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DEMOCRACY SHALL WIN

Almost in the form of an organized national campaign came two blows in this country against the hated totalitarian governments and their intolerances and persecutions. On Friday the commissioner of investigations, William B. Herlands, issued ten subpoenas including one for Fritz Kuhn, leader of the

German-American bund, and for investigation of three allied organizations. Almost simultaneous with this announcement came President Roosevelt's bold declaration that the United States will not be passive and silent about persecution of religion in lands where democracy has been snuffed out.

In this type of peaceful coercion will the president find his greatest popular support. To the people of America, the freedom and privileges of this land are too far a cry from the medieval institutions of Europe which are again springing up, for them to indifferently accept such uncivilized activities. However, the seeming futility in meddling in European affairs has not dampened any of their enthusiasm for stamping out the infectious movements in large American cities.

Just as a concerted, and even seemingly unconnected, campaign wiped out the gangsters and underworld activities in this country, so shall a similar movement save at least the democracy which has characterized this country since its revolutions 150 years ago. It wasn't charges of murder, or even of mild criminal activities, which eliminated the public enemies. It was merely the combination of federal police and a federal income tax.

Just as greedy criminals falsified income tax statements and found themselves behind the same steel bars as murderers, so will foreign instigators of hatred and un-American intolerances misappropriate funds and find themselves pounding government rocks into federal cement. Altho loyal protectors of America's democratic principles of free speech and assembly may hate all the doctrines of nazism and fascism, they will not deny the rights of those people to meet and preach.

But let those people overstep the thin line of honest and dishonest appropriation of funds, and those protectors of the constitution will be transferred into protectors of the people. Then will Mussolini and Hitler become cognizant of the full vengeance of red blooded Americans and their determination to make this land forever safe for freedom and democracy.

LeRossignol writes book

Dean J. E. LeRossignol of the College of Business Administration has written another book dealing with the life of French Canadians who settled in Quebec. The dean's latest work is entitled "The Habitant-Merchant," and is composed of sixteen tales about the unusual character of Jovite Laberge, who became a prosperous merchant in Quebec. The book is illustrated and will be published in May.

Haskell--

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modern government, the editor has spent several years editorializing on classical subjects, and is now one of the foremost writers on the classics in the country today.

Listed in Who's Who in America, Haskell is noted for his participation, as trustee, in the management of Oberlin College, and in the activities of the Kansas City Philharmonic orchestra and the Kansas City Art Institute.

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Gene Erion talks at vespers today

Choir program honors Mohammedan religion

Guest speaker for the Lincoln Cathedral choir vesper service today at 5:30 o'clock will be Gene Erion, Doane college student.

The theme of the program is the Mohammedan religion, and Erion will speak on "The Cathedral of St. Sofia" in Constantinople, the mother church of the Moslem faith. The choir, directed by John M. Rosborough, will sing "O Praise Ye," by Tschaiakowsky, and the well-known "Nunc Dimittis," by Gretchaninov. Organist will be Houghton Furr.

Vesper services, which are held in the Cornhusker ballroom, are aired by stations KOIL and KFOR.

Sinfonia offers Harmony Hour

Program includes classical, semi-classical
Sinfonia, men's music professional, and the Union will present a program of popular, semi-classical and classical music at their weekly Harmony Hour Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock in parlors XYZ of the Union.

The program will include the following:
Come Where My Love Lies Dreaming—Stephen Foster.
Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life—Victor Herbert.
Indian Love Call—Friml.
Selection from Maytime—Romberg.
Star Dust—Hozy Cormichael.
Blue Moonlight—Dave Suesse.
I Can't Get Started—Gershwin-Duke.

Cathedral choir--

ditorium on June 18. This would be a feature of the special events day, and is scheduled to be broadcast over an international network.

The 60 voice group will also sing in the Sert room and foyer of Hotel Waldorf-Astoria, and is negotiating a one week's appearance in the Music Hall of Radio City.

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Erno Rapee or Leon Leonidoff, directors of the Music Hall, will hear the choir in Lincoln within the next two weeks in order to complete arrangements.

Invitation is to whole state. "Sponsorship of the New York appearance is still uncertain," John M. Rosborough, director and founder of the choir, said yesterday. "The invitation is not only one to the choir, but also to the state. The acceptance of this invitation must come from both the choir, as the organization to whom it is addressed, and from the people of the state for whom it is intended. The repertoire of the choir is now ready."

The choir, acclaimed by New York critics as one of America's foremost choral organizations, would leave Lincoln June 6. It has sung in New York twice during the Christmas season in recent years, appearing in the New York Carnegie Music hall, in the chapel of the steamer Normandie, in Lily Pons' home, and before President Roosevelt and his family at a Christmas party in the white house.

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Behind world events

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SESQUICENTENNIAL

The first Congress of the United States called to meet under the terms of the Constitution was scheduled for March 4, 1789, in New York City. Eighty-one delegates had been elected by the people, but for some 27 days both houses lacked a quorum and the Senate failed to find a quorum for 33 days after the opening of the session.

Saturday was the 150th anniversary of that first meeting of the Congress. In commemoration of that event a joint session of both houses, with the president, his cabinet, the chief justice and associate justices of the supreme court, the diplomatic corps, high ranking officers of the military and naval services as special guests, was held in the house of representative chambers in Washington, D. C.

While 150 years is not so long as time is reckoned in eternity, it is the current life span of one of the greatest nations on earth. A land with abundant natural resources, governed under democratic principles by and for a capable and willing citizenry, can scarce be called aught but great in the light of what we today sometimes regard as civilization. The United States today occupies a position of unique and pivotal importance in world affairs. Its peoples, its tenets of government are heralded widely and much envied.

From a nation of 3 million people we have grown to a population of almost 130 million. The landed area of the nation has trebled. Our economic, social and political interests are far-flung and touch the lives of many races and many creeds. Yet we are today as relatively happy, content, and secure, as were our predecessors of 150 years ago.

During this formative period of American history, for most students feel we are now entering upon an era of stratification and one in which complete laissez-faire becomes even more difficult than

it has been, some 1,642 men and women have served as governors of their respective states. There have been 32 presidents of the United States. There have been 70 associate justices and 11 chief justices of the supreme court.

Senator Barkley, democratic floor leader for the majority party, in a speech before the joint memorial session, said that it was the supreme court not the senate which should be called the most "exclusive club" in American history. He pointed out that two of the chief justices served a total of 63 years on the bench or during nearly half of that period of legal history following the Constitution. The present incumbent, Charles Evans Hughes, has served longer than four of his predecessors and may well outserve all of them.

Recent years have seen great political controversies waged over the personnel and conservative or liberal character of the court, yet it still stands as the greatest single safeguard for all things American and as a bulwark against legislation undertaken in haste. By a study of the personnel of the court, of its memorable decisions, we can all best understand how America, and virtually America alone, has preserved the concepts of liberty, of freedom, and the principles of general constitutional democracy.

Oldfather addresses PTA

Dean Charles H. Oldfather of the College of Arts and Sciences discussed the problem of getting students ready for college today at a program held at Omaha Central high school Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Omaha P. T. A.

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