

# General Race News

## J. HOCKLEY SMILEY OF DEFENDER DEAD

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 22.—J. Hockley Smiley died Sunday morning, October 10, after an illness of three months. Mr. Smiley had been with the Chicago Defender for the past six years. Previously he was engaged in the catering business with his father, who was Chicago's best caterer. The funeral was held from the family residence Wednesday morning, October 13, the Rev. Father Massiah, rector of St. Thomas' Episcopal church, officiating.

## FIRST LICENSED HUNTRESS OF THE RACE

St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 29.—Captain W. R. Godette, of the St. Paul fire department, and wife, have returned from a ten days' hunting trip at Spiker Lake, Minn. Mrs. Godette is the only race woman in the state who is a licensed and experienced huntress. They returned, as on former occasions, with plenty of game.

## MENTIONED FOR HAITIAN POST.

Baltimore, Md., Oct. 22.—A persistent rumor has been circulated here that John W. Rich, clerk and stenographer to the chief counsel of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, is being considered for the post of United States minister to Haiti. He is one of the best-known colored men here.

President Wilson has sent two white ministers to represent this country in Haiti, and Bailly Blanchard, the last one, is on indefinite leave in this country. Business between this country and Haiti is now transacted either between the state department and the Haitian government or through Admiral Caperton, in charge of American marines in Haiti.

## ON EUROPEAN BATTLEFIELD.

Bellefontaine, O., Oct. 22.—Mr. Ulysses T. Mays of Bellefontaine, O., enlisted more than a year ago in the Royal Canadian Guards at Sarnia, Canada. He was transferred to the battle lines in Belgium and has seen the bitterness of many battles. Of his company, mustering 170 men, there are only eight living today. The sanguinary warfare of Europe may be judged from this particular bit of news. Deadly in all of its horrors, yet men of the race are there, as they have been on every battlefield of our republic, fighting because of love and patriotism, based upon honest convictions of justice abideth with us.

## WOMAN WINS EIGHT PRIZES.

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 22.—Mrs. Louisa B. Walton of 909 South Eighteenth street, the only race exhibitor of canned goods and jellies at the West Chester county fair, was awarded eight prizes and a special mention by the president of the fair association. Mrs. Walton had every kind of vegetable and jelly known in this section of the country. She competed against the pick of West Chester county. Her work so far excelled the others that the awarding committee was solid in voting her the eight prizes, which were more than any other competitor received.

## TO EMPLOY COLORED LABOR.

Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 29.—Claiming that the employment of white labor for the harvesting of crops has proven a failure, through disturbances created by malcontents, Charles Barr, a North Dakota man, was in the city on his way to the Southern states, where he will try to arrange for the employment of colored labor for next fall. He represents twenty-five business men of his district. "Malcontents made the past season a horror for the farmers of North Dakota," said Mr. Barr. "We paid high wages, \$3 a day, with the best of board, and they wanted \$4, and then \$4.50. I will get special trains, if necessary, next fall, to bring colored help north to displace this inefficient help."



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Chicago's Colored Alderman, who was a recent Omaha visitor.

## FAITHFUL SERVICE REWARDED.

Denver Colo., Oct. 20.—Leslie Peters, confidential employe of the late Dennis Sullivan, director of the Denver National bank, comes in for \$4,000 left in the will of the banker for his faithfulness and unceasing attention for more than a quarter of a century. Mr. Peters, though a Kentuckian, lays claim to Denver, Colo., being a resident for so many years, and through his efforts has made his employer engage in many charitable works. So much confidence was placed in Peters that his position was recognized by many of Mr. Sullivan's associates and at the funeral he was given a conspicuous position among the mourners.

## COLORED GOLF PLAYERS.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 22.—The first golf tournament ever pulled off in America by expert colored golfers was played at Marquette Links, Thursday, October 7, by the Alpha Golf club, to decide the championship among the colored players, was won by Walter Speedy of Louisiana.

Winter weather failed to daunt enthusiasm displayed between players and followers of the drivers of the little white ball. There were more than seventy-five onlookers to brave the cold winds and threatening snow. White and colored showed appreciation, applauding each player. The contest was for thirty-six holes.

## PROTECT CIVIL RIGHTS

Philadelphia, Oct. 29.—A civil rights committee, with Bishop Evans Tyree as chairman, has been appointed by the Chautauqua of the First Episcopal district, comprising the states of New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania, to aid in maintaining the civil rights of Negroes within the bounds of that district, with headquarters at 631 Pine street.

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