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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.

#### PREPAREDNESS

PREPAREDNESS is a word that was much used a few years ago. The main idea which was then emphasized was preparedness for war. It was realized that when the United States was drawn into the World War the country was not prepared for it. There was, therefore, much haste and waste in making provision for the conflict. We are not now concerned with the wisdom or unwisdom of our participation in the war. The point that we would make is that when war was declared the United States was not prepared for it, and so the necessity and wisdom of preparedness was stressed. We desire to stress preparedness now for our people and especially our young people. They should prepare themselves according to their inclination and ability to take their part in the world's work, so that when the call for service comes or the opportunity offers they will be prepared. The signs of the times indicate that the prepared man or woman will find his or her place. So be prepared. Preparedness for any field of human endeavor, and thorough preparedness, should be our aim. What others have done we can do. Be prepared for your opportunity when it comes.

#### WHAT DOES IT PORTEND?

ALMOST unbelievable things are coming to pass in political affairs. Who would have dared dream even a few short years ago that a Negro would be a delegate to a national Democratic Convention? And yet this has come to pass in this memorable year. Its significance cannot be fully grasped. Who would have imagined that a Negro would be nominated for Congress on the Democratic ticket? But that is just what has happened in Chicago. Earl Dickerson, a clean, capable, outstanding young attorney, is the choice of Chicago's democracy to make the race against Congressman Madden in the First District. This is another tremendously significant fact. Call it all politics, if you please, and so it is, but it shows that the party that not so long ago did not regard the Negro with favor politically is now beginning to recognize him as a potential factor and is bidding for his support in the North at least. This, as incredible as it may seem, must eventually have its effect upon the South, the stronghold of the Democratic party. Who can foretell what the outcome will be? Strange things happen in political affairs. The unexpected frequently comes to pass.

#### SOUND DOCTRINE

SANE, sensible and sound is the message that Payson Smith, state commissioner of education of Massachusetts, delivered to delegates to the National Education Association last Sunday afternoon from the capital steps at Washington. He said that the youth of the land must be trained to avoid prejudice, racial, class or religious. The message of Leon W. Goldrich, of New York, another prominent educator, was along the same line, when he stated that "The public schools cannot teach different denominational ritual or creeds and never should emphasize differences of race, color or religion." These prominent educators have the right idea concerning the public school system. If democracy is ever to become anything more than a beautiful

## 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.

## "NEGRO HAS MADE GOOD IN THE NORTH," SAYS JUDGE

Addressing last Thursday night's mass meeting of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, in Fifteenth Annual Conference in Philadelphia assembled, Hon. Ira W. Jayne, judge of the Circuit Court of Detroit, declared that he could "prove by established facts from the industrial centers of the North" that the Negro migrating from the South had made good in his new environment. Judge Jayne said in part: "Mr. Forrester B. Washington, recently of Detroit, now of the Armstrong Association of Philadelphia, surveyed the situation. His findings have been accepted as accurate by all elements of the community. These have been supplemented by similar reports in other cities. All these figures show the Negro the equal in productive value to any group, the superior of many. In the riveting and moulding industries he has broken production records so often, that it is no longer a novelty.

"496 firms in Detroit employ 40,000 Negroes, in numbers ranging from 7,500 and 4,000 down to 10, at equal pay with whites and under equal working conditions. One-fifth of the postoffice force in Detroit are Negroes. Postmaster John B. Smith says they saved the day for uninterrupted service during the recent wage demoralization. 21,000 Negroes are employed in the steel industry in the Pittsburgh district. Negro workers perform the major work in the stockyards of Chicago. These same statistics show his employment to be as regular, his health in the North as good, his dependency no more frequent than that of any other racial group. His cheerfulness, once mistaken for laziness, has been recognized as willing loyalty, and what is more important and encouraging still, he is acquiring capital and the knack of management to enter the ranks of employers."

Declaring that the Negro preferred "seven dollars a day in the North to ten months equal schooling in the South," Judge Jayne expressed the hope that the Negro who had come North would stay.

"The Negro is a man. He is here. He is a working man, respected and respectable. I hope the Negro stays until he has learned all there is to know of this industrial system which is at once our salvation and our despair. I hope the Negro leaves its sordid dullness with that inextinguishable joy and rhythm which have brought him unscarred through the crucible of slavery and degradation. I hope the Negro leaves its selfish greed with his innate loyalty and faithfulness which have always been his even in his reputation among his enemies."

## VIRGIN ISLANDERS PROTEST APPOINTMENT

New York, July 3.—(By the Associated Negro Press.)—President Coolidge has been asked to intervene to prevent "the civic scandal and judicial disgrace" of having Governor Philip Williams of the Virgin Islands appoint George Washington Williams, the present U. S. government attorney in the islands, to the post of district judge. The request was made by a mass meeting of over 1,500 persons held under the auspices of the Associated Virgin Islands Societies at St. Mark's Hall, West 138th street last Sunday. A protest against the proposed appointment was also called Governor Philip Williams.

The letter to President Coolidge, signed by Casper Holstein, chairman, declares that Washington Williams has "achieved an unsavory reputation as official propagandist for that very naval regime which inhabitants of the islands are now doing their best to get changed." Williams, according to the letter, has practiced and defended the "gross abuses" involved in an identification of judicial and administrative functions in the same person.

## METHODIST "WORLD SERVICE" MEETS

Chicago, Ill., July 3.—(By the Associated Negro Press.)—The Methodist Episcopal Church has been holding a big meeting in Chicago during the last week known as the World Service Commission. This is the body created at their General Conference in Springfield, Mass., to have charge of the world-wide operations of that church during the next four years. All races were represented.

The Negro group was represented by Secretary I. Garland Penn, Cincinnati, O., of the Board of Education; Editor L. H. King, New Orleans, La., of the Southwestern Christian Advocate; Dr. J. B. Redmond, Chicago, Pastor St. Mark's Methodist Episcopal church; Dr. E. M. Jones, New Orleans, La., area secretary; Dr. H. L. Ashe, Greenboro, N. C., district superintendent, Greenboro district; R. M. manager, Southwestern Christian Advocate; C. H. Caldwell, Orangeburg, S. C., railway mail clerk, and Dr. J. C. Sherrill, Chattanooga, Tenn., area secretary. These men hold important position on all committees.

The changing of charters, incident to the merger of boards of the church ordered by the General Conference received careful attention and was ordered consummated at the earliest date.

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## PETS ARE CROWDED IN TOWN BY EMBARGO

Foot-and-Mouth Disease Quarantine on California Has Humorous Side.

Sacramento.—Noah and his ark had nothing on the little mountain town of Cottonwood, Cal., when it comes to numbers and varieties of animals on hand.

The foot-and-mouth disease, which has raged in California for several months, but which now has been practically wiped out, has been a serious matter, but there has been some humor in the situation, at that—witness the present state of affairs at Cottonwood.

State and federal guards are stationed at Cottonwood, near the Oregon border, to enforce quarantine regulations, which, among other things, forbid the transporting of animals and birds of any description into the state to the north. Tourists are halted by the score every day and those who are found to have their pet animals or birds with them are forced to leave them behind when crossing the state boundary.

Dogs, cats, canaries, parrots, chickens, goats, guinea pigs, monkeys, gold fish, horses, cows—even ostriches and a pet snake—all these have come under the quarantine ban. The result is Cottonwood's facilities for caring for animals and birds have become overtaxed.

Many of the tourists passing through are wealthy and many of the pets are valuable. Result: The youngsters of Cottonwood are reaping a rich harvest from the pocketbooks of travelers who hire them to care for their pets until they can return for them or have them shipped.

Every yard in town, practically, is stocked with stranded birds and animals.

Two Eastern women tourists, crossing Nevada state by automobile, were halted at the California line, in accordance with the rules, and were sent into one of several tents erected for occupancy of tourists while their clothing is disinfected.

While the guards at the disinfecting station were busy with the women's garments, the wind sweeping in off the desert lifted the tent from over the waiting tourists and left them, screaming and marooned, until the guards could obtain blankets for them.

## Additional Equipment for the American "Doughboy"



This cylinder of liquid smoke shown strapped to the back of Sergt. Edward Larkin may form a part of the equipment of the "doughboy" of the future. By means of smoke from this cylinder an effective smoke screen can be "sprayed."

## Foreigners Ship Into America as Students

Philadelphia.—Foreign medical students have hit upon a new plan to evade the immigration quota set by the United States, by a circuitous route which leads them through the back door of the schoolroom.

Only by checking up the students' credentials with the closest scrutiny is the possibility of fraud in the quota being reduced to a minimum.

This is the opinion of Dr. William Pepper, dean of the medical school of the University of Pennsylvania.

"Bona fide students of recognized colleges and universities are not included in the quotas set on foreign countries by the United States, and for this reason we have an increased number of students coming from the war-ravaged territories. So universal is the status of a student held in high esteem that again and again we meet with someone trying to enter the country in that guise.

**Digs Up 1835 Penny**  
Troy, Kans.—While digging in his garden, a mile east of Troy, Lester O. Hathaway uncovered a penny bearing the date of 1835. The penny was badly corroded, but upon cleaning it, the date could easily be read. The coin is larger than the penny of today, just about the size of a half dollar.

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## LOUISVILLE, KY., N. A. A. C. P. FIGHTS SEGREGATION IN MUNICIPAL PARKS

New York, July 3.—Attempt to segregate colored from white people in the public parks of Louisville, Ky., has met with determined resistance from the local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Recently two colored teachers, Misses Margaret Taylor and Naomi Anthony, took twenty colored children to the city Park for a day's outing. They picnicked on the white playground for a time until three white park guards, Tyler, Zwigard and Boss, ordered them out and upon their refusal to go, choked one of the colored teachers, and took them both to the police station in a patrol wagon.

The two teachers swore out a warrant charging assault and battery against one of the guards and the next morning, 100 members of the N. A. A. C. P. were in court, employed an attorney and had the case put over until June 24th.

Lee L. Brown, of the Louisville branch, N. A. A. C. P., reports: "We visited the mayor's office and laid our complaint before him, further we had the officers arrested. Sunday four-minute speakers were sent out to the churches. The churches responded and a considerable sum of money was raised, the clubs and other organizations have declared they will help. We are going to carry this case if necessary to the Supreme Court in order to test whether we as tax payers have a right to the use of the city parks without being molested by the police officers."

Mr. Brown further reports that the N. A. A. C. P. opposed the opening of a special park for colored people in Louisville and that since its opening there has been trouble over colored people using the other city parks and playgrounds. The national office of the N. A. A. C. P. has telegraphed commending the fight and offering assistance.

## MRS. STEELE, WHITE FRIEND OF COLORED CHILDREN, SENDS \$100 FOR N. A. A. C. P. WORK

New York, July 3.—Mrs. Almira S. Steele, who for forty-two years has maintained out of her own pocket, a home in Chattanooga, Tenn., in which white and colored children are cared for on terms of absolute equality, has sent \$100 to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 69 Fifth Avenue, with the following letter:

"It thrills me to learn of what our association has done and of its needs. I feel I must send another hundred. I've neglected my fences and sidewalk, until they are a sight! For I do know that precious lives are far more important.

"Oh, how can Christians squander their money as they do, while there are so many really needy little ones in this sad world?"

"We all have most wonderful health here and get some nourishing food twice a day and decent second-hand

clothes to look respectable in; so we can't complain. So I send \$100 as before. I plan to attend the Philadelphia meeting, as I have some railroad passes; my father was a railway president in Boston. . . . My enemies are again after me, but I continue the even tenor of my way and keep on loving and feeding and clothing and educating needy ones."

Mrs. Steele at the Kansas City conference last year of the N. A. A. C. P. told a most moving and impressive story of how she had maintained her home for needy children in the face of threats from white people who resented her taking in and keeping colored and white children together.

## ENTERTAINS FOR A GUEST FROM CALIFORNIA

Mrs. W. H. Robinson entertained at cards Monday afternoon from 2 to 6 at her residence, 2122 Lake street, in honor of her guest, Mrs. L. P. Grant of Los Angeles, Cal. There were eight tables and seven prizes were awarded, two guest prizes and five general. The first guest prize was won by Mrs. L. P. Grant and the second by Mrs. W. Reed of Denver. The first general prize was won by Mrs. W. W. Peebles, the second Mrs. M. Bingham, third Mrs. Clarence Gordon; first booby prize Mrs. Earl Wheeler and the second Mrs. Edgar Lee. A buffet luncheon was served.

## Resigns at 84, After 62 Years as Teacher



Miss Nellie F. Cornell, aged eighty-four, has just resigned after a service of 62 years in the public schools of Rochester, N. Y., the last 47 as a principal. The only break in the continuity of her service was two brief periods of illness in her first years of teaching. Among the pupils in her school at the time she resigned were many grandchildren of former pupils. Miss Cornell was born in Rochester October 10, 1840. Her mother was a pioneer school teacher and her father, Stephen Cornell, was a cousin of Ezra Cornell, founder of Cornell university.

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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 denial, 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."