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Brass Facts

The call to arms is being heard once again. Recruiting signs hang from the windows beckoning young Americans to enlist in the armed forces of America. Come large, some small, come black, come white, we need you and need you now. Also those of you who don't come we will draft you to go and fight an enemy that threatens the American way of life. Yes, the ugly head of communism is rising everywhere. Will it rise here in our own yard or can we keep it across the sea? What is a good defense against it? That is the question on the lips of every true American. Who will accept it if given the opportunity? Nazism and fascism was successfully kept across the waters by bullets and blood. Men

of all nations fought to keep it there; some of the very ones in whose hearts flows the blood of communism were there. The white man, red man and black man were there. Yes men, guns, aircraft, boats, hard work and determination stopped that enemy.

But now comes an enemy that threatens the world who cannot be seen until he has struck, and once he has struck gone are the opportunities that once were yours and mine. The four freedoms no longer exist where this dictator rules. So let us as Americans fight and fight hard that the fangs of all isms except true Americanism shall not penetrate these shores. Let's decry the person that calls another man because of his race out of his name. Let's say down with the person or persons that practice discrimination because of race or religions. Let's let democracy be real right here at home. This is our best defense against communism.

Lincoln-Lancaster Safety Council

"Industrial safety is terrifically important and industrial accidents are far more costly than most people realize."

That was the statement of Donald Miller, state labor commissioner, in urging Nebraskans in industry to attend the manpower conservation conference in Lincoln, September 20. The meeting is sponsored by the Lincoln-Lancaster safety council.

The conference has been called in anticipation of an acute manpower problem that would confront Nebraska on the home front in case of all-out war.

He noted that accidents to inexperienced workers in World War II skyrocketed in Nebraska before adequate safety programs were put into effect. "I hope we have learned from that to be prepared beforehand so it won't happen again," he said.

As for the surprising cost of industrial accidents, he pointed out that, based on figures from the state workmen's compensation court, industrial accidents in Nebraska cost at \$12,000,000 during the year ended June 30, 1950. Of this amount and covered by insurance, there is a direct cost of \$2,250,957.85 paid in compensation, for medical attention, etc.

But far greater is the uninsurable cost in time, manpower and production that the employer loses, according to Miller. He pointed out that industrial safety experts estimate that intangible cost is approximately four times the insurable cost. That would put the year's indirect cost at well over \$10,000,000.

This cost involves the 31,974 industrial accidents during the year, 70 of them fatal. It does not, however, take into consideration



Sixty years ago the talk of Nebraska was the Grand Island Sugar Palace, erected to commemorate the birth of the state's sugar beet industry. Patterned after the Sioux City Corn Palace, the building housed an exposition devoted to the production and processing of sugar beets. A factory was already in operation in Grand Island and what developed into one of Nebraska's most important 20th century industries

The Grand Island Independent of Aug. 28, 1890 described the palace as a building "about 200 feet square, built in an artistic design."

"The interior is fantastically fixed up," it reported. "The different rooms represent the different kinds of grain and produce raised in Hall and adjoining counties. The designs are pretty and in keeping with all that is pleasing to the eye. Full sized figures have been made of grass, wheat, oats, barley, etc., and two large maps—one of Nebraska and one of the United States have been made from corn, wheat and oats, showing Grand Island in the center of the state with her immense railroad facilities, while in the United States map Nebraska is shown as the central attraction."

Sugar beets were used extensively in decorating the interior, and much of the outside ornamentation represented sugar in one form or another.

Dedicatory exercises were held Sunday afternoon, August 31st. Governor John M. Thayer and his staff were out from Lincoln to take part in the ceremonies. In the audience were many Union veterans converging on Grand

Island for their annual statewide reunion.

The state papers covered the occasion with detailed stories. All Nebraska felt justifiable pride in this manifestation in Grand Island of the prairie's productivity and the ingenuity of Nebraska's citizenry. Grand Island Mayor Platt sounded the keynote in his address of welcome when he referred to the fact that when he was a boy, central Nebraska was looked upon as nothing but a desert, unable to sustain an agricultural evidence that it forever dispelled grounds for such a belief.

Campy Makes Headlines

Roy Campanella, hit three baseballs the other day that made baseball history. A week earlier "Campy" set a record for Brooklyn right hand batters with his 24th home run.

With these three homers he joined three other Brooklyn players who also have pounded out there round trip blows in a single game. These men were: Gene Hermanski (1948); Jacques Fournier (1926) and Duke Snider, May 30, 1950. (ANP).

C.I.O. Foundation Sets Up Human Relations Fund

NEW YORK, (ANP). Trustees of the Sidney Hillman foundation have announced the allocation of \$42,500 for scholarships, grants-in-aid and prizes designed to foster closer labor-management relations and to promote the cause of democracy and world peace.

Included in the grants the \$18,000 for scholarships to six colleges and universities and \$10,000 to the University of Chicago for a two-year study of school and college text books to root out the teachings of bias.

Eight annual prizes of \$500 will be awarded for journalistic, editorial and drama treatment of subjects involving human relations and peace. Also, \$5,000 will go to the Israel refugees rehabilitation fund, and \$5,000 for the annual Hillman lecture series.

The foundation was created in honor of the late president of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, C.I.O.

From all accounts, the sugar exposition was a success. The railroads co-operated by bringing people to Grand Island from all parts of the west at excursion rates. Newspapers from all over the country carried accounts—frequently accompanied by an illustration—of the novel building on the plains.

Newcombe Wins His 15th Victory

CHICAGO, (ANP). Big Doby Newcombe pitched a steady 8-hit game to notch his 15th victory of the season last week as the Brooklyn Dodgers defeated the Chicago Cubs 8 to 2.

Hero for the Dodgers was Jackie Robinson who woke up from his slump long enough to get two singles in four times at bat and drive in four runs. Roy Campanella went hitless in four trips to the plate. Campanella also had a bad day on the field, committing one error and allowing two passed balls.

Newcombe's season record is now 15-8. He struck out seven men and gave up only one base on balls. A crowd of 19,910 fans paid to see this encounter in spite of chilly weather.

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