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Colliers Tells of Vanishing Race

Millions With Negro Blood
Not Accepted as Colored

Scientific Studies disprove the belief that supposedly white couple can have coal-black baby, Collier's article says; thousands of Negroes pass to white side each year.

Between five and eight million people of the United States who have Negro blood are known as whites, and from 15,000 to 30,000 Negroes "pass over" to the white side each year, so that there is some basis for the theory that the American Negro, like the Negroes of England will be ultimately absorbed by the whites.

This is revealed by Herbert Asbury associate editor of Collier's, on the basis of studies of census figures and studies by laboratory scientists, in the current issue of the national weekly. The article also declares that, contrary to common belief, a mixture of woman of little Negro blood cannot have a child of obvious Negro blood.

Eminent American geneticists and anthropologists "agree that the tale of the white couple and the black baby has a fatal flaw," the Collier's article declares. "It could not possibly happen. If such a child appear, there are three explanations: 1 a miracle; 2 a fracture of the Seventh Commandment; 3 both parties were really Negroes.

"Here is what, barring divine revocation of genetic laws, will result from unions of whites, negroes and mixed-bloods," the article continues:

"1 If one of the parents to such a union is pure white, it is impossible for the child to be darker of its parents. The chances are very great that it will be lighter.

"2 If both parents have Negro blood, whether they know it or not, there may be some accentuation of Negro characteristics in the child. But this is not likely, and in any case will be slight. If the parents have been able to pass for white, the child can probably do so too.

"3 If both parents are mulattoes, quadroons or octoroons, the child may be darker than either. But in all likelihood it will not be black. Dr. Ernest A. Hooton (professor of anthropology at Harvard University) has stated his opinion that 'Negroid features seem to be attenuated, rather than intensified, by successive generations of inbreeding.' Types of white features seem to gain on Negro features."

The article declares that Negroes emphasize that they do not "pass" because they consider "the white man a superior being, but because of the obvious social and economic advantages to be gained and contrary to general belief, Negroes who attempt to pass are seldom exposed by other Negroes. Hundreds of prominent American men and women, including physicians, scientists and public administrators, are said to live as white but to be actually part Negro.

"Supporters of the theory of ultimate absorption point out that from an anthropological point of view, and in the social sense as well," the article says, "the Negro has already been absorbed in Mexico and that the process is well under way in Brazil and in other countries. And it is a historical fact that during the 17th century large numbers were absorbed by the white population of England, and that no trace of them remains."

By an ironic working of the Jim Crow laws, it is reported that "many white Negroes were compelled to pass in the south, at least temporarily." For "it is not at all uncommon for a light-skinned Negro to be ordered out of the Jim Crow section of a railroad coach, bus or trolley car, and compelled to sit with the whites."

Folks Home, 933 North Twenty-fifth Street, eight years. There are no survivors.

Mr. A. B. McCaw Issues Statement Regarding OPA

Many questions have been asked of the local OPA Office regarding the situation that has developed since OPA went out of effect June 30, 1946. Mr. Arthur B. McCaw, member of Consumer's Advisory Committee, issues the following information:

Restoration of OPA ceiling rents in effect June 30, 1946, and eviction controls in the Omaha-Council Bluffs Rent Control Area were announced today by W. S. Wingard, District Rent Executive, who released the following answers to questions most frequently asked: Questions and answers on re-establishment of Federal Rent Control:

1. Is there now a rent ceiling on my house?
If you live in a rent control area, effective July 25, 1946 your home is under the same federal rent controls it was on June 30, 1946.

2. The ceiling rent for my apartment on June 30 was \$60. On July 1 my landlord raised my rent to \$75 a month. Now that rent con-

trol has been re-established, must I continue to pay \$75 a month?
No. Effective August 1, 1946, your rent goes back to \$60.

3. I signed a new lease on July 1 calling for \$75 a month instead of \$50, the ceiling rent on June 30, 1946. Must I continue to pay \$75?
No. After July 25, 1946, the landlord may collect no more than the ceiling rent in effect on June 30, 1946, regardless of the terms of the new lease.

4. I live in a rooming house. In June my ceiling rent was \$45 a month. On July 1, my landlord changed the rent to \$5 a day. Must I now continue to pay the daily rate?
No. Effective July 25, 1946, your rent will be on the June monthly rental of \$45 a month. Landlords who changed their rental basis contrary to the rent regulations, such as from a monthly or weekly to a daily basis during the rental period, in effect for the unit were off, must return to the rental per-

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The Week

By H. W. Smith

An Omaha and Council Bluffs Street and Railway Company bus crashed into an auto at 36th and Y Sts. July 24. The bus' motor compartment caught fire.

Oscar Anderson of Boone, Iowa an ex-farmer, was drowned in the Des Moines river July 23.

A 62-year-old woman was married on her way to prison at Fondulac, Wisconsin July 19. She married the man who had courted her 17 years.

Chicago auto dealers have vetoed the 1946 auto show.

Marshall Miller a farmer of Corning, Iowa says an air plane saves valuable time in a harvest breakdown.

Many Negroes voted in the Texas primaries on July 27.

Mr. Stanley R. Osborn of Blair, Neb., deceased willed part of his estate to provide scholarships and similar aids to help Negroes.

Lewis B. Musselman of Norfolk, Nebraska, celebrated his 103 birth day Sunday July 28. He told his friends he was feeling very well.

A new unit has been named for de-control and all stores are to post new price lists.

Louis Edward Neil, a former sailor, was shot to death when he was sitting in his car in Benton, Ill., July 26.

St. Louis, Mo. has set up a rat control to help the Board of Health to eliminate disease.

21 boys of Centralia, Ill. were quarantined because they were exposed to polio.

1946 has been a very busy year for the U.S. Senate and Congress as there were many important items to dispose of and they have had many upsets.

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The Common Defense

(by Rev. William C. Kernan)

FACT AND PREJUDICE

Dr. Hortense Powdermaker, Assistant Professor of Anthropology, Queens College, and author of the widely read book, "Probing Our Prejudices," defines prejudice as "jumping to a conclusion before considering the facts."

Many Americans, and others, knowing what ruin prejudice has brought to Europe, and realizing more than ever what a potent enemy it is to democracy, are today relying more on facts about their neighbors, less on prejudice.

One prejudice which has done incalculable harm to unity in this country is that which arises from the fiction that the Jews crucified Christ.

The Rev. Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick exploded this prejudice when he set forth the facts in the December 24, 1945 issue of "Life." "The idea that the Jewish people crucified Jesus is a travesty on the truth," Dr. Fosdick wrote. "Crowds welcomed Him when he entered Jerusalem at the beginning of His last week. When the Sadducean clique—the Quislings and Lavals of that day, the collaborators with Rome—plotted to seize Him, they were afraid of the people; and at last they arrested Him at night, catching Him in the Garden of Gethsemane where the people could not intervene. Even when He went to the cross, He was followed by a large multitude of the people and also of women who beat their breasts and lamented Him," and after the dreadful deed was done on Calvary, "when all the crowds who had collected for the sight saw what had happened, they turned away beating their breasts." As for the clique that cried, "Crucify Him!" in Pilate's court, they were another crowd—the hirelings of the high priests, the hangers on of Judea's collaborationist Vichy government.

"The Jewish people did not crucify Jesus. They were stirred by Him and responded to Him. It was the small circle of the ruling class who teamed up with Pilate and nailed Him to the Cross."

KLAN STRIVES TO KEEP HITLERS CONTENTIONS ALIVE

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In an introduction to a statement by the American Council's board of directors, A. A. Liveright, executive director, said, "the killing of two Negro servicemen in Freeport, Long Island, the firing of Negro homes in Chicago, and the burning and bombing of Japanese American homes on the west coast are evidence of the national character of this danger."

Liveright stated that the American Council has evidence that the Ku Klux Klan is attempting to spread its organizations to every section of the country, and that the Klan and such mongers as General L. K. Smith are seeking to create a public climate in which violence against minority groups may go unchallenged. He urged the mayors and governor's commissions and the civic unity councils to seek city, state and national government action against such groups as the Klan and individuals like Smith. The board of directors' statement urged these bodies to join with other community and national groups in establishing a bulwark of opposition to disunity and support of genuine freedom for the whole population. Copies of the two statements have been sent to United States Attorney General Tom C. Clark with a letter stating that the Department of Justice "has responsibility not only for prosecuting the lynch criminals in such cases as they occur, but for taking steps to protect our citizenry and prevent such cases before they occur."

Negro College Grads Inferior Says Writer

NEW YORK, July 25—Arthur P. Davis, in a thought-provoking article, discusses Negro scholarship as the last official act of the senior Senator from Virginia. Season observers on Capitol Hill commented on the speedy passage of this legislation through Congress. Under the chairmanship of Rep. Compton White, Idaho, the chairman of the Coinage, Weights and Measures Committee in the House, and Sen. Robert F. Wagner New York, chairman of the Senate Banking and Currency Committee, both bills were unanimously reported without amendments.

ago. But what about the quality of these students who are sending into the world? Are they thoroughly educated? Are they scholars?

Mr. Davis continues, "If this question were asked of the professors in Negro schools, 93 per cent, we are certain would answer so. Our schools they feel, are grinding out sub-standard graduates. National tests would corroborate this opinion."

Mr. Davis paints a dark picture, not without optimism however. During the course of his discussion he reveals many interesting educational sidelights, among them the fact that "Harvard University alone has an educational income larger than the 100 Negro colleges listed in the U. S. Department of Education Biennial Survey." Davis also points out, it is interesting to note that Russia, our greatest rival for world power, spends \$13,000,000 or 20 per cent of its national income on education; with all of our wealth we spend \$3,000,000 or two per cent."

TRIBUTE PAID TO LATE BOOKER T. WASHINGTON

ROCKY MOUNT, Virginia—Congress paid high tribute to Booker T. Washington, the late educator, Thursday, July 25, when the Senate passed without a dissenting vote, a bill to issue five million commemorative coins, to help establish a memorial at his birthplace in Franklin County, Virginia, that will commemorate his life and perpetuate his ideals and teachings.

Previously, the bill had unanimous support in the House in history-making time, where it was introduced by Rep. T. G. Burch, Virginia, who since then has been appointed to fill the unexpired term of Sen. Glass. The bill was introduced in the Senate by Senator Alben Barkley, Ky. for the late Sen. Carter Glass. It is believed that this measure was the last official act of the senior Senator from Virginia.

When the news of the passing of

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the bill reached S. J. Phillips, president of the Booker T. Washington Birthplace Memorial, at his headquarters in Rock Mount, he said: "Passage of this bill is of national importance. It should be an inspiration to all Americans; a fitting tribute to Booker T. Washington, and will have a direct bearing upon the lives of all Negroes. The legislation was enthusiastically supported by members of Congress on the basis of the greatness and fame of Booker T. Washington, who had served mankind."

LAST RITES HELD FOR FORMER SLAVE

Funeral services for Henry L. Brown, 91, a former slave who had served pioneer railroad officials, politicians and statesmen during 55 years of work on the Burlington Railroad, were held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at St. John's AME Church.

Born and reared on a Virginia plantation, he ran away during the Civil War and entered the service of a Union captain. Then he worked as a steward on a Mississippi River side-wheeler steamboat.

In 1876 he joined the railroad as a dining car cook at Chicago. He came to the Omaha office, in 1879.

As steward and special chef on the private car of George W. Holdrege, for many years general manager of the Burlington Lines, West Mr. Brown met Burlington Presidents John Murray Forbes, Chas. E. Perkins, and Hale Holden, Buffalo Bill Cody and Gen. C. F. Manderson, then a Nebraska Senator.

He retired once in 1921, but said he "could not sit still at home," so he worked as a handy man at the Burlington offices until 1932.

He was a life member of the railroad's Veterans' Association, and had lived at the Colored Old

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