

General Race News

U. S. SOLDIERS KILL EMPLOYEES IN THE CANAL ZONE STRIKE

Panama.—The shooting of Negroes by United States soldiers in the Panama canal zone has become so frequent that the Negroes are becoming dissatisfied and it is quite natural that they will condemn such action, says the Bellaire (Ohio) Independent.

According to dispatches, another strike has been begun by Negro employes in the canal zone. One hundred of the 800 at the Cristobal dry dock quit work, demanding higher wages. There has been no interference with the work at the dry dock.

On Thursday a United States soldier in Fort Sherman shot and killed a Negro canal employe who, it is said, was resisting arrest. This was the second case of its kind of the week.

JUDGE CONGRATULATES JURY FOR FREEING NEGRO

Mr. Levi Pruitt, a Colored man of Detroit, Mich., killed a white man who pursued and attacked him. He was first convicted of manslaughter, but at a second trial was acquitted. The judge congratulated the jury and said that if Pruitt had been a white man he would never have been even brought to trial. He was defended by Francis H. Warren, a Colored attorney.

WINS IN ORATORICAL CONTEST

Columbus, O.—William Mason, freshman in the arts college at the State university, whose home is in Cincinnati, won first prize in the university oratorical contest, held Friday night at Northminster church. His subject was "Americanism and Prohibition." He took a prize of \$20.

FIRST NATIVE APPOINTED IN THE TRANSVAAL

Mr. Jesse Mohabuke Makhothe, a Basuto, has been appointed one of the five members of the Alexander Health Committee in the Transvaal, South Africa. This is the first time a native has had any political recognition in the Transvaal.

OFFICER PAROLE COMMISSION

Miss Grace P. Campbell has been appointed an officer on the Parole Commission of the State of New York after competitive examination.

GIVES TO BRITISH RED CROSS

The Paramount Chief of the Bechuana-Land Protectorate of South Africa has contributed \$1,780 to the British Red Cross Society.

WOULD PREVENT SEGREGATION

Harrisburg, Pa.—Representative Glass, of Philadelphia, has introduced a bill in the State Legislature preventing places of public resort or amusement from discriminating against persons on account of race or religion. A penalty of from \$100 to \$500 is provided for violations, to go to the aggrieved persons and a similar one to the counties where the violations occur. The bill, if enacted, will strengthen the civil rights law of 1887.

God made the earth, but left man to dress it up.

HOODOOED BY ALBINO; DEFENSE FOR ASSAULT

Jefferson City, Mo.—Lawrence Hickman, wanted in Columbia, for assaulting a white man, when arrested here sprang something new.

Hickman asserted he was "hoodooed" by the white man in Columbia, who sprinkled some mysterious potion on the ground which rendered him unconscious when he walked over it. He said after he recovered he knocked the white man out.

COLORED VOTE IS INCREASING IN OHIO

Columbus, Ohio.—Eligible to vote this fall in Ohio will be 30,000 more Colored voters that at the 1916 election. These 30,000 will swell the Colored vote of Ohio to 100,000. If the present ratio of increase in the number of Colored men coming North from the South continues throughout next summer and fall, in 1918 there will be 145,000 Colored voters in Ohio.

TANNER AT THE FONTENELLE

Next week at the Fontenelle the Omaha Friends of Art Association will hold an exhibition of canvasses from the brushes of world-known artists. Among them are two from Henry O. Tanner, the famous Colored artist of Philadelphia. The press has commented upon these pictures and the members spoken in high praise of the same, but none seemed to know that Tanner is a Negro.

Mr. Tanner was born June 21, 1859, at Pittsburgh, the son of Bishop Benjamin T. Tanner of the A. M. E. Church. At present he resides in Paris. The French government purchased several of his paintings for its collection of the modern arts in the Luxembourg Gallery. For the past three or four years comprehensive exhibitions of his paintings have been made in the leading art galleries of the United States, this being their first appearance in Omaha. Mr. Tanner's favorite themes are scriptural and among the most famous are "The Holy Family," "Mary and Elizabeth," "Christ Walking on the Sea," "Christ Learning to Ride," "Hills Near Jerusalem," "The Hiding of Moses," "A Lady of Jerusalem" and "Christ at the Home of Lazarus."

COLORED MEN NEED NOT APPLY

Colored men need not apply for enlistment in either the army or navy. A member of The Monitor staff called at the navy recruiting station and army headquarters this week to inquire into the exact status of the Colored citizen regarding enlistment. At the navy recruiting station we were informed that the only places available for Colored men were the mess room and barber shop, but that there was no particular wish for them there. At the army headquarters we had the information that the Colored regiments were filled and no more men were wanted. We publish this news for the reason that we wish to save our people from any embarrassment.

Mrs. James O'Donnell of Lincoln, who has been the guest of Mrs. H. W. Black for the past three weeks, left for her home Tuesday.

Mrs. Jno. O. Vinegar, who was called to the city last Tuesday by the death of her uncle, returned home Monday morning.

Mrs. W. M. Jackson entertained at dinner Sunday Mrs. Jno. O. Vinegar, of Minneapolis, Minn.

Mrs. Emma Williams returned to Omaha from Detroit, Michigan Friday morning.

Important Notice

Every garment bought Thursday, Friday and Saturday will be ready for Easter wear. No one will be disappointed—we've increased the staff in our alteration room.

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Monday---April 9, 1917

Tuesday---April 10, 1917

Wednesday---April 11, 1917

Thursday---April 12, 1917

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