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**EDITORIALS**

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## The Apostle of Freedom

By Effie Lockhart Clark  
"part III"  
Story of Richard Allen

Another familiar historic example of these two observations is found in the life of Toussaint L'Ouverture and the Dominican Republic. Better known as Haiti. Mind you, the Haitian revolt, led by Toussaint L'Ouverture against the "invincible" Napoleon Bonaparte armies of France—is the only instance in recorded history where a group of slaves successfully overthrew their masters and subsequently set up their own government. May I repeat. **The Haitian revolt, led by Toussaint L'Ouverture, against the Napoleon Bonaparte armies of France, is the only instance in recorded history, where a group of slaves successfully overthrew their masters and subsequently set up their own form of government.**

Toussaint L'Ouverture was a slave while leading this revolt. A man of ordinary physical proportions. As a matter of fact he was so frail as a child his master gave Toussaint the job of grooming horses. That is how he found time to learn to read and write.

Toussaint L'Ouverture was divinely inspired. He was obsessed with a singleness of mind for freeing his fellow slaves. Toussaint didn't even let the fact that he had never had scientific military training obstruct him in the least. Imagine a man going out to train an army of guerrilla fighters in military tactics when he never spent a day of his life in the army. But Toussaint L'Ouverture had a keen mind and keen insight.

Whereas you might give the average person who has not trained and disciplined his powers of concentration one hundred books on military strategy and tactics—that person could read those hundred books from cover to cover and still be as ignorant on military theory as he was before he cracked the books. On the otherhand, you might give a man like Toussaint L'Ouverture ten books in military strategy and he might come away able to give MacArthur a run for his money, in military theory. In otherwords, we don't always need a lot with which to work nor do we always need the very best. It is the amount of energy which one is able to expend and how he expends it that counts. Energy! The wisest expenditure of energy is the genius of all great achievement. And of course the wise utilization of energy is determined by its organization and direction. What goal have you set for yourself? How do you propose to get there? If you are looking to outside help only—Lord knows you'll never accomplish anything. If you'll be guided by your intuitive insight, divinely inspired—nothing can stop or hinder you short of death itself. Even then someone else will grasp the burn-

ing torch and carry it on to ultimate victory. Witness that in the life of Mahatma Ghandi and his successor Nehru.

This carries us to our third and final point. If the proper goal is set and harnessed to a controlled release of energy—victory is yours before you strike the first blow.

The atom bomb, a negative characterization of this point is merely a 20th Century manifestation of a phenomena which is as old as the human race. We find it in secular and non-secular literature. David killed Goliath. You probably are familiar with the story of the 3 brothers who were sent into the woods to chop down trees and bring back wood or money for their labors. One of these brothers was dubbed "Simpleton." The other two were their parents' favored sons. They were given the sharpest axes with which to cut down the trees while Simpleton was given the dull one. They were given the biggest lunches with huge pieces of cake while Simpleton took slivers. The two favored sons hurt themselves with their axes and only carried home wounds for their mother to nurse. Simpleton cut down a tree and found a golden goose in it. He decided to take it to the king because he knew that the king would offer a good price for it. However, the keeper of the gate at the king's palace bribed Simpleton by refusing to let him in unless the Simpleton promised the keeper one-half of whatever the king gave him. When Simpleton reached the keeper of the door, he had to promise this keeper half of what he received also. When the king asked Simpleton to name his price, Simpleton replied, "I am sorry sir, this goose does not belong to me." The king asked for an explanation. Simpleton said, "I only ask for one hundred lashes." The king asked why? When Simpleton told him of the two bribes, the king said, "Why you are no simpleton. I consider you a very clever man." Whereupon the king gave each of the two keepers their 50 lashes. Simpleton was given the king's daughter. He returned home a wealthy prince. We say that the lion is king of the beast but can a snake strike the lion a lethal blow?

(Continued Next Week)

Fail to honor people, they fail to honor you.

But, of a Good leader, who talks little,

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**Nebraska's Governors—22**

Chester H. Aldrich, governor of Nebraska from 1911-13, was born on a farm in Ashtabula County, Ohio, November 10, 1862. He was the eldest of five children.

As was true of so many other young men who came to Nebraska and made a mark for themselves, Chester Aldrich worked his way through school. He attended Hillsdale College in Michigan for three years, teaching school on the side to meet expenses, and then went on to Ohio State University, from which he graduated in 1888.

Shortly after his graduation, young Aldrich came to Nebraska, settling in Ulysses, where he was appointed principal of the high school. He taught school in Ulysses for three years, reading law on the side. He also found time to woo and marry Sylvia Stroman of Ulysses.

Upon admission to the bar, Aldrich removed to David City where he began the practice of law. In addition to his extensive law practice, he was active in community affairs in David City, serving on the school board and the town council, as well as a term as mayor.

In 1906 he was elected to the state senate and served one term. In 1910 he entered the Republican primary as a candidate for governor and won the nomination over two opponents. In the red-hot campaign that followed his Democratic opponent was Mayor Jim Dahlman of Omaha, long a colorful figure in Nebraska.

Aldrich won by a comfortable majority, but the Democrats had control of the legislature which convened as he was inaugurated. There seems to have been little cooperation between the Governor and the Legislature. If you will read Governor Aldrich's messages in the volumes published some years ago by the state historical society you will observe that he vetoed many legislative acts, and some of them in sharp language. Governor Aldrich was renominated by the Republican party in 1912, but was defeated in a close race by John H. Morehead of Falls City, the Democratic candidate.

Following his term as Governor, Mr. Aldrich practiced law in Lincoln, until he was elected an associate justice of the state supreme court in 1918. He died, March 10, 1924, while serving on the court.

As Governor, Aldrich's messages were sharp and concise. He was one of the early boosters for good roads in Nebraska. In his out-

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## Welcome Book to Any Good Library

Reviewed by

**Luix Virgil Overbea**

"Who's Who in Colored America," edited by G. James Fleming and Christian E. Burckel, Christian E. Burckel and Associates, Yonkers-on-Hudson, N. Y., 648 pp.

The new seventh edition of "Who's Who in Colored America" should be a welcome addition to any good library. This book contains more than 3,000 biographies of Negroes who are achieving in America.

Edited by G. James Fleming and Christian E. Burckel, this volume provides a ready reference for any person wishing to know a quick story about any particular Negro.

Printed on thick, semi-smooth paper, this book should wear well, too. Utilizing the variable type process, the book features large, easy to read type.

For convenience "Who's Who" has two indexes classifying persons by occupation, profession or interests and by geography. An added feature of the volume is the inclusion of pictures of many of the persons featured.

On the merit side this book apparently has styled itself after the "Who's Who in America" in the quality of its editing and reports. It promises to come out regularly, thus filling a great need for persons interested in Negro leaders.

The cover is an attractive green with the name in the map of the U.S.A. in gold. Featured on the inside of the covers are illustrations of numerous phases of Negro life sketched by Jay Jackson.

As may be expected in a work of this kind, a number of persons were left out, some of them by neglect and others because they refused to turn in interview blanks.

Here and there, the book features a boner such as the leaving out of Marian Anderson from the list of concert singers in the classification section. Also, some of the persons contributing pictures of themselves could have forgotten about trying to recall the past by sending current photographs.

This is the first attempt of the publishers to produce this type of book. It is an excellent example of what is to come in the future.

going message to the legislature, he state: "Travel by automobile his now become general and eventually the almost exclusive way of getting across the country both for business and pleasure. To use the automobile successfully good roads are necessary."

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## Rockefeller Foundation May Withdraw

KINGSTON, Jamaica. (ANP). The Rockefeller foundation will cease to function in Jamaica, July 31, 1951, unless steps are taken by the Jamaican government to request it to continue its public health work here.

The Rockefeller-foundation began its work here in 1919. It has worked with the Hookworm commission, School Hygiene unit, Bureau of Health education, School for Sanitary inspectors, Malaria, Tuberculosis and Yaws commissions. It has been active in the training of public health workers, the improvement of Public Water supplies and recently started a study of vital statistics.

Dr. John F. Kendrick is in charge of the staff. Whether the foundation will close out here depends upon the decision of the New York offices. Already they have operated here longer than in any other area—there policy being to encourage the people to take over and carry on. It seems certain the government will ask them to remain.

## Walter White to Speak in Omaha

OMAHA, Neb.—"Color Line Across the Globe," is the topic of a lecture to be delivered in Omaha soon by the world-renowned Walter White. Mr. White, General Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, will speak at Technical High School Auditorium on Monday, November 20th, at 8:00 P.M.

Mr. White's story of his own battle for racial equality has been published under the title, **A Man Called White**.

Mr. White's brilliant accomplishments as an author, sociologist and educator have made him an outstanding spokesman for his people. He has worked unceasingly to convince Congress and the American people that Negro Americans must be granted the first class citizenship guaranteed them by the Constitution.

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