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EDITORIAL

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By REV. ALBERT KUHN

Within a week the world conference on disarmament will be resumed at Geneva. Already the representatives of the five great Powers, America, Great Britain, France, Germany and Italy, are in a hurdle trying to arrive at some principles that all can agree upon.

In these days of depression and unemployment through which we are passing; when economists, big business, and politicians all declare that we are about to meet the first vanguard of the "New Deal" promised us by our President...

Great Britain has sent another agent, Sir Frederick Leith Ross, to Washington to talk our government out of demanding the payment of the ext installment on England's debt.

France, in order to increase the government income, has resorted to a lottery scheme. For every hundred dollar's worth of lottery tickets she will distribute \$60.00 in prizes.

In Cuba President Grau and his cabinet, supported by a student organization is still in office. His government has however not been recognized by the United States because it has not yet become evident that he has the support of the majority of the people.

President Roosevelt has declared that our government will see to it that no one in the United States will be without shelter, warmth, food and clothing this winter.

ADVERTISE. "LET THE PEOPLE KNOW" SAYS JOHNSON OF N. R. A. In every daily in America the above struck

the eyes of million of people in glaring headlines last week. These remarks coming from a man holding a position under this administration that is held by General Johnson and too, in these critical days of depression and unemployment is almost tota mount to a command. It is useless to make these house to house canvasses for the purpose of getting people to buy only from places of businesses who have signed to support the President's recovery program and have received the N. R. A. emblem if their merchants are not going to keep the public informed as to the goods they have to offer, the price and quality of the same or where they may be secured.

At this stage of our economic and intellectual development it is absolutely necessary that we strive to give a whole measure of service. It is not enough to expect the people of our group to bring their money to you for the reasons of color only. They are not so constituted the business men and women of our group must use the same means and expend the same amount of energy to secure the business from Negroes as white business men and women use to get business from their people by letting the people know first; what you have to sell, second where it is located; third, how much it cost; fourth, the quality of the goods—and this can only be done thru an aggressive, persistent, efficient system of advertising.

As a soldier during the Filipino uprising when on the drill ground going through the different formations, each soldier erect and alert to hear and execute each command, eyes straight to the front, we always knew when we were about to change front by the sharp staccato command of Close Ranks! This command was necessary for the execution of movements to expedite the commands and to lessen the possibilities of the rear rank losing time and step when the command was executed.

In these days of depression and unemployment through which we are passing; when economists, big business, and politicians all declare that we are about to meet the first vanguard of the "New Deal" promised us by our President; when the world has executed an "about face" to receive old man prosperity who has been "just around the corner" for the past four years, now is the time for the Negro, especially in Omaha to Close Ranks.

The Negro is constituted about like the rest of the family of man, subject to the same reactions as other nations and groups. Their likes and dislikes are just as intense, their hopes and fears just as strong. Unfortunately we have no way by which we may reach the major part of our group. The church formerly wielded a great influence, but for some unexplainable reason, only a comparatively few can be reached by this method, from the fact that only a few attend church. The next great factor was the secret organizations. This, also has become enpassé for the same reason as the Church. As our old standards has fallen the crying need for something to take its place is essential and necessary for the continued progress of the race.

As a group we need the hearty good will of the other group, we should not allow our relations to the dominant group to be subject to the un-directed drift of things, here-in is where we need collective efficiency, it is not enough that a member of a group shall achieve individual prowess, he must be able to direct the collective achievements of the group he represents, that it will draw the highest mead of praise and respect from those groups who has best performed the worlds great tasks. Races that posses collective efficiency generally has a leader who is sustained by them. Where there is no collective efficiency there will be no support of its leadership. Consequently the Negroes of Omaha, must Close Ranks, find some place and method of assembling all the members of the race together for the purpose of teaching collective development. The sooner the Negro learns the fundamentals of self government the sooner will he accept Negro leadership. The development of an unselfish leadership is a consummation which should be desired by all—CLOSE RANKS.

A STEP FORWARD (From The C. T. W.)

The North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance, Company, largest Negro enterprise in the world, has taken another step forward in developing Negro business. The newest move of the company to permanently establish itself is to get a hold on the children of the race before they have become contaminated with persons not interested in the progress of the Negro. In every state and town in which the company operates there is being organized for children of the race

what is known as the North Carolina Mutual Thrift Club. Children belonging to the club are taught race pride and what it means, to carry their insurance in a company owned and operated by their own people. They also are taught the necessity of earning and saving money.

If you think this is an idea born in the minds of some simpletons you ought to consult the Catholic church the largest religious organization existing among civilized people, and you will learn why it is the largest. The Catholics will tell you that you may have the child after they have had it the first twelve years of its

HOPKINS HAS A HEART

American Hungry Will Be Fed

(From The Omaha Bee News) Harry L. Hopkins, Federal Emergency Relief administrator, is said to be hard-boiled.

He was selected by President Roosevelt to give life to the Wagner Act that appropriated some hundreds of millions of dollars for the relief of those who were unemployed and destitute.

First contacts with his administration made some folks think he was a "tough baby." Experience showed he was "tough" only to the extent that he declined to shoulder for the government a load that should be carried by the public in the localities rules he laid down demonstrated their affected. Careful examination of the wisdom

Now he appears, before the mayors, assembled at Chicago, in the role of a militant humanitarian, still hard-boiled, but determined to relieve the suffering hungry of the land.

It is perfectly indefensible to have milk poured into ditches, food lying in warehouses, and fruit rotting on the ground, he said, "while hundreds of thousands yes millions of Americans haven't got enough to eat. We're going to take these great food surpluses and put them where they belong—in the kitchens of the unemployed."

This doesn't mean that the whole load is to be shouldered by the federal government. Mr. Hopkins has some sharp words for the communities that are not doing their part, and there are too many such. But, where the people are actually striving to meet the problem locally, the help that is due from the FERA will be forthcoming.

Omaha has been promised this, but Omaha must also do her share; and that means plenty for the coming winter.

Done At RanJom

By RALPH L. LESTER Out of the Stir

Recently I met an old acquaintance, who having strayed from the straight and narrow path, paid the penalty and now is attempting to regain his rightful place in society. His forced retirement was spent in a local prison and judging from his appearance and apparent health, he suffered very little. His term was short and he was given a very easy job. He stated that many of the prisoners are faring much better in many ways than they would be on the outside, especially during these times. They get good food, clothing, the best of medical attention and engage in various outdoor activities. These include base ball, basketball, football etc. Movies are shown at regular periods. Each prisoner receives a small amount of money per day for his labor. This is paid to him on his release. The Labor Commission recently had this amount cut, due to the conditions prevailing on the outside. Many of the prisoners are trying to prepare themselves for the future by taking correspondence courses, others are studying music and play in the prison band. The majority, according to my informant, are just doing time. Being curious, I inquired as to a prisoners first thoughts after being released. His answer expressed a seriousness acquired since I last saw him. It follows: After having your food, clothing, shelter and medical attention provided for you, one naturally thinks first about these things. How will they be continued? How and where can I find employment? What steps shall I take to regain my rightful place in society? Will the path I choose lead back to the walls from which I have just turned my back? Will my prison record keep me from getting honest employment? These and other questions along the same line were the first in the mind of this young man. After assuring him of my willingness to aid him in any way and wishing him good luck we parted. And somehow I feel that this young man will make good.

At "Clara and Neil's Rendezvous in Lawnside, N. J. the other night, a clever entertainer who is known as "Hutch" was giving a neat exhibition of the latest dance craze, the Shim Sham Shimmy. After his number was

life. The Catholics are no simpletons.

It is hard to estimate just how far reaching the movement now being undertaken by the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company will go towards developing race pride and solidarity. The tendency on the part of Negro teachers to instill into the minds of the youth of the race distrust in Negro business will doubtless receive a severe blow, and the plan devised by the North Carolina Mutual should be followed by other racial organizations, as well as encouraged by parents who may some day have to look to their children for support.

protection that the Constitution of this country guarantees (what a mockery)

It would seem that some better plan might be worked out. Why not take steps (The Federal Government) to prevent lynchings and others wholesale crimes against her citizens? It was done in the case of kidnaping. A few rich men were kidnaped and the wheels of the Federal Government moved for immediate to the demands for lenient legislation.

No other group have contributed as much toward the building of this country and received so little in return.

Was it worse for these Negro youths to be hobbing their way on the same freight train with two white girls, than for a supposedly enlightened state to demand their lives?

A recent issue of the I. L. D. Press Service carries the following report made after a recent survey: More than thirty-four (34) Negroes, male and female have been killed by whites in various sections of the country. Their crimes were, being on the street early in the morning, resisting arrest, stealing a watermelon, refusing to push a stalled car, occupants white of course) climbing over a fence, talking back, and other petty acts. These acts of terror are not confined to the south, as the survey shows, but are most common there, where no attention is paid to them by the press.

Men who write history; in the future, will be interested in a little picture of our 1933 civilization.

It shows nine Negro youths in a cell in an Alabama prison reading, talking, playing and thinking. They are awaiting the final decision of prejudiced justice for a supposedly attack upon two white girls of questionable reputation. This alleged attack was supposed to have taken place on a freight train, while all concerned were hobbing (in separate freight cars). One of the girls repudiated her testimony and declared the boys innocent. Still they are in jail. They have had one taste of Alabama's justice and are now awaiting another.

All of this is not news. It has happened so often in the "Barbarian South."

It will be real news when Negroes are given even a semblance of justice in the South. When Negroes are placed on juries and take their rightful place in helping to run the country that says their life's blood. It will be real news when lynching becomes a thing of the past, and Negroes are accorded the rights, privileges and

And, may I add this?—Very little attention is paid to them here by the press.

With one week two Negroes have been killed, two severely beaten and five arrested in a terror drive in West Philadelphia, Pa. The local press (white) practically ignored this and the Negroes here are very busy. At present their interest is struggling to get into, or drag some one out of the 400's (Who's Who in Philadelphia) holding revivals and "Amos and Andy" through life.

LESTERGRAM: Is it not better to die by the sword than perish from the whip?

EXCEPT WHERE TAMMANY CONTROLS, "VOTE MY WAY, OR NOT AT ALL." Is NOT legal. SEE THE POINT I AM STRESSING? It looms FAR LARGER than the question of the 18th Amendment. IT MUST BE PRESSED or the LAST CHANGE OF THE NEGRO RACE TO EVER GET THE VOTE IN THE SOUTH IS GONE. This Special Election method, getting by sets a LEGAL PRECEDENT, which if NOT challenged, ENDS THE CHANCES OF THE SOUTHERN NEGROES FOR ALL TIME. Organize your race for a determined campaign to FORCE the South to grant the Negro permanent suffrage WITHOUT STRINGS TO IT. MAKE this Amendment campaign, YOUR campaign issue, WHAT IS THE QUESTION OF BOOZE, 'COMING BACK, AS AGAINST THE RIGHT OF THE NEGRO TO VOTE? If this Special Election WAS legal, SO IS THE RIGHT OF THE SOUTHERN NEGRO TO VOTE AT ALL TIMES LEGAL FOR THIS RIGHT GIVEN HIM TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION. ACKNOWLEDGES IT. You should tell the Democratic National Committee this, and PUT IT UP TO THEM TO REDEEM THEIR OWN PROMISE TO AID THE SOUTHERN NEGRO TO HIS RIGHTS. CALL THEIR BLUFF? MAKE THEM PUT UP, OR SHUT UP. ONLY QUALIFIED VOTERS WERE TO VOTE AT THIS ELECTION? ACCORDING TO THE CONGRESSION CALL FOR IT? SEE WHERE YOUR CHANCE IS? Very truly, A WHITE FRIEND.

FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

October 4, 1933. Sidney, Nebraska, September 29, 1933. Honorable Charles W. Bryan, Lincoln, Nebraska. Dear Governor: With reference to an article in the Sidney Telegraph, criticizing the new road recently completed west of Sidney, Nebraska, I am enclosing you herewith copy of a resolution unanimously passed by the Sidney Chamber of Commerce on September 18, 1933. Very truly yours, PAUL L. MARTIN.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Sidney Chamber of Commerce that criticism has been voiced through an article in the Sidney Telegraph of September 15, 1933, of the bituminous mat road recently completed west of Sidney, Nebraska: BE IT RESOLVED by the Sidney Chamber of Commerce met in regular session on September 18, 1933, that the Sidney Chamber of Commerce, after a careful inspection of said road by the Road Committee of the Chamber of Commerce and many members of the Chamber, express the appreciation of the organization to Governor Charles W. Bryan for the excellent road just completed and voice its approval of the road program for the completion of a bituminous mat road on the Lincoln Highway through Cheyenne, County Nebraska.

ANSELMO: ANSELMO STATE BANK Prior Payment, made during receivership 20% \$14,915.83 Court order of September 14, 1933, for further 15% 10,770.83 35% \$25,686.66

Conventions and Chaperones

By Videtta Ish (For The Literary Service Bureau) The chaperone was one of the safe guards of other days. Even young women who were "of age" were not permitted to go out without protection. Sometimes the chaperone was the girl's little brother or her little sister; and "big sister" knew better than to object. No group of young people would be allowed to go out or to have an entertainment without the presence of some of the older people. But now, all this is obsolete, they will tell you, and the "dear young people must have their pleasure, and their freedom!" Noting the conditions one is inclined to shake his head and say, "O tempora, O mores! And he is inclined to wish for the older and better days.

HEROES UNSUNG

Pullman Porters By A. B. Mann (For The Literary Service Bureau) They write odes to Casey Jones and other trainmen, but seldom do we read a word written in praise of Negro Pullman porters who work for a pittance and endure all manner of humiliation. This man is called "Gorge" and must not resent it. He must smile when he is ridiculed and made the subject of jokes, and the company which employs him affords but little protection from these insults. So the lot of a sleeping-car porter is not an easy nor a pleasant one. But he is not appreciated even though he is engaged in this necessary work. These faithful ones receive little credit, but they are heroes, nevertheless.



Read What Others Say

The Editor, Omaha Guide, Omaha, Nebraska

Dear Sir: Have you given a thought to the wonderful opportunity that exists to help the members of the colored race, living in the "Solid South," in which the black people are denied the privilege of voting?

While the question of the retention, or rejection, of the 18th Amendment is being voted on, in the Southern States, the black people are being allowed to vote, in order that a promise of the Democratic Party may be fulfilled. Southern Whites are DEMOCRATS BEFORE THEY ARE ANYTHING ELSE.

The WETS have made monkeys out of our Negroes, by stressing the point that the dry Southerners were very insistent on the enforcement of the 18th Amendment, but were sadly lacking when it came to the 13th, 14th and 15th. They NEGLECTED to tell the blacks that there was an Act, known as the "Volstead Act" to enforce the 18th Amendment, but to enforce it is NOT AN ACT TO ENFORCE THE THREE THAT CONCERN THE BLACK RACE.

They carefully AVOID THE TRUTH that the Constitution is NOT THE LAW of the land, BUT MERELY THE DOCUMENT ON WHICH THE LAWS ARE BASED. THE FAILED to tell the Negroes that it is UNCONSTITUTIONAL to have any laws which would be of assistance to the Negroes in obtaining the vote. THE Constitution EXPLICITLY STATES, THAT ALL MATTERS NOT SPECIALLY RESERVED FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT,

HEREIN, ARE RESERVED FOR THE SEVERAL STATES, (See 10th Amendment.) The Constitution DOES NOT MENTION any voting qualifications, thus, leaving that question to the control of each State. THEREFORE; THERE CAN BE NO GENERAL LAWS, enforcing voting powers, that the State, themselves do NOT grant. By NOT stating this FACT the wets obtained many votes against the 18th Amendment, from Negroes who resented what they regarded as a light against their race. However, regardless of which side is right about the Amendment, a FAR LARGER question, for the Negro, is HIS RIGHT TO VOTE AT ALL. THE FACT they were allowed to vote on the question, gives them the RIGHT TO DEMAND, that they be allowed to vote, AT ANY ALL ELECTIONS within that State, for IF their vote in the Special Election, about the Amendment, WAS a legal one, then their right to a permanent vote at any and all elections, is established and admitted. If they CANNOT vote, at the regular elections at will, THEN THEIR VOTE IN THE SPECIAL ELECTIONS IS VOTE AS IT BECOMES AN ILLEGAL ONE. IT CANNOT BE legal, ONLY WHEN THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY NEEDS THEIR VOTES, to put across a matter of importance to them and NOT ALLOWED TO VOTE under any and all circumstances. It is NOT Constitutional to allow them to vote, ONLY WHEN AND IF, IT SUITS THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY TO LET THEM FORBIDDING THEM OTHERWISE. This constitutes COERCION, ILLEGAL everywhere