

Neuman M. E. Church

23rd and S. Sts. Rev. Geo. N. Jones, Minister. The regular and special activities of the church are published in order that the public, as well as the membership, may keep informed as to what is going on in the society.

Tuesday, 7:30 p. m., prayer and class meeting.

Wednesday, 8 p. m., literary society program.

Friday, 8 p. m., choir rehearsal

Sunday, 9:30 a. m., church school.

Sunday, 11 a. m., morning worship.

The Woman's Home Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. A. P. Curtis at 3:30 p. m., Wednesday, February 8th, and the same society will give a Valentine entertainment at the parsonage, Friday evening, Feb. 17th. Every one is invited.

The New Century Club will give a trip around the world Thursday evening, February 9th, beginning at the parsonage.

The choir sang in the Methodist church at Sprague Sunday evening to an exceedingly appreciative audience. They arrived at the church at 7:15, when, to their delight and somewhat surprise, supper was ready and the most congenial membership waiting to show them every courtesy within their seemingly unlimited ability. But to refer to that meal as a supper would be to cast a reflection upon it when it was more properly a banquet. Home made bread, home made butter, home canned fruits and home made everything that goes to make up a real banquet. The choir members were in such full attendance that they were short one robe. The organization decided that it were better for her to be without a robe than for any other member; and although at first she seemed a little embarrassed to appear without a vestment, it had no effect upon her manipulation of the instrument.

The directress was at her best. She had prepared quite a lengthy program for the occasion with three or four extra numbers as a factor of safety, but they were used (extras and all), and the audience made three or four special requests in addition—these she was able to supply to their entire satisfaction. The president of the choir spoke in the interest of Newman church and also expressed the choir's appreciation of the hospitality shown it.

While there is an aversion to publishing the amount of the contribution received on such occasions, it is at least fair to state that in this case it was extremely satisfactory.

The Rev. George N. Jones will be the principal speaker at Grace M. E. church Sunday evening, February 12. This day is designated in the Methodist Episcopal church as Negro Education Day, and will be observed in Methodist churches everywhere. The Newman church choir will furnish the music.

Capitalism Doomed Says Prof. Ross

Technocracy's findings show that we are in next to the last stage of capitalism, according to Prof. E. A. Ross, head of the sociology department at the University of Nebraska. "Now for the first time I was wondering if the capitalist system is at the end of its rope," he said.

"Capital at the outset of the depression was taking 44 per cent of the value created in industry. With industrialists taking advantage of the 12 million unemployed to cut wages, we shall probably come out of this depression with capital getting about 60

per cent of the value produced. If this happens, it is safe to bet that we are in the next to the last stage of capitalism."

He had always felt capitalism would snap out of this depression, he said, until he saw technocracy's data. As late as last October he was confident we would come out of this depression as we had the others.

"With wages and employment falling, we would eventually have a nation composed of a great mass of paupers receiving public aid and a small body of people operating industries whose products would find only a narrow market," he says.

"Until lately two-thirds of the purchasing power relied upon to move the products of our factories came from persons with incomes of less than \$3,000, four-fifths from persons getting less than \$5,000 a year. If this great body of moderate income people is gradually to disappear, the whole industrial organism will be suffocated in its own products."

Under the present system of financing big industries through holding companies and other schemes designed to the same end, Prof. Ross finds less and less relation between income from capital and personal merit.

"The Insull companies, for example, were created to be interposed between the original producers of electric current and the consuming public so as to have an excuse for charging two or three times what it should be paying for current.

"Thus the \$2,500,000 genuine investment of the Georgia Light & Power Co. is beaten up into a froth of legal claims for \$17,500,000 by seven companies being interposed between the original company and the public. In all directions you see sponges being interposed between the original companies for the express purpose of absorbing profits that otherwise could not be collected or justified."

Mrs. Jennie Watts Dies

Mrs. Jennie Watts, wife of Thomas Watts, pioneer resident of Fremont, Nebraska, and step-mother of Mrs. Eugene Edwards of this city, died last Monday, Feb. 6th at her home and was buried last Thursday, Feb. 9th. Mrs. Watts suffered a stroke about two weeks ago, which was the cause of her death. Besides her husband she leaves a daughter, Miss Josephine Watts, 12 years of age, and two stepchildren, Mrs. Gene Edwards of Lincoln and Elishus Watts of Fremont. Mrs. Edwards will remain another week in Fremont. The Review joins Mrs. Edwards' many friends in extending sympathy.

Rambling Thoughts

By REV. I. B. SMITH The Rambler scans the mental horizon carefully, and the first item of interest that caught his attention, is a selection from some unknown author. I give it to you, dear reader, with the hope that it may give you a moment's pleasure:

Heart Music "A laugh is just like sunshine— It freshens all the day; It tips the peak of life with light, And drives the clouds away.

The soul grows glad that hears it, And feels its courage strong; A laugh is just like sunshine For cheering folks along.

A laugh is just like music— It lingers in the heart, And where its melody is heard The ills of life depart.

And happy thoughts come crowding Its joyful note to greet; A laugh is just like music For making living sweet."

Prayer "Prayer is a kind of communication with large meanings and ideals, a way

of "tuning in" on life's largest symphonies; a way of spending quiet hours, while we consolidate our experience and expand and organize our beliefs. Students who have time for this kind of prayer are not apt to be thrown off an even balance."

Harmony Harmony is the essential element of all organizations. Without harmony an association cannot long exist. Harmony is peace. Discord is war. Discord spoils all music. Litigation comes from, and is the result of discord.

Let us have harmony in the family, harmony in the neighborhood, harmony in the State, harmony in the Race, harmony in everything.

Harmony is the support of all good things. Peace, unity and harmony are necessary to the perpetuity of civilization.

Advertisement In an English newspaper appeared an advertisement, which struck the Rambler as peculiar.

"Wanted — A steady, respectable young man to look after a garden and milk a cow who has a good voice and is accustomed to singing in the choir." The critic remarks, that he does not believe such a cow is living.

Opportunity I have noticed of late that the press of our group are talking of opportunity that is before our graduates. Hundreds are leaving the halls of learning and the question is, what will they find to do? The great army of graduates are looking for something better than the humble labors of their parents. It is a serious problem that confronts them. Education is, contrary to the generally accepted opinion, that to educate is to teach; the correct interpretation is, that it means to lead forth. In other words, to educate, is to get out of an individual that of which he was not previously aware. Give a young man or woman a chance to think by leading him or her on, and you will be surprised at the results.

A card lies on my desk from a friend who is in the newspaper business down South, announcing that on the 12th of this month he would give a talk on Frederick Douglas, on a 15 minute radio program for station WREC, Hotel Peabody, Memphis, Tennessee. This is news, for until of late, the colored man and brother, only entered such places in the capacity of a servant; not that being such was any disgrace, for our Jesus of Nazareth came to serve. The young man, to whom reference is made, is Mr. L. O. Swingler, a graduate of our local University. He is the city editor of the Memphis World, one of the outstanding papers of the race, and it is a bi-weekly journal. Here is a young man who found his opportunity, and is doing well.

A letter from down in Tampa, Florida is also lying on my desk, awaiting a reply; it is from a very dear friend, who has come through the "Valley of Sorrows", and yet, her message is full of hope for the future. Many of us would have given up all pleasure, to live a life of melancholy solitude. But she has faith in Him, who said: "I am the Resurrection and the Life." Our sympathy and admiration for her mental attitude goes to her in her distant home.

Another letter from Washington, D. C., lies in the unanswered list. It is from a national character, who is trying to save to our group, the National Benefit Insurance Company. We used to think of some of our fraternal societies as simply a place for grafters only; but here is a man, whose word is law to thousands, trying to save another organization. It reveals to the public a new view of the place, that we, as a group, are trying to fill in the body politic. He belongs to the group we like to call: "The Best People On Earth."

The Rambler noted in a recent issue of one of our local papers an article by Winifred Black, in which she also writes about the great problem which faces the graduates from our great educational centers. For head lines we note: "Girls and Boys Out of College Present a Problem." The Rambler thinks with a certain great American who said, "Where there is no way I will make one." May we say to all, in the words of the Book of Books: "Go thou and do likewise."

So we leave the realms of endeavor, to turn to the practical every-day life of the business world. Peace be to all.

As Others See It

This column is devoted to the expression of the public's sentiment or any matter. Send letters to Mr. Gaitha Pegg, 1942 Vine St., Lincoln, Nebr.

Porgy I haven't had an opportunity to read this play since it has been the topic of local discussion, but I would like to know more about it. I think that there should be a thorough investigation of this play, given by the University Players, to determine whether or not those participating in it should be criticised.

I have heard much commenting by those who have read the book and those who know the play to the effect that those taking part in it will be participating in something which will have a degrading effect for the race. I think that such a matter is of public interest and the people should receive the truth of the matter.

Yours truly, S. J. Williams.

Dear Sir:— As I see it, Rep. Paul Bruveleit's bill for prohibiting public utility corporations from selling gas and electrical appliances will not better the standing of the public. The public, should it

want these goods, will secure them regardless of who is selling them. But if the public must secure them from an individual in business who sells at a higher price and takes all the profit unto himself rather than from a public corporation selling at a minimum price and scattering the profit widely, the loss will be greater in the long run.

If the power to sell accessories and appliances is taken away from the utility corporations and the rate of gas and electricity is lowered, the money saved by this will have to be paid to the retailers of these commodities for the higher prices which they will charge, and so where is the benefit. It seems to me that it lies with the public owning stocks of the corporation rather than watching two or three individual proprietors getting rich.

Charles R. King, Omaha.

Dear Sir:—

A letter in the last issue of the Review referred to a time when the Negroes held several city jobs which they do not hold at present. It also stated at that time that there was a solid block of some 200 Negro votes. Naturally, such a block of votes would command respect now as it did at that time.

It was admitted that this group has since allowed itself to become divided, and resulting bad conditions have clearly shown that "united we stand and divided we fall." But why has this organization failed? Were the leaders so short sighted that when they attained a small degree of success, they laid down the reins instead of holding them tighter and continuing to drive. If we had a block of 200 votes at one time in the past, we should be able to form a thousand now. What is going to be done about it?

Yours truly, Sam Coleman.

Newman M. E. Church

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Church Notices

Tuesday, 8 p. m., prayer and class meeting.

Wednesday, 8 p. m., literary society program.

Thursday, 8 p. m., New Century club meeting with Mrs. A. Hill.

Friday, 8 p. m., choir rehearsal at the parsonage.

The W. H. M. society will give an entertainment at the parsonage on Friday, Feb. 17th.

There will be a chicken dinner at the church Thursday, Feb. 23rd, from 5:00 to 7:30 p. m. (25 cents).

The anniversary of Abraham Lincoln was observed in Newman church with appropriate services, beginning with the church school at 9:30 a. m., when the children and young people carried out a very unique program commemorating the great emancipator.

At 11 a. m., the minister delivered an able address. He likened Lincoln unto Moses and John the Baptist, in

that he, as well as they, were sent from God for the accomplishment of a great work. During the week, Mr. Jones addressed the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce, and judging from the tone of a letter received from Mr. Bernard Paine, the address was graciously received and highly appreciated. He will lecture to a group in one of the departments of the University of Nebraska Tuesday, February 14th, and broadcast over KFAB by request.

Sunday evening, the choir and the minister of Newman M. E. church worshiped with Grace M. E. church in a Lincoln Day program. All Methodist churches observed the Sunday nearest the birthday of Abraham Lincoln as Negro Education Day, when contributions were taken for the support of schools and colleges for Negroes owned and operated by the Methodist Episcopal church. The Newman church minister was the principal speaker on this occasion — his subject being:

"Keeping Faith With Lincoln." The musical program by the Newman choir had been arranged with the same subject in mind.

The services for Sunday, February 19th, will be as follows:

9:30 a. m., church school (Geo. B. Evans, Supt.).

11 a. m., morning worship. Sermon subject: "The Call of God."

6:30 p. m., teachers and officers Bible class continued. Subject: "The First Church."

7:45, special music of old familiar hymns and spirituals.

8 p. m., evening worship. Sermon subject: "The Soul of a Black Man."

All Men Created Equal

By Bruce Barton

What was there for Jesus to add? It was a thought more splendid than all which had gone before and it has altered the current of history. He invited frail bewildered humanity to stand upright and look at God face to face! He called upon men to throw away fear, disregard the limitations of their mortality, and claim the Lord of Creation as Father. It is the basis of all revolt, all democracy. For if God is the Father of all men, then all are his children and hence the commonest is equally as precious as the king. No wonder the authorities trembled. They were not fools; they recognized the implications of the teaching. Either Jesus' life or their power must go. No wonder that succeeding generations of authorities have embroidered his idea and corrupted it, so that the simplest faith in the world has become a complex thing of form and ritual, of enforced observances and "thou shalt not's." It was too dangerous a Power to be allowed to wander the world, unleashed and uncontrolled.

This, then, was what Jesus wished to send to all creation, through the instrumentality of his eleven men. What were his methods of training? How did he meet prospective believers? How did he deal with objections? By what sort of strategy did he interest and persuade?

He was making the journey back from Jerusalem, after his spectacular triumph in cleansing the Temple, when he came to Jacob's Well, and being tired, sat down. His disciples had stopped behind at one of the villages to purchase food, so he was alone. The well furnished the water supply for the neighboring city of the Samaritans, and after a little time a woman came out to it, carrying her pitcher on her shoulder. Between her people, the Samaritans, and his people, the Jews, there was a feud of centuries. To be touched by even the shadow of a Samaritan was defilement according to the strict code of the Pharisees; to speak to one was a crime. The woman made no concealment of her resentment at finding him there. Almost any remark from his lips would have kindled her anger. She would at least have turned away in scorn; she might have summoned her relatives and driven him off.

An impossible situation, you will admit. How could he meet it? How give his message to one who was forbidden by everything holy to listen? The incident is very revealing; there are times when any word is the wrong word; when only silence can prevail. Jesus knew all this precious secret. As the woman drew closer he made no move to indicate that he was conscious of her approach. His gaze was upon the ground. When he spoke it was quietly, musingly, as if to himself: "If you knew who I am," he said, "you would not need to come out here for water. I would give you living water."

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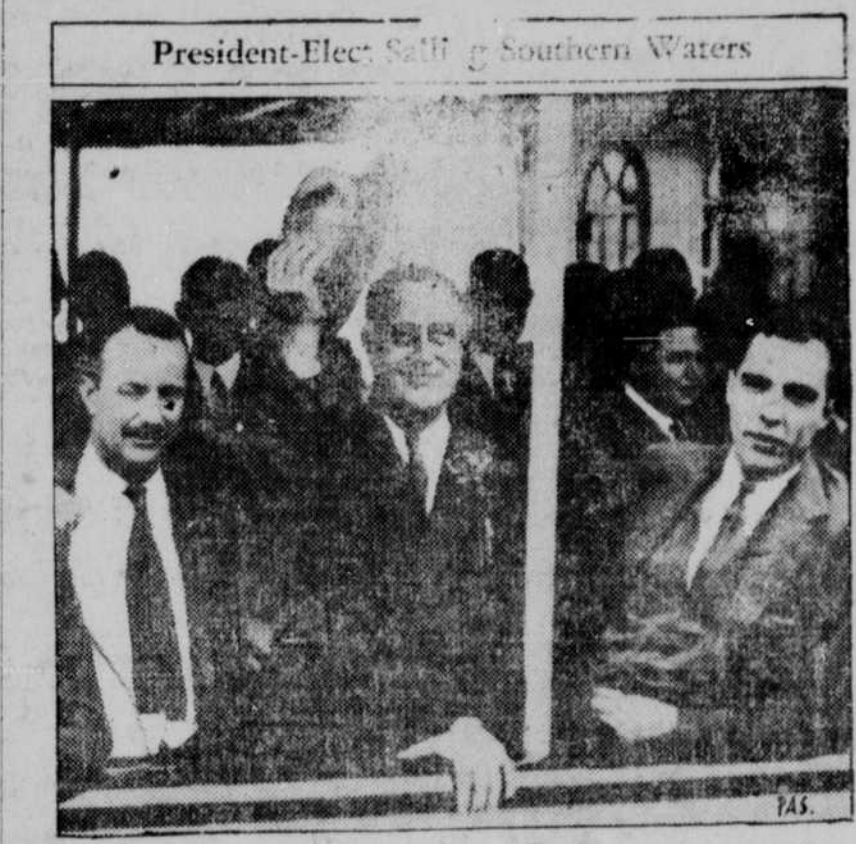
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President-Elect Salting Southern Waters. Taking farewell as he set sail on an eleven day cruise, his last vacation before taking over the Presidency, Franklin D. Roosevelt looked forward to a real rest and relaxation from cares. Aboard with him was his cousin, Kermit Roosevelt, son of former President, Theodore Roosevelt. Photo shows Kermit Roosevelt, President-elect Roosevelt and Vincent Astor, host, and upon whose yacht, The Nourmahal, the cruise is being made. The start was made from Jacksonville, Fla.

Says, "On Vacation"



Win. C. Bullitt, American diplomat now in Europe, around whom rages a tempest in a teapot, as to whether he is a secret embassy for President-elect Roosevelt or Col. House in obtaining debt information.

"Silly" says Barbara



Barbara Hutton, Woolworth heiress and said to be the richest unmarried girl in the world, declares as "silly" Count Borromeo's assertion that they are engaged.

One Leg, Then Wrap



They are pants but they are put on in a peculiar manner. One leg is a regular leg and slips on, foot first. . . . The other leg 'wraps around' and forms the new hench trousers which Nell Hughes of Memphis demonstrates above.

Now Senator Clark



Bennett C. Clark, (D) Missouri, son of a former Speaker, Champ Clark, was sworn in as the new Senator from his state, February 3, succeeding Sen. Hawes, and thus gaining seniority rights.

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