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JULY 16, 1921.

Jack Johnson, former heavyweight champion, is again a free man.

Many 50c girls are donning their feet with \$5.00 stockings.

We heard sometime ago that a certain millinery store in this city did not allow Negroes to try on their hats and when prices were quoted to Negroes they were unreasonably high presumably to show that they did not care to serve Negroes. Whether or not the foregoing are undeniable facts we are not certain but it is hoped so, and that the time is not far distant when others will serve Columbia's big Negroes with the same big dose of non-appreciation and scorn.

Less time killed on the streets of our towns and cities by ministers, business and professional men and more time at their various avocations would mean better service in their respective lines as well as advancement for the race.

The report of Sumter County Schools for 1915-1921 is in our possession through the favor of Dr. L. L. Bragg Anthony, the county supervisor. The report shows that the supervisor is doing distinctively good work among the schools of that county

Prof. Antidel is proving himself to be the right man to fill President Valentine's place and The Indicator wishes for him unbounded success.

According to reports there was an average of \$53.42 per capita July as against \$57.18 a year ago. Just \$3.76 less. Judging from the universal complaints and our personal financial holding there must be something wrong with that report. Somebody else must have our much needed \$53.42.

We acknowledge the reminder from our old friend, Rev. I. S. Taylor of Rembert to witness his Fifteenth Anniversary as pastor of St. John Baptist Church, Long ago Rev. Taylor assured us that ours was a standing invitation to all of his churches at all times. All he has to do now is to remind us of any special meeting. We are sorry however that we could not be present. Next time Rev. Taylor we shall be on the job or send a representative.

The strong and very timely link talk made by Prof. W. D. Prince in favor of Morris College and racial cooperation at Second Calvary Church last Sunday morning will do much good for our people here and everywhere this message of hope and inspiration is carried. This message is the kind that must of necessity be carried into every nook and corner of South Carolina if Morris College is to be properly supported and racial cooperation awakened in the Negro. It has been ours to hear representatives of schools and other institutions many times before but never just on the order which Prof. Prince presented his school. In this respect alone Dr. Starks is doing a greater work than any president in the State. We cannot with any degree of certainty say that Racial Cooperation is a part of the subject given Prof. Prince by Dr. Starks, we rather think that Prof. Prince's broad vision along this line makes him a man broad enough for all the people, whose interest is his, to link this subject with Morris College.

We want more Princes on the stage of action.

The Indicator would advise some ministers to lead honest straight forward Christian lives, pay their honest debts, and stop dabbling into so many things not in keeping with the call they claim to have and there will be less knocking and hammering on the ministry. Perhaps if the Ministerial Unions would lay as much stress on such in their sessions as they do on the kind of sermons to preach and how to conduct church affairs, they would do much to set those hypocrites among them right.

There are some of them who just will not pay honest bills and keep a good name with business and professional men. And its indeed a reflection on the ministry.

Its a common thing for almost any business or professional man to name many ministers who owe them honest bills which seem impossible to be collected.

The minister who is guilty of such allows his bad record to speak louder than the greatest sermon he can preach. Yet he wonders why he doesn't get the approval of his congregations when he has done his best in the pulpit. Get right brother and your sermons will be more effective.

A Hint To The Wise

In an editorial squib a few weeks ago we stated that "the days of yore when parents did not allow their daughters to go out at night without mother's presence should return" and we are being convinced more each day that the statement is true, especially as relates to some of the "upper tens" and aspirants to this class. The way some of these are criticized is by no means complimentary nor does it lend wholesome inspiration to the younger set. Some one has said "Some of these young folks ought organize themselves into a 'Mid-Night Ramblers' Association" and so badge themselves."

The Indicator somewhat agrees with the statement as such would be a fitting badge of distinction. Too, when persons are needed in public work such as teachers in public schools, Sunday Schools, Churches and such, such ones will not be mistakenly put in places ahead of the more worthy—those who first look after the home and live above suspicion.

There is a common expression on the lips of many like this: "Matters not how you live, what you say or do, people are going to talk any how." This is no expression for the girl or woman to make if she lives above criticism. In fact in too many cases they resolve to do wrong on the ground that "people will talk anyhow." But the girl who leads the right life and will set her "face like a flint" against the temptations that always lead them to destruction, can and will overcome and thus lead a pure life—such as will withstand any unbecoming criticism by those who would see their down fall.

A hint to the wise is sufficient.

Victory Bank A Certainty.

The Victory Savings Bank is now a certainty. The charter has been secured, officers elected and despite the hard times, much money is available and the Bank will in due time have a big opening in this city, such as will inject new life into every phase of business with which the colored are identified.

The officers of this bank are honest upright business and professional men. The Board of Directors is a set of equally as good men and women who will see that the affairs of the bank will be properly conducted and the people's interest cared for in the same manner.

What's needed now is a general uniting among Columbians on this bank. Every stockholder should see that his friends buy as much stock as possible and report at the next meeting which will be called by the Board of Directors. As to failure, there can be none matters not what the critics may say to the contrary. The right men are at the head and many of the right men and women are behind them backing them in their right efforts.

Let there be no knockers among us men, for once let's all pull together and put the Victory Savings Bank over as quickly as possible and thereby put Columbia on the map with other progressive towns and cities.

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Our Dr. R. F. Lee.

There appeared a front page article a few weeks ago in this paper, written by a former teacher and friend of our friend, and former school mate, Dr. R. F. Lee, in which a beautiful tribute was paid him as a scholar, pulpiteer, church worker, teacher and an all round christian gentleman.

We regard it a duty as a publisher as well as a privilege to at least give our Amen to all the good things said in this beautiful article on Dr. Lee.

Having labored at the printer's case many years ago at Benedict College where we spent many pleasant school days together, and having come in personal contact with him in the after days of his well described and completed course at Benedict and Union University during his acceptable teaching at his Alma Mater, Benedict, we consider ourselves a pretty good judge of the character and worth of the subject in question. This places us in position to attest all that this beautiful article ascribes to him and endorse his fitness for any school or church it should be his to accept.

Having such a thorough knowledge of the Bible from his daily teaching of the same to the hundreds of ministerial students at Benedict, who have gone out, and as a result of his teachings made good; and with his ripe and successful experience in the pastorate before teaching which but the better qualifies him, The Indicator prophesies for Dr. Lee unbounded success in his calling which prompted his resignation to enter into more fully the ministry.

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Another Playground.

Under the splendid leadership of Mrs. A. S. Williams, president of The Home Makers Club, and the kindness of President Antidel of Benedict College, A Community Playground was opened on Benedict's Campus yesterday for children of the city. This is another step forward in the right direction and The Home Makers Club deserves much credit for establishing a playground to which all colored children have access while the city fathers go on their way making provision for every comfort and amusement for white children to the complete exclusion of Colored children with the exception of one which is scarcely known out of its immediate community. And that one had to be petitioned and begged for as though the Negroes had no business with one.

President Antidel did a good part for the Colored people of Columbia and vicinity when he opened wide his gates to The Home Makers Club in interest of the children. This will go a long way in moulding sentiment for the new administration.

The Indicator rather likes the spirit of The Home Makers Club, to do something for ourselves at the failure of the city to do for us and in this way it will go a long ways to encourage the City to do more of its duty for us.

To sit supinely by waiting for those, who have so little interest in us, to do their duty by us is a poor way of getting our wants supplied. If they will not do, we must do the best we can for ourselves or have the charge of neglect placed against us of just as grave a nature as theirs.

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