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Declaration of Policy

The name of this paper will be slightly changed. It will now be the "Omaha Monitor" instead of "The Monitor," as formerly. In the main, the policy of the new management will conform to that of the preceding one. The editorial policy of the Omaha Monitor shall be:

- 1—Independent in thought and action.
- 2—Liberal in attitude and interpretation.
- 3—Honest in convictions and writings.
- 4—Militant in its fight for justice.
- 5—Non-sensational in composition.
- 6—Instructive in subject matter.
- 7—Conservative in viewpoint.
- 8—Decisive in judgment.
- 9—Broad in its interests and subjects.
- 10—Free from political alliances.

G. W. H. BULLOCK, Editor.

To all who have supported this paper during this year by subscription or advertisement, we extend our sincere Greetings. No occasion in the year affords us greater joy and pleasure than this, the Great Feast of the Nativity at which time our minds are refreshed with the vivid recollection, that in this season was born our great hope of life after death.

The Christmas tide is solemn, yet filled with ecstasy and joy. Here, it happens at a season when everything is white and cold, bleak and bare. Yet the very tendrils of the trees, though bereft of all their foliage, seem to point up to the skies and say: Behold the Lamb of God. It is solemn because that Gift which came to us on this occasion placed upon us a responsibility commensurate with the opportunities it afforded us. It imposed upon us a duty and a mission which our poor, feeble hands must acknowledge their inability to perfectly perform. We are penitent, therefore, because of our shortcomings during the past year. Because we have left undone so many things we ought to have done and done so many things we ought to have left undone.

But when we awake to the realization that we are spared the time to rectify those mistakes we have made and to improve upon that wasted effort and energy, we swell with the joy of the season in the determination that we shall go forth in the new year with renewed hope and vigor to do more.

We take this occasion to thank our many subscribers and advertisers, as well as those who have wished us well, for their interest and support which made it possible for us to extend to you this our fourteenth Annual Greeting while we still live. We owe to you our nourishment and growth, and concede what progress we have made to your support. For this we beg to render our sincere thanks.

We call attention of our readers to the special Greetings of the season from those constant advertisers which spot these pages. They show by this that they not only solicit your trade, but are willing to prove it by giving due recognition to your advertising mediums. They proceed upon the philosophy, that after all, business is a give and take proposition. That in order to make us worthy customers, they must afford us, so far as they need our mediums, an opportunity to make money so that we can spend money. That nobody can spend money if they have no way of making it. That their business is built and maintained upon a credit and pay system. That if we have the means whereby to make our living, we will also have means to pay our bills. This is sound philosophy. This will draw the trade. We make this remark because it is not unusual that we are confronted with positive and absolute refusals on part of some merchants to use our newspapers for advertising purposes, while at the same time they are frankly anxious for our patronage. We are often told that "Chicago Headquarters" or "New York Headquarters" or "London Headquarters" restrict them to the use of the big dailies for advertising purposes. We have never, however, found one to tell us that these foreign "Headquarters" have ever decreed that they should restrict their patronage to any certain race or group.

If this policy is true, then there is left but one loyal and sensible course for our people to follow. They should reason it out thus: If two merchants are advertising the same line of merchandise—say radios—at the same price and of the same quality. One of them uses the Colored papers as well as the dailies for advertising. The other confines his business to the dailies. It is our duty to buy these goods from that merchant who shows by his ads that he recognizes your institution as worth while to use, and that he is thereby giving some of us something with which to help purchase the merchandise which said merchant has to sell us. This is common sense. This is our common duty. Let us do this. This is just what we shall be driven to do unless this policy is changed. We hope this course will not be necessary. We wish you a Merry Christmas.

EDITOR.

CLARKE G. POWELL

We pause here in the midst of our Christmas joy to pay homage to our beloved departed dead.

Omaha has lost one of its foremost and most energetic sons and community builders in the unexpected death of Clarke G. Powell, commissioner of the Chamber of Commerce. Born and reared in Omaha, Mr. Powell loved and had unbounded faith in the city of his nativity and was active in promoting its best interests. He was among the first, if not the first, to introduce the automobile business here. He promoted automobile shows which quickened the industry. He encouraged aviation and whatever place Omaha may attain as an airport, it ought not be forgotten that it is largely due to the vision and foresight of Clarke G. Powell. Chosen commissioner of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce at a critical period of its existence, he tackled his big job with his wonted energy, faith and optimism and speedily energized its life and activities. Whatever Clarke G. Powell's hand found to do he did it heartily with all his might. But what endeared him most to all who knew him was his whole-souled warm-heartedness and friendliness. There was nothing of the snob about him. He valued men for what they were, not for what they had. He was a believer in and an exponent of the square deal. And that's why all who came in contact with him, high and low, rich and poor, black and white, were strongly attached to him. Devoted to his business duties and to his family, he was not unmindful of his religious duties. For years he was a faithful vestryman of Trinity Cathedral parish and was proud of the fact that it was his privilege to serve his Church in the same capacity as had his grandfather and his father before him. Called away at the early age of 52, Clarke G. Powell will be sadly missed by the community which he served faithfully as a loyal son. Humanly speaking, his early and untimely demise is a great loss to this city.

HOWARD EXONERATED

The Monitor rejoices over the fact that Perry W. Howard, former national committeeman from Mississippi and assistant United States attorney, has been exonerated by a federal jury of the charge of conspiracy in selling federal patronage. It will be recalled that The Monitor took the position that the indictment of Howard was a mere political trick, wholly un-

worthy of the traditions of the republican party, to eliminate him from political leadership in deference to the policy of the lily whites. Now that Howard has been exonerated of the charge, we are wondering if he will be restored to his position in the attorney-general's office. We wonder if he will be restored to his political prestige.

CONGRATULATIONS

We take off our hats to the "Nashville Globe" in its remarkable edition of last week. A 76-page paper is no feat to be sneezed at. We are usually very cheery when we can produce an eight "pager" in these parts.

It goes to show what co-operation can do. The advertisements which made such an edition possible shows the good will and spirit local firms and people have in the success of newspaper efforts.

Few dailies are able to get that far and live. We again doff our hats—if we have any—to the management of the "Nashville Globe" for its splendid twenty-fifth Anniversary number. May you go still higher.

NEW DEPOT

Omaha is to have a new Union station. Work is to begin upon it in the early spring. Thus has been brought to a successful termination the efforts of thirty odd years, which demonstrates the wisdom of knowing what a city needs and then going persistently after it. This is also true of individuals and races. We would have preferred to have seen a new site chosen for the depot nearer the business center, but the chief thing is getting a Union depot. Omaha is on the upgrade.



The board of directors of the Central association Y. W. C. A. and the committee of management of the North Side branch, held their annual luncheon meeting at the branch, Wednesday afternoon at 12:30. Miss Margie L. Danley, executive secretary of the branch, was the luncheon speaker.

The committee on colored work also met on Wednesday afternoon.

Don't fail to attend the Christmas vesper service in charge of the North Side Girl Reserves. The beautiful candle ceremonial, "The Feast of Lights" will be a feature probably never before seen at the North Side branch. The Girl Reserves are putting forth every effort to make this vesper service one to be remembered for a long time. The following program is to be rendered:

1. Processional, "Silent Night," accompanied on the piano by Miss Catherine Williams.
2. Call to Worship.
3. Hymn, "O Come All Ye Faithful" (Sung in Latin).
4. Responsive Reading, led by Miss May Caldwell.
5. Prayer.
6. The Christmas message, Miss Josephine Martin.
7. Ceremonial, "The Feast of Lights," Narrator, Miss Margie L. Danley.
8. Benediction.

The Up-to-Date club and the Blue Ribbon club, both hgrade school Reserve clubs, have combined forces in doing their bit of Christmas service and are planning to sing a group of Christmas carols for the inmates of the Colored Old People's Home. Their is to be a group of 25 or 30 girls singing.

Miss Alice E. Hunter, office assistant at the branch, has been elected to serve as secretary of the Girls' council of the Young Women's Christian association of Omaha.

Class Announcements

Opportunity School closed, December 19th, to reopen January 2, for the holidays.

Gymnasium class closed Friday, December 21. Registrations for the next semester will be taken.

Art class registrations are also being taken. Don't overlook this interesting class.

Public speaking class, second semester, will begin the second Friday in January.

N. W. C. A. NOTES

In Memory of John H. Broomfield

With the coming of Christmas, the inmates of the Negro Old Folks' Home minds go back to John H. Broomfield, who every year made it possible for them to enjoy a real Christmas dinner. Not only did he furnish them with a turkey, but every thing that went with it, and also contributed largely to the support of the home. The question in the minds of the members of the house committee is, who is going to fulfill the noble precedent set by our devoted and beloved deceased John H. Broomfield? He is gone, but not forgotten.

N. W. C. A.

The house committee will have a Christmas tree for the inmates of the home Wednesday night, December 26. All who will give tokens for them notify Mrs. Charles H. Hicks, 2530 Maple street, or the home. We have four inmates, two women, and two men.

The home now has a capable housekeeper in the person of Mrs. Mattie Mizner. The ladies of the association have given the home a thorough cleaning before Christmas.

their sympathy with beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. Ada Holmes leaves for Wyoming Thursday, December 20, to join her husband.

Mrs. Marian H. Duncan and Dr. A. B. Moss were united in marriage by Rev. John Adams at the parsonage Saturday. The doctor and wife are at home at 501 South Ninth street.

Mrs. Marie Copeland will leave on Friday for Pueblo, Colo., to visit her mother and friends during the holidays.

Mr. C. R. Johnson is back at work after several days of confinement at home with flu.

Mr. A. D. Knowles has returned to his work at the Cornhusker hotel after an illness of about six weeks.

Mr. Chris C. Stith was confined with illness the past week.

Ella N. Botts was confined to her bed with illness this week.

The Davis Women's club held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Ada Holmes, Sunday afternoon and some important business was transacted.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH

The Christmas services at the Episcopal Church of St. Philip the Deacon will be as follows: Midnight mass, Christmas eve, beginning on the stroke of 12. Holy Communion at 8 a. m. Christmas morning, and full service at 11.

LINCOLN NEWS

Mrs. Mary Layer died at a local hospital Wednesday at 5:30 a. m. from the effects of a serious operation performed on her several weeks past. She leaves as survivors six children, one sister, two brothers, and a host of lesser kin. She was an active member of Mount Zion Baptist church.

The funeral was held in Mount Zion Baptist church Friday at 2:30 p. m., Rev. H. W. Botts officiating. A host of friends and relatives attended the funeral and expressed

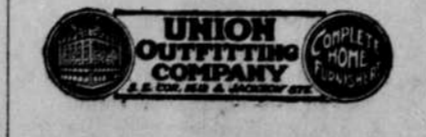
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Mrs. Katie Graves was reported on the sick list.

Services were held at all the local churches Sunday, and splendid gospel sermons were delivered by the pastors.

LOUISIANA METHODISTS RAISE \$1,200 FOR SCHOOL

New Orleans, La., Dec. 21 (ANP).—The next annual meeting of the Louisiana African Methodist Episcopal conference will be held in Kentwood, La. This was decided at the session just closed in this city Saturday when the 50th anniversary of Bishop Parks was fittingly celebrated. A plea for funds for the Armstrong Industrial and Literary college at Alexandria, La., was made by Bishop R. C. Ransom, which resulted in the collection of \$1,200. One of the strong pleas made by the bishop was that it was necessary to train teachers for the school of Louisiana.

PEACEMAKER LOSES LIP

New Orleans, La., Dec. 21 (ANP).—Hester Mitchell lost her lower lip Sunday afternoon when she tried to quiet Frank Gatton, her brother-in-law, who was fighting several members of the family while under the influence of bad liquor. Gatton bit the woman's lip off.

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