

Harry Duvall, general manager of the Colored Marine Association of Seattle and San Francisco, has the oversight of upwards of 500 men, all of whom he comes in personal contact with every month in the year. Aside from finding employment for the entire membership of the organization, so far as Seattle is concerned, the sick are looked after by him and the benefits, should one of them die, (the organization being a benevolent one), must be collected and after deducting the burial expenses the residue forwarded to the relatives of the deceased. The management of the organization as well as the men is a full size man's job, and, be it said to the credit of Mr. Duvall, he is a perfect fit for it, or, so far as is seen on its face, he is. He has had vast and varied experience in steamboating, which enables him to put the best foot forward in every emergency that arises in the routine. For the head of an organization to operate without more or less criticism is absolutely impossible, but in Mr. Duvall's case it is the minimum. He is a Missourian by birth and is married. As is common to Seattleites they enjoy the luxuries of a commodious home and a fine car.

George Moore, a native son of Mt. Tacoma, and of a pioneer family, acquired the bulk of his education in Tacoma. He, after capturing sheep skins from the grammar and high schools, broke into a business college and walked away with the honors of that school. On leaving the college he was not long in finding lucrative employment at his profession. The number of prominent business and professional men he has taken dictations from in Olympia, Tacoma and Seattle are many! He came under the observations of the late Dr. Booker T. Washington while he was touring the West, who made him a flattering offer, which he accepted and for quite a while he was Dr. Washington's confidential secretary. He was next employed by the Woodman as its secretary. In Seattle he had charge of the Waterfront Employers' Association. He is now employed in the license department of the Washington state government, where he is 100 per cent good. He is "one of us" that can and will make good, if given a chance.

H. Hood, a carpenter, a contractor, a planner and an executor, when it comes to constructing, remodeling, repairing and building. He is on his own "hooks" and does not seek employment from big builders because they would only use him when in a pinch and lay him off as soon as they could do so without distress to themselves. It was just such treatment as mentioned above that forced him into the independent contracting business and at it he has done so well that he feels under obligation to the big builder for the treatment they gave him. All colored mechanics in Seattle have experienced like treatment and all of them are out on their own hooks. Mr. Hood put two and two together and got good results. When not working for some one else he works for himself and now he is the owner of houses and lots and himself a landlord. He is one of the leading members of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church. He is married and uses Uncle Henry for transportation.

Claude C. Leftridge is an outstanding young business man of Seattle, who not only knows his stuff, using the vernacular of the street, but does it. With his father he operates a tailoring, cleaning and dyeing establishment, which does a vast amount of work. Claude is the outside man and he surely "brings home the ba-

con." When but a youngster he enlisted in the U. S. navy, which made it possible for him to visit the most of the great seaports of the world and, while doing so, he kept his eyes open and his faculties working, and as a result he is mentally a bigger and a better man. He is a member of many of the secret societies of the city, in which he takes an active part, thus further popularizing himself. In settling down in life he married Miss Grace Franklin, a graduate of the Garfield High School, and from that union a beautiful daughter appeared on the scene to further add to his happy, happy home.

Charles Morris is a contracting plasterer and during the building season gets all the work he can handle. When he came West it was with the view of finding plenty of coal mining to do, but being disappointed in that, he drifted into Seattle, where work for him was even more uncertain than in the coal mines, and refusing to longer look for a job at poor pay, he decided to learn the plasterer trade, which he did, and at it he became an adept, so much so that, he found little or no trouble to get plenty of contracts. Mr. Morris, like most men of his group, who specializes in one thing, but are forced to generalize in many kindred things, is not exactly a Jack of all trades and good at none, but he is a handy man in building construction, but a master man in plaster construction. In Seattle he is not quite a pioneer, but he has been here a great many years and quite a few more in other parts of the state.

Charles G. Adams is quite up on "stitch in time saves nine," for he is not only a high class tailor, but a cleaner, dyer and repairer of clothes, which are made to last twice as long by applying the rules of a "stitch in time." He is the sole proprietor of a well equipped tailor shop, which has the almost exclusive patronage of a circle of patrons, who pride themselves on looking nice. He has been established in the business for a number of years, and has seemingly done well. He has the reputation of being a first-class mechanic, which fully explains his large list of lucrative customers and he lives up to his reputation. He is a safe and sane person to do business with, always saying what he means and meaning just what he says. Both his financial and commercial rating are high, which means he enjoys the benefit of all business courtesies. Mr. Adams is married and claims Florida as his native state.

William Oby is a barber by trade and is the foreman of a barber shop, of which Oceolo Gordon is the proprietor. His personality is a drawing card for the establishment, which means that it has a lucrative trade, and of course Oby gets his. He is a Spanish-American war veteran and for a number of years was commander of the John R. Tanner Camp of Seattle, the membership of which is as follows: William King, Samuel Cheuault, Clarence Curtis, William Grant, John Williams, McDonald Johnson, William Vrooman, A. R. Baker, James McBee, R. T. Roots, Frank Jenkins, Willis McCleiton, William Ingram, Alfred Buford, Douglas Daniels, Wiley Hipsher, Horace Hughes, Thomas Mozeak, Edward Randal, Charles Admiral, Jonas Peters, W. Whittington, Robert Cooper, R. H. Duncan, Riley Hipsher, William Kennedy, George Pumphrey, Robert T. Roots, past commander; William Rudisell, past commander; Tim Walton, Lewis McDuff.