

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS.

More Mob Murders.

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 30, 1916.
Editor of The Monitor:

Dear Sir—Once more the South has called our attention to the farcial manner in which they make pretense at executing the laws where Negroes are concerned by the lynching of five Negroes at Newberry, Florida, on the 20th of August. It was another instance of mob murder after the victims had been taken from jail and is only one more crime added to a long string of mob murders which has brought shame to our nation.

One needs an eight-cylinder imagination to picture the efforts of the authorities in the Southern states to protect Negro prisoners from the lynchers. It seems law in the South was not made for the Negro and he is not accorded any of the protection due him as an American citizen and no effort has been put forth by the authorities to bring an end to these shameful lynchings.

The whole nation was set aflame with indignation over the atrocious murder of Leo Frank and the contempt of a majority of the states for such outrages seemed to make even the South ashamed. Such barbarous acts are enough to turn the rest of the nation away in loathing. Lynching for a time fell off, but only recently the demon, which was only slumbering, came to life in Texas, when a boy was burned alive and close upon this came the wholesale murder in Florida. This is not the end, but only the beginning of outrages that until some steps are taken to establish

will be committed in Southern States civil government in these states. The Negro has the same rights as the white man under our constitution and should be afforded the same protection by law. The South which now boasts of its new birth of freedom so much, by such acts shows signs of reverting to the barbarous customs practiced, where the Negro was concerned, before the civil war. Such acts only bring shame upon our nation and every effort should be made to put an end to such atrocities.

Can it be done? Yes. How? Put the same class of men in office in the South as is in the North, and they will make laws and execute them to the Negroes rights and advantages. Democratic rules and a solid South bodes no equality before the law, to the black man in the South.

Yours truly,
W. G. Shriver.

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F. W. Jones, of Chicago, and H. H. Price, of Richmond, Va. Such well known men as Bishop Walters, W. Monroe Trotter, James D. Carr, Ferdinand Q. Morton, F. H. Warren, J. Frank Wheaton and Adam E. Patterson, who worked so ardently for the election of the Democratic ticket in 1912, were conspicuous by their absence.

The support of the Hannibal League was pledged the President and he was urged to give out a message to the Negro voters of the country. This the President promised to do.

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