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Events and Persons

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Alfred Peoples, who has been seriously ill with the flu, is out again and on the job.

Wanted—Middle aged woman for general housework. No washing or ironing. Mrs. John Latenser, 3217 Poppleton avenue. Harney 1631.

Let us make the world safe and opportunities better for our posterity by patronizing our own business enterprises. Business with us means a better opportunity for some boy or some girl of our race. Williamson for prescriptions; Williamson for drugs. That's a good combination. 2306 N. 24th. Tel. Webster 4443.—Adv.

Tailor Lee, formerly in business here, is now in charge of the tailoring department at the new Athletic club.

Harry Saunders, one of the army boys, reached home Saturday morning.

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Seventy-four of the California boys from Camp Grant passed through Omaha last Wednesday night, en route home. They remained in Omaha several hours, but the Omaha people were unable to give them the welcome they deserved because no notice had been given of their arrival.

Mrs. Alonzo Pointer and mother, Mrs. Jackson, from North Platte, are visiting Mrs. Pearl Pointer at 1611 North 26th. They are en route to Leavenworth, Kas., to spend the holidays.

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Mrs. Mamie Smith returned from Mississippi, where she was called because of the death of her brother-in-law.

Mrs. Nettie Lewis, famous entertainer, spent a few hours in Omaha Friday, en route home to Chicago to spend the holidays with her mother.

You will help the ladies of the Art club to publish their cook book by coming to a candy pulling and spelling bee at Mt. Moriah Baptist church, January 14, 1919. Admission 10 cents.

Why not take a course in conversational French with R. L. Desdunes, 2215 North Twenty-fifth street? Phone Webster 3300.—Adv.

Sick of church include: Mrs. Nellie Robinson, W. L. Sellers, Mrs. M. Washington, P. Patterson.

Mrs. Jamie Shelton was called to Atchison by the serious illness of her aunt.

Mother Kelly has returned home from the east looking fine.

Mrs. Mamie Seals was out Sunday after a few weeks' illness.

For Rent—Unfurnished room for light housekeeping. Hutten Flats, 1107 North 19th street. Webster 2177. Mrs. T. L. Hawthorne.

Mrs. La Bor, mother of Mrs. Costello, left last week to visit during the holidays.

Mrs. George Scott of Oklahoma City, is a holiday guest of Mrs. Wilmoth Cropp.

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NOTICE

To Patrons of the Alamo Barber Shop and Billiard Parlor.

As I have returned from the military service of which I spent about fourteen months, leaving my business interest up to my partner, Mr. Price, which he handled with unequalled ability, carrying out our plans successfully, maintaining the same discipline and good order that we established when we took the place more than a year and a half ago.

I take this opportunity to thank the people of Omaha and the friends and patrons of the place for their loyal support of which I know your future success depends.

I am now back on the job, will join Mr. Price in conducting the place in a Pan-African convention which will sit during the deliberations of the peace conference.

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Race United for Free Africa

Doctor DuBois and Major Moton Head Delegation Already Overseas—Present Memorial.

DEMAND BLACK DEMOCRACY

Would Then Leave Negroes in Other Lands Free to Choose Which They Would Accept.

By Louis Seibold.

BREST, France, Dec. 24.—Pleading the privilege of self-government and self-determination, leading Negroes of the United States will ask the peace conference to turn back to native control the German colonies in Africa for national organization by those now there and by other Negroes who may wish to live under a government by and of their race in the old African land.

The transport Orizaba, bringing an advance guard to the Paris peace conference, arrived here on Monday, after an uneventful voyage of eight days. In addition to fifty representatives of American newspapers, the ship had as passengers a delegation of Negroes, commissioned to urge the claims of the race on the conference. The delegation includes W. E. B. DuBois, editor of the Crisis, and Dr. R. R. Moton, head of the Tuskegee Institute.

House Has the Memorial.

A memorial has already been submitted to Col. House. It urges the peace conference to extend the principle of democracy to the Negro race by recognizing the right of the race to self-government under the "self-determination" clause of President Wilson's peace terms.

The memorial points out that the transfer of the German colonies in Africa to the control of other nations would retard the progress of the Negro race, whereas the application of the self-determination principle would result in the advancement of the race.

There is a general plan, which contemplates an agreement among the belligerents, to set aside not only the African colonies under previous German rule, but also those now governed by the French and Portuguese, and also the independent African states, and to make of these lands an African union, for the organization of a government by native Negroes and by Negroes who may elect to emigrate and attach themselves to the proposed democracy.

One point the memorial emphasizes is that if German Africa were taken from one imperial master, even though a bad one, in order to pass it over to another, though a better one, that act would inevitably rouse suspicion of selfish aims on the part of the Allies, and would leave open grave questions concerning the future of colonial possessions and government. The conference will be urged to commemorate the three hundredth anniversary of the landing of the Negro in America, in August, 1919, by encouraging the present movement to hand Africa over to the Africans. Aims of the British Labor Party for the extension of the right of self-government and for protection under organized conditions are indorsed in the memorial.

Not a Colonization Scheme.

Mr. DuBois declares that the plan is not a colonization scheme, but it is basically a movement to give 12,000,000 Negroes in the German colonies and in other African states opportunity to prove their capacity for self-government.

"In the western hemisphere," he said, "25,000,000 Negroes indicated intense interest in the plan. They will give every financial, moral, religious, social and educational encouragement to it. Whether Negroes from other countries would emigrate is a problem less important than is the recognition of the right of Negroes already in Africa to determine how and by whom they shall be governed."

"The movement is backed by the leading American churches, by 750,000 African Methodists and 2,000,000 Baptists. Domestic problems, while of dominant local interest, are actually subordinate to the fundamental justice of the right of the elements of the African race to govern themselves under the democratic conditions enunciated by President Wilson and by one or two of the Allied Governments. Treatment of the Negroes by the peace conference will test the sincerity of the various declarations on this point."

The initial public step in the promotion of the movement will be taken in a Pan-African convention which will sit during the deliberations of the peace conference.

What Saves Us.

The thing that saves us in this life is an occasional opportunity to smile at its follies.—Baltimore Sun.

Mr. Henry Williams of 2415 Erskine street, will leave Sunday for Texarkana, Texas, to visit his brother. He will spend the winter at Hot Springs. Mrs. F. Pierson of Lincoln, Neb., is visiting friends here this week.

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

WHY?

Editor of The Monitor:

I have just read the article in December 14th issue of The Monitor, headed "Americans or Nothing," from the Pittsburg Courier, opposing the idea of sending Negro representatives to the peace conference. Why not?

There will be Jewish representatives and representatives from other races, occupying the same peculiar position as the Negro race, that of the unconsidered unit of a great nation.

We are Americans it is true and as Americans, one of the allies, and with American representation at this greatest of world conventions we are represented (or should be) broadly speaking, but are we? We have no wish to be considered as a separate people, but what are we considered by the other fellows? We have been made American citizens by constitutional amendment, but what are we made by practice?

President Wilson's proclamation announcing the signing of the armistice says in part: "Everything for which America fought has been accomplished. It will now be our duty to assist by example, etc., of just democracy throughout the world," yet here in "democratic America" we still have denial of rights of suffrage and lynchings and "Jim Crowing" of black Americans prevail. We ask why? Being American citizens, citizens of the leading country of democracy, the country ever ready to take up arms in behalf of oppression and as citizens having taken up arms to the extent of some 100,000 to aid in removing oppression from others. Why might not Negro delegates go to Versailles to ask why such oppression should be placed on one part of the citizens of America, while so many pertinent questions are being asked of this great body where the president of our country is a member?

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WHAT COUNTRY MUST DO FOR ITS DISABLED SOLDIERS

Problems of Reconstruction Confront American Red Cross With New Tasks and New Responsibilities.

During these Christmases, when men in the trenches and on mined seas sing carols; when our country glows to its uttermost boundaries with the symbol of the Red Cross; when the most earthbound look for awhile at the crosses and the stars—new understandings, new simplicities, new willingness for service come to very many men and women.

And as our soldiers and sailors who went out young and strong and singing the "Long, Long Trail" and "Over There" now come back crippled and disabled, Americans are seeing more and more their own part and responsibility in reconstruction. This work means teaching the blind to see, giving movement to the paralyzed, power to the remnants of arms and legs to do full duty, the chance of health to the tubercular, light to minds be-fogged by shell shock.

Our government, the Medical Department of the Army and the American Red Cross, from the time of our entrance in the war, have been working out the tasks preparatory to this reconstruction, which is the key-word to their usefulness and happiness. The work itself is already begun in the hospitals where our returned men have been brought.

This has meant the equipment of hospitals, the recruiting of the doctors and nurses and the formulation of plans for training for vocations, which means independence, replacing activity for inactivity.

For this physical reconstruction in our military hospitals at home, our government, through the office of the Surgeon-General, is asking for reconstruction aids. This hospital service is open to hundreds, indeed thousands, of women who as wives of men in the service have been technically barred from other military hospital service. They are needed at once and may learn full particulars regarding training, qualifications, pay and so forth by writing for information to the office of the Surgeon-General, Division of Reconstruction, Washington, D. C. They are civilian employees of the Medical Department of the Army, and their work comes under one of two classes—either the distinctly physical reconstruction which has to do with massage, electrotherapy, diathermy and mechanical work which will prepare the men to take up the regular vocational training for which we often hear the word "re-education."

The Federal government has charge of this work. Other agencies working under government control will help. The American Red Cross, especially, will supplement it, and through its Home Service has assumed the obligation to assist every soldier or sailor and his family whenever they need aid or counsel from it.

When American soldiers, blinded in battle, recover from their immediate wounds at the base hospitals in France special work for them is commenced. Later they are brought to the United States Military General Hospital No. 7, at Baltimore, for further medical and surgical treatment and special teaching. The ideal of the government will be to place every blinded man in a condition to take care of himself and those dependent on him. In many cases, it is hoped, the men will be able to command a larger salary after taking their training than before they lost their sight.

American Red Cross has supplemented the Army's plan by creating the Red Cross Institute for the Blind. One of its functions will be to provide certain financial aid to equip the blind man after his re-education is completed, as, for instance, furnishing typewriters to those who enter commercial life. It will be unearthing new occupations, helping to establish homes and arrange home work for those who cannot go into offices or factories.

But it will do something else that is,

THE RED CROSS MAN.

By Jeanne Judson.
The Red Cross man was here today,
He seems to know some magic way
Of being everywhere;
In Paris when a chap is broke,
He passes out a Yankee smoke,
And at the front, he's there.
He gives us something hot to drink,
He seems to want to make us think
We're happy and at ease;
He keeps as busy as can be,
Just working for my mates and me,
His method sure does please.
And though he doesn't tote a gun,
We know he's with us everyone,
His duty sets us free;
His wheeled canteen is far more fair
Than any lobster palace rare,
We drink his health in tea.

Hospital searchers are being sent by the American Red Cross into all the hospitals along the front. Their task is to supplement the necessarily meager reports sent by the Army to the families of the killed and wounded with more detailed letters. It is the human touch that makes the whole world kin.

CARING FOR THOSE WHO ARE LEFT BEHIND

Because of her continued absence from school and the fact that she lived in rather an undesirable neighborhood and was on the streets all day a school teacher recently brought to the attention of the Home Service department of the Red Cross the story of a girl of ten years whose mother was ill and whose only other relatives were two brothers, one in camp and the other a youth of seventeen whose earnings seemed to be the only means of support for the family.

The Home Service worker called, found the mother very ill and needing hospital care at once. Arrangements were made for the mother's care and also for a home for the girl in the country where she would receive real home training and love. The mother grew worse and died soon afterwards. The seventeen-year-old boy enlisted. The boy in camp had not known that his mother needed his help, but was glad to contribute from his pay when the true circumstances were made known. The girl is now in the country, going to school, and is receiving allotments from both of her brothers and is well cared for. She is under the watchful care of the Home Service workers and comes to them often for counsel.

A portable kitchen, installed by the American Red Cross on the exact spot where Joan Arc was captured, provided tea, coffee and other refreshments to 10,000 soldiers and civilians daily.