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AMERICA'S COLOR

BLIND JUSTICE

Guiseppa Zangara, shooting with intent to kill President-elect Roosevelt, seriously wounded five American citizens, two of them women, and among them was Mayor Anton J. Cermak of Chicago, whose life today is hanging in the balance.

Zangara, a native of Italy, speaks little English, an interpreter was needed at his trial. Although coming from the little country with the big dictator, where they have no presidents, he expressed regret that he did not kill President-elect Roosevelt.

This thing that startled the world was caused by an Italian, but he was white in the eyes of America. He could live where he pleased, even in Miami; he could sit in the best seats of our best theatres; eat in exclusive clubs, restaurants and hotels and ride the most luxurious extra fare trains. No Jim Crow segregation for this foreigner.

He committed his crime in one of Miami's beautiful parks where Negroes are barred, a beautiful park to be enjoyed by whites only, and in America whites include Italians, Germans, Hindus, the Chinese and the Japanese.

Zangara did his shooting in the presence of thousands of people. He confessed and expressed regret at having failed in his attempt to kill Roosevelt. After a fair and impartial trial the would-be assassin is given 80 years in prison. He was not lynched. Three Negroes have been lynched in this same land of the free and the home of the brave since Zangara committed his crime. No person claims to have seen these Negroes commit the crime they were accused of. There were no confessions, there were no trials. The mob simply wrecked its vengeance on the first black men that happened in its path. A foreigner in a most dastardly crime is given every protection, the Negro who has helped so materially in the development of this country, is the helpless victim of this cruelest savagery, mob violence.

A DEMAND ON CANDIDATES

Candidates for offices in the city primary election have already begun to file notices of their candidacy. Now is the time that we as a group should take particular notice of the policies that these various men and women are stating themselves to have. We no doubt should notice primarily their attitudes toward our group relative to employment. At the present time there are 3 Negroes on the city payroll and if we were given our due consideration, that is, our proportionate share of employment according to our percentage in the city's total population and the number employed, there would be eighteen colored employees. This includes all jobs that members of our race might be qualified for, streets, fire and health departments, law enforcement, municipal projects, city hall, parks, water departments, and every place where anyone is being paid with city money. We are due and eligible for any city job.

We are as hard hit by unemployment as any group. We are rated as good, law abiding citizens, yet we don't apparently merit the same

consideration that many foreign immigrants are given. We trust that this situation will not exist after the coming election.

Any candidate, who is unwilling to promise us our proportionate share of employment and who is not willing to support the States Civil Rights Bill as affects us with special regard to certain municipal projects, should not receive a single one of the 700 colored votes.

From time to time the Review will give briefly the policies of those candidates who are not afraid to speak their convictions and who are willing to enforce them even at the risk of a possibility of not being re-elected a year hence.

ONE OF THE PROBLEMS OF THE PRESIDENT

Among the many weighty problems that the new president will have to confront is the country's foreign policy. None of the other major problems that will engage his attention immediately upon taking his seat will be of more serious nature.

There are rumors of warning of what might be expected in the east. Japan's open contempt for the League of Nations brings fresh evidence that treaties are little more than scraps of paper when strong nations decide to renounce their international agreements.

More and more we are learning that international order is impossible without scrupulous regard for international treaties, and that world prosperity is unthinkable without international order.

No matter from what perspective Mr. Roosevelt may choose to view foreign policies and international hopes, as soon as he looks about he will see a wrangling world which seems to have turned its back on such idealism and altruism as underlie peace treaties and international resolutions.

One would naturally think that so soon after a bloody world war all nations alike would be willing, not only to pledge themselves definitely to an uninterrupted program of reconstruction and international order, but to work towards the fulfillment of such ends.

Seemingly the Kellogg treaties, the Dawes Plan, etc., have not brought peace on earth and good will towards men. The nearer March 4 comes the less enviable appears the new president's job. However it is a remarkable thing that he should be facing the beginning of his administration with a genuine conviction that improvement is bound to come.

GOVERNOR BRYAN BETTER

Everyone is glad to hear the good news that Governor Bryan is well on the road to recovery. Having put up a valiant fight and won, to arise after seiges of the influenza, pneumonia, heart disease, and defective teeth, he has proven himself more than a political warrior. He has done what the ordinary man could not have. The very fact that the "Lone Eagle" is reported about to arise shows that he must believe in God and certainly must have wanted to live to lead his fellow men out of the mire of this economic crisis. We are all happy to know of his improvement and trust it will not be long before he is again able to take the reins of the government in his hands. We want to, and need to be, under his ever alert and watchful guidance.

KAPPA DOINGS

The freshmen boys of the University will be entertained at a smoker Saturday night at the home of Mr. Roland Young, 501 So. 14th street. Hot dogs, beans, coffee and the trimmings will make up the menu. An interesting program has been prepared and Burt Newton, the vice polemarch will act as toastmaster. Dr. A. B. Moss, and T. T. McWilliams, the editor of The Review are among those to appear on the program.

Rev. O. Burbridge has been selected to deliver the annual sermon to members of Eta Chapter of the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity. This is

A SOCIAL CHAT WITH LORETTA

Oh, who would be sad tho' the sky
be a-graying,
And meadow and woodlands are
empty and bare;
For softly and merrily now there
come a-playing,
The little brown birds thru the
winter-kissed air.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Williamson and Mrs. Ed. Foster entertained last Saturday evening at the beautiful Williamson home. The occasion was the birthdays of both Mr. and Mrs. Williamson and also Mrs. Foster. The evening was spent dancing and playing cards. At a late hour the guests enjoyed a delicious luncheon. There were three large cakes with candles giving the ages of the three. I counted twenty-two on the cake they told me was Mr. Williamson's, sixteen on Mrs. Foster's and eighteen on Mrs. Williamson's, but we couldn't help but feel that these charming hosts were only as old as they felt. They received many very beautiful presents, and we wish for them many more happy and prosperous birthdays. There were 21 present, including Mr. and Mrs. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rife, Mr. and Mrs. John Burden, Mr. and Mrs. George Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Dean, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Swanigan, Miss Hattie Graves, Mr. Perry Williams and Mr. Joseph Morrison of Fairbury, Neb.

Mrs. H. W. Mathison of St. Joe, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Corrine Neal for an indefinite period.

Mrs. Blanche Johnson, well known society matron and an employee at the state capitol is ill.

We are glad to see Mr. Ray Holcomb out again after being seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Huston and Mr. and Mrs. James Dean motored to Beatrice last Wednesday afternoon where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. Gordon.

Mr. and Mrs. Cicero Johnson were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Huston last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Gordon of Beatrice were week end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Dean.

The Good Fellowship Club met last Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Crews. After a business meeting the following new members were taken in: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas White, Mrs. Roberta Coffee, Mr. Burt Newton and Mr. Hatter. The hostess served a delicious covered dish luncheon.

E. R. Loftis, state president of the Needy Benefit Association was a Lincoln visitor last week and was guest of Mr. and Mrs. Cicero Johnson.

Attorney John G. Pegg, of Omaha, motored to Lincoln Wednesday on business. Mr. Pegg was accompanied by Mrs. Stovall, mother of Mrs. Wyatt Williams, Mrs. Mary C. Pegg and her granddaughter, Virginia. The visitors spent the morning with Mrs. Holcomb, were served lunch by Mrs. W. Williams, and before returning to Omaha viewed a few of the beautiful paintings of Mrs. Burkhart. Mr. and Mrs. Pegg are the brother and mother of Gaitha Pegg, university student.

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Better, Cleaner, Cheaper

the fifteenth annual sermon. It will be delivered at the regular evening service time at Quinn Chapel A. M. E. Church, Sunday, March 12th.

The following members and pledges will be present to digest the message: Wendell Willis, polemarch, Ralph Adams, Gaitha Pegg, Bert Newton, Delmar Woods, Roland Young, T. T. McWilliams, Dr. A. B. Moss, M. T. Woods, Albert Burks, Adelbert Mouldin, Jewell R. Kelly, Lonnie Thomas, and Oliver Kerr.

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William Pickens says the only way the country 24 times as visitors and the United States could stop Kid not as "immigrants"—but this, the Chocolate from out boxing white 25th time they had returned, they were barred at Key West. "It reminds one of the framing of Jack his manager from entering the county Johnson to jail him, 20 years ago." try. They had previously entered Maybe Mr. Pickens is right.