

AMERICA WILL GET ITS 'MAN ON HORSEBACK'

By Dr. Thompson, O. U. Prof.

America will get its "man on horseback" when a majority of the people lose their desire for independence and their spirit of competition.

The psychologist declared that the present era is witnessing the most widespread degradation of character and personality among all classes of a city which history records.

Dr. Thompson admitted that the situation is not altogether hopeless. He cited the recent popularity of the novel, "Gone With The Wind," as evidence that Americans still admire the spirit of individualism.

He thinks the ten million readers of the best-seller were probably attracted by the character of Scarlett, a woman who remained the master of her world rather than its victim.

"We will get dictatorship when a majority of our people lose that urge to be independent, when they lose their personal responsibility and power and have stifled their competitive personalities."

The University of Omaha professor explained the term "competitive personality" as meaning "the desire to be independent and to work out one's own destiny. It is the willingness and the ambition to compete against difficulties, economic and personal. It includes all those values we associate with the pioneer spirit."

"As personalities become weaker they become more receptive to the promises of politicians who would give them the abundant life in return for little effort."

"The breakdown of the competitive personality is typified by the growing tendency of individuals to shift their responsibilities in their readiness to lean upon government and upon society."

"Even the high school or college graduate too often shows a bankruptcy of spirit, an attitude of defeatism, in his expectation of becoming a ward of the government."

An antidote to this "bankruptcy of spirit" Dr. Thompson recommends that Americans relearn a less taught them in kindergarten: "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again."

"Our problem today is one of educating men and women back to the desire to use their own intelligence and will power rather than shifting their burdens to others."

"We should teach our children to compete with one another, in their games and in their play and in their work. We should compete against our selves, against our own best efforts. Competition against one's self is one of the finest expressions of the competitive spirit."

\$1,143,324

Lincoln, Neb., May 11—The Nebraska Unemployment compensation division announced today that collections received during the last calendar quarter amounted to \$1,143,324.

Benefit payments for the first quarter of 1939, which was the first quarter in which benefits were payable under the Nebraska law, amounted to \$494,719.

During the month of March, 28,244 weeks of total unemployment of eligible Nebraska claimants were compensated by the payment of \$240,995, or an average of \$8.53 per weekly benefit check.

Nervous, Weak, Ankles Swollen?

Much nervousness is caused by an excess of acids and poisons due to functional kidney and bladder disorders which may also cause Getting Up Nights, Burning Passages, Swollen Joints, Backache, Circles Under Eyes, Excess Acidity, Leg Pains and Dizziness.

10,000 Trained Workers



The Recreation Program of the Works Progress Administration has spread from crowded city neighborhoods to villages and hamlets in remote communities.

Back of the success of this vast program are wide-awake Advisory Councils composed of representatives of church, educational and fraternal organizations.

about the country. Pictured here are young and older participants in the wholesome leisure-time activities carried on in the Recreation Program of the WPA.

Healthy play in the fresh air and bright sunshine engages the children pictured to the lower left. Adults have their place in the recreation program of the WPA as shown by the man at work (center photo) on a marmette which will delight hundreds of spectators viewing puppet shows.

plying their talents in a recreation center art class taught by instructors in the leisure-time program of the WPA.

intended for all of us, on the theory that the best is none too good for the American people."

During March alone, benefits in the 49 states and territories making payments amounted to nearly \$49,000,000, an increase of close to 41 per cent over the previous month.

Unemployment benefits are now being paid in all but two states, Illinois and Montana, and these will begin their benefit-payment programs in July.

New York paid out over \$11,600,000 in March, or almost a quarter of the total payments made during the month.

The average weekly benefit for total unemployment in March ranged from \$15.37 in Alaska to \$5.25 in Mississippi.

During the month of March, 5,314 initial claims for benefits were received in the central office of the Nebraska division.

The increase in the volume of additional claims during the month of March was due to the fact that, after March 18, wage credits earned during the fourth calendar quarter of 1938 were available for redetermination of benefit rights.

The total number of continued claims received during March, including waiting period claims filed was 36,277, or approximately the same number received during February.

Out of 22,341 new claims disposed of during January, February and March, 1939, 2,690 or 12

per cent, excluding labor disputes were reopened for reconsideration by the Unemployment Compensation division at the request of the claimant or the employer.

Standard Furnace Supply

MEMBER NATIONAL WARM AIR HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING ASSOCIATION

Simple, inexpensive ways of lowering the temperature inside the home in a summer heat wave are now easy to find, says a bulletin of the National Warm Air Heating and Air Conditioning Association.

The climate with which you are dealing naturally makes a difference. One type of cooling may be best for a region where the summer is short but with occasional severe heat waves, and another where there is a long warm season with no marked climaxes.

The simplest, least costly and most widely adaptable method involves only the use of cool night air drawn into and circulated through the house in the existing ducts of the warm air heating system by the forced-air blower fan.

The next step is the use of cooling coils with water from the house supply. This requires careful checking beforehand both to make sure the water temperature does not exceed about 60 degrees F., that the supply is ample and that the used circulating water can be readily disposed of.

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ALUMNI HEAD



PROF. F. D. MOON

Who will receive his M. A. degree in School Administration from the University of Chicago this Spring, is president of the Langston University Alumni Association, which has more than 500 members.

Calvin's Newspaper Service TESTED RECIPE

JAM your shelves with jams and preserves as the various fruits and berries ripen. It may mean a little work now, but a well-filled preserve closet is a mighty fine friend during the cold winter months.

DO YOU REMEMBER

RACE HORSE DOPE

I told you last week how some people place a bet on two horses in the same race with great success. It can be done. Horses to watch are recently claimed horses.

Frequently a claimed horse is shipped to another track. Watch entries carefully at all tracks for horses that have been claimed.

I was in the Bluffs Tuesday. I noticed quite a number of the female sex playing the ponies. Some was doing right well for themselves and some were just getting their post knowledge back after a year lay-off for it is only 21 more days before they will be off at dear old Aksarben.

- 1. Brown Bertha
2. Omar Fox
3. It's Keene
1. Poly Royal
2. Jerry Flirt
3. Quick Look
1. High Bottom
2. Hoeking
3. What a Pal
1. Lanell
2. Favoritia
3. Miss Effie
1. His Girl

- 2. Klister
3. Upset McCaw
6. 1. Elstree
2. Ray Oro
3. Walter B.
7. 1. Paekage
2. Wazayata
3. Alva Coventry

I do hope Mr. W. W. Sims, Mr. Vernon Blackwell and Mr. Estelle have as much luck this year as they had last year beating the ponies they wow them.

Richard Stanley

ECONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS

By FLOYD J. CALVIN (Listed by Editor and publisher)

VICTORY

The world listened to Marian Anderson Sunday, singing from the Lincoln Memorial in Washington. Her appearance represented final and complete victory over the Daughters of the American Revolution who refused the use of Constitution Hall for her recital.

Those who were fortunate enough to hear Miss Anderson on Sunday testify with one accord that she never sang better; that her voice moved to tears. The daily press heralded the event, in both story and pictures.

step forward in this field has been taken by the Supreme Liberty Life of Chicago. Some time ago the North Carolina Mutual adopted the policy of being more generous in placing advertising in the press, and the example of this progressive Durham concern, which deservedly is the leader in its field, is bearing fruit with other companies.

But our belief is that the Negro insurance companies, on the whole, are not yet spending money with the newspapers in the proper proportion—in proportion to their ability, in proportion to the returns they might receive and in proportion to the appreciation they should show for the Negro press, in season and out, advocating such an attitude toward Negro business on the part of the public that makes possible the continued growth of these companies.

Air Pilots

Our thanks and congratulations are extended to Mr. Edgar G. Brown, president of the United Government Employees of Washington, D. C., who made the brilliant and successful fight to have special provision included in the National Defense Act which directs that Negro air pilots shall be trained for the U. S. Army.

Instead of resting on his oars, Mr. Brown has already launched a new fight to achieve the same victory for the race in the U. S. Navy. He has already appeared before the Senate Committee on Naval Affairs, and received, according to the printed record of the hearings, a respectful audience and made a fine impression.

The new fight is to have the law direct that the Secretary of the Navy order the training of colored pilots at specific locations. Of course we hope that Mr. Brown wins again. It is a race fight, and the race needs this new victory.

DOUGHERTY MOURNS PASSING OF MUSICALS AND REVUES

New York, May 11 (C)—Romeo L. Dougherty, former sports and theatrical editor and known as "Dean of the East" in journalism mourns the passing of musical and revues in the Current issue of "The Negro Actor," organ of the Negro Actors Guild of America. Mr. Dougherty is living in retirement at his home, 108-34 Union Hall street, Jamaica, N. Y.