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### BOOST OMAHA

The fact that eastern capital is being invested in Omaha is a pretty sure indication that this city has a great future before it. There is no disguising the fact that we have been passing through an era of depression, in common with other great metropolitan centers, but that the low level has been reached and we are now on the upgrade is quite apparent. Let us all then have faith in Omaha and boost for our town. It is a good place in which to live and to plan for the future of ourselves and families, and let us all do our best to help make it a better place.

### IMPROVEMENT

The widening of Twentieth street between Dodge and Leavenworth is a great improvement. Within the next ten years, mark this prophecy, Twentieth street from Leavenworth to Lake will be an important business thoroughfare. People who own property in this vicinity will not regret it.

### FARM RELIEF

Is there not a whole lot of bunkum about Farm Relief? It does not look very much like farmers are in danger of the poorhouse. Spellbinders and special writers would have us believe that unless there is some special legislation to stabilize farm products and protect farmers it will not be long before most of those who follow agricultural pursuits will be objects of public charity. Verily it seemeth to us that much of this talk about farm relief is bunkum.

### FREE BRIDGE

A free bridge has been interjected into the discussion of the street railway franchise. It may complicate affairs, but despite any complications that may arise a franchise protecting the rights of the street railway company and of the public must be worked out so that

there be no paralysis of transportation. Study the franchise and be prepared to vote intelligently when the time comes. Omaha needs street cars and cannot get along without them. A free bridge is also needed. Let's not kill one enterprise to get the other.

### THE RISING NEGRO

(From Emporia Gazette)

The Negro professional men in America, outside the larger cities, labor under tremendous handicaps. Considering the obstacles imposed on them, it is amazing that so many have been able to succeed.

In the larger cities, brilliant Negro lawyers and singers, successful Negro surgeons and actors, are no longer a curiosity. But the Negro professional man has to contend with the prejudices of his own race, as well as those of the white people.

Many Negroes, accustomed to take the white man at his face value, unconsciously accept his assumption of superiority in the professions, and when they are sick or when they need a lawyer, they prefer to entrust themselves to a white doctor or lawyer, although there may be Negro professional men who are much more highly skilled. These prejudices are as deeply ingrained in the Negro race as they are in the white race. It is commonly observed, in states which permit traveling Negroes to eat in the dining cars, that the Negro waiters frequently take occasion to slight and to insult in small ways the Negroes who venture in. The Negro waiters feel that the Negro diner is "putting on airs" by eating in the dining car, and take occasion to show their prejudices.

The Negro race, if it is to begin to gain equality in the professional field with the white race, must respect its own professional men—its many brilliant teachers, actors, lawyers, doctors and ministers.

Negroes should be proud of the success of Roland Hayes, Charles Gilpin, Florence Mills and others who have already commanded the respect and admiration of the white people. Furthermore, Negroes should assist in

every way members of their own race, at present unknown, who are struggling for similar eminence.

For, if these Negro professional men do not have the respect of their own race, they cannot hope to gain that of the white.

### PROMINENT VISITOR HONORED

Mrs. A. J. Abington, grand princess of the state of Missouri and jurisdiction, was entertained three days by members of Friendship and Benson Temple.

Arriving in Omaha, July 10, 7:35 a. m., she was met at the Union station by a committee composed of Mrs. M. C. Sands, Mrs. Georgia E. White, Mrs. Hattie Brewer, Mrs. Jas. Merritt, Mrs. Louis Artison, and Mrs. M. L. Broadus.

She was escorted to the home of Mrs. Shirley Kennedy, 1632 North Twenty-second street, where a delicious breakfast was served. Mrs. Kennedy was assisted by Mrs. Teresa Davis McGowan.

From 3:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m., several friends were entertained at an informal tea, honoring Mrs. Abington at the residence of Mrs. Georgia E. White, 2425 Franklin street. The house was beautifully decorated throughout. The shades were drawn, and lighted candles were used on the dining table. Each guest was given a souvenir. Mrs. White proved to be a lovely hostess.

From 7:00 p. m. to 9:00 p. m., Mrs. Abington was taken on a sight-seeing tour by a very dear friend, Miss Ruth Seay.

On Wednesday, July 11, Mrs. Abington was the honor guest at a breakfast given at the residence of Mrs. M. C. Sands, Mrs. Mary Taylor assisting. The guests numbered 12. A large basket of garden flowers adorned the table, the gift of Mrs. Josephine Merritt. The delicacies of the season were served.

In the afternoon, Princess Abington was given another view of the city by Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Broadus. Then she was escorted to the house of Mrs. Harry Crouch for six o'clock dinner. Ten guests were present. From Mrs. Crouch's house to beautiful Dreamland hall, where the A. J. Abington "drill team" and S. M. T. Wonders gave a drill exhibition.

Thursday, July 12, Mrs. Essie Harris gave a 12 o'clock luncheon at her home, 2724 Maple street, honoring Mrs. Abington. Fifteen guests were present. The same evening, July 12, a large number of friends enjoyed a delightful banquet at the Y. W. C. A.

The grand princess was introduced by Past Princess Hattie Brewer, and other grand officers introduced were Mrs. Georgia E. White, grand mother matron; Mrs. Lula M. Sands, grand Joshua; Mrs. L. Burton, who organized the first S. M. T. Temple of Omaha. The lecture of the grand princess was inspiring to the sisterhood and will long be remembered among the temples of Omaha. She was presented with a beautiful basket of cut flowers and ten dollars in money, a gift of Benson Temple. She was also presented with beautiful hand

colored plates, a gift of Mrs. Teresa Davis McGowan, a member of Benson Temple. Mrs. James Merritt, mistress of ceremonies and chairman of program committee, deserves much credit for the splendid management of the program.

### SECRETARY, URBAN LEAGUE, ADDRESSES SOCIAL WORKERS

J. Harvey Kerns, executive secretary of the Omaha Urban league, was special guest of the executive board of the conference of social workers at their monthly meeting in the University club.

In outlining the work of the Urban league and some of its objectives, Mr. Kerns declared the beginning of the Urban league as an organization marked the turning point in social service among Negroes. "The Urban league," he said, "was the first step toward the co-operation and co-ordination of agencies attempting social work among Negroes. The league recognizes that any program planning constructive work among Negroes should be preceded by careful and scientific study of the field. The Negro problem, so-called, is largely one of health, housing, recreation and racial friction, often intensified by a lack of sympathetic understanding. The Negro today is not seeking alms,

but opportunity; opportunities to work on jobs for which they are qualified, at a salary commensurate with their services, and opportunity for advancement.

From a cursory survey and general observations, he said the Urban league program should assist materially in improving certain conditions in Omaha. He urged closer co-operation and a greater tolerance in the questions affecting race, stating that the social and economic life of the two groups are so closely interwoven that what is detrimental to one group is detrimental to the other, and what benefits one group is of benefit to the other.

### ALTAR GUILD GARDEN PARTY

St. Philip's Altar Guild will give a garden party Monday night, July 23, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Hicks, 3012 Miami street. In the event of rain it will be postponed until Tuesday.

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10 a. m. Sunday School

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8 p. m. Service and Sermon

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