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Is the Negro in Lincoln Complacent?—

A white person said to me the other day, "The colored people here seem so complacent, you seldom see them, you seldom hear of them doing anything, and you invite them to a meeting they don't show up. 'Whats wrong with them?'" Any person of organization who is willing to accept conditions as they are with little or no effort toward improvement or advancement is complacent.

Well that was a \$64 question. So I am asking you, "Is the Negro in Lincoln Complacent? If so, what can be done about it?" I shall also make an attempt to discover if there may be others who feel that the Negro of Lincoln is not stimulated to the height of his potentialities and what may be done about it. I feel certain that this discussion will prove advantageous to all concerned.

I am sure you would be interested to know my position in this matter and I shall speak from experience and actual statistics.

By far too many persons who are assuming the role of leaders in the community are not contributing to the advancement of community activities and civic enterprises.

Less than 50 per cent of the patronage and support of the Lincoln Urban League, Ann's Beauty Shoppe (the only accredited first class shoppe in the city), Rose Manor Studio, McField Cleaners, Colley's Fur Studio, "The Voice" and others can be contributed to Negroes.

There are more than 15 hundred Negroes in the city, seven organized churches, seven fraternal organizations, including, A.K.A.; Alpha Phi Alpha and Kappa's, N.A.A.C.P., and the Progressive Syndicate, and numerous other organized groups, and yet people can and do say truthfully, "I hear of very little activity." Do we have our candles lighted or are we hiding them under a bushel?

Teen Age Chatter

Reporter Dotty Greene
Asst. Ruby Lee Harper
Asst. Loretta McWilliams



T Is for Tony
E is for Emma
E is for Elois (Lopy)
N is for Norma

A is for Albert
G is for George
E is for Elbert

C is for Chuck
H is for Hazel
A is for Always read this column
T is for Tarply
T is for Theadore
E is for everything that's fun
R is for Ruby

Put them all together, they spell Teen Age Chatter the column you like to read the Best.

There were several teen-age boys in our fair city Sunday from Omaha.

The 4-H Fun Night was a big success, Vonny Finley won the prize in the Talent Show and Loretta McWilliams won second prize and Que Wesley won the Door prize.

Seen at the Lincoln high school picnic were Hazel Wilson, Betty Wilson, Margo Gill, Ruby and Sonny Walker, Bobby Graham, Albert Bowen, Richard Holcomb and many more.

The Nebraska City High School Seniors had their sneak day last Monday, May 19. The only graduating Negro was Miss Mary Smith, who came with the group. She was visiting with Dorothy Green. The group had lunch with the Chamber of Commerce and they visited the State Capitol and the State Penitentiary.

At the Base-Ball Game—
She: "What's the man running for?"
He: "He hit the Ball."
She: "I know, but is he required to chase it too?"

Miss Maxine Stith, a former Lincolnite was in our fair city Monday, she was with her father and mother. Maxine will graduate from Fairbury High School

Thursday evening. While in town she visited her brothe, Mr. Harold Stith and miss Dorothy Green.

The Mystery Person of this month was Lester White, since there was no one who guessed the correct person the \$1.00 will be carried over for next months contest making it \$2.00 for the next month.

We hear that Lois Hatcher has a new heart throb. We wonder who he could be?

There was a Teen Age meeting Wednesday night at the Urban League, the Teen-Agers are planning a moonlight picnic for Saturday night. They hope they will have a good attendance.

Say Teen-Agers The Voice is going to let the Teen-Age Chatter have three columns in the paper, because they are planning to enlarge the paper... and we would like for all of you to help us plan out something to fill these three columns. If you have any suggestions please contact Dorothy Green, Loretta McWilliams or Ruby Lee Harper.

So long until we meet again.

Dotty, Ruby & Loretta

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