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SMITH'S ACCEPTANCE

There is a clarity, frankness and honesty about the acceptance speech of Governor Smith which must commend it to the rank and file of the American people. It is the utterance of a man who unquestionably has a firm grasp upon the fundamental principles of government. Sanity, common sense and practicability are dominant notes of this statesmanlike message. Candor and courage loom large. He tells where he stands on the issues deemed paramount without attempt at evasion or subterfuge. Those who may radically differ with him on what they consider vital questions cannot but admire him for the candor and courage with which he states his convictions. A mere politician, as many would have us believe Governor Smith simply is, is not so frank. This stamps Smith as more than a politician. His views on public questions, too, raise him to a higher rank.

Two outstanding questions are to be stressed in this campaign, prohibition and farm relief. Upon the first Governor Smith has a definite, clear-cut program to propose—and, mark you, to propose, not to enact, as that belongs to congress. It is a liberalization of both the Volstead act and the Eighteenth amendment. He favors a doctrine of states rights, which would leave the control of the liquor traffic to each state. With this we do not agree, although we are firmly convinced that there should be some change or modification in the present law which in our judgment seems to make against rather than for temperance.

His proposal for farm relief is no more definite than that proposed by his republican opponent. He admits that he has worked out no plan, but is open minded and will endeavor to "substitute action for inaction and friendliness for hostility."

While it seems that these two are to be made the major questions of this campaign it seems to us that his views are sound and statesmanlike on other issues which vitally affect the nation. Among these are economy in government, which can be effected by a consolidation of the work of some of the departments; river improvement and waterways; the preservation of forests; good roads and highways and the cutting of red tape in caring for war veterans. His desire for equal opportunity for all classes and his pledge to appoint persons for their ability to render acceptable service to the public ought to strike a responsive chord with all who believe in true Americanism.

We confess that we are in strong sympathy with nearly all that Governor Smith has said. We believe he has high ideals of government and that in the event of his election he would do his best to make his administration memorable as a government of the people and by the people.

Boston Hill, son of Dr. J. B. Hill, arrived in the city this week and will spend the winter here, attending Creighton university.

NOT ALMS BUT OPPORTUNITY

And who is my neighbor? This question was largely answered by a number of persons through their various churches in a very worthy appeal made only recently through the office of the Omaha Urban league.

It was evidenced that my neighbor is not necessarily the person living close by or the person who communes with me in church; he may or may not be a fraternity brother, or a fellow worker. If one touch of nature makes the whole world kin surely one in dire need is my neighbor. No better manifestation of neighborliness nor a more tangible manifestation of Christian brotherhood has been seen than the response to the case of George Wilson, aged 88, who lost his horse, his only means of support for himself and wife, who is 74.

On applying to the Industrial department of Urban league for work it was evident to the secretary of the league that it would be very difficult to secure employment for him. On interviewing Mr. Wilson it was learned that during the six or eight years he had been hauling he had built up a very good trade which allowed him and his wife to live comfortably. Several old horses had been given him by the Humane Society but their age and years of service rendered them worthless to the old man in a very short space of time.

After explaining to a dealer of horses the case of Mr. Wilson, a 50 per cent reduction was obtained on a sound, strong horse, shoes were purchased and a supply of feed and shafts for the wagon.

The old gentleman was profuse in his thanks to those who made these purchases possible and cried for joy.

St. John, Pilgrim, Mount Moriah, St. Philip, Bethel, Allen Chapel, Pleasant Green and Cleave's Temple are to be publicly thanked for this demonstration. Several other churches are yet to contribute that wheels may be purchased which will allow Mr. Wilson to work without handicaps.

EMANCIPATION DAY OBSERVATION

To the Citizens of Omaha:
The colored people of our city have made arrangements for the proper observance of Emancipation day, September 11th.

The day will be given over to picnicking and athletic events at Krug park, and it is the one day in the year when these people from every part of the city are given an opportunity to hold a genuine reunion, and enter into the spirit of appreciation they feel for this act of the great Lincoln.

It is highly creditable to them that they have, year after year, made this signal demonstration of their gratitude, and I respectfully suggest that wherever possible, their employers allow them their freedom for this day.

Respectfully,
JAMES C. DAHLMAN,
Mayor.

JUNIOR BRANCH OF THE N. A. A. C. P.

Upon the invitation of Miss Etta Green, a number of young people met at her home, 1518 North Nineteenth street, Wednesday evening, to talk over the forming of a junior branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. A very delightful impromptu musical program was rendered by Messrs. William Jackson, James Owens, and Graham Butler, after which Mr. Henry W. Black, chairman of the executive committee of the local branch of the association and Father John Albert Williams gave brief talks on the aims and purpose of the association. They congratulated the young people present and assured them of their interest and co-operation. Those present promised their support to make the branch a success.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HENRIETTA WATTS CARROLL, DECEASED:

Persons interested in said matter are hereby notified that on the 22nd day of August, 1928, Sherman Yost filed a petition in said county court, praying that his final administration account filed herein be settled and allowed, and that he be discharged from his trust as administrator and that a hearing will be had on said petition before said court on the 7th day of September, 1928, and that if you fail to appear before said court on the said 7th day of September, 1928, at 9 o'clock, A. M., and contest said petition, the court may grant the prayer of said petition, enter a decree of heirship, and make such other and further orders, allowances and decrees, as to this court may seem proper, to the end that all matters pertaining to said estate may be finally settled and determined.

BRYCE CRAWFORD,
County Judge.

Mrs. Gertrude Holland, evangelist of Wilberforce, Ohio, accompanied by Miss Theresa Clark, chemistry teacher of Wilberforce university of Wilberforce, Ohio, will arrive in the city Saturday from Colorado and will be house guests of Mrs. Martha Taylor Smith, 2211 Ohio street.

Miss Eddy Chambers spent the week-end at Sioux City, Ia.

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