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The Government and the Negro

An *Evening World* (New York) dispatch of November 4 confirms what we have all along suspected and hoped for, viz.: that the United States Government is closely scrutinizing month after month the contents of *THE CRUSADER*, *The Messenger* and other "radical Negro publications." We are grateful indeed to have the ear of the United States Government, and we can assure them that they have only to read the unbought Negro press to get an earful of the thoughts and attitude of the Negro toward the government. For instance, the Negro remembers that the government that is now so deeply concerned and apprehensive for the white South because of the change that has come over the Negro is the same government that practiced, upon the railroads it controlled, Jim-Crowism and other forms of discrimination and insult against a special group of its own citizens. This is the same government that sent our men untrained and inexperienced into the first line trenches to be massacred; it is the same government under which the Metz massacre of the 92d was all arranged and ready for consummation upon the advance over an area that was fully mined and known to have been mined by Negro troops specially picked for the "honor"; it is the same government that allowed our troops to be grossly ill-treated by its cracker officers, "men who knew how to handle Negroes"; the same government that allowed, without repudiation or condemnation, the filthy propaganda of lies which cracker officers in France disseminated in their efforts to discredit our troops with the French nation; the same government that kept a discreet silence on mob murders before, during, and after the war, breaking it only when an *enemy alien* was lynched; the same government whose troops were turned *against us* in Washington and Chicago when we attempted to uphold our manhood rights; the same government that practices discrimination and Jim-Crowism in Federal offices; the same government, in fact, which, in direct conflict with the Constitution of the United States, governs us

without our consent because allowing to be inflicted upon us in several of the States the onerous system of taxation without representation.

While glad to note the present totally unprecedented interest of the United States Government in fifteen millions of its hitherto most loyal citizens, we cannot help observing that this interest was not forthcoming until, with our backs to the wall, we determined to fight back *in self-defense*, and for the protection of our women and the things men of whatever color hold most dear in this world. Before our change in attitude, and when we were tamely allowing ourselves to be led out for the barbarous pastime of the cultured Khivalric whites south of Mason-Dixon, and supinely witnessing the rape of our women and their lynching if they protested, the United States Government did not show any such deep interest in us.

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What They Say of Us

THE CRUSADER, published in New York City, a well edited magazine, neat in appearance, was received on our exchange table this week as was a copy of "The Churchman," published in Newport, R. I. These magazines are recent efforts of efficient publishers of the race and compare favorably with those published by any other people. They espouse the cause of the race in a manner that wins for them praise. We welcome them among our list of exchanges.—*The East Tennessee News*.

Dear Comrade: I have yours of Oct. 10 and read same with great interest. I am also enjoying *THE CRUSADER* very much and I wish you unlimited success in your efforts to awaken the colored race to an understanding of where its real interests lie. You are doing a splendid work and you seem to have made an impression on even Du Bois as well as other conservatives among the Negroes.—From letter of Linn A. E. Gale, editor and publisher of "Gale's Magazine."

"THE NEGRO IS A PART OF THIS NATION"

By THOMAS KIRKSEY,
Ex-Soldier of the Great World War.

AMERICA! That is the word to which our emotions respond rationally in peace times, and, to a large measure, irrationally in war times. It is the house in which we live. Every owner of a roof is, or should be, proud of the possession. His pride should make him anxious about repairs and renovations when necessary.

It so happens that the dwelling called *America*, in which we live on this planet, has some deplorable cleavages in the roof-like ignorance, segregation, discrimination, both manifold and multiform, peonage, jim-crowism, disfranchisement, white-precipitated-riots, lynchings, burnings at the stake, etc. These cleavages are not repaired, for it is thought that they expose to the inclemency of the weather but one of the inmates—the undesirable Negro. But is that so? The writer retorts emphatically "No." Then "why" comes the reply. It is not so for the simple reason that the Negro rubs elbows with all the other inmates. When the Negro gets wet, his wetness is immediately communicated to his albicant skinned dweller. When the Negro contracts pneumonia and consumption from the drops which trickle through the cleavages in the roof, the germs are immediately contracted by his caucasian brother, and they both suffer and die together.

Americanism can be neither defined nor formulated with the Negro left out. When the white-administered American government sanctions peonage of the Negro, white labor is worse off thereby, for it is forced into competition with the Negro peon. White labor must work as cheaply as the Negro peon or not at all. When white labor unions keep the Negro out of their unions, they thus surrender to the enemy-capital, a powerful weapon with which to break their strikes, and to force them into submission. The writer recalls a risible instance of white waiters, of the Raleigh Hotel of Washington, D. C., parading around the building with signs on their bodies fore and aft. One of the signs read, if he remembers correctly, thus: "*White waiters locked out. Negro scabs are in.*" A tip to these artists in manipulating the fodder would be: "*Take the Negro waiters into your union, and they could not*

scab on you." But, of course, that had never occurred to them as their union must remain as white as a lily. Then, again, social equality with the "niggers" is not desired. How silly! Those clear-headed fellows will learn some day that their economic interests and petty prejudices like oil and water do not mix. When it is reflected that a person has himself caused a situation over which he wails distressingly to be relieved of when the cure lies within his powers, one's risibility is thereby heightened. When the proud white-administered American Government aids and abets rioting through an agent, the press, whites swell the casualty list in dead and wounded the same as Negroes. When the proud white-administered American Government fosters ignorance among Negroes it encourages crime and disease which tomorrow will claim victims among whites. So instances may be piled up ad infinitum. When will white America learn that she cannot maltreat the Negro and expect to remain intact herself? Whatever affects the Negro affects also the American caucasian. The Negro is so inextricably interwoven into the warp and woof of the very organization itself that any incision, should it be foolish enough to be made, would be more than suicidal. The Negro is to America not a thing apart. America had just as well wake up and swallow the medicine now, if it has been postponed because it is bitter, that the Negro is part and parcel of this nation. A truism borrowed from Kelley Miller fits in nicely here. It runs something like this: "The marble apex of a monument may indeed look with respite upon the grosser material in its foundation, but it cannot deny that it is as essential an element in its structure as its more ornamental and pretentious capstone."

If America must strike somebody, she would act wiser if she directed her blows at any other element in the population except the Negro. Why? Because the Negro, leaving out of reckoning the American Indian, is in point of lineage, which he regards seriously, the only 100 per cent. American in America today. When the Negro was brought to these shores 300 years ago, all ties to his fatherland were

ruthlessly cut asunder. Since that time the caucasian has not only jealously guarded his decrease in numbers, but also his American identification. For example, all persons with one-tenth Negro blood in their veins are Negroes. That ensures his numerical status. Prohibitory intermarriage laws forbid the widespread mingling of his blood with the influx of Europeans. That ensured and ensures his American identity. As far back as the Negro, although himself mixed, can trace his lineage, America is his native land. But it is different with the American, Anglo-Saxon caucasian. His tremendous race pride, or shall I say race prejudice, has so mixed him up so with the foreign element that the average American-residing white man knows that he is and regards himself as much English, Irish, Austrian, Bulgarian, Serbian, Spaniard, Swede, Scotch, Pole, Esthonian, Italian, Montenegrin, Norwegian, Welsh, Dane, Dutch, Croat, Czech, Greek as he is American, and perhaps more than all else more German than he is American. Indeed, America has been spoken of as the great melting pot. Ask the average white man to trace his lineage for you and before you know it he has mentioned a person who first saw the light of day in Petrograd or Paris, Budapest or Berlin. Lineage and time past are not the only elements which favor the Negro; the future smiles upon him as well, for he is in America to stay. The Negro is in America filling his coffers today not to return tomorrow either to Britain or to the Balkans. Whatever is grudgingly given him remains in America. That fact should not be hurried over by our cold-blooded white economists. The following paragraph will show how the war made the white man recognize the Negro as the only 100 per cent. American in America.

When America entered the great war she was at her wits' end to save herself from herself. Her factories were razed to the ground. Her great grain elevators went up in smoke. Her war measures were matters of common knowledge to the enemy before they were scarcely known at home. In the midst of confusion casting about to guard the National Capital, the seat of the American Government, and the dear life of the President itself, it was found the sanest and safest expedient to put rifles upon the shoulders of the most outraged element in the population—the Negro. For in him his domicile did not outwardly sing the "Star Spangled Banner," and desires and aspirations "Deutschland uber Allies."

He could above all others be counted upon. What a paradox! Proud white America afraid of itself! Think of it! The Negro, the least beneficiary of the system its most reliable patron. These things are precursors to a prophecy which the writer had just as well make as someone else, for the prophecy, upon a little reflection, will suggest itself, namely: America, proud white America, you will sorely need the Negro some day.

The great war not only taught the South a lesson in economics, but also taught the Negro a lesson in economics. It taught the South that the Negro is a necessary ingredient in the American compound. It taught the Negro the same. It taught the South the economic value of the Negro. It taught the Negro of his economic value. No greater testimony to the fact that the Negro is a link in the American chain is needed than the vicious, illicit and inimical prohibitory measures which the South resorted to during the war, both to compel the Negro to work and forbidding his sudden and large-scale migration within the United States. Howbeit, the Negro left. The result is that the South is clamoring for the Negro to come back. What a contradiction. Extending an invitation to a people upon whom it has exhausted the lexicon of cruelty! The lesson then, briefly stated, that the South has learned, is that the law of economic necessity is more potent than social desire. The latter does not matter. After all it is merely "a point of view subject to change by conditions." The former will not down since it is a fundamental which controls society. What, then, would happen if 15,000,000 Negroes would leave America? The question is useless, for it could never happen with America left behind. If such an expedition should materialize, it would simply be a case of America packing up bag and baggage and immigrating. Although some time ago a congressman of the United States was ignorant enough of social science, leaving entirely out of account his prejudices, that he upon the floor of the Congress of these United States did unintelligently consume the precious time of the aforementioned august body with the following crassly ignorant utterance: "If as a result of his experience in the war he does not care to live in this land without political and social equality, then he can depart for any other country he wishes and his departure will be facilitated by the white



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TRUE SOUTHERN CHIVALRY.

While the kind of chivalry the white South goes in for has all along been evident to us and is with us day by day in the large number of mulattoes among us, it has never been so proudly confessed in public as by Senator Sharp Williams in the Senate on September 30 when, speaking in favor of *the League of Nations and mob law*, he told the nation that:

"I will go in the pathways of peace as far as any man. I would be willing to arbitrate almost anything except outrages on a white woman by black or white. I would surrender him as a criminal beyond the pale to the first crowd that came to get him."

Note the words "except outrages on a *white woman*." Of course outrages on a Negro woman are of no consequence. At least the white South goes in so freely for such outrages that it would ill become so true a representative of that breed of Hell to denounce them. But why the silence on such outrages? Proud of mob law, surely

Sharp Williams is not ashamed of the immoral law?

At least the Negro can thank Sharp Williams for the knowledge that "*race is greater than law and now and then the protection of women transcends all law, human and Divine.*" We are confident that these words, coming from one of the nation's law-makers, will have its proper effect upon the minds of all Negro men worthy of the name.

NOT ROOM ENOUGH FOR THE TWO.

There is not room enough in the world for two such moralities as the one preached by Woodrow Wilson and Lloyd George while the war was on for the purpose of enlisting the support of "neutrals" and of "subject races," and the one they are now attempting to practice and which is contained in the covenant of the League of Nations. As L. Curtis says in "The Problem of the Commonwealth":

"If it is true in America that people must be left to govern themselves irrespective of

their capacity for the task, then it is also true in Europe, Asia and Africa. The world is not large enough to contain two moralities on a subject like this."

The sentiment for self-determination is growing by leaps and bounds not only among the "subject peoples" of the world, but among those true lovers of liberty in the national bodies which Wilson and Lloyd George are now trying to differentiate and set apart from the rest of the world as "the free peoples," and not all the leagues of damnations that are formed can forever enforce the pernicious doctrine of Article X of the Covenant of the League of Nations. This article virtually recognizes and supports the war-breeding principle of "European eminent domain" and such a principle has no part in the new order that was so much talked about while the war was on and when Africans and Asiatics were called upon to fight for *their* liberties. "European eminent domain" is on its last leg in Africa and Asia and not all the props that the League of Nations can supply can stop the resistless onward sweep of liberty and freedom over those long enslaved and oppressed lands.

THE BLACK STAR LINE

THE CRUSADER has received many inquiries relative to the Black Star Steamship Corporation; as to the feasibility of the project of launching a fleet of steamships to be manned and operated by Negroes for the purpose of carrying on trade and establishing closer relations between the Negro peoples of the world, and as to the honesty and ability of the officials and employes of the corporation, and many similar inquiries, one inquirer even going so far into the depths of racial pessimism as to ask "even assuming the honesty of Mr. Garvey, should not Mr. Garvey be opposed in his well nigh impossible scheme on the basis of the effect on the Negro people that a failure would have?"

We ignore the latter inquiry. It was not worth asking and is not worth answering. As to the question of the feasibility of the Black Star project, the tremendous success attendant upon the efforts of white men, and on a smaller scale of a few of our own men, in the field constitutes sufficient answer to that question. Of course, the Black Star Steamship Corporation will have to face many and great difficulties before full success is attained. It has already faced and conquered some of these. It has its

first steamship and an efficient Negro crew to man it. But that is only half of the battle. Any steamship operator, to be successful, must have the backing and co-operation of some bank or banks. The white banks assuredly will not help the Black Star Steamship Corporation. On the contrary, they will hinder to the utmost of their ability its efforts to capture Negro trade from white-owned bottoms. Therefore the Black Star Corporation must have its own banks. And that this need is recognized by the officials of the corporation the writer infers from the gist of a conversation he had with one of these officials.

As to the honesty and ability of the officials and employes of the corporation we do not see how that is going to be satisfactorily decided without a trial, though the former can be inferred by an outstanding quality in the characters of Mr. Garvey and most of his colleagues. When men are willing to *die* for a cause they are not likely to be dishonest to that cause. Mr. Garvey has suffered enough persecution in his fight for the race to earn himself the status of a martyr and a full-grown niche in Ethiopia's hall of fame.

BOLSHEVISM AND RACE PREJUDICE

Many of our editors and cartoonists are showing an inclination to couple Bolshevism with race prejudice.

On a basis of hard, cold facts nothing could be farther from the truth. The only pogroms against the Jewish race being committed in Russia today are occurring outside of Soviet Russia, in the territories jointly controlled by Denikine and the Holy Allies and by Kolchak and the Holy Allies and by the said Holy Allies and their minor tools. In Soviet Russia pogroms are no more because, for one thing, there are no reactionary capitalist influences at work to pit worker against worker and race against race. In America where these influences are still in operation race riots and pogroms are the rule rather than the exception. In Soviet Russia all men are equal, of whatever race, and nearly all races are represented in high offices, the principle of merit ruling rather than color of skin or racial origin, and the Negro race, too, though almost nil in point of population, comes in for such representation as was related by a disgusted citizen of these *truly y'know* democratic United States, who threw up his hands in holy terror at the spectacle of a Negro in high office and rushed back to this

land of the *truly y'know* brave and the free to relate with hot resentment to his almost as hotly resenting white fellow citizens the shocking heresy on the part of Russia in that she recognized the Negro as a man.

That Negro editors and cartoonists should fall for the lies about Soviet Russia put out by the white capitalist press is all the more surprising when it is considered that these same Negro cartoonists and editors are members of a race even more viciously lied about by the same white capitalist press. Surely with our own experience with the lie factories in mind, we should be wary about swallowing, hook, sinker and all, all they say about others to whom they are also opposed.

ESTABLISH HISTORY CLASSES

One of the most urgent needs of the Negro race in the New World is knowledge by its members of its racial origin and historic heritage.

The histories taught in America and the West Indies are designed for the white child. They teach only the glories and grandeur of the white race and that the white child may feel proud of his race and possess in full, and over, the necessary historic background, which can fittingly be designated also the *racial backbone*, they instruct him in his race's own achievements and also in the achievements of other races which they include as his own race, as witness the case of ancient Egypt and the many other contributions of the Negro to civilization.

As no special attention is paid to the Negro child and no extra effort put forth in his behalf he has to absorb histories that were specially designed for the white child and in which have been designedly omitted or perverted to the ends of the white race the records of the Negro and every other race which did not have its records written in indelible ink on an indestructible surface.

The Jew has faced much the same problem which this attitude on the part of our white rulers brings to us. The Jew has partially solved it by the establishment of Jewish history classes in the synagogues and in other places. The Negro can defeat the purpose of the white man and save his race from the fate that follows the destruction of the historic background by emulating the example of the Jew and establishing history classes in the Sunday schools and churches of the race and by organizing Negro history clubs. The Rev. Chas. Martin of the Beth Tphillah Moravian Church

has wisely lead the way. It's up to the Negro church to take up the work. And it should be the ambition of every Negro—juvenile and adult—to familiarize himself with the history of the race. No man is fully educated who is not acquainted with the origin and historic heritage of his race.

HENRY DUBBS IN EVERY RACE.

Most Negroes who are enlightened racially are apt to feel deeply despondent at the appalling ignorance and even lack of interest of the mass of Negroes in their racial origin and historic heritage.

This despondent feeling, while acknowledgedly springing from the finest race loyalty and an intense desire to advance the race cause, is only possible, however, because no matter how well enlightened racially the subject of this feeling is he is still ignorant interracially.

There are Dubbs in every race. The Henries and Henriettas of this boob family are not peculiar to the Negro race, in spite of the discouraging ease with which the two classes of the illiterate and the erroneously "educated" Negroes have swallowed in the past and are still swallowing the anti-Negro propaganda of the scoundrelly caucasian capitalist-imperialist gang.

Those of us who get disgusted with the Negro race because of its alleged *peculiar* gullibility in swallowing the fabrications of the white lie-factories have only to study the interracial field to find the same phenomenon in operation everywhere. For example, take a look at the class war between the forces of labor, the producer, and capitalism, the parasitic exploiter, and witness how extremely gullible is the unorganized white worker to the manufactured falsehoods of the capitalist-controlled press and government officials. While it is as plain as day even to the least intelligent observer that unorganized labor has everything to gain ultimately from the victories of organized labor against the common plunderer, observe how the workers themselves will follow the lead of the bought press in its barking denunciations of organized labor's legitimate demands, and will swallow every lie disseminated against labor and in favor of the capitalists. In fact, it is evident that the foolish, cruel and vicious capitalist system could not have continued all these years its robbery of the exploited many in the interests of the parasitic few, but for the amazing ignorance and gullibility of the masses of all races.

Again, take the case of Soviet Russia.

How many of the workers are aware of the important experiment now going on in that country in the interests of the workers themselves because an experiment in genuine majority rule and national ownership of the resources of the land, the transportation and the distributing systems, and thus so plainly menacing to the exploitive interests of the capitalists that the capitalist-controlled governments of France, Great Britain and the United States have exerted, and are still exerting, every means in their power in an unholy endeavor to make it abortive—even resorting to the barbarous hunger blockade of the babies and mothers of Soviet Russia to encompass their evil ends. How many of the workers of either race are aware of the true state of affairs in regard to Russia? How many of us have been sophisticated and intelligent enough to refuse to swallow the silly lies of the white capitalist press and their colored satellites in regard to Russia?

The capitalist press told us of the nationalization of women by the Bolsheviki. Most of us swallowed the slimy tale; and few of us bothered to take an intellectual vomit when it was later denied at its source of origination. Most of us had no doubt moralized on the shocking immorality of the Bolsheviki. How few of us bothered to diagnose the utter depravity and filthiness of the mind that invented such a story?

Yet with this glaring example, and others, before us, most of us still continued to swallow the lies of the capitalist press in regard to Russia. And even when Petrograd fell in the imagination of the hireling scribes of the capitalist press and was still holding out *in reality* we—that is, the Henry and Henrietta Dubbs—yet failed to learn that the capitalist press existed solely to *fool* and soft-soap the people and divide them one set against the other to the end that the ungodly and inhuman capitalist system may be continued in its “uplifting” work of creating billionaires like Rockefeller, Schwab, Gary and others of its—naturally—most ardent defenders; the while exploiting at starvation wages and the inter-related high cost of living the women and men and even the innocent little children of the working class.

THINK THIS OVER!

Two items that should be of deep interest and absorbing study to the workers have crept into the columns of the capitalist press in the fortnight preceding our publication. One of these, appearing on the

financial page of the *World* for Sunday, November 2, gives the information, undoubtedly meant to be confidential for the special class that reads that page, that “*Realty investigators are tracing high rents to Wall Street gambling.*”

The other item sneaked into a *New York Sun* report of October 30 on the situation in the coal field and is as follows:

“*Coal mined in Southern Illinois and sold at the mine, loaded on the car for shipment for \$1.20 per ton, brings \$9 per ton in Chicago today.*”

Now who gets the difference of \$7.80 and for what service? Of course transportation has to be paid, but the cost of transportation is less than the mining cost. Who gets the balance?

And don't you just naturally feel proud of the capitalist system and willing to die for its perpetuation when you discover that your high rents are due to the frolicsome, boyish pranks of the capitalist lads in gambling on the houses in which you dwell, just as they gamble on food and other necessities? Doesn't it just tickle your risibles?

WHAT IS CAPITAL?

To the innocent query, “Suppose Capital Struck,” made by a contemporary, we would suggest that contemporary first find out what capital is before talking upon the subject. Otherwise it is apt to continue a harmful indulgence in idiotic suppositions.

Capital is not co-existent with the Creation. It is neither the sun nor the moon. It is unknown in some countries and in some stages of development. Where it is known it came into existence neither by Divine nor by Morgan fiat. It is the creation of labor. Man can exist, has existed, without capital, but capital cannot exist without man-power, without labor. As Karl Marx said, “Labor-power applied to the natural resources is all wealth.” Then, suppose existent capital struck. Could not more wealth be piled up by the same strong sinews and brain power that produced the present accumulation?

Of course, capital has struck before, but never on the scale contemplated by our contemporary. Any such strike on the part of capital would be just another name for suicide by the capitalists. Capital has been known to close down plants and throw thousands of wage slaves out of employment to force up prices in some particular commodity so that capital could get a bigger rake-off on its precious investments—far more precious in the view of the capitalists

than the "worthless lives" of a few thousand workers. But capital will never strike on the scale contemplated by our contemporary. The pernicious system will never voluntarily rid God's earth of its baneful presence. When it goes it will be because of an awakened and aroused proletariat.

AMERICANISM

Judging from recent utterances on this topic by ex-President Taft, ex-would-be-President Hughes and other hifaluting and well provided for lights of the political world, Americanism means:

(1) That one shall recognize no grievances against the powers that be. The king can do no wrong!

(2) That one should be satisfied with whatever wages or salaries the barons of American industry may be inclined to vouchsafe their toiling wage slaves.

(3) That the laboring man wishing to be imbued with Americanism must never tax his brain to think for himself (or he will surely go wrong on the article) but should allow such experts in the "principles" of Americanism as Elihu Root, J. P. Morgan, Judge Gary, Taft and the *New York Times* to do his thinking for him, for verily, slippery and exceedingly slimy are the secret paths of the Americanism sponsored by the capitalists and their political henchmen!

DON'T SCAB!

The cause of organized labor is the cause of every man and woman who works for his daily bread! Every victory scored by organized labor eventually benefits the entire working class. Every defeat inflicted upon organized labor is a victory for the enemies of the working class, organized and unorganized. The issue today is clean-cut between the parasitic capitalist class which lives in luxury off of your labor, and the working class, the producers of all wealth. To scab against your class is to scab against yourself!

EXPOSURES THAT HELPED

We don't usually bother ourselves with the tribe calling themselves "conservative radicals," since, in our estimation, that is only another way of saying "for sale to the highest bidder," but we will step aside this once from our rule to say that *The Commoner* and its editor, Osceola McKaine, taken all in all, subtraction and addition, have done yeoman service for the race in the late political campaign. Apart from the

merits and demerits of the candidates whom *The Commoner* supported, it did much to clarify the situation in regard to the rotten politics of other candidates by its exposures, under the caption of "Lest We Forget" and "Drop Excess Baggage" of J. Gardiner Smith and O'Malley and other similar sinister shades, themselves out for pelf and plunder or supporting weak-minded and politically inexperienced proteges put up on nothing more than the color basis.

Quite probable *The Commoner* had its own ax to grind. Still it did the race a service in exposures mentioned and, again, in the publication in full of the very serious allegations of stool-pigeon membership made by Ex-Policeman Delancy N. Scroggins against Editor George W. Harris of the reactionary *New York News*.

TALKING POINTS.

The need of Africa is for both the artisan and the agriculturist. Skilled workers and professional men are as much needed as the scientific farmer.

With so many million heads in Africa, all boasting the latest local vogue in hair-dressing and waiting for imported styles, it is a wonder that the hair-dressers of America have not exhibited more interest in the African field.

Whoever controls the products of the tropics will control the world. Hardly any modern industry could exist a day without the products of the tropics.

Should the white man knock out from the structure of civilization the contributions made to that structure by the black man the whole thing would soon topple over. For instance, the vast industrial development of modern days would have been impossible but for the discovery by the Negro of the process of smelting iron ore. In fact, the structure of civilization would have neither foundation nor supporting walls were it not for the Negro's genius. About all that the white man contributed are the upper floorings and the roof, and where in the world can you find a building that will stay up in air without props and foundation?

A million Negroes in Liberia, with a standing army of 100,000, a few submarines and munition factories, with due appreciation of the importance of the Mohammedan religion for propaganda purposes among the tribes to the North and South and East—and not only the map of Africa but the map of the world would experience a sudden change for the better.

PREMIUM BONDS

By S. A. Roach

(Editor's Note: Our editorial in the last issue on the advisability of the Liberian Government floating a bond of the premium type for disposal among Negroes in all parts of the world has brought us many letters of inquiry as to the nature and meaning of premium bonds. The following article by a student of the matter will, we trust, satisfy all inquirers.)

PREMIUM, or prize-winning bonds, are negotiable securities, issued by European governments, municipalities and other public bodies, in exactly the same manner as any other investment stock, and, like bank notes, are issued to bearer.

Their issue and financial service being regulated by special legislation, they form a very desirable medium for the investment of savings, and are eminently entitled to the place they occupy in the financial world among "gilt-edged" securities. As "stock," the scrips fluctuate with the money market, but the prizes stipulated on the bonds are never affected thereby.

It should be particularly observed that apart from a slight fall in price, consequent upon the general down trend of all belligerent stock, they have been unaffected by the great war, and when that can be said of an investment security all other recommendation is superfluous.

Prize-winning bonds differ from the ordinary bonds on one essential point, viz., that the corporation which requires to raise, say two millions, issue bonds or debentures to that amount, whereof each bears a guarantee that it shall be redeemed at par at the very least within a certain term of years, and that, so long as it remains in circulation, it shall besides (in some issues) bearing interest at the rate of from 2 to 3 per cent. per annum, stand the chance of repayment with a bonus or prize, as set forth in the plan of drawings printed on every bond. All such drawings take place in public and under official supervision. In this manner the investor of a sum ranging from ten pounds to twenty pounds may see his capital suddenly increased to ten thousand pounds: as "Panama," "Town of Paris," "Credit Foncier" and some other denominations of bonds pay as much as 500,000 francs in one prize.

Premium bonds are a favorite form of investment with the French people, because they offer absolute safety of capital, together with periodical opportunities of win-

ning tremendous prizes. The thrifty and wealthy French people know and can appreciate a good thing. I do not exaggerate when I say that no other class of investment in the world offers the inducements with which the French Government has wisely fortified these bonds. They offer your money back certain, plus the chances, repeated three or four times a year, of sudden affluence and independence for life.

This sounds too wonderful to be true, and yet it is continually occurring. Every month hundreds of bonds are being redeemed with handsome bonuses, and bondholders all over the world are profiting thereby. But you ask: "Where does the money come from to enable the States and corporations to pay such enormous amounts in prizes?" My reply is that if an English (or American) corporation borrows \$50,000,000 for town improvements, at 4 per cent., it has to pay \$2,000,000 annually in the shape of interest.

Continental corporations, instead of distributing this interest equally between all the stockholders, split up the interest into, let us say, five big prizes of \$100,000 each, 100 prizes of \$2,500 each, and 1,000 prizes of \$500 each.

Having thus cut up the sum available for interest into 1,105 prizes they proceed to settle (by means of a drawing) who shall be the fortunate winners of these prizes. The result is, that instead of every bondholder receiving a paltry interest, only 1,105 profit at each drawing, but these may receive their original capital many, many times multiplied.

The continental system has the further advantage of that as all bonds which have been drawn are thereby cancelled, the corporation steadily reduces its debt, while the English (or American) corporation goes on paying \$2,000,000 annually, and still owes the whole \$50,000,000.

SATISFIED PATRONS.

The customers of Mrs. Alice Brooks' hair-dressing and manicuring parlor at 3 West 135th Street are daily showing their appreciation of her successful labors on their scalps and hair by preaching her virtues among their friends and acquaintances, and in this way Mme. Brooks is getting a large number of new customers every day.

REFLECTIONS

By WILLIAM H. BRIGGS

GREAT thoughts have often been the turning points in the lives of many successful men and women. We all have inclinations, we all have ability, and inclination plus ability equals results, just as surely as 1 plus 1 equals 2.

St. Paul said to the Galatians: "Whosoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." St. Matthew said: "Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns or figs of thistles?" Ability does not have to everlastingly declare itself; it simply can and does. Think and act are words of progress, and we should clearly understand this vital thought, we are what we are, not what we think we are. If a person is an underling and he becomes conceited, he remains what he is; if he is an able person and becomes conceited, he ties a millstone about his neck, cuts the ground from under him, and puts an extinguisher on his light. Since modesty sits serenely on the best of us, it is incumbent upon the rest of us. I offer in these, columns nothing but simple facts plain arguments and common sense and have no other preliminaries to settle with the reader than that he will divest himself of prejudice and prepossession, and suffer his reason and his feelings to determine for themselves; and that he will put *on*, or rather that he will not put *off* the true character of a man, and generously enlarge his views that he may benefit by these reflections.

In all our affairs we are conscious of our ignorance; we know little of what is going on in the star spaces above us; we can only guess at the meaning of the world movements around us; we don't even understand the depths of our own hearts; hence we grasp at any positive assertions that may be shouted at us as bewildered mariners heed any signal in a fog.

We don't have to fight, we don't have to struggle, we only have to know. Nature deals in facts, laws and substances. She does not experiment or fudge. Things are as they are. You should know why is a fish, why is a bird. They just are. There may be causes back of the laws that govern electricity or heat or chemical affinity. We may only surmise, but the laws them-

selves are as certain and not to be doubted as stone.

Let us find the truth, even if it is only the truth about wood, or metal, or mathematics, just any little piece of the truth, and believe it, and adjust ourselves to it, and be happy; for out of truth flows peace. You don't have to stand up for truth, and fight for it, and to preserve it against the enemy. When you talk that way it shows you don't understand the quality of truth.

Modesty is more than a Biblical injunction; it is an important part of personality.

We should be humble because we know our weakness. The bough that bears most bends lowest.

What people need to know is the truth about health, about food, and about simple living. The more truth they know the less drugs they will take, the less useless and harmful food they will eat, and the less they will run after religious cure-alls and feeble fads. It was fitting that one of the most characteristic and beautiful laws of life should be announced in the opening chapter of the Holy Bible. It was clothed in the form of an ordinance, as became it: "Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth, after his kind." From that day to this, every living thing—beast, bird, and insect, tree, shrub and plant—has produced after its kind. It is a law that runs through all animal and vegetable life. Each family in the great world of living forms was created for a special purpose, and was intended to remain pure and distinctive until the termination of its mission. Whenever the family boundaries are overstepped, the curse of nature is breathed upon the generative functions, and the illegitimate production dies out, or subsides into hopeless degeneration. The mule is a monster and has no progeny.

A plant, or a tree, never forgets itself. Cheat its roots, and the stem remains faithful.

A seedsman may cheat you, but seed never does. If you plant corn, it never comes up potatoes. You can't sow thistles and reap wheat. If you sow wheat, it never comes up rye. Wrapped up in every capsule, bound up in every kernel, packed into

every minutest germ is this law, written by God in the beginning, "Produce thou after thy kind."

So the whole living world goes on producing after its kind. Year after year we visit the seedsman and read his labels on his drawers and packages, and bear home and plant in our gardens the little homely germs that keep God's law so well; and summer rewards our trust in them with beautiful flowers, and autumn with bountiful fruition. Robins sang the same song to the Pilgrim Fathers that they sing to us. The Mayflower breathes the same fragrance now that it breathed in the fingers of Rose Standish; and man and woman, producing after their kind, are the same today that they were 3,000 years ago. Now there is a significance in the laws of material life, above and beyond their special office. They do the work they were set to, they rule the life they were appointed to rule; but the laws, themselves, belong to a family whose branches run through all intellectual, moral and spiritual life. Law lives in groups no less uniformly than the existences which they inform and govern. It is a law, both of animal and vegetable structures, that they all grow by what they feed on; but this law passes the bounds of matter, and finds its widest meaning and its most extended application beyond. The mind grows by what it feeds on; the heart grows by what it feeds on; love, hate, jealousy, revenge, fortitude, courage, grow by what they feed on; spirituality grows by what spirituality feeds on. Wherever growth goes, through all the realm of God, this law goes; and the law that everything that produces shall that produce after its kind, is just as universal as this. It begins in material life, and runs up through all life. Rather, perhaps I should say that it begins in spiritual life and seeks embodiment in eternal life, so that we may apprehend it. The clouds were in the heaven before there was any rain, and the rain comes down to tell us what clouds are made of. I might go farther, and say that every form of matter is but the embodiment of a divine thought, and that, with that thought, there passes into matter the laws that reside in divine things of corresponding nature and office. But I am becoming abstruse—quite too much so, considering the simple, practical truths to which I am seeking to introduce my reader. I have been thinking how, in accordance with this law of which we are talking, our moods, our passions, our sympathies, our

moral frames and conditions, reproduce themselves, after their kind, in the minds and lives around us. Let us reflect. What the past is depends upon the way you are using it now. Its effect upon your destiny will be gauged by how you translate it into the future.

SUSPENSE

By THOMAS MILLARD HENRY.

O where is our Lord?
Where the hope of our mind?
Where the light for our gloomy path?
Will He ever return?
Has He left us behind
To be victims of hate and wrath?
We pass through the dark,
Through the darkest of ways,
Through the test of strong belief;
Just the sight of His face
In these saddest of days,
Would dull the edge of grief.
We shall cry out strong from our aching
hearts:

Save our backs from the chafing wall,
From the yoke of despair,
The girder which girds,
Lest it break our very gall.

We shout to the sky
That the ears of the Lord
May be reached; and our people pray
Day and night on their knees
And await His reward
With their beautiful faith for aye.
Can our cries of distress,
The saddest that rise
From below, our echoing woes,
Open the heart of the gods?
Will they hear our cry
While our hearts are sweet? Who knows?
We shall cry out strong from our aching
hearts:

Save our backs from the chafing wall,
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The girder which girds,
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EDUCATIONAL NOTES

Louis B. Garrison, a young colored man who came from Carmel, N. Y., in August and entered the New York Academy of Business, has the honor of standing first and highest on the eligible list of a recent civil service examination held for first grade clerk.

Mr. Garrison received an appointment exactly three weeks after taking the examination. A remarkable feat.

FACTS, FUN AND FANCIES

By the Staff.

OUR OWN FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE

RUMBUBBLE, H.—This place, the flourishing capital of His Satanic Majesty's wide domains, has been so flooded within recent days with Southern whites that an intense propaganda has been started to segregate the few Negroes here. Ben Tillman is chairman of a committee for this purpose. Another Southerner, who, it is understood was a Congressman in His Satanic Majesty's annex of the United States and was killed in the Washington riot, is actively engaged in fiery denunciations of the Negro between loads to the furnaces. It is considered likely that the Negro population here, which numbers less than one thousand and is chiefly composed of leaders who were known during their existence in the United States as "white folk niggers," will be driven out of the country. The only hindrance to this plan is that the inhabitants of the higher realms are unwilling to have them foisted on them and have, so the couriers report, sent several delegations to St. Peter demanding that they be not admitted. A peculiar feature about these delegations is that they were composed of both white and colored people. Another alternative that has been much debated is that of sending them back to the United States, only recent reports from that country indicate that it is becoming mighty unhealthy for the class to which our Negro population belongs. It would appear that they are not wanted anywhere, not even by those who were their "friends" and patrons in our sub-dominion of the United States but who, now that they are both here, have refused to associate with them.

AT IT AGAIN

Our white friends (omit the R y'know) and the best people of the South are at it agin! They would have the world believe that the Negro is so darnaturally foolish and idiotic that if it were not for the bad Bolsheviki and the turrible I. W. W., he would be perfectly willing to be taken out at midnight for target practice from the top of a telegraph pole or the limb of a convenient tree; or for beacon purposes on a dark night with a soaking of kerosene and a flash of brimstone to light up the scene, and,

in fact, to cater wholeheartedly to the many other mild pleasures of the true Southern gentleman, suh!

THE HOLY AL—LI—ANCE

The members of the new Holy Alliance are busy starving the babies of Russia and bombing the unfortified towns and villages of the Indians, Egyptians and Afghans. All in the name of democracy and Christianity. No wonder the Russians want none of their democracy, and the Africans none of their Christianity. Now we know why Christianity makes little progress in Africa and why the Africans prefer Mohammedanism. Under Islam people practise what they preach.

FAMILIAR SUBWAY SCENE

Two white old ladies jumbled together in an end seat. Enter several extremely noisy white youths. One old lady to the other: "Boys will be boys, eh, dear?" The other old lady: "Yes, dearie, youth will have its fling." Both beam magnanimously, if toothlessly, on the youths. Passing of two minutes. Enter several colored youths somewhat noisily, but not half as bad as their predecessors. One old lady to the other: "How perfectly depraved, eh dear?" The other old hen: "A perfectly uncultured race." (Moral: Dope it out yourself! You ain't paying me.)

US SUPERSTITIOUS FOLK!

(The breakfast table at the Jones', a white family. Mother, Mrs. Jones, and daughter May have just begun their morning fodder. Mrs. Jones is reading a newspaper.)

Mrs. Jones: My, but ain't them niggers the ignorant, superstitious beings? Just listen to this, May: (*reads from paper, interspersing her reading with various interjected admonitions to May*):

Authorities are agreed that the Negro, both here and in Africa, is an extremely superstitious—

"Good Lawd, May, you spilled the salt. That's a sure sign of a scrap with your dad. M-y L-a-w-d!"—

(Continuing her reading) is an extremely superstitious being—

"Say, gal, yer want more trouble? What

yer mean filling up your cup before it's empty? Don't yer know that's bad luck?"—

(Continuing) superstitious being, believing in various signs—

"May, for goodness sake look what yer doin'. Don't yer know that's sure bad luck? And my Lawd, a black cat crossed my path last night. I am afear'd something turrible's goin' to happen to us. Well, Lawd protect us, let's hear 'bout them ignorant superstitious niggers."

(Resumes her reading) believing in various signs and—

"Great Gawd, gal! Did yer break it? Oh, my Gawd, my Gawd! Seven years bad luck! Oh, G-a-w-d (faints).
(Curtain.)

When it comes to our white "friends" you might often spell the word without the R.

America is asked to take the mandate for Armenia to protect its people from "the Turkish horror." But who the divvle will take a mandate for mob-ridden America? Shouldn't charity begin at home?

It beats us how some folk with a deuce big beam in their own eyes can see so far afield the little tiny mote in the other fellow's eye!

Boy, page Rev. Martin. The Ass-ter-tam Mews is at it again!

The Sportive Periscope

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By C. V. B.

The Spartan Braves opened the basketball season on election night at Manhattan Casino in as interesting a game as one could wish for the middle of the season. The Spartans defeated the All-Stars of New Jersey and at the same time uncovered a line-up that must have made many a manager tremble for the future of his team at the hands of the Braves. Beginning the game with Slocum and Wallace, forwards, Hobey Johnson at center, and "Strangler" Forbes and Sammy Gumbs, guards, they later sent in Dash and "Headache Band" Capers to keep up the work. They took the first half by 17 to 13 and the entire game by 34 to 24, not, however, without receiving a scare from Jimmie Fultz's "All-Stars" in the first part of the game when the Jersey boys had a short advantage of the Braves because of the slippery floor, the game being played without canvas. The Jersey boys played a hard game and gave the crowd an exhibition that was at all times interesting and at several periods of a highly spectacular nature. In the preliminary the St. C. Midgents defeated the Spartan Wasps 15 to 11. But Manager Bob Douglas was not worried much about that; he had the big game to the credit of his organization and as a result his map was wreathed in smiles throughout the evening.

Many of the latest releases are being shown these days at the New Lincoln Theatre. Three of the best, coming during the latter part of November and the early part

of December, are "Broken Blossoms," "His Majesty the American," and Theda Bara in "La Belle Russe." There is the usual high standard of vaudeville.

Since the return of the drama to the Lafayette, several revivals of the most popular plays of past seasons have occurred, together with the staging of many good plays not seen before by Harlem. The players are doing themselves and race proud.

COUNTRY STORE DANCE AND OLD MAN H. C. OF L.

Into the lists against the old tyrant, Sir High Cost of Living, a new challenger will gallop on the night of November 25 at St. Mark's Hall, 57 West 138th Street, in a bold attempt to give Old Man H. C. of L. one good thrust beneath his visor.

The Country Store Dance will at least bring many pleasant surprises in turkeys, with all that go with them to the table, and staple groceries and the like to many of those who attend the carnival of fun scheduled for that occasion, since these birds and other things will be among the prizes awarded on the coupon plan.

The novel idea evolved itself in the brains of Messrs. Walter Hunter, Cornelius and Burt, the first of whom will act the part of proprietor of the store, the second its cashier, and the third its manager. Fifty cents lets anyone in for the fun and the opportunities. War tax is included in the admission.

A Horoscope of the Months

The Nature of the Destiny and Some of the Idiosyncrasies Which Have to Do With Persons Born Under the Sign "Sagittarius," Representing the Period Between November 22d and December 21st.

SAGITTARIUS: THE ARCHER

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The constellation Sagittarius, the ninth sign of the zodiac and the last of the Fire Triplexity, is a masculine diurnal, eastern, double-bodied, speaking fortunate sign, governing the thighs, hips and the motor-nerve system. The higher attributes are love and introspection.

A person born in the period of the cusp, when the sun is on the edge of the sign, does not receive the full benefits of the individuality of either sign, but is endowed with the characteristics of both Sagittarius and the preceding sign, Scorpio.

An earnest, honest, frankness of manner is a striking characteristic of these people. They are jovial, fearless, combative, generous, very unsympathetic and outspoken. They usually aim well and hit the mark in all matters. They rarely make mistakes when they follow their own judgment, but are sure to be led astray if they rely upon the advice of others.

Sagittarius people are energetic and keep busy under all circumstances. They are distinguished for minding their own business and keeping their own counsel. They always want to finish one thing before they begin another.

In business they are enterprising, progressive and farseeing. An emergency is an inspiration to them. They are neat, orderly, and very careful in money matters. Their talents are varied, and they can earn a dollar while others are deploring the need of one. The women are excellent housekeepers.

This is also a musical and an occult sign. Sagittarius subjects see most things in a very different manner from the rest of humanity. Belonging to the realm of prophecy, they are also naturally clairvoyant and clairaudient. They are of one thought and one idea at a time. They are very decided in everything they do.

They have an active, motive temperament, great executive ability, can make prompt decisions, and act well in emergencies. All their senses are extraordinarily keen.

These people have well-knit bodies, bright, intelligent eyes, straight eyebrows, and prominent noses. The silent ones are usually tall and slender. The active ones are more robust and are very graceful, being swift in all their movements. The

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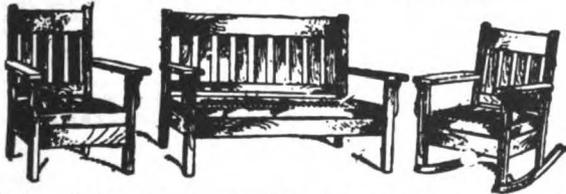
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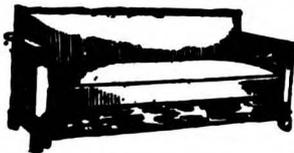
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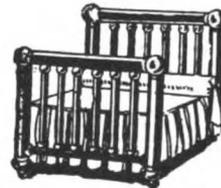
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Sagittarius subjects have a tendency to fly all to pieces over a small matter. They are oversanguine and zealous in whatever they undertake. They never want to wait for proper times and seasons and they desire to rush through every piece of work as soon as it presents itself.

A harmonious domestic life is sure to follow the union of a Sagittarius and Aries person. The offspring will be intellectually bright, of marked genius, and un-

usually robust. The union of Sagittarius and Sagittarius is always harmonious.

Children born under this sign must be trusted and made companions of. They cannot be easily deceived, because they know intuitively. They require a constant expression of love from those who have the care of them. They belong to the inmost soul of things, and coldness and indifference chill and dishearten them.

The governing planet is Jupiter, and the gems are carbuncle, diamond and turquoise. The astral colors are light blue, crimson, gold and green. The flower is the goldenrod.

February and June are the best months for undertaking financial schemes. The fortunate day of the week is Thursday.

The Zodiacal Signs.

1. Aries.....	The Ram	Reigns from March 21 to April 19.
2. Taurus.....	The Bull	Reigns from April 20 to May 19.
3. Gemini.....	The Twins	Reigns from May 20 to June 18.
4. Cancer.....	The Crab	Reigns from June 19 to July 23.
5. Leo.....	The Lion	Reigns from July 24 to August 23.
6. Virgo.....	The Virgin	Reigns from August 24 to September 21.
7. Libra.....	The Scales	Reigns from September 22 to October 21.
8. Scorpio.....	The Scorpion	Reigns from October 22 to November 20.
9. Sagittarius.....	The Archer	Reigns from November 21 to December 20.
10. Capricorn.....	The Sea Goat	Reigns from December 21 to January 19.
11. Aquarius.....	The Water Bearer	Reigns from January 20 to February 18.
12. Pisces.....	The Fishes	Reigns from February 19 to March 20.

"This is the sixth instalment of "A Horoscope of the Month." The first was printed in the July issue of *The Crusader*. In subsequent numbers we will give the sign for the month of issue and explain its significance to those whose birth-month it may happen to indicate. Watch for your month and note whether the characteristics given will apply to yourself and to your friends.—The Editor.

A REVEALED SECRET OF THE HAMITIC RACE

By JAMES N. LOWE of Jamaica, B. W. I.

Dear Mr. Editor:

Deeming it my duty to express myself to my people through your splendid magazine, I cannot but say that *THE CRUSADER* is a God-send, the only hope of ten millions of African extraction in these United States of America. The Messenger is well edited, too, but even in that magazine there is not one word of the African question, which is the will of God that my people return to Africa. Therefore I say, "God save *THE CRUSADER*."

I awoke one morning, as I could not sleep, because of the cry of the daughters of Africa. I am deeply affected by the condition of my people—so much so that life is distasteful; sorely oppressed by a common foe on one hand and bound by ignorance on the other. I am like Jeremiah, weeping in a secret place over such a state as theirs. I am preparing a series of articles. In these articles the reader

will see that foremost among those who walk in darkness is the Negro clergy. This is an age in which all intelligent persons of the African race should demand the public conscience of our race, and direct it towards the right course of life. We can do so only through an enlightened press of *THE CRUSADER*'s sort.

At the present time the mind of my people is controlled and misled by a function of human society, which was ever blasted with divine blindness, I mean the clergy. I appeal, therefore, to you laymen and women. Arise, go into the history of the past and see for yourselves, the fact that Jerusalem had its clergy, but Jerusalem perished. Rome had its clergy, but Rome perished. Germany, Austria and Russia have thousands of men in their clergy, but their races and nations are suffering disaster. There are a few exceptions of these men, but I speak of the his-

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tory of the clergy because I am a Christian and know the history of the church, but I had to leave it when I discovered the darkness of the clergy.

What manner of man is he that would deny the fact that the preachers of Israel's race were many in Jerusalem, preaching to the people about Jehovah? Yet Jehovah manifested in the flesh and they knew not. They are still looking for Him to this day, and keeping the remnant of Israel's race under intellectual darkness. They knew the Scriptures so well that when Herod sent and asked where Christ should be born, the high priest answered: "Bethlehem, for it is written so." Yet it was the high

priest who sent a mob and took and crucified Christ. It was he who paid the Roman soldier to tell a lie that He had not risen from the dead. Under the control of the clergy my people are politically lost.

Therefore, arise ye virgin daughters of Ethiopia, sing forth a song, play it on the harp and loud instruments. Let it be a song of Africa, our large and wealthy land and the destiny of our old and hardy race. Think of the future of our virgin daughters and valiant sons.

The writer has spent many years of research in the history of the race and has discovered its secrets, some of which shall be revealed in the next article.

Foreign Correspondence

A CORRECTION.

"The natives of West Africa have made such a howl against the proposed Criminal Code that the British government has withdrawn it."

The above extract appeared in the June number of the CRUSADER Magazine, under Foreign Notes. West Africa is a big place and includes several countries. The part of West Africa which made such a howl as to cause the proposed Criminal Code to be withdrawn is Sierra Leone. In Nigeria there was the same big howl against the Criminal Code, but in spite of the howl it was passed and has been in operation for the past four or five years.—Ed., *The Lajos* (Nigeria) *Weekly Record*.

RACE PREJUDICE IN THE BAHAMAS.

By L. W. D.

Not to be outstripped in race prejudice by the United States, the Bahama Islands have had their first nauseating taste of it in July last, when a number of whites on the Island of Abaco attempted to mob a colored man named Adams.

Being frustrated in their plan by the Commissioner of the district, they set fire to Adams' blacksmith shop and, as there was no alarm of fire, the shop was reduced to ashes.

The cause of the outbreak was that Adams, who was there at their request, was the only colored man in the settlement, and according to their logic, had no right to

acquire land on which to erect his blacksmith shop.

Two of their number were caught, tried and convicted in the Supreme Court of the Bahamas. They are now "sadder but wiser." The Negroes in the Bahamas will *not* tolerate mob violence.

SOUTH AFRICA

Industrial progress in the union of South Africa is speeding on apace, according to the U. S. commerce reports, which estimates that there are upward of 5,000 factories, representing capital to the extent of some \$255,000,000. These factories are computed to absorb raw materials produced in the country to a value of \$70,000,000 annually and to produce manufactured articles to a value of, say, \$200,000,000 annually, of which goods representing a value of about \$10,000,000 are exported. In this connection it is interesting to observe that in 1918 the exports of this part of Africa were valued at \$164,746,185, exclusive of native gold, which was produced to the value of nearly \$180,000,000. All this while black men sleep and white men steal!

BELGIAN CONGO

Investigations made during recent years indicate, according to the National City Company's report, that the kingdom of Belgium as owner of the vast Congo colony is possessor of a source of great future wealth. The colony has an area of 812,690 square miles, or, in other words, is almost as large as all the 26 States of the United States lying east of the Mississippi (854,000 square



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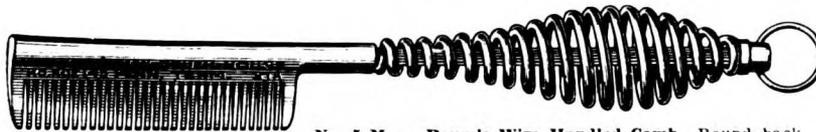
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miles). The population, mostly black, is estimated between 10,000,000 and 15,000,000. A study of economic conditions follows:

Foreign Trade.—Commerce in the Congo suffered only a short crisis at the outbreak of the war, as colonial products brought unusually high prices in the French and English markets. The shortage of ocean steamships was severely felt in 1917 and 1918.

The imports may be grouped under three main headings:

(1) Goods for native trade—cotton stuffs, hardware, flintlock guns, black powder.

(2) Machinery and equipment—railway equipment, building material, machinery, engines, coal, coke, oil, gasoline.

(3) Goods for general trade—meats, fats, cereals, clothing, shoes, tobacco and live stock.

Out of total imports in 1914 of a value of nearly \$9,000,000 half originated in Belgium, \$1,250,000 in South Africa, over \$1,000,000 in England, about \$600,000 each in United States and Germany, and not quite \$200,000 in France. Recently imports of coke from Rhodesia and South Africa for use in the smelters of Katanga have vastly increased—from 18,362 tons in 1913 to 91,178 tons in 1916. During the war nearly all the foreign trade of the Congo has been handled through the United Kingdom—many of the Belgian commercial firms having their offices in London at the time.

Exports.—The products exported from the Belgian Congo are mostly of vegetable origin, however, Katanga copper is being exported in steadily growing quantities.

Palm kernels, palm oil, copal, rubber, cocoa, ivory, diamonds, gold and copper form the chief items in the export trades.

The output of all of these products except rubber and ivory has been growing, but the increase in the exports of copper has been most striking. Rubber production by the primitive means, still mainly in vogue in the Congo, has felt the competition of modern production on the large plantations in the East Indies. The Congo holds vast possibilities for similar plantation development.

Crops.—Most of the vegetable products of the Congo thus far have been of natural growth, and the totals are but a fraction of those possible when a proper system of cultivation is established. Gum copal for

use in the manufacture of varnish is one of the chief agricultural products. Exports of this material are increasing rapidly as shown by the table above. Plantations of oil palms have been started in a number of places, also rubber plantations—and the results show clearly the vast possibilities of increasing the output of cultivation.

THE NEGRO IS PART OF THIS NATION.

(Continued from page 7)

people of this country, who desire no disturbing factor in their midst."

What a grasp and an enlightened understanding of the fundamental principles which control society and government of which he should not only know, but in which he should be an adept. The congressman throws into suspicion not the knowledge of the science of economics, but acquaintance with the fact that such a science exists. Whatever his prejudices may have been, knowledge of that science alone would have forbidden the utterance.

To the Afro-American, who, by being daily shoved aside, may have developed the psychology that he is simply tolerated, and is not a necessary component of the American whole comes this injunction: Divorce yourself from the idea that you are merely an American tenant by sufferance. Straighten up. Quit your curtseyings. You are a part of the American whole.

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result of years of historic and racial research in the past of our grand and useful race. It is a revelation of the sealed history of Africa and the race. It should be copyrighted, for no one else knows these facts. I promised to go to London and put them in the hands of Duse Mohamed Ali, a man of letters and editor of *The African Times and Orient Review*, that he would make a history and put it in the hands of our people from Africa to India, from America to the West Indies, for it is the grand need of our people. Now, you can copyright it in the U. S. A. since you use my name as the writer. I also wish them to be published in such papers as *The Negro World*, for want of information is what the other race takes to keep our people down.

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Now, Mr. Briggs, I am with you, and, of course, that means that I am going the limit. I always liked to play that limit game. I don't know just what your game is, but I believe I can play it with you. So enroll me as one of those extreme limit players. (The African Blood Brotherhood.)

Again, Mr. Briggs, you won me when I read your article in the *Negro World* commending the Hon. Marcus Garvey. It brought me nearer to you than ever, for I am for the Negro who can produce a large possible constructive proposition, working always ceaselessly for its accomplishment. And Marcus Garvey has that large vision which I am sure can be victoriously realized and he has the courage to tackle the job that the sleepy Negro says is "impossible." I am for Mr. Garvey, too, beyond the limit.

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A LIBERIAN INVITATION

AS if in answer to the mouthings and idiotic scribblings of the know-nothing editors and other fossils of the old class among us in this country and who are evidently determined to stay our progress by hook or by crook, a Liberian editor enters the list and masterfully presents the case for his country, telling from first hand knowledge of its needs and attitude toward the New World Negro, and of its much abused and misrepresented climate. Says the Liberian Monrovia, *Liborra World*:

Liberia needs a healthy influx of immigrants, we need at least fifty (50,000) thousand strong men and women from the States and the West Indies. Men representing all the allied trades and professions.

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As for health Liberia is just as healthy as South Carolina, Georgia, Florida or Alabama. Any man who comes here from the States and can't stand the climate is sick already before he comes. Only lazy, weak-minded people get sick and die; men and women of strong physical bodies, determined will power and courage will live as long in Liberia as they can in Ohio.

If anyone wants information on the subject address Editor P. O. Gray of Monrovia, and get the truth.

All this talk about African fever and sudden death is only moonshine. Come and bring all you have for the house, farm, shop or field; sell nothing but your land, horses and cattle; come for Liberia is your home. Liberia is the land of the free and home of the brave.

THE HUNS OF AMERICA.

The blatant American claim of moral superiority over the people of other nations is being shattered on every hand. In Europe they are openly laughing at the kultur which permits the lynching of nine

year-old boys and women and men. *Gale's Magazine*, of Mexico City, Mex., also takes a fling at the great American kultur:

In the fiendish ferocity of their demoniac deeds, the "Huns" of America have no peers in any land.

In the recent race riots in Chicago, a young Negro mother with her three-months-old babe tried to board a street car, whereupon a crowd pounced upon her, killing the mother and *beating out the baby's brains against a telegraph pole*. Then as the crowning evidence of "Christian civilization," a rioter *severed the dead woman's breasts* and a white urchin bore them aloft amid gleeful hoots and howls!

Perhaps the supreme infamy of America is that there and there alone are lynchings advertised in the newspapers in advance. The New Orleans *States* of June 26 published an article headed "3,000 Will Burn Negro; Negro Jerky and Sullen as Burning Time Draws Near!"

Over 150 persons have been killed in race riots in the United States in the last few months. About 700 people have been injured. Over \$3,000,000 worth of property has been destroyed. Since 1899, 2,689 Negroes have been lynched in the United States, only 19.8 per cent. of whom were "accused" of rape and practically none of whom were "proved" guilty.

What insolent hypocrisy for American millionaires, in the face of such facts, to talk of "restoring law and order" in Mexico!

LEAGUE OF NATIONS AND INDIA.

London.—In an editorial, October 17, 1919, *The India*, published in London, says on the League of Nations thus:

"The British advocates of the League of Nations seem to lack the sense, of humor. Like the Chinese wheel of prayer, they apparently measure the merit of their righteousness by the number of revolutions of their mechanical formula relating to the honor and peace of the world. All through the whole they give no sign of their intention to bring about the real conditions, which alone can lead to the realization of that noble ideal. Here is England posing herself as the incarnation of the Prince of Peace, knowing at the same time

that she has entered upon a larger number of wars of aggrandisement during the last fifty years than any other nation. Her coercion of the Irish people, her declaration of a protectorate over Egypt, her denial of self-determination to India, are standing monuments to her spirit of self-aggrandisement, and antagonism to the natural aspiration of national freedom. And yet England pretends that she is the most selfless advocate of the League of Nations.

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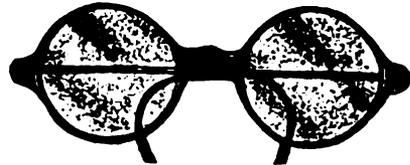
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Mr. C. V. Briggs,

Dear Sir: I have noted your call for en-

listments in the African Blood Brotherhood for the redemption of our fatherland, and hereby rush to enlist. Please enroll me and send me any information you care to on the subject. I am ready for any call, to the limit or beyond. I fought in the world war for "democracy" and I am willing to do anything you say for the liberation of my people. I wanted to join the Universal Negro



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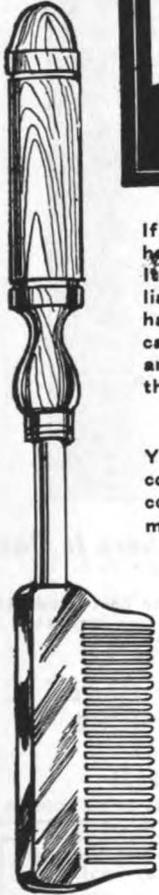
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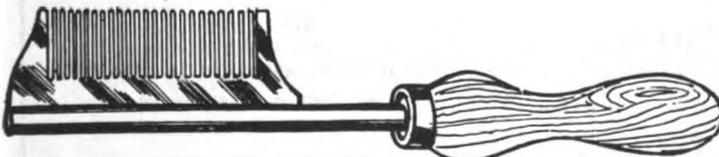
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