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SURVEY SHOWS VAST **IMPROVEMENT NEED** IN RACIAL STATUS

Field of Technical and Professional **Training Not Overcrowded** But Largely Undermanned

Inadequate Educational and Health Facilities As Well As Poor Economic Chances Cited.

By Daniel W. Chase

(For the Associated Negro Press) When the department of the interior submitted the report of its bureau of education last spring, it was gleaned from the survey made that "conditions among American Indians were rather desperate." The recent report of the same department with reference to the Negro has already caused much comment, and is likely to produce sharp reaction when congress meets. One writer has already remarked, writing from Washington, D. C.:

"Politicians here are especially interested because of efforts of both parties in the presidential campaign to win the favor of Negro voters who may determine the election in close northern cities and in doubtful border states."

From an educational point of view, the survey points out that there are only 48,000 teachers for 5,000,000 Negro children, and this is commented on in the summary, thus: "National social and economic life demands more Negro professional and technical leaders." A writer in a local paper called attention to the fact that in an address delivered before a group of workers, a white speaker had said that there are too many professionally trained Negroes. And yet this survey, made by prominent educators and government experts, "I invite my colored friends to listen cites a lack of physicians and dentists, stating that the disparity of trained race leaders is, of course, more marked in the professions. It is stated that there are only 3,500 Ne- faith or color.' gro physicians and surgeons in the United States, or approximately one

CASH PRIZES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS Hundred Dollars for Best Papers on

"America's Tenth Man." Cooperation of Teachers Asked.

The commission on interracial cooperation is offering to high school students three cash prizes aggregating \$100 for the best papers on HEALTH NEEDS SAFEGUARDING "America's Tenth Man," submitted on or before March 1st, 1929. All high school or junior high school pupils are eligible to enter papers in this competition.

The purpose of these prizes is to encourage as widely as possible the study of the Negro's part in American history. The commission believes that such a study will be helpful to the children of both races, promoting more intelligent appreciation and sympathy on the one side, and developing a wholesome pride of race on the other.

The commission earnestly asks the co-operation of high school principals and teachers, and also invites correspondence from pupils who may be interested. Full particulars, together 'America's Tenth Man" and packed with suggestive source material, will be sent without charge to anyone writing R. B. Eleazer, educational director, 409 Palmer building, Atlanta, Ga.

SAYS HOOVER WILL MAKE GREATEST PRESIDENT SINCE ABE LINCOLN

Chicago, Ill .- (By the Associated make the greatest president since Abraham Lincoln," concludes Alderman Thomas W. Fleming in a communication received at the western republican headquarters.

"My whole support in this campaign is for Herbert Hoover for president of this, the greatest nation on earth," Alderman Fleming pledges. to these from the mouth of Hoover: much more difficult of accomplish-'Equality of opportunity is the right of every American, rich or poor, for- than government by the selected few. eign or native born, irrespective of Our danger lies not half so much in

medical man to every 3,343 Negroes, Mr. Hoover stamped segregation from by a fear that indifference might be would tolerate no discrimination as as a kind of "spur" lest we forget. condition, as pointed out by the sur- head of the Mississippi flood relief. It is the lamentable indifference of vey, is worse with reference to den- I believe my race group ought to and the electorate that makes any electists, there being only one dentist to will support with all their energy an tion doubtful. The three all-impor-American such as Mr. Hoover."

EDITORIAL

A matter of vital importance to the future of Omaha, which our citizens are liable to overlook in their interest in the general election, is the street car franchise. The Omaha and Council Bluffs Street Railway company which operates the street car system of this and our sister city is asking for a 30-year fran-

chise, the provisions of which seem to be absolutely fair to both the company and the city. The rights of both parties are adequately safeguarded. Neither the street car company nor the city, as we see it, is trying to take advantage of the other. An adequate street car system is an absolute necessity in any large and growing city and contributes to the growth of a city. We believe that the street car company is honestly trying to render acceptable service. Its expansion and development requires money. Capital comes from stockholders and investors who are looking for safe and well-paying investments. A company that has a franchise can appeal to investors. One that has not cannot do so successfully. A franchise is necessary for the Omaha and Council Bluffs Street Railway company if it is to continue in business. If it should fail to secure a franchise it cannot refinance and retire its bonds when they fall due and as a result a receiver will be appointed with the usual results which follow a receivership. In our judgment the franchise should pass. Be sure to vote for it.

There are other measures demanding the attention of the voters in the coming election which strike close home, upon which we should be informed and vote our convictions. Bonds for a sadly needed new county hospital and the free bridge proposal are among these issues. It is unfortunate that there should be so many of these important local questions coming up at this general election which are very liable to be overwith a 16-page pamphlet entitled, looked. But none of these local issues is more important, as we see it, than the street railway franchise.

THE COMMUNITY CHEST DRIVE

The Community Chest campaign is going nicely. Up to the time of our going to press more than half the quota, approximately \$225,000 has been subscribed. But if the whole amount is to be secured there must be no abatement of enthusiasm and everybody must do his bit. It's a community job. It's your job of the Pyramid Co-operative associa- immediately protested and likened and ours. And if everybody does his share of the job this Big | tion held in the office of the Golden the New Hampshire senator's intoler-Job will be done. There is no excuse now for anybody with any intelligence being ignorant of what the Community Chest Negro Press)-"Herbert Hoover will is and does for this community irrespective of race, color or creed.

DEMOCRACY A HYBRID

By Geo. H. W. Bullock

The greatest weakness of a democratic form of government lies in its very strength. Government for the people, and by the people is very ment, although far more desirable, whether we place this party or that

will only serve to perpetuate circular motion. For example, consider the agitation and excitement about president has inspired quite a bit of tably Harlem, are deplorably lacking interest and activity, either to help bring this about or to forestall the possibility of its achievement. As I have pointed out before, any such notion is founded upon ignorance and "The success or failure of this prin- party in power as it does in our in- a lack of information on the process ciple is the test of our government. difference to vote at all. Prompted by which the constitution is altered or

The Rev. John Albert Williams. while, it is shown that there is one his department in Washington. He the order, I am writing this article at least the lay part of them, are of the great danger underlying the habit of modify- anniversary of his ordination to the to spite your face." If one part of Worthington, bishop of Nebraska, on the constitution is amended, other St. Luke's day, October 18, 1891, in will be done via the old well-known Worthington Place. He observed his process of a "legislative rider." anniversary quietly by celebrating That means if the 18th amendment the holy communion at 7 and 10 a.m. repeal is by any stretch of imagina- He received many messages of contion brought about, or if any serious gratulation and beautiful flowers, all threat is made in that direction, the of which were highly appreciated. South, which was largely instrumental in placing the amendment in the constitution, would at once put in it a "rider" asking for the repeal or modification of the 13th, 14th and 15th amendments. This, I need not tell you, would be a bargain which would most likely be accepted, with its consequent disaster to the liberty and suffrage of the Negro. I commend to your reason this question: If such a bill were brought to President Smith for signature, would he sign it? I think he would. In it he would have the thing he has always championed and on which he is now running-the repeal of the 18th amendment and the return to state rights. He might like to eliminate the "rider," but legislators make "riders" like Siamese twins-very difficult to separate without killing all parts of it. A case in point is the latest immigration bill which carried the provision to entirely exclude the oriental -Chinese and Japanese. President some friendly treaty with Japan and stated at the time he signed the bill, that if the part relating to Japanese exclusion stood alone, he would not hesitate to veto it. BUT-and that's secretary of the diocese, historialways where the rub is-it contained so much that he did like that he felt constrained to sign it. And so he did. and member of the Standing com-This would happen in any administramittee. tion. Let me warn you again, not which The only authorized advertising candidate to vote for as president, solicitors for The Monitor are but to watch your step, that you do DUDLEY WRIGHT Mr. and Mrs. Austin Brannon and nical knowledge of their relation to not contribute to your own destruc-

CULTURAL CENTER HAS EXHIBIT OF WORK

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Demonstration of Classes in Cooking, Sewing and Handcraft Given by **Pupils in Prominent Down**town Store.

During this first week of the Community Chest drive an exhibit of the classwork of the Cultural Center is being given in one of the windows of Orchard & Wilhelm's, Sixteenth and Howard streets. Sewing, cooking and handcraft as taught at the Center, are being demonstrated by girls and boys who not only show their proficiency but also present a very nice appearance. School authorities are permitting the pupils who are engaged in the exhibit to have this counted as schoolwork.

Wednesday night H. J. Pinkett began a course of instruction at the Center on Negro history. These classes will be held every Wednesday night for two months and are open to all pupils and students above the eighth grade. High school students of South High who attend these classes, will be given credit in English or history, according to arrangements made with Principal Marrs of South High.

Give to the Community Chest.

MORE FACTORIES FOR

ciated Negro Press)-At the meeting gro, leading politicians of the race State Insurance company, the point ant attitude to that of a Heflin. They was brought out forcibly that Ne- did not hesitate to express fear that groes should build their own factories the incident would lose the republican and put their own people to work, and party thousands of votes.

that the time for Negro co-operation The Amsterdam News, which is is at hand. The discussion centered supporting Mr. Hoover, proclaimed on around the report of Bert Roddy, vice the first page of its current issue in president-at-large of the National Ne- large type that "The Republican Eastamending the 18th amendment. The gro Business league. This was to the ern Manager Has Ku Klux Ideas." very belief that this would be possi- effect that Negroes were not self- and in an editorial demands removal ble if Governor Smith were elected supporting, that all communities, no- of Moses.

stores.

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37 YEARS IN PRIESTHOOD

rector of the Episcopal Church of St. ward the end of his talk to white wo-Philip the Deacon, observed the 37th ing or amending the federal consti- priesthood Thursday, which was St. tracts with colored leaders in Virtution. Take heed, colored brother, Luke's day. He was ordained to the ginia and other southern states. He that you do not "cut off your nose priesthood by the Rt. Rev. George replied: "I do not know, but if any parts will most surely follow. And it St. Matthias' church, Tenth street and them. I do know this-that in Wash-During his long ministry in Omaha Father Williams has declined several women of the North Side Republican calls to parishes in all sections of the club have arranged a public recepcountry, among them being St. Luke's, Washington, D. C.; St. Thomas', Philadelphia; and St. Augustine's, Coolidge was at the time negotiating Boston. He was also nominated for public is cordially invited to be presthe bishopric of Liberia and of Haiti. ent. Everything free. Aside from his parish duties Father Williams has always been active in diocesan and civic affairs, serving as ographer, editor and associate editor of The Crozier, examining chaplain

Alleged That Eastern Manager of the **Republican National Committee** Adroitly Appeals to Race Prejudice.

MISTAKES OF MOSES

NOT THE LAW GIVER

BUT THE SENATOR

GROWING -

THANK YOU

Whole Number 688

TAMMANY HALL IS ATTACKED

Speaks Disparagingly of Negro New York Official Who Dictates to White Stenographer In His Office

New York City-Senator George H. Moses of New Hampshire, eastern manager of the republican national committee, has become the storm center within the party for having raised the race issue in a speech he made here before the campaign school of the Women's National Republican club, in which he spoke disparagingly of a Negro official in New York "dictating to a white stenographer of the female sex."

The official to whom Senator Moses made reference was Ferdinand Q. Morton, Negro civil service commissioner, and a democratic appointee under Tammany Hall. This sort of talk, intended to intensify racial animosities, is in line with statements NEGRO WORKERS URGED being put out by the Ku Klux Klan. Directly after Senator Moses' at-

Los Angeles, Cal.- (By the Asso- tack on Tammany Hall and the Ne-

Says the Amsterdam News, "Thus in their own grocery and clothing in these few words all sentiment created for the republican national ticket is wiped away and cannot be restored until definite action is taken to restore it."

Senator Moses committed what is regarded by Negro republicans as the biggest blunder of the campaign tomen when asked if it. Mr. Hoover had made certain conpromises have been made by Mr. Hoover, he will fulfill, not repudiate ington there is no colored Tammany civil service commissioner who dictates to a white stenographer of the female sex, which, as I understand, is done right here in New York City." Aside from being eastern manager of the republican national committee, Senator Moses was permanent chairman of the republican national convention at Kansas City. He plays a prominent part in the shaping of Mr. Hoover's campaign policies.

The every 10,540 Negro inhabitants.

Safeguarding Health Dire Need

The survey is of the opinion that "to safeguard the health of the colored people and of their neighbors, to instruct them in hygiene, sanitation, CHURCH WOMEN SHARE and in the measures necessary to ward off disease and care for those that fall ill, are as essential as intellectual and economic development."

More and Better Education

survey as being deficient in proper the Hotel Astor last week, October training, many not having received 1st to 6th, was the church women's tion, while equally as large a number of the grand salon, including numbers has only received one or two years' 138 to 142 and making one of the

need training in the fields of agri- church women's organizations, naculture, mechanical arts and crafts, tional in character and representing the survey stating that "while 1,000,- Protestant women in America and 000 Negroes own or operate farms, throughout the world. It is of great there are 1,178,000 of the race engaged in ordinary farm labor."

skilled craftsmen, as compared with mittee of the commission on race reoccupations, or who are employed as Churches. This committee has deday laborers.

men and inventors, and 207 chemists. The preaching profession suffers, as there are only ten graduates a year DEAN OF WOMEN AT from the theological schools.

The report is interesting throughout, and although it calls attention to the accomplishments of the race in general, which accomplishments have, that "THE IMMEDIATE NEED OF THE RACE IS MORE EDUCATION, BETTER EDUCATION."

You can designate your gift to any agency you please; but GIVE.

Food sale, Saturday, by St. Philip's Grocery, 2418 North 24th street.

win and wear a red feather.

ARTS AND INDUSTRIES EXPOSITON

New York City-(By the Associated Negro Press)-A prominent feature of the Exposition of Women's Negro teachers are reported in the Arts and Industries which was held at more than elementary school prepara- booth, located on the southern side it is still more difficult to educate work in an accredited high school. largest booths in the exposition. In According to the survey, Negroes this exhibit were included eight significance to the future of interracial progress that included in this Fifty-six thousand Negroes are group was the church women's com-1,371,000 who are pursuing unskilled lations of the Federal Council of unfortunate both for the people and

If the survey is to be taken as a to members of both white and colored indifference about the things which basis of fact, there are in the United races. It has adopted as its policy States only fifty Negro architects, the following: "To promote inter- things which compose its very life 184 engineers, 145 designers, drafts- racial goodwill and co-operation and sustain its existence; the arteries through united thought and action."

SIMMONS UNIVERSITY DIES SUDDENLY

Louisville, Ky .--- Mrs. Robert Mitchell, widow of the late Rev. Robert been exceptional, the report states Mitchell, prominent Baptist of the state, died suddenly Monday evening at the Simmons University where she was dean of women. She had been active in her work during the day and no one had the least thought of her death.

Girls' Friendly Society at Herman's daughter, Esther, spent Sunday in our social, civic and economic wel- tion. Centralization of government Fremont with relatives.

tant initial steps in choosing a wise administration and consequently Red is our color they say. Then maintaining good and sound government are registration, voting and intelligence. Without these duly exercised and properly done, no government can ever prove beneficial and satisfactory. To bring about these, it is always necessary to spend vast

> sums of money during a campaign for education. It is an eternally hard problem to get the voter to register. It is another, equally as hard, to persuade him to take the time to cast his vote after he is registered. And him up to making a wise and intelligent use of his vote. Go into any political headquarters, and there you will see a maze of literature prepared at a tremendous cost solely for the purpose of educating the prospective voter in preparation for an enlightened judgment at the polls.

The ballot is an effective instrument for either benefit or injury. Like the razor, its blade is both good and dangerous. It is therefore most government that the electorate manveloped a program of utmost interest ifests so little interest in, and so much make a democracy possible. The upon whose regular pulsations its whole life depends. So we find ourselves joined in the chorus of all political leaders in lamenting what seems to be a disinterested citizenship. We

must spend so much time drilling in the idea that voting is a DUTY and not a mere privilege. That elections must be decided on the merits of the issues involved and not upon the personality of its champions.

The present presidential campaign is one of the most remarkable in his-

tory. Remarkable, because of its many issues and cross-issues which require reason, skill and highly techfare. Mere emotion and sentiment

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NOTED RACE SPEAKER COMES TO OMAHA

Mrs. Myrtle F. Cooke, Kansas City, Mo., will address a mass meeting of colored voters at Dreamland hall, Twenty-fourth and Grant street, Tuesday evening, October 23rd, at 8 p. m. Mrs. Cooke is recognized as one of the leading women platform orators appearing in this political campaign. Her arguments are forceful, logical, and convincing. The tion in her honor at the North Side Branch of the Y. W. C. A. on Tuesday afternoon from 2 to 4 p.m. The

AL SMITH-FOR-PRESIDENT **RALLY MONDAY NIGHT**

A mass meeting and Al Smith-for-President rally will be held Monday night at Columbia hall with out-oftown speakers and addresses by Richard L. Metcalfe, democratic candidate for United States senator; and other prominent local democrats. The public is invited.

You can designate your gift to any gency you please; but GIVE.