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Questions and Answers In Negro History

(By The Associated Negro Press.)

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Questions pertaining to Negro History anywhere if of general interest, and not too long, will be answered by Mr. Parker in this column. When space will not permit or the subject is not suitable, letters will be personally answered, subject to proper limitations, and when a stamped envelope is enclosed. Address all communications to George Wells Parker, 3423 Indiana Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

F. O. C. of Philadelphia takes exception to what the author of this column had to say concerning Abraham and cites the genealogy of Genesis in reply. If he will consult Cheyne's Encyclopedia Biblion he will secure a great deal of information on the subject. The Bible cannot be accepted as final authority in matters of ethnology and race relations. Abraham was the common father of many Asiatic as well as African peoples and came from a Cushite country, Ur of the Chaldees. All legends facts and myths concerning Abraham can make him nothing else but black.

Was John James Audubon, the famous American ornithologist an American or Creole?—G. C. L., Moline, Ill.

Audubon was a Creole, the son of a French ship-master and a native West Indian colored woman.

Are the archeological finds now being made on the site of ancient Carthage those of an African people?—H. K. T., Louisville, Ky.

Yes. The Carthaginians were a mixture and very largely African. In the American sense they were very Negroid. The original founders came from Phoenicia, another dark country.

Carthage has always been very noted, not only for an ancient city, but also as the seat of a great religious controversy during the founding and establishment of Christianity.

Is Christianity or Mohammedism in the ascendancy in Africa? D. C. P., Denver, Colorado.

Mohammedism is in the ascendancy and is gaining more converts than Christianity. Mohammedanism is more truly a black man's religion and appeal more strongly to the natives because it teaches and practices the absolute equality of all Moslems.

Where does J. Rosamond Johnson, the composer live?—H. G. St. Louis, Mo.

New York City, N. Y.
When is Monsieur Diagne, the delegate from Senegal, coming to the United States?

His trip has been delayed on account of the government crisis in France. He has to remain there and it may be some time before he will be able to leave for this country.

Bennettsville News

Special to The Palmetto Leader: Will you please allow me space in your paper to express my many thanks to my beloved pastor, Rev. P. B. Mmodana, pastor of Smyrna Macedonia Baptist Church, Bennettsville, S. C. He is principal of the High school in Camden, S. C. Again he is known as a representative for the Gidewell Attachment for the Ford car. Being my pastor for a number of years he kindly called in to see me a few days past and asked me to subscribe for the Palmetto Leader and to serve as a reporter from this town. From now on you will hear from Bennettsville every week. The farmers are very busy finishing up their planting.

I had a nice surprise trip to St. Mark Church-Sunday. I always admire the preaching of Rev. W. H. Shaw. It must be confessed that he was at his best on this occasion.

The people in that District certainly have a beautiful Rosenwald school. It was recently completed.

Rev. Shaw and his people are doing well financially. We bid them Godspeed.

The Blenheim Graded School just closed with quite a successful term and a wonderful Commencement. Rev. D. S. Curry, Principal, Mrs. Luttie Curry, Mrs. Clarrisa Johnakin, Miss Viola Gillespie constitute the faculty. Trust they will continue to make the Blenheim school a success.

The many teachers in and around Bennettsville are busy closing their final examinations in order that they may begin their commencement program.

Professor James McEddie in some way injured his hand in a game this week and when the news reached me it came as a surprise. Professor McEddie is connected with the Bennettsville Graded school and is making good.

Master James L. Lackus, 6 year old grandson of Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Sanders, kindly sent the family a delicious box of fresh candy and cakes this week. He is a student at the Training School, Washington, D. C., having his name on the honor roll for the month of March.

Miss Isabella Sanders, sister of the reporter, was on the sick list last week. We trust she will soon be well again.

Bennettsville carpenters are very busy building many beautiful bungalow homes.

Very sad to the many relatives and friends of the deceased, the body of Mr. Robert McLeod arrived home from North Carolina. The burial is being delayed until the arrival of his brothers and sisters from different parts of the North. Mrs. McLeod and family are sympathized with by all.

Miss Sanders was very much delighted and surprised to have Mr. C. B. Brown from Maxton, N. C. to call and see her Sunday evening. We are always glad to have our many friends call in to see us, especially since the death of our beloved father.

Mrs. Lomax and daughter will leave Monday morning for Tatum, S. C. to render their closing program. They were accompanied by Miss Cornelia Sanders.

Miss Sallie M. Robinson was missing from the City this week as she spent a while with her home people. She is a graduate of the school here for this year.

Mr. T. P. Peterkin visited the reporter.

We were blessed with a wonderful rain this week.

Rev. S. S. Youngblood officiated at the funeral of Mrs. Dolie McCall. Undertaker Morris had the body in charge.



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Miss C. D. S. Sanders will close school May the 8th. She will take a rest trip to Sumter, Orangeburg, Columbia and Camden. We trust her journey will be pleasant.

Any one wishing to advertise in the Palmetto Leader call to the Reporter's home, any hour after 2:30, after the 8th; she will be in all day. Home address 33 Ermelia St., Bennettsville, S. C.

Mrs. Callie D. Sanders, Reporter.

Calhoun Falls Locals

The weather is considerably dry and many of the farmers are planting their cotton a second time fearing they may not get a stand.

There came near being a serious fire in Abbeville Sunday when the store of one Mr. Martin on South Main street was found to be on fire, which conflagration spread considerably. The homes of Mrs. Sallie Covington Carter and Mr. James Chiles were completely destroyed, but for the timely work of the Fire

Department much more damage would have been done. We learn that some of the contents of the homes were saved.

Mr. P. H. Horne one of Abbeville's most popular undertakers was called to Lowndesville Sunday and made his return trip via Calhoun Falls where he is quite a favorite in his line.

There was that usual lively service at Glovers A. M. E. Church Sunday, there seems to have been the real spirit of worship there. Let's keep it up.

Miss Minnie L. Calhoun left for Atlanta-Ga. the other day to be with her sister, Mrs. Rosa Hillmon, who is seriously ill. Hope she will soon recover.

Mrs. Oscar Ellison ran across the line to Atlanta last Monday to do a little shopping before she and little "Billy" leave for the Metropolitan City to join her husband who is one of uncle Sam's employes in that city.

Come to Calhoun Falls and worship at Glovers and Mt. Hebron where you are always welcome.

CHURCH NEWS OF CALHOUN FALLS, S. C.

Sunday, May 3rd, was a most beautiful day here at Springfield Baptist

church. The members were out in full.

These people at Springfield are alert. They have the spirit of fidelity, which is the cement of society. It enables individuals to form communities and associations, and is their only guarantee of perpetuity.

A large crowd was out, to see the improvement that has been made on the church by its members and to help in the rally.

The Supt. E. L. Tennant is on the job, when it comes his time to instruct the children.

The Missionary sisters of Springfield have gone over the top in raising money to beautify the church. The Deacon Board is composed of men of honest report. The B. Y. P. U. Society will be organized among the young people at Springfield by the Pastor Rev. A. Ware.

At eleven o'clock, Rev. A. Ware preached an interesting sermon. After which a collection of \$66.16 was taken. The following choirs rendered music: Springfield and Riley's.

Isa. Johnson, Clerk.

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