

# "Johnny Horton's Political DOPE"

by John Benj. Horton, Jr.

## WELL FOLKS—

A VERY FINE SLATE ENDORSED BY DOUGLAS COUNTY VOTERS' LEAGUE.

## THE FUNCTION OF POLITICAL LEADERSHIP!

One of the most outstanding services that the Douglas County Voters League has rendered to the voting populace of Omaha, recently, has been to announce the very fine and Johnny Horton representative "slate" of six candidates.

These men chosen are namely: Mr. Roy N. Towl, Mr. W. W. Carmichael, Mr. John Hopkins, Mr. Harry Trustin, Mr. Richard W. Jepsen and Mr. Blaine Young. It might be of interest to the colored people of Omaha to know that these men have pledged us our pro-rata of employment in all positions and jobs if elected. These men are business men fully equipped with the good and sound business judgment so necessary toward the conduct of the business of running the Corporation of Omaha.

The function of political leadership is to lead; not to leave action paralyzed because public opinion is confused and distracted. We must start and start quickly upon a program of re-employment.

We must realize that there is a new economic order and to realize it peacefully, is the central equipment for modern Statesmanship.

One European writer said recently: "I cannot say that I am in the slight-

est degree impressed by your big-gness or your material resources as such. Size is not grandeur; and territory does not make a nation. The great issue, about which hangs a true sublimity and the terror of a over-hanging fate, is, what are you going to do with all of these things? What is to be the end to which these are to be the means?"

Now, folks, to speak of poverty amidst plenty and alternating days of feast and famine perhaps hints at the essential for which we go about the task of conquering the damnable "dragon" unemployment.

Writer's Note: Watch this column every week and you will read the truth exposed politically wherever warranted, regardless of political connections.

Lieut-Governor of Nebraska



Walter H. Jurgensen

## A NEW FIGURE UPON NEBRASKA'S POLITICAL HORIZON

by J. R. LOWELL

When Mr. Jurgensen was down with the influenza just prior to the opening of the legislature, his physician ordered him to a hospital. Just as soon as he was able to be out of bed, however, the doctor would not "stay put." The doctor or the nurses usually had to make a tour of the rooms on his floor in order to find him. Being of an extremely sociable nature and of an inquiring turn of mind as well, he was on friendly terms and had visited with most of the other patients in the hospital within a few days.

Another incident reflecting his "intensely human" nature occurred when in company with the man of letters already mentioned he visited recently with parnets (now living at Madison). The lieutenant governor stopped at a Madison meat market and purchased a generous supply of steak. After the usual demonstration of family affection, the son, "shooed" his mother out of the kitchen and proceeded to prepare supper himself. The professor remembers that visit in particular because Jurgensen "roped him in" to dry the dishes while he (Jurgensen) washed them.

The first thing Mr. Jurgensen thinks of when returning to Lincoln from even an overnight's absence is to call home. He has four good reasons, —Mrs. Jurgensen, Billy and Mary, nine-year old twins; and Dorothy.

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two years old. He is immensely popular with the other youngsters of his neighborhood as well as with his own. There is football team made up of neighborhood boys that will swear by him. He furnished them with helmets. Not only that, but a picnic for all the boys and girls in the neighborhood has been given by Mr. Jurgensen for so many years that it has become an annual event and an institution. And it is a toss-up over who has the most fun at these affairs, the children or Jurgensen.

Politically the lieutenant governor is a democrat of the independent stamp. He is original, for a man in politics, in that he wastes no time in oratory or spell-binding and would rather "take a licking" than listen to it. His idea of good government is action when and where needed with the power of authority behind it, and he has little use for such frills as committees and bureaus.

Mr. Jurgensen has exhibited good judgment and taste during the short time he has held public office. He has refused to make an attempt to take over the reins of state government, knowing that such a move might add to the governor's present worries and ill health. "The people of Nebraska elected Mr. Bryan governor and I think it would be presumptuous on my part to attempt to usurp the gubernatorial seat," he declares.

Again, when besieged by the usual throng of office seekers and "fair weather" friends, Mr. Jurgensen demonstrated his ability to say "NO." He is essentially a business man and it goes against his grain to see a lot of unnecessary or unqualified employees on a pay roll, even if that pay roll happens to come from tax funds. Here are a few additional pertinent facts and character glimpses of the lieutenant governor:

He is as nearly "self made" as it is possible for a man to be.

He is six feet four inches in height weighs 249 pounds, and carries no surplus weight.

He owns his own home in Lincoln and, in his own words, "supports a farm in Boyd county."

He belongs to an informal club made up largely of men older than himself and including a number of college professors, who meet periodically to discuss politics, affairs of state and the world at large, abstruse problems of human conduct, philosophy, et cetera. These gatherings usually break up in the wee small hours of the morning, so engrossed do the members become in their discussions.

He spends considerable time in his library which contains more than 2,000 volumes including "heavy" treatises on philosophy, political science, economics, psychology, mental hygiene, etc., and a complete set of all the messages of all the presidents of the United States.

He is sparing with his words, saying what he has to say in as few words as possible.

He is a good marksman with either a rifle or a pistol.

He has gained a reputation in his own business world of being a good business man and a good salesman.

He is an outdoor man despite his love of books and informed discussion. He plays golf occasionally and is an inveterate hunter and fisher, although he hunts and fishes more for the love of being out of doors than for the game he bags. In fact he might come under the category of "nature lover."

He is a good piano player although he can't read music.

He has the happy faculty of inspiring loyalty in his friends and employees.

He has no faith in political panaceas and believes that the best way to govern a city, a state or a nation, is to "keep down the expenses of government, and give the natural laws a chance to work."

EVERY COLORED BAND, in Omaha will perform for their special friends at the Annual Musician's Clinic—March 27th at Dreamland Hall.

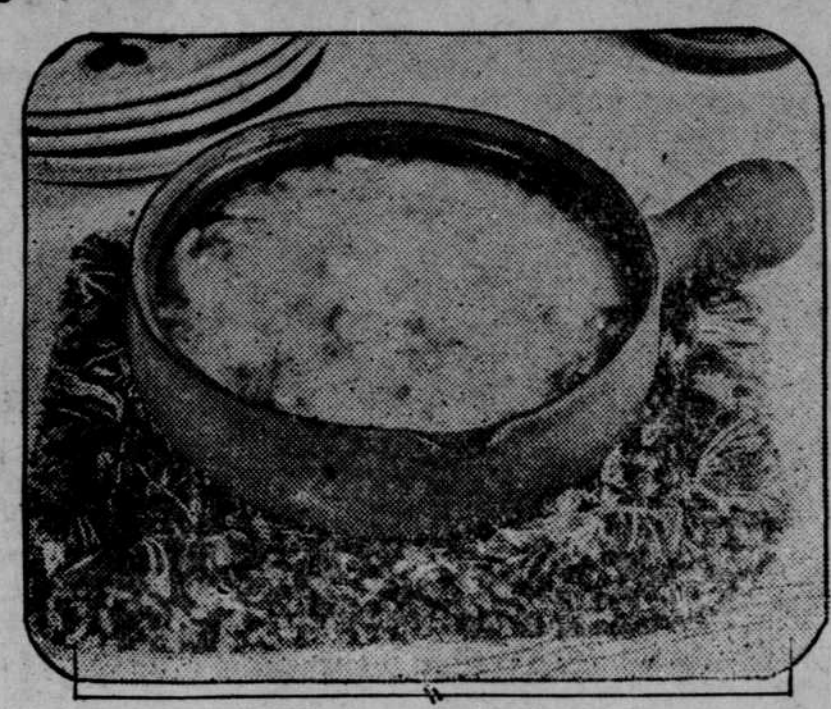
"CAP" FOYE IN COMMISSIONER RACE

One of the political surprises of the present city campaign was the filing for commissioner of W. J. "Cap" Foye, but a still greater surprise, according to his supporters, is the general response to his first battle of the ballot.

"Cap" Foye, who received his military nickname through nine years service in the Nebraska National Guard back in the Nineties, when he was lieutenant in the Thurston Rifles and captain of the Omaha Guards, has been in business in Omaha for more than 40 years. He is married and has a family of three grown daughters; is a Mason and an Elk.

"Cap" Foye is said to be exceptionally well known and well liked among colored employees of the Country, Omaha and Field Clubs.

## LENT STARS CHEESE!



By MARYE DAHNKE Director of Home Economics Kraft Cheese Institute.

"Little cabbage" To the French it's a term of endearment—but to the average American it's just lowly vegetable to be served when there isn't company for dinner.

No one in this country has ever fully appreciated the menu-possibilities and palate satisfactions inherent in that lowly vegetable the cabbage. All that this alphan among vegetables really needs is a bit of thoughtful attention in cooking. Combining it artfully in a casserole dish with a succulent cheese sauce will turn it into a dish for gourmets to dream about.

The Lenten season offers ample opportunity for creating casserole dishes par excellence. American cheese always a menu-favorite, can be put to so many delicious Lenten uses it should be a part of the daily cuisine. The rich, golden smoothness of American cheese, cooked in casserole with fish or familiar winter vegetables

## "What Others Say"

Omaha, Nebr., March 14, 1933.

Dear Editor: Every Negro citizen should interest himself in the coming election of city commissioners. He is a member and a part of this large corporation. The City of Omaha, His money paid out in taxes goes to finance the management of this great City in which he lives and by which his property and person are safe guarded.

During this period of depression the Negro has suffered more financially than any other group of people. Because of the unfair attitude which has been adopted toward him in the field of labor, experience in the last three years shows that he is the first to be fired and the last to be hired. Because he has suffered more financially many of his homes have been lost because of his inability to pay his taxes. He should therefore be the first to support those candidates who pledge themselves to an efficient and economical administration, lower taxation and no more bond issues except in the case of emergencies unless by a vote of the people.

He should understand that in order to have efficiency and economy in government it is necessary to select men of experience, and especially men who have had sound business training and experience, for after all the management of our City is simply the management of a big business concern.

He should remember that the men selected to represent him are the servants of the public and that he deposits with them money with which to carry on the management of city affairs. Therefore it is for his further benefit to select men of honesty.

One of the most important facts for the Negro to keep in mind is the fact that he is a Negro, but as a Negro he is just as much a citizen of the City of Omaha as any other person of whatever race he may be; that as a citizen of Omaha he is entitled to all of the rights and privileges of a citizen; that no partiality should be shown to any group of citizens in any municipal institution, and that he as a citizen is entitled to an equal proportion of city employment.

It is further necessary for the Negro to remember that his right to vote is his greatest weapon of self defense. That in order to get the greatest amount of protection and benefit from the use of this weapon, it is necessary for him to concentrate his entire vote behind those candidates who in addition to an efficient and economical administration also stand for equal opportunity and fairplay for all in the management of city affairs and institutions.

Because of the number of candidates and the confusion which seems to exist in this present campaign, a council of five Negroes with headquarters located at 2405 Lake Street has been formed to study and ascertain the attitude of the numerous candidates, and to use their best judgment in recommending to the colored people those to whom they should give their support. The members of this council are Mr. H. L. Anderson, Mr. Andrew Stuart, Dr. John A. Singleton, Mr. John Woods, and Attorney John Adams, Jr. It is the purpose of this council through the cooperation of other Negro organizations to concentrate the Negro vote behind those candidates who stand for safe, sound, honest, efficient and economical gov-

ernment; equal consideration and fair play to all.

The first candidate to be endorsed by this council is Commissioner John Hopkins, whose record in office is one of efficiency and economy, and who has always maintained a fair and impartial attitude toward the Negro citizen. It was under his administration of the Finance Department that the first colored stenographer was appointed in the Finance office at the City Hall. Since he has been in charge of the Police Department, two colored police officers have been promoted to the rank of detectives.

Yours truly, John Woods, Dr. John A. Singleton, H. L. Anderson, Andrew Stuart, Atty. John Adams, Jr. by John Adams, Jr., Sec'y.

## "This and That..."

BY CLIFFORD C. MITCHELL

HELLO FOLKS! EVERYWHERE,

If you have been a reader of "THIS AND THAT" in the Chicago Sunday Bee at any time since July 1931 we are well acquainted and this column, now syndicated nationally, needs no introduction.

Or, if you have been a reader of "Digesting the News" that has appeared weekly, for nearly three years in our papers all over the country; my weekly BOOK COMMENTS; "PRISONS and PRISONERS"; "KILBY" and other features in the forty-odd publications of the Southern Newspaper Syndicate; magazine sketches that have appeared in *Timely Digest*; short sketches in *Tatler*; short stories in the *Philadelphia Tribune*, and *The Bronzeman*, then, this column, if followed from week to week, will keep you posted on the personal happenings of this columnist, now—and in the years to come.

This column, on the basis of national reader-distribution, instead of localized, will acknowledge from week to week, and perhaps quote from, important communications; books; magazines; "exchanges"; etc. And also give thanks to the many individuals and firms who are cooperating with me and to whom it is impossible for me to write.

So much for the introduction! While everyone at Washington was busy on the inaugural affairs, Dr. Algernon B. Jackson, of Howard University, and ANP, columnist, took time to write: "\*\*\*\*You review of Jim and Mr. Ed. dy (Dr. Jackson is the author went over big. I saw it in many papers

and wish to thank you for the same. \*\*\*A few days ago I took dinner with our mutual friend "Billboard" Jackson (U. S. Dept. of Commerce) and we talked at length about you and your work. \*\*\* We all look forward to having you with us soon. I am certain a great future in journalism awaits you.\*\*\*

Thanks to the Washington Tribune, the first paper in the east to use any of my releases (August 1930) for the editorial comment on my "Prisons and Prisoners" releases.

Just a paragraph will be quoted from the letter of John S. Melden, president of the Defender Laborator, New York:

"\*\*\*\*We want to compliment you on your efforts and must say that you certainly have done a very fine job in compiling, and we want to thank you for the splendid cooperation rendered.\*\*\*"

D. Walter Thompson, journalist of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, sends me a thousand word feature sketch on my own journalistic efforts for my approval, before using in the Edmonton Daily Journal. Sort of a "Home Boy Makes Good" sketch. Yes

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Some interesting reading of the week: Effie Heard's (Columbus, Ohio) report in the January-February Shining Light Survey; "Black and White" by Vladimir Mayakovsky in the Feb. New Masses; "A. L. Bachelors' article in the March Rosicrucian Digest; "Dr. Rudolph Fisher's story, "Guardian of the Law", and the Harmon Awards sketch in March Opportunity; "Father Couglin's, "Gold-Private or Public" release; "my Kilby "Fun", and "Narrow Escapes" sketches in the SNS papers; "The Dunjee-Chisum controversy over Congressman Oscar DePriest in the Oklahoma Black Dispatch; "sketch of William L. Dawson in the Literary Digest; "return of "Social Comments" column in the Boston Chronicle; "Roger Didier's ANP release on "Character in Big Leagues"; digging through the Daily Journal records received from the Michigan State Senate; "And col. umns of Inaugural, and Bank data.

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