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Marcus Garvey Sees Unqualified Success For Uplift Programme of the U. N. I. A.

Fellow-Men of the Negro Race, Greeting:

Owing to the tremendous pressure of business and traveling I have been unable to send you for a few weeks my regular weekly message, but I take the opportunity of now saying that all is well and encouragingly so. The great work of the UNIVERSAL NEGRO IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION is speeding up with a rapid momentum and all bids fair for a wonderful and tremendous convention in 1929.

Foreign Field Rallying

The foreign field of our great organization is rallying for new life as never before, and I can see nothing else but success for our work. I am appealing to all the American Divisions to get together and present a united front, for our plans for 1928-1929 must mean a real stabilized organization ready for and engaged in progressive activities for the good of the race.

Great Possibilities

The commercial, industrial and agricultural possibilities between the Negroes of America, the West Indies and Africa are good and inviting, and in a short while we shall so line up things as to stem the tide of our economic weakness. There is no reason why a great trade relationship cannot be developed between the members of our race all over the world so as to make us a self-reliant and progressive people. If the Negroes of America would only ignore traitors like W. E. B. Du Bois who try to discourage the race from independent action, then we could co-operate to advance our people and make them free from the domination of the white man.

The Good to Be Done

When I tried in America to launch our ships and foster industrial enterprises in preparation

Foreign Field, He Says, Is Rallying as Never Before—Great United Effort to Be Presented in 1928-1929

Economic Weakness of the Race Soon to Be Corrected by Development of Inter-Race Trade Relationship

EMBARKS ON EUROPEAN TOUR IN A FEW DAYS IN THE INTEREST OF ALL NEGROES

On Return Will Announce New Program for Greater Co-operation—Again Warns Negroes of America to Ignore Race Jellyfishes

against the dreadful days of unemployment of the Negro by the white man it was Negroes like Du Bois and Pickens who fought me for the white man until they delivered me up to him to be persecuted, but thank goodness I can do now much more good for the Negroes of America and the world, and these white men's Negroes will not be able to frame me as they did in America. I am laying a solid foundation on which the American, West Indian and African Negroes can build, and all I ask is the co-operation of all.

Leaving for Europe

I shall leave for Europe in another few days, where I shall represent the interests of all the people of America, Canada, the West Indies, South and Central America and Africa. On my return to Jamaica I shall give out our new program for greater co-operation. The Hon. E. B. Knox, my personal representative in America, as leader of the American Negroes, is now on his way at sea to confer with me on the plans we must work out for our forthcoming Convention. It is our hope that in the near future a commercial, industrial and social contact will spring up between the American Negroes and

the West Indians so that we can foster a healthy trade relationship to our economic benefit. Untold millions can be made by the American Negroes by investing in the lands, trade and commerce of the West Indies. White men are now making their millions, but with the proper organization both American and West Indian Negroes can reap the benefits for the quicker glory of a redeemed Africa. Trade is the backbone of life, and the Negro must realize that it is only by intelligently following these economic lines can he lift himself to world recognition, power and independence.

Much in Store

There is much in store for us to do and accomplish and I can promise you that I shall do my part to point you the way. I am hereby reminding all foreign Divisions to see that their reports reach the Foreign Headquarters at Kingston, Jamaica, regularly each month and that all American Divisions of the Organization report regularly each month to the American Headquarters at New York. All Divisions and members are requested to pay up the annual tax to be financial. This new start of ours to build the Organization must be indulged in by every member and Division. Let us go ahead and place the UNIVERSAL NEGRO IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION where it ought to be.

With very best wishes, I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,



President-General,
Universal Negro Improvement Association.
Kingston, Jamaica, B. W. I., March 24, 1928.

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THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

Is God on the Side Of the Strongest Group?

To the Editor of The Negro World: The Christian religion has been the tool of the white man in his schemes of universal dominance over peoples and nations which undertook to see Christianity during the past three centuries as it was shown to them...

History, if we have read it aright, has shown us that at one time He was on the side of the Chinese battalion and at another time He was against it, and that this shifting of God manifested itself all along the ages among the battalions of Egypt, Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, Assyria, Ethiopia, Macedonia, Timbuctu, Carthage, Denmark, Spain, Rome and others...

If we are to have a conception of God through the manifestations of the white man we would undoubtedly be trapped into believing that God is on the side of the white man, but in view of the fate of civilization and empire of the past with all their might and power, happily, we are bound to conclude that there are some mysterious powers over which neither man nor any of his ungodly and destructive devices have any control.

Christian civilization has not yet done its work, you may rest assured of that; but that it is face to face with the fate of those of the past there can be no doubt. What it will do to offset this advancing calamity is not half as dangerous as what it would do in a battle against fate and the darker peoples of the world whom it had regarded and treated as mere beasts, brutes that had no understanding.

It is remarkable that a man and character like Marcus Garvey sprang up almost mysteriously in the African race at a time like this, for every intelligent student, if he is not selfish, honest and fair-minded, will and must sooner or later admit that the future and ultimate fate not only of the African race but also of brown, yellow and red races is greatly secured through the grand principles of the Universal Negro Improvement Association and African Communities League advocated by Marcus Garvey as well as by the fearlessness, courage and fixed determination of the man himself.

J. MILTON BATSON, New York, N. Y.

Calls Dean Pickens A Pseudo-Minrel

To the Editor of The Negro World: Versatility is to many an indispensable characteristic. Particularly as to those "minstrel" performers who seem unable to become established in any definite field.

Somewhere between minstrelism, racial adjustment and the economic "class struggle" flourishes the versatile William Pickens. For more than one hour and thirty minutes Dean William strove to impress the residents of Oakland and Berkeley last Wednesday evening with the necessity of "entertaining the white people." Without this trait in Sir William's personality he would probably be like the proverbial "fish out of the water."

Some interesting acquaintance should advise Comedian Pickens to hereafter appear under the announcement of DEAN PICKENS, THE LAST OF MINSTRELS. Persons would not then be disappointed who might be concerned in an intellectual address. He represents in no unmistakable manner a true relic of this prehistoric pastime. In order to make his appearance here more spectacular and sensational, the announcement was very brazenly made that the speaker would need \$50 to defray the expense of an "aeroplan" trip to Portland, Oregon, the following morning.

ARTHUR E. ORAY, Oakland, Cal. OTTAWA, March 27.—Premier Mackenzie King, in the House of Commons last night, said Canada had made known that it would not approve a treaty involving military sanctions and contemplating military alliances.

"Within the last few months," he said, "the Government was asked with respect to a treaty that was being negotiated between Great Britain and Egypt whether we would become a party to that treaty. The terms of the treaty involved military sanctions, and they contemplate military alliances. It was that we did not believe Canada's Parliament would approve such a treaty so far as Canada was concerned; that if Great Britain and Egypt could work out a treaty between themselves, well and good, but that we did not feel it was in the interests of the British Empire or of the larger peace which it was hoped the treaty would serve that this country should become a party to it; and the British Government accepted our view."

Sir Oliver Lodge Gives Views on Existence

LONDON, March 23.—Sir Oliver Lodge, a British scientist, yesterday told a London audience his views of existence. Human beings, he said, came from some vast reservoir of life where they had no identity. They were given an earthly body so that they could develop individuality. They were reabsorbed into the reservoir, taking with them their personalities and memories.

VICIOUS RULE OF MIAMI MOBGRATS SUDDENLY ENDED

Notorious Quigg, Police Chief of Miami, and Subordinates Are Jailed in Killing of Negro Bell Hop—Another Outrage Hinted

MIAMI, March 31.—Miami's long automatic police rule under the leadership of H. Leslie Quigg, for more than two years a source of frequent public indignation, has come to a sudden and abrupt end. The chief himself and five subordinate officers, in a reversal of the accepted order, are now locked up in the Dade County stockade awaiting trial on first degree murder charges for the alleged killing of a prisoner—a Negro bell boy, H. Kier, who, in June, 1925, was taken to the outskirts of the city "for a ride and a workout."

The events that led up to the arrest and indictment of Chief Quigg and Policemen John Caudell, A. M. Tibbets, Thomas Nazworth, are still hazy in the public mind, for the Grand Jury which returned true bills against them, worked quietly and presently still very short of evidence was unconvinced.

Two former subordinate officers, William Bechey and A. W. Pearce, were the chief State aids in presenting the evidence which sent the police officials to jail. Pearce and Bechey, at the time of the alleged slaying, were sent to arrest the Negro bell boy in a downtown hotel when a white woman had lodged a complaint that the Negro had insulted her. The detectives at the hotel, Pearce and Bechey, testified, made the arrest, at which time they mistreated the Negro that the manager of the hotel protested, saying: "Please don't kill that nigger in here."

When reaching the police station Quigg ordered the officers not to docket the prisoners so there would be no record of the arrest and disposition of the case, they said. Pearce testified Quigg had ordered him to "take the nigger out of the city and beat hell out of him." Pearce claimed he was afraid of the results of this procedure and feigned illness to the chief and said the Negro was sent out in an automobile with Nazworth, Caudell and Tibbets.

That night Tibbets suffered a nervous breakdown and was taken to the other officers took him to the Jackson Memorial Hospital for treatment, notifying the chief of the accident. They stated, at the time, that Tibbets had been shot down by an unknown assailant. He recovered.

Negro Shot

The Negro was shot to death and Pearce testified the policemen involved confessed this to Chief Quigg. He ordered them to agree on some intelligent and coherent story of this and Tibbets' shooting in the event of an inquiry, and Pearce claimed the chief ordered him and Bechey to hide the body. Since that time Pearce and Bechey left the Police Department.

There is still in the memory of Miami's incident in which a traffic policeman, in the Summer of 1925, shot a pedestrian in Flagler street, at the main intersection, for "jay walking" against the traffic light. He was discharged from service. The newspapers opened a bitter campaign, precipitating the suspension of Miami's so-called police "recking crew," composed of Caudell, Tibbets and Nazworth, by the present City Commissioner.

Business Units

Business men, bankers and Judges united in empanelling a Grand Jury, made up of the most representative citizens. Caudell and Tibbets were arrested and indicted for first degree murder. Nazworth, away in North Carolina, was named in a third indictment, and Chief Quigg, in professing innocence of himself and his men, ordered Nazworth to return and face trial. Quigg was indicted and attorneys promptly opened a campaign to effect his release on bond.

New World Immigration Session Opens in Havana

HAVANA, March 31.—The second International Immigration Conference, with delegates from fifty nations in attendance, opened here today to discuss new and old world problems caused by the migratory currents of people from one country to another. Among them are the immigration regulations of the United States as they affect old world peoples and the proposed Latin-American quota as it may affect new world countries. The conference was opened in the National Theatre with a welcoming address by the Cuban Secretary of State, Rafael Marín Oritz.

"It is a source of gratification show themselves vigorous regarding the attention and safety of their citizens," he told the delegates, "if they follow them in their development within the new environment and obtain for them equality in the right to work as well as sanitary attention, it is also indispensable that the countries of immigration adopt resolutions for their sanitary, moral and ethical security. "Governments cannot ignore these problems, essential for their welfare, and no arguments should obstruct their proper solution ought to be considered."

W. W. Husband, Second Assistant Secretary of Labor, heads the United States delegation.

British Commons Passes Equal Franchise Bill

LONDON, March 28.—Sir William Joynson-Hicks, the Home Secretary, today moved in the House of Commons the second reading of the Equal Franchise bill, which gives the vote to women on the same terms as men. The leaders of all parties spoke for it and it passed 337 to 10 amid laughter at the smallness of the opposition. The chief objection was voiced by Sir George Cockfield, speaking for the Conservative diehards. He protested that the bill would enfranchise 5,000,000 women by reducing the age limit from thirty to twenty-one and would give women a majority of 2,000,000 over men at the polls.

Lady Astor, a member of his own party, retorted that the right wing of the party "may be slinking like swans, but they are thinking like geese."

The Home Secretary and Philip Snowden for the Labor party agreed with her that there could no longer be any excuse for excluding women from the vote because they were women. Sir William declared the bill fulfilled what had been for many years the aim of all parties. Every extension of the franchise had been justified by the results, and great social questions, which were becoming every day more important, could only be settled satisfactorily when all the people participated in legislation.

The speaker said he could not imagine any man in this day saying that women were unfit intellectually for the vote or that their judgment was not as sound as the judgment of men. Mr. Snowden, while supporting the bill, complained that it retains the feature of the present law, which permits university and business men to have two votes.

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