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ARTICLE XIV. CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES

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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.

A FRENCHMAN'S FEARS

A FRENCH professor fears a clash of the races in the United States. Of course it may come, but he hopes not. He believes that there is great danger of the white race losing its prestige before Stoddard's "Rising Tide of Color." There will be no danger of this if the white race will live up to its opportunities and make full use of the advantages which have been given it. If it will use its power and influence for the promotion of justice among all people and to all people its place is secure. If, however, drunk with pride of power it exploits and overrides and treats with contemptuous peoples of darker skins than the French professor is right. It will lose its place. It is to be hoped that the Nordics—to use the newer term—will realize that if they do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with God, their place is secure. He urges that the white races unite for what he considers the inevitable conflict with colored races. His advice were better if it urged the putting into practice the principles of the Christian religion among its nominal professors to-day and extend its influence to all men everywhere to the end that recognition of God's Fatherhood and man's brotherhood will uproot hatred and prejudice from the hearts of men of whatever clime or color and supplant these with love and understanding that will make war and strife impossible.

A NOTABLE GIFT

IT MUST be noted with pride that members of our race are making substantial contributions to the cause of education. Mrs. Leila Walker's gift of \$25,000 to the Hampton-Tuskegee Endowment Fund is a notable and outstanding example of this. That from our penury and poverty of a few generations ago individuals have arisen who have accumulated fortunes of sufficient magnitude to make gifts of this size is an eloquent and significant tribute to racial progress. Mrs. C. J. Walker, mother of the donor, gave generously of her means to educate worthy and ambitious Negro youth. That this her daughter's gift to the cause which lay so near her sainted mother's heart should take the form of a memorial to that mother is most fitting and shows a filial devotion worthy of the highest commendation.

ANOTHER ROBIN HERALDS SPRING

AMONG the many evidences of race advancement comes pleasing news from Louisiana. The theory of inherent racial inferiority is constantly receiving stunning blows. Robins here and there herald spring. S. E. Bratton, a young Negro, has just received his appointment as a certified public accountant in Louisiana and has been complimented by the officials on his rating. C. P. A.'s are not going around in flocks among people of the other

THE NEGRO'S CONTRIBUTION NOT NEGLIGIBLE

A moment's thought will easily convince open-minded persons that the contribution of the Negro to American nationality as slave, freedman and citizen was far from negligible. No element of American life has so subtly and yet clearly woven itself into warp and woof of our thinking and acting as the American Negro. He came with the first explorers and helped in exploration. His labor was from the first the foundation of the American prosperity and the cause of the rapid growth of the new world in social and economic importance. Modern democracy rests not simply on the striving white men in Europe and America but also on the persistent struggle of the black men in America for two centuries. The military defense of this land has depended upon Negro soldiers from the time of the Colonial wars down to the struggle of the World War. Not only does the Negro appear, reappear and persist in American literature but a Negro American literature has arisen of deep significance, and Negro folk lore and music are among the choicest heritages of this land. Finally the Negro has played a peculiar spiritual role in America as a sort of living, breathing test of our ideals and an example of the faith, hope and tolerance of our religion.—Du Bois, "The Gift of Black Folk."

LINCOLN NEWS AND COMMENT

Mrs. Ella Black was called to Iowa last Friday, her mother having died unexpectedly.

Mrs. Viola McDaniel entertained the Utopian Art Club at their home last Thursday night. Mr. Nimrod Ross addressed the meeting after routine of business, the meeting adjourned to meet with Mrs. Rosa Adair at 730 North Thirteenth street February 12th.

Mrs. Glass of Alliance, Neb., was a Lincoln visitor last week on lodge business. She was guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cooley entertained at a beautiful appointed three-course dinner Saturday night. Among those in the party were: Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Forbes, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Copeland, Mr. and Mrs. Sanders, Mrs. A. Wiley and Mr. Marshall. The evening was spent informally.

Islam Temple No. 55 held its installation and reception in Masonic hall last Wednesday night. The illustrious potentate elect and other officers spared no pains in arranging appropriate decorations and other comforts of life for the entertainment of invited guests, who turned out in good numbers. The installing of the officers by Mr. T. T. McWilliams, past potentate of Islam Temple, was neatly done. Mr. M. E. Williams accepted his official capacity with much dignity and gave a brief speech. Luncheon consisting of chicken sandwiches, ice cream, cake and coffee was served in cafeteria style, after which the young folks enjoyed themselves in a social whirl.

Among the large class of pupils who graduated from the grade schools this mid-winter term, six were of our group, of which we are proud.

Sunday services were nicely attended at Mt. Zion Baptist church. The Buds of Promise had services in the church at 3 p. m. Mrs. E. L. Johnson is in charge of Saturday Night Serving Club. Mid-week meetings are increasing in attendance.

The usual good services were carried out at Quinn chapel Sunday. The Sunday school and Mary Taylor societies had their meetings. The Rev. Mr. Knight preached and the usual week's program was creditably carried out.

ORCHARD & WILHELM CO. TO HAVE THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL FURNITURE SALE

A selling event so unusual as to attract trade wide attention held by Orchard & Wilhelm Company last year, is to be repeated this February.

Mr. E. L. Holland, ad-man for the company, explained that the sale, as well as the novel manner in which it was conducted, was so acceptable to the public that preparations for exceeding those made last year have been under way for more than four months. Every market, big or little, where furniture is made, has been searched for merchandise and their buyers are full of enthusiasm for this year's sale that opens February 2nd.

A list of rules to insure fair play and safe guard the public against disappointments will be published in due course.

Although the preparations are store-wide and take a great deal of time, business will continue as usual.

WIVES ENTERTAIN

A number of wives of the Bachelor Benedict club are taking advantage of the use of the beautiful club rooms for entertaining their guests. Mrs. Lemuel Payne entertained in honor of her guest, Miss Lee Greenway of Muscatine, Ia., Tuesday evening. Sixty invited guests attended a most unique dancing party with favors, refreshments and entertainment by Roulette's orchestra. On Thursday evening Mrs. Huges entertained at a surprise party in honor of her husband's birthday.

WILL ELECT OFFICERS

Te N. W. C. A. will hold its annual election of officers at the home next Wednesday, February 4. The yearly report will be read by the treasurer, Mrs. James G. Jewell. Te meeting will open promptly at 10:30 a. m. and all members are urged to be present.

CARD OF THANKS

I desire to express my heartfelt appreciation of the kindly messages of sympathy and condolence received from many friends upon the death of my mother. I sincerely thank you all. Z. C. McGEE, Pastor Pleasant Green Baptist Church.

RECEPTION FOR PASTOR OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

A largely attended reception was tendered the Rev. Charles A. Williams and family in the church parlors Monday night. After the rendition of a well arranged program a banquet was partaken of at which addresses were made by Commissioner John Hopkins, R. L. Williams, Dr. L. E. Britt, Count Wilkinson and James Lewis. Attorney John Adams was master of ceremonies.

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SMATTERINGS

Many a man falls because he never tries.

The blast that blows loudest is soon overblown.

Too many cooking-school graduates spoil the broth.

Our patience will achieve more than our force.

An empty compliment evokes an empty smile.

Less intimate you become the less you can be hurt.

They who always labor can have no true judgment.

Angry friendship is sometimes as bad as a calm enmity.

The faster a man's pace, the sooner old age overtakes him.

Lots of fools look wise and lots of wise men look otherwise.

Some girls are shy about marrying men who are shy of money.

Is there any system of training that will produce none but many men?

Digestion worries a middle-aged man and complexion a middle-aged woman.

Economy—one kind—is to be so busy, you haven't time to spend money.

We don't grow so much wiser as we grow older, but we grow tired of nonsense.

It requires considerable shrewdness to dodge the kind of novels you don't like to read.

We all love a doctor who brings us 10 per cent of medicine and 90 per cent of cheer.

To practice vegetarianism comfortably, one must not get excited and talkative about it.

It is impossible to make some men feel cheerful about tomorrow if they have to go to a party.

So long as not one person in 100 understands psychoanalysis or cares about it, it can't do much harm.

German Housing Exhibit

The Dresden exhibition for the year 1925 will be devoted to housing problems, settlements and city buildings. Especial importance is to be given to a scientific and technical section, which will show modern building materials and parts, special construction methods, modern building tools and auxiliary machinery used in construction. Next in importance will be exhibits showing domestic necessities and modern conveniences, such as household utensils, furniture and heating and ventilating plants. Models of dwellings and groups of houses are to be constructed in the open.—United States Commerce Reports.

Christmas in Hotel

"I obeyed every adjuration of the advertisers this year," moaned a Marlborough avenue father, "and did my Christmas trading early. I bought all the presents for my two children and my wife, found a nice Christmas tree, and made all arrangements for a happy holiday. And just as I concluded that everything was set for the finest sort of day, one of the children came down with scarlet fever. The house is quarantined and I had to spend my Yuletide in a downtown hotel. I call this tough."—Detroit News.

Wild Animals Costly

Few wild animals can now be bought in the open market, the industry being so much interfered with owing to post-war conditions. It is becoming increasingly difficult for circuses and zoological gardens to replace their stock, and prices have soared proportionately. The center of the world market is Hamburg, Germany, where a giraffe brings \$5,000; a hippopotamus, \$2,500 to \$5,000 and a fine lion, \$1,250.

"Gee Whiz," Said He

"Gee whiz," said a busy man as he stepped into a Wichita barber shop and found six girls in advance of him. While he was considering whether to wait or not, a girl in a chair paid her bill and departed and the five others who were only waiting for her went with her.—Wichita Eagle.

Canada's Wood Bisons

Canada has set aside a tract of 4,000 square miles for the preservation of the only two known herds of wood bison existing in the wild state in the district. The animals are considered superior in size and stamina to the plains bison, to which, they are closely related.

NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT DEFENDENT

To Ellis Lacy, non-resident defendant: "You are hereby notified that on the 14th days of October, 1924, Bernice Lacy, as plaintiff, filed a petition in the District Court of Douglas County, Neb., against you as defendant, the object and prayer of which are to obtain a divorce from you on the grounds of cruelty and non-support, and custody of your minor child, Ellis. You are required to answer said petition on or before the 23rd day of February, 1925. BERNICE LACY, Plaintiff. By W. B. Bryant, her attorney. 4-11-16-25

THE NEGRO COMES TO HIS OWN IN MOVIE ACTING

That the Negro is capable of attaining the apex of any art is clearly shown in his invasion of the world of cinema, which heretofore, particularly in its infancy, has been reserved to members of other races. True there have been members of the race taking parts in some productions but all were minor parts.

Today we see members of the race very frequently on the screen. Many producers bring forth an all star colored cast. Among those producers is Superior Art Motion Pictures, Inc. Omaha is to see a super drama, "Smiling Hate", augmented by a thrilling comedy, "Steppin' High", in the near future at the Franklin theatre on 24th street. These two plays by Superior Art promise to be as good an all star colored aggregation as current cinemadom has produced.

The Franklin, by the way, seems to be spilling super dope right along. Saturday and Sunday Emory Johnson with an all star cast appears there in "Life's Greatest Game." It promises to be a real show.

BIG GRUMMAGE SALE

Our readers' attention is called to the advertisement of the Great Eastern Outlet Co. whose big rummage sale is now going on at 1803 N. 24th street. It is replete with bargains in almost everything you may need in the way of wearing apparel.

"THE LAST OF THE ARKANSANS"

By William Pickens

For the Associated Negro Press. The last of the Elaine victims are free! The fight had gone into the sixth year, and the result proves the philosophy of fight. If there had been no fight in the N. A. A. C. P. there would have been death for a dozen victims of "law" and legal slavery of three-score.

But in spite of the foolish counsel of those who wanted "quiet", this fight was made and kept up at considerable expense and some peril to individuals, until today as I write, the national office is reading a telegram from Scipio Jones that: the last of the six victims who were destined for the electric chair sixty months ago, are now free. This job for the N. A. A. C. P. is not only the greatest job ever done by Scipio Jones, but the greatest achievement of any Negro lawyer in the history of the country. Truly he is "Scipio Africanus Maximus".

And as for the Association, this single achievement would justify the entire sixteen years of its existence. The blot on Arkansas can never be wiped out, but the fighting group of American Negroes and their white friends have kept the blot off their own record by sticking to this matter until it was finished, and finished right.

President Calvin Coolidge recently delivered an address to a group of editors in Washington, which shows that the President has a fine "close up" knowledge of the power and purpose of the press. He declared that American newspapers are the best in the world. It can be stated on very high authority that the President is equally as familiar with the press of colored America as he is with the daily public prints. It was to have been supposed that President Harding, himself a newspaper man, would be interested in newspaper slants; the keen interest of President Coolidge in newspapers indicates his knowledge of the secret of being in on the know of the world.

About 6,000 Negroes were connected in different ways with the Confederate Army.

ENTERTAINS SERVICE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Ricks, 128 South Twenty-eighth avenue, entertained Monday evening the members of the Service Committee of the North Side Branch of the Y. W. C. A., of which she has been chairman for the past three years and to which position she has been re-elected for a three year term. The entire membership of the committee was present with the exception of Mesdames A. D. James and William A. Brown. Miss Edna M. Stratton and Mesdames Venus Parker

and Marie LaCoq were guests of honor. The members of the committee are Mesdames Richard Simpson, Earl Jones, Earl Wheeler, Frank Black-

well, L. Broomfield, G. L. Gaines, Cash Lewis, R. Randall, Clarence Gordon, A. D. James, Wm. A. Brown and Miss Ernestine Lancaster.

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