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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.



HOME OWNERSHIP

THE Publicity Bureau of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce is doing excellent work in furnishing to the public important facts and data concerning this great city. This information will not only attract desirable citizens who are seeking new locations but will also fill the hearts of present citizens with a special pride and deeper interest in the city of which they form part of a progressive, industrious and intelligent population. It will surprise many to learn that Omaha stands fourth among American cities in its percentage of home ownership. Nearly one-half of the residents of Omaha own their own homes. Only three cities in the United States outrank this city, and the highest of these surpasses it by only three per cent. Omaha's percentage of home owners is 48.4%. This is a splendid showing. And it is gratifying to note that among the colored population of Omaha, who form one-sixth of the total population, the ratio of home owners and home buyers is exceptionally high. Home ownership makes for good citizenship. Judged by this standard Omaha has just reason to be proud. Omaha is a good city in which to live and all right minded people should unite their energies in making it a better one.

the rougher element who bring disgrace upon the South by lynching, we quoted in our last week's issue, are doing not only the South but this whole nation a patriotic service. The better element of the Southern people have tolerated too long the lynchocrat while the newspapers of that section have either upheld the mobs or been apologetic in tone. It means the dawn of a better day when influential moulders of public sentiment like the Greensboro News have the courage to turn on the light and demand that the white men of respectability and vision in the South stand by the law and against the lawless irresponsible class who trample the law under foot. May newspapers like the Greensboro News be multiplied throughout the land to continue this good work.

CONSIDERATENESS

IS APPRECIATED

THE Monitor desires to express its sincere appreciation of the consideration of Mrs. Lucille Skaggs Edwards, whom many of our readers will pleasantly recall, as one who several years ago was associate editor of this publication, in sending us the following self-explanatory letter and clipping entitled "A Son's Letter to His Dead Dad," which we gladly and gratefully publish.

Dear Editor:

Stored away between the leaves of a book which I have not opened for a few years, I found this letter to which I had applied the "scissors" but not the "paste". I am going to send it to my boy for I am sure he will appreciate it as full of help and understanding.

I then thought of the many other young men and boys, ripe in manhood and experience—for men are only boys grown up—to whom I might send it through the columns of the Monitor. I am hoping you will find space for it and that its lesson may reach many hearts.

Earnestly,
(Mrs.) Lucille Skaggs Edwards.
2409 Erskine St., Omaha.

"A Son's Letter to His Dead Father"
(This letter appeared in Commerce and Finance, a New York publication, with the statement that it was designed to promote a better understanding between living fathers and their sons.)

Dear Dad: I am writing this to you, though you have been dead thirty years.

I feel I must say some things to you, things I didn't know when I was

a boy in your house, and things I was too stupid to say.

It is only now, after passing through the long, hard school of years; only now, when my own hair is gray, that I understand how you felt.

I must have been a bitter trial to you. I believed my own petty wisdom, and I know how ridiculous it was, compared to that calm, ripe, wholesome wisdom of yours.

Most of all, I want to confess my worst sin against you. It was the feeling I had that you "did not understand."

When I look back over it now, I know that you did understand. You understood me better than I did myself. Your wisdom flowed around mine like the ocean around an island.

And how patient you were with me! How full of long-suffering and kindness!

And how pathetic, it now comes home to me, were your efforts to get close to me, to win my confidence, to be my pal!

I wouldn't let you. I couldn't. What was it that held me aloof? I didn't know. But it is tragic—that wall that rises between a boy and his father, and their frantic efforts to see through it and climb over it.

I wish you were here now, across the table from me, just for an hour, so that I could tell you how there's no wall any more; I understand you now, dad, and God, how I love you, and wish I could go back and be your boy again!

I know now how I could make you happy every day. I know how you felt.

It took a good many years for this prodigal son—and all sons are in a measure prodigal—to come to himself. I've come; I see it all now.

I know what a rich and priceless thing, and one least understood, is that mighty love and tenderness and craving to help which a father, feels toward his boy. For I have a boy of my own.

And it is he that makes me want to go back to you, get down on my knees to you and ask you to hear me, dad, and believe me.

VALUE A GOOD NAME

ALL people should prize as one of their chiefest possessions a good name. One can only have a good name, by striving earnestly and faithfully to do always such things as are right. With the many obstacles we have to overcome one of the most helpful agencies we can employ will be a character above reproach. Our conduct is the index of our character. Shakespeare was right when he said: "A good name in man or woman is the immediate jewel of their soul."

HISTORY DAY BY DAY

Friday, March 17—Benjamin Sterling Turner was elected as a representative from Alabama to the Forty-Second Congress serving from 1871 to 1873. Born in North Carolina, 1825.

Saturday, March 18—The African Meeting House, the first Negro church in Boston and in New England, organized. The building is said to have been erected entirely by Negro labor, 1805.

Sunday, March 19—In 1838 Frederick Douglas escaped from slavery under the disguise of a sailor. He went first to New York City and then to New Bedford, Mass.

Monday, March 20—"Uncle Tom's Cabin" begins as a serial in the National Era, Boston, 1852. Free Negroes often purchased their slave wives and children and held them as bond slaves.

Tuesday, March 21—The rejection by the Southern States of the Fourteenth Amendment plan of Reconstruction. This plan was passed 1867.

Wednesday, March 22—Establishment of a system of public schools for Negroes in Louisiana. This was the first complete system of public schools in the South supported by taxation, 1864.

Thursday, March 23—Presentation of Colors by the Union League Club, New York City, to the 367th Infantry of the 92nd Division, 1918.—The Baltimore Afro-American.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP THE DEACON

The blizzardy weather cut down the attendance at the services last Sunday, but with that a good-sized congregation was present. The sermon topic at 11 o'clock was "The Church's Ministry, A Priesthood." Services on next Sunday at the usual hours, 7:30, 10 and 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to our many friends for their beautiful floral offerings during the recent illness and death of our beloved mother, Louisa Collins, who departed this life Saturday, March 18th, 1922. Mrs. Lulu Lee, Mrs. Sarah Williamson, Mrs. Missie A. Collins, daughters.

ALLEN CHAPEL A. M. E. CHURCH

O. J. Burckhardt, Pastor
Sunday was a quiet day in church circles on the South Side. It was snowing some Sunday morning but not not enough to prevent one who had religion from going to church. We are the only race of people in the world whose religion is affected by the weather. Our League is starting out well under the presidency of Mrs. Carter. The Sunday evening service was fairly well attended and the program was much enjoyed. Our Women's Day Rally is on and we feel confident of success; for women do things these days. Our sick folk are progressing reasonably well, among

whom are Mrs. Jefferson, who is able to walk again, Mrs. Sarah J. Moffatt and Mr. Gordon. We want 50 boys and girls who do not attend any other Sunday school to come to ours. We want strangers who are not communicants elsewhere to come and worship with us. At this church you will always find a hearty welcome.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. T. A. Taggart, Pastor
Services were good all day Sunday. In the morning Rev. J. R. Young preached from the text, "All we like sheep have gone astray." At the evening service the pastor spoke on "The Prince and Pauper." There were many who stated that the sermon gave them a new inspiration. There were two additions to the church.

Miss Anderson of Iowa was among the visitors. The sick of the church are Mrs. B. Blackston at St. Joseph's hospital, Mrs. M. Cage at her home, 116 South 9th street, and Miss Jerleen Haux, at 25th and M street. All are slowly improving. Rev. Prince

Condelee of Africa gave a lecture at the Church Wednesday evening. The Mission Circle was entertained by Mrs. Perkins and C. More. The Circle is planning to give their big concert, "The Slab Town Convention," soon. The Pastor's Aid has asked the pastor to write the history of his life, and the books will be ready Sunday. All who would like to get a book be at church Sunday—on time.

ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Dr. W. F. Botts, Pastor
Saving a Life

Everybody good! And welcome to the special revival services at Zion Baptist church, beginning on Sunday, April 2nd, 1922. These services will be under the efficient leadership of the eminent pastors of the Olivet Baptist church of Chicago. Every member of the church is asked to so interest themselves in the purpose of the meeting that they will bring some unsaved person to the soul-saving station. Will your answer be, "Master, count on me?"

VITALLY IMPORTANT THAT SUBSCRIBERS PAY

Good Friends, we took you into our confidence two weeks ago and told you that we had to raise a substantial sum of money by MARCH 10, to pay a long over-due obligation to our printer. We urged Delinquent Subscribers to pay up or, if unable to pay in full to send us something on account. Some subscribers responded, but only a few. We thank all who paid for their prompt response. We did not begin to receive enough to pay this pressing obligation. We, therefore, make another appeal, and hope all who owe us will realize how impossible it will be for us to continue publication unless we are able to pay our bills and we cannot pay our bills unless YOU PAY US. If you can't find the bill we sent you, look at the key number on the pink label on your paper. That tells the date to which you are paid. If the key is, for example "7-1-21", it means that your subscription expired July 1, 1921, and you owe The Monitor \$2.00 in good money. Please Pay.

JOHN ALBERT WILLIAMS, Editor.

Announcement

Dr. S. B. Northcross wishes to announce that his residence telephone has been changed to Webster 3222. His North Side office is located at 1516 North 24th St., over the Co-Operative Store. Telephone Webster 6194.

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TUESDAY—

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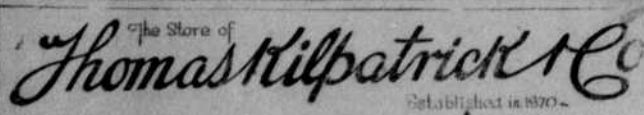
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