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THE COMMUNITY CHEST

The Community Chest campaign is making most promising headway. In three days more than one-third of the quota set has been subscribed, over \$160,000 of the required \$435,000. To reach the goal, however, there must be no slackening of effort. If you have not given to the Chest be sure to do so before the campaign ends. As a citizen of Omaha it is your job and mine to help fill the Chest. Never mind criticisms—the fellow, as a rule, who criticizes most, is just looking for an excuse not to do his part. It's a big job in which Omaha, like many other cities, is now engaged. The Community Chest has been found to be the best method of doing the organized work of charity and welfare work in the community. Over 300 cities in the United States and Canada have adopted it. It is a good thing. It is a worthy cause. Do your part. We hope that in the home of every one of our people a card stating that we have helped the Community Chest will be found.

GARY'S FIGHT

Here's wishing success and prophesying success for our people in Gary who are fighting the iniquitous attempt to foist inferior educational opportunities in the schools of that city upon our people who bear their proportion of taxes for the support of the schools. We, as a people, no matter where we may be, are interested in Gary's school fight. They winning, we win; they losing, we lose also.

AVOID MISUNDERSTANDING

Do you know that most of the trouble in the world comes from misunderstanding? Trouble, too, mean unhappiness, and so most of unhappiness is the result of misunderstandings. If we will only have patience and forbearance enough with one another to try to understand one another a great deal of trouble can be avoided and much unhappiness banished.

We have great faith in humanity. We believe that, at heart, most men and women, really want to do the right thing, really want to be just and fair-minded. We all have our peculiarities and there is much of selfishness in all of us, but, nevertheless, underneath all that belies our higher and better nature, there is, we believe, a desire to do right and be fair.

If we would only take trouble to iron out our differences and misunderstandings we will all be happier and better. This applies equally to individuals, communities, races and nations.

The art of living together is one of the fine arts which must be acquired if the human race is to fulfill its destiny. Let's all try to understand one another and when some misunderstanding does arise, as arise they will, let us get busy on the job of straightening it out.

A GOOD MOVE

The merchants in the vicinity of Twenty-fourth and Cuming streets have started a good movement. They are seeking to have a better lighted street and the development of the section as a live business section. This does not only apply to the immediate vicinity of Twenty-fourth and Cuming, but it should embrace the district extending from Sixteenth and Cuming west to Thirtieth, and north and south on Twenty-fourth from Cuming. The Monitor has contended that the merchants and business men on North Twenty-fourth street from Cuming to Lake should unite and demand a better lighted street. We are glad to see that those around Twenty-fourth and Cuming are getting busy and we hope that the movement will include a wider territory. There should be a

ture destiny to contaminate the pure minds of their young by sending them to schools controlled by lynch-ers, murderers, Klansmen and the bigots of professed Christian leadership, both clerical and lay.

Negroes have already been excluded from the white schools of Mississippi. Yet white Northern Christian philanthropists have built and maintained schools and colleges there in most instances superior to the state schools for Negroes.

These schools have prepared their pupils to become good citizens with a fine spirit of tolerance without their minds being poisoned with the prejudices of their oppressors, or their hands being stained with blood of the innocents. The Chinese should congratulate themselves that they have escaped such contacts.

It remains to be seen as yet whether the colored brother will welcome the Chinese into his schools or not. For of late years it must be remembered that the Afro-American is developing some airs of his own, the least of which is the tendency toward exclusiveness socially as well as educationally. It is to be hoped, however, that the bars will be let down against these yellow people who find themselves in the dilemma in Mississippi to which we have too long been accustomed, but to the overturning of which by our own initiative, lies our salvation. We congratulate the Chinese of Mississippi as well as sympathize with them.—The Chicago Bee.

DID YOU KNOW WE OWNED SO MANY BANKS?

There are 80 banks in this country owned and operated by Negroes and have upwards of twenty-two million dollars in deposits. There are at present two banks operated by Negroes, chartered as national banks, according to Major Wright, president of the Citizens and Southern Bank and Trust Company. One of them is the Douglas National Bank of Chicago, and the other is the Boley National Bank of Boley, Okla.

DR. MOTON'S DAUGHTER STUDENT AT OBERLIN

Tuskegee Institute.—Miss Catherine R. Moton, daughter of Principal and Mrs. Moton of Tuskegee Institute, has matriculated at the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, Oberlin, O. She will major in piano, with harp as her minor.

OMEGA PSI PHI TO GIVE CASH PRIZES FOR WORK

Washington, D. C.—Cash prizes are to be offered by the Omega Psi Phi fraternity during the organization's observance of Negro Achievement week from November 14 to 20, inclusive, according to Attorney W. H. Mazzyck of the fraternity's administrative offices. The awards will be made to the members of the Race who are adjudged to have performed the most noteworthy achievement during the year.

WINS WANNAMAKER PRIZE

Los Angeles, Cal.—News has been received by Miss Ethyle Gray that her brother, Mr. John A. Gray, now studying in France, is the winner of the second prize given by Rodman Wannamaker through the Curtis Ogden Association of Philadelphia for musical composition. He was awarded second in the Class of "Melodies and Synchronous Effects" at the Convention of National Association of Negro Musicians, held in St. Louis August 25.

Good Heart Can Rout Hawks of Adversity

What an unimportant trifle may often change the course of a man's life!

Once I was going thoughtfully along the highway.

My soul was weighted down by heavy forebodings. I was overcome with despondency.

I raised my head . . . straight before me ran the road between two stiff rows of poplars. And across the road, about ten paces in front of me, were hopping in single file a family of sparrows, full of life, merriment and courage.

One, in particular, distinguished himself by his bold, sideways hoppings; he stuck out his little breast, and twittered as bravely as if he did not fear the devil himself. A true conqueror!

Meanwhile a hawk circled overhead, whose destiny it was, perhaps, to devour this very hero.

I looked, was forced to laugh, and regained my self-possession. My gloomy thoughts had vanished; I felt again courage, energy and life.

A hawk may be circling over me; but the devil take!—let's keep a good heart!—From Turgener's Poems in Prose.

Natives Confirmed in Their Belief in Ju-Ju

There is a little final touch to a story in the British Medical Journal which should give supporters to the "thirteen superstition" and similar delusions something to think about.

It occurs at the end of an account, by a medical officer in West Africa, of how thirteen native women were all struck and killed by lightning while cowering under the same galvanized iron shelter. All the natives, including the driver of the motor lorry which had been sent to remove the bodies to a mortuary, firmly refused to enter the shelter, as there was a prevalent belief that anyone removing the bodies before the "ju-ju" had been appeased by a ceremony of purification by the "thunder women" would die within a week.

However, the European manager of the local transport company took the bodies to the mortuary in spite of the warnings he also received. Three days later he was admitted to the European hospital at Accra and died of yellow fever after three days' illness.

Thirteen at Table

The origin of the superstition about the unluckiness of the thirteenth person at a table is so old as to be unknown. Thirteen, from earliest times, has been a number with mystic associations—like three and seven.

Rev. E. Cobham Brewer's "Dictionary of Phrase and Fable" records that: "It is said that the origin of sitting down thirteen at dinner being deemed unlucky is because, at a banquet in Valhalla, Loki once intruded, making thirteen guests, and Balder was slain.

"In Christian countries the superstition was confirmed by the Last Supper of Christ and the twelve apostles, but the superstition itself is much anterior to Christianity."

"Let No Dog Bark"

Once, in Amy Lowell's summer house in New Hampshire, we stole from our bedroom next to hers to breakfast in a distant corner where no rattle of trays would disturb the sleeping poet after a night of work. The window framed Monadnock in morning magnificence, and nature also seemed asleep. A curious scraping sound broke the early stillness, and into our ken, over the shingles of the sloping piazza roof, painfully crawled the white-haired housemaid, with something white held between her teeth. A napkin had been forgotten. She would not risk disturbing Miss Lowell by the opening of a door.—Elizabeth Ward Perkins in Scribner's Magazine.

Princess the Mother of Wonderful Art!

Flanders fittingly celebrated the three hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the birth of Pierre Paul Rubens, the most glorious of her sons.

Few men are so universally known as Rubens. This chiefly through the great number of his paintings, scattered all through the world, and also his voluminous correspondence existing in Spanish, Belgian, French, English and Dutch libraries. Recent researches have brought out very curious revelations on the origin of Rubens.

It appears that his father, Jan Rubens, had a liaison with Anna of Saxony, wife of the great William the Silent, prince of Orange. Pierre Paul was the son born of this illicit union. The child was not recognized by Orange, who subsequently divorced his wife.

The legitimate wife of Jan Rubens adopted the boy. But the puissant family of the Oranges never forgave the young painter for being allied with them by blood. They persecuted him all his life, according to new revelations.—Chicago Journal.

GERMAN SOCIETY INVITES PICKENS TO DELIVER ADDRESS

New York.—The anti-Imperialist Society of Germany has sent a radiogram to Wm. Pickens inviting him to come and deliver lectures in all the principal cities of Germany, and in Brussels, Paris and Geneva. It is exceptional for lecture fees to be paid in Europe, but this offer brings a fee of over one thousand gold marks and expenses.

NEGRO BANDIT TURNS WHITE

Memphis, Tenn.—Jack Adams, a white insurance agent, rushed into the police station and reported that a burly black Negro had held him up and robbed him of a diamond stud and \$60 in cash. The police got on the job immediately and apprehended the bandit, but when he arrived at the station and was made to "wash up" it was discovered that the "black bandit" had turned white.

THE MILLENIUM NEAR

Clarksdale, Miss.—H. E. Schmitz, a white man, has been sentenced to the penitentiary for three years for stealing an automobile from Ben Washington, Negro.

ACTS WITH BEBE DANIELS

Hollywood, Calif.—Oscar Smith, one time valet of the late Wallace Reed, famous cinema star, has been selected to play the role of a faithful native in Bebe Daniels' latest picture entitled "She's a Shiek." It is just one of the many important roles he has played in pictures.

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11 a. m. Sung Eucharist With Sermon

8 p. m. Service and Sermon

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