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EAST ST. LOUIS AND RACE PREJUDICE

moved to write temperately, for we Negro was employed presents many have just been reading the almost un- interesting phases. The leader of imaginable revolting details of the car- the strike, judging from his name, is nival of savagery, arson and murder a foreigner, or of foreign extraction. if they think The Monitor is asleep at at East St. Louis as published in the He leads a strike against an Ameri-St. Louis Globe-Democrat. We were can whose loyalty has never been shocked at the news as given in the open to suspicion, and solely because Associated Press dispatches. We are of color. extended report as published in the Colored Americans. most conservative of the St. Louis

papers. It is almost inconceivable that manding." Americans, white Americans, if you please, who pride themselves upon of an unjustifiable governmental pol- Omaha. We believe it, because our their "superiority" to Negroes, whom icy against which race papers have dogs are barking and they never the average white American, from the inveighed because they saw the inev- barked before. President down, regards as not much itable terminus ad quem. Will the better than dogs, could take such indictment of Joseph Lefkowitz ghoulish delight in acts of fiendish- awaken Americans to a sense of the tion, we will now proceed to make a ness from which the imps in hell would danger we are in by maintaining drive against the mosquitoes dancing turn disgusted away. We can almost caste and class distinctions? picture the devil and his angels hid-East St. Louis.

the legitimate offspring of that race prejudice is driven to its lair. prejudice which denies to the Negro his civil, political and industrial rights, and manifests itself in segregation, "Jimcrowism" and like disabilities, treats him as a thing apart in our national life.

affairs with increasing frequency and selves. ferocity unless the mental attitude of the American white man is changed. When he can be brought, or brings himself to regard the black man as impossible.

to live in certain neighborhoods, the brave and truthful words. right to earn a livelihood at that for which he has prepared himself, the LIEUTENANT COLONEL YOUNG right to occupy a seat in a theatre or of the East St. Louis mob.

the disposition is to do, then terrible though be the price we pay, it will be worth it.

To make America safe for democracy, all sorts and conditions of this issue. Its optimistic tone was men who have been brought and who never more needed than now. have come hither to our shores, racial batred must give place to racial good will.

COLORED EMIGRATION

IS HARD HIT The new order promulgated by the Southeastern Passenger association refusing to deliver tickets to any one the Ohio is a great blow to Colored emigration, but by no means a fatal blow. Colored people can still buy mineral matters and mild vegetable tickets if they have the money and acids, and contain recently discoverpeople from leaving the South is to overs and parts which otherwise The Monitor will not pause in the soup is often a real economy. The work it has begun. There will be fact that soups can be given so many

THE SCHNECTADY STRIKE.

The strike of 2,500 machinists at

horrified beyond expression by the Another phase is his appeal to the terrible facts of unthinkable brutality example set by the United States down there are simply wangs. We presented in the more gruesome and government in its attitude towards haven't heard of a man who has had

"What this government sees fit in practicing, we feel justified in de-

This is a well-merited arraignment

The hopeful phase is the splendid ing their faces from the horrors of stand taken by Mr. Emmons and his company for the rights of man and The most saddening feature of this therefore for the right. God grant terrible affair is the fact that it is but him and those who stand with him, the fruitage of the general American courage to maintain the right until attitude towards the black man. It is justice triumphs and unholy race

SOME LESSONS

It has been proven that no place in prejudice which regards him and the United States is safe for the Colored American. In cases of such outbreaks, as proven at Atlanta, New Right here, in the American white York and East St. Louis, the authoriman's attitude towards the black ties will not adequately protect him, American, lies the responsibility for and in most cases not even try. In the frequent lynchings in the South every community, therefore, in the and the horrors of Atlanta, Cairo, United States where our people are to New York and East St. Louis. And be found in any appreciable numbers we may look for recurrences of these we must be prepared to protect our-

WE THANK WORLD-HERALD

We desire to thank the World-Hera MAN, entitled to all the rights and ald for its ringing editorial on the privileges of a man, and not as a East St. Louis massacre. Utterances NEGRO, or a "nigger," to be limited of this character from the leading and restricted in those rights, then newspapers of this country are enand only then will events like this heartening and give reassurance that which has horrified the world become America will eventually stand not only in word, but in deed, for that East St. Louis shows an outburst righteousness which alone exalteth a of racial hatred which is one in es- nation. We regret that we cannot sence with that which denies to the publish the editorial in full in this Negro, no matter how well-behaved, issue, but will do so in our next. We refined and self-respecting the right sincerely thank the editor for his

Do not overlook the fact that there public conveyance, the right to accom- is a scheme on foot to retire Lieumodation in hotels and inns, the right tenant Colonel Young. He is sixth in to serve in any arm of the public line for promotion as a brigadier genservice, the right to enter West Point eral. It has suddenly been discoveror Annapolis, the right to worship ed that his "blood pressure is too God with his fellow Christians in the high" for service in the army and it denomination of his choice. This dis- is rumored that he is to be retired, crimination is one in spirit with that atlhough he has never felt better in his life. Protest through your sena-If the horrors of East St. Louis tor and representative against Col. will awoken Americans to a realiza- Young's retirement. France may of the fact that race prejudice point with pride to her Negro genwhich manifests itself in discrimina- eral. A Negro general in the United tion and the denial of civil rights to States army would be regarded as a Negroes is directly responsible for calamity. If Young is not retired he therefore these fundamental wrongs why it has suddenly been discovered must be righted, and not condoned as that his "blood pressure is too high"?

> We call attention to the poem from the pen of George Marion McClellan which we publish on the first page of

> Let not the hatred and ill-will of others breed like sentiments in our hearts. Do the right. Keep your hands clean and your conscience clear.

IMPORTANCE OF VEGETABLES

IN SOUPS In soup making it should not be east of the Mississippi and south of forgotten that vegetables are necessary for keeping the body in health, because they are relatively rich in there are many ways for them to get ed substances without which the the money. Northern industries need body processes seem not to be carried this labor and are willing to take any on properly. Since soups offer an exreasonable risk in order to obtain it, cellent way of utilizing odds and ends and the only way to keep Colored of vegetables, and especially leftrefuse to either let them ride or walk. | would be wasted, the use of vegetable merely a readjustment of plans and a and so varied flavors, are so easily new working ararngement with com- made, so generally relished, and es wanting labor. The work of make such palatable combinations helping the race will continue and with large quantities of bread and men will still be brought as rapidly as crackers, shows that they are very useful additions to the diet.

Obvious Observations

After this East St. Louis affair, if you see any Colored man walking around shouting about this "great war for liberty" give him plenty of room because something has gone bankrupt in his bean.

It probably never harmed any man to have a nice Winchester hanging over his fireplace.

The Colored people are leaving the South so rapidly that even the railroads have been forced to stop accepting orders for tickets. How long before they will refuse to sell a Colored man a ticket?

When it comes to steady heat no We are sick at heart and too deeply Schnectady, because a worthy young furnace in the world ever had anything on the sun.

The southern railroads have handed Colored emigration an awful jolt, but the switch they have another thought coming. Believe, me, Sally, we're goto keep bringing them out.

As to receiving letters from the Des Moines training camp, our boys as much as a funny post card. Can it be that they are really sure enough working?

Shining parlor men say that there is a regular epidemic of bad dogs in

The Monitor is getting on the map. Thanking you for your kind attenaround our ankles.

LABOR NOTES

gomery, Meridian, Hattiesburg, Lau- Seward street. rel, etc. The Monitor will be able to report more definitely on this matter next week.

serious things. That section borders be the pianist for the oratorio, "David on the south and is filled with race the Shepherd Boy," as was stated in a hating southerners. Another mistake previous edition. Reason: I was not was that many of those Colored peo- engaged to be the pianist. ple came in to break a strike and thus

made it hard. The whole affair is a disgrace upon Illinois. The Monitor, however, can be depended upon to place men in sections of the country where no such trouble will be likely to start and, moreover, never to bring any man north to break a strike.

A circular letter will be sent soon to every labor applicant with full instructions how to get out of the south or transportation, if such a way is possible.

We are receiving letters from several new places asking for Colored help but until we determine the exact effect of the new railroad order on the south we will be unable to handle them under the old conditions.

Two letters were received last week, one from Pittsburgh and one from a town in Michigan. Both are from intelligent men and they state that conditions in each of these cities are very unsatisfactory. Mr. Robt. Evans, who wrote us from Michigan, says the city is overcrowded and that many people can find neither places to sleep or work to do.

One hundred more men are wanted at Duluth, Minn., and will be brought there just as quickly as possible by the Monitor.

An effort is being made to bring about fifty men to the smelters at Omaha this week. About one hundred are wanted.

The Cudahy Packing Company, of South Omaha, Neb., announces that their plant has been filled and that they do not need any more men at present.

RECEPTION FOR GEORGE MARION M'CLELLAN

The members of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Church of St. Philip the Deacon and the alumni of Fisk A sweeping order has been issued university will hold a reception at by the Southeastern Passenger Asso- Jacobs' hall next Wednesday night ciation that no prepaid orders for from 8 to 8:30, complimentary to tickets will be accepted in their terri- George Marion McClellan of Louistory. This territory includes Ala- ville, Ky., who will give a lecture rebama, Florida, Georgia, North and cital on that evening. For a number South Carolina, Tennessee and Vir- of years Mr. McClellan was a profesginia, a portion of Kentucky and of sor in Fisk university, resigning to Louisiana. The Burlington informs us accept the principalship of the Louisthat the Mobile and Ohio is not sub- ville High school. He is the author of ject to this order and if this is true, "The Path of Dreams" and "The Old then any person can leave who can Green Bottom Inn." His readings will get to a large station along the line be from these volumes. While here of the M. and O. These towns would Prof. McClellan will be the guest of include Mobile, Birmingham, Mont- Mr. and Mrs. Irving Grey of 2610

A CORRECTION

Mrs. Florentine F. Pinkston wishes The East St. Louis riots are very to notify the public that she will not FLORENTINE F. PINKSTON.

United States Depository. REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

The Merchants National Bank

OF OMAHA, NEB., at the Close of Business June 20, 1917.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$ 8,362,759.78
U. S. Bonds for Circulation	50,000.00
Doubing House	146 500 00
U. S. Bonds	. 110,000.00
U. S. Bonds Other Bonds	. 122,000.00
Due from Banks \$4.394.043 72	
Cash at Home	5,422,694.58
LIABILITIES.	\$14,213,954.36
Canital Stock Paid in	\$ 1,000,000,00
Surplus	250,000.00
Undivided Profits	332,615,46
Notional Pank Notes	50,000,00
Due Depositors	12,581,338.90
	\$14,213,954.36

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Loans on Improved Farms	2,415,100.00
Loans on Pass Book Security	100,350.10
Real Estate-Sales on Contract.	76,130.42
Loans in Foreclosure	45,471.40
Interest Due and Unpaid	And the Contract of the Contra
Cfrice Building and Lot.	
Davidge Block Purchase	
Municipal Bonds and Warrants	125,119.05
U. S. Liberty Loan Bonds	80,000.00
Cash on Hand and in Banks	668,798.16
	\$14,000,491.63

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