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### HARDING MAKES ISSUE CLEAR

marked contrast between the speech ored citizens reside. Indeed, it would of Governor Cox, the democratic nom- seem, that they are winked at or overfairs, while the republican nominee ities and make the night hideous with the principal and teachers and cooper- ation and respect than were Negroes issues as the chief concern of the The Monitor believes, know where ing that their children are taking full America and the World. nation and touching upon international many of these places are. If they do advantage of their opportunities. It This glaring indictment of Ameriquestions as secondary. This con- not, they can find out, if they really is very essential that this be done, can democracy coming as if from the trast was most striking. The wisdom want to and they should be closed up. Visit the schools, know your children's dead, should be kept alive, published teachers and cooperate with them for broadcast, to bring American justice apparent to all. It will commend it- other crimes which jeopardize the the best interests of the child. self to the sound judgment of the safety of law-abiding citizens is di-American electorate. It must be evi- rectly due to the vile, maddening, dent to all that if we can "Set our poisonous concoctions sold at exorbit- THE Monitor is for the national re- should be established and promulgatown house in order" and establish jus. ant prices in these bootlegging joints tice, insure domestic tranquility, pro- and dives. The Monitor opposed pro- It reserves the right, however, to se- groes would know that there is a law mote the general welfare and secure hibition because we believed that it lect from local candidates those whom for the Negro and another for the the blessings of liberty, in fact and was not the best way to eradicate the we believe to be friendly to our people white; and so that America will cease truth, to ourselves and our posterity, drink evil and would result in multi- irrespective of party badge. Men who to publish to the world that here is we will be in a position to assume plying bootlegging joints dispensing are labeled "republicans" but who out- liberty, justice, oportunity for all men our rightful place in international liquor substitutes more poisonous and democrat the democrats in their atti- irrespective of race, color, religion or matters from which it is absolutely destructive than the' government-in- tude toward our people need not and their natural differences as men. impossible for us to remain aloof, spected and licensed beverages sold in ought not expect our support. But with seething discontent at home; saloons. This we believe to be true. with acute problems, racial and indus- That there are scores of bootlegging trial, threatening the stability of our joints and dives in Omaha is very eviinstitutions; with our democratic prac- dent. They ought to be cleaned out. tices belieing our preachments; with They are a constant menace to the our national morality and ethical community. The Monitor demands standard so far from the ideal, it were that the authorities exert themselves the height of folly and the presump- to ferret out and close up such places tion of arrogant insolence to assume wherever they are found and espethat our first duty is to nations across cially in the residence districts occuthe sea. Our first duty is here. This pied by respectable colored people point is made clear by the republican where it seems to be taken for grantplatform and has been rightly ema ed that they can be operated with imphasized by Senator Harding, both in punity. It is not the duty of the colhis letter of acceptance and in his sub- ored citizens to ferret out such places sequent speeches and notably in those any more than it is the duty of the delivered on his western trip. he most emphatically declares that he do their duty. Clean out dives and line must be plain. The issue is clear. close up bootlegging joints. ly drawn. We are glad of it. We do not like equivocation or ambiguity. Candor compels us to say that on this Candor compels us to say that on this issue the platform is ambiguous; but A in Mississippi recently. A meetthere is no ambiguity in Senator ing of white people was held in the Harding's position. It is plain. Those leading Baptist church of Corinth and who believe in the League of Nations, passed resolutions denouncing the with its consequent surrender of con- lynching of two colored Americans. stitutional rights of the United States commonly called ."negroes," in that in certain important matters to a se- community and pledging themselves lect coterie of foreign diplomats and to cooperate with the authorities in the embarrassments resulting there- bringing the lynchers to justice. We from, of course will vote for Cox and believe that such a meeting as this a democratic administration; while and such action as was taken is unthose who are opposed to the League precedented in the Southland. The of Nations and the surrender of Amer- general practice of that section has ican rights and her opportunity, when always been to condone or justify the fitted therefor, for world leadership action of the mob. The victim being and the arbitrament of world peace, will vote for Harding and a repub- man being, and therefore entitled to lican administration. The Monitor has no doubt as to how the American people will decide upon this issue which the democrats have elected, chiefly because of their traditional difficulty of finding some issue however false or irrevelant it might be upon which to make a campaign, to make paramount. Their "paramount issue" will be met by an avalanche of votes which will bury it so deep that it will never rise again. We have no doubt how our own group will vote on the League of Nations which, however, with us is not a paramount issue. Senator Harding's speeches at Omaha and other points on his western trip have made friends by the thousands for those who believe in an Americanism which, while not indifferent to neighborliness and kindly and helpful relationship to all the world, conceives as its first duty the establishment of justice, tranquility and prosperity at home, in order that by precept and example it may be able to contribute towards the same abroad. Americanism first secure, internationalism will follow.

CLEAN OUT DIVES SENATOR Harding in his Omaha speech which was heard by more OMAHA authorities owe it to the good name and character of our cess. Judge Estelle held a warm place he was vietim and which he fait control to be was vietim and which he fait cont than 10,000 people made it known city to clean out the bootlegging joints in the affections of our people in com- hope would ever be corrected. He where he stands on the League of Na- and other disreputable dives which are mon with all Omaha citizens. We per- had been a soldier, had fought for tions and other outstanding issues, scattered throughout the city. Many sonally enjoyed his friendship and con-freedom and "democracy." He had almost exclusively domestic, before of these disreputable places are found fidence for nearly thirty years which likewise become the victim of his very the American people. There was a in the sections where respectable col- will be treasured as a sacred memory patriotism, for it developes that his ince, and that of Senator Harding, in looked in these sections. Drunken THE Monitor calls upon parents gave him his penalty of death. Other that the former stressed as paramount men and women, of both races, for 1 who have children in school to Negro soldiers must know, by his exinternational questions and touched vice draws no color line, are frequent- visit the schools where their children ample, that because of their soldiery, very lightly indeed upon domestic af- ly seen on the streets in these local- are enrolled, become acquainted with they are entitled to no more consider-

white citizens to ferret out such places

As touching the League of Nations of the police authorities. Let them

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no more consideration than a dog or ome similar lower animal. This, un-

fortunately, is the mental attitude of

the South toward the colored Amer-

JUDGE ESTELLE

THE passing of Judge Estelle, the

moves an upright and outstanding citi-

A WORD TO PARENTS

WE WEAR NO CHAIN

nestor of the district bench, re-

amity will be solved.

## Caldwell-Martyr. One finds a terrible indictment

ican and it is becoming the mental against American democracy and the attitude of the North. The unprece- American claim of justice and fair dented action of the citizens of Cor- play in the courts in the ante mortem inth, Miss., is therefore a gleam of statement of Edgar C. Caldwell, light in the mental darkness touching hanged at Anniston, Ala., July 30th. the crime of mob-murder which low- for the killing of a street-car coners so ominously over the fair South- ductor. He said: land. The Monitor notes this prophetic

"I am being sacrificed today upon ray with delight, and believes that it the altar of passion and racial hatred is the harbinger of a brighter day. that appears to be the bulwark of the South condemn lynching and de- alleviate the pain and suffering of my mand that law shall protect white and race, I would count myself fortunate black alike the problem of inter-racial in dying. But I am but one of the many victims among my people who are paying the price of America's mockery of law and dishonesty in her profession of a world democracy."

This haunting, burning wail of a hapless wretch, made the victim of zen who will be genuinely mourned. race hate and the regime of terror Just, kind-hearted and sympathetic and intimidation of the Southland, tempering justice with mercy his ju- was uttered while Sergeant Edgar dicial career was without reproach. Caldwell faced immediate and cer-His connection with the juvenile court tain death. Without flinching he epiuniform, the fact of his being a sotdier, even intensified the hate which

into court before the world. If Negroes have no right of self defense against the wrongful attack of a white man, it publican ticket, heart and soul ed as the law of the land, so that Ne--Savannah Tribune





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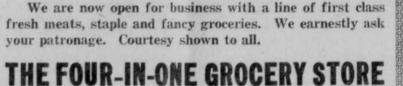
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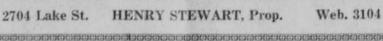
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