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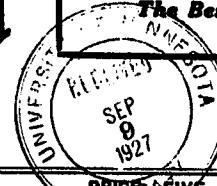
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Opportunity for Non Members of the U. N. I. A. to Cooperate for Marcus Garvey's Release



During the last three months there have been many expressions of opinion by various institutions and responsible leaders of thought in the United States regarding the imprisonment of Hon. Marcus Garvey. The consensus of opinion is that the great leader in an earnest and laudable endeavor to serve the Negro race fell foul of the technicalities of a Federal law and suffered imprisonment thereby, his enemies and those who, for selfish reasons, oppose the growth of the Negro race to manhood status having united in a despicable scheme to silence him and bring about the disintegration of the movement he had ably and laboriously reared.

In view of this, the Negro World would be pleased if non-members of the Universal Negro Improvement Association, who are desirous of co-operating in bringing the case of Marcus Garvey once again before the authorities, for the purpose of securing executive clemency for him, would communicate with the Editor of the Negro World, 142 West 130th Street, New York City. It would be greatly appreciated if they would do this immediately, so that the steps to be taken might be consummated at an early date.

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MR. GARVEY THE FATHER OF INTERNATIONAL RACE CO-OPERATION

THE same principle may appeal to many people over a long series of years without finding more than a spasmodic expression. Futile efforts are made from time to time by the dreamers and those who see visions to get enough persons interested in the principle, but they appear to make but little progress.

After a fair trial they despair and drop out. But the principle, if rooted in the conditions and needs of large masses of people, does not drop out. It persists, like the good seed planted in congenial soil.

Some other dreamer takes hold of the principle and carries it forward a little further. It takes on the aspect of a movement, in the interest of which many have joined and begun active work to make it a success. When all is prepared, the foundation having been laid, the one man who may have been the father of the principle, the idea, and who had nurtured it for years, creates an organization, apparently over night.

It was that way with the creation of the Universal Negro Improvement Association by Mr. Marcus Garvey some six years ago. Others had seen the need of an international understanding and co-operation of the Negro people of the world, but they had not the vision, the breadth of outlook and the personal magnetism without which success is never possible, and their dreams remained shadowy phantoms. Mr. Garvey possessed what others had been lacking in, and his appeal for international understanding and co-operation of the Negro people of the world was responded to with a world-embracing interest and enthusiasm which was regarded as an unheard-of possibility in the complex and to many enigmatic character of the Negro people. It was the great mass of the Negro people who responded to Mr. Garvey's plea for international understanding and co-operation. What is termed the Negro intelligentsia had no faith in the great principle at stake or the possibility of uniting the Negroes of the world to conserve and protect their own social, civil and economic values, and they are not all convinced by far as yet.

They are local or provincial in their outlook on the race and the big world. They are not interested in the Negro in the West Indies, in Latin America, in the United States; they are only interested in themselves and their small fortunes in the places where they find themselves.

After much storm and stress an intelligent disposition is being shown upon the part of some who have been very hostile to Mr. Garvey and the Universal Negro Improvement Association, to give Mr. Garvey some credit for the splendid service he has rendered the Negro race. They are few in numbers, it is true, as compared to the multitudes who have believed in Mr. Garvey and his principle, and held up his hands from the beginning; but it is worth while to recognize their disposition to be fair, however they have come by the disposition. The Negro problems everywhere, the problems of the natives in Africa itself, are just and difficult and will require all of the resources of the Negro leaders, supported by the Negro masses, to get the best and not the worst results out of their solution for the Negro people.

Yes, Mr. Marcus Garvey is the father of Negro international understanding and co-operation.

THE ENTERPRISING WHITE RACE

EVER since Charles Lindbergh, in a non-stop flight, made the air crossing from New York to Paris, the spirit of adventure in the air has taken possession of white men's minds, to the exclusion almost of everything else. Hardly a week passes but some daring aviator braves the elements in airplanes in attempts to duplicate or surpass Lindbergh's glorious feat. And great toll of valuable lives is being taken. Attempts to conquer the Pacific have resulted in death to ten flyers, included among whom is a woman. The turbulent Atlantic has sealed the doom of five, a woman being again present in the honor roll, while hope for a safety of a Georgian flies to Brazil is all but abandoned. But in spite of the known peril of the trips and the recurring grim reminders of tragedy that lurks on the way, others come forward undismayed, determined to succeed where their fellows failed, or die.

Aviators of England, France, Germany and America are vying in valour to serve for their country a niche, higher than any, in the hall of aeronautical fame. Of such a niche is the leader of twentieth century civilization made. Such is the importance which he attaches to his instrument. So strong has he gauged psychological

values as he goes about his daily business, straining every nerve to maintain his perch at the top of the ladder.

For the white man, wise in the ways of the world, knows that the more he demonstrates his vaunted "superiority," by so much does he lessen the resistance of such invertebrates or unfortunate as he has reduced to subjection and servitude. He is a past master at propaganda and an adept at "striking terror into the heart" of the victim.

The great battles of the future will be fought in the air. Soon battleships will be obsolete. And so he proceeds with feverish haste to perfect the airplane, the instrument on which he must depend to intact his ill-gotten gains, garnered from the corners of the earth. Behind the innocuous spectacle of a "Spirit of St. Louis" speeding swiftly across the Atlantic to Paris, or a "Pride of Detroit," a millionaire on board, gaily navigating the globe, lies a grim set piece—the determination to bring to perfection the greatest death dealing machine modern civilization knows. White men have acquired wealth and power at the price of their humanity, and of necessity they must stand prepared. They dismiss as piffle the statement, "Those who live by the sword shall perish by the sword." Rather do they think that "God is on the side of the strongest battalions."

But to return to Lindbergh. When this young man arrived safely at Paris, the world got busy tracing his lineage, seeking the identity of the people who must bask in his reflected glory. Americans held their heads high, for he was born in America. A fast cruiser was sent to bring him home. Irishman and Swede, from whose stock his parents came, thanked God that they were what they were.

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THE BATTLE HYMN OF AFRICA

Africa's sun is shining above the horizon clear, The day for us is rising, for black men far and near; Our God is in the front line, the heady' battalions lead, O'erward, make your banners shine, ye men of noble deeds.

There we are summoned to judgment by their conscience. After a fierce battle they despair and drop out. But the principle, if rooted in the conditions and needs of large masses of people, does not drop out. It persists, like the good seed planted in congenial soil.

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EDITORIAL OPINION OF THE NEGRO PRESS

If the white people of the United States were designated as savages, not for black brutality, but for white, may the Negroes. Our contention is, and always will be that there should be no discrimination based on color, and that every one should be treated equally. If this were done, if officers of the law were to be as lenient with colored men as with white men, we believe this would be done, and in law and in morals—Washington Tribune.

Don't be afraid to say something commendable about the one in the race who is doing something; it will certainly not hurt your stock in trade, and will convince the public that you are a good man. We believe that every one should be treated equally and unreservedly, manner, this were done, if officers of the law were to be as lenient with colored men as with white men who hide their crime behind a black mask and race predicate—St. Louis Argus.

So much of Negro fraternalism misses the spirit of the enterprise that it will bring about a general peace in the Negro community. We believe that every one should be treated equally and unreservedly, manner, this were done, if officers of the law were to be as lenient with colored men as with white men who hide their crime behind a black mask and race predicate—St. Louis Argus.

White the whites lose about one half their birthright the colored are losing two-thirds. Of course, our white fellow citizens owe it to themselves and to us to be of every service they can to the Negro. The condition which they control, but we must not forget that physical unfitness is a badge of impurity. The Negroes are the scum of society, and ready and ready make use of by our enemies to make the sake of our bodies—Chicago World.

The secret of success in business is to keep your name and your wares to prospective buyers—Charleston Messenger.

All lines of business will be benefited when people generally begin to buy more and more. People will throw away on useless, foolish indulgences. For when a man learns to save to accumulate, to make sensible investments, he soon comes into his own. He makes more money in all kinds of business—Tampa Bulletin.

A little touch of burnt cork, which is easy to remove, is what many white citizens rely upon, to save their skins when committing a crime. Therefore police officers, sheriffs and other law enforcement officials should be more lenient with them—Tampa Bulletin.

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THE NEWS AND VIEWS OF U. N. I. A. DIVISIONS

KINGSTON, JAMAICA

MONTHLY SUBJECT FOR DISCUSSION: WHAT ARE THE REAL CAUSES OF MOST WARS?

Interest in the August holidays

shows no signs of diminishing here.

There are those who would like us to

forget what August means for us, but

the New Negro is not likely to forget it.

He knows full well that there is

something worth his having a slave

owner! It is the slave owner who has

no reason to be proud of his past

and would rather like to forget it,

if he could. He has his wife, who

makes our annual celebrations, that is

his funeral, not ours. One can well

understand the desire being expressed

at this time of the year, that we

American celebra... at least some,

it is a good sign, but we have de-

termined that these August celebrations

will never cease and that August will

never be forgotten.

The celebrations arranged by this

division to mark the August holidays

of 1927 came off with great cheer,

beginning from Saturday, July 29,

and ending on Sunday, August 2,

August 3. The hall was set rolling

by a big mass meeting of a semi-

religious nature at the Ward Theatre

on Saturday afternoon, 3 p.m.,

meeting at a hotel and having a

varied program of songs, choruses

recitations, etc., and appropriate

emancipation speeches continued on

the premises until the early hours of

Sunday morning.

Monday, August 1, was a full day,

and well filled, the acting presi-

dent and his officers took their

duties. The program for the day was

as follows: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.,

meeting; 12 p.m., procession; 3 p.m.,

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On Tuesday evening, convention

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MORON, CAM, CUBA

soot master and son of the lady presi-
dent, Mrs. Gertrude Jones. It is a
work of art and correctly conveys the
notion that it represents our noble
people's general. The picture was once
made out by a student on the banner is
"Caged, But Not Cowed." It was the
center of attraction and favorably
commented on by everybody as a
lovely idea for displaying on this occasion.

BELIZE, BR. HON.

Belize Division conducted its con-
vention as laid down in the Negro
World July and August, 1927. On Sun-
day, July 31, at 3 p.m., the members
and friends gathered together and al-
though many could not be present,
they all had a good time to claim the at-
tention of the masters and friends, our
service was well attended. Acting
Chaplain Brown conducted the service.

The chaplain gave a very en-
couraging address, taking for his subject,
"Unless the Lord Builds the House,
the Workers Lay it in Vain." The con-
clusion was that the demonstration was
to be held at the same time as the regular
annual meeting.

After taking up a very liberal col-
lection and cheers were given for the
president general and chief officers of
the division, the program for the day
was opened by Mr. George H. Green.
The consciousness of opinion was

that that demonstration was by far the
best we have ever staged and that we
have done well.

At 8:30, mass meeting was con-
ducted by the Rev. J. M. Anglin. The
Mass meeting was held at the Belize
Hall, where the speakers were taken
out and parades were taken

and preparations at once began for the
fair, which was a fitting successful
one.

Today, August 2, was devoted to

the regular Sunday night meeting at
Liberty Hall. There also drew a re-
markable crowd, and another lengthy and
interesting program was presented.

Monday, August 3, was a full day,

and right well did the acting presi-

dent and his officers carry out their

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BARBERTON, OHIO

Barberton Division No. 408 held its
first convention, August 21, 1927, at
11:30 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by the honorable president,

William Davis. Singing "From Green-
land's icy Mountain," Frayer in com-

munity, the chairman of the convention,

Honorable Mr. Brock of Warren, Ohio,

Division. Next in order was registration.

Mr. Frank Campbell, our secy. of Divi-

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The Negro Must Wake
Or He Will Be Lost

To the Editor of The Negro World:

We as a race of people have been taught too much about the world beyond the grave by our so-called race leaders, and not enough of this universe and the goodness therein. The inertia that impedes the progress of this great race is due to the teachings of our pussy-footing, foxy leaders who never tell us about Our Motherland and the richness of it.

But daily the truth is coming out. I am begging every Negro to rally to the cause of Africa's redemption under the auspices of the Universal Negro Improvement Association. Negroes! Think once, think twice, and figure your position a few years hence if you allow this great movement to decline. Support it with your whole heart, soul and strength and it won't be long before you will reap the fruit of your labor. Negroes, don't be fooled any longer. What's the use of building churches, lodges, insurance companies, etc., and no government to back them? Why, that's all vain glory. Shake off this yoke of oppression and forget your past false teachings of religion and get the true religion. If we as a race want to be free from exploitation by white or black usurpers, we have to stop these teachings and laugh at the clever fellows and tell them in plain words, "The tide has turned; you can no longer lead me to oblivion. I am radical. I have made a complete change, so get out and get under."

Wake up, Brothers, and work for the furthering of Africa's redemption. Don't let the other fellow exploit you any longer and keep you in the state of an animal for his gain. We must wake up or we will be lost to posterity.

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We Are Bound to Win

To the Editor of The Negro World:

The best movement fails whenever it falls short of cohesion. Cohesion is the solidifying of a group making for internal strength that what ever is done is spent in attracting and making a sounder foundation by additional growth.

No human institution enjoys perfect. But the U. N. I. A. and A. C. L., as conceived by our Hon. Marcus Garvey, and preached by him for the past decade, in my modest estimation, equals Christianity in the matters of clarity and concreteness of issues. The abstract is so sound, the concrete is so strong, that something to beat it yet to come on this earth. Negritude humanitarily, nationally, it is all-embracing in its scope. The mind that conceived this society is of the highest social grade; the weaving of a universal fabric where he and his can sit in safety and in peace with the world.

Lack of cohesion is what I find to be our trouble. Such a valuable tenet should be more practised and not only be used in a parochial sense. I find we are improving. The petty minds are being eliminated much after the process of a deer shedding its antlers and making new growth with each move.

The great majority of us can learn practical lessons from the average Chinese, his philosophy is so sound that he is looked upon as a success in 90 per cent of his chosen fields. He does not pick bits of economy and cohesion from books, but that is inborn and follow him as his color and his chop-sticks. He does not leave his own to be looked after by another, but seeks the best in him and uses it for mutual good. We have not his age, but a leaf of his book will put us on the high road.

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Negroes Are Too
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To the Editor of The Negro World:

Please allow me to say a few words in this wonderful paper of ours. The trouble with this race of ours is that the Negro believes everything other races say except his own. Mr. Haynes has been attacked by one Mr. Schuyler.

Mr. Schuyler stated what Mr. Dyer and May Ovington and others are doing for us. If they have done so much for us, why does lynching still exist? And why are we the first to be thrown out of work and the last to be employed?

It is time that the Negro wakes up. Give one Negro a job in a white man's office, even if it is to shine his shoes, he feels that the race problem is solved; not seeing the mass of his people who are suffering. The so-called big Negroes will sell you out for a cigar as big as his mouth to see the smoke as it goes up. I say to Mr. Haynes, keep on writing Garvey first, Garvey last, and Garvey at all times.

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