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"EQUALLY REGULATED, EQUALLY TAXED"

There is one statement in Judge Goldsborough's decision on the government's case against John L. Lewis and the United Mine Workers which goes to the heart of the controversy. He said that a munition must be held responsible for the acts of its members. He added that it was "ridiculous" to argue that hundreds of thousands of men would walk out of their own volition simultaneously.

It is clear that the law is not yet capable of dealing effectively and swiftly with iron-clad labor monopolies. It is clear that some labor leaders are convinced that they are bigger than the government of the United States. And there is every reason to believe trust statutes. There can be no excuse whatever for continuing to exempt them from the same laws that protect the people against abuses of power by industry. This view has been taken by Senator Ball, among others who recently wrote that the "traditional American approach is to break up the concentrations of power by approaches similar to the Sherman antitrust acts. In other words, to make industry-wide agreements and strikes or lockouts subject to the anti-trust laws. That was done in the House version of the Taft-Hartley Act, but it lost out by a single vote in the Senate.

In any event, the power of a man, a group of men, or an organization to defy this nation cannot be countenanced.

READ — THINK — ACT

The Freedom Train was in Omaha today. We walked its aisles and read the documents that capture on paper the spirit of our nation. We Americans, we human beings, black and white, red and yellow, Catholic and Protestant and Jew, man and woman and child, student and teacher, laborer and professional man, Nebraskans, Iowans, we Americans. A good feeling it was to read these words; a good thing to see them. A solid, certain, permanent sort of sensation. And like how many other feelings so easily blown away, so readily shattered by a common, ordinary incident. The Freedom Train came to town and we Americans were proud, until...

One cold spring night this week four girls went into a small cafe to get some hot chocolate and a donut. A clean and pleasant place, with good, inexpensive food, with polite waitresses, a place that is frequented by many people at a transfer spot in downtown Omaha. We went in and sat down cheered at the thought of the food to come. The manager came over to us at once and said: "We won't serve you girls," and walked away. The cafe was not crowded, there was plenty of help, there were others eating there. They looked at us and they knew why the manager spoke as he did. They looked embarrassed but they made no protest. It is much easier not to—and after all it wasn't happening to them.

We didn't come in with a chip on our shoulders and we didn't go out with one either. One girl went out at once, seriously close to tears. The other three of us talked quietly to the manager. He was "sorry to hurt our feelings" he wouldn't serve us. It made no difference that we could have eaten and left in five minutes. It made no difference that we were quiet and well-behaved, respectfully dressed, that we had the money to pay for our order, that we were his fellow citizens and fellow countrymen, in this case his fellow Christians. He didn't care that one of us was a student at one of the Catholic girls' colleges in Omaha, that two of us were alumnae of Creighton University, that the other girl was a housewife with two small children whom she is trying to rear in keeping with all the Freedom Train implies.

No, none of this mattered at all. Because you see he didn't really believe that "all men were created equal"; he didn't care that according to the Nebraska state law—Statute 20-101 "all persons of this state shall be entitled to a full and equal enjoyment of the accommodations, advantages" etc. of inns, barbershops, and other places. Because you see two of us were Negroes—and it would be bad business to serve Negroes, it would hurt trade to serve a colored person. Oh, he didn't think any of the people out there as customers right then would object, and he didn't think he'd be over-run with colored trade, and yes, it was a pity to do such a thing in this day and age and city and country. But he wouldn't serve us.

We left feeling as though we'd been kicked in the stomach. Two of us went home knowing that to us the insult was a passing thing. We could walk in the same place tomorrow and be served. We'd never have any difficulty in Omaha, Nebraska, in getting a hotel room, a job, a meal, an education, a church affiliation, a seat in a theatre, service in a store or beauty parlor, a home to live in in a certain neighborhood. But our friends? The situation doesn't change for them. They can go down and see the Freedom Train and they can come home and live in a city without freedom. They can read about "enlightened progressive city government" and it doesn't apply to them. Human beings, college trained, citizens of a city, a state, a nation, fellow Americans, no, it doesn't apply to them. They're a different color and you see the Freedom Train just isn't meant for them.

Or is it? Are you going to go through that train and yet make it a mockery in your lives? Are you going to be as stupid and petty and prejudiced as that cafe proprietor? Or are your intentions good and fine but you don't know what to do about the whole situation? After all, "it isn't up to me!" sn't it? You have a new city administration just come into office, a new Mayor. Will you write to him, petition him, individually and in civic groups, to set up a Mayor's Committee on Interracial Matters? Minneapolis has done great things in their city through the Mayor's Committee. It is at least a beginning, a means to an end, a positive help to make reality correspond with ideals.

The Freedom Train came to our town. Did all it brought pass away when the train pulled out? Or are you going to help keep that spirit of America, that spirit of Freedom alive? It's up to you!

Peggy Wall
Bertha Calloway
Alma Hodges
Mary Clare Lawler



PROBLEMS OF HUMANITY

by Abbe Wallace
YOUR FRIENDLY ADVISOR

Editor's Note:— Submit your problems for publication to ABBE WALLACE, in care of this newspaper. Give your full name, address and birthdate. For a "private reply" send Abbe a stamped envelope and twenty-five cents for one of his new and inspiring "LESSONS FOR HAPPIER LIVING." Your letter will be treated confidentially. Send 25 cents in coin, stamps or money order. Address your letter to: THE ABBE WALLACE Service, in care of

B.F.M.— I am 22, married 5 years to a very sweet man of 25. I love him and know that he loves me. We have a pretty little girl 2 months old. Our apartment rent has increased in price and we can't move as no one wants a baby in their home. Do you think we should buy a home of our own even though there may be a depression?

G.M.C.—My wife is in the State Hospital for mental treatment. Her condition seems just about the same as it was when she was interned several months ago. It is so hard on me to know that she really knows where she is and doesn't want to stay. Should she be left there or brought home?

Ans.:—Invest in a home—the monthly notes would not exceed the rent you are now paying and will have to continue paying in the future for a place to live. A home is a wonderful financial investment.

K.Y.—I married in 1945 but we did not stay together but 2 years. I gave my wife nearly everything that she wanted but she stayed out nights, ran around with a drinking crowd. I do not drink. Last month I met a sanctified lady and fell in love with her. I started treating her nice, giving her what she wanted and now she has somebody else. I want to know am I too free hearted, or too quick to fall in love?

Ans.:—Seemingly you have the idea that all the ladies want is presents and plenty of spending money. That's not enough. They want a little love and romance along with these other nice things. You're trying to buy love—therefore, you can't hold a friend. Change your technique—be more romantic and spend less money.

D.C.L.—I have been out of service for two years but I can't seem to be satisfied. I am thinking seriously of joining the army when I finish school in June. Give me some advice?

Ans.:—Join the colors again—if you can't find your place outside of the army. Many

DEATHS

John Wesley Dallas
Mr. John Wesley Dallas, 69 years, 119 North 37th Street, died Thursday at a local hospital. Mr. Dallas was a hotel employee and had resided in Omaha the past thirty years and had taken an active part in civic fraternal and religious affairs of the community. He was a member of Pilgrim Baptist Church and the Masons. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Lena Dallas, Omaha, daughter, Mrs. Margaret Moore, Fort Meade Maryland, three sisters, Mrs. Atlanta Dallas, Mrs. Rosetta Taylor, Mrs. Alberta Price, of Huston Texas. Funeral services were held on Monday afternoon May 17th from Thomas Mortuary with Rev. Charles Favors officiating, assisted by Rev. F. C. Williams, Omaha Lodge No. 9, A.

PRINCIPAL SPEAKER ON TWO OCCASIONS

Miss Florence V. Goodlett, 2726 Binney street, appeared Sunday, May 16 as the principal speaker for the Fourth Annual Women's Day sponsored by the Women's Club of the First Calvary Baptist Church, Norfolk, Virginia. Miss Goodlett spoke on "Christianity, Materialism, and Reality." She is to address the Zion Baptist Church, Phoenix, Virginia, on the occasion of their Women's Day on a Psalm of Life, Sunday, May 31 at 11:00 a.m.

Miss Goodlett is at present employed as Secretary of the Comptroller, Mr. Don A. Davis, at Hampton Institute.

F. and A. M. in charge of Masonic rites, P. L. Adkins W. M. Burial was at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

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By Myrtle M. Goodlow

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Of this great gospel truth.
Working with heart and soul,
He reached his long sought goal.

Father Flanagan's work and love for humanity, Has proven him to be A true disciple of Christ. And all that a servant of His should be. Filled with the love and spirit of Christ, He labors for all alike. Faithfully following the Master's plan, In loving and serving his fellowman.

Without the helping hand,
Of Father Flanagan,
Hundreds of boys of every race,
color and creed —
Would never have known
The comforts and joys of home,
Or taught the useful trades which fit them—
Nor the religious training given them
To take an honored place among men.

The sacred words I recall,
"He that is greatest among you—
Shall be the servant of all."
Still ring true from the heavens blue.
And should be a lesson to all.
To love and serve mankind alike,
Is the true spirit of our blessed Christ.

Father Flanagan never shirked his work,—
In God's great vineyard —
But has labored long and hard,
And today we see his reward.
And his efforts crowned,
In the beautiful buildings of Boys' Town!
That through the years shall stand —
As a monument to our beloved,
Father Flanagan.
Servant of God — and servant of man,
God bless Father Flanagan!

This poem was written by one of Omaha's own. Father Flanagan had the pleasure of reading it in February, 1945. This poem was published by the Omaha Guide Publishing Co. Also below, is a letter from Father Flanagan to the writer of the poem to express his gratitude for the flowers where he lived.

Mrs. Myrtle M. Goodlow February 3, 1945
1434 North 22nd Street
Omaha 2, Nebraska

My Dear Mrs. Goodlow:
Your letter of recent date at hand with the enclosed clipping, "Facts in Rhyme". I appreciate your interest in Boys Town and by all means I am greatly flattered by your writing effort.

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Thanking you for your interest in Boys Town, and with every good wish, I am
Sincerely,
(Signed) E. J. Flanagan,
Rt. Rev. Msgr. E. J. Flanagan

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IMPROVING
Mr. Edgar A. Brookshire of 2516 Maple is still seriously ill at Doctors Hospital. Mr. Brookshire was severely burned on his legs. He was using gasoline in fixing his car. He stepped from the running board and without thinking he lighted a cigarette. He suffered third degree burns.

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Well here I am again with the big events. The club met Saturday, May 15, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Brown, 2112 North 27th Ave. And I mean we had a lovely meeting. Old and new business was discussed. Our president and Mr. Brown gave the club some very interesting points. We are very sorry our president's wife Mrs. Josephine Davis has not been able to be with us for two meetings, because she has been having some trouble with her eyes. We hope she can be with us next time. She is missed by all the members. It was so nice of have Mr. Young with us. We also had one visitor, Mrs. Gladys Bell. Our host and hostess served a lovely lunch. The rest of the evening was spent playing games. Mrs. Young is still recovering nicely in the hospital. She would like to have all the company she can, so keep those visits rolling. Our next meeting will be at Mr. and Mrs. Marcy Bryants, 2021 North 21st street, June 5th.

Our thought for the week—"We all have good good than bad."

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