

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

(R. W. Thompson in The Freeman.)

The colored editor is doing his "bit."
"On to Des Moines." That's the slogan.
There are no Negro preachers of disloyalty.

One actual enlistment in the army is worth a dozen hot-air speeches.

The most costly commodity to nations and individuals is race prejudice.

General "Black Jack" Pershing is to carry the colors to France. Quite fitting!

Buy a bond for the Liberty Loan. At present that is as effective as firing a gun.

Save daylight! Work by the Lord's natural illumination and do your sleeping at night.

Colonel Roosevelt will have to send word to Joffre and the rest: "I can't come across!"

Emmett J. Scott has added to his fame by coming forward as a constructor of a moving picture scenario.

The federal government is cutting out "red tape" and working along the most practical lines for an "American efficient."

The farm has come into fashion. Tuskegee Institute's famous founder "told you so" in advance more than twenty years ago.

Yes, we ventured to call our Associated Press globe trotter "Doctor." Charles Steward—and we think we have gotten away with it.

In these piping times of the high cost of living don't overlook the homely virtues of the "corn-pone." It will put patriotism in the blood.

Judge Robert H. Terrell is Washington's colored mayor—the race's "First Chief" at the nation's capital. He wears his mantle worthily.

Roscoe Dunjee is not ashamed of the tint of the Negro American's skin. He is running a paper called "The Black Dispatch" at Oklahoma City, Okla.

Tuskegee Institute indicated its practical patriotism by tending the use of its building and grounds for the use of the government as a training camp for Negro officers.

The flower of the American Negro is marching toward "the front." As officers in the ranks, every colored American will give a creditable account of himself.

Dr. Spingarn did not reach the "Promised Land" with his training camp, but the race will have to give him credit for the best of intentions. He barked up the tree on which the fruit was being ripened.

In the death of Mrs. Belva A. Lockwood, the veteran advocate of votes for women, the colored people lose another staunch friend and sturdy champion. Mrs. Lockwood was a credit to her country and her sex. Her passing occasions universal regret.

Has anyone heard the clarion voice of Vernon—the silver-tongued orator who held the pass with Leonidas at Thermopylae, stood with Horatius at the bridge and who communes daily with the silent Sphinx on the banks of the winding Nile? Where is Brer Vernon?

By efficient management, the Wage Earners' Bank at Savannah, Ga., established in 1900 as a small loan concern, has grown to a full-fledged temple of finance, and at the close of business March 20 had assets aggregating \$33,707.39. Isn't that going some?

The Negro who neglects to read his race papers is a "slacker" of the veriest type. The only way race pride can be inculcated is to keep posted on the creditable achievements of the Negro. This kind of information can be obtained only through Negro publications.

"The army is a good place for any man," says Sergeant Dally Farrior, of the Tenth Cavalry, who survived the terrible gunfire and ambuscade at Carrizal, Mexico. "Army discipline keeps a good man good and prevents a bad man staying bad." Page the "U. S. Army" and mark "Try same."

Charles W. Anderson is never lost in the shuffle, no matter how big the cards in hand may be. At the New York reception to Marshal Joffre and the French commis-

sion, Mr. Anderson was introduced to the party, along with the nation's most distinguished citizens, including such financial magnates as Henry Clews and J. Pierpont Morgan.

The suggestion that Congress provide for three new departments to direct munitions, food supplies and transportation is timely and should be virtualized into law at once. The heads of these new departments should have seats in the cabinet, which, as a whole, should constitute a council of national defense, acting as a unit under the general supervision of President Wilson. Action—swift, intelligent and constructive—is needed at once.

Mrs. Booker T. Washington was recently highly entertained by the people of Nashville, Tenn., and the "freedom of the city" was hers in every possible way. Day and night found her the guest of honor at some special function given by school, church, club or home, and at each she renewed the fine impression she has created throughout the nation as a lady of rare culture and intense race loyalty. While in "Beautiful Nashville" Mrs. Washington made her home with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Napier.

Miss Minnie Brown of the staff of the New York News, is winning deserved fame, both as the "Daughter of the Regiment" (Fifteenth Infantry), laboring for the comfort and well-being of her soldier comrades and as war correspondent for Brer George W. Harris' brilliant journal. Miss Brown's versatility has ample outlets, and is proven by her able work as a humanitarian, literateur, singer, church helper and social organizer. She is a wonderful young woman—a potent influence for the civic uplift.

Roscoe Conkling Simmons, the most talked about colored platform orator of the times, is entitled to great credit for maintaining an even balance in the midst of universal acclaim. His head has not grown larger because of the volume of applause his high grade sentiments has evoked. Toasted and feted he is the same unspoiled "Roescoe," bearing himself with becoming modesty, quiet dignity and unassuming simplicity. The hour never fails to produce its man—and Roscoe Conkling Simmons is pre-eminent "the man of the hour."

Lieut. Col. Charles Young at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., with the Tenth Cavalry, is training a large number of colored non-commissioned officers of the regular army who are ambitious to qualify for commissions. This is a practical method of solving the problem of making competent men for leadership in the colored troops of the country, supplementing the detachment of citizens that is to be trained at Fort Des Moines. The complications that seemed to threaten our military well doing a month or so ago are gradually being "ironed out."

"The whole nation must be a team in which each man shall play the part for which he is best fitted." This is the sage utterance of the American President in his proclamation of the call for registration for war duty. With the pitcher, catcher, basemen, shortstop and outfielders all in their regular places and plenty of "pep" on tap, there will be something doing when the game grows warm. The line-up is right for "teamwork" only when the players are cast for the roles in which they can render the best service. That is the genesis of "selective conscription," to which the country stands committed throughout this international conflict.

Li Yuan Hung, president of the Chinese republic, has been deposed and Hsu Chih Shih Chen has been chosen dictator. Thus does this unfortunate country, owing to the internal broils, swing from one form of government almost in the twinkling of an eye to another. China and Russia have refused to be modernized, and as a result they are rent from stem to gudgeon with mad revolutionists, who seem to have no higher aims than to raise a row and eventually ruin the country.

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PERSONAL

Charles A. Lucan, a former Northwest advertising specialist, is in the city for a short visit.

Roger W. Watts, a Tacoma attorney, was in the city on business last Monday.

Miss Lola Graham has opened a public stenographic office and is located in the office of the Searchlight.

P. Frazier, former manager of the Sphynx Investment Company, is now handling real estate, insurance and loans from the office of Andrew R. Black.

W. D. Slater, who has been offering Eastern Washington farm lands and who is farming a quarter section of his own, came over to visit with his family this week. He is enthusiastic of the prospects in that section of the state and he hopes to interest more colored folk in those lands to the extent of getting acreage over there.

Mrs. Ella Morris, who has been living in Renton for a number of months, has moved back to Franklin, evidently making preparations to be ready to help receive the colored miners in the near future. Before Franklin closed down some years ago she conducted a boarding house there and did exceedingly well. Mrs. Morris has a son and daughter with her. The prediction of Cayton's Weekly that Franklin would soon be reopened and that quite a few of the miners would be colored men was evidently straight dope and Mrs. Morris' move back to an extent proves it.

Clarence Selby, after a month's lingering illness of the dread tubercula, died last Monday and was buried Wednesday afternoon. He grew to manhood in this city and graduated from the Broadway high school and stood among the leaders in his final markings. He took the U. S. civil service examination and was given employment in Washington City. His health, however, failed him and some three years ago he returned to Seattle and has since lived here and Tacoma. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Selby, one of the substantial citizens of the city.

COMES TO A CLOSE

The Brotherhood of Mt. Zion Baptist Church will hold its second anniversary exercises at the church Sunday evening, June 10, 1917, at 8 o'clock sharp. Rev. E. M. Cohran of St. Joseph, Missouri, will be the principal speaker. Program:

Chorus	Choir
Scripture lesson	Rev. W. D. Carter
Invocation	Rev. Wm. Hammond
Anthem	Choir
Address—Work of the Brotherhood	
.....	A. H. Dimock
Solo	Eugene Bradley
Sermon	Rev. E. M. Cohran
Anthem	Choir

A. R. Black, Master of Ceremonies.

Without fear of successful contradiction can it be said the Brotherhood has had a most gratifying year and has been a well of everlasting uplift to the entire community. Its monthly meetings have been of a most helpful nature, and from which those attending have been highly benefitted. Dr. Cooper and his assistants are deserving of much praise for the good the Brotherhood has from time to time accomplished.

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