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## CAPTAIN MARSHALL IS NOMINATED FOR HAITIAN POSITION

Prominent New Yorker and Overseas Here Given Important Place in Haitian Commissioner's Office.

## RANKS HIGH IN LEGAL CIRCLE

Renowned that Robert R. Church and Others Invited to Go to Island Republic for Conference With Government.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 10.—Captain Napoleon Bonaparte Marshall, of New York City, has been named by the State Department to a very important post of the High Commissioner in Haiti, General John H. Russell. Details of the appointment have not been given out, but it is known that Captain Marshall will be an important key man in carrying forward the program of the United States government in administering the affairs of Haiti.

Captain Marshall was in Washington several days, and during his stay held an extensive conference with Senator Medill McCormick of Illinois, who is chairman of the Committee of the Senate in charge of Haitian affairs. The appointment has been under consideration for several months.

Captain Marshall, who is one of the most prominent members of the legal profession in New York, is a graduate of Harvard, was born in Washington, D. C., and did valiant service in the World War. The captain was also one of the organizers of the Fifteenth New York Regiment.

Prior to closing up his business in New York, Captain Marshall may make a tour of a number of American cities, including particularly Chicago. The date for his departure for Haiti has not been named.

## Others To Go

It can be stated on high authority as was forecasted exclusively in A. N. P. dispatches last week that Robert R. Church, well-known business man of Memphis, Tenn., has been agreed upon to be chairman of the committee of representative citizens in various walks of life who will soon visit Haiti for the purpose of consulting with the Haitian government along lines of important economic advancement.

Others who are to be invited to go on this tour and who have practically been agreed upon are: Dr. R. R. Moton of Tuskegee Institute; Dr. U. G. Dalley, and Claude A. Barnett, of Chicago. Other members of the committee will probably be named from Indiana, Pennsylvania, Michigan, New York, and Massachusetts.

## FISHERMEN CATCH GIANT DEVIL FISH IN GULF OF MEXICO

Anglers Were Trawling for Shrimps When They Landed Octopus Weighing More Than a Ton.

## FOO LARGE FOR SHRIMP SALAD

Gulfport, Miss., Oct. 13.—While Charles Swanson and Harold Ososch were trawling for shrimps in the Gulfport channel six miles from shore they bagged the largest devil-fish probably ever captured in the Gulf water in this vicinity. The monster measured eighteen feet from side to side and was thirteen feet in length. Estimates of its weight ranged from 2,000 to 3,500 pounds.

Thirty-two men attempted to pull it up on the beach and could only succeed in getting half of its body out of the water. Although the craft which captured it is equipped with a twenty-four horsepower engine it required nearly four hours to tow it to shore. On account of being entangled in the net it was impossible for the fish to offer any resistance, otherwise those capturing it were of the opinion that it would have wrecked the net and probably swamped the boat. Even entangled in the net as it was when it brought its huge flappers down the noise sounded like the report of a gun, so say its captors. Hundreds of persons went down to the basin to view the monster.

## CARVER TO DEMONSTRATE

Suffolk, Va., October 13.—Professor Geo. W. Carver, Tuskegee's wizard, will be the feature of the fair to open here October 24th. He will demonstrate how to make milk, flour, coffee, etc., from peanuts.

## SHOT UP HARLEM

New York City, Oct. 13.—Probationary Patrolman Thomas Mahoney, white, was shot down by fellow officers in the Harlem section. Mahoney, who was drunk, was shot six times after he had fired at colored people passing on the street.

## WHITE SOUTHERNER PRAISES NEGRO CHARACTER

A white southerner, Archibald Rutledge, writing in the August 23rd number of "The Outlook", gives one of the most encouraging and friendly pictures of Negro home life that has appeared in recent years.

Under the title, "By the Black Hearthstone", Mr. Rutledge tells of visits to an old colored man, a friend with whom he had hunted in boyhood. "I want to bear testimony," says Mr. Rutledge, "that the Negro has the grace of heart to be as genuinely courteous as any man who walks the earth. And by 'courteous' I do not mean merely kindly and hospitable, I mean that he can sense the fitness of things and that he knows something of the reticences and the deferences of the heart. I take it that courtesy of this sort is an exceedingly authentic sign of character; and I know that I have found high and gentle courtesy in the Negro."

Mr. Rutledge further, after a convincing description of his Negro friend and the charming house in which he lives, assails the caricature of the race spread in motion pictures and magazines: "Inevitably he will be shown to be cowardly, absurd, pilfering, scheming, credulous, preposterous. If the characterizations were true, they might be ludicrous; but nearly all of them are shamelessly false. Long have I been amazed that the American public should be for so great a length of time so deeply deluded.—The popular idea of the Negro is as menacing to his and to the country's welfare as it is essentially false."

## UNITED STATES NOT YET QUALIFIED TO CONDEMN TURKEY

N. A. A. C. P. Secretary Addresses Nashville "Law Enforcement Conference"—Compares Lynching to Turkish Atrocities.

## CHURCH CHANGE CONDITIONS

Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 13.—Declaring that Turkish atrocities were no worse than excesses committed by the lynching mobs in America, James Weldon Johnson, secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, addressed the Law Enforcement Conference, held October 3rd to 6th, under the auspices of the Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals of the Methodist Episcopal church, here.

"In horror there is nothing to choose between the worst excesses attributed to the Turk and the torture of the victims of lynching mobs in America," said Mr. Johnson. "Have not eighty-three women been lynched in the Christian United States between the years 1889 and 1921? Have not 3,436 known lynchings taken place in our country from 1889 to January 1, 1922? And what is the alleged excuse for these horrors? It is that the Negro is a rapist. Certainly that charge is not justified against the eighty-three women who were murdered by mobs. Of the 3,436 known lynchings to which I have referred, only 570 or 16 1/2 per cent were even attributed to the crime of rape, and it should be borne in mind that accusing a man of rape is far from establishing his guilt. I have with me figures showing that in one year, in one of the five counties comprising greater New York more white persons were indicted for rape in the first degree than there were Negroes accused of it and lynched for it throughout the United States in a five-year period including that year. The year is 1917 in which thirty-seven white persons were indicted for rape in the first degree in New York county. In the five-year period 1914-1918, only twenty-eight Negroes out of 264 lynchings were accused of rape, and these figures are exclusive of the deaths in the East St. Louis riot of 1917.

"It is very largely in the hands of the church as a moulder of public opinion to correct the malicious slander which gives rise to the abominable crimes of mob murder that make our protests about Turkish atrocities seem the veriest hypocrisy."

## MISSISSIPPI'S BLACK REBELS DRAW PENSIONS

Washington, D. C., Oct. 13.—According to statistics compiled by the government staff of the United Confederate Veterans, 667 colored men who fought on the confederate side during the civil war are drawing pensions. Five hundred sixty-six of these are in Mississippi. Maryland is the only state which has no white or colored pensioners.

St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, Oct. 13.—Captain Henry Hough, white, was officially inaugurated governor of the Virgin Islands last week.

## MISSIONARIES MUST APOLOGIZE OR LEAVE LIBERIA

President King Demands that Lott Carey Baptist Workers Must Retract Statements or Be Deported.

## MAY CONFISCATE PROPERTY

Liberia, W. Africa, Oct. 13th.—Exercised by the attack upon the Liberian Government, made by A. A. Graham, secretary of the Lott Carey Baptist Commission here, President King is said to have asked for an apology to the government.

Dr. Graham, it is said, must publish a retraction and in case he doesn't the Lott Carey property will be taken over by the government and the Lott Carey missionaries deported.

Dr. Graham's report declares that Liberian towns are without postoffices, that there is not a single school in the whole republic supported by the state, that the churches of Liberia cannot pay their pastor's salaries and keep up the church edifices; that native people have no churches of their own; that civilized Liberia holds itself aloof from the native tribes, and that there is absolutely no intermingling of the two classes save in the capacity of "master and slave."

## BISHOP DEMBY ARRIVES IN CITY SATURDAY

Will Preach at St. Philip's and at the Trinity Cathedral.

The Rt. Rev. Edward Thomas Demby, D. D., Bishop Suffragan of Arkansas, will arrive in Omaha Saturday. He will preach at the Church of St. Philip the Deacon, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and at Trinity Cathedral, Eighteenth and Capitol avenue, Sunday night at half-past 7 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

## GRAND CHAPTER O. E. S. JURISDICTION OF NEBRASKA

The Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star held their first grand session in Omaha, October 5-6-7th, with all grand officers present.

Mrs. Laura Johnson, Worthy Grand Matron, called the Grand Chapter to order at 10 a. m. Worthy Grand Secretary Mrs. Maude Johnson called the roll of grand officers. All responded which indeed made Nebraska feel proud of the first grand session.

The Worthy Grand Secretary then called the roll of chapters and these being a quorum the Worthy Grand Patron, Joseph Carr, welcomed the Worthy Grand Matron and she proceeded to open the grand chapter in due form.

After prayer by the Grand Chaplain, Mrs. Young, and a song by the grand chapter, Mayor Dahlman was introduced by Mrs. Kate Wilson and he gave the welcome address in behalf of the city of Omaha. His address was full of encouragement and he complimented the grand chapter upon their noble work and at the end of his speech gave them the key to our city. A vote of thanks was then given to the mayor.

Worthy Grand Patron Carr responded to the mayor's address. Mrs. Lizzie Allen gave a solo accompanied by Miss Lucy Allen. Mrs. M. H. Wilkinson gave an excellent address on "Unity and Co-operation of the Sisters and Brothers in the Order." Rev. Russell Taylor gave a welcome address on behalf of our churches. Mrs. Hazel Terry Lewis gave the welcome address on behalf of the Omaha chapters in well chosen words. Mrs. Fannie Young of Lincoln responded.

The session was then called from labor to recreation. The Worthy Grand Matron commented those who took part on the morning program in a most excellent way.

The afternoon sessions of Wednesday and Thursday were interesting, indeed. The Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron gave excellent addresses.

The Chapter of Sorrow was held Thursday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Lizzie Wright.

Friday afternoon the Grand Master, Mr. R. Young, visited the grand chapter and gave a soul-stirring address. A vote of thanks was given the grand master.

The Grand Matron thanked all who had helped to make the session a success. Grand officers were elected and installed by Past Grand Master Hunter.

First grand session closed to meet in Lincoln, Nebr., in July 1923.

## ORGANIZED FIFTEEN "Ys."

Cape Town, S. Africa, Oct. 13th.—Max Yeargen, international Y. M. C. A. secretary, has organized fifteen Y. M. C. A.'s after the American plan in the schools here.

## PROMINENT BUSINESS MAN HAS ANSWERED THE FINAL SUMMONS

Silas Johnson Succumbs to Long Sickness at His Residence Friday Night—Resident of City 35 Years.

## HUNDREDS ATTEND FUNERAL

Silas Johnson, well-known undertaker, proprietor of the Western Funeral Home, quietly passed away at his residence, 2518 Lake street, about half past 9 o'clock last Friday night, after an illness of several weeks' duration. In fact Mr. Johnson's illness dates back to more than two years ago, although from his cheerfulness and industry only a few of his most intimate friends knew that he was suffering from a serious malady. This malady was, no doubt, intensified by his untiring devotion to his wife during her long illness to which she succumbed thirteen months ago. The immediate cause of his death was given by the attending physician as tuberculosis superinduced by diabetes.

Silas Johnson was born at Owensboro, Ky., August 22, 1865. His parents died when he was quite young and the boy was thrown upon his own resources. He came to Omaha over thirty-five years ago and was for a short time in railroad service. Subsequently he became headwaiter at the Merchants' hotel, one of the leading hosteleries of the city. He filled this position with great satisfaction for all concerned for twenty-two years. About seven years ago he entered into the undertaking business, successfully meeting the state requirements as a licensed embalmer. By strict attention to business and his high reputation for integrity, Mr. Johnson rapidly developed the Western Funeral Home into a substantial and well paying business. July 18, 1894, he was married by the Rev. John Albert Williams to Ida May, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus D. Bell, pioneer citizens of Omaha. Mrs. Johnson died September 5, 1921.

At the age of twelve years Mr. Johnson was baptized in the Baptist church at Owensboro, Ky., from which he never removed his membership. His funeral, at his request, was held from Zion Baptist church, Monday afternoon, under the auspices of Keystone Lodge F. A. & A. Y. R. Masons; Superior Lodge Odd Fellows; Pride of Omaha Temple Ancient Sons and Daughters of Jerusalem; Knights and Daughters of Tabor; Mosaic Templars of America and Burton Chapter Royal Circle of Friends. Sir Knight A. M. Harold was master of ceremonies. The Scripture lesson was read by the Rev. W. F. Botts, pastor of the church; prayer was offered by the Rev. Thomas A. Tagart, pastor of Bethel Baptist church; the obituary was read by the Rev. Russel Taylor, pastor of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, and the sermon was delivered by the Rev. O. J. Burckhardt, pastor of Allen Chapel A. M. E. church, a friend of the deceased of many years' standing. The various fraternities to which he belonged each took brief part in the exercises. More than 1,200 people attended the funeral. Six members of the Masonic lodge were active pall bearers. The honorary pall bearers were Drs. J. H. Hutten and L. E. Britt and Messrs. Henry W. Black, William Costen, William McIntosh and R. B. Rhodes. Interment was in the family lot at Forest Lawn cemetery. The Rev. John Albert Williams said the committal at the grave preceding the Masonic ceremony.

Mr. Johnson is survived by two nephews and two nieces, children of his only sister. They are Silas E. and Romanzo A. Brookings of Evansville, Ind., and Mary Lue and Anabel Brookings of Owensboro, Ky. Miss Mary L. Brookings was summoned to her uncle's bedside some weeks ago and was with him at the time of his death.

Mr. Johnson in his will named the Rev. John Albert Williams as his executor. Aside from bequests to relatives and friends he left \$100 to the Old Folks Home and \$100 to the Church of St. Philip the Deacon.

## NEW SCHOOL FOR NORFOLK

Norfolk, Va., Oct. 13th.—Architects are working on a new high, elementary and trade school to house 100 colored children and take up a whole city block. The cost is not to exceed \$450,000.

## 3 STATES AGAINST LYNCHING

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## LEWIS FOR SENATE

Richmond, Va., Oct. 13.—M. M. Lewis, editor of the Newport News Star, was nominated for the United States senate by the Lily-black convention of the republican party.

## SPIRITUALISTS ARE ATTENDING CONVENTION

Mrs. Ella L. Liverpool, president of the Mayo Spiritualist Society, with ten members of the society are attending Nebraska state convention of spiritualists which is in session at Lincoln. Mrs. J. Alice Stewart accompanied the Omaha delegation to direct the chorus.

## THE N. W. C. A. HOME

The members of the Old Folks' Home association are always grateful when any interest, however small, is manifested by our citizens in this worthy institution which deserves hearty support as the one charitable establishment under the management of our people. Mr. S. H. Dorsey has just sent his annual donation of \$5 which is appreciated and hereby gratefully acknowledged.

RT. REV. E. THOMAS DEMBY, D. D.

## NEGRO GARDNER DEVELOPS A NEW VARIETY OF FRUIT

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Washington, D. C., Oct. 13.—Hezekiah Brooks, Negro gardener and fruit-grower of Miami, Fla., recently announced the successful conclusion of his attempts to produce a new variety of mango. It is claimed that the result is destined to fill the gap in the fruit calendar of the southern section of the country. This is due to the fact, as claimed by Brooks, that the fruit ripens between November and January, a period during which the mango is not to be found in that market.

The Brooks' mango is similar to the Mulgoba in appearance and texture, but is declared to be superior to that variety in flavor. Some experts pronounce it a cross of the Mulgoba and Sundash. Some of the new mangoes have been presented to eminent authorities of horticulture and some have been sent to the Department of Agriculture at Washington.

## THREE STUDENTS WERE OVERLOOKED

In the article published in last week's Monitor concerning the large number enrolled as high school and university students from the Episcopal Church of St. Philip the Deacon, one high school and two university students were overlooked. These were Bertrand Dillard, who is a student in Technical high, and Roscoe and Philip Howard, who are students at Western university, Kansas City, Kans. This makes the total number eighteen high school and eight university students. As the number of colored students enrolled at Central and Technical high schools is 150 this means that exactly twelve per cent of these belong to St. Philip's.

## SOL LEWIS INTRODUCED BLACK SWAN RECORDS

Sol Lewis, who for twelve years has conducted a jewelry store at Twenty-fourth and Parker streets, subsequently adding phonographs and records, has deservedly a large patronage from our people. He is a courteous and broadminded gentleman. He was the first dealer to introduce Black Swan and Okeh records featuring colored artists in the city. Believing that our people would appreciate records of this kind he took the risk of securing the agency and introducing them here. Subsequently other dealers realizing their popularity have followed his lead. He has built up a growing business by courteous attention to the wishes of his patrons.

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## SOME FACTS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW

Hundreds of Negroes enlisted in the British and French armies before the United States entered the war. Negro troops were conspicuous, clad in Scotch kilts and carrying swagger sticks.

The excess of females over males in the Negro population has appeared persistently in the census returns covering a period of seventy years. The 1910 census gave an excess of 56,000 females.

Forty-two colored people have received the Carnegie medal for heroic conduct from 1904 to 1918.

The 369th Infantry (old 15th N. Y.) was the first colored combat regiment to go overseas. This regiment also won enduring fame in France, and was cited for bravery eleven times.

One of the most important contributions to the civilization of mankind was very possibly made by the Negro race—the invention of the smelting of iron?

There were Negro land owners in Virginia in 1651.

Our talent and ingenuity have furnished headlights for the locomotives and the lubricant that makes the running smooth.

We take care of our sick, orphans and aged in thirty hospitals and sixty homes which we ourselves support, and we bury our dead in five hundred cemeteries which we have bought and beautified.

## BATTLING SIKI IS COMING TO AMERICA TO MEET NORFOLK

Carpentier's Conqueror Accepts Text Rickard's Offer for Bout in New York Some Time Late in November.

## CONSIDERATION [NOT NAMED]

New York, October 13th.—Batting Siki, the Senegalese fighter who sprang into world wide pugilistic prominence by knocking out Georges Carpentier, in Paris, will fight in New York on or about Thanksgiving Day, November 30th.

The New York Boxing Commission has accepted Norfolk's challenge to Siki, and have issued instructions that his claim must be accepted before any other. So it appears as though Norfolk will be the one to really give Siki his initiation in this country.

The announcement of the fight by Tex Rickard, fight promoter, who stated he had received Siki's acceptance to meet any light heavy-weight who might be named by Rickard in defending his newly acquired title.

Phomoter Rickard has conducted negotiations with M. Hellers, Siki's manager, by cable for several days and his announcement marks the end of an interesting contest between several American fight promoters to obtain control of Siki's pugilistic services in this country.

Rickard refused to state the exact financial arrangements made with the Senegalese fighter, but it is understood the contract closed by cable calls for Siki to meet Jack Dempsey next summer should he win his bout on Thanksgiving day.

A clause is also incorporated in the agreement which provides Rickard may promote, if he desires, a contest between the world's champion and the conqueror of Carpentier next summer regardless of the outcome of Siki's first match in this country.

It is said the latest colored pugilistic sensation will arrive in this country about November 1st and will train in or near this city for his bout tentatively set for Thanksgiving Day.

If the bout is held at Madison Square Garden, as appears probable, it will be a fifteen round contest to a decision under the New York State boxing regulations.

## COLORED WORLD STIRRED BY TURKISH VICTORIES

London, Oct. 6.—(Crusader Service.)—On both sides of the Afghanistan frontier the Moslems are showing much interest in the Turkish situation, which necessitates watchfulness and caution, says a dispatch from Simla, British India. Major Humphries, a member of the Afghanistan government, will arrive in Simla tomorrow to confer with the British Indian government.

The despatch adds that the internal situation in India is extremely disquieting and that there are signs that the unrest in the Punjab is spreading as a result of the brilliant Turkish victories.

## SENATOR TOWNSEND GRATEFUL FOR THE SUPPORT RACE GAVE

Michigan Senator Who Stood Loyal By the Dyer Anti-Lynching Bill Acknowledges Effectiveness of Colored Vote.

## WOLVERINES VOTE UNITEDLY

National Association Is Strong Factor in Solidifying Race Support of Townsend and Defeat of Kelly.

New York, Oct. 13.—Senator Chas. E. Townsend of Michigan, renominated in the recent primary election over Patrick J. Kelley, who opposed the Dyer Anti-Lynching Bill, has telegraphed the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People his thanks for the power and effectiveness of the colored vote.

Senator Townsend's telegram, which is addressed to Walter F. White, Assistant Secretary of the Advancement Association, is as follows: "With deep gratitude I acknowledge the most valuable assistance of the colored voters of Michigan in the recent primary election. Their support of me was effective and potential. (Signed) Charles E. Townsend."

A further telegram from Oscar W. Baker, Chairman of the Colored Citizens' Division of the Townsend Campaign Committee, sets forth in detail the part played by the N. A. A. C. P. Mr. Baker's telegram reads: "Estimated number of colored voters in Michigan with the women voting is about seventy-five thousand. Never in the history of the United States have they been so thoroughly organized and aroused as they were in the recent primary for the nomination of U. S. Senator. The big issue was the passage of the Dyer Anti-Lynching Bill. Every hamlet, village and city was organized as a result of the fight of the N. A. A. C. P. for the enactment of the Dyer Anti-Lynching Bill into law. Our Association played big part and our vote for Townsend was a unit. It was the balance of power, and our vote transferred to his nearest competitor would have defeated Townsend. The N. A. A. C. P. supplied the incentive and motive for a united vote of our group in Michigan for Senator Townsend and is thoroughly appreciated and recognized by him in letter to me recently forwarded to Mr. Johnson. (Signed) Oscar W. Baker, Chairman."

The latest figures of the Michigan primary election received at the office of the N. A. A. C. P. show that, for 2543 precincts out of 2856, the vote stood as follows: Townsend, 136,635; Baker, 113,170; Kelley, 63,968; Emery, 51,647.

## GEORGIA LYNCHES NINTE

Wrightsville, Ga., Oct. 13.—Georgia's ninth lynching in sixty days took place near here October 5th when a mob of fifty men, some wearing masks, wrested James Johnson from Washington county officers, hanged him to a tree and riddled him with bullets.

Johnson was being brought here from Saundersville jail to face trial on the charge of assaulting a white girl on March 20th. Sheriff Wood said he had heard the mob would try to lynch the prisoner, but did not believe the repeated rumors. He was taken by surprise and said he had to surrender the prisoner or be killed.

## PETITION HARDING

President Urged to Bring Anti-Lynching Bill up in Extra Session.

Boston, Mass., Oct. 6.—The National Equal Rights League wired President Harding today urging him to put the Dyer Anti-Lynching Bill on the calendar for the special session of congress.

In a call to its members, the League declares the Dyer Anti-Lynching Bill is dead unless the President specifies that this bill shall be discussed at the special session of Congress.

Persons all over the United States are being urged to send similar petitions to the President.

## WOMEN PICKET SCHOOLS

Springfield, Ohio, Oct. 6.—Efforts of the superintendent of schools to expel all colored pupils from white schools and send them to a separate school in the Fulton district met with united opposition from parents last week. A city-wide organization of women was formed with headquarters in an abandoned church opposite the school building.

Parents are being advised to keep their children at school and women posted outside turned pupils back desiring to enter.

The American Legion passed a resolution telling the school board that its duty is to instruct children, not to segregate them.