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ARTICLE XIV. CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES

Citizenship Rights Not to Be Abridged

1. All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.



THE ELAINE VICTORY

NOT ONLY should it be a cause of rejoicing among our own group but among all Americans because of the triumph of justice in the case of so-called "rioters" of Elaine, Arkansas; for, little as we may think of it, violence cannot be done the humblest American citizen, black or white, without retroactive and retributive effect upon the whole people. In like manner the triumph of justice for the humblest has its retroactive influence upon all. All Americans, therefore, should rejoice that the attempt to rape justice in the case of the Negro farmers of Phillips county, Arkansas, has been thwarted. Credit for this must be cheerfully accorded the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; nor must it be forgotten that influential and justice-loving white men and women even in Arkansas allied themselves with the fight that the N. A. C. P. was making for justice and to save the lives of innocent men, victims of an almost unbelievable conspiracy. It was a battle for justice waged against tremendous odds that would have discouraged even stout hearts before the conflict began but confident that it was in the right the National Association never wavered until its far-reaching victory was achieved. It did more than save the lives of innocent men. It established a precedent, the wide-flung influence of which will become more apparent as the years go by. Let us thank God for this signal victory won for us through the instrumentality of the great organization He has raised up for us and give to it our hearty support and cooperation.

contended, a separate hospital of this kind is entirely uncalled for and out of place because we hold that any American citizen, be his race, color or religion what it may, who is good enough to shed his blood for the defense of this country or suffer impairment of health in its defense, is good enough to be taken care of in the government hospitals established for that purpose and that without distinction or discrimination. Any other policy is ungrateful, cowardly and hypocritical. But it was decreed that this separate hospital for Negro veterans should be established. It was announced, as subsidization of opposition and a balm to uneasy consciences, that the personnel of the medical and nursing staff would be colored, giving the race wonderful opportunities, a policy justified by that of segregation. Subsequent developments indicate a policy of vacillation, duplicity and falsification which reflects seriously upon certain members of a racial group which prides itself upon its superiority and high ethical standards.

ANOTHER VOLUME

WITH THIS NUMBER The Monitor starts upon its ninth year. The struggle to endure has been severe, but struggling makes one the stronger. We believe that we have done good service. We are conscious of at least having conscientiously striven to do so. Conviction that the race imperatively needs publications of this character and assurance that our labors in this line are appreciated keeps us at our task, even though with our other duties it is a tremendous tax upon our strength. Grateful for the assistance we have received from subscribers, advertisers and fellow workers and beseeching its continuance we enter hopefully upon our work of another journalistic year.

MONITOR COLLECTOR

Arthur B. McCaw, a student in the Central high school, is collecting subscriptions for the Monitor. Please pay him promptly.

THE HOSPITAL MUDDLE

CORRESPONDENCE recently given publicity concerning the manning of the United States Hospital for Negro Veterans at Tuskegee shows duplicity and chicanery upon the part of persons high up in government affairs which fills one with disgust. It is anything but creditable to persons who have any sense of honor. From our viewpoint, as we have hitherto

FOOTNOTES TO AFRICAN HISTORY

(By the Hamitic League)

Osiris, the Great God of Old Egypt

Of course, you have heard that Africans paint their gods black, but have you ever read that the greatest of all Egyptian gods was painted the color of Pennsylvania coke? His name was Osiris and believe us, Mabel, he was some pumpkins in his day. Egypt claims that Mr. Osiris and his wife, Isis, came from Ethiopia and decided that the Nile country was a nifty spot to build a nation. With the black mud Osiris started making the men, while Isis made the women. When they had turned out enough, Mr. and Mrs. taught them civilization.

Then came the murder of Osiris, the search of Isis for his body, the conquest of his enemies by his son, Horus, and the founding of that great secret order from which modern Masonry comes.

Sort of queer, when you start to think of it, how cullud folks are so mixed up and tangled in the wonders of the ancient world! It used to be that the historian laid it down that the only thing we ever did from the beginning of time was to tote water and chop kindling. But somehow "things ain't like they used to was." Every now and then the spade heaves up something else that starts the black Banquo bobbing into the lime-light again. He must have been some persimmon back behind the sun, eh? Believe us, he was. It is time we take a tumble and claim the doughnut instead of the hole. (Next week, "Helen the Teasing Bdown Skin of Troy.")

ORIENTAL MUSICAL TEA DELIGHTFUL AFFAIR

The Oriental Musical Tea given by the Woman's Auxiliary of the Church of St. Phillip the Deacon last Thursday at the residence of Sergt. and Mrs. Isaac Bailey was a grand success.

The house was beautifully decorated with apple and cherry blossoms, wisteria, Chinese and Japanese lanterns. The ladies assisting in the dining room and parlor were Mesdames Jasper Brown, Harry Schwein, Isaac Bailey, Frank Shropshire, J. W. Gates and H. R. Roberts, all of whom were gowned in the most gorgeous Chinese dresses.

A splendid program was rendered. During the program delicious refreshments were served to more than sixty ladies, all of whom expressed themselves as having spent a delightful afternoon.

Those participating in the program were the Misses Grace Adams, Nathalie Brown, Ruth Seay, Lucy Allen, Edna Stratton, Margaret Bell, Carrie Harrison, and Mesdames Gatus, Dixon, Gaines, Smith and Gaskins, and Mr. Clarence Desudnes.

WELL KNOWN WIDOWER WEDS

William Costen, one of Omaha's substantial residents of long standing and a veteran in railroad circles, and Miss Mary Lue Brookings, daughter of Theodore Brookings of Owensboro, Ky., and niece of the late Silas Johnson, were united in marriage Wednesday evening, June 27th, at the parsonage of Bethel A. M. E. church by the Rev. Frederick Divers. Mr. and Mrs. Costen are at home at 2717 No. Twenty-eighth avenue.

LINCOLN NOTES

Rev. I. B. Smith returned home last Friday after spending his vacation in the south, visiting his daughter and relatives at Tuskegee, Ala. He also visited Atlanta, Ga., and other points of interest.

Mrs. Alice Bush died at her home, 2235 S street, last Saturday morning. She leaves to mourn her loss, Mrs. Mabel Dixon of Chicago, three sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Edwards, Mrs. Lillian Washington, Lincoln, Mrs. Ida Curtis, Gard; two brothers, Fred Curtis, Lincoln and George Curtis, Alliance. The funeral was held at the Newman M. E. church Monday afternoon, the pastor, G. W. Carter, officiating. It is said that nearly all the relatives were present at the obsequies, many friends also paid their last respects to the deceased.

Miss Hazel King is home from Manhattan, Kans., visiting her parents and friends.

Islam Temple No. 65 A. A. E. O. N. M. Shrine, initiated eight new members into their mystic circle last Sunday. These nobles claim they will ever remember the Hot Sands.

Mr. H. L. Anderson, wife and others motored over from Omaha last Sunday, worshipping with Mt. Zion Baptist church Sunday morning, and as state superintendent of Sunday schools he addressed the school, giving them much encouragement and thought.

The Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. convention met with Pilgrim Baptist church Sunday School at Omaha July 16-21, 1923. Covenant and two praise meetings were greatly enjoyed by a good crowd at morning worship. The B. Y. P. U. and preaching by the Rev. H. W. Botts, and communion was served at night.

At the A. M. E. church, Rev. M. C. Knight held usual services, preaching morning and night. The Sunday School and A. E. E. societies had fine services.

Misses Sylvia and Adalaide Newton of Beatrice are visiting their cousin, Miss Florence Reid, here.

A very attractive garden party was given by the Optimistic Set at the residence of Mrs. Holmes Friday evening. The living rooms were filled with a profusion of garden flowers and the yard was sectioned off into most inviting shrubbery and Japanese lanterns blended in with the natural decorations. Dainty refreshments were served to the large number of guests present. This event with a private Fourth of July picnic closes the club meetings for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Jefferson, enroute from Atchison, Kans., to their home in Cheyenne, Wyo., by auto, stopped over in the city Tuesday to visit friends. Mrs. Jefferson was formerly Miss Hattie Ingram of Atchison. The writer was surprised to meet her after a lapse of many days. She is a former school teacher.

The Utopian Art Club will meet with Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Oliver, 239 No. 9th, Thursday night, July 12. Members are urged to be present. There will be a paper by Mr. W. L. Johnson.

Mrs. Everett Huff and Miss Bernice Lyons entertained at a lawn party last Thursday night in honor of Mesdames Johnson and Robinson of Kansas City, Mo. The party was given at Mrs. Huff's home, 1330 No. 19th. The evening was devoted to games and music.

Misses Erma and Izetta Easley entertained a lawn party at their home, 1110 No. 18th street. Among the large number of guests present, those out of town were: Mrs. Alla Robinson and Mrs. Marie Johnson of Warrenton, Mo., Mrs. Mollie Brown, the Misses Florence and Lillian Webster of Doniphan, Kans. The evening was spent in dancing and card playing.

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"It is surprising," says a ponderous gentleman, "how few philosophical writers have ever reached other than a perfectly commonplace conclusion in regard to practical morality." There is no other conclusion to reach. Morality is good conduct for its own sake; no one can come to other than a commonplace conclusion about it.—E. W. Howe's Monthly.

Bricklayers Have Long Lives.

Masons and bricklayers are among the longest-lived men, being exceeded only by blacksmiths and farmers, according to figures furnished by the United States Department of Labor.

Thought for the Day.

There is never a valley so deep that we cannot see out if we will; but look up.

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"HIKES" GROW IN POPULARITY

City People Every Day Becoming More Addicted to Long Walks Through the Country.

Days of the hike picnic are here. The hike picnic differs from the old-fashioned sedentary picnic in that the picnickers do not sit on the grass, but walk on it.

It is an entirely peripatetic social function, except when those who walk stop briefly for rest or luncheon. These walking clubs now exist in cities all over the country. From the first one in Washington, they have multiplied greatly. New York city has hundreds of them, so that a whole page is devoted in some of the dailies to mapping out and describing "routes" in the nearby country.

Recently, in Kansas City, a walking excursion was advertised on a certain day, to which the invitation was general, and more than 1,000 excursionists were on hand on the bright and sunny morning with which the event was favored.

It might have suggested the beginning of Peter the Hermit's celebrated hike, although this time banners were neglected.

If hikes are to become one of the great outdoor diversions it may not be long until armies move down the country roads armed with sandwiches and tin drinking cups, filling the air with songs and conversational clamor of the populace.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

ASSOCIATE SOUND AND COLOR

Both Children and Adults, Frequently Unconsciously, Link the Two in Their Minds.

Mr. Horace B. English sends an account of the following interesting incident to Science Magazine. It seems to indicate the manner in which children, and many adults as well, come to associate sounds with colors.

Fulton (aged three years, eleven months, listening to the phonograph)—Daddy, I think soft music is yellow. Dr. P. (his father, a distinguished chemist)—Yellow? And what color is loud music?

Fulton—Well, it is black. Dr. P.—And what is blue music like?

Fulton—Blue music is loud, but not so loud as the black music. Dr. P.—Tell me, why is soft music yellow?

Fulton (after thinking a moment)—Well, when you mark with yellow crayon on paper, you can't see it very well, but when you mark with black you can.

British Engineers Busy.

Contracts for engines and railroad stocks for foreign and Colonial customers have been booked by British firms in such volume as to keep their engineers and laborers hard at work for months to come. Beardmore and Company of Glasgow have obtained an order for the reconstruction of repairing workshops of Portuguese railroads and are making 27 locomotives and 3,350 pairs of wheels for Indian railroads. Beyer, Peacock and Company, Ltd., of Gorton, Manchester, have booked an order for 30 locomotives from the East Indian Railway company. Beardmore and Company also will make three engines for East Burmah, and the Vulcan company of Manchester is manufacturing 35 locomotives for India. Altogether British engineering firms have recently booked orders from abroad for close upon \$10,000,000.

Staid Lady and Pink Garters.

I am somewhat of a staid lady of mature years, whom no one would suspect of wearing a pair of pink ruffy garters. But I had a new pair, nevertheless, and being rather tight, to ease myself, I pulled them down around my ankles when eating breakfast, on a nice spring morning recently. I started out. I was tripping along happily when I happened to glance downward. Horrors! There were those pink garters around my ankles, and my skirt was after the flapper type. There was nothing to do but stoop and pull them up. A hasty glance over my shoulder revealed a man behind me with a broad grin on his face. I lost no time in turning a corner.—Chicago Tribune.

Poison Cure for Rheumatism.

Forty-seven rattlesnakes captured at Black's creek, about twelve miles from Boise, Idaho, have been sent by Robert Lambert to the Dutch government for experimental work. The Dutch government is perfecting a serum which, when combined with the poison from rattlesnakes and injected into the muscles will, it is claimed, cure rheumatism, Lambert said. It took less than an hour and a quarter to bag the reptiles. They were found in a space 20 feet square. Lambert stated that the removal of the fangs does not, as commonly believed, render a snake harmless, for other fangs will grow in about three weeks.

Defining the Sex.

Little Evelyn was in the grocery store with her baby brother Billy the other day. A man went by and spoke to Billy. The baby did not answer, whereupon the gentleman said to Evelyn, "She won't speak to me today." Evelyn proudly answered, "She ain't a her; he's a him."

Too Firm.

A dispatch records that the money market in the metropolis is very firm—a statement with which we are in perfect accord. In fact, so far as we personally are concerned, the money market is firm to the point of obstinacy.—Buffalo Express.

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Nebraska Civil Rights Bill

Chapter Thirteen of the Revised Statutes of Nebraska, Civil Rights. Enacted in 1893.

Sec. 1. Civil rights of persons. All persons within this state shall be entitled to a full and equal enjoyment of the accommodations, advantages, facilities and privileges of inns, restaurants, public conveyances, barber shops, theatres and other places of amusement; subject only to the conditions and limitations established by law and applicable alike to every person.

Sec. 2. Penalty for Violation of Preceding Section. Any person who shall violate the foregoing section by denying to any person, except for reasons of law applicable to all persons, the full enjoyment of any of the accommodations, advantages, facilities, or privileges enumerated in the foregoing section, or by aiding or inciting such denials, shall for each offense be guilty of a misdemeanor, and be fined in any sum not less than twenty-five dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars, and pay the costs of the prosecution.

"The original act was held valid as to citizens; barber shops can not discriminate against persons on account of color. Messenger vs State, 25 Nebr. page 677. N. W. 638."

"A restaurant keeper who refuses to serve a colored person with refreshments in a certain part of his restaurant, for no other reason than that he is colored, is civilly liable, though he offers to serve him by setting a table in some private part of the house. Ferguson vs Gies, 82 Mich. 358; N. W. 718."