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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.

NEWCOMERS AND OLD

IT WAS in Indianapolis, Ind. Some enterprising citizens were anxious to put over a much-needed business undertaking. All were quite sure that it could be done if the right man could be secured to head it. But could such a man be found? Several names were suggested. No one was satisfactory. Finally one of the older residents said, "There's John 'Newcomer', a capable young fellow is just the man for the job. He's had some experience along that line, is honest and energetic. If he'll take it this business can be made a success."

Mr. Typical Oldcitizen, "John Newcomer, Newcomer, never heard of him; how long has he been here?"

Mr. Sponsor: "About three years. He came here from Michigan and holds a responsible position with Blank & Blank."

Mr. Typical Oldcitizen: "Funny, I never met him. I think we ought to find somebody among our older residents who can handle the job. This young fellow may be all right, but I'm in favor of giving preference to the men who have been here for a long time and have helped do something for Indianapolis."

Mr. Sponsor: "That's all right, too, but what we all want is the right man for this job, whether he has been here two years or twenty years, and I believe Newcomer is the man."

Newcomer was employed and proved to be the very man they wanted. He made the business a success and one of his most enthusiastic backers and supporters was Mr. Typical Oldcitizen, who was always skeptical, if not a little jealous of the activities of newcomers to the Indiana metropolis.

This spirit of skepticism or jealousy, if you want to call it so, concerning newcomers is by no means confined to Indianapolis. It is found in every community. We have it in Omaha. What we need are people who will make good, and throw their influence toward upbuilding the community and it does not make a particle of difference whether they are newcomers or oldtimers. Oldtimers were once newcomers.

It is worth noticing that many of the newcomers to Omaha are doing worthwhile things in the business, professional and industrial world while some of the oldtimers have neglected opportunities of which they should have taken advantage.

Newcomers of the right class should be most cordially welcomed and asked to co-operate, according to their abilities, talents and resources, in making our community a stronger and better one.

ORGANIZE AND FIGHT

THE COLORED people of Omaha should have representation in the school system and other civic interests for which we pay taxes. We can get these just rights, notice the word RIGHTS, by united action. Get busy! We are too easily satisfied. Too faint hearted. Fight for what we want!

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."

and there were but sixty-six places open where they might interme. In order that women and children might also come under their observation, it is planned that the internes may also practice at the John A. Andrews hospital of Tuskegee Institute, Dr. Eugene H. Dibble in charge. As a corrective for the idle time which the patients have on their hands, President Coolidge and Secretary Mellon have recently arranged for a recreational building which will cost \$75,000, containing a gymnasium, an assembly hall and many other features. Viewing it on the whole at close range, it is difficult to arrive at any opinion other than that the race at large has reason to feel proud of the record which this group of colored physicians, nurses, orderlies and workers of various types are asking. "It's a big job being handled in a big way and if we put it over successfully, the entire race will benefit."

CHURCHES DEMAND THE ABOLISHMENT OF SEGREGATION

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raised that equal economic opportunity shall be accorded to every person on the basis of his ability. Amicable race relations in industry and business are of vital concern to religion. Recommend Abolishment of Discrimination

"6. Removal of discrimination: The churches of America have a challenge to the very principles they profess in the discriminations in housing conditions, school facilities, travel accommodations and other public provision of our communities. For the sake of our own ideals as well as for the protection of our fellow citizens, we are called upon to abolish and to prevent these discriminations.

"7. Our children and young people: The education of our children and young people in attitudes of racial respect and appreciation is so vital for the future that the churches cannot ignore this responsibility as a part of their program of education.

"The white and Negro people, the two largest racial groups in America, profess a common religion and common ideals of democracy. They possess mutual interests wrought out through generations of contact. As a result the American churches have probably the most unique opportunity in the world to demonstrate the processes of interracial co-operation that will influence racial groups everywhere."

COVINGTON AREA WORLD SERVICE COUNCIL CLOSES

The Covington Area World Service Council closed a successful two days session at Grove M. E. church Wednesday night with an instructive and inspiring address on "The New Age and Its Demands" by Rev. H. King, D. D., of Cincinnati, Ohio, editor of the Southwest Recorder. The Council opened Monday night. The scheduled address on "Liberia" was postponed because of the unavoidable absence of Bishop Clair, who did not arrive until Tuesday morning. An address on "Meeting Responsibilities in Christian Education" by Dr. R. B. Hays, president of George R. College, Sedalia, Mo., was substituted. The District Superintendents Council occupied the morning and afternoon sessions of Tuesday. Bishop Clair's address being given at the night session. A good number of clerical and lay delegates were present from the area which includes Ohio, Kentucky, Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa, Tennessee, Oklahoma, Colorado and Kansas.

MRS. GIBSON GORDON SUCCUMBS TO LONG ILLNESS

Nellie, beloved wife of Gibson Gordon, died at her late residence, 2418 Binney street, early Wednesday morning after an illness of several months. Mrs. Gordon returned a few weeks ago from Jacksonville, Ill., her former home, where she had gone in quest of health, and where for a time she seemed to improve, but later lost ground. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon were married here 23 years ago and have resided here continuously since that time being rated among our most successful and substantial citizens. Their only child, a daughter, Frances D., an accomplished musician, received her B. A. from the University of Omaha in June. Mrs. Gordon is survived by her husband and daughter; her father, Anderson Banks of Jacksonville, Ill.; a brother, Fred D. Banks of Peoria, Ill.; two sisters, Mrs. Harrison J. Pinkett and Mrs. Roy Williamson of Omaha; a nephew, Freddie Banks of Omaha, and other relatives. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2:30 from the family residence. The Rev. Dr. Trusty, pastor of St. Paul Presbyterian church, of which deceased was a member, officiating.

THE NORTH SIDE BRANCH Y. W. C. A.

The Committee of Management held its last meeting of the season at the Y. W. C. A. Wednesday, July 8. The meeting was very impressive. Devotions were led by Mrs. Helen Mahamitt. Reports from the various committees were read and received with much enthusiasm. A complete report of the finances for the first six months of the year's work of the Y. W. C. A. was made by the finance chairman, Mrs. Helen Mahamitt. The report showed the financial standing of each

committee individually. To date the finance committee leads with \$85 to its credit. Although the other committees have not been as successful they have striven hard to realize their part of the quota. Almost 50 per cent of the quota to be raised by the Y. W. C. A. has already been raised. Communications were read by Mrs. John Albert Williams, the secretary of the board. Remarks were made by Miss Ruth Collins, the Girl Reserve secretary. Miss Collins was heartily received by the committee of management. A very interesting report was read by Miss Edna Stratton. The report included a statement of the repairs about the building. The meeting was closed by the chairman, Mrs. Estella Craig, who read two very fitting and appropriate poems. The meeting adjourned to meet the first Wednesday in September. Mrs. Lenora Gray will lead in devotions.

OMAHA WOMAN PUBLISHED ADDRESSES IN PAMPHLET

Mrs. Senora Mae Wilkinson has just published in pamphlet form her Annual Message to the recent Eighth Annual Session of the New Era Women's Convention of Nebraska. The pamphlet also contains two other excellent and thoughtful addresses entitled, "How Shall We Face the Problems of Migration?" and "The Demoralizing Effects of Teaching Race Prejudice at the Fireside."

All of these addresses are carefully thought out, well written and replete with sound advice and helpful suggestions.



Those who have heard Mrs. Wilkinson speak on various occasions have expressed the wish that her addresses might be published. It is in obedience to this request that Mrs. Wilkinson has put these three addresses in pamphlet form which sells for the modest sum of 25 cents. They are on sale at the North Side Bazaar and by the author.

EASTERN DELEGATION TO WOMEN'S FEDERATION PLEASED WITH HOSPITALITY

Met at Train by Representatives of Local Federation, Given Sight-Seeing Tour and Dined

Twelve prominent club women, members of the Northwestern Federation of Colored Women, en route to Cheyenne, Wyo., arrived in Omaha Tuesday afternoon and were met by representatives of the local women's club, headed by Mrs. Fannie Russell, state president, and taken for a sight-seeing tour and delightful luncheon at the North Side Branch of the Y. W. C. A., which was a most pleasant affair, thoroughly enjoyed by the guests.

Tuesday evening a public meeting and reception was held in Zion Baptist church, where an instructive program of speeches and music was enjoyed by a large and appreciative audience. The men's chorus of St. John's A. M. E. church, under the direction of Mr. John C. Parker, gave several pleasing numbers.

Mrs. Fannie Russell welcomed the distinguished visitors in a brief, but well chosen address and introduced the speakers. Admirable addresses were delivered by Mrs. A. M. Carter, Mrs. Fannie Turner and Mrs. Joanna Snowden Porter, president of the Northwestern Federation, and vice-president of the National federation, all of Chicago. All the addresses were characterized by an appreciation of the problems before our people, the power of organized womanhood and an earnestness of tone and purpose which show the women of the race to be thoughtful, resourceful and alert. A letter from Mary McLeod Bethune, national president, expressing her regret at her inability to be present was read.

The delegation was composed of the following persons: Mesdames Joanna Snowden Porter, Fannie Turner, Jeanette Smith, Teresa G. Macon, Laura Gholston, Mamie Miller, Emma McDougall, Azalia Matthews Carter, Strickland, McClure, Green and Townsend.

They left Tuesday morning for Lincoln well pleased with their reception in Omaha.

On Thursday, July 16th, at 8 p. m. Rev. G. W. Day of Mt. Moriah and his congregation were in charge of a grand rally at the Spring Hill Baptist church, Thirty-third and Emmett streets. Next Sunday, 3 p. m., Rev. J. S. Williams of Salem and his congregation and on Sunday, the 26th of July, Rev. Z. E. McGee of Pleasant Green and his congregation will be in charge. The public is invited. Mrs. C. Wood, clerk.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

In the County Court of Douglas County, Nebraska, in the matter of the estate of C. E. Allen, deceased. All persons interested in said estate are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in said Court alleging that said deceased died leaving no last will and praying for administration upon his estate, and that a hearing will be had on said petition before said court on the 24th day of July, 1925, and that if they fail to appear at said Court on the said 24th day of July, 1925, at 9 o'clock a. m. to contest said petition, the Court may grant the same and grant administration of said estate to Mildred Clark and Louis A. Garland or some other suitable person and proceed to a settlement thereof.

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