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A Tribute To The Negro Press

The Negro press keeps the public well informed and indeed sometime misinformed as is true of all newspapers. We must take into consideration that commentators discuss the implications and meanings of events in terms of their effects upon the community.

Negro newspapers are honest, faithful and indeed biased to the Negro's cause. In fact, the logic of their very existence compels them to be such organs. They have an influence in American life, far beyond the imagination of most people.

Opportunities for advancement in the Negro press are abundant. Skilled craftsmen, artists, writers and men of executive ability are constantly being sought by this medium. With the constantly growing economic status of the Negro population in America, opportunities are becoming even more abundant in the industry where jobs have been opened in editorial, mechanical and business departments.

The Negro press offers a challenge to the Youth of America today. It will be his task to carry on and continue to build this great institution which has had such a strong influence in shaping the lives and opening up opportunities for all of us.

The Negro press looks out upon the world as one country and mankind its citizens. It strives to remind us that as men everywhere seek freedom, there must be a growing realization that as long as men are not free everywhere, men are not free anywhere; therefore, it seeks to impress upon the Negro people

the importance of wanting and seeking integration, and participation in making and administration of the laws under which they must live on all levels. And that without such integration and participation, they are not free.

AME Zion Bishop Dies

GREENSBORO, N. C.—Bishop Edgar Benton Watson, chairman of the board of bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion church, died of a heart attack Wednesday, Jan. 17, at his home in Greensboro.

At the time of his death, the 71-year-old minister was bishop of Central North Carolina, East Tennessee and Virginia. He had previously served in Africa, Oklahoma and Texas.

Card of Thanks

Mrs. Pauline Ivory wishes to thank the many friends for the lovely dinners and other courtesies extended her son, Pfc. Butler Ivory, while on his visit home.

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by **JAMES C. OLSON**, Superintendent
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Nebraska's Governors (26)

Charles W. Bryan, who served three terms as governor (1923-25, 1931-35), though overshadowed by the commanding figure of his brother, William J., stands as one of Nebraska's most colorful political figures and an important personage in his own right.

He was born at Salem, Ill., Feb. 10, 1867. After attending Illinois College and the University of Chicago, he went to farming and the raising of purebred livestock. In 1891, he came out to Lincoln, where his older brother already had made enough of a name for himself to get elected to Congress. In Lincoln, he became manager and salesman for a manufacturing and brokerage business.

When his older brother catapulted to national prominence, Charles W. became his political secretary and business agent, a post he retained until the death of William Jennings Bryan in 1925. An important feature of this relationship was Charles W. Bryan's service as publisher and associate editor of *The Commoner*, the nationally-known publication through which William Jennings Bryan expressed his views on questions of the day.

Homer Wright Favors Far-Sighted Plan

Homer Wright, a Western Electric supervisor and president of the Elliott school P.T.A. is seeking a place on the Lincoln board of education. He says, "foresight



—Courtesy Lincoln Journal-Star

and judgment in a long-range building program to meet the crowded conditions developing in Lincoln schools is essential."

Wright is a former school teacher and school superintendent and was supervisor of adult education in St. Louis.

The primary election is April 3rd.

First Negro Salesman

COLUMBUS, O.—(ANP)—The F. and R. Lazarus company, one of the nation's leading department stores, hired its first Negro in a clerical capacity in its 100th year history. The new clerk is Ted Lewis, who has worked for the store for 27 years in the house-keeping staff and later as stock

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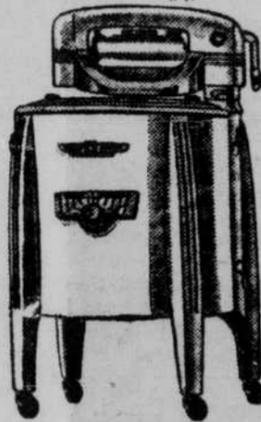
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