improved at this writing.

TORONTO

Sunday, March 15th will be Rally
Day and Quarterly Meeting in B.M.E.
Church, Chestnut St. Service con-
ducted by Supt. S. R. Drake and Rev.
T. H. Jackson, followed by a concert
and supper on Monday evening.

Mr. Marshall of Washington has
had charge of Sunday services dur-

ing the absence of Pastor, Rev. R.
A. Ball.

The regular meeting of the Home
Missionary Society of the B.M.E.
Church will be held on Tuesday eve-
ning, March 17th at the home of
Mrs. Howard, 135 Lindsay Ave.

Mrs. H. Nelson has gone to London
to visit her sister, Mrs. W. Fountain.
Rev. Mrs. T. H. Jackson left on
Saturday to attend the funeral of her
sister in New York City.

Master Kenneth Ardella and Miss
Gladys Gibbs who have been very
ill, are improving nicely.

Miss B. Parker is on the sick list.
The many friends of Mr. A. L.
James of 53 Grange Ave. are pleased
to see him out again after an illness
of two months.

The Colonial Tea held at the home
of Mrs. C. S. Sharp, 306 Lippincott St.
was quite a success on Feb. 25th.
Proceeds of \$27 for the benefit of
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HAMILTON

The services at St. Paul's A.M.E. Church were largely attended. Rev. Wm. J. Townsend preached at 11 o'clock and Rev. J. C. Holland took charge of the services in the evening.

Master Le Roy Townsend, Irene Harrigan and Miss Gladys Holland are on the sick list.

Mrs. Sault, Mr. Waynor and Ollie Johnson, of Oakville, Ont., worshipped at St. Paul's Church Sunday.

Mrs. E. E. Terrelong spent a few weeks in Jamestown, N.Y.

Mount Olive Lodge No. 1, F. & A. M. gave a very successful concert at the Pythian Palace last Thursday evening.

Rev. Taylor, of Chatham, Ont. is in the city on business.

The concert given by Mrs. Wm. Bell at St. Paul's Church was a grand success and was much enjoyed by a large audience.

Mrs. Hiram Berry of Cannon St. W., entertained the Trustee Aid on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Greenidge entertained the King's daughters. All reported a good time.

Mr. Hiram Berry and Mr. Gilbert Holland were the soloists at the Alexander Gardens on Friday night.

Miss Elfreeda Holland entertained the King's daughters.

Mr. Charles Brown is in Detroit attending the funeral of his sister.

Mrs. Lucy Foster of Argyle Ave. is quite ill at this writing.

Rev. J. C. Holland has returned from St. Petersburg, Florida.

A number of friends surprised Mrs. Jess Brown on the occasion of her birthday and presented her with many beautiful gifts.

The Trustee Aid will give a Dinty Moore supper on Tuesday evening.

Mr. Peter Freeman is improving nicely at the Ontario Hospital.

Miss Jane Lewis is quite ill at this writing.

Miss Martha Adams of Oakville has accepted a position in the city.

Mr. Alex Wayner of Oakville, now at St. Joseph's Hospital, is improving nicely.

Mr. Jasper Smith, Miss Olive Smith and Miss Vera Morey, of Brantford, were in the city last week.

Mr. R. Toliver entertained a number of friends to a radio concert on Monday night. Mrs. Hammond served luncheon. All departed for their respective homes in the wee hours of the morning after spending a grand evening.

The Stewardess Board will hold a handkerchief bazaar on the 26th.

STRATFORD

Mr. Herbert Tamer of Buffalo is visiting Madam Harrison and family.

Mrs. Reggie Moore returns on Saturday to Port Huron, Mich., after six weeks visiting her mother. We are glad to report that Miss Emma Brightwell has returned home from the hospital after having an operation. She is not able to attend to business yet but is as well as can be expected.

BRANTFORD

Sunday the 8th was Quarterly Meeting. Supt. S. R. Drake had charge, assisted by Rev. C. A. Johnson of Guelph. All three services were well attended. The services were a success in every way. Two new members were added to the congregation of the church.

Mrs. (Rev.) S. R. Drake was with us for the occasion. We always feel we are highly honored by her presence. While in the city she called on many old friends and left a smile and a word of cheer.

Mr. Albert Brown of Simcoe spent Sunday in the city.

Mr. S. Henderson of Mount Vernon was in the city on Sunday.

We are sorry to report that little Burrell Johnson is in the General Hospital, but she is doing nicely.

Mrs. John McCurtis and Mrs. Winifred McCurtis spent the week end in Hamilton visiting her daughter.

Misses Irene and Francis Johnson are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Johnson.

Mrs. George Johnson's condition is somewhat improved.

March 19th in Wellington St. Methodist Church, under the auspices of the church aid, a Grand Jubilee concert will be held. Mr. A. C. Johnson of Toronto, gold medalist soloist; Mrs. Toliver, Hamilton, elocutionist and other out of town talent, assisted by our own soloist, Mr. La Verne Jones and other home talent. We are putting forth every effort and are expecting a grand success.

Rev. C. A. Johnson, Guelph, left a wonderful impression with us on his visit to our church, and we trust he will bring the truth to us again in the near future. He left the feeling with us that he is a promising young man in the ministry.

Why cannot a Negro go to West Point?

He can if a senator of congressman appoints him. However, prejudice is so strongly against it that Negroes seldom seek appointment. Col. Young and Lt. Flipper were both appointed and graduated.

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Reading from left to right, the Scouts in the photo are: standing—Roy Dungy, ass't troop leader, Archie Ball, troop leader; Arthur Deshield, patrol leader, and Chauncey Dawson. Seated—Shirley Moore, ass't Scout master; James DeShield, Raymond

Stewart, friend of the boys; Orval Edmonds, patrol leader; Ellsworth Boston, ass't club leader. The lad on the floor in the centre of the photo, is "Buster", the nucleus of the Wolf Cub Pack.

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On Feb. 15 and 16 was the Anniversary of the B.M.E. Church at Owen Sound. The morning service was conducted by the Pastor, Rev. E. A. Richardson, who gave a very interesting discourse on practical living based on love to God and our neighbors os, ourselves. In the evening service the first half hour was spent in Memorial Service to the late father Rev. David Mark Lewis, who died in Chicago, Ill., at his son's residence. Addresses were delivered by two lay members of the B.M.E. Church: Pro. Thomas Green and Bro. H. Woodbeck who spoke briefly of Rev. Lewis' activities as pastor of the B.M.E. Church at Owen Sound. He was a good man, full of the old-time Methodist fire and was zealous for God and one whose character was not blemished. He was pastor at Owen Sound for five years, serving two terms and through his undaunted courage we have the fine church now to worship in. He was the first pastor to preach in the church we now worship in but he is gone from work to reward. Blessed are they that die in the service of the Lord Jesus Christ. They rest from their labour and the character follows.

On Monday, Feb. 16th the young men of our race gave a splendid musical concert in the B.M.E. Church. There were over 500 present and many were turned away. The boys did exceedingly well with their instrumental and vocal numbers. The

proceeds amounted to over \$125.00 of which \$75.00 was donated to the B. M.E. Church for paying debts of the church.

On Feb. 25th the mother's club gave a very nice social at the home of Mrs. Andy Smith. There were about 35 people present. Mrs. E. A. Richardson, Mrs. A. Smith, Mrs. Clifford Johnston, were the conveners. Games and house plays were enjoyed by all present. Refreshment were served. The proceeds amounted to about \$10.00. We are glad to report that Mr. A. Bowie is able to return home after being in the G.M. Hospital for about six weeks.

Mrs. A. Smith is in quarantine. Her daughter Verlia, has scarlet fever. We are sorry for her.

Mr. James McArthur is also in quarantine. His son Robert has diphtheria. We pray for a speedy recovery.

Mrs. T. Green has been indisposed for some days during the past ten days but is somewhat improved at this writing. Mr. Wm. Miller is on the sick list this week. Pray for her. Our revival meetings start in the B.M.E. Church on March 15th, under the leadership of our pastor, Rev. E. A. Richardson, assisted by local helpers. He desires the prayers of all Christian workers in his revival campaign. He also wishes to announce that the third quarterly meeting will be held on March the 29th.

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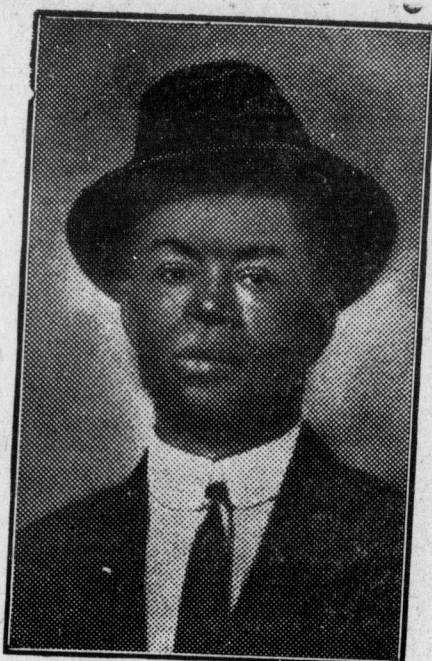
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And we are sitting all alone,
In our hearts there comes a longing,
If you only could come home.
Oft and oft our thoughts do wander
To a poor grave not far away,
Where they laid our darling daddy
One long, sad year ago, today.
Sadly missed by wife and family.

All Races, in The Eyes of Creator Are on a Par

The negro race, is bound to unfold
and keep enriching the universe. Al-
ready this race, although kept under
for so many years, has given us the
only distinctly American music, and
the ragtime so many of us enjoy and
spend hours listening to, was origi-
nated by the Negro race. For spiri-
tual music there is none like the Negro
melodies, and for the rollicking comic
I believe it has no equal. The race
has also contributed to art, sculpture,
literature and the art of dancing, and
produced great orators.

It may be that an account of the
past persecutions suffered by this
race that they are finding expression
to what lay latent for many years—
and a soul expression, that in years
to come will see the race leading in
many walks of life, and more espe-
cially in the living and expounding of
the Life and Message of the Master
Mind from whom we receive all light,
truth, understanding and love. This
race has all the characteristics and
essentials of producing leaders in re-
ligious thought, and in the building
of the only life which all races are
intended to live, viz. The life touched
and predominated by the Divine Mind
in every business and in every phase
of life, to teach men to live their
lives in the life of God and eagerly
to spend their lives in helping God
produce the race of men he intended
in the carrying out of His great pur-
pose and plan of life, love and service
to God and love and service to one's
fellowmen. To each other in the up-
ward way.

"Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
and His righteousness and all these
things shall be added unto you."

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