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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.

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THE CONFERENCE PLAN.

The wisdom of the direct conference plan of the Pullman porters and maids with the Pullman officials, such as was recently held in Chicago should be apparent in the light of the refusal of the railroads to accede to the demands made for an increase of wages by the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and the Order of Railroad Conductors. These are strong unions, and yet railroad officials representing 50 western roads flatly refused their demand for a 7 per cent increase. They, however, signified a willingness to hold a conference with union officials to discuss the situation. The porters and maids received virtually a 10 per cent increase and certain improved working conditions. This increase does not bring the wages up to the standard desired, but it is a decided advance and indicates what can be accomplished by conference and an intelligent presentation of just claims and grievances. Would as much have been gained by the demand of a union?

THE SOUTH NEEDS IT MOST.

Southern senators have again served notice that they will oppose the passage of the Dyer-McKinley Anti-Lynching bill. They resent it upon the ground that it strikes at the doctrine of states' rights, which is almost a fetish of the South, and is aimed specifically at the South. It is aimed at the South only to the extent that the South unfortunately suffers most from the lynching mania and menace. Some Southern states, sensible of the great disgrace and shame of it, are honestly and efficiently doing their full duty in striving to eradicate this evil and are meeting with success. Other Southern states, and fortunately these are few, are not taking this enlightened stand. For these, it would seem that a fed-

eral anti-lynching law is needed. It is to be invoked only when a state fails to act.

Those states—South or North—which are standing for the supremacy of the courts and the enforcement of law need have no fear of federal intervention; but those states which, when mob-controlled fail to act, need federal intervention and it would seem to us that Southerners who are conscientiously striving to suppress lynching would gladly welcome any measure that would help to accomplish this. We hope the Anti-Lynching bill will pass—not only by the votes of northern republicans, and thus be regarded as a party measure, but by the votes also of broad-minded, far-sighted southern democrats, and be regarded as a national measure, a sincere effort to roll away the national reproach and menace which mob violence is.

IT IS TO LAUGH.

Recently Negro lawyers argued a case, so the papers tell us, before the supreme court of Texas, but these lawyers were not permitted to address each other or to refer to each other as "Mister." Such an invasion of Nordic monopoly would have overturned the traditions of the state. To avoid such lese majeste, these shrewd, sable legal solons addressed each other as "Brother." That in this "land of the free," and before a court of law such silly restrictions should be imposed upon American citizens because of color is enough to make a wooden Indian laugh.

JUST SUPPOSE!

Just suppose the Negroes of Omaha spent annually \$300,000 among the legitimate, worthwhile business enterprises operated by our own people here. Just suppose, for example, they spent \$10,000 towards the support of The Monitor. What a large, influential publication we could have, giving employment to several. Just suppose. Just suppose, as another example, they spent \$10,000 with each of our drug stores—Ross' and The People's, and each of our little dry goods and ladies and gents'

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."

furnishings—Mrs. H. J. Crawford & Sons and the North Side Bazaar; and each of our grocery stores—Carey's and Montgomery's; and with Charles Solomon, the coal dealer. Can you not see how these would be able to expand and give employment and opportunities for business training and development to many of our people? And the same is true of other lines of business. Well, just suppose you stop talking race pride and cooperation and act.

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NOTICE OF INCORPORATION

Omaha, Nebraska, March 2, 1926.
To All to Whom These Presents May Concern:

Greetings:
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned persons have associated themselves together for the purpose of forming and becoming a corporation under the laws of the State of Nebraska.

That the name of the corporation is the NEBRASKA INDUSTRIAL CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY, and the principal place for the transaction of its business is Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska.

That the general nature of the business for which this company is organized is to buy and sell groceries, meats and clothing, both wholesale and retail, and to deal generally in the mercantile business, both wholesale and retail, and to do all things pertaining to such business, and to issue and sell stock.

That the amount of authorized capital stock is \$10,000.00, to be paid cash when issued. Provided, the board of Directors may sell stock upon payment of 10 per cent cash and 10 per cent weekly payments. Provided, further, that no certificate shall issue until paid in full.

That the time of commencement of the corporation is February, 1926, and the termination shall be 99 years thereafter.

That the highest amount of indebtedness to which this corporation shall be liable is two-thirds of its capital stock.

That the affairs of this corporation shall be conducted by a board of 10 directors.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this 3d day of March, 1926.

(SIGNED)

Arthur Henderson, R. J. Jowers,
J. H. Harris, Arthur Oliver,
T. S. Lambert, C. Westbrook,
J. W. Dacus, Abraham Johnson,
W. A. Brayboy, J. H. Thomas,
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J. S. Sloan, T. McNiel,
D. V. Smith, Abram Washington,
R. J. Brayboy, W. M. Taylor.

For further information, call WE. 5446.
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LINCOLN NEWS.

Mrs. A. Hill entertained M. M. Mission at her home last Tuesday night. The meeting was well attended and a success.

Mrs. J. T. Wright has been indisposed for the past week.

Rev. H. W. Botts visited his brother at Omaha last week.

The relief board of the Nebraska Grand Lodge of Masons met here last Sunday. Messrs. C. W. Dickerson, G. M.; H. L. Anderson, G. Sec'y.; J. H. Wakefield, G. Treas.; Nat Hunter, G. Aud.; and Walter Seals of Omaha, and Wm. Woods of Lincoln were present. The visitors were entertained by Mr. Woods at his home.

Robt. H. H. Consistory No. 32 was visited by Ill. G. Deputy Nat Hunter, of Omaha, Sunday, and the meeting was a profitable one.

Messrs. William Scott, Sidney A. Thomas and Mrs. Ella Black are yet confined with illness.

The Council of Deliberation of Grand Consistory is called to meet at Lincoln next Sunday, March 7th, at 1 P. M.

The revival meeting, which has been in progress at Quinn Chapel the past two weeks conducted by Rev. Mrs. Blanche Blake, comes to a close Thursday this week. It is said the meeting is quite a spiritual benefit in the church, and a number of additions.

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