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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 HEARTS OF MEN

MEN of different races, colors, creeds and nationalities largely regard each other as radically different from themselves fundamentally and essentially. And this accounts for the misunderstandings, dislikes, hatreds which divide mankind into hostile groups and is responsible for strife, discord and war. But after all these differences are only superficial. Humanity is essentially one. "Every human heart is human." A realization of the truth that all men everywhere are children of the one All-Loving Heavenly Father and are therefore brethren will heal the wounds of the world and turn the discordant note of hate into the sweet uplifting song of love. And this is the truth that all of us should strive to realize and fulfill in our dealings with one another.

### THE BOK PEACE PLAN

A VAST deal of adverse criticism is being given the Bok Peace plan, for which an award of \$50,000 has been given. It is truly said that the features proposed are neither new nor original. But this is not against it. There is very little of originality in anything. Many things considered new and original and wonderfully helpful are not, but are merely rediscoveries and restatements of what others have done and said. The plan proposed strongly appeals to us as a very sane step towards the promotion of world peace and the banishment of war. Any sincere proposal to accomplish this should be given cordial hospitality and honestly tried. There must be some workable plan for promoting international good. The Bok plan points the way.

### SOCIAL AGENCIES

SOCIAL agencies under whatever worthy auspices undertaken for the betterment and uplift of the masses in our community should be given hearty support and encouragement. The time has passed for prejudice, religious or racial, against any worthwhile organization which is honestly and sincerely striving to help develop a high type of citizenship by providing instruction, entertainment and recreational advantages for our youth. There is need for such agencies. For this reason The Monitor is pleased to note that under the auspices of the Christ Child Society a much needed community work

has been opened in connection with the Church of St. Benedict the Moor on Grant street which under a competent trained worker aims to do effective work among the people in that vicinity.

### ATTENTION EX-SERVICE MEN

ALL colored world-war veterans who have filed claims for disability compensation or desire to file claims are requested to register their names at once with the Colored Commercial Club, 2122 North Twenty-fourth street.

### FREE EMPLOYMENT BUREAU COLORED COMMERCIAL CLUB

THE report of the Labor Bureau of the Colored Commercial Club from September 15 to December 31, discloses some interesting facts which fully justifies its claim to being a necessary and helpful welfare agency. The total number of persons calling upon the bureau to send them people for various work was 566. The total number of persons applying for work was 1528. The number given employment was 424, an average of 4 persons a day for the period. The classification of men sent to jobs by the bureau is as follows: cooks, 17; janitors and porters, 106; laborers, 18; painters, 8; handy men, 39; car washers 7. Of women the classification stands: cooks, 49; chamber maids, 13; day workers, 103; house maids, 32; waitresses, 12; dust maids, 13. Commissioner R. L. Williams who is in charge of this work is diligent in trying to find employment for all applicants. The bureau desires to have as complete a registry as possible of workers of all kinds, in order that it can promptly bring together the man or woman who wants work with the man or woman who is in need of workers. It is to be noticed over 1500 applicants applied for work during this time, an average of 500 a month.

### WHAT OTHER EDITORS SAY

"Let Him That Is Without Sin Cast the First Stone"  
Under the above caption the Movie Age publishes the following editorial which furnishes food for reflection upon the part of those who are quick to condemn before knowing facts:  
It was many years before Edgar Allen Poe, first among American men of letters in the earlier half of the nine-

teenth century, was granted a niche in the Hall of Fame, selections being arbitrarily made by a committee which for a time seemed to agree that fame was purely a matter of morals, and that to be good was to be great. The same spirit seems to be abroad again—the spirit that would exclude Lord Byron's immortal works from library shelves; that would deprive the world of the best that Oscar Wilde gave from his pen; that would consign George Eliott's books to the bonfire, and have closed the mouth of Sarah Bernhardt at the very zenith of her dramatic career.  
Now there is an outcry against Mabel Normand just because she happened to be in a room, with another woman present, when her crazy, infatuated chauffeur shot a man of whom he was evidently jealous. There is nothing to indicate that Miss Normand knew of her servant's secret passion, and certainly the circumstances do not condemn her as being present for any immoral purpose. In that case she would have been alone with Dines.

It is nothing new for men to cherish a secret love for film stars, nor is it the first time an infatuated man, maddened by such love, has attempted to commit murder. This form of insanity is quite common.

Now, the forces of reform, without a hearing, are clamoring for Miss Normand's "scalp". They seem determined to make an example of her. But why? Because it affords them an opportunity to parade their own morality; because by condemning her they fancy they exalt themselves. This is but another form of insanity, and equally as dangerous to society as the first.

We are glad to see the public has not become stampeded, and are satisfied to pass judgment on pictures and not persons.

We do not believe that anyone ever has, or ever will be demoralized by a picture in which Miss Normand appears, and we are confident that should Will Hays make a thorough investigation he would exonerate her of all blame.

### NEWSLETS

(Lincoln News Service.)

Africa has but very few good harbors.

King Tut must have instructed the royal grave digger to plant him deep. We shall soon learn whether he was a descendant of Shem, Ham or Japhet.

Galveston, Texas, boasts of a thriving Negro Board of Trade and Chamber of Commerce.

Prince Bull-Wayo Cetewayo, age 70, of Zululand, Africa, recently married a Hopkinville, Ky., maiden.

One of the leading milk dealers in Freehold, N. J., is Mr. John Jones, a colored man.

The colored postal clerks of Denison, Texas, have organized a branch of the National Alliance of Postal Employees.

The eight states having mulatto populations of 100,000 or more are Georgia, Virginia, Alabama, North Carolina, Mississippi, Louisiana, South Carolina and Texas.

One of the leading European news-distributing agencies has issued instructions to its American manager to cable full reports of all lynchings in this country.

Secretary Davis, of the Department of Labor, says: "Both workers and employers in the United States are

better off today than are workers and employers anywhere else in the world."

When Llewellyn Smith and Charles S. Johnson, who wrote such enlightening articles about the colored citizens of New York City and Illinois, respectively come to Washington, they will find something worth while to write about.

Mr. Walter F. Wilson, a horticulturist and the owner of the Wilson Violet Farm, located near Big Rapids, Mecosta county, Michigan, is the leading colored grower of flowers in the United States.

### LINCOLN NEWS AND COMMENT

The second quarterly meeting of the Superintendents and Teachers Association of New Era Baptist Sunday School Convention of Nebraska will be held with Mt. Zion Baptist Sunday School Sunday, January 20, beginning at 2:30 P. M. and the program will be rendered as scheduled. Lincoln will take notice.—H. L. Anderson, president; Miss Forystine Maxey Secretary.

Mrs. Ollie Ray was called to Kansas City, Mo., last week an account of her daughter's illness.

Mrs. Roy Williams of Coffeerville, Kans., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Williams here.

Mr. Henry Williams was sent to Omaha Sunday to enter the hospital to take treatment for his eyes, which are in bad shape.

Household of Ruth No. 5988 held a very interesting session at their annual meeting and the following elected officers were installed by the Past Most Noble Governor, Mrs. W. R. B. Alexander: P. M. N. G., Mrs. Jennie Johnson; R. N. G., Mrs. Mamie Todd; R. N. G., Mrs. Lillian Gurley; N. G., Mrs. Ollie Ray; W. R., Mrs. Alma Wiley; W. T., Mrs. Lulu B. Alexander; W. Prelate, Mrs. Helen Owens.

Revival meetings began at Mt. Zion Baptist Church Monday night with a goodly crowd present. It will continue all the week.

Services at Mt. Zion Baptist Church was fairly attended Sunday. Rev. H. W. Botts preached his usual fine sermons; Sunday School and B. Y. We are proud to note that Mr. Ray Holcomb is employed at the New National Bank of Commerce as collector and Mrs. Ada Ashford has taken charge of the lunch room. This increases the number of our group to five.

Death of Mrs. Delia Alexander  
The funeral of Mrs. Delia Alexander, who departed this life on last Monday night, was held in Mt. Zion Baptist Church Thursday afternoon, and was preached by Rev. H. W. Botts, being assisted by his associated pastors, M. C. Knight of A. M. E. and G. W. Carter of Newman M. E. Churches. The speaker chose as his text: "I have fought a good fight; have kept the faith. The deceased, no doubt, died as she lived, which was in the triumph of faith in her Master. The pastor spoke of her as being a true Christian character, saying that amid her long illness and intense suffering, she never complained, but always seemed to rejoice in the songs and prayers of the righteous about her. She always had a good word for her church, warning her children and friends to always be faithful and true to the cause of Christ. Hence a lasting example was left by her for those whom follow after.

Resolutions of condolence from the officers and members of Mt. Zion Baptist Church and friends were read by Mrs. W. R. B. Alexander. Mr. James Bedell sang a special solo. The deceased was a member of four lodges—The Daughters of Bethel, the Daughters of Tabernacle, Heroines of Jericho and Order of the Eastern Star—all of which performed their obsequies over the body.

Relatives present were: Mrs. Ida Todd and husband; Mrs. Laura Sparks and husband, grand son W. L. Todd and wife; grand sons, Edwin Todd and Walter Gill, Lincoln; son, Wm. Alexander of Davenport, Ia., nephew, Mr. Geo. Curtis and wife from Manhattan, Kans. A large crowd of friends turned out to take a last look at the deceased. "As she sleeps in sweet peace beyond, may others follow after her by precepts and example."  
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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 amore private part of the house. Ferguson vs Gies, 82 Mich. 356; N. W. 718"