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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.

We had no direct reply to that commun-

As was stated in our telegram to Judge

lynching. I am sending you under separ-

but prominent citizens who serve as mem-

OWNER WHO RENTS HOME

(Associated Negro Press)

Kraeger, owner of a piece of property on Lamont street, which piece of property he

had leased to colored tenants. The ten-

ants were attacked when they attempted

to move into the house. Windows were

determined yet to keep colored persons out of their neighborhoods, resorting to

Baltimore, Md., Aug. 28.-Five hundred

GRATIFYING TO OMAHANS

ALL loyal Omahans are delighted to ust 7th of a colored man at Excelsion know that work has begun upon the Med- Springs, Missouri. ical Arts building, the high steel skelton of which has stood for three years and a fifteen years the National Association for half, as a monument to the financial disas- the Advancement of Colored People has ter of its public-spirited and well-inten- been fighting to check this form of anartioned promoters. There it has stood in chic lawlessness. In view of the fact that Zion Baptist church on Thursday night the very heart of Omaha's business center the states have shown themselves poweras an ominous talisman of financial inab- less to stamp out lynching, this associaility to complete a valuable business asset. tion has persistently advocated the passage prove a visitor's impression of a wide- pressed the hope that the commission members of the past year. awake and progressive city. That outside would include lynching in the subjects for capital has decided to complete it shows consideration. confidence in Omaha's future. That is will repay its investors goes without saying.

The resumption of work upon this mod- August 9th, Mr. Mark O. Prentiss is quoted ern sky-scraper, after so many years, points as saying that the National Crime Commisits moral for our own people who are so sion had not then been fully organized and was responded to by G. M. Chas. prone to lose heart and courage and give and not until officers are elected and com. Dickerson. up trying when apparent failure faces mittees appointed can it function in any their modest business ventures. There is specific case. Mr. Prentiss further stated generally a way out, if we have the cour- that "I feel authorized to say this much. age to keep on trying. Prophets of disas- in anticipation of any action, that unquester declared that the Medical Arts build- tionably lynching will be considered by ing would never be completed. Never is the commission together with other crimes a long time. Deeply interested in Omaha in this country." The Monitor joins with others in rejoicing over the fact that a way has been found Gary, this association for fifteen years has to snatch victory from apparent defeat. made a determined campaign against

SCHOOL DAYS

NEXT week nearly 50,000 pupils will kind which has been made. This has been enter the schools and colleges of Omaha. recognized as the authoritative record of Nearly 4,000 or about one-twelfth of this also carried on our campaign through pub. 1926. vast army of knowledge seekers, belong lic meetings, through the printing and disto our group. Children from numerous tribution of millions of pamphlets, leaflets nationalities meet in the same school room and other documents, through the investi. Lewis and Mrs. Alice Grant attended games and plays. They are learning to through the employment of private detec- Mrs. M. A. Emannel of Alliance, know and understand each other. This is tive agencies, and in every legitimate and Nebr., visited her cousin, Mrs. Viola the kind of Americanization that will make legal means of bringing to the attention McDaniel, here last week. America a real democracy in truth as of the American public the horrors of this Messrs. Fred A. Johnson and wife, the separation of school children along the of 3553 lynchings in the United States. Of City, Kans., spent two days in the city. line of race, religion or color. Such a this number 83 were women. Since 1919 The cave party given by the mempolicy makes for suspicion and misunder. 37 human beings have been burned at the bers of the Mt. Zion Baptist church standing, and undermines the foundation stake. Our study also has disproved the last Friday night was well attended.

port of our schools. We are glad to have by the mobs themselves, that less than initiated. our children enjoy these privileges. We seventeen per cent of the persons lynched Utopia Art club will meet with Mr. encourage them to take full advantages of in the United States since 1889 were even and Mrs. R. Adair, 1226 No. 22nd St., these opportunities and they are doing so, accusd of crimes against women. There is one particular, however, in which In view of the very thorough study which Dr. F. W. Botts and A. M. Harrold we are not satisfied with the conduct of we have given to this subject, we feel that of Omaha, spent last Friday with Rev. of schools and that is the exclusion of we have information which will be of value H. W. Botts. teachers of our race from the teaching to the National Crime Commission. We William Gandy of Topeka, Kans., corps of our city. This is not fair, nor firmly believe that much of the layless- and Miss Ethel Jefferson of Omaha, just, nor will we be satisfied until this ness in the United States today is due to were quietly married here last Saturinjustice ceases. Scores and scores of the fact that members of the lynching day. geles, Cal., have competent colored teach law without fear of punishment. For liams and Mrs. Romain Burden attendwhy Omaha should not again take her the subject of lynching is of paramount Court of Isis at Kansas City, Kans., place among fair and broad-minded cities importance.

in all school activities. School days are You will note from our letterhead the week. days of golden opportunity.

PENNY WISE PEOPLE

bers of the board of directors and as vice-THE North Twenty-fourth street mer- presidents. We will gladly co-operate with chants are standing in their own light, you in any ecort to end lawlessness, wheth-They complain of lack of trade and say er by individuals or by a mob. that the down-down stores draw a heavy trade which they should share. The downtown merchants pull together. They ad BALTIORMEANS MOB vertise and go after business. The North Side merchants do not advertise. They should form a pool, put on a big advertising campaign and go after business and improved lighting and they will get just what they go after. At present they are penny wise and pound foolish.

ADVANCEMENT ASSOCIATION ASKS FOR MEMBERSHIP ON NATIONAL CRIME COMMISSION

(N. A. A. C. P. Press Service) New York, Aug. 28.—The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has written to F. Trubee Davison, newly appointed head of the National Crime Commission offering its information and experience with lynching to the commission and suggesting that a representative of the N. A. G. P. be made a memthe National Crime Commission.

A. A. C. P. letter is as follows:
August 6th, this association wired
Short H. Gary, calling to his atfayette Square. er of the National Crime Commission. he N. A. A. C. P. letter is as follows:

Nebraska Masons Meet

LINCOLN NEWS

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Masons convened in their 7th annual communication in Mt. Zion Baptist church Wednesday, Aug. 19-21. About seventy delegates from all over the jurisdiction were present.

The grand lodge was opened by D. G. M., A. P. Curtis of Alliance, at 11 o'clock. A committee escorted M. W. G. Master Chas. W. Dickerson of Omaha to the East, who after introduction to the craft was handed the gavel of authority and in a few words expressed his appreciation of being ******************************** permitted to appear before the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Nebraska assembled in its 7th annual communication and hoped that while assembled, that we will settle down to business and pleasure afterwards.

The grand body immediately entered upon routine business. Each committee appointed did their full duty throughout the session.

A program was given at the A. M. E. church Wednesday night for the welcoming and reception of the grand lodge members. A. L. Williams had charge of affairs. Invocation, G. Chaplain; solo, Mr. J. W. Bedell; Rev. M. C. Knight gave the welcome address in Gov. Adam McMullen's stead. Crime Commission, the lynching on Aug-It was responded to by M. G. Master Chas. W. Dickerson. Welcome in behalf of Lebannon, T. T. McWilliams. In that telegram we pointed out that tor Responded to by W. L. Seals of Oma-Address, P. G. M., R. H. Young. The choir furnished music.

conducted by Grand Lecturer, R. P. Booth of Hastings. Grand Sec'y, I. That towering gaunt skelton did not im- of a federal anti-lynching law. We ex. B. Smith gave eulogies on the deceased

The directors of the Old Folks Home entertained members of the grand body to light refreshments in the dining hall of the church Thursday night. ication, but in The New York Times of Mrs. Ada Holmes, president of the state federation, welcomed the lodge

Election of officers resulted as fol-

Chas. W. Dickerson, Omaha, G. M. T. T. McWililams, Lincoln, D. G. M. Geo. B. Evans, Lincoln. Sr. G. W. Mack Linal, Alliance, Jr G. M. H. L. Anderson, Omaha, G. Secy. J. H. Wakefield, Omaha, G. Treas. J. T. Saunders, Omaha, G. Chap. Joshua Brown, Omaha, G. Tyler. A. B. Matthews, Omaha, G. Lectur

ate cover a copy of our statistical study er. Wm. Woods, Lincoln, W. L. Seals, of lynching, which is the only study of its Omaha, Relief Board.

The next grand communication will Thinks of it. What a vast army this is. lynchings in the United States. We have be held in Grand Island, in August,

> Mrs. Jennie Johnson, Mrs. Jennie achers and study from gation of more than forty lynchings by the grand lodge Dts. of Bethel at

well as in theory and will safeguard and crime, and the danger to a government Burt Patrick and parties consisting of insure the perpetuity of the nation. How which permits such crimes to go unpun two auto loads, en route from Chicago short-sighted then are they who advocate ished. There have been since 1889 a total to the Imperial Council at Kansas

formerly strong belief that lynchings re- Cornhusker lodge Order of Elks had We as taxpayers contribute our share sulted only from attacks upon women, a rousing meeting Sunday afternoon, and that willingly and gladly to the sup- We have proved, taking the cause assigned It is said about thirty candidates were

Thursday, Sept. 3rd.

northern cities from Boston to Los An- mobs have found that they could flout the Mrs. Maud Johnson, Mrs. H. M. Wilers on their staff and there is no reason that reason we feel that the inquiry into ed the annual gathering of the Grand

We, therefore, take the liberty of sug- Several auto loads of Lincolnites Be that as it may we congratulate the gesting that in the selection of members of comprising Messrs. T. T. McWilliams pupils who will resume their school duties the National Crime Commission, consider and wife, M. E. Williams and wife, next month. We urge all to do their level able aid could be given through the ap- Fred Nevels, Wm. Dean and party and best to excel in scholarship and deport- pointment of a representative of this as- others are in attendance at the Imperment and to take their full part and share sociation as a member of that commission. ial Council at Kansas City, Kans., this

names of persons connected with this as- The collector will call on you soon sociation, not only as executive officers. Be ready to pay up and oblige.

TO ATTEMPT SUICIDE

(Associated Negro Press) Chicago, Ill., Aug. 28.—Because she was from a shingle bob, Rose Fallan disappeared from her home after her mother TO COLORED TENANT had foiled her attempt to commit suicide. Her mother says that she threatened to white residents, supposedly property owners, late Monday night mobbed Samuel

SAY MEXICO REFUSES

New York, Aug. 28 .- According to dis tire neighborhood being thrown into an sion is said to have been denied sugar uproar. Police rescued Kraeger from the moh. The state court of appeals has declared that segregation zoning laws are unconstitutional, but white residents are

out of their neighborhoods, resorting to violence to do so. Whites are incensed be-

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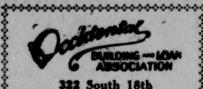
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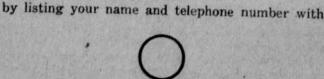
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