

**THE FRUIT OF DEMOCRACY**  
By Dr. W. H. Lowry

A few days hence will mark the convocation of the greatest peace council in the history of the world. Nations, labor organizations and religious organizations are preparing to send representative bodies of men to look after their interest in the summing up of the world's peace, and as usual the Negro race comes in as a separate unit to get some recognition. We desire our share of the fruit of democracy. The peace congress is to decide questions pertaining to international affairs. Whether the body

of men we sent can bring sufficient pressure to bear upon the members of the peace conference to look into the internal affairs of this government is an open question and subject to much debate. But nothing beats a trial, but a trial. Should our representatives succeed in snatching a few trophies from the hands of democracy we should have a place prepared to store them when they are brought back in triumph.

It is an evident fact that the major portion of our cause for complaint can be traced right back to our municipal government. Since this is true, let us begin to clean house at home

while our brothers are visiting abroad. Let us make a study of the men who are in office. Mark the men whose eyes are poor and whose hearing is impaired and prepare to retire them. Ye Gods! If we could be taught to mass our votes in a little old primary, just ONCE, it would require a public receiving line upon general election day to introduce the new candidates to the voters.

The state must not be overlooked. County officials and state officials have their part to play. These units should be taken care of by committees, who are constantly on the lookout. A small subscription from each citizen would establish a bureau of information and place a man at the head of it with a salary that would teach him to appreciate his job. With each state well organized and the voters taught to exercise an educated ballot, God's kingdom will come, God's will will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

**Farmers, Urged by Food Administration, Provide Seven Extra Loaves of Bread for Every American.**

By adopting cleaner threshing methods and by literally combing harvest fields to gather grain formerly wasted, threshermen and farmers of the United States this year saved fully 16,000,000 bushels of wheat, estimated as equivalent to about seven one-pound loaves of bread for every person in the country. This result, accompanied by corresponding savings of barley, oats, rye and other grains, is shown by reports from 33 grain states to the U. S. Food Administration. Other states although not prepared to furnish definite figures of conservation in the grain fields, report greatly reduced harvest losses.

This rural food saving achievement accomplished in scarcely six months time, was in direct response to requests by the Food Administration, which asked farmers and threshermen to reduce harvest losses from about 34 per cent.—the estimated average in normal times—to the lowest possible minimum. Country grain threshing committees carried into every grain growing community the official recommendations for accomplishing the results desired.

In numerous instances drivers of racks with leaky bottoms were sent from the fields to repair their equipment and frequently bad order threshing machines were stopped until the cause of waste was removed. But in proportion to the number of persons engaged in gathering the nation's grain crop, cases of compulsion were comparatively rare. The Food Administration freely attributes the success of the grain threshing campaign to patriotic service by farmers, threshermen and their crews. Incidentally grain growers of the United States are many millions of dollars "in pocket" as a result of the grain saved.

**NO ONE SUFFERED HERE.**

The marvel of our voluntary food-saving, now that we are "getting results," is that no one ever actually suffered any hardship from it; that we all are better in health and spirit and better satisfied with ourselves because of our friendly self-denial.

Food control in America held the price of bread steady, prevented vicious speculation and extortion and preserved tranquillity at home.

In no other nation is there so willing a sense of voluntary self-sacrifice as in America—that was shown in the abstinence from wheat.

**Colored Attorneys Fight Unique Case**

Warren and Watkins Employed by Grand Lodge of Orangemen in Important Legal Battle Involving Far-Reaching Issues.

**CASE ATTRACTS ATTENTION**

Order Composed Chiefly of Irishmen, Scotchmen and Englishmen—Membership in United States Confined to White People—Canada Has a Few Colored Members.

DETROIT, MICH.—Francis H. Warren and S. A. T. Watkins of Chicago have been fighting a three weeks legal battle in the Wayne circuit court against James S. Parker of Flint, Mich., and Frank H. Watson of Detroit, former U. S. district attorney, in the case of the Loyal Orange Institution vs. the Loyal Orange Institution.

The Loyal Orange Institution is a Protestant Secret Order that followed the success at arms of King William III, a Prince of Orange, at the Battle of the Boyne in Ireland, in the year of 1690.

The order was instituted in the United States in 1869, and the present supreme grand lodge is claimed by the plaintiffs, who are represented by Francis H. Warren as attorney and S. A. T. Watkins as counsel, to have been organized in its present form in 1880 at Jersey City, N. J.

From 1912 to 1914, a split arose in the Order in the State of Pennsylvania caused by the enforcement of the law forbidding the sale of intoxicating liquor at parks or places where public demonstrations of the Order were held. The division resulted in the organization of an independent Supreme Grand Lodge at Niagara Falls in 1914, and since then there have been some fifteen or twenty law suits instituted in the various parts of the country from Maine to California, as a result of these two Supreme Grand Lodges, each claiming to be the right representatives of the Loyal Orange Institution in the United States, but none of them determining all of the issues that have arisen between the respective Supreme Grand Lodges.

On last July 4th, Francis H. Warren received a retainer to draft a bill of peace that would settle the difficulties between these two rival Supreme Grand Lodges of the Loyal Orange Institution of the United States, and this is the action now being tried in the Wayne Circuit Court which has been in progress for the past two weeks.

The case is said to be the most important law suit ever entrusted to Colored attorneys anywhere in the world, as it involves all the interests of the respective parties throughout the United States. S. A. T. Watkins is assistant district attorney at Chicago, Supreme Attorney for the Knights of Pythias and has a wide experience in fraternal law.

The Loyal Orange Institution is composed chiefly of Irishmen, Scotchmen and Englishmen. In Canada there are a few Colored men and a large number of Indian adherents to the Order; in the United States all members of this order are white, as are the attorneys opposing Messrs. Warren and Watkins.

**NO SEALS SOLD THIS YEAR.**

The customary sale of Red Cross Christmas seals will not be held this year. It seemed best to both the American Red Cross and the National Tuberculosis Association to unite in the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call to reduce the number of appeals to the public for contributions. There will be no lessening of activities by the National Tuberculosis Association through this arrangement, as the Red Cross War Council has appropriated \$2,500,000 for anti-tuberculosis work in 1919 in lieu of the money that ordinarily would be raised by a Christmas Seal Campaign. However, every person joining the Red Cross during the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call will be awarded ten seals to be used as heretofore.

**THE RED CROSS GORDON.**

An American Red Cross worker who was among those volunteering to help in the hospitals and at the station where the hospital trains arrived, overheard some of the wounded talking about the American Red Cross.

"Gee! We'd a starved if it hadn't been for the Red Cross!" said one boy, and then, laughing at his own exaggeration, he went on to explain the circumstances under which the Red Cross representative with his division had done some timely service. The Germans, of course, were to blame, for they retreated so rapidly that it was practically impossible for the supplies to keep up with the pursuing Americans.

"We cleaned up seven kilometers in less than two hours," another reclining figure explained, "and they were still going when I had had nothing to eat but hard tack, and for some days before the food had been monotonous—to put it mildly. So you can imagine what it meant to us boys to have the Red Cross Gordon come up with a supply of chocolate, canned peaches and other good things. It was a life-saver."

**CARD OF THANKS**

We, the husband and relatives of Mrs. Birdie Scott, wish to tender our sincere thanks to the many friends and to the No. 12 and Western Jewel Council of the Sons and Daughters of Jerusalem, for their sympathy and

kindness during the illness and death of our wife, daughter and sister.

WILLIAM SCOTT.  
DENNIS TODD.  
MRS. SALLY TODD.  
MRS. GUSSIE THOMAS.  
RICHARD THOMAS.  
EARL TODD.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE Omaha Loan & Building Association**

DECEMBER 31, 1918

ASSETS	
Loans on First Mortgages	\$ 9,842,989.71
Loans on Association Shares of Stock	119,499.75
Interest Due from Members	5,851.60
Real Estate Acq. through Foreclosure	20,638.04
Foreclosures Pending	9,271.66
Sundry Persons and Accounts	12,659.82
Furniture and Fixtures	2,822.23
Association Building	185,000.00
Warrants and Municipal Bonds	\$119,471.55
Liberty Bonds	362,400.00
Cash on Hand and in Banks	445,636.01
	927,507.56
LIABILITIES	
Running Stock and Dividends	\$11,126,240.37
Paid-up Stock and Dividends	\$10,018,580.52
Due on Account of Building Loans	688,794.77
Liberty Bond Payments	48,462.78
Reserve Fund	52,016.46
Undivided Earnings	\$310,000.00
	8,385.84
	318,385.84
	\$11,126,240.37

Increase in Assets during past six months 609,845.15  
Dividends earned for members during 1918 473,659.86  
Dividends earned for members since organization 3,667,841.86  
During 1918 we have made loans aggregating 997,940.78

If you plan to build or buy a home, or want a loan on improved real estate for any other purpose, it will pay you to investigate our monthly payment plan.

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W. R. ADAIR, SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

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**The Reserves Saved the Allies**

Troops not actively engaged in holding the front line trenches are called on when a great emergency arises. You should build up a reserve of dollars that you can call into service when emergencies arise such as sickness and death. We make it easy for you to acquire this reserve by giving you good service and by paying Six Per Cent Dividends Quarterly on your accounts.

Assets	\$7,167,806.80
Reserve Fund	285,000.00
Dividends earned for members during 1918	\$ 401,364.05

**OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS**

John F. Flack, President.  
R. A. McEachron, Vice President.  
George C. Flack, Treasurer.  
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**WOMEN'S WARM WINTER COATS**

Hundreds of coats to select from. Every one a new, this season's style. Values are remarkable. Choice on two lots:

LOT NO. 1  
Fine Silk Plush Coats, plain and with large fur collars, worth up to \$49.00, your choice at this clearing sale..... \$29.99

LOT NO. 2  
Women's and Misses' Imperial Plush and Fine All Wool Cloth Coats, values up to \$30.00, your choice at this clearing sale..... \$15.99

**WOMEN'S AND MISSES' SERGE DRESSES**

All the better Dresses we carry in stock we have grouped and placed them in one lot; every dress is new, right up to the minute style. They are Street Dresses, Party Dresses and Wedding Dresses. Prices up to \$35.00. The year-end clearing sale price..... \$15.99

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