


SECOND
THOUGHT
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UNCLE TOM, NEW STYLE
Funeral rites for Uncle Tom
have ben said with increasing fre-
quency and general rejoicing for
the past few
years. It is
supposed in
some quarters
that the old
hat in hand,
slave minded
Blac kameri-
can is passing
and that there
remains only
a New Negro,
free, militant
and indepen-
dent. It be- Loren Miller
comes my sad duty to set down
the fact that the report of Uncle's
death is highly exaggerated and
that the Yes-Sir-Boss-ers are still
with us.



These premature death reports
are circulated and gain acceptance
because old Uncle has changed his
garb and thus disguised himself.
Where once one found him attired
in a rusty silk hat, gold rimmed
glasses and a jim-swinger coat, he
is now resplendent in a snap brim-
med Stetson, horn rimmed spec-
tacles and Kollege Kut clothes.
Nor is he to be found on the street
corner at this date; his perfect
English floats out in appealing ac-
cents from well furnished offices
and conference rooms. What I am
trying to get at is the fact that
the old slave psychology with its
acceptance of racial inferiority has
not disappeared from among us.
Negroes with a backbone and a
willingness to fight for what they
want are still a rarity.



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