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## Imperial Valley to Receive \$3,500,000 for Her Barley Crop

### Imperial Valley Will Receive Three and One-half Million Dollars for the Season's Crop.

IMPERIAL, May 31.—The largest barley crop that has ever been raised in Imperial Valley is now being harvested, and is selling at from \$1.50 to \$1.55 per hundred. The crop now being harvested approximates 100,000 acres, which is producing thirty-eight to forty-five bushels to the acre. This means an income from this industry of the great Imperial Valley of \$3,500,000, or \$140 apiece for every man, woman and child resident of the valley.

Barley is but one of the minor industries here, as two crops can be grown a season on the same acreage. Following the harvesting of the barley the land will be prepared and corn planted. This when harvested will produce approximately the same as the barley crop, 100,000 acres producing forty-five bushels to the acre. When the corn is harvested, barley will be planted again and 100,000 or more animals will be turned in on this acreage and fattened for the winter markets. This also brings a large revenue to the rancher.

While this remarkable feature of Imperial Valley farming is going on in the lines of raising barley and corn, millions of dollars are coming into the valley for fat cattle and hogs, and a like sum for cantaloupes, vegetables and fruits. This does not include the \$5000 per day that is paid for butter fat and other dairy products.

This season 50,000 acres has been planted to alfalfa, with \$4,000,000 returns. The alfalfa fields are used for grazing, the same as the barley fields, during the winter season.

### NEWS BRIEFS

George A. Long shipped from his ranch today to the Los Angeles markets one car each of steers, cows, hogs and sheep. Other shipments of stock will follow this week.

### A WHITE RAPE FIEND IDENTIFIED BY SIX WHITE GIRL VICTIMS, AGES NINE TO FOURTEEN YEARS

### HAD IN HIS POSSESSION WHEN ARRESTED NAMES OF FIFTY INTENDED VICTIMS. ARRESTED ON SIMILAR CHARGE THREE YEARS AGO. HIS COLOR SAVED HIM.

Three years ago, James R. Chambers, a white married man, was arrested for raping a small white girl but owing to the color of his skin, his crime as revolting as it was, created no excitement. After a short detention from his business, he was set free to prey upon other little girls—which he lost no time in doing.

The crime of raping little white girls by his class is so common, that the daily papers no longer regard it as news, hence no scare heads are used to attract public attention. In fact, they do everything possible to divert public attention from the awful depravity

of the educated white men who commit them.

This policy has made possible fiends like Chambers. It was the wholesale manner in which Chambers went into the business that forced the daily papers to give him unusual advertisement; and still, they are far less generous to him than they are to a Negro charged with one such revolting crime.

Suppose, for instance, that Chambers was a Negro: under scare heads, his crime would be published in every daily paper in the country, and heralded, abroad, as proof of the total depravity of the black race. It would be urged in justification of disfranchisement, mob violence and all of the outrages that cowardice, envy and jealousy have heaped upon the defenseless Negroes of this country since the war.

The white people are deceiving no one but themselves; its their own posterity they are cheating.

Chambers's crimes are told in part by one of the dailies as follows:

"Three years ago Chambers, who is employed by a realty company in the Union Oil building, was arrested for a similar offense. Mrs. Chambers, from whom he has been separated for almost three years, said yesterday afternoon that she got him off at that time.

"Chambers operated under the alias of 'Dr. Christy.' He advertised for a young girl assistant in his office. He would visit the home of those answering and would say he wanted a telephone girl. In other instances he pretended

that he wanted the girl to go on the road in the interest of a medical concern in which he was interested. As the location for his 'offices' he affected either the San Fernando or the Chester building.

"When searched, a list of more than fifty little girls and their addresses was found on him. In it were the names of the six girls he is accused by detectives of molesting.

"Chambers refused to tell where he lives. His wife said he roomed and boarded 'somewhere in the suburbs,' but could not give the exact location. He had no explanation to offer for his conduct aside from the statement:

"I guess I must be crazy."  
"The alleged victims range from 9 to 14 years of age."

**HON. JAMES ALEXANDER, PRESIDENT OF THE AFRO-AMERICAN COUNCIL DENOUNCED AS A CALIFORNIA PIMP. BY MEMBERS OF THE A. M. E. GENERAL CONFERENCE. ALL CALIFORNIANS INSULTED.**

Mr. James M. Alexander, president of the Afro-American Council and clerk in the Internal Revenue Office, attended the A. M. E. General Conference held recently at Kansas City. He went there to conduct Rev. F. Jesse Peck's campaign for the bishopric.

His experience, he says was exceedingly pleasant. Finding himself badly handicapped by not being on the "inside," he decided to buy a badge if he could find a venal delegate. "This I had no difficulty in doing." In due time, he purchased a badge for \$1.50, pinned it on his manly breast and passed in. "Once on the 'inside' things were 'fixed' and Rev. Peck's election seemed assured. Bishop Flipper the presiding bishop was "easy" and everything was working like a charm. Rev. Peck and his bunch of delegates were all smiles with delight, as it looked as if there was nothing left for him to do but count his votes and try on his robe. Just

then, Bishop C. S. Smith came in and raised a big howl. He charged Rev. Peck's friends with buying votes; he said goats had gotten in among the sheep. In the midst of the awful tumult that my presence had caused a delegate pointing to me said: "there he is, that California pimp." Some one made a dash for the presiding bishop; in the scramble he smashed his gavel. A mighty howl went up for the police."

Taking advantage of the wild commotion, Mr. Alexander left the hall. Police came in. The goats having disappeared the storm subsided, and like Poe's "Raven" Rev. Peck's opportunity not to be hishop, came to leave him "never more."

Mr. Alexander is president of the Afro-American Council and clerk in the U. S. Internal Revenue Office, "the leading Afro-American in this great state." To have him referred to as a pimp is an insult to his following, but he does not seem to realize the seriousness of the reference. Although Mr. Alexander seems to regard the whole matter as a joke and is telling it about town as such, the colored people whose leader he is, should investigate the charge and demand a retraction from the member of the Conference guilty of that gross insult. Then, too, think of referring to members of the California delegation as "goats" and putting the president of the Council on the level with the lowest specimen of humanity is an insult that his followers of this city ought to resent. If they hope to enjoy the respect of their neighbors, they will have to protect their leader from such shocking aspersions.

**FOOL'S PARADISE IGNORED BY THE BUSINESS MEN**

The Sunday following its real estate farce, the Fool's Paradise was set aside for the business men. But these gentlemen being readers of *The Liberator* were conspicuous for their absence. Knowing the caliber of the men who run the

thing, the business men decided to ignore them entirely.

Only a short time ago, one of the leaders struck the Negro business men a sneaking blow by demanding that they must sell groceries cheaper than white grocers, if they wanted the Negro trade. The envious feeling that prompted that suggestion can readily be seen. The announcement that the "Business Men's League" would meet there, deceived none but the leaders; for it is known by everybody, save, perhaps, the League's president, that that organization has been dead for years, so far as the business men are concerned.

Aside from the regular cohorts, Mr. J. H. Shackelford was the only business man that got trapped.

**Wouldn't Knock It.**

A gentleman, who is running a newspaper somewhere on Central Avenue, was called upon and made a lengthy spiel promising never to knock the Paradise, but to boost it no matter what it did. The promise, not to "knock" it, elicited considerable applause from the cohorts. Believing that he had made "a hit," the newspaper man made a long call for the names of all who desired to read his paper the "Non Knocker." You can imagine his surprise at the silence that greeted his spiel for support.

The "F---l Bulletin," which was caught in a similar trap some time ago, did get a promise of two subscribers for a month, "if it keep runnin' till nex yeah."

The Central Avenue man got nothing but grins for his surrender. Realizing what a "sucker" had been made of him, he sneaked out and left the place on a jump. He discovered when too late, why *The Liberator* is so extensively read at the Paradise and why Negro business and professional men, who are not "kids", give the place a wide berth.

**Negro Physicians Slured.**

Last Sunday, while someone

was talking of the sad plight of a young colored girl, confined in the County hospital as the result of a white man's depravity, it was suggested that a colored physician be sent out there to examine her.

This suggestion brought a man—a member of the Paradise—to his feet, who asked: "Can you find an honest Negro doctor?"

As insinuating as this question was, no one resented it.

Although aspersions like the above are continually cast upon respectable business and professional men of the race, and, in spite of the fact, that the leaders of the bunch neither endorse nor patronize race enterprise, if they can help it, they have among their members some men who have actually been to school.

#### CITY BY THE SEA

Mr. Ed. Adams has gone to Sacramento for an indefinite stay.

Last Tuesday evening one club of the Baptist Church served supper at Mr. Clark's Ice Cream Parlor, North Beach.

Mr. Ed. Moorehead of Elizabeth, Miss., is making his home at Ocean Park.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Patterson have moved to Pasadena, to live for a while.

A very elaborate card party was given at the home of Miss Ella Hunt in honor of Miss Glorine Walters, who will return to her home, Providence, R. I., Thursday morning.

Miss Mildred Anderson has gone to the Adventist Nurse Training School at Glendale to take a two year's course.

Mr. J. I. W. Fisher, a prosperous blacksmith, and Mr. J. W. Jones, both of Monrovia, were in the city Sunday.

#### THE NEED FOR NEGRO DOCTORS

Among the 9,000,000 Negroes of the South only one in 4,000 is a physician. That can mean only one thing—that the bulk of the colored population has not enough medical attention to keep well; for most Negroes do not employ white doctors when they are ill. And it means also that, for lack of teachers, this race is lagging behind their neighbors in sanitation and in the simpler defenses of modern hygiene. For this horde of unserved and untaught people only seven medical schools are provided, of which five are worthless, according to the recent report of the Carnegie Foundation on Medical Education in the United States. The remaining two schools, however—Howard at Washington and Meharry at Nashville—are commended as "worth developing." They offer instruction that equips their graduates for useful and competent service. Meharry is open to graduates of high schools. Howard sets considerably higher entrance requirements—higher, indeed, than the requirements of many medical schools for white students—and maintains a standard of work that has called forth the praise even of Dr. William H. Welch and Dr. Henry S. Pritchett.

The students of these schools are in deadly earnest. Some of them make astonishing sacrifices to enable them to continue at their work. One of them, for example, has said: "For many months I lived on a can of pork and beans a day. I would have pork with beans for breakfast, beans and pork for dinner, and at night I would wash out the can and have bean soup." Another student, who is now a successful physician in a Northern city, said: "I lived on three dollars a month for some time before I graduated. I got pretty thin, but I stuck it out."

The colored physicians who have come out of these schools have been centers of light and service

to their race. The need is for opportunity greatly to increase their number; and it is a crying and important need.—World's Work.

We have in this city four physicians, all men of character and ability, but they are somewhat negligent regarding the real welfare of the race. They can do much to better race conditions by lecture on sanitation. As the result of ignorance of the laws of health our doctors and undertakers are getting rich; but the youth of the race—

By working in conjunction, our ministers and physicians can do so much to increase the health, happiness and longevity of the race.—Ed.

It looks as if Roosevelt will be Brownsvilled at Chicago. There will be no third term president in our day.

#### MISS BROWN A COMING CARTOONIST

The pen and ink sketches, published in the Nautilus, a periodical published by the Santa Monica High School, are furnished by the Student body; the most meritorious of which being selected. Six of those published in the Nautilus this year were drawn by Miss Hazel Brown; Miss Brown furnishing a larger number than any other single student.

Miss Brown is the sea-side correspondent of *The Liberator*, whose breezy letters are much appreciated by our readers.

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The announcement that the Negroes of Cuba, who are struggling for their rights, are to be crushed, means that that island is to be Americanized by reducing the Cuban Negroes to the condition of those in the Southern states. Under the Spanish rule they were Cubans, and all Cubans were treated alike. But since the Americans took a hand in the affairs in that country, all is changed. Cubans of color who bled and died for the freedom of their country, owing to American influence, are

no longer Cubans but Negroes to be lynched, if they attempt to exercise rights purchased by their own blood. Superior brute force can crush them, but the force that does the crushing will have no child's play.

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Mr. Titus Alexander has full charge and is now advertising manager of *The Liberator*. He will gladly furnish rates or any information relative to his department to those desiring it.—Ed.

## DOUBTS THE PROPRIETY OF PRESIDENT ALEXANDER'S ACTS

While the followers of Hon. Jas. M. Alexander, president of Afro-American Council, feel greatly incensed at his being referred to as a "pimp," they seriously doubt the propriety of his getting into the conference by corrupting a weak delegate. They regard it as wrong to have secured entrance to a ward political convention by purchasing a venal delegate's badge.

The episode, doubtless, furnished President Alexander considerable amusement but it brought disgrace upon a great church, put his State in bad and put his candidate for bishop out of the running for all time to come.

## MRS. KELLUM PASSES AWAY

After an illness of several months, Mrs. Kellum, mother of Mrs. C.

W. Holden, passed away on the 31st of May. Mrs. Kellum had been in poor health for a number of years but was able to be about until a few months previous to her death. For more than a month, she was conscious that the end was near and requested Rev. Kenchin to come and pray with her at regular intervals. She lived a Christian's life and died a Christian's death.

The funeral services, conducted by Rev. Kenchin, were held at Wesley Chapel on the 3rd. The remains were borne to the cemetery in a special funeral car.

There were many beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. Charlotte McCormick, wife of Mr. Wm. McCormick and daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Scipio Thompson, died suddenly on the 31st of May. Mrs. McCormick has been a member of the Second Baptist Church since childhood. Rev. C. H. Anderson, who baptized her and officiated at her wedding, conducted her funeral services, assisted by Rev. McCoy. The floral offerings were many and beautiful.

The bereaved families have the sympathy of the entire community.

The First A. M. E. Church was well filled on the evening of May 27th, last, with an appreciative and talented audience to hear the first Joint Recital by Miss Bessie Williams, violinist and Mr. John Gray, Pianist, who were admirably assisted by Miss Estelle Everett, Dramatic Reader; Mr. Harold Browning, Tenor; Mr. G. Harry Bolden, Baritone; and Miss Maurie Moss and Mrs. Wilson Vuaghn, accompanists.

The program was divided into two parts and was composed of selections from some of the foremost composers and writers.

Those present enjoyed a rare treat; and too much praise and credit cannot be given Miss Williams and Mr. Gray for presenting such a classic and well rendered recital.

The remains of the lady, who was found dead several days ago, were identified as Mrs. May Rogillio, a recent arrival from Oklahoma City, Okla., who had preceded her husband William C. Rogillio.

A sister, Mrs. M. Dye of this city is the only relative here.

The funeral was held from the chapel of Pierce Bros. & Co., 810 So. Flower St. on Wednesday, last, under the directorship of Ernest Russell, with Father Cleg-horn reading the burial service. Mesdames S. W. Thompson, Simeon Rose and Burgess rendered the funeral selections. Interment was in Evergreen cemetery.

**A CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to tender our hearty thanks to our many friends for services rendered during the illness of our beloved mother and grandmother Josephine Kellum, who departed this life for the Mansions Eternal, May 30th.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Holden  
Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Adams  
Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hunt

**ITEMS OF LOCAL INTEREST**

A dainty and palatable luncheon was served to the participants of the Stevens-Anderson wedding recently.

The guests were: Misses Fay Hall, Viola Spence, Gladys Pierson, Eleanor McClellan, Juanita Owens and Melborne Boswell, who served as bridesmaids; Bertie Owens, maid of honor; Bertha Ella Glenn, flower girl; Missouri Busby, organist; Mrs. Nellie Scott Nelson, and Mr. Jones, best man.

To their surprise the guests were favored with a spin around the city in an automobile.

One of the prettiest affairs of the season was a Stocking Shower given in honor of Miss Nellie Scott, the bride-elect of Mr. Thomas Pollock, by Miss Kathlene Henry and Mrs. Ernest Russell. The house was beautifully decorated in ferns and carnations. An enjoyable six-course dinner was served to the following: Misses Siola Johnson, Fay Hall, Viola Spence, Mrs. Clarence Harris, A Gregory, Emily Childress, Kathrine Murdock and Mrs. Rose. The bride-elect was the recipient of a full line of silk hosiery.

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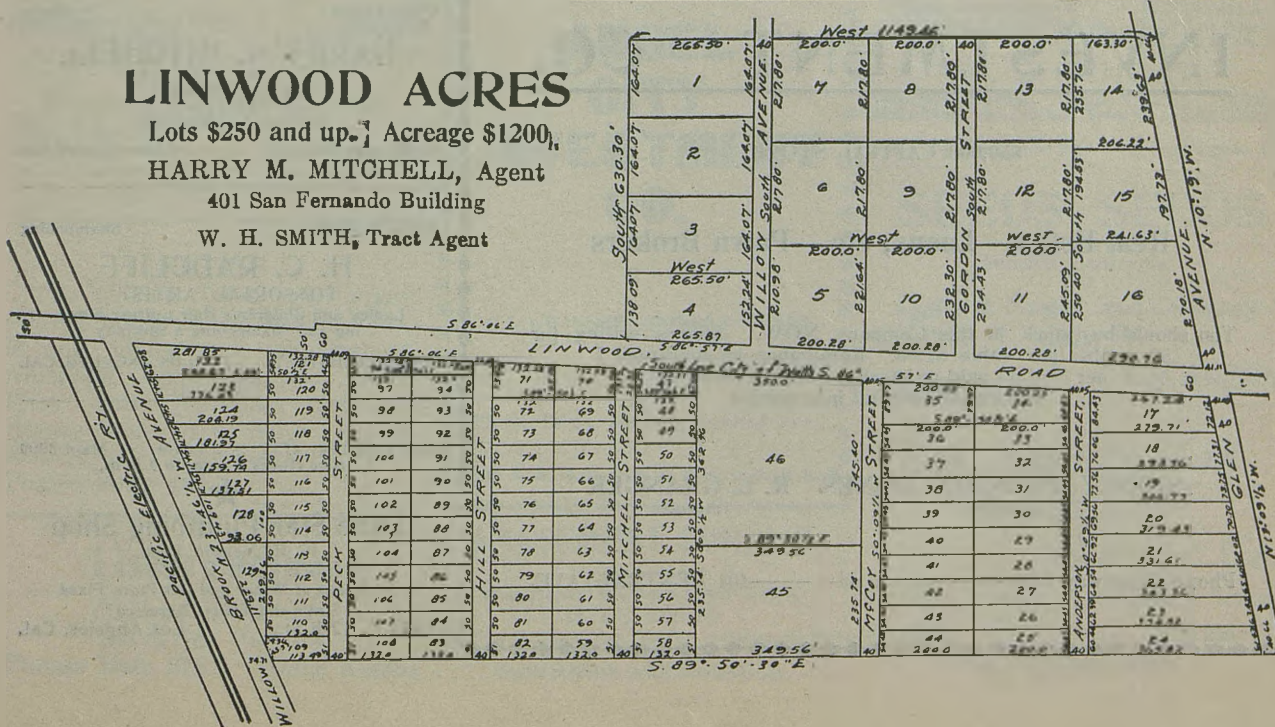
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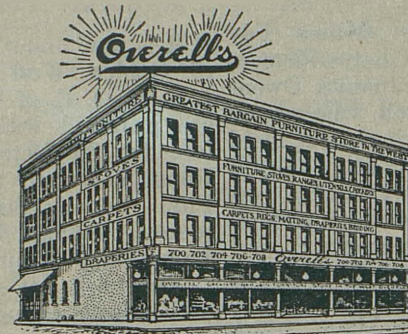
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