

**GUARD ALLEGED MURDERER WITH 300 MILITIAMEN**

Lexington, Ky., Feb. 11.—Three hundred armed militiamen with machine guns and automatic rifles will guard the Fayette county court house when William Lockett, Negro, goes on trial for the murder of 10-year-old Geneva Hardman. In addition to the state militia, which will accompany the prisoner from the state penitentiary, fifty extra police and a sheriff's posse will assist in preserving order.

**STEVEDORES NOT BARRED**

(By Associated Negro Press.) San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 11.—Negro stevedores will not be barred from employment on the water front. This was the decision reached at a meeting of the members of the Waterfront Employers' Union in the offices of the Matson Navigation company.

**AMERICAN NEGRO ACADEMY INCORPORATED BY SUPREME COURT**

Washington, D. C., Feb. 11.—The American Negro Academy of the United States has been granted a charter of incorporation by the supreme court of the District of Columbia. Archibald H. Grimke is its president. Its object is to further the advancement of Negro education.

**JOHNSON TO BOX FULTON.**

Boston, Mass., Feb. 11.—Fred Fulton and John Lester Johnson have been matched to box ten rounds in this city some time in the near future. John Lester has boxed such men as Jack Dempsey, and it is thought he will give a good account of himself when he meets the big giant.

**AT LEAST INTERESTING.**

(Northampton, Mass., Herald.) "Let the French appeal for 2,000,000 colored Americans to help build up France," advises the Petit Parisian, noting the difference in treatment of Negroes in that country and in this. The suggestion is interesting and there are doubtless opportunities for American Negroes across the water. What would be the effect upon race feeling by an addition of 2,000,000 Negroes to the population of France is likely, however, to remain an academic question for a long time.

**FARMER BROOMFIELD BRINGS HIS FIRST PIGS TO MARKET**

John H. (Jack) Broomfield, erstwhile alleged political "Third Ward boss," has become a successful farmer. Genial, good-hearted Jack's close personal friends knew of his ambitions to be a farmer long before Nebraska went dry. This laudable ambition was realized a little over a year ago when he purchased a farm north of Florence, which he has well stocked. Among his stock treasures are eight head of milch cows, Holstein, Hereford and Jersey, and a large herd of Duroc Jersey hogs. Monday Mr. Broomfield brought his pigs to market. He brought five, just as a starter, which tipped the scales at 1,160 pounds, an average of 232 pounds each, for which he received \$165. He has seventy-five more hogs ready for market.

Mr. Broomfield's greatest worry just now is over the fact that he finds it difficult to find some good, sensible, industrious woman as housekeeper at the farm house who will appreciate the fact that farm life offers many attractions, among which are health and no worry about the high cost of living. "That kind is mighty hard to find, I reckon," says Farmer Jack.

**NATION-WIDE CAMPAIGN IN OMAHA.**

Next Sunday all Episcopalians are requested to attend services at 11 o'clock. At St. Phillip's Church addresses will be made by Bishop Shaylor, Henry R. Gering, diocesan chairman of the Nation-wide campaign, and by three laymen of the congregation, W. G. Haynes, parish chairman; Thomas Reese and Mrs. Isaac Bailey. Between 1:30 and 5:30 p. m. everybody in the city, so far as have been listed, who have at any time in any way been connected with the Episcopal church, will be visited by a committee of three, who will bring two cards for them to sign. One is a personal service card. The other is a financial pledge card. Omaha is putting across its part of the Nation-wide movement to bring home personally to every communicant and member of the Episcopal church the duty of doing his part to help make America truly Christian.

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**Report of the Department of Justice On Sedition Among The Negroes**

By James Weldon Johnson in New York Age

WE have a copy of the report of the Department of Justice on "Radicalism and Sedition Among the Negroes as Reflected in Their Publications." The report occupies twenty-seven pages of the report of the investigation against "Persons Advising Anarchy, Sedition, and the Forcible Overthrow of the Government."

The pages devoted to the Negro come at the end of the report; and, judging from what was the evident purpose of the report, these pages make the most ludicrous anticlimax that could be imagined. We don't know how good a case the report makes out against the people discussed in the first one hundred and sixty pages, for we have not yet had the time to read that portion; but we are prepared to say that if it doesn't make out a better case than it makes out against the Negro, the Department of Justice has wasted a good deal of time and a considerable amount of Uncle Sam's cash.

If any jury of fair-minded persons can find in the twenty-seven pages devoted to the Negro anything which justifies those pages being made a part of a report against persons advising anarchy, sedition, and the forcible overthrow of the government, the writer will agree to eat a bundle of these reports without taking water.

Whoever got out the report filled it with extracts of both prose and poetry from the radical Negro press. But what do all of these extracts amount to when boiled down. They amount to a demand not for anarchy, not for the overthrow of the government, but to a demand for the strict and impartial enforcement of law, and to an expression of the determination of the Negro to defend himself when and where the law refuses or fails to protect him against the mob. Indeed, the main note running through all the quotations from the Negro publications mentioned in the report is a demand for law and order, but law and order based on the recognition of the equal rights of every American citizen.

Of course, the chief thing in these radical periodicals on which the accusing finger rests is the open or implied endorsement of the action of Negroes who in the recent "race riots" defended themselves and protected their homes against the mobs because the law refused or failed to protect them. Well, what about it? Can any sane man say that these Negroes did not act within their legal and moral rights? More than that, can any sane man say that these Negroes did not perform what was their obvious duty? Will any white man say that white men would not have been expected to act likewise under like conditions?

Let those who are holding up their hands in holy horror at the mere thought of lawlessness on the part of Negroes stop and consider that in not one of these outbreaks were Negroes the original aggressors. All of the "race riots" which occurred last summer were started by lawless white men. Then let the holy horror against

lawlessness be directed against white mobbists and not against Negroes defending their lives and their homes when the law shows itself unable or unwilling to do so.

There are gentle friends of the Negro who greatly deplore any indication on his part to oppose with physical force mob violence and community lawlessness. They feel that it will arouse still more bitter sentiment against himself, and what is worse, a great many of him might get killed, for he is so far outnumbered. These friends should not expect the Negro to submit to wholesale murder for the sake of increasing his reputation for gentleness and patience; if they do, they are expecting too much from the present-day Negro. As for getting killed—that does not strike much terror to the heart of the Negro now; thousands of Negroes died in France for what has been for them a dream, if not a lie; so the thought of dying in defense of their own lives and property does not impart any great dread; they reason that if they are threatened with death by wholesale murder, it is better to meet it by facing the mob than to meet it by being shot in the back while running or by having their houses burned down over their heads.

Let a little of this investigation into lawlessness and this indignation against lawlessness be directed against the degenerate, blood-lusting white men who make up the mobs to whom the lynching and murdering of Negroes is a pastime, a Roman holiday sport.

If the Department of Justice wants to do a job of investigating worth doing, let it not stop at the open and just discontent expressed in the Negro press over the wrongs and injustices suffered by black American citizens; let it get at the grounds and reason for that discontent. And if it wants any assistance on the job, the Negro press will gladly give it.

As it is, the department has done only about one-third of what it ought to do. The third that it has done makes out no case of "sedition" against the Negro; it simply shows that the Negro has just grounds for complaint at his treatment in this country, and has sense enough to know it and sense enough to say it in a clear, intelligent and forcible way. Indeed, it seems that this latter is what shocks the writer of the report more than anything else. He is a man who has evidently, like many others, been asleep on the Negro; he has been thinking of the Negro in terms of twenty or thirty years ago; all at once he is called on to read a number of Negro publications, and

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he is amazed, overwhelmed, dumfounded, to find that the Negro knows what he wants, knows what he is entitled to and knows how to state it. The thing that astonishes him most is the fact that these articles are written by Negroes who know how to use the English language.

But, after all, this report of the Department of Justice is not so bad. So far as we know, it is the most effective step yet taken to let the whole country know just what the Negro is discontented about, to let it know what the Negro of today is thinking. The American Negro could wish for nothing better than that the Department of Justice would put a copy of this report in the hands of every man, woman and child in the United States.

**ED. F. MOREARTY, Atty., Bee Bldg.**

**NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANT.**

To Martha J. Kennedy, non-resident defendant: You are hereby notified that on the 15th day of October, 1913, Moses Albert Kennedy filed a petition in the district court of Douglas county, Nebraska, the object and prayer of which is to obtain a divorce from you on the grounds that you have wilfully absented yourself for more than two years last past. You are required to answer said petition on or before March 22d, 1920. You are further notified that this notice is made by order of Hon. Willis G. Sears, judge of the District Court of Douglas County, Nebraska. MOSES ALBERT KENNEDY. 2112-19-26-3-4

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