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EDITORIALS!

"LEST WE FORGET"

In the Sept. 24th edition of the OMAHA GUIDE, we published a questionnaire submitted by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, to the Candidates for Presidency and Vice Presidency of the U. S. in the coming election. Has the Negro Political Leader in their respective communities asked the County Central Committee Chairman, the State Central Committee Chairman and your Congressman "who is asking you for support in your district, "What their nominee for President and Vice President says in regard to the answer, the questionnaire submitted by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People? It is the purpose of this Association to fight for the rights of every Negro citizen, and see that the Negro Problem is not evaded in this day of reconstruction as has been done in the past. There is a personal responsibility placed upon the heads of this nation, in their attitude regarding the injustices and intolerances heaped upon the Negroes of this Country. The National Association has asked for a plain declaration on the Negro problem in order to inform him how to cast his ballot in the coming election for the man who will stamp out racial segregation, promote higher education for Negroes, give them their pro-rata of employment, and see that the citizenship rights are protected, of every Negro throughout this land. Without any argument, every Negro in Politics, and every Negro Newspaper in the U. S. are aware of this fact: That the N.A.A.C.P. is the only organization in the U. S. that no paid political propaganda which tends to deceive or mislead the Negroes of our Country, will be accepted by the officials of this organization. Every Negro Newspaper and every Negro Political Leader should without hesitation, demand an answer from the Republican and Democratic Nominees in the coming election. No Negro Political Leader and no Negro Newspaper can rightfully say they are in a better position to know who their friends are in a National Political Campaign than the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; an organization that is active 365 days a year in the interest of Black America. In our opinion regardless of our Local Political connections, the nominee who refuses to answer this questionnaire should not get any consideration whatsoever from any Negro Newspaper or Negro Political Leader. The Nominee will not get consideration from any one who has red blood flowing through their veins, regardless of any cash agreement, or positions that may be offered by the Nominee through their campaign manager.

PERFORMANCE NOT PROMISES

The political campaign that is now on has advanced to the period when a voter of average intelligence has a fair understanding of the issues involved and an idea of the personality of the several candidates who are making a bid for the suffrage of their fellow citizens. We are concerned in the men who are to manage the Ship of State the next four years, as on their actions depend the weal or woe of millions of human beings, on the policies they enunciated largely will depend the recovery of this country's economic equilibrium and the happiness of her people. We have no way of judging the future, only by the past, and glancing back over the past four years we see little in the actions of the Republican administration to commend it to the Negro voter, and we can see little to hope for better treatment, should the Democrats win. The situation that confronts the Negro calls for serious thought, and consideration as our position is fraught with peril should we make a mistake. It should be understood that the Negro has come of age, and no longer belongs to any one party, we are found in all the parties, though a majority are of the Republican faith, but we should be judged politically, individually, and not collectively. 8,000,000 voters and taxpayers should receive some recognition. We have been practically ignored by both state and federal government in the distribution of the spoils. Would any other group be as patient? We call our leaders and would be leaders' attention to

these gross injustices to a loyal group, and warn them that the masses will not be content with mere promises, party leaders must perform if they expect to hold the Negro vote.

THINK THIS OVER

The cost of 310 city governments in 1930 was 66.4 per cent greater than the cost of all of the 48 state governments and 2.8 per cent more than the cost of the Federal government, according to announcement of Census Bureau, May 13, 1932.

GETTING DOWN TO FACTS

In commenting on public utility problems and their relation to the public, Philip H. Gadsden, Vice-President, the United Gas Improvement Company, said: "It is my judgement that what is needed for a satisfactory solution of these difficult and perplexing questions is, (1) that they be understood; (2) that they be discussed from the standpoint of the economics involved, free from political, partisan, and social bias; and (3) that they be settled on a basis which will promote, rather than hinder, the growth and expansion of the utility industry.

This seems little enough to ask, but experience has shown that it is difficult to attain. Tremendous efforts have been made by the enemies of privately owned utilities, to obscure or exaggerate utility problems, and make them seem more complicated than they are. In law-making, sectional interests and jealousies have played a larger part than have intelligence, logic and the real needs of the consumers and investors.

The average citizen's interest in a utility is simply this: That he be given the best possible electric or gas service at the least possible cost. In order to do this, the utility must earn sufficient profit with which to main its facilities, attract investment of new capital, and make expansions and improvements when necessary. Acrimonious political bickering can only hinder the utility industry's development and damage the true public interest. Under our present system whereby privately owned utilities operate under the jurisdiction of state commissions; the public's interest is well protected, and the industry's future progress assured.

WHAT SHALL WE USE FOR MONEY?

An increasing volume of expert opinion holds that it is possible to stabilize silver and still avoid inflation.

As the commercial machinery of the world grows more complicated and higher-g geared, gold is less and less able to keep it going. Under present conditions, whole nations, with tremendous populations, are unable to buy in this and other countries, simply because their money metal, silver, has lost most of its purchasing power.

What the ratio should be between gold and silver can be decided by investigation. But this much is becoming apparent to the average citizen—when the bulk of gold is held by two countries, France and the United States, and when silver is selling at unprecedentedly low levels, we are headed for international chaos. Bringing silver "back" would be a long step toward the permanent solution of the difficulties now perplexing all the great nations.

A WORTHWHILE PROJECT

Working on the theory that every industrial concern and its workers are entitled to the benefits of organized accident prevention, the National Safety Council has announced a plan for spreading the gospel of industrial safety throughout the length and breadth of the land. Every concern, large or small, can have the organization's help in establishing a plan for a continuous campaign of accident prevention.

The plan offered may be pretty well described by one word, "personalized." It takes cognizance of the fact that safety work is everybody's business—not merely that of safety engineers and shop foremen. Every person connected with the plant becomes a "stockholder" in the work. The Council has provided Industrial Safety Trophies which will be awarded the department or group winning the year-round safety contest within a company. The individual workman will be reached each month with an interesting magazine called "The Safe Worker." Payroll messages are to be provided to be given on pay day to every workman as an added reminder of safety. The technique of the plan is to reach every member of a concern with personal, direct contacts in the interest of safety industrial operations.

Industries should take advantage of such a service. Many concerns, through concentrated safety work, have reduced accidents from 50 to 90 per cent in recent years. Thousands of deaths and hundreds of thousands of non-fatal accidents can be prevented annually. Plant efficiency can be increased tremendously.

Dr. Lennox Continues Fight to Secure Our Just Pro Rata Employment

Omaha Chamber of Commerce
Omaha, Nebraska
October 4, 1932

Dr. G. B. Lennox, M. D.
1602 1-2 North 24th St.,
Omaha, Nebr.,

Dear Dr. Lennox:

I appreciate your writing me concerning the problems of the colored citizens of Omaha, and I can assure you we are doing everything possible to stimulate employment. Our organization, the same as every group of individuals, has both the strength and the weakness of the people that compose it, and while we strive toward a civic consciousness that will take into consideration the welfare of all of our citizens we approach perfection slowly. We certainly appreciate your interest in the colored citizens and have always had a great deal of admiration for the Urban League in its endeavors to promote the welfare of the colored people of Omaha. Cordially yours,
G. B. Eastburn,
Secretary.

G. B. Lennox, M. D.
1602 1-2 North 24th St.
Omaha, Nebraska.
October 6, 1932.

Mr. Glen B. Eastburn,
Sec. of the Chamber of
Commerce,
WOW Building, 17th floor,
Omaha, Nebr.,

Dear Mr. Eastburn:

I appreciate your consideration in regards to the letter recently written to you, but I am hoping you have not misinterpreted by meaning. I want you to know that I have the same admiration for the Urban League, which is a great task for one man to master and take care of all problems before him. Coming in contact daily with large numbers of my people, I have watched and studied conditions closely with them, more so recently than ever before, enabling me to know that the colored citizens through negligence or oversight in some way are not getting their pro-rata of employment with the different concerns they continuously support. Each citizen, especially the tax payer is due the same consideration as others, and regardless of nationality, the strength and weakness of a people is determined by the consideration given in the community where they reside and are constantly supporters of same. If there is an over-

sight on the part of those ahead of different concerns and they fail to manifest an equal consideration to all, that group which is neglected or weakened, the strength is thrown to the other side and they are given the preference.

I realize as you state, it takes time to bring about a humanitarian consideration on the part of all involved, but we are hoping that the world fair of each citizen materializes through your efforts and we shall receive with your help our pro-rata in the form of employment with the different concerns we support.

I am hoping you will keep in mind the facts given in my first letter. We as a whole shall not forget each step whether large or small, in our behalf to help us obtain our pro-rata in the form of employment in a community where we are tax payers and supporters, receiving less than one-half the percentage of employment that we should.

Again thanking you, I am, respectfully yours,
Dr. G. B. Lennox,

August 19, 1932.

Mr. Galloway,
Editor Omaha Guide
2418 Grant St.,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Mr. Galloway:

I hand you herewith a rather lengthy letter incorporating my own personal views on the outstanding matters which now in my opinion concern the American people at this time.

The letter is too long for your use but it occurred to me that possibly there might be a few points therein which you might desire to use.

With my kind regards,
yours very truly,
Douglas County Central Committee,
Jackson E. Chase, Ch.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me
Boyd V. Galloway, Editor.
this 4th day of October 1932.

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