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SENATOR WARNER.

The People are Proud of the Senator from Missouri.

LECTURE OF BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

Advice of the Great Leader of Much Value to His Race.

If the Negroes, as a whole, would accept the doctrine and advice of Booker T. Washington, great good would necessarily result.

An audience of fully 5,000 Negroes greeted Dr. Booker T. Washington in the Convention hall on Friday night of last week. The meeting was called to order by Bishop Grant. Prof. T. W. Vernon of the Quindaro University in introducing the speaker to the audience paid him a high tribute for the great work which he has accomplished in Tuskegee, the influence of which has indirectly benefited the entire Negro race of the United States. Among other things the great educator advises his people to become producers—court responsibility, learn trades, save your money, start a bank account, buy land and become producers.

"We are the only people in America today who were invited to come," he said. "The invitation was urgent, imperative. Why, we were even given transportation here, while the whites that landed in 1492 came against the wishes of the then sovereign people of America. Would it be right for us to pack up and leave now? Would it be grateful or polite to do so? Never! Here we are and here we stay.

"Race problem? Yes. One white man and the black one who squats down by him make a race problem. But, my friends, the problem is not a serious one. Fair play will solve it.

Stop the \$150 Funeral, He Says.

Mr. Washington emphasized the importance of courage, faith in the ultimate rise of his race. "Pay less attention to your \$150 funerals and your burying associations, and more to the building of homes here on earth," he exhorted. "You can't live in an alley hovel here and expect to be transported to a white mansion above. The change would be too sudden for you to enjoy it."

Commenting upon the hopefulness

of ever setting the Negroes apart from the whites, Mr. Washington said: "It would take an insurmountable wall to keep the Negroes on ground set apart for them; and it would take five walls mountain high to prevent the whites from breaking in upon the blacks. Absorption is equally impossible, for this reason. It takes 100 per cent of pure Anglo Saxon blood to make a white man. One per cent of African mixture will make a Negro."

On the tendency to industrial black-slides on the part of the Negro, Mr. Washington said: "Our race used to control the barber industry until along came a white who used his brains, invented a new barber chair, made his shop artistic, furnished his patrons with papers and magazines and drove Rastus out of business."

Booker Washington has often been asked why he did not select some large city in which to establish his great school. His reply to the question has always been that he did not care to select a spot where a white man had preceded him. The actual results accomplished by Mr. Washington in Tuskegee are wonderful when all facts are considered. Everything that exists today in Tuskegee is the result of a determined effort on the part of the Negro students. The streets of the town were laid out by Negro surveyors. The electric light plant was established by Negroes. Architectural designs of all the buildings were planned by Negroes. When you call up "central" you are answered by a Negro girl and the whole telephone system is the product of Negro skill and knowledge. There is also a bank in Tuskegee owned and conducted by Negroes.

In the course of his remarks Mr. Washington told of a dispute which arose in a little Negro church over the salary of the preacher. In the midst of the contention an old brother merged from the amen corner and declared that the preacher should not receive any more pay this year—and upon being asked why, the old brother declared that the preacher had been paid for that sermon.

The inference was that same sermon had been preached during the entire year.

Mr. Washington advised his audience that he had investigated all the prisons in the United States and failed to find a single case where an inmate was ever a student of his school and only in a few instances did he find criminals who had been students of other large institutions of learning. Such a report is very gratifying for it shows conclusively that education is conducive to good citizenship in all races. But with all the disadvantages under which the Negro has labored, Dr. Washington declares that the future of the race is in the South.

BOOKER T. AT QUINDARO.

Dr. Booker T. Washington delivered a lecture at the Quindaro University last Friday afternoon which for its great worth was admired and esteemed by the students of the school.

After the lecture President Vernon and wife, at their beautiful residence which commands an excellent view and overlooks the Missouri River and the shores of both Kansas and Missouri, entertained Dr. Washington at a special dinner given in his honor, at which were present, besides the distinguished world-educator: Bishop Abram Grant, Hon. J. G. Groves of Edwardsville, Trustees Judge L. W. Keplinger, Hons. Corvine Patterson and J. R. Ramson; Hon. George W. Jones of Hill City, Dr. J. E. Edwards of Topeka and Prof. L. N. Spurlock, director of industries, a graduate of Tuskegee.

As the party left the grounds they were escorted back as far as the postoffice by the University Band and a number of visitors and admirers.

We feel encouraged along the line of efforts made here exemplifying the aims and objects of the Tuskegee idea, as promulgated by the original author, Dr. Washington, who is changing the sentiment of the world, and bringing it to his own way of thinking as regards the education of the races of mankind. Thus honored in the highest degree, this occasion is significant and marks an epoch in the life and future of this growing institution.

Pigeons Mate for Life.

When a pair of pigeons become mated they are practically "married." In a loft of fifty husbands and fifty wives each couple attends to its own household affairs, does not worry about its neighbors, but goes on building nests, laying eggs and raising young. They are very devoted to each other and divide all labor excepting laying eggs.

The Great Evil Done.

In a book of reminiscences of an Irish land agent a Tipperary priest is quoted as having addressed his flock in the following manner: "It's whisky makes you hate your wives; it's whisky makes your homes desolate; it's whisky makes you shoot your landlords, and"—with emphasis, as he thumped the pulpit—"it's whisky makes you miss them."

Control of Africa.

All parts of Africa, except Abyssinia, Morocco and Liberia, are controlled directly or indirectly by some European power. French Africa is about equal in area to half the United States.

Well, That's Only His Fair Share.

When mother puts up preserves, father puts up the sugar—Boston Home and Abroad.

Scarlet is Mourning Garb.

Unmarried women in Brazil wear scarlet for mourning.

PASSING OF NEGRO SERVANTS.

It is indeed sad to see so many of our colored girls out of employment and wandering around from place to place. Many of them are too proud to work for their own people and many of them are too lazy to work for the white people. Of course there are some honorable exceptions. The colored servants should remember that they can be ladies and gentlemen in the kitchen and dining room as well as they can in the parlor. There are lots of young men and women working out as servants and can command respect if they respect themselves. But the condition of many of the colored servants today is heart-rending. Many of them are not wanted because they are not reliable and unclean in appearance. The large hotels are dispensing with the colored waiters, bell boys and colored cooks. Barber shops that have heretofore been conducted by colored men are fast being displaced by white barbers. The Italians have pushed the colored bootblack aside and established modern and up-to-date parlors. The Chinaman and up-to-date laundries have taken the place of the colored washerwoman, and the colored nurses no longer are seen upon the public streets. What will be the future of the colored servant is the question? The colored pulpit has thrown aside religion and joined the army of money grafters. Instead of religion in the colored church being preached, begging for money to carry into effect speculation schemes from which many of them receive a percentage. What will be the future of the colored servant is the question that ought to be considered by the pulpit. The time is ripe for the colored people in this city to be looking about them. The colored servant is passing out of existence fast.—The Bee.

LINCOLN INSTITUTE NOTES.

The Board of Regents, represented by its president, Hon. D. C. McClung of Jefferson City, Hon. E. C. Wilson of Mexico and Secretary N. C. Burch made an official inspection of the institution, April 26.

These gentlemen were accompanied by ex-Secretary of State Sam B. Cook, Attorney Charles A. Winston and Col. Sam Kellar, Globe-Democrat correspondent.

The entire party partook or a seven course dinner prepared by the young ladies of the cooking class in the model kitchen of the Domestic Science Department and served in the model dining room.

The following editorial from the Jefferson City Republican Review speaks for itself:

Lincoln Institute.

A party of Jefferson City men went over to Lincoln Institute yesterday to inspect the work of that school and came away with a high opinion of its management and teachers.

They were deeply impressed with the standards of work in all the departments, but they were particularly impressed with the work which is being done in the industrial department. In that department they found young men gleaming practical information in blacksmithing, carpentry in all its branches, including wood moulding and other useful trades, and the girls acquiring the rudiments, aye more, a practical and working knowledge of domestic science in all its departments.

They were shown exhibits of the sewing, laundering, fancy needle work, etc., done by the girls, and they were not only shown, but ate a wholesome dinner prepared by the students and served in the spacious dining-room of the new girls' dormitory.

All the men have been seen today, and while there is not a single one of them but that ate twice as much as he should, none of them are sick, which serves to show that the girls of Lincoln Institute will never shorten the lives of the good men they will marry some day by bad cooking.

President Allen and the teachers in the various departments are a good lot and visitors are always shown every courtesy due them.

For information relative to Lincoln Institute's famous summer school address, Dr. B. F. Allen, president.

Thank God for Gifts.

The Mohammedans have the custom, when they receive a present, of thanking God first, then the giver. If you do them a favor, they will say: "I thank God for your kindness to me." Some may comply rather thoughtlessly with this custom, which they have inherited from their fathers. But many certainly say it with their whole heart.

Chinese Amazons.

Women in China have the privilege of fighting in the wars. In the rebellion of 1850 women did as much fighting as the men. At Nankin, in 1853, 500,000 women, from various parts of the country were formed into brigades of 13,000 each, under female officers. Of these soldiers, 10,000 were picked women, drilled and garrisoned in the city.

Astonishing!

It is astonishing, though, how far a good complexion will carry a girl. I verily believe that nine out of every ten men are more attracted by a really good complexion and a healthy color than by fine eyes or pretty hair, or even a good figure—which is another valuable asset for a girl to possess.—"Ambrosia," in The World.

Woman's Right to Be Attractive.

To be as attractive and as pleasing as possible is a quite laudable ambition; and every woman, be she naturally plain or pretty, should make the most of such points of attractiveness as she possesses, cultivate each charm assiduously and by every legitimate means seek to enhance it.—Exchange.

Uncalled-for Night of Agony.

A story is told of a man who, crossing a disused coal field late at night, fell into an apparently bottomless pit and saved himself only by grasping a projecting beam. There he clung with great difficulty all night, only to find when day dawned that his feet were only four inches from the bottom.

A Man in the Moon.

Although the moon is not a riotously luxuriant abode, it is anything but the lifeless orb commonly supposed. It may be desolate and cold, but it is not altogether dead.—Scientific American.

Where to Have a Boil.

Thomas Bailey Aldrich, commenting once upon the trials of Job, remarked that the only proper place to have a boil was between "John" and "O'Reilly."

Still Poisonous Snakes in Europe.

The Tyrolean government still pays for the extermination of poisonous snakes. It is the one European government which now does so.

Sudan Ostrich Feather Trade.

The ostrich feather trade in the Sudan seems doomed, owing to the success of the South African ostrich farms.

Ice on Telegraph Wires.

Ice forming on telegraph wires sometimes increases their weight 20 per cent less than 90 per cent.

American Oysters for Shanghai.

American oysters are sent as far as Shanghai.

Henry Bergh's Name Honored.

In 1866 the late Henry Bergh founded the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and on its incorporation he became its first president. He made himself the butt of much ridicule by his persistency in discovering and bringing to punishment those who offended against its humane purpose, more especially as concerned horses; but when he died, in 1888, a chain of similar societies had been established throughout the Union and in foreign countries, and he was held in honor throughout the world.—New York Sun.

Says She Saw Ghost of Sergius.

At the exact hour of the assassination of the Russian Grand Duke Sergius his goddaughter, in the Alexis palace, declares he opened the door of her room, covered with bleeding wounds, and exclaimed: "Look, young princess!"

French Soldiers Cannot Write.

In order to test the quality of mind of French soldiers, a set of questions—a kind of "general paper"—was sent to sixty-two soldiers at random. Of the sixty-two, seventeen could not write, and so did not answer at all.

Water for Cows.

Experiments show that a cow, when in full flow of milk, drinks from 1,500 to 2,000 pounds of water a month, the average quantity, determined by testing a herd, being 1,660 pounds for each cow.

Man at Thirty.

Love's young dream being once over, man is apt to drift past one's comfortable matrimonial stage. At thirty he needs to be very skillfully netted.—"Ambrosia," in The World.

To Color Hyacinth.

By putting the stem of the flower into a bottle of red ink, leaving it there for an hour, the hyacinth will assume a delicate pink color.

"Real Comfort" Is Normal.

All we ought to expect is comfort, artistic if you choose, but complete at all events. That is quite enough for anybody. When surplus wealth comes, let the comfort grow into luxury. But to wear one's self out fretting for unattainable things, to barter honor for them, is sheer folly. If the world could be brought to the point of seeing this there would be greater joy in living.

Oldest University.

The oldest university in the world is at Peking. It is called the "School for the Sons of the Empire." Its antiquity is very great, and a grand register, consisting of stone columns, 329 in number, contains the names of 60,000 graduates.

Peculiarity of Buddhism.

The religion of the Buddha is cited as an example of recognition given by a great religious teacher to the lower animals. Alone does the doctrine of Buddha embrace a recognition of the dignity of the lower order of animals.

Transforms Vegetables.

M. Mollard of Paris, not satisfied with the usual grafting adopted by horticulturists, has started to transform vegetables. It is said he has succeeded in turning a radish into a potato.

Polar Region is Healthful.

The air is so pure in the Polar regions, so free from harmful microbes, that throat and lung diseases are unknown there. That section is also entirely free from contagious maladies.

Speed of Electric Current.

The speed of the electric current in copper wire is 463,500,000 meters a second. The fastest ocean steamer makes only 9.8 meters a second.

True Friends.

True friends visit us in prosperity only when invited, but in adversity they come without invitation.—Theophrastus.