

Oklahoma City said that "*Oklahoma* is entertaining the League at Tulsa." Dunjee's popularity contest to help raise funds to entertain the visitors was a phenomenal success; Miss Amanda Robinson of Tulsa, having been finally selected as "Miss Oklahoma" and Queen of the monster Industrial and Agricultural Parade, which took place on Thursday afternoon, August 20th.

T. J. Elliott, merchant prince of Muskogee, arranged a special train to take the delegates over to Muskogee on Saturday following the closing of the session. The special train was handled by the Midland Valley Railroad, and Jacob J. Jones, Negro lawyer of Muskogee, who is an attorney for the Midland, was in charge of the party. En route the train halted two hours at Taft, the Negro town, to participate in the dedication of the Moton High School located there and named in honor of Tuskegee's Principal. They also visited the state school for Negro orphans located there and of which J. R. Johnson is the head, and had an opportunity to sample luscious cantaloupes grown there and chicken fried golden brown by the deft hands of Mrs. Johnson.

Muskogee staged another parade and gave Dr. Moton an audience of 10,000 at the fair grounds.

Features of League Program

The program of the Business League consisted of many excellent and informing papers covering every phase of business, from farming to banking. Speakers were there from New England on the East, California on the West, and Florida on the South, to say nothing of the large delegations from Texas. Two speakers from California told of the wonderful inducements which California offers the Negro home seeker, while the real estate men from Florida pictured in terms equally as alluring the many opportunities to invest in real estate in the "Peninsula" state. Florida seemed to get the better of the argument when D. A. Dorsey of Miami, reputed to be worth more than \$2,000,000, which he made in Florida real estate, paid \$800.00 in cash for a beautiful set of furniture made by the Heflin Manufacturing Company, a colored firm in Los Angeles, California, which had an unusually

striking exhibit in the building where the sessions were held.

Much country-wide interest centered around the prize awards in the National Negro Health Week Contest. Baltimore, Maryland; Louisville, Kentucky, and Wichita, Kansas, were awarded the prizes, which were donated by Mr. Allen W. Clark of St. Louis, Chairman of the National Clean-up and Paint-up Bureau and were presented at the Thursday morning session.

The annual address of Dr. Robert R. Moton, President of the League, was the outstanding feature of the session, and when he spoke on Wednesday evening, August 19th, more than 5,000 people of both races filled Convention Hall to hear him. The address included a review of Negro progress during the past year and pledged the League's support to all racial enterprises and interests. Among other things, Dr. Moton referred to the launching of the National Negro Finance Corporation, to gifts of \$25,000 each to Negro education by Madame A'Leila Walker of New York City, and Prof. W. G. Pearson, of Durham, North Carolina. He called particular attention to the necessity for parents who are engaged in business to train their children to carry on when they become inactive. "Everyone of you," he said, "can doubtless point to instances where business developed within the race has failed for want of a competent successor to the original founder. . . . To fail in the obvious responsibility is to limit the race to the necessity of always beginning over again. . . . The great business enterprises controlled by the white people in America represent, in most cases successive generations of growth, diligent and capable attention to the business."

The Resolutions Committee quite properly summarized the spirit of the session when it said, "We earnestly appeal to and urge our people in all parts of the country to acquire homes and lands, to enter the commercial arena and engage in every phase of business pursuits and thereby increase the number of tax-paying citizens, which is the strongest and most effective force that can be employed to gain and maintain the privileges of American citizenship."

Shadow

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Silhouette	A silhouette am I	A shadow am I
On the face of the moon	On the face of the moon	Growing in the light,
	Lacking color	Not understood
	Or vivid brightness	As is the day,
Am I.	But defined all the clearer	But more easily seen
	Because	Because
A dark shadow in the light.	I am dark,	Because
	Black on the face of the moon.	I am a shadow in the light.