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California For Wilson. 200,000 Taft Voters Will Smash the Lissner-Johnson Machine.

The 200,000 Taft Republicans whom the Progressives have disfranchised in this state, have decided to unite with the Democrats and give this state to Wilson. It is the logical thing to do. These Taft Republicans were disfranchised because they refused to desert the candidate nominated by the National Republican party at Chicago. The refusal to place the name of nominees of the Republican National Convention upon the Republican ticket of this state is a political crime without a parallel. It is a crime that will receive its merited punishment.

The 25,000 Negro voters of this state in whose faces the Progressive party slammed the "Door of Hope," as its first act, have the opportunity of their lives to not only aid the Taft Republicans in smashing the Lissner-Johnson machine, but to win the lasting respect of voters of this state, irrespective of party. If there is any class of voters in this state with a grievance against the Progressives it is the Negro.

LILY WHITISM RAMPANT.

In the face of the Lily whitism, practiced towards the Negro by the Progressives from governor down, the Progressive party certainly do not expect the support of the Negroes in this campaign unless they regard them as a class utterly devoid of the attributes of manly self respect. The governor not only refused to rec-

ognize the Negro in making his appointments, but took the position of governor's messenger, which the Negroes had held for 16 years, and gave it to a white man. This one act puts Governor Johnson on a plane below Vardaman and Hoke Smith.

In spite of the loyal support given Mayor Alexander and the Good Government forces in this city at every beck and call, they not only refused to give them any recognition whatever, but removed them from every responsible position they held under the city government except those protected by the civil service; and the civil service has been so manipulated by the Good Government machine that, while any white man with a common school education can easily pass, no Negro, regardless of his education can pass.

It had been distinctly understood by the Good Government administration that No Negro should hold any position higher than that of street scavenger and cuspidor cleaner. The Negroes were forced out of the parks and made street scavengers so as to make them take all the risks to health, life and limbs that one encounters as a laborer on the streets where there are thousands of passing automobiles, motor cycles, street cars and other vehicles. This is the Good Government method of cheapening the life of Negroes in the community; it is their method of

lowering his standing, as a citizen and lessening the respect of the community for him by making the entire race, regardless of fitness or condition, a race of menials.

But the most flagrant disregard of the Negro's rights was the brutal refusal of the Progressive members of the Board of Supervisors to admit colored girls to the nurse training school of the County Hospital simply because of their color. This one brutal act disclosed, as no other did, the decision on the part of the Progressive party to close, irrevocably to the Negroes, the "Door of Hope."

The "Negro" voters might remain passive while being eliminated from the parks and from the Court House and City Hall as deputies and copyists, but the refusal to allow their daughters to enter the nurse training school at the County Hospital, where they might fit themselves to do acts of mercy, demands that every manly Negro man and woman join the Taft forces and go to the polls Nov. 5th and repudiate the Lissner-Johnson machine in this state. Men who will not rise in defense of their women are unworthy of the name. And every vote given the Progressive ticket whether state or national, is an indorsement of the inhuman, unmanly treatment that the Progressives have heaped upon the Negroes. If there are any such unmanly, traitorous Ne-

goes among us the sooner they and their posterity perish from the earth the better it will be for the race.

REPRESENTATIVE NEGRO REPUDIATED.

Owing to the fact that there was a Negro Roosevelt Club in the City a strong plea was made to secure the election of a representative Negro on the Bull Moose County Central Committee. When the name of a janitor was suggested for the place a strong plea was made for the election of a Negro business or professional man to represent the Negro supporters of the Bull Moose Ticket. It was argued further, that while the janitors employed by the City and County were generally honorable, well respected men, that the election of a man holding a menial position would not appeal to the thoughtful voters of the race; and that no one would think for a moment of electing a white janitor to that important position. The plea was made for the Negro representative on the committee be of the same class as that of the white men. It was also pointed out at that time that among the Negro supporters of the Bull Moose ticket were three physicians, one lawyer, three or more preachers and several business men. In the face of these protests a negro janitor was placed on the Bull Moose Committee. One negro delegate to the Bull Moose Convention as Long Beach, put forth strong effort to secure the place but was turned down because he was not a janitor. This incident is cited merely to show that the Bull Moosers have decided to recognize no Negroes but those holding menial position.

THE NEGRO TRAITOR IN EVIDENCE.

In spite of the brutal treatment the Negro voters of this state have received at the hands of the Bull Moosers from governor down, there are two or three Negroes chasing around town advocating the election of the Bull Moose ticket. But as the said Negroes have no visible means of support they are not taken seriously. No negro who has succeeded in getting his name on tax assessor's roll would betray his race by advocating the election of the Bull Moose ticket. The Negro traitor has been more in evidence in this campaign than in any previous campaign in twenty years.

SUPERVISOR PRIDHAM'S FATE SEALED.

The man who is responsible above any one else for the refusal to admit colored women to the nurse training school of the County Hospital is Supervisor Pridham. Mr. Pridham and his party drew the color line upon the Negroes because they were Negroes; they disfranchised the Taft Republicans because they refused to desert their party, thus making good our oft repeated statement, "That the man or party that will discriminate against the Negro because he is a Negro will betray white men when ever they think they have a sufficient inducement. The base betrayal of the Negroes and the Taft Republicans by Mr. Pridham and his associates has made his undoing certain. His fate is now in the hands of the Taft Republicans, Democratic, and Negro voters. The day of retribution is at hand.

MR. E. D. GOODE.

Mr. Pridham's Democratic opponent for supervisor is one of the best known and popular men in the district. Mr. Goode is a

road builder by practical experience, having served as road overseer for twelve years in his, the 5th Supervisorial district. Mr. Goode is a practical farmer and working man and in full sympathy with the working people—things that Mr. Pridham know nothing about. The Democrats are fortunate in their selection and will capture the position. We especially urge every Negro voter, male and female, in the 5th Supervisorial district, to go to the polls early on Nov. 5th and vote against Mr. Pridham and the whole Bull Moose ticket. It is a sacred duty.

MR. THOMAS H. KIRK.

Democratic candidate for Congress from the 9th Congressional district stands a good show of defeating Mr. C. W. Bell, Bull Moose candidate. Mr. Kirk is a resident of Pasadena where he is exceedingly popular. Mr. Bell being a part and parcel of the Bull Moose party of this state and being in entire sympathy with its discriminating policy toward the Negroes, can hardly hope to have the support of the 2000 Negro voters in his district. The Negroes of his district are an intelligent, self respecting class, who will cast their ballots against every candidate who owes allegiance to the Lissner-Johnson machine. Personally, Mr. Bell has never given the Negro consideration.

THE NEGRO YEAR BOOK: AN ANNUAL ENCYCLOPEDIA, sent out from Tuskegee is the most valuable volume of the kind in existence. It comes as a surprise and is highly endorsed by the daily and weekly press of the country at large. Every student of race progress should possess a copy. Call or write Mr. Noah D. Thompson, Long Beach Ave. and 55th St., for a copy. Price, 25 cents.

**SUMMERVILLE-WATSON
NUPTIAL.**

The marriage of Dr. J. A. Summerville and Miss Vada Watson was the most brilliant as well as the most largely attended colored wedding in the history of the city. The church decorations were simply grand. Rev. E. W. Kenchin, assisted by Father W. T. Cleghorn, performed the ceremony. The bride and groom with their handsome, splendidly attired attendants made a fine appearance.

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Adv.

The Booker T. Washington Art Club met at residence of Mrs. McKnight of W. 35th St., Thursday, Oct. 3.

Although the day was a little unfavorable, the attendance numbered fourteen.

After the general routine of business the afternoon was devoted to social entertainment.

A dainty repast of sandwiches, pickles, salad, coffee and cakes were served.

The club had the pleasure of entertaining to gentlemen visitors—Mr. McKnight and Mr. Rumford.

The afternoon was pleasantly spent; all enjoyed a jolly time.

Mr. and Mrs. McKnight are ideal entertainers. We hope to visit them again soon.

AT THE BEACH.

Members of The Booker T. Washington Art Club were the guests of Mrs. B. Miles of 1428 6th St., Redondo Beach, Thursday, Oct. 10. The club ladies left Los Angeles early in the morning, spending the entire day at the Beach.

A large number attended, twenty-five in all.

The day was a beautiful one for the affair and a number of the younger club ladies spent a portion of the day at the ocean side, some had the pleasure of enjoying the water, while others enjoyed looking on.

At 1:30 all were seated at dinner, which consisted of a good old fish dinner, and everything that goes with it; dessert of jello with whipped cream and cakes. A more delicious or beneficial dinner has never been participated in by the club ladies, and Mrs. Miles is "Some Cook."

The house was tastily decorated with chrysanthemums.

The ladies adjourned at a late hour, each one declaring the affair one of the happiest days of their lives.

The next meeting will be at Mrs. Fowlers, on Sunset Boulevard, East Hollywood.

**NEGRO BAPTISTS FROM
MINISTERS' ALLIANCE
Dr. J. Dawson Gordon of Los
Angeles is Chosen President.**

A conference of Negro Baptist ministers of Southern California was held yesterday morning in the Shiloh Baptist church, Wilson street near Fourteenth, to organize a Baptist ministers' alliance. Dr. J. Gordon McPherson, general missionary, presided and outlined the plans. The following officers were elected:

President, Dr. J. Dawson Gordon, Los Angeles; vice president, the Rev. F. W. Cooper, River-

side; treasurer, the Rev. C. H. Anderson; secretary, Dr. McPherson.

A committee on constitution and by-laws was appointed to include the Rev. Dr. McPherson, chairman; J. L. McCoy, A. P. Ramsey and H. B. Thomas.

WILSON REPUBLICANS.

**Taft Supporters, Disfranchised by
Machine, Start Campaign
for Election of the Demo-
cratic Candidate.**

San Jose (Cal.) Oct. 16.—The Wilson National Progressive Republican League campaign in this state was opened tonight in this city. The speaker of the evening was William E. Smythe, State president of the league.

"To begin with," said Mr. Smythe, "let me say no party or leader has exclusive right to the word 'progressive.' It is a generic word and the characteristic word of our age. In every other state the third term party appears under its own name, Progressive, but in California, the men who declare the Republican party is not fit to live have put themselves on the ballot as Republicans, and if you vote those labeled 'Republican' on the ballot, you vote for candidates pledged to defeat the Republican ticket."

The speaker praised the administration of President Taft and after emphasizing the position of the Taft men in this state, and their inability to vote for Taft Presidential electors, urged them to vote for Woodrow Wilson.

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THE ATTACK ON COL. ROOSEVELT.

The cold blooded attempt to assassinate Col. Roosevelt last Monday is deplored by all right thinking people. Sympathy for Col. Roosevelt and hope for his speedy recovery is universal.

The cold blooded shooting of Col. Roosevelt should have surprised no one who has watched the spread of the mob spirit in this country. The newspapers of the country, without regard to

section or party, have made mob violence popular by treating the cowardly murder of defenseless Negroes as a joke. When the victims of the mob were Negroes, the press referred to the killing as if it was a pastime and the white pulpits lent the mobs their silent indorsement. As a result human life in this country is cheaper than it is in any civilized country on earth. The man who shot Col. Roosevelt is not an individual, but the representative of a class any one of whom would have committed the crime if opportunity had presented itself.

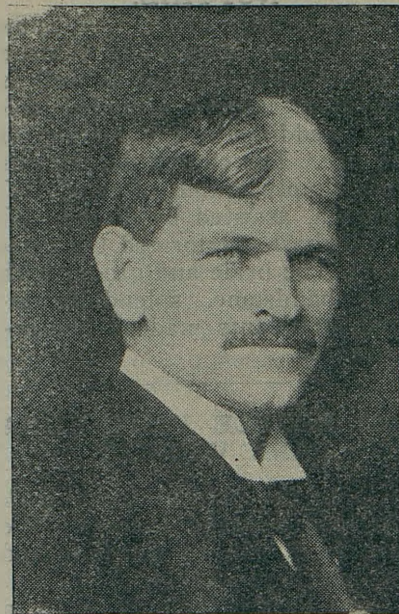
This whole business is exceedingly deplorable the existence of which is due entirely to the press and pulpit. The insane assassinate our Presidents, mobs composed of the sane lynch Negroes. The latter are responsible for the deeds of the former, the press and pulpit responsible for both. The cheapest commodity in the United States is human life. The end is not yet.

UNITED STATES SENATOR WORKS threw another bomb into the Bull Moose ranks of this state. The Senator knows he is right and is therefore fearless. The voters of this state will endorse his sentiments at the polls in November with a vengeance.

The Lyceum's last Sunday session was a successful one. The discussions were of a high order and much interest manifested. Mr. Jas. F. Summers of Oakland delivered a short address after which the members of the Lyceum engaged in a lively debate on the issues of the day.

Next Sunday, the 20th, "The Position the Negroes Should take in the present Campaign" will be discussed. Everybody invited.

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BISHOP HUGHES.

Bishop Edwin H. Hughes will lecture at Westley M. E. Church on Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m., October 20th. Subject: "Spiritual Phases of the Emancipation." Everybody welcome. Special musical program. Don't fail to hear this lecture.

REPUBLICAN BANK PRESIDENT FOR WILSON.

Sacramento, Oct. 15.—William Beckman, president of the People's Savings Bank, life long Republican and former railroad commissioner, declares that he will vote for Woodrow Wilson for President.

"There's nothing else to do," said Beckman. "We claim to be national Republicans, but the mugwumps in California have stolen the party name from us. I am a Wilson Republican this year and when we are through with this election we will attend to Governor Johnson two years hence.

"There are many old time Republicans in this city who will vote for Wilson."

GOV. JOHNSON'S WHOLE FAMILY FOR WILSON.

Goes on the Stump in This State for Democratic Candidate.

San Francisco, Oct. 15.—That three-fourths of the Taft Republicans in the north coast counties will vote for Wilson and Marshall, is the opinion of Albert L. Johnson, nephew of Governor Hiram Johnson.

Johnson was one of the staunch La Folette Republicans who refused to be delivered to Roosevelt by his uncle. He has just completed a tour of Marin, Sonoma, Mendocino and Humboldt counties.

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