

Billy Sunday Asks Equality for Race

For Colored Women at Great Service in Providence, R. I.—Speaks After Colored Singers as Chorus Have Taken Place of Regular Chorus and They Have Won the Audience—"If Race Good Enough to Fight and Buy Liberty Bonds, Their Girls Good Enough to Work Alongside Any White Girl in Munitions Factories."

Providence, R. I.—Last Sunday night before an audience of over ten thousand people at the Billy Sunday

tabernacle in Providence, there appeared a chorus of 1,200 Colored voices, who were invited by Mr. Sunday to sing the folk songs so dear to the heart of every American. The usual choir was dispensed with and the Colored occupied their place.

Such singing will long be remembered by the thousands who heard, and the tumultuous applause was evidence of the pleasure the singers gave. Prof Elmer Leon Payn was unanimously chosen as the conductor, and as a local journal put it, "brought out everything there was in the voices and the music." It was a revelation to all present, and never again perhaps will such wonderful music be heard in this city.

The chorus sang the old Spirituals and one or two modern works of the Negro. Mr. Sunday evinced the most lively interest and actually wept, so moved was he. He paid a glowing tribute to the race and among other things said, "If the Negro is good enough to fight in the trenches and to buy Liberty Bonds, his girl is good enough to work alongside any white girl in the munitions factories."

George Wells Parker will deliver his famous lecture, "The Children of the Sun," at Calvary Baptist church, 25th and Hamilton, Thursday evening, December 12, at 8 o'clock. It will be for the benefit of Mt. Moriah Baptist Church.

Our Women and Children

Conducted by Lucille Skaggs Edwards

THE HOME MAGNIFIED

THERE has been a tendency in recent years to minimize the home. It has failed to appeal to the hearts and interests as it did in days past. This minimizing has not been of set purpose; the clubs for men and women, the attempt to let luxury and material things make home instead of things spiritual and the many attractions which contribute to the pleasure of both young and old have turned our hearts in too great a degree from the home.

The human race is one, the psychologists tell us, and it has one common destiny. This world war has brought to our attention the potent influence of the home upon the common destiny.

The greatest winning force of this war was its clean, fearless, intelligent young manhood, reflecting directly the influences of the home. Secretary of the Navy Daniels said: "Of all the sacrifices that have been made for our country in this war, there is no sacrifice so heroic, so terrible as the sacrifice of the mother who sends her son in his strong, clean, young manhood from the protecting influences of his home to live, to fight, to die, if needs be. No army of degenerates could win in the gruelling test of endurance of modern warfare against an army of clean young men with all their vigor of body and mind unimpaired fresh from the lofty influences of the home." Thus has the home been magnified among the nations of the world. Then, too, its sacredness, its charm have all been magnified in the hearts of those who gave up home and loved ones to fight that the freedom of these homes might endure. How often they dream of mother and father and loved ones and long for the comfort, the glory, the love that awaits them at home.

It is an indefinable something of the spirit, a personal, living creation wrought by husband and wife, by parents and children that makes home, be it humble or marked by the luxuries of wealth, the dearest place on earth. How surely shall the love of home endure. Its power, its influence shall go on forever. Let us magnify anew its charms, its happiness, its sacredness. L. S. E.

-I would be true, for there are those who trust me; I would be pure, for there are those who care; I would be strong, for there is much to suffer; I would be brave, for there is much to dare; I would be a friend to all, the foe, the friendless. I would be giving and forget the gift; I would be humble, for I know my weakness; I would look up and laugh and love and lift.—Harper's.

BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE

If you have a gray-haired mother In the old home far away, Sit you down and write the letter You put off from day to day. Don't wait until her weary steps Reach heaven's pearly gate, But show her that you think of her Before it is too late.

If you have a tender message, Or a loving word to say, Don't wait till you forget it, But whisper it today. Who knows what bitter memories May haunt you if you wait, So make your loved one happy Before it is too late.

The tender words unspoken, The letters never sent, The long-forgotten messages, The wealth of love unspent— For these some hearts are breaking, For these some loved ones wait; Show them that you care for them Before it is too late. —George Bancroft Griffith.

TEMPLE OF OSIRIS TO BE RESTORED

Paris, France.—The French government has announced its intention of authorizing Eduourd Naville, the famous discoverer of the temple of Osiris to complete the exhumation of that wonderful ruin. The labor started just before the war and was stopped during the great conflict. It will mean much to Africans throughout the world.

NEW YORK GOVERNOR WELCOMES HEROES

One Hundred Wounded American Soldiers, Fifteen Colored, Given Ovation by Broadway Crowd.

New York, Nov. 21.—One hundred wounded American soldiers, 15 of whom were Colored men from the famous 15th New York infantry, who have been in the thick of the fighting in France, were honored Thurs-

day afternoon by cheering thousands at Battery Park, lower Broadway, in City Hall Park, and finally by Mayor Hylan in his official capacity. The men were from the United States Debarcation Hospital No. 1, Ellis Island. They came across from France recently to recover from their wounds, but many of them had left an arm or a leg on the battlefields, and will be crippled as long as they live.

On the breasts of some were the coveted Croix de Guerre, received for gallantry in action, while others proudly displayed the Distinguished Service Medal. Many wore green or red cords over their left shoulders, showing that they were of regiments that had been decorated for bravery. Every man had one or more little gold chevrons on his right sleeve, showing that he had been wounded in the fighting, and all wore similar chevrons on their left sleeves, testimony of their services in France.

All of the hundred who were able to walk about without crutches formed on the Battery and preceded by a band from the navy yard in Brooklyn playing stirring tunes, marched from the Battery up Broadway to City Hall Park. Those who were unable to walk rode in automobiles driven by women of the motor service of the American Red Cross.

TRUE REFORMERS BANK AT LAST DECLARES 25 PER CENT DIVIDEND

Richmond, Va., Nov. 21.—Judge Crump last week signed a decree declaring a 25 per cent dividend of the defunct Savings Bank of the Order of True Reformers which was forced to close its doors in 1910. He also directed the distribution of the money in hand, \$100,000, be made through the Mechanics Savings bank, a Colored institution, as most of the depositors were Colored.

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