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FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION

The great amount of illiteracy and "intellectual poverty" in this the "greatest and most powerful nation" of the earth is something pathetic. The south is especially cursed in this matter of educational delinquency for reasons too well known to be recounted here. Federal assistance seems to be the only hope and that bills proposing this assistance are about to be pigeon-holed for political reasons seems to be nothing short of a major tragedy.

There are indications that such bills would be assured of passage were they given the "green light" by the key political higher ups in Washington; but the signs are not too propitious for the passage of these federal aid bills purporting to give federal assistance in the sum of \$300,000,000—which is a mere pittance considering the great need.

When the education of a nation must be shunted around to meet the political whims of designing politicians, we can readily appreciate the billions we must "cough up" to buy off communism. A greater display of broad-gauged statesmanship would simplify the work of those who are seriously considering the serious threat of communism.

The surest hope that our nation can be saved from the machinations of wily politics and politicians is federal aid to bolster the

educational program of the nation. A generally educated electorate will, in the last analysis, learn to weed out the political obstructionisms and obscurantisms such as are hampering the present proposed legislation. Education, as nothing else, will banish forever the era of the rabble-rousing, "lung-thinking" politician with his gullible "nerve-thinking" devotees.

Federal aid to education is not a matter that may or may not be advisable or desirable; it is one of the inevitables of current day planning. In a fast-moving age, a poorly informed and poorly educated democracy is impossible! The educational level of the masses must be raised or the ideals of democracy will be emasculated. Democracy with its free speech is the training ground for politicians and would-be dictators, unless there is an undergirding of education and intelligence which democracy has always presupposed, presupposes now and will ever presuppose. Designing politicians are an affliction for any nation and the only antidote for these is a high level of education.

In our fight against communism, we are spending billions in the uttermost parts of the earth, but unless the people of this nation are fully equipped for the duties and responsibilities of democratic citizenship, we are merely squan-

Announcement

Mt. Zion entire congregation will be guest of Zion Baptist Church in Omaha June 20. Will charter a bus for all who may want to go. All churches are invited. You may contact Deacon J. B. Bonds 2-5571.

Cards of Thanks

The CME Church wishes to thank the pastors and their congregations and friends for their loyal support in its "Building Fund Rally" on last Sunday. We are happy to announce the amount of \$94.70 raised.

Rev. O. L. Alford, pastor.

The family of Mr. John Elder, wish to thank all of their friends for their expressions of sympathy in its hour of bereavement.

Mrs. IdaBelle McWilliams
Mrs. Jessie Freeman

Lest We Forget the sick, they are:

Mrs. Irene Mosley, St. Elizabeth's hospital.
 Mrs. John Humbert, 2120 "T" street.
 Mr. Welland Tarpley, 1944 "U" street.
 Mr. C. H. Bartlett, St. Elizabeth's hospital.

Royall Refuses Integration

ST. PAUL, Minn. (ANP). Gov. Luther W. Youngdahl of Minnesota said last week that Secy. of the Army Kenneth G. Royall had refused his request to okay an unsegregated national guard in Minnesota. The governor appealed to the state's congressmen to protect the state's National guard federal funds during his campaign to integrate Negroes into the local units.

The governor has indicated that whether Royall approves or not, Minnesota will eventually have an unsegregated guard.

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dering the people's money. There could be no more profitable investment to save our nation from the inroads of communism than the passage of these bills proposing to underwrite the educational program of the nation's schools in the amount of \$300,000,000.

Communism's greatest enemy in this country is not our unlimited billions which we are scattering with a prodigal hand, but the men and women who are trained to do their own thinking instead of leaving it to the caprice of the rabble rousers. In other words, our best defense against communism is more education and better education which is impossible without federal aid. That there is such deliberate procrastination is the great moral depressant!—Dean Gordon Hancock for ANP.

Jeen Age Chatter

By Dorothy Green

Greetings Gates:

The Special Service at Quinn Chapel Church for the Lincoln graduates was attended by many beautiful young graduates. Most of them were dressed in white with the New Look very much emphasized. The program was a very effective one and I am sure all the girls and boys are proud to have had the honor to attend it.

Miss Lois Hatcher was delighted to have for her guest over the week end Harry E. Floyd and Robert Baker of Kansas City, Mo.

Muny Pool was the center of interest this week. Seen there Sunday were two slick Bathing Beauties, Marion Bradford and Peaches Winston. Some of the great physiques were Frank King, George Alexander, Cecil Hatcher and Pluto.

I know something I won't tell Hum-m-m-m-Who Walked Joyce Williams home the other night? Well if you insist, it was Eddie Baugh.

Nathaniel Casteel of St. Joseph, Mo., is in our fair city for another summer.

Comes Summer and every one drifts to Lincoln for their vacation, including Aaron Strawn of St. Joseph, Mo.

Sorry to hear that Susie May White Hall was ill part of last week but she certainly was looking fine Sunday morning.

So long for Now,

DOTTY.

Hobby Profitable

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left an idea with Guy that he was quick to capitalize upon. As a result of this inspiration, Mrs. Stephens—who is quite an artist with the paintbrush or pencil—was soon turning out designs on paper which her husband reproduced in wood. A steady stream of wall plaques, smoking stands, pipe racks, book cases, and similar objects, soon flowed out of the basement workshop, and it was only a matter of months before Guy had the depression licked!

Today Guy's former "business" has now become more of a hobby—a means of relaxation when his regular day's work is done. But it is hard to live down the reputation as a craftsman which he built up during those depression years, and he still receives many

Philly FEPC Has First Meet

PHILADELPHIA. (ANP). The first meeting of the fair employment commission took place this week in the chambers of Judge Gerald Flood in City hall. The meeting was called to elect officers and make a plan of action. It is believed that policies concerning the handling of the cases brought before the committee were discussed.

Members of the newly created commission are Dr. Tanner G. Duckrey, only Negro member, and assistant to the board of superintendents of the board of education; F. B. Raycroft, expert in labor management; Norman Blumberg, AFL worker; F. Curtis Davis, American Veterans of World War II aide, and judge Gerald Flood of the common pleas court.

orders which he tries to find time to fill. Some of his products have been shipped to New York, Canada, California, Virginia and other faraway places. Last year his work was exhibited at the Urban League Hobby Show, and this year he plans to have a display at the Nebraska State Fair.

An inspection of Guy's workshop is a joy to the person interested in woodworking. A part of his estimated \$1,000 worth of tools include a jig saw, electric sander, shaper, etching set, bench saw, planer and many other pieces of equipment. But perhaps his greatest asset is the enthusiasm and courage which enabled him to meet "hard times" and emerge triumphant!

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