

General Race News

JEW SAYS PYTHIANS SHOULD SHUN ST. LOUIS.

Columbus, Ohio, March 17.—A very prominent Jewish citizen here, when he read in the telegraphic news of the daily papers that St. Louis had passed two segregation ordinances by a vote of more than fifty thousand to seven thousand, remarked: "The Colored Knights of Pythias who voted at their grand lodge meeting in this city last August to meet in St. Louis year after next, should now rescind that action. They ought to say to the city of St. Louis: 'If your electors vote to segregate our race then we will retaliate by not holding our Supreme Lodge meeting in your city; we will decline to go to St. Louis.'"

Continuing, this Jewish citizen said: "Why should a great Colored organization go to a city to expend at least five hundred thousand dollars the week of its meeting when that city has insulted the race by passing an unjust, un-American and damnable anti-race ordinance. No other race, if your race accepts it, would carry its funds to be emptied into the pockets of a city that adopts a segregation ordinance. If such an ordinance had been adopted to affect the Germans, Irish, Italians or Jews they would have promptly boycotted the city adopting it."

ALLIES ENLIST 300,000 BLACKS.

Berne, Switzerland.—An Italian diplomat, who recently returned from Africa and passed through Switzerland on his way to Paris and London, reports that the French and English governments are raising a large army of Negroes in their African colonies.

The diplomat states that the French have already obtained more than 300,000 Colored recruits. This army, according to his statement, will be trained in Morocco, Algiers and Tunis, and is to be brought to the western theatre of war next July or August, England, the diplomat says, is also organizing a large Negro army, but only a part of these troops will be brought to Europe to fight against the Germans. About 100,000 men are to be used to conquer German East Africa and to keep the Soudanese in check should they support the Germans.

DELIVERY BOY ASSERTS WHITE LADS ROBBED HIM.

Atlanta, Ga., March 17.—George Crittendon, 16 years old a Colored delivery boy for the Camp Grocery company, reported to the police Thursday, March 2, that he had been held up and robbed of \$3 belonging to the store. The robbery took place at Pine and Peachtree streets and he claims that he was robbed by two white boys. It is the belief of the police that a gang of white boys are making a practice of robbing Colored messenger boys.

THE WILL IN WILSON.

No matter how much Democratic "statesmen" may froth at the mouth when they speak of Roosevelt and Root, they must concede the fact that it is the sayings of these two men which, more than anything else, put the will in Wilson.—Evening Sun.

THE NEGRO IS AN AMERICAN.

Under the caption "Aiding the Negro," a correspondent of the New York Herald of February 20 writes:

"Yes, why can't we have Colored help, with their happy, cheerful faces? Why must we be always confronted with squirming foreigners, half of whom cannot speak a word of English, and treat you with a condescension which is an insult?"

"Why are all the hotels, at least most of them, closed to the Colored people? Is it because the proprietors are foreigners and employ their own countrymen. In that case they show more patriotism than we do. The Negroes are American; we brought them here, and we should give them employment at something besides street cleaning."

HOWARD GRADUATES MAKE GOOD.

Chicago, March 17.—On February 29 and March 1 the state board gave an examination for lawyers. There were 187 applicants, 87 of whom passed, and 70 of whom were residents of Chicago. Six race men took this strenuous examination, and four of the six who passed were Howard university graduates. They were: Martin Barklay, L. H. of class '15; Martin Pollard, '15; Charles Brana-day, '12; Wm. King, '12. This alone speaks well of Howard university, and the fact that some of these men are recent graduates and took this test for the very first time proves not only the worth of the school as a whole to the race but shows very clearly the thorough training given to its student body.

PHILADELPHIANS TO RAISE \$50,000 FUND.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 17.—Colored citizens of Philadelphia have started a campaign to raise \$50,000 for the Booker T. Washington Memorial Fund, and the day of Sunday, March 29, has been set apart for the collection of the fund.

The local committee in charge of the movement consists of Bishop L. J. Coppin, E. C. Brown, banker; Dr. Harry M. Minton, the Rev. P. A. Wallace, Dr. A. B. Jackson, A. P. Caldwell, editor The Courant; Counselor G. Edward Dickerson and the Rev. W. F. Graham.

HOTEL BURNS AT ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Mo., March 17.—A fire of unknown origin partly destroyed a Colored hotel in Market street here early Monday morning, February 28. The guests were aroused and all escaped injury. The damages were \$1,000.00.

MUST HANG ON APRIL 21.

Joliet, Ill., March 17.—"Chicken Joe" Campbell, the Colored convict found guilty of murdering Mrs. Odette M. Allen, wife of the former warden of the state penitentiary here, was last Friday sentenced to be hanged on good Friday, April 21.

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