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## UNCHRISTIAN AND NARROW

THE religious bodies known as evangelical churches have united in a revival or evangelistic campaign at the Auditorium where Gypsy Smith, an evangelist of international reputation is preaching earnest and heart-searching sermons to multitudes who throng to hear him. We believe Gypsy Smith to be an honest and sincere man, striving faithfully to do his Master's will as he sees it. We believe that among the various congregations co-operating in this evangelistic campaign are many earnest, broad-minded and sincere Christians, both among the clergy and the laity. Indeed, we believe this class to be in the majority. For this reason we regret exceedingly the unchristian and narrow spirit manifested by the local committee of arrangements, the personnel of which is largely the same as that which conducted the Billy Sunday campaign here a few years ago when the same narrow and unbrotherly spirit was shown, in excluding colored singers from the choir. The same gratuitous insult was then offered the colored people of this city by telling them that members of their race were not wanted in the choir. The persons excluded at that time were members of St. John's A. M. E. church and those excluded this time are members of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, one of the congregations invited to cooperate in the campaign. The Monitor has scant respect for this brand of Christianity which is too much in evidence among certain prominent leaders, clerical and lay, among some of the churches in Omaha. Among men who ought to be too big for such littleness. We hope that Gypsy Smith may be the instrument in God's hand of opening their eyes that they may see how their self-righteousness and contempt for God's children of darker hue belie the very fundamentals of the Christian religion.

**NO "COLORED 'HI-Y'" NEEDED**  
 A MOVEMENT is on foot here which should be discredited and discouraged by right-thinking people, and that is the plan to organize a "HI-Y" in connection with the proposed colored branch of the Y. M. C. A. Up to the present time, as is very meet and right, all pupils in the public

schools of our city, grade and high are considered members of the student body, and admitted, without let or hindrance to all student activities and organizations. In athletics, debates, orchestra, band; cadet battalion and other activities our pupils take part with others. The boys who care to have been and are members of the "HI-Y" and enjoy the privileges of that membership equally with their fellow students. Sabert Hanger, Jas. Lewis, Dillard and Lovejoy Crawford, Ledrue Galloway and others have been or are at present members of the "HI-Y." The relationship here, as in other student activities is pleasant and without friction. Why disturb this relationship which is making for better understanding and feeling between the rising generation by having a separate organization? It is neither wise, needed, wanted nor desirable. The school authorities are not requesting it. Who, then, is? We have our own opinion but refrain from expressing it now. If our schools here were separate, which they are not, and ought not to be, then a separate "HI-Y" to provide for High school students would be necessary; but under present conditions there is not a scintilla of excuse for having anything of the kind or any other separate organizations connected with the schools. The proposed Y. M. C. A. can be made a real help to the youth and men of our city by organizing activities of various kinds among them, but it will be a serious mistake to countenance or favor any movement that will interfere with the unity of spirit which now controls the educational system of Omaha. A separate "HI-Y" would do this.

**300 TO SAIL FOR LIBERIA**  
 Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 27.—According to Robert Carter, three hundred citizens will leave here in December to take up permanent residence in Liberia under auspices of Marcus Garvey.

The Rev. Dr. Mosley and wife of St. Louis, Mo., and the Rev. Dr. John Goins and wife of Kansas City, Mo., are the guests of Mrs. Lucinda Smith Davis.

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# Portugal's Story



View of Lisbon Harbor.

(Prepared by the National Geographic Society, Washington, D. C.)  
 Portugal, one of the least known and least written about countries of Europe, owes this fact, in part at least, to its language. In spite of the claim made by some Portuguese that their speech is closer to the pure Latin than that of any of the other Romance peoples, students find that many Gothic, Arabic, and even Berber elements have strikingly altered the Latin foundation, making the language unusually difficult for those accustomed to the commoner European tongues.

But Portuguese is predominantly a Romance language, and Roman customs and practices have been just as tenacious in Portugal as the Roman tongue. Agriculture has hardly changed at all since the days when, under the protection of Roman legions, settlers came from Italy to the charming valleys of Portugal and introduced their methods of tilling the soil. The addition of maize to the crops grown since those days, a grain still used by the farmers as in old days, and they drag, not a modern implement of tillage, but the old primitive Roman plow consisting of crooked stick shod with iron and having a single handle. Grapes are trained upon trees as the Romans trained them, and wine is made in the peculiar way in which it was made on the Sabine farms of old Italy before the beginning of the Christian era.

**Not Much Like Spain.**  
 What is now the republic, but was for centuries the kingdom of Portugal, covers the greater part of the old province of Lusitania, one of the rich but hardly won units of the Roman empire. Because of general lack of knowledge in regard to Portugal, there has been a tendency to look on the country as a sort of poor imitation of Spain. Geographically, there is little in common between these two countries which together cover the Iberian peninsula. Much of Spain is a dry, barren tableland; but Portugal, sloping westward to the Atlantic from the east, is well watered, and many of its hills are covered with luxuriant forest growth.

The Romans recognized Lusitania to be fertile and desirable, and colonized it eagerly after the natives were subjugated. After the fall of the Roman empire, Portugal was overrun by the Visigoths from the north and later still by the Moors from the south. The results of the mingling of the blood of these two peoples with that of the inhabitants whom they found in Portugal is evident in the Portuguese of today.

The Tagus river, at the south of which is the beautiful capital and metropolis of the country, Lisbon, forms both an ethnic and economic dividing line. In the region to the north of the Tagus, comprising about three-fifths of the area of the country, are the Celtic, Gothic and Latin mixture with little or none of the Moorish or African strain. This northern region is a country of small farms largely cultivated by the proprietors and their families. The diffusion of the land among many independent owners has created a sturdy peasantry which has been the backbone of Portuguese nationality. The people are intensely patriotic and have ever been ready to fight against foreign domination.

**Famous for Its Wines.**  
 Much of Portugal is hilly, and the little farms of the region north of the Tagus consist of a series of terraces. Near the northern boundary of the country in the valley of the Douro river and its tributaries is the most famous wine country of Portugal. It is estimated that in favorable years more than 20 gallons of wine are produced annually in Portugal for each man, woman and child in the country. Port and Madeira are the best known of the vintages. They are shipped through Oporto in great quantities, going chiefly to Great Britain and Brazil, but in less quantities to many other markets. Nearly two millions of olive oil per inhabitant are produced each year. Portugal's cork forests are one of the chief sources of wealth for the country. From them comes nearly one-half of the cork produced in the world. The United States imports from Portugal about three-fourths of the cork which it uses.

South of the Tagus river the long occupation of the country by the Moors is evident not only through the architecture, but also because of the appearance of the people. Almost pure Berber types are met in many parts of the district.

**Its Rise as a Kingdom.**  
 There was really no Portugal during Roman, Germanic and Moorish domination. Portugal may be considered to have begun to emerge for the first time in 1065 when the Spanish crown, having conquered a small part of the northern portion of the present Portugal, made it an hereditary countyship. The rise of Portugal from this small beginning to an important kingdom and then an empire constitutes perhaps the most spectacular development of a nation to be found in modern history. The son of the first count, Alfonso Henriques, made his country independent of Spain and himself its king. He then began what was practically a crusade against the Moors to the south, and with the assistance of Christian knights from other countries of Europe, succeeded in driving the infidels from Lisbon in 1147. He and his successors continued the fight, and by about the hundredth anniversary of the fall of Lisbon the entire area of the present Portugal had been freed of Moorish domination.

The country continued to grow in importance, wealth and power. Prince Henry the Navigator became the patron of navigation early in the Fifteenth century, and under his encouragement Portugal's great page of discovery and colonization began to be written. The Portuguese were the first of the Europeans to have the necessary vision to make an ordered search for the hidden places of the earth; and their sailors were the first to establish contact between Europe and a large part of the then unknown world, both east and west.

But if the rise of Portugal was rapid, its fall from great power and wealth was equally swift. Its man power was severely drained to take care of its extensive possessions and its even broader spheres of influence. Even then colonial affairs were managed rather poorly and there came the inevitable reaction. Weak kings at home with spendthrift proclivities combined to undermine Portugal's rapidly built overseas empire; and the competition of other nations which went about the building of empires more methodically was no unimportant factor in the displacing of Portugal from the foremost position in world affairs which she had won so quickly and with such seeming ease.

Even though shorn of many of its former possessions, Portugal still controls more than 300,000 square miles of colonial dependencies, chiefly in Africa. The possession of this extensive territory makes Portugal the fourth colonial power of the world, if Russia be disregarded.

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Grove M. E., November 6th, 11 a. m., Dr. Wesley Jones; Mt. Moriah Baptist, No. 6, 11 a. m., Dr. R. C. Riddle; Pilgrim Baptist, Nov. 6, 8 p. m., Dr. D. W. Gooden; Pleasant Green Baptist, October 30, 11 a. m., Dr. A. B. Madison; St. Paul, Presbyterian, October 30, 11 a. m., Dr. J. H. Hutten; C. M. E., Nov. 6, 11 a. m., Dr. J. B. Hill; St. John's A. M. E., October 30, 11 a. m., Dr. A. L. Hawkins; Zion Baptist, Dr. A. G. Edwards; St. Philip's Episcopal, October 30, 11 A. M., Dr. L. E. Britt; Allen Chapel, A. M. E., Dr. Northross; Freestone Primitive Baptist, Dr. H. Wiggins.

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