

Hill to worm himself into the Yuel Lee case he did not know Lee, had never seen him, had had no communication with him at all. Lee already had a lawyer of high standing, appointed by the Court, to protect the colored man's interests. Lee had not sent for Ades, and the latter was allowed to associate himself in the case only so that no one could later claim that the defendant was not given the fullest opportunity for defense. Almost the first move of the Labor Defense League counsel was to remove a witness of importance from the county and urge her to commit perjury. Ades did not deny that he was in the case for the money and publicity there were in it, which was decidedly franker than H. L. M.'s attitude. I don't know yet whether the latter's effusion in the Sunpaper was merely an effort to earn his salary or simply the inescapable impulse of his notorious *cacoethes scribendi*. I fancy that Mr. Mencken the Moralizer saw a chance made to order for him to publish his lunacies and vagaries once more, and to exhibit himself at full length. So he raved about the Eastern Shore as if, to use the words of Hosea Biglow, "the eternal bung was let loose."

If Mr. Mencken were conversant with the reaction of the Negro nomad from farther South (like Yuel Lee) to retribution—even legal hanging—following a crime, he would discover that there is little truth in the law-