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POLICE COMMISSIONER

The Police Commissioner's job is not a happy one. It is one full of grief. It is one of those positions in which one is damned if he does and damned if he don't. It is an office that can easily be abused. Henry W. Dunn, who came from the ranks of the police, has filled this job with acceptability to some and much to the dissatisfaction of others, for some years. The Monitor believes that Henry Dunn has been very fair with our group in the matter of appointments, both on the force and in other minor positions. Whenever we have had occasion to call his attention, as we have on more than one occasion, to matters falling under his jurisdiction, we have received courteous attention and prompt action.

WANT YOUR SUPPORT

Several candidates for office have shown that they want the support of the colored voters by inserting advertisements in The Monitor. Others have not deemed it necessary so to do.

THE FREE BRIDGE BILL

The free bridge bill passed the State Senate by a narrow margin. Two Douglas County senators voted against it. Their action was, in our judgment, ill-advised. A free bridge is needed. Tourists turn towards more hospitable cities, because of the toll that confronts them when they desire to enter Omaha. Whatever benefits Omaha will benefit proportionately the entire state. A free bridge across the Missouri at Omaha is an imperative need. It must eventually be, and now is the time. We hope the bill will pass the House by a substantial vote.

OMAHA'S PARK SYSTEM

Omaha has one of the finest park systems in the country. This is due to the fact that an

expert has been on the job for many years, in the person of Joe Hummel. We believe that Joe Hummel would rather be Park Commissioner of Omaha than president of the United States. Honestly, we don't believe that Joe would swap jobs with Cal. Then, too, Joe knows that the people of Omaha want to keep him on the job.

KOUTSKY AND NOYES

The Monitor has frequently spoken of the good work done for this city by Joseph Koutsky, Commissioner in charge of Public Improvements, and of Dean Noyes, Street Commissioner. Both of these men have been conscientiously and consistently always on the job to improve the city and safeguard the interests of taxpayers.

URBAN LEAGUE REPORTS ON INDUSTRY FOR FEBRUARY

Chicago Has Bread-Line; Bricklayers Work on John D. Rockefeller's Apartment for Negroes; Union Appeals to Colored Workers

Bulletin No. 12 of the Industrial Relations Department of the National Urban League summarizes employment conditions throughout the country as follows:

General Conditions Favorable

There is a little deviation in the reports for February from the general widespread unemployment which all large cities are facing. The seniority rule in industrial plants usually forces Negroes out of work first and causes more suffering among them than among other groups. In Buffalo, where appeals were made by Negroes for help are largely in excess of the normal number. Chicago was still running a bread-line and is reported to be in a "serious state." Here the situation is aggravated by the incoming of workers from neighboring cities and from the South. In Pine Bluff conditions were generally dull and laborers worked part-time in the mills. Charlotte, North Carolina, had similar experiences. The larger cities in Missouri felt the effects of the industrial slump, and in Harris-

burg a general depression in the iron and steel plants was observed. Newark reported losses in personal service situations because of the substitution of white servants for colored.

Favorable Conditions

There were occasional bright spots even in some cities which were hard hit by unemployment. For instance, the construction of the new traffic bridge over the Mississippi river gave employment to 14 unskilled Negro laborers, in Cape Gerardeau, Mo., and in Austin, Texas, the erection of large office buildings gave employment to a goodly number of Negroes. In Fort Wayne, Indiana, the construction of three large buildings provided occupation for 40 laborers and the Fort Wayne rolling mills increased its working week from three to five days. In New York City a bank has hired a colored messenger and junior clerk with assurances of promotion. In this city also 15 colored bricklayers, helpers and laborers were

among the 100 employees working on the apartment building in process of construction by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., for Negroes on Seventh Avenue and 149th Street. In New York also work for women was more plentiful than for men who have felt the effect of the curtailment in subway construction. A leather goods factory in St. Louis which hired its first colored worker in January, called for 40 additional workers in February to handle a night shift. However, difficulty was experienced by the Urban League of that city in finding women to accept night employment.

Labor Union

Reported instances indicate that sentiment favoring Negro membership in labor unions is still on the increase. This is evident from an article in "Labor Age," one of the foremost labor journals of the country, by Thomas L. Dabney, entitled "Negro Labor at the Crossroads." This

article has awakened a keen interest in the potential strength of Negro workers and the magazine has made plans to continue this discussion in a way to attract the attention of the devotees of labor. In Charlotte, North Carolina, differences in the pay between colored and white bricklayers were adjusted and the Negro plasterers have gone back to work. A committee of the Women's Trade Union League is vigorously pushing an organization of laundry workers in New York City to include colored employees who are said to be in excess of ten thousand. An organizer has been put on a salary to arouse their interest and secure membership.

Colored Commercial Club (INCORPORATED)

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The development of business enterprises and the general welfare of the community.

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