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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 BALANCE OF POWER

NEWSPAPERS are calling attention to the fact that the vote of colored Americans is the determining factor in all of the northern states, certainly in the pivotal ones. This has been true in several states for many years. It is true of Nebraska where our numbers are comparatively small. It has been true here for many years, but we have failed to take advantage of it. Concentrated and intelligently directed it should be used as a fulcrum for securing greater recognition in governmental affairs and granting us full enjoyment of our civil rights, which even in the hither-to-fair-minded states are being gradually restricted. We hold the balance of power in Omaha and in Nebraska. How shall we use it? Nebraska is one of the doubtful states. Our vote thrown to either side will swing the state into that column. We hope the republicans will not feel so secure in the support of our people in this campaign that they will think it unnecessary to undertake any work among us.

## THE BOLT OF LEWIS

ONE of the greatest blows dealt to the national prestige of the republican party, so far as our race is concerned, is the bolt of William H. Lewis, the brilliant Boston lawyer, former classmate and warm personal friend of Calvin Coolidge. Lewis has declared for Davis. He points to the fair record of the West Virginian on race matters and his open stand against the Klan as cogent reasons why he intends to support him. Among the younger men of college training Lewis has a large and enthusiastic following. His action cannot do otherwise than have an important influence upon them. That Lewis is

a man of outstanding ability cannot be denied. It will be a great mistake for political leaders to conclude that Lewis' defection is a small matter. His bolt and that of others shows a growing spirit of independent thinking and voting upon the part of many of the younger and middle-aged men of the race. At the national republican convention in Chicago four years ago, Lewis was rooting for Coolidge's nomination as enthusiastically as Coolidge had rooted for Lewis when clad in moleskins he was bucking the line for their alma mater. His bolt is a startling surprise.

## SUPPORT COOLIDGE

WE BELIEVE that the best interests of our people lie in supporting Calvin Coolidge. We do not think that we can better ourselves by supporting either LaFollette or Davis. We could count on a square deal from LaFollette, but he has no chance of election. His plan is to throw the election into the House and that would give us a fine kettle of fish. Have faith in Coolidge.

## CAN HE SWING HIS PARTY?

PERSONALLY I admit that we are admirers of Davis. We appreciate his stand in West Virginia against the Jim Crow car law and other anti racial legislation. But despite his excellent record in this regard and his personal desire and intention of doing the square thing by all Americans we question his ability, strong as he is, to impress his broad-mindedness upon the democratic party, the stronghold of which is in the south and its chief stock in trade opposition, open, frank and uncompromising to the constitutional rights of the Negro. Davis, the man, is all right, but his party has always been

## A PRAYER FOR DELIVERANCE FROM RACE PREJUDICE

By Morney Williams  
 (For the Associated Negro Press)

O GOD, who hast made man in Thine own likeness and who dost love all whom Thou hast made, suffer us not, because of difference in race, color or condition, to separate ourselves from others, and thereby from Thee; but teach us the unity of Thy family and the universality of Thy love. As Thy Son, our Savior, was born of an Hebrew mother and ministered first to His brethren of the House of Israel, but rejoiced in the faith of a Syro-Phoenician woman and of a Roman soldier, and suffered His cross to be carried by a man of Africa, teach us, also, while loving and serving our own, to enter into the communion of the whole human family; and forbid that, from pride of birth and hardness of heart, we should despise any for whom Christ died, or injure any in whom He lives. Amen.

wrong in its attitude towards our people. This is unquestionably true of the democratic party in the south and it swings the party nationally. Personal admiration for Davis, the man, must not blind us to the traditionally unfair attitude towards our people of the large mass of his party which stands behind him. Can he swing his party? Can the leopard change his spots or the Ethiopian his skin?

## INJURED IN RUNAWAY CAR

Mrs. Charles H. Stanton of Twenty-sixth and Erskine was injured by being thrown from her seat in the run-away street car which crashed into an automobile at Sixteenth and Cum- ing street, killing a little girl and seriously injuring two other persons Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Stanton was in the front seat of the car and was badly bruised and hurt by the impact of the car. Fortunately no bones were broken.

## ROOSEVELT POST TO GIVE BALL

The Roosevelt Post of the American Legion is giving a ball Monday night at Dreamland Hall to raise funds for the Legion which they use in charitable work. A large patronage is solicited from the public. The cause is a most worthy one and it is hoped that the public will give the Legion the liberal patronage which they deserve.

## BISHOP SHAYLER AT ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH SUNDAY

The Rt. Rev. Ernest V. Shayler, D. D., bishop of Nebraska, will conduct the services at the Church of St. Philip the Deacon Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The service will be sung Eucharist and a sermon by Bishop Shayler who is a most eloquent speaker. There will be no early service and no night service; but Church School at 10 o'clock and the one service at 11 to which the public is cordially invited.

## N. A. A. C. P. HOLDS MEETING

The Omaha Branch of the N. A. A. C. P. held an interesting meeting last Sunday afternoon at the North End "Y". Rev. John Albert Williams presided. The treasurer's report was read showing the branch to be in a good financial condition. Other reports and communications were read and the necessary action taken upon them. It was announced by the president that a membership drive would be put on in the autumn. After business was dispatched, Dr. Craig Morris gave an interesting address on the Boy Scouts, which elicited a helpful discussion. As a result of his address it is believed that members of the branch will sponsor one of the troops. The next regular monthly meeting will be held on the first Sunday in October.

## ALLEN CHAPEL A. M. E. CHURCH

O. J. Burkhardt, Pastor.

The quarterly meeting services last Sunday were all well attended, many members of other churches with their pastors participating. The Rev. E. W. C. Cox preached an impressive sermon on "The Cup" at 3 o'clock. Next Sunday the pastor will speak at 11 o'clock on "The Personality of the Devil." The League will meet at 6 p. m. Rev. S. E. Gross presiding. At night the Rev. Mr. Blackman of Oklahoma will be the speaker.

Miss Ernestine Singleton returned Saturday from Detroit, Mich., where she has been visiting her relatives.

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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 a more private part of the house. Ferguson vs. Gies, 82 Mich. 358; N. W. 718."