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Negro Migration Causing Concern

Shifting of Population from South to North Raising Serious Problems Calling for Solution.

THE CHIEF CAUSES OF UNREST

Centenary Movement Interested in Raising Immense Sum to Be Used in Educating Wise Leaders to Help Situation.

NEW YORK.—One hundred thoufrom Southern munitions factories plex matter than life in the old Kenhave come North by the hundred and, year after year, there has been a northward.

"Now you have them, what are you going to do with them?" The South him proper leadership and an even asked this question mirthfully when break in the labor market and there has slowly changed to anxiety as the visible shortage of labor increases.

At present the North is beginning to ask the same question-what is to be done with the increasing Negro population? The problem is a doublebarreled one, affecting both the South and the North, and one that must be solved speedily for the economic health of the nation.

When called upon to give a reason for the steady northward migration of the Negro, Prof. J. O. Thomas, friend of the late Booker T. Washington, and, incidentally, examiner in charge of the United States employment service among the Negroes of New York City, smiled and related the following characteristic story:

"What do you want to go North for, Jerry?" asked a Mississippi plantation owner of one of his Negro laborers. "Don't you know that the Southern white man is the Negro's best

"Yes, boss, Ah reckon you am right; but when a Southern nigger can't agree with his best friends he don't quarrel with dem-he jes' naturally pick up an' leave dem!"

"Negroes come North because the color line is not drawn quite so tightly and because they find a freer access to educational institutions than is possible in the South," continued Prof. Thomas. "But often they find much cause for dissatisfaction in their new environment."

Education and specialized training, obtainable in the North; but the profession, once acquired, is not quite cratic Executive Committee from prosuch a simple matter.

Seven years of university and postgraduate work made a competent physician out of a studious young Negro, but failed to put him on the way of obtaining either a practice or an institutional position. Recently he appeared at the United States employment agency in uptown New York, expressing eagerness to secure a job as porter at \$50 a month and wondering why less competent white men succeeded in medicine while he failed.

Thousands of Negroes who came North to work in munitions plants, although some few of them are good mechanics, are now working in New York and other large cities as unskilled laborers. Many of them feel that they are discriminated against in favor of white workers.

a race also raises its sensitiveness people participated, costumed in all of abnormally, and the Negro in the the gorgeous styles of exclusive aris-North is getting restive.

tional League of the Darker Races?" This new society is enjoying a mush- ly one of the events of the season. room growth among the Negroes in The Royal Gardens is one of the real the North and is also patronized by Japanese and other non-white ele- the Windy City is regarded as comments of our cosmopolitan population, plete without a visit there. The pro-It is ultra-socialistic by inclination. At prietor is one of the most progressive present its aims are rather vague; men of the race and he has expended but whatever may be its ultimate ob- more than \$25,000 in making the place jective, this organization portends a in keeping with its name. More than mass movement among Northern Ne- \$5,000 has been expended on the gold groes which must be properly directed room alone. if it is to be beneficial instead of harmful to American democracy.

"The Negro church alone can guide such a movement," explained Prof. Thomas. "Educated or utterly illiterate, a Negro pastor wields more power spected than those of any other per- to be the defendant in a \$600,000 damgram of the Methodist Episconal bert Hanson and others in the supechurch is a step in the right direction rior court of Chicago. and will do much to prevent future racial misunderstandings.

This program proposes the expen- more than 5,000 people, mostly whites. law and order; and

diture of \$1,383,600 out of the \$105,-000,000 world betterment fund now being raised for the benefit of the Negro in the North. Community centers and educational propaganda will be counted upon to counteract any unbalanced anti-social tendencies which agitators may strive to stir up, while well equipped churches and intelligent, sufficiently educated, broad-minded Negro pastors are expected to aid

ment of the difficult racial questions. Many ex-munitions workers have found remunerative employment as gardeners in New York's suburban districts, where they live well among sand Negro soldiers recruited in agreeable surroundings. But most of the North. Negro workmen released finding life in the North a more com-

greatly in the final satisfactory settle-

tucky home. Patriotism beats strong in the Nehe will make an admirable citizen, but he must be given a chance.

PRESIDENT REQUESTTS ALABAMA GOVERNOR TO GRANT REPRIEVE

on urgent telegraphic requests from Wilson requested Governor Thomas which caused sinister mutterings. E. Kilby by letter to grant reprieve to Sergeant Edgar Caldwell, a Colored soldier who was sentenced to be hanged at Anniston for the murder of conclusion wrote:

ney general, at my request, may examine the records in the case?"

WHITE MAN'S PRIMARY

legal and an injunction has been members were enrolled. ited by Judge Erwin J. Clark of the Nineteenth district court at Waco Chief of Police Eberstein's statement spirit," said the speaker, "but, of restraining the White Men's Demo- and the sensational character of head- course, we hope and believe that this fice we can give you the size of the ceeding with the "white man's pri- a committee was appointed to draft It will not if we ourselves, the public coon was hung." mary" ordered for the city of Waco suitable resolutions for adoption by officials, the press and the pulpit and on February 18. Judge Clark holds the meeting. The following commit- all good citizens who are jealous of MEMPHIS APPOINTS the primary at which only white men tee was appointed: The Rev. W. C. our city's honor, welfare and good would be permitted to vote as violative of both state and federal constitutions, and also the Terrell election law. This is the first time the 'white man's primary," under which white men have been able to control affairs of their cities without interference from the Negroes, has been attacked in the courts.

"ROYAL GARDENS" SHOW PLACE OF CHICAGO

Chicago, March 18 .- New Orleans was moved to Chicago this week with the special production at the Royal Gardens of the Grand Mardi Gras tocracy and royal court. The crown-Have you heard of "The Interna- ing of Rex was the feature of the occasion and the affair was undoubted-

show places of Chicago and no visit to

BRINGS SUIT FOR INFRINGEMENT OF PATENT

Chicago, March 14 .- Dr. Elbert R. Robinson of this city, who for more

Local N. A. A. C. P. **Holds Great Meeting**

Audience of Several Hundred Crowds Zion Baptist Church to the Doors; community; and Over One Hundred Members Join:

Authorized to Have Interview with Chief of Police and Local Newspapers.

steady stream of Negroes flowing gro heart, but religious leadership tion for the Advancement of Colored down theirs; therefore, be it colors his whole life. He is by nature People. Interest in this meeting had if this crime wave continued Omaha race. would have a race riot. Feeling ran "Resolved. That we are unalterably high because of the sensational report opposed to the expressions and comthat Mrs. J. H. Glassman had been ment of Chief Eberstein or similar ex-Negro" in her home on Bristol street other public official. Montgomery, Ala., March 16-Based Friday night. It was in connection various citizens of Chicago, President made certain questionable statements creating a sentiment against the race John R. Shillady of New York, states tion of Japanese labor to the United

> promptly at 4 o'clock by the Rev. John ences to the race. Albert Williams, president, and was Cecil Linton, a conductor on an An- The Rev. W. F. Botts said the invoca- zation and copies thereof be trans- of inquiry from the association had America, Viscount Ishii cited as Janiston street car. The president in tion. Minutes of the previous meeting mitted to Chief of Police Eberstein been received the previous day, re- pan's "fixed policy," despite the treaty "In view of the fact that this man Jessie Hale Moss, and routine business Omaha." was a soldier of the United States, rapidly dispatched. The president dewould you not be willing to grant a livered an address giving the history believed a committee should be ap- Miss., on Sunday, March 2, and as to as "abundantly attested by her past brief reprieve in order that the attor- of the organization of the N. A. A. C. pointed to wait upon Chief Eberstein what steps had been taken by the Mis- record," would disarm any alarmist P., a resume of some of its achieve- and the press and present the resolu- sissippi authorities to deal with the and unwarranted view pointing to the ments, its aims and purposes and ex- tions in person, and to let it be dis- situation, goes on to remark as fol-Arrival of the president's request plained the necessity for strong local tinctly known that the self-respecting lows: was preceded by an appeal on the branches in every community where citizens of Omaha of both races do not president was so informed by the gov- ment. The address was listened to give the law-abiding citizens of this need not remain in the dark concernwas frequently interrupted with ap- which they are justly entitled. plause. At the close of the president's business be suspended and the books East St. Louis business starts here, Yazoo river." Waco, Tex., March 18.—The "white opened for enrollment of new mem- and if he permits it to start"—(a voice The association's anonymous corresman's primary" has been declared il- bers. One hundred and twenty new from the audience, "They'll find us pondent encloses a penciled memoranthe Asiatics who longht side by side with the Anglo-Saxons, Latins and Slavs

Attention having been called to Williams, pastor of St. John's A. M. name do our duty. Criminals, white E. church, chairman; the Rev. W. F. and black, can be and should be ap-Botts, pastor of Zion Baptist church; prehended and punished without inlicity committee, and Attorneys Amos P. Scruggs and A. W. Lewis.

R. C. Price said that when crimes ence of any of this class in the com- and entirely uncalled for; that he had murmurings will have any effect. munity, to report them to the police. been in official life for twenty-five Raising the average intelligence of Carnival, in which several hundred This he believed was all that Chief years and had never had any trouble BLACK BOLSHEVIK IN RUSSIA Eberstein meant, although he might with Colored people and did not expect have had an awkward way in express- to have. He intended to do his duty

ceived and adopted:

of criminal acts alleged to have been rectly quoted by the newspapers?" committed by Colored men; the tendency of newspapers generally to un- reply. duly emphasize by glaring headlines the race of the suspected assailant in you ought to say so, because our acsuch cases and the expression and tion was based upon the assumption in regard to these cases, adopt the following resolutions:

"Whereas, The National Association ill-advised and still think so." for the Advancement of Colored Peo-

the integrity of the race; and

race, with black or blackened races;

"Resolved, That the National Asso-

robbed, beaten and gagged by "a giant pressions and comment from any

with this crime that Chief Eberstein called upon and requested to avoid Colored People, through its secretary, agreement," in the matter of emigraby using in glaring and sensational that the association has received from States and await the time when "by The meeting was called to order headlines expressions of special refer-

"Resolved, That these resolutions be News of March 9. The clipping, after of both countries. opened by the singing of "America." spread upon the records of the organi- referring to the fact that a telegram read by the secretary, Mrs. and the principal newspapers of

applause.) "That's the right lows:

carry out this suggestion.

as chief of police, but in this he need-

"I have nothing to say," was his nian woman.

"Then, sir, if you were misquoted We considered such a public expression from you in your official capacity

does not come in contact with the bet- the south.

"Whereas, We hold that the expres- ter element of our people, but hang sions and comment of Mr. Eberstein out with the class whose habits are as chief of police tend to incite racial well known to the police, and it was antipathy, by his unfortunate refer- up to the police and not to us to apence to racial friction and a race riot prehend them. The committee furof another time and in a Southern ther assured him that he would find Jap Says Step Would Make Permanent the Colored citizens ready and willing "Whereas, We hold that the expres- to help him in any way they could. It Adopt Resolutions Condemning sions of Chief Eberstein to the effect was suggested that a practical way in Eberstein's Comment on the Crime that the Colored people should ferret doing what he seemed anxious to have Wave; Chief Wants Co-Operation. out the criminals of their race is an done by private citizens would be to attempt to shift official responsibility appoint an adequate number of up-APPOINT STRONG COMMITTEE and is an unwarranted reflection upon right, competent Colored men to the police and detective force of the city. "Whereas, We hold it not improb- Such men would be in a position to able that these crimes might have been ferret out and apprehend the lawless committed by the members of either classes which we all desire to have brought to justice. This practical sug- race prejudice, which he termed a the South, according to a recent can-vass, intend remaining permanently in er in the congested Harlem district, "Whereas, We hold that if Chief gestion was left with Chief Eberstein. a representative audience of Omaha's does his whole and sworn duty it will sured them that as chief of police he was urged by Viscount Ishii, Japanese best Colored citizens. The occasion not be any more necessary for Ne- would do his duty with impartiality to ambassador to the United States, was the regular weekly meeting of the groes to hunt down their criminals all, looking only upon crime as crime local branch of the National Associa- than it will be for white people to hunt and upon criminals as criminals, with- here last night. Nothing would conout regard to race or color.

the most religious man on earth. Give been quickened by the fact that much ciation for the Advancement of Color- to the committee and it is believed clared, than application of a proper publicity had been given recently to ed People puts itself on record in this that Chief Eberstein, who impressed remedy "at this opportune moment," robberies and attacks upon women community as being opposed to all the committee as a man who is really to "this cause of international disthe migration first began, but mirth will be no race problems in the North. supposed to have been committed by forms of crime by whomsoever com- anxious to do his sworn duty as a re- cord." The constitution of a league He is here to stay. Properly cared for Colored men, and the published state- mitted, and desires to see all criminals sult of this frank interview and manly, of nations, he added, would not be ment of Chief of Police Eberstein that brought to justice, irrespective of plain speaking, realizes that our best worthy of the conference if it omitted him in any practical way possible.

MISSISSIPPI INFORMATION

"Resolved, That the public press be al Association for the Advancement of would adhere to her "gentlemen's an anonymous correspondent a clip- gradual evolution," the problem would ping from the Jackson (Miss.) Daily be settled to the mutual satisfaction questing information concerning the right of her nationals to free enfate of Eugene Green, a Negro, al- trance and residence in the United The Rev. W. F. Botts stated that he leged to have been lynched at Belzoni, States, and said he hoped this policy

"The governor is not in the city and league constitution. "Nothing would part of Caldwell's attorneys to the there are relatively large numbers of want any race riot, do not expect any the telegram has not been answered. be farther from Japan's thought." he state supreme court, which automat- our race in these restless and perilous and look to the officials to suppress However, the National Association for continued, "than hastily to force the ically granted him a reprieve and the times of reconstruction and readjust- any suggestions of the kind, and to the Advancement of Colored People issue of the labor question in the with intense interest, and the speaker community the adequate protection to ing the fate of Green. He was 'advanced' all right from the end of a sire, that is upon a new article being "Let him know," said the speaker, rope and in order to save burial ex-HELD TO BE ILLEGAL address it was moved that all other "that we look to him to see that no penses his body was thrown into the discrimination."

ready to defend ourselves!" Thunder- dum, in excellent handwriting, as fol-

"If this information does not suf-

TWO CITY DETECTIVES

(By Associated Negro Press.)

Memphis, March 13 .- Through the the Rev. M. H. Wilkinson, pastor of diting a whole class for the crimes of influence of Robert R. Church, the Mount Moriah Baptist church; Mrs. individuals and bringing disgrace and new Negro politician in the South, James G. Jewell, chairman of the pub- suffering upon a whole community." two white detectives were dropped The same committee was named to from the force in this city and replaced by two Negro detectives, Albert The committee waited upon Chief Hurst and James Mahon, at a salary were committed they are not commit- Eberstein Monday, by whom they were of \$100 per month. These are the ted by the self-respecting element of received most courteously, and pre- first race officers appointed here in the race, but by a floating, irresponsented the resolutions. He said that more than twenty-five years. The sible class of pistol toters, and that it he had been entirely misunderstood white policemen have raised a protest, is the duty of the better class of our and that the action of the N. A. A. C. but the Negroes of Memphis have the people, should they know of the pres- P. in criticizing him was out of place ballot and it is not feared that their

WAS A NEW YORK BOXER

New York .- Among the names men-The committee on resolutions then ed the co-operation of the people. He tioned of aliens from the United the eminent representatives of interpresented the following resolutions, thought we were unduly excited over States who took part when the bolwhich were most enthusiastically re- nothing. He was advised that if he had shevik government of Russia was been correctly quoted in the daily formed appears the name of a Colored "We, the members of the National press, his statement might lead to the American, Prof. Gordon, an ex-pugi-Association for the Advancement of very results that it was felt he would list and an instructor in physical cul-Colored People, in regular meeting as- be anxious to prevent. He was asked ture, who had once been a doorkeeper edy of this conspicuous injustice arissembled, deploring the published cases the straight question, "Were you cor- at the American embassy in Petrograd and who had married an Estho-

EMPLOYS 4,500 OF OUR MEN

Hampton, Va.—There are 4,500 comment of Chief of Police Eberstein that you had been correctly quoted. Afro-Americans working in the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock economical in its nature; the other es-Co. This is our largest force of sentially a question of sentiment, of skilled men, and our highest paid legitimate pride and self-respect. If Chief Eberstein said that he was group, working anywhere in industry. anyone is afraid that a stipulation inamong his people than any one else, than twenty years has claimed to be ple, with a membership of 50,000 glad something had stirred us up to Some of them have been with the troduced in the league covenant for and his opinions are more greatly re- an inventor of a patent car wheel, is broad-minded, justice-loving men and come to him that he might make it company twenty-five years or more. the prohibition of any discriminate women of both races, is a human plain that he wanted the co-operation Eight to ten are on the retired list, treatment on account of racial difson. I believe that the Centenary pro- age suit brought against him by Al- rights organization, pledged to oppose of all good citizens in improving conevery form of racial oppression wheth- ditions. The committee pointed out to of their regular pay. The successful labor differences, will necessarily er in the nature of sinister sentiment him that the criminal element, which ones have built their own homes, sup- bring about labor difficulties or eco-Robinson is a well known figure in or actual physical violence, is further is relatively a very small percentage ported their churches, and helped to nomic troubles, that man has sin-Chicago and has been able to interest pledged to maintain every principle of our citizens, which fact he admitted, develop some of our best sections in gularly overlooked the actual facts

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Peace Much More Certain.

FOREIGN POLICY UNAFFECTED

Viscount Ishii Declares Tokio Would Continue to Adhere to "Gentlemen's Agreement" in Matter of Nipponese Emigration to United States.

NTEW YORK, March 18 .- Action by I the peace conference to eliminate "fruitful source of discontent and uneasiness among nations in the past," speaking before the Japan society tribute more effectively to the foun-The interview was quite satisfactory dation of permanent peace, he decitizens are willing to co-operate with a provision to right the "conspicuous injustice" arising out of prejudice between the races.

The ambassador indicated that if this were done Japan would not take New York, March 14.—The Nation- advantage of such a provision, but

> The restriction of immigration to probability of Japan's taking advantage of the coveted article in the event of the league covenant being modified in accordance with her deinserted in the covenant against racial

> Viscount Ishii urged the right of the Asiatics "who fought side by side with against the common foe," to equal consideration among the allied peo-

"The single-minded object of the war," said the ambassador, "was the maintenance of international justice and the establishment of durable peace. No consideration of racial feeling entered into the supreme decision for the sacrifices of blood and treasure on the part of any of the allied or associated powers.

"And now when this war for international justice is about to come to its happy termination and when the world league for permanent peace is being contrived, why should this question of race prejudice, race discrimination and race humiliation alone be left unremedied? When restriction of prohibition of discriminatory treatment of chattels and commodities is being adequately provided for, why should this unjust and unjustifiable discrimination against persons be allowed to remain untouched. An idea, however good, loses most of its value if only half executed. The constitution of a league of nations for which national justice and peace are now working an Paris with their untiring energy, would not be worthy of the great world conference if it omitted the necessary provision for the reming out of race prejudice.

"It may be added, in order to avoid possible misunderstanding, that this question of straightening out the existing injustice of racial discrimination should be considered independently of the questions of labor and immigration. The one is principally of international intercourse."