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## REPUBLICANS BIG MEE NOR

The Republic public meetings at North Side Republican headquarters at Twenty-fourth and Burdette streets. A large and enthusiastic meeting was held Monday night at which Attorney A. P. Scruggs, formerly registered as a democrat, but now returned to the republican fold, was chairman.

Addresses were made by Congressman Sears, candidate for re-election, who stressed the importance of Missouri river improvement; Charles B. McDonald, candidate for sheriff; Dr. Singleton, candidate for the state legislature from the Ninth district; I. E. Beisel, candidate for county treasurer; William Chambers; Amos Thomas, chairman of the Central Republican committee; A. V. Shotwell, former county attorney and several others.

The burden of the speeches was "vote straight from the highest to the lowest candidate."

McDonald reiterated his statement, published last week, after months of silence, that he is neither a member of the Klan nor any other organization which seeks to control his political actions.

Beisel called attention to his fifteen years of service as a deputy under the county treasurer and promised improved service in event of his election.

Dr. Singleton made a favorable impression by his modest, sane and effective appeal for support.

Mr. Chambers, candidate for the State senate, made the usual moan-then appeal for the colored voters to stand by the republican party for the debt, with compound interest, the race vote that party. Such speakers forget that the debt is now on the other side.

A. V. Shotwell claimed that the democrats are figuring upon getting control nationally in 1928 and for this reason all their candidates must be opposed now. George W. Hibbler also spoke.

## TO PEKLO WITH PEARCE

Harry Pearce, who is candidate for the fourth term for Register of Deeds, has a custom of, playing Negro voters for a soft thing, of which we must heartily disapprove. The record of his office is this: A few months before election he will put a colored clerk in his office only to drop him a month or two after election. There is nothing fair or square about this.

Charles Peklo is his opponent and will not pull of this stunt.

## PLEASANT GREEN BAPTIST CHURCH HAS ANNIVERSARY

Pleasant Green Baptist church, at Twenty-second and Paul streets, observed a dual anniversary with appropriate services last Sunday. It was the seventh anniversary of the founding of this church and the fifth of the fruitful pastorate of the Rev. Z. C. McGee. The special preacher was the Rev. I. S. Powell of Denver, Colo., who is remaining to conduct a series of evangelistic services at Pleasant Green. There were three additions to the membership and the total collection for the day amounted to \$432.22.



**Miss Grace Berger**  
Republican Candidate  
for  
**County Clerk**  
SOLICITS YOUR VOTE  
Election November 2nd  
20 years experience in  
County Clerk's office — 7  
years Chief Deputy under  
Frank Dewey.  
Present County Clerk

## ELKS GIVE SCHOLARSHIPS; TWO OMAHA GIRLS CHOSEN

(By the Associated Press)

Gary, Ind.—The board of education of the Improved, Benevolent, and Protective Order of Elks of the World, in accordance with its announced purpose through its Commissioner of Education, Judge W. C. Houston, of Gary, Ind., has granted the following named persons scholarships for the school year ending not later than July 1, 1927. The amount of the awards ranging from \$125 to \$250, each in accordance with the needs of the various students as investigations disclosed:

Peter D. Johnson, Washington, D. C.; James Lewis, Atlanta, Ga.; Hazel Hayes, Washington, Pa.; Woodley Lawrence, Norfolk, Va.; Mary W. Billups, St. Paul, Minn.; Evelyn Battles, Omaha, Nebr.; Inez Battles, Omaha, Nebr.; Drantley H. Smith, Chapel Hill, N. C.; Thomas Griffin, Greenwood, S. C.; Gladys Purcell, Bluefield, W. Va.; Eutha M. Gwynn, Lake Providence, La.; Beverly L. Hendricks, Roanoke, Va.; Myrtle Scott, Henning, Tenn.; Carrie B. Kendrick, Lakeland, Fla.; Edgar A. Hawley, Peoria, Ill.; Theodore R. Walker, Hamilton, Ohio; Lawrence F. Hayes, Youngstown, Ohio; Robert Macon, Chester, S. C.; Andrew R. Miller, Richmond, Ky.; Shelton Langley, Henderson, Ky.; J. Clarence Chambers, Baltimore, Md.; and John W. Saunderson, Trenton, N. J.

Most of the scholarships granted at this time with few exceptions, were to persons who in response to the question: "What is your life's purpose?" answered that they intended to engage themselves as school teachers. Since it is the purpose of the Elks to devote itself primarily to the spread of education at this time favored those, who committed themselves to this line of endeavor. Other awards are to be made later, as announced by the commissioner.

In this connection, the commissioner of education announces that in accordance with the action of the last grand lodge, which upon the recommendation of the Grand Exalted Ruler, J. Finley Wilson, adopted a resolution establishing a nationwide oratorical contest, among Negro boys and girls who are in attendance in high schools, the board of education has arranged a cash prize in the sum of \$1,000.00 to the winner of the National contest and scholarships in the sum of \$250.00 to be awarded the winners of sectional contests.

The board of education is working out the rules and regulations for the contests to be held in the spring of 1927, "The constitution of the United States," especially the 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments thereto, it being the purpose of the Elks to revive interest in these amendments, and to overcome that propaganda which is being daily disseminated and in many places.

It is the hope of the Elks that every high school boy in America where Negroes attend will take an interest and if possible, a part in these contests, and to this end all interested are invited to communicate at once with Judge W. C. Houston, 1740 Broadway, Gary, Indiana.

## Y. W. C. A. NOTES

The monthly meeting of the committee of Management of the North Side Branch of the Y. W. C. A., 22nd and Grant street was held Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 19, with the chairman, Mrs. Estelle Craig, presiding. Devotions were led by the secretary, Mrs. John Albert Williams, after which followed reports from the different departments and the transaction of important business.

It is very encouraging to note the growth of the association as an educational organization. A review of the present class program shows that many men and women are appreciating the opportunities that have been offered them by the Y. W. C. A.

Too, the Service Program is proving to be very effective. The report of the Employment Department shows that 48 girls and women applied for work during the month of September, 40 of which were placed by the association.

## HOME BAKE SALE

Be sure to come and get some of the delicious home made cakes, pies and rolls that the Recreation committee will have on sale Saturday, October 30, at Herman's Grocery, 2314 North 24th street. Remember the date!

## JOIN NOW!

CHORAL CLUB

at the "Y"

Fine Instructor—Term 10 weeks.

Tuition \$2.00

Begins Tuesday, Nov. 2—Register Early!

The annual Hallow'en Ball will be given at Dreamland Hall Saturday Evening, October 30th. There will be plenty of pep, noise and fun. Music by the popular Hunter's Serenaders.

## EDITORIAL

Charles B. McDonald, republican nominee for Sheriff, has at last issued a public statement that he is not a member of the Ku Klux Klan. This was published in the press last Friday.

Granting that it is true, it comes TOO LATE to change the opinion of those who for months have requested that McDonald publicly deny the charges publicly made and the rumors, insistently and persistently, circulated that he was a member of the hooded menace. This he declined to do. "That would be damn poor politics," one of his supporters told us, when we insisted that Mr. McDonald owed this duty to himself and the public.

If to deny the charge several weeks ago was "damn poor politics," to do so right here upon the eve of the election, with due apologies to the author of the above quoted statement, in our humble opinion is "damn worse politics." It will be regarded as a death bed confession, or as the case of a drowning man grabbing at a straw, the last plank in shipwreck.

Seeing political defeat facing him, McDonald, no doubt urged to do so by his political backers and advisers, now publishes a denial, which, if it be true, should have been published months ago. It would have brought to him the support of hundreds of loyal republicans who will vote for his opponent, John Hopkins, an excellent, high-class man, even though he be democrat.

Let us repeat that The Monitor has never publicly charged McDonald with being a member of the klan, although four years ago we saw his name, with that of others on what was then believed to be, and is still believed to be, the roster at that time of the Omaha klavern. We told McDonald so, and offered to publish, free of charge, an affidavit of denial of membership therein if he would make it. He did not accept our offer. When requested by some of his close friends to support Mr. McDonald before the primaries we made the same offer, and again after the primaries when again approached with a request for our support. It was others, many of whom are now ardently supporting him, who publicly and insistently made these charges. Now these same people are urging voters, and especially colored voters, to vote for McDonald, "because he is the republican candidate and colored people owe it to the republican party to vote the straight republican ticket." Bunk! What do they take us for, fools and imbeciles. Certainly they give us no credit for ordinary intelligence.

Those ardent anti-McDonaldites, because of his alleged Klan connections, prior to the primaries, but admiring and adoring pro-McDonaldites now can hardly blame some of us if we question their truthfulness, honesty and sincerity now and refuse to follow their suggestions.

Here is another significant fact that it will be difficult for even the most elusive of politicians to elucidate. "The machine," or "gang," which was so convinced that Mr. McDonald was a member of the Klan that it paid a liberal sum for the importation, printing and circulation of a "Special Omaha Edition" of a Kansas City newspaper among the colored people of Omaha, imploring them to defeat McDonald at the primaries is now backing McDonald to the limit and urging those whom it first implored to defeat him, to elect him now. Again, we ask, what do they take us for, fools and imbeciles?

If McDonald was not entitled to the support of the colored voters at the primaries he is not entitled to it November 2nd. While of course some of our people will vote for him the majority will have the intelligence and good sense to vote for the democratic nominee for Sheriff of Douglas county, John Hopkins.

## ENTERTAIN AT SURPRISE PARTY

Mesdames J. S. Crum and Vera Williams gave a surprise party, Thursday, October 14, at the home of Mrs. Crum, 2412 Franklin street, in honor of Mrs. Mary Thiegtien of Pittsburgh, Pa., who has been visiting her and other relatives for the past month. Sixteen guests were present and brought many beautiful gifts to Mrs. Thiegtien, who was much surprised.

The color scheme was pink. The favors were tiny pink roses which were pinned on each guest by Miss Anna Wright. Mrs. Vera Williams served the refreshments assisted by Mrs. W. A. Harris of Council Bluffs. A very delightful evening was spent by all present. Mrs. Thiegtien left for her home Friday morning.

## PROMINENT PREACHER IS AN OMAHA VISITOR

Rev. John W. Lee, member of the Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church, in charge of Colored Missions throughout

the United States is in Omaha and will preach at Hillside Presbyterian church at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday, Oct. 24. Rev. Dr. Lee is one of the outstanding preachers in the United States and the public is cordially invited to hear him.

## LARGE AUDIENCE PROMISED FOR COMING EVANTI RECITAL

From the sale of tickets and the enthusiasm manifested the outlook for a record audience at the Lillian Evanti song recital at the Tech auditorium next Wednesday night is most promising. A large number of prominent music lovers among both races have become patrons and expressed their determination to hear this gifted singer of the race.

Madam Evanti, whose maiden name was Lillian Evans, is the daughter of Prof. Evans of the Armstrong High school in Washington, D. C., and in private life is Mrs. Roy Tibbs, wife of Prof. Tibbs, head of the department of music at Hampton. She not only studied music in this coun-

try, but with the best teachers abroad. She is the first colored woman to star in grand opera abroad where she has been the sensation for two seasons and returns to Europe in November to fill engagements in grand opera there this season. This is her first western trip and the race and other music lovers in Omaha are fortunate in having this opportunity of hearing Lillian Evanti. Several organizations are planning to attend in a body.

## EX-KLANSMAN BEEBE DELIVERS ADDRESS AT N. A. A. C. P. FORUM

"The Ku Klux Klan is an irresponsible despotism acting under cover and instead of suppressing the crime wave which is giving America grave concern, by its methods and secrecy it in reality encourages that which it claims it was organized to suppress," declared the Rev. J. L. Beebe, pastor of Grace Evangelical church and former member of the local klavern, in an address before the N. A. A. C. P. forum at Zion Baptist church Sunday afternoon.

In introducing Mr. Beebe, Rev. John Albert Williams, president of the Omaha branch, asked the speaker to please explain something he could not understand and that was how it happened that the Klan had such a lure for Protestant ministers and how any Christian minister, who had any conception of the all-embracing character of the Christian religion, could be members of an organization whose principles were those of hatred of some of God's children, rather than love and good-will for all mankind as the Gospel taught?

Mr. Beebe in replying to this direct question, explained that many people, who really have no racial or religious hatred, are induced to join the Klan by various ruses and appeals, such as the enforcement of law and the suppression of crime, better government, the advancement of education and various other appeals.

The speaker's subject was "The Crime Wave: the Klan Cure, and the Reason for Its Failure." He covered many of the points made in a previous address before the Omaha Philosophical society. However, he dwelt at much length on the secrecy of the Klan and some of its motives, which he declared to be financial and political, and its methods.

"Claiming to be free from politics, go wherever you will the Ku Klux Klan maintains an organization, for gaining political control, under some political club or institution under which it operates. It does not come out in the open in its own name, but operates under cover. Its underlying principles are those of deception, misrepresentation and fraud. The name of its head, "Wizard," means one who is an adept at the art of deception. And this goes throughout the whole organization. The will of the local head is supreme and he can do what he thinks best for the order, be it a flogging or tar and feathering some individual or pulling off a parade.

"Not only does the organization set race against race, but it even divides white Protestantism against itself."

## TO BE FORMALLY INSTITUTED AS RECTOR OF THE PARISH

The congregation of St. Philip the Deacon, was formally organized and incorporated as a parish in January and as such will be admitted into union with the annual council this coming January. Father Williams, who has been vicar and pastor, for several years, was elected the first rector of the parish. He will be formally instituted as rector by Bishop E.V. Shayler Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Not only parishioners, but the public, is cordially invited to attend this impressive service. Bishop Shayler will preach the sermon.

## GRAND CHAPTER O. E. S. HOLDS ANNUAL SESSION

Amaranthus Grand Chapter of Nebraska and Jurisdiction convened at Omaha, in its fifth annual session, October 13, 14 and 15 with an enthusiastic delegation from Alliance, Lincoln, Duluth, the state of Minnesota and other states. The meet was called to order by the W. G. M. Maggie G. Ransom with all stations filled and Grand Officers in their places except C. P. and Assistant C. P. Bro. I. B. Smith was appointed to act as C. P. during the session. The morning and afternoon sessions were devoted to the business of the Grand Chapter which showed marked improvement along the lines of ritualistic, spiritual and educational work, peace and harmony being the outstanding sentiment of all. The first evening was devoted to a reception for the delegates and friends, a portion of the second afternoon was given over to sight seeing trips, followed by a delightful program in the evening.

## HOPKINS BOOSTERS HOLD ROUSING MEETING AT HEADQUARTERS

Last Thursday night the headquarters of the Hopkins Booster club on North Twenty-fourth street was crowded to the doors and more than 200 were unable to gain admittance, when a rousing Hopkins meeting was held. Harry Leland, president of the Negro Democratic club, presided. Several rousing speeches were made, chief of which were those by Mr. Leland, John Hopkins, Attorney White and Dr. W. W. Peebles, former commander of the Roosevelt Post of the American Legion, a staunch republican, but an enthusiastic Hopkins for Sheriff booster.

Mr. Leland made the point, among others, that "if the people who are boosting Mr. McDonald now, who opposed him and denounced him as a member of the Klan, prior to the primaries were lying against McDonald then, cannot blame people for believing that they are lying for McDonald now. People can't blow hot and cold at the same time."

Mr. Hopkins called attention to his past public services in the community and said that if he were elected he would do his best to prove his appreciation of the peoples' confidence by a faithful and conscientious discharge of his duties with fairness to all.

Dr. W. W. Peebles, in a fiery speech, which was frequently punctuated with applause, said that while he was a republican, he was not the kind of republican who stands for trusting any candidate down his throat. He believed the office of Sheriff was one of the most important in the gift of the people, that the menace of the Klan was a serious matter and to put a man in that office who could not be induced to make a denial of his membership in the Klan would be a calamity. He scored McDonald for insincerity and charged that he had promised to let the machine have six deputies and the Rev. Z. C. McGee that the colored people should have two. "He'll promise anything to get the vote. But the colored people are taking no chances with McDonald, they are voting for a four-square, broad-minded man, whom they know is not a member of the Klan and that man is one whom I am proud to call my friend, John Hopkins."

## RECEIVES CERTIFICATE IN TYPING

Alger Adams, student at Central High school, has received a certificate of proficiency in typewriting. Gerald Adams, brother of Alger, who is a freshman at Creighton university, ranked eighth among a class of several hundred in a psychological test. The boys are sons of Mrs. Lucille Dixon, 2870 Pinkney street.

## BACHELOR BENEDICT CLUB SHOWS EVIDENCES OF PROSPERITY

The Bachelor-Benedict club, of which John Wood, has been re-elected president, is one of the live-wire organizations of the city. The club has just contributed \$50.00 towards the campaign expenses of Dr. John A. Singleton, candidate for the State Legislature from the Ninth district. This shows their interest in Dr. Singleton's election.

**O. S.  
Spillman**  
for  
**Attorney  
General**

Republican Candidate for  
Re-Election

The record of his office  
shows that he is the right  
man to head the state's legal  
department.

Vote for Him

## A Second Term

**A**MERICAN voters have found, through long and sometimes bitter experience, that a second term for an honest and successful public servant should be regarded as a measure of common sense.



**Otto J. Bauman**  
Democrat  
**COUNTY  
TREASURER**