

The Sun published the following statement from Mr. Bernard Ades, counsel for Yuel Lee alias Orphan Jones who is charged with murdering four persons, at their home near Berlin on the night of October 12th.

"This is only an indication that the trials heretofore held on the Eastern Shore were not real investigations but only formalities and amounted to legal lynchings."

Whether Mr. Ades is in contempt of the Courts for the issuance of such a statement is a question for the courts to decide but certainly no one can claim that The Sun in giving circulation to such a statement, which referred not alone to the Lee case or the lynching at Salisbury but to all murder trials that have been held in all of the Eastern Shore Courts was attempting to further the cause or justice or to increase the respect of the citizens of the state for any of their courts.

It may be customary for some of the members of the Baltimore City bar to refer thus disrespectfully to the members of the Judiciary in that city and it may be the custom of the Baltimore City papers to publish such wild criticisms of their court but we think that such statements are simply in furtherance of the propaganda of the International Labor Defense Union and may possibly account for the many instances of mob violence in Baltimore city in connection with the enforcement of some of the federal laws.

Certainly any effort to break down the respect for the Courts, whether by an organization or by individuals is but a step toward bringing about a condition of anarchy and we cannot believe that this movement has the sympathy of the better thinking people of Baltimore.

We Thank You

We note by the columns of the Baltimore papers that in a number of the Baltimore City churches the pastors discussed yesterday the unfortunate lynching of the colored man, Matthew Williams, who was taken out of the Peninsula Hospital Friday night and lynched.

We hope that all of the gentlemen were inspired solely by that Christian charity which their calling would

Baltimore. With all of the murders and every other kind of crime that exists in Baltimore, these murders even occurring in the penitentiary and with the constant conflict between the forces of righteousness and those of crime which are ever before the Christian churches of Baltimore we think they have enough in their own city to keep them busy.

We have no doubt that the ministers at Sodom and Gomorrah in their day were very apprehensive about the moral conditions in other sections of their world. We have frequently noticed that there are many who care for the moats in the eyes of others but not the beams in their own. We recommend to these gentlemen a careful survey of crime conditions in their own city. Some of them may be interested in the enforcement of the prohibition laws (they are not supposed to be very well enforced in Baltimore); some of them are interested in the abolition of legalized gambling in Maryland; some of them are supposed to be opposed to Sunday moving pictures, Sunday base ball then if there is a lot of time left on their hands they might come down to the Eastern Shore and get acquainted with our people.

The Finishing Touch

Having fired a number of blasts at this paper, its editor, and the people generally on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, The Sunpapers have now turned us over to the tender mercies of Mr. H. L. Mencken, and Mr. Mencken in Monday's issue of the The Evening Sun proceeds to tell us what he thinks of us individually and collectively and, apparently, he does not think much of us.

We feel rather complimented that to Mr. Mencken should be given the job of putting the final touch on this fair community. In fact we recall that several years ago he wrote something along the same line (possibly worse) about the Presidents of the United States, beginning with George Washington, the first President and continuing down the line to Woodrow Wilson, and he paid no compliments to any of them.

We suggest that the Sunpapers republish the article for, no doubt, many

King Johnson, lynched at Brooklyn, Anne Arundel County, December 25, 1911.

Howard Cooper, Negro, lynched June 12, 1885, at Towson (Baltimore county). Cooper was charged with attacking Miss Katie Gray, a white woman.

Townsend Cook, Negro, was taken from the Westminster Jail, Carroll county, by a mob on June 2, 1885, and hanged from a tree. Cook had attacked a white woman.

Benjamin Hance, Negro, was lynched on June 17, 1887, by a mob at Leonardtown, St. Mary's county. He was charged with an attack.

Hoe Vermillion, Negro, was taken from the Upper Marlboro jail on December 3, 1889, by a mob and hanged. He was charged with burning several barns in Prince George's county.

James Taylor, Negro, was taken from the Chestertown jail in May, 1892, and hanged by a mob. He was believed to have been implicated in the murder of Dr. James H. Hill, near Millington.

Isaac Kemp, Negro, was taken from the Somerset county jail on June 8, 1894, and killed by a mob. He was arrested in connection with the murder of Edward Carver, a county resident.

Jacob Henson, Negro, was taken from the Ellicott City Jail on March 28, 1895, by a mob and hanged. He had been convicted of the murder of Daniel F. Shea in Howard county.

James Bowens, Negro, was lynched at Frederick, Md., on November 16, 1895.

William Andrews, Negro, convicted and sentenced to hang, was taken from the Somerset county Jail on June 9, 1897, and lynched. He had confessed attacking Mrs. Benjamin T. Kelly in Somerset county.

Henry Davis, Negro, was taken from the Annapolis Jail on December 20, 1906, and hanged to a tree in the rear of St. John's College. He had confessed to an attack on a white woman of Annapolis.

Two lynchings occurred in 1907.

William Burns, a Negro, who murdered a policeman in Cumberland was taken from jail there and hanged on October 6. James Reed, another Negro, who murdered a policeman at Crisfield, was lynched on July 28.

Wicomico Offered Services Of Baltimore Detectives

Baltimore, Dec. 7. (AP)—Wicomico County authorities today were offered the services of the Baltimore Detective Bureau in seeking and identifying the members of the Salisbury, Md., mob which Friday night dragged a negro murderer from his hospital bed and burned his body after lynching him.

Police Commissioner Gaither made the offer but said he had received no request for the aid Baltimore detectives.

Attorney-General William P. Lane Jr., was placed in charge of an investigation of the lynching now being made at Salisbury after Governor Ritchie had ordered him to cooperate with Wicomico County authorities.

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now it holds us all up to the contempt of the nation and the world by staging a public obscenity worthy of cannibals.

IN the immediate premises, unfortunately, not much can be done. The gallant Wicomiconians, having butchered a wounded and helpless black man, so very likely to get away with it. Governor Ritchie says that he has confidence in the Hon. Levin C. Bailey, the county State's attorney, and no doubt it is justified, but Mr. Bailey can accomplish little if anything in the face of the prevailing public opinion, which supports the lynchers almost unanimously. If anyone had really wanted to arrest them, they might have been taken on the spot. They made no effort to disguise themselves, and every child in Salisbury knows who they are, and duly admires them. After suitable delays, I suppose, the county grand jury will indict a couple of highly improbable scapegoats, and after more delays it will be found that there is no evidence against them. And that will be that.

Governor Ritchie himself is almost helpless. He can't go into the county and take over the jurisdiction of the local courts. To be sure, he can offer Mr. Bailey the aid of Attorney General Lane, or the State police, and of the city detectives, but the final disposition of the business will be in the hands of the court at Salisbury, with a jury in the box made up partly, if not wholly, of men who witnessed the lynching without protest, and maybe gave a hearty hand to it. There is no way under the constitution of Maryland to transfer the case to another county, or to displace the local law officers.

All this reveals one of the lamentable defects of local self-government. In a State with a centralized government the lynchers would be in jail by now, the very dubious Salisbury police would be in adjacent cells, and all hands would be sure of severe punishment. But the evils of centralized government, taking one with another, are so much worse than those of the Maryland system that we must bear the occa-

sions in their own barbaric way, and what is more, they wanted to prove to the city slickers that they could. The Cambridge Daily Banner, foaming in bad English, seeks to put all the blame for the sorry business on the Sunpaper, and hints broadly that it has turned Communist! Mr. own suspicion is that Judge Ulman really had more hand in it, though he acted quite innocently. When he intervened in the Yuel Lee case against the Snow Hill Dogberry he set the whole lower Shore afire. The lynching of poor Williams, dragged to death blind and in bandages was no more than a melodramatic demonstration that the brave fellows of the region were not to be intimidated. They proved it as such poltroons always do—at odds of 1000 to 1.

The remedy is not to bellow, but to educate. The majority of people, even in Wicomico, are probably teachable. The trouble is that no one bothers to teach them. They are resigned to the Devil, and left in their dismal isolation—miles from a lemon and more miles from a book. I long ago suggested that a missionary crusade be organized to save Maryland irredentia from its Methodist preachers, its porcine politicians, its professional patriots and visionaries, its whole pack of blind leaders of the blind. Its people are stupid enough, God knows, but they are probably less stupid than merely misinformed. There are no agencies of civilized opinion among them. They must depend for their ideas upon clowns in the pulpit, clowns on the stump, and clowns in the editorial chair. Certainly it would be irrational to ask for enlightenment in communities whose ideas are supplied by such pathetic sheets as the Cambridge Daily Banner and the Salisbury Times. Even the burning Baptists of rural Georgia are better off that that.

So I call for volunteers. The first should come from the lower Shore itself. Let its small minority of educated and civilized young men bestir themselves, lest their people be lost altogether. —Reprinted From The Evening Sun, Baltimore of Monday, Dec. 7.

Survey Shows Growing Confidence In 1931 Merchandising Possibilities

New York, Dec. 7. (AP)—The Board of Directors of the Advertising Federation of America announced today that a national survey it has conducted indicates the 1932 advertising dollar will bring better results than at any time during the past two years.

Gilbert T. Hodges, President of the organization, said the survey shows a growing confidence in 1932 merchandising possibilities.

His report adds that greatly improved credit conditions and the beginning of commodity price recovery are reflected in an "improved general morale."

"Check-up of 102 large companies showed that those firms which increased their advertising in 1930 over 1929 made a 58.8 per cent better profit comparison than those which decreased it," the report

states. "Those same firms increased their lead still further in 1931." President Hodges pointed out that a recent analysis of seventy large cities found that appreciable business recovery has been under way for some months in the cities where newspaper advertising has been the heaviest.

Dempsey Fails To Score Knockouts

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 8. (AP)—Jack Dempsey, former heavyweight boxing champion, pounded three opponents here last night but failed to score any knockouts.

Pat McLaughlin, Chicago, and Szymka Zabul, Milwaukee, took bad beatings, but stayed the limit. The former one round and the latter two rounds. Dempsey also boxed a tame round with Charlie Retzlaff, Duluth.

Six thousand persons witnessed the program, one of the largest ever to attend a fight card here.

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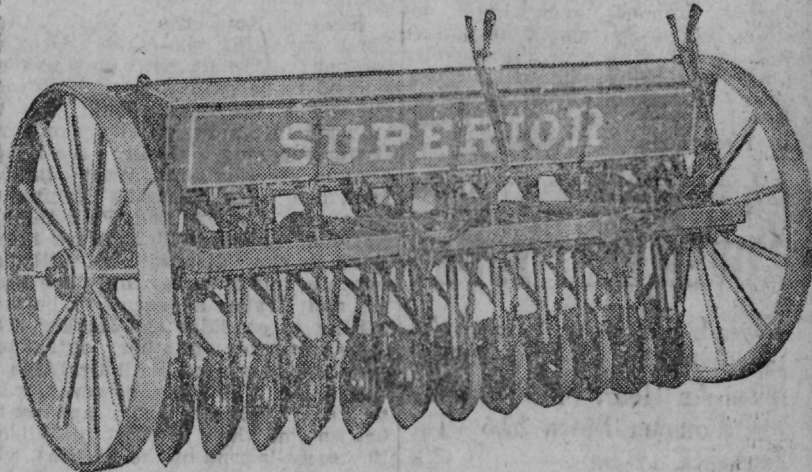
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