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REACHING THE RACE VOTE

NEBRASKA was formerly considered a rock-ribbed republican state. For the last few years it has been classed as a doubtful state. This means that neither of the major parties has a mortgage upon its electorate. Normally republican the electorate, in which the average of intelligence is high for Nebraska stands second in the sisterhood of states in literacy, has shown a remarkable degree of independence in voting and has sprung many surprises. In the present campaign Nebraska is conceded to be fighting territory and all three parties are going to exhaust every effort within their power to swing it into their respective column. Voters of our race share to a large degree this independent spirit. In their efforts to win this state the colored vote, which really holds the balance of power, must not be overlooked. Promoters of the publicity campaigns and efforts to reach and influence this vote must not ignore or underrate race publications. This fact is respectfully brought to the attention of the managers of the national, state and local campaign managers. Well established publications should be given precedence over mushroom, political campaign sheets, which spring up around campaign time and cease publication as soon as the campaign is over.

FOR GOVERNOR OF NEBRASKA

WHILE MANY of our people are debating how they will vote for various officials, national, state and municipal, in the coming election, there should be no hesitancy in their choice for the important office of governor of Nebraska. There is no reason whatever why those of us who are normally republican, and this applies to the great majority of our

group, should not enthusiastically support, as The Monitor believes we will support, Adam McMullen, the regular nominee on the republican ticket. He is clean, able and broad-minded and we have every reason to believe that all classes of citizens will receive a square deal at his hands. Governor Bryan by his square-dealing and taking a position which his republican predecessor clumsily dodged and refused to take, became popular with our people, many of whom would have no doubt felt it their duty to have voted for him. Such persons can now with a good clear conscience give their vote to Adam McMullen. The election in Nebraska this year will undoubtedly be close. Every vote will be needed. Begin boosting now for Adam McMullen for our governor and keep up that boosting until the polls close in November.

"FOR ALL BOYS"

THE OMAHA Elks Lodge will give their annual picnic at Elmwood park Saturday afternoon "FOR ALL BOYS 5 TO 15 YEARS OLD." And this great live wire body of red-blooded men mean just what they say. "ALL BOYS" means just what it says. It doesn't mean simply "white boys," as some invitations do, when they say "all boys." The Elks have set a magnificent example for some folks, "who profess and call themselves Christians" but who in their practice deny the fundamental principles of Christianity, in these annual outings they have been giving for some years now for Omaha boys. No racial or creedal lines have been drawn; and the utmost good will and friendship have prevailed. To Dr. Michael J. Ford, whose heart is as big as his body, and he is a six-footer of splendid manhood, credit is due for launching this annual boys' picnic

which has become an institution of Omaha. It is hoped that the boys of our group who are to be the guests of the Elks Saturday will conduct themselves as in previous years as gentlemen, so that the understanding, amity, goodwill and genuine democracy which these gatherings are designed to promote may suffer no setback but grow stronger and firmer year by year, justifying the faith of these big-hearted men who are genuinely interested in the boyhood of Omaha today which means the manhood of Omaha tomorrow.

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PERISCOPE

By WILLIAM PICKENS
For the Associated Negro Press.

On to Persia!

A mob killed an American over there. That must not be tolerated. Our government must have a thorough investigation. Of course, mobs kill Americans in Georgia, but that's different. We do not need to investigate about Georgia—we already know about that. Then, too, we have some authority over Georgia, while we haven't a bit of authority over Persia; it is doubtful whether we can do a thing in Persia. Therefore, on to Persia. Something must be done there.

That was a "religious mob" that killed one American in Persia. Those are thoroughly IRRELIGIOUS mobs that have killed 450 Americans in Georgia.—Therefore, on to Persia! Never mind Georgia. We must give Georgia a chance to teach Persia a little lesson.

That American in Persia was violating the religious sentiments of the mob. But the Georgia mobs don't have any religious sentiments. Wherefore and therefore, the Persia mob ought to be punished.

What a savage country Persia is, to kill ONE American in a sudden and fanatical religious frenzy. They don't even know how to coolly and deliberately burn FOURTEEN in a single year as the United States did in 1919. On to Persia!

Thinking Worth Parking in Your Mind

Claver, the Jesuit, afforded an instance of self-sacrifice for the Negro during the dark days of slavery, which, although rare at that time was common among Romanists. The son of a noble Catalan family of Spain, he entered the Company of Jesus at the age of twenty. He celebrated the close of his novitiate by a pilgrimage to Montserrat where Loyola had nearly a century before hung up his sword in renunciation of the world. To the day of death Claver never spoke without emotion of this visit to a sanctuary hallowed by the prayer and vigils of his spiritual father. He came to Cartagena, Colombia, then New Granada, in 1610. The misery of the slaves so shocked him that he vowed to be until death the slave of the Negro.

In 1645 the Massachusetts legislature restored two Negroes to their African home whom a member of the Boston church had imported and sold.

As early as 1701 Boston besought her representatives to abolish slavery.

Swallow wrote an anti-slavery pamphlet and essayed to prevent Negroes and Indians being rated with cattle.

The woman who goes away for the summer faces two vital questions: What to do with the cat and what to do with her husband—to keep them from "running wild".

WHAT OTHER EDITORS SAY

The Issue Is Plain.

It is Calvin Coolidge versus John W. Davis in the 1923 presidential race. The one, a republican, hails from the "Old Bay State" with its historical brilliancy and noble traditions; the other, a democrat, hails from West Virginia with its all too near Southern leanings and heritage. Both are men well trained in public service, and both possess high intellectuality and clean records. But the influence of environment and local coloring has played an important part in the official acts and concept of presidents in the past and it is certain to do so again. The issue therefore becomes plain at the very outset so far as the Negro vote is concerned, and if not wholly a question between the North and the South, it is sufficiently near to it to have a marked influence upon our ballot next November. We have no quarrel with Mr. Davis, the individual, for he stands high in the councils of American statesmen and diplomats. But he is from the wrong section of the country and his party strength is too pronounced south of the Mason and Dixon line to suit our fancy and we will be much mistaken if the Negro vote fails to line up with sturdy solidarity against him.—The Colorado Statesman.

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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 denials, 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. 688."
"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."

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