



Reading from left to right: William H. Gray, Jr., president Florida Agricultural and Mechanical College; Horace Mann Bond, president, Lincoln University, Pennsylvania; and Jesse B. Blayton, vice president, Citizens Trust Company, Atlanta, Georgia. This distinguished committee selected the first time this year.

COPPOCK FREE OF CHARGES

Bluffs Jury Clears Him in Five Hours
Russell Coppock, 35, Pacific Junction, (Ia) teacher and coach, Thursday was freed by a Pottawattamie County District Court jury after 5 hours and 18 minutes of deliberation.

Mr. Coppock returned to his high school teaching duties on Friday. He said: "It makes you feel good. I'd like to take a holiday now, but I feel I should get back on my job."

The charge against him was unlawful assembly. It grew out of his alleged attempts last fall to interfere with Mayor John J. Lutter's order that a Negro itinerant should get out of town "within an hour or go to jail."

A Mills County Justice of the Peace jury had found Mr. Coppock guilty. He was fined \$25 and costs along with five other persons facing the same charge.

America on Trial
He appealed. They didn't. He was granted a charge of venue to Pottawattamie County Court.

The jury Thursday came in at 10:08 p.m. It was the wind-up to three days of arguments touching on racial prejudice, civil liberties and limitations of the legal duties of public servants.

Paul James of Des Moines, Mr. Coppock's attorney, said in his closing argument: "Mr. Coppock is not on trial here. It is America."



Help Celebrate His Birthday By Purchasing Booker Washington Memorial Half Dollars

Booker Washington Birthplace, Va., April 3, 1948—More than 90 years ago this month a Negro baby was born to a slave mother on the Old Burroughs Plantation in Franklin County, Va. This infant was destined to play such an important part in the affairs of men that his name was to be written in the Hall of Fame among those of America's immortals.

This Negro baby was Booker T. Washington. Because of his large contributions to our American way of life in the fields of Education, of Health, of Industry, of Religion, of Business, and of Interracial Good-will, the nation has time and again paid tribute to his memory.

Two of the most recent of these tributes have been made in connection with the movement to establish at his birthplace a "Service Memorial" built in keeping with the guiding principle of his life—Helpfulness towards others.

These tributes were the coinage of 5 million Booker T. Washington Memorial half dollars and the establishment of a post office known as the Booker Washington Birthplace, Virginia, at the site of his birth. In paying these tributes, the 79th Congress which authorized the minting of the memorial half dollars, and the Post Office Department were laying the foundation for Americans of all races and creeds to join hands to do honor to a man who has directly or indirectly contributed to the success of millions of our lives.

BRILLIANT COMMENTATOR FOR INDEPENDENT N. Y. STATION WOV, IS BROADCASTING 5 DAYS A WEEK

New York City (CNS)—The future of the Negro woman is indissolubly linking with trends affecting the nation and the world. Her battle is the battle engaged all people who believe in progress and in equal freedom.

True it is that her status in America is not equal to that of the white woman and her part, therefore, cannot be played in precisely the same terms. There are handicaps imposed on her which are beyond her control and which millions of truly democratic whites have struggled in vain to remove from her path.

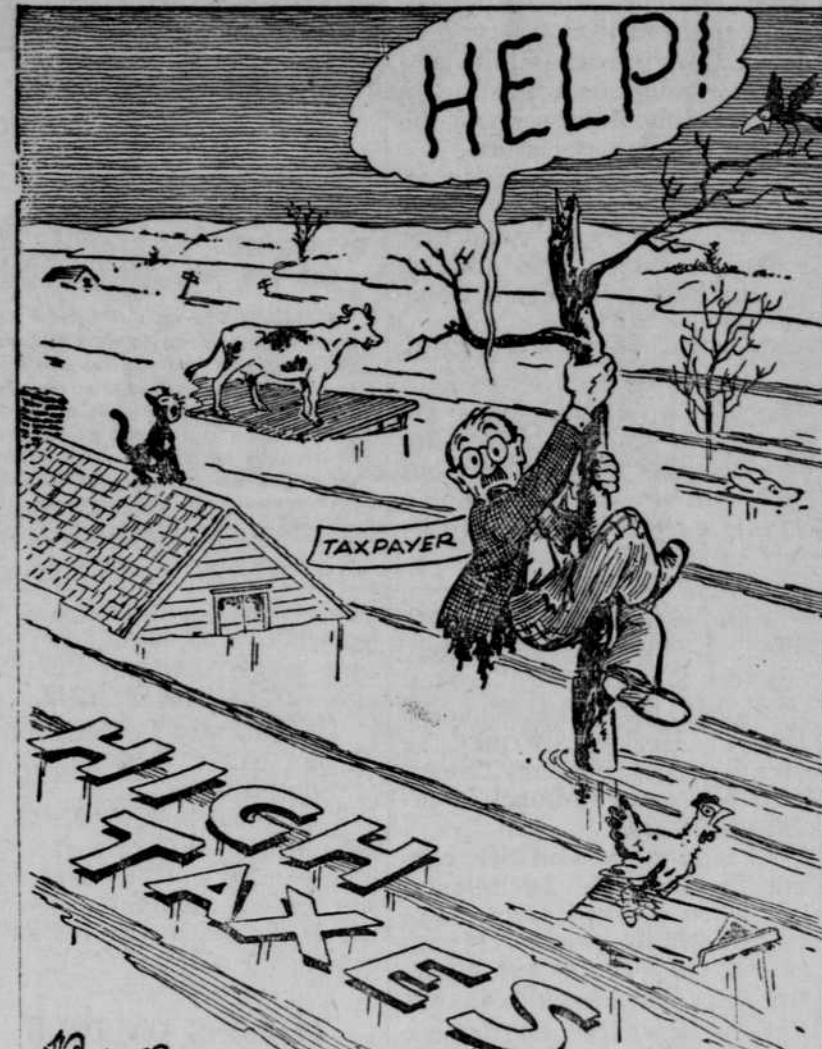
The major issue is world security, without which there can be no return to the ways of peace. In the age of atomic weapons, security cannot be established by any device other than trust and sincerity between the nations possessing these weapons.

The road to international understanding is a long one. Treaties between powers are not shortcuts to it; they are merely bridges which wash out easily in a storm.

However, the goals we seek on the international plane, must first be achieved at home. All Americans must become aware of the fact that there is such a thing as being citizens of the world. It must become the aim of our school to bring

men and to the entire community, the more will she break down the racial barriers. Some times, in her passionate desire to work for her own people she can, unwittingly, raise those barriers by making others over-conscious of them.

SPRING FLOODS



At the polls, the Negro woman has already proven her worth, but she can and must do more. In those sections of the country where she enjoys full rights as a citizen, it is important that not one single member of her race be absent on registration day or on election day.

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

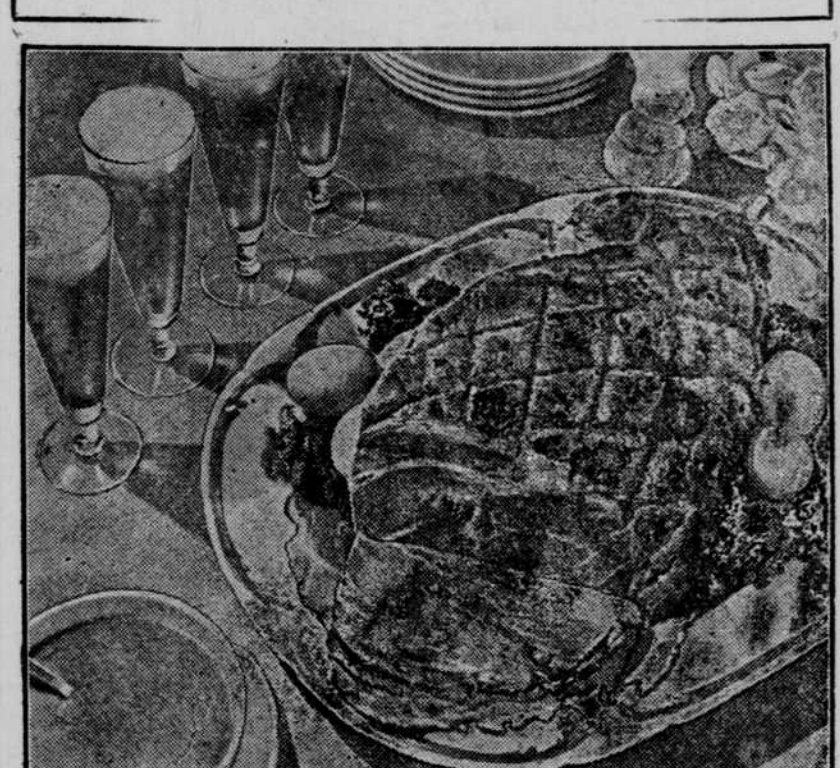
Horizontal and Vertical crossword puzzle grid with clues and solution in next issue.

Answer to Puzzle Number 33, Series H-47, featuring a grid of words and their corresponding letters.

Advertisement for 'GIVE!' featuring a large cross graphic and text about nutritious sweeteners.

Advertisement for traffic safety: 'SAFETY IS NO ACCIDENT Save 100 Lives in '48 REDUCE NEBRASKA'S TRAFFIC DEATH RATE'.

Roast Ham, Polish Style, Makes A Delicious Easter Dinner Treat



The Easter dinner is traditionally a challenge to the family menu planner to produce something special just as the Easter fashion parade calls for a new look in bonnets as part of the festival tradition.

Large advertisement for Omaha Public Power District: 'EFFECTIVE NOW! YOUR ELECTRIC RATES REDUCED Let Cheaper Electricity Do More For You'.