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The News
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BUSINESS vs. PROPAGANDA

The longer I study racial conditions, through the medium of the many "exchanges" that come to me, the more I am becoming convinced that the most successful business of the race is propaganda.

For a great many years I have carefully recorded and classified the various activities of the race. Surprising as it may seem, my records show that racial business, as a whole, has declined, while propaganda is still flourishing.

Having seen and experienced a great deal of various angles in life my sympathies are one hundred per cent for our producers and all business is founded on production, both in making and selling commodities, services or whatnot.

During these strenuous periods our business, like the business of others, has met many reverses but in remedying their condition they are handicapped, in comparison to propaganda, hence the large number of business failures.

Just think of the many business enterprises that could have been saved, or that can be started, if business could adopt the tactics of propaganda. Districts could be organized and manned by professional "pep" leaders and through the methods of the boycott, emotionalism and other oratorical efforts, sufficient monies, through drives, etc., could be raised to tide over any emergency, or to commence any worth-while productive enterprise.

But, no, business cannot operate that way. The propagandists have seen to it that for business purposes the dollar becomes a cold, calculating instrument, while the same dollar for purposes of propaganda becomes a gift carrying with it the blessings of nobility and race consciousness.

Right now we have many enterprises that afford to a great many workers that are in need of surplus capital which they could employ a great many other workers but with times as they are, and dividends slow in forthcoming, the enterprises will suffer because they cannot secure the additional capital, on strictly business terms, while propaganda continues to gather in the shiekies using the blarney trumpet and brass horns for financial statements.

With but a few exceptions our papers could well use additional capital and their benefits to the community would multiply in proportion but can they compete with propaganda in securing this capital? No! Yet the very same papers that suffer because of such a condition are most liberal givers of space to the purposes of propaganda.

Propaganda as a supplemental effort is wise, and needed, but when its methods are mis-educating the race to its business needs it becomes time to seriously consider the methods of business vs. propaganda.

HILTON PROMISES

ECONOMY EFFORT

"I beg to announce my candidacy for nomination as one of the 13 state representatives from Multnomah county on the Republican ticket," says Frank A. Hilton.

"If nominated and elected, I shall



Frank Hilton, Ballot No. 86 bend every effort to enact measures necessary to accomplish strict economy in government with definite reduction in taxes. In bringing about such tax reduction I shall oppose cutting the wages of those least able to bear wage cuts, believing that any reduction in wages should come from the top rather than from the bottom. "Oregon and its resources must be developed and in so doing the greatest amount of employment should be given to our own citizens. There is no reason why Oregon cannot be made the most attractive state in the union, both in which to live and in which to work. "I believe the independent merchant is entitled to a square deal and will do what I can to help him get it. The time for gag rules is past. Free speech and justice is the inalienable right of every citizen."

HUGHES COMING TO PORTLAND Y.W.C.A. CONFERENCE SUSPENDS VERNON

COMPLIMENTS SPEECH

May 12, 1932.
Mrs. Beatrice H. Cannady-Franklin, Editor The Advocate, 520 East Twenty-Sixth Street N., Portland, Oregon.

My dear Mrs. Franklin: This is in form a personal letter to you, but I hope it finds its way into the columns of The Advocate, for I have some things to say about you that your friends will want to hear and have a right to hear.

Yesterday I heard you speak at the candidates' meeting of the East Side Commercial Club. As a former professor of public speaking at the University of Oregon, I want to go on record as saying that your speech was a little gem. It was crowded with meaning and phrased in such clear, concise, effective English that it might well be a model for public speaking students to study. I congratulate you and the people for whom you are a spokesman.

Seeing and hearing you speak at this meeting brought to my memory the "old days" when my sister, Gertrude Hoerber (now Mrs. Noah Peterson), had an orchestra which you were sponsoring. We had many pleasant evenings when the orchestra gave concerts and dances afterwards. I hope that with your many duties as editor and public citizen, you have not had to, for lack of time, give up your interest in music. Since the days of that orchestra, my sister has had a number of talented colored students in piano, violin, and voice.

Little did I think at that time that years later we would both be running for the state legislature. Should we both be nominated and elected, I know that we would take pleasure in working together for everything that means improvement of civic life and against all forces of evil, whether in the form of economic selfishness or racial prejudice.

Sincerely yours,
RALPH C. HOEBER.

Mr. Ralph C. Hoerber is a practicing attorney, with offices in the Yeon building.

N. A. BROEREN FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

N. A. Broeren is a young man with constructive ideas. He is running for County Commissioner of Multnomah County on a City and County Consolidation. He has a clean reputation and a worthy ambition to apply youthful aggressiveness to public administration. He is 37 years old, and grew up in Portland; was six years with the Union Oil Company and seven years manager of Pulups, and is now in the collection and adjustment business on his own.

"Multnomah County has not gone to the wrong direction. The pendulum will swing and put into office the right man. Our county will tend to recover the peculiar position it once held if we elect young progressive men for the office of County Commissioner," he says.

Mr. Broeren is a strong advocate of a civil rights bill and other matters of vital interest which effects the Negroes. The following is an excerpt made in one of his recent addresses: "The Negroes are American citizens, and entitled to all the civil rights of an American citizen." "They are en-

titled to the employment in the relief program." The reason why the Negroes have not been given a fair and conscientious hearing is the fact of an old political machine. This machine must be stopped if we wish to have the full rights of Americans."

Mr. Broeren's number on the ballot under County Commissioners is 116.

DISTRICT JUDGE SEEKS CIRCUIT BENCH

Judge John A. Mears who has served for eight years as District Judge Dept. No. 1 is seeking the nomination for Judge of the Circuit Court, department No. 4.

Judge Mears served as judge in Iowa four years before coming to Portland. He has practiced law for 25 years and is now serving his 12th year as judge.

Judge Mears is married and has three children. He resides at 2736—49th street S. E.

His number on the ballot is 21.

Hiram U. Welch

Col Hiram U. Welch, Multnomah county assessor, who has filled his office for many years with marvelous efficiency and satisfaction to the tax-paying citizens, says in his announcement of his candidacy for re-election that while Multnomah county is the smallest in area in the state it is the first in valuation and complexity in character of property. In the county there are 215,000 parcels of land and nearly 150,000 structures, ranging from the inexpensive to fifteen story skyscrapers. Portland alone has 135,000 structures. Every parcel of real estate and every structure, excluding the public service property under the jurisdiction of the state tax commission, must be examined and assessed once a year by the county assessor's office. It is a man's sized job and Mr. Welch is the man with qualifications for the job, as his record and the praise his office has received from national sources clearly evidence.

WISH THEY WERE HERE TO VOTE

461 - 5th Ave East
Twin Falls, Idaho.

Mrs. Beatrice C. Franklin
Dear Mrs. Franklin: I am just a little tardy in answering your letter due to so many various duties to be performed at this particular season of the year. However I want you to know how much we have appreciated your kindness, as we do enjoy reading The Advocate. Enclosed you will find a check for \$2.50 for the renewal of our subscription.

We regret very much that we aren't Portlanders so as to cast a vote for one of our race that we hold high in our esteem, which is Mr. Beatrice C. Franklin, one whom we know is quite capable of such a position. However we wish for you the best of luck and the hearty support of the entire community.

Again we thank you and remain,
Yours sincerely
Edw. W. and Leona T. Dickerson

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GORDON CITES RECORD

Herbert Gordon who has served as a state legislator numerous terms is a candidate for representative from Multnomah county and he asks the voters to return him on his past record.

Mr. Gordon is a business man of many years' experience. Mr. Gordon promises to "support present administration in further reduction of public expenses". His number on the ballot is 80.

HANDLEY MAKES SUPREME CAMPAIGN

T. B. Handley, a candidate for the Republican nomination to the state senate is making a constructive, aggressive campaign and winning friends all down the line.

So great has been the demand upon him for speeches that he has been unable to accept all and his son T. B. Handley, Jr., has on several occasions represented his illustrious father, and well.

Mr. Handley is a lawyer with offices in the Spaulding building, his number on the ballot is 52 and his slogan is: "Repeal Prohibition, Release taxes, Protect labor, Encourage business, Short road to the Sea."

VETS AND LADIES FETED

Bert J. Clark Camp, No. 12 Spanish American War Veterans of McMinnville, Oregon, recently honored Set. Joseph White Camp Spanish American War Vets and the Ladies Auxiliary of Portland, Oregon at a large banquet held at the Armory in McMinnville. Approximately fifty people sat down to the banquet table which was laden with many good things to eat.

A splendid program preceded the banquet which consisted of speeches and music. Rev. Daniel G. Hill, Jr., responded to the welcome address on behalf of Joseph White Camp and Mrs. Sadie Golden, president of the Ladies Auxiliary of Set. Joseph White Camp also spoke. Prof. E. Bartlett led a group in singing spirituals. Mrs. Pollyann Reed and Prof. Bartlett were visitors. The party motored up Saturday afternoon in several cars. Lee C. Anderson, is Commander of the camp.

Mr. Jean Carden was indisposed the past week with a cold.

BETHEL NOTES

A visiting minister will occupy the pulpit at Bethel Church Sunday morning at 11 A.M. A very pleasant surprise awaits all members and friends who attend this service. The choir directed by Prof. Elmer C. Bartlett, is preparing special music for the occasion.

ROY K. HEWITT

SALEM, OREGON

Candidate for

JUDGE OF THE SUPREME COURT

of the STATE OF OREGON

POSITION NO. TWO

Roy K. Hewitt, candidate for Judge of the Supreme Court of the State of Oregon, was born 49 years ago of pioneer stock in Yamhill County, Oregon. He was reared on an Oregon farm. From his father he learned the carpenter's trade, and in the pursuit of that trade he earned much of his way through college. He attended the public schools of Oregon, received two degrees from Willamette University and a post-graduate degree from Clark University. He was admitted to the Oregon Bar in 1909. He practiced law for five years in Yamhill County. At all times he has kept in touch with the practice of his profession.

He is author of the text on Oregon Government adopted for use in the public grade schools of Oregon, and is the co-author of the Outline of Oregon Government used in most of the institutions of higher learning of the State. For seven years he was a professor of Law and Government at the Oregon State College. For the past five years he has been Dean of Willamette University College of Law.

He has travelled widely and has made careful study of the law enforcement systems of the world. For the past two years he has conducted a school for law enforcement officers on human rights and that more thought be given to human values. He has made a careful study of court procedure and advocates progressive reform.

Respectfully submitted
B. EARLE PARKER
EDITH TOZIER WEATHERED
GEORGE M. KING
(Space contributed by George Cannady)

MRS. OLSON HELPS THE JUDGE CAMPAIGN

District Judge Fred L. Olson, candidate to succeed himself, is being ably assisted by his charming wife, Mrs. Fred L. Olson, who is a well-known singer and teacher of voice. She spoke for him before a large meeting of the East Side Commercial club last Wednesday noon, and has sung on several occasions where he appeared as speaker.

Judge Olson promises the same faithful service he has rendered during his previous term on the bench.

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BISHOP CENTER OF TURMOIL

CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 11.—The action of the delegates to the 29th quadrennial session of the African Methodist Episcopal church, in session here since May 2, threw the conference into turmoil Monday, when delegates voted to suspend Bishop W. T. Vernon, presiding bishop of Arkansas, for four years because of inability to account for church funds.

With tears in his eyes, Bishop Vernon pleaded with the convention, declaring, "I hold my hands to high heaven that I am not guilty of this," and offering to make restitution if he were not suspended.

Delegates shouted, "Throw him out," "Save him brethren," "What became of the money?" "Who is going to repay us?" Order was not restored for forty-five minutes.

CLEVELAND, May 12.—Rt. Rev. William Tecumseh Vernon, presiding bishop of the Twelve Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal church, was found guilty of misappropriating \$17,360, Monday afternoon, and suspended for 48 months without salary. The trial took place at the quadrennial conference in session here this week.

Bishop Vernon was first tried before the Judiciary Committee, a subcommittee of the Episcopal committee. He and his counsel were present. He was defended by Rev. J. D. Oennis. The Rev. C. E. Brooks represented the church. The Judiciary committee, composed of one man from each annual conference, found him guilty. The verdict was unanimous. The Episcopal Committee then passed upon the facts as reported by the Judiciary Committee and the vote was 60 to 1 in favor of conviction.

The matter was then brought before the general conference and after an hour of debate the Episcopal committee's report was adopted by a vote of 480 to 138.

Dramatic scenes followed the report of the Episcopal Committee. Bishop J. S. Flipper rose to a point of order that the charges and specifications were not drawn according to the discipline of the church. His point was sustained by the presiding Bishop, H. E. Parks, who ordered the report returned to the committee. A motion prevailed to appeal the decision of the chair. The motion was lost and the adoption or rejection of the report of the Episcopal Committee was before the conference. At this time Bishop Vernon rose. A hush stole over the assembly. His voice trembled. "Brothers and sisters, I stand on the threshold of public death. I stand on the threshold of physical death. Hear what I have to say.

"I have no criticism of the committee. I didn't understand the situation. I went to Arkansas and established headquarters. It was not for myself alone. Everybody used it. The money went to these headquarters. If I do not tell you what is true, I pray God strike me dead." Tears streamed down his cheeks; he looked like he had aged ten years in the short hour the measure was before the floor.

"I know this means the end of me," he plead. "I know this means the end of me," he repeated. "I am a wreck. I can't come back. I am not guilty; I stand here feeble and broken-hearted, but I can't help myself. I am willing to make restitution if I were guilty."

"Sixty years old, no home, no income. I must go out of here disgraced. I throw myself at your mercy."

"Vote! Vote!" yelled the crowd. "Vote on the motion." Whispered conferences were being held on the platform. The crowd was insistent. Finally the vote was taken and 480 were in favor of suspending Bishop Vernon, and 138 were against the measure. The meeting broke up in confusion.

Many expressed the desire to lessen the severity of his punishment. In answer to the question as to whether or not the matter could be brought up again, Bishop Parks said it could be reconsidered.

During the entire proceeding Mrs. Vernon sat in the specially reserved section for bishops and officers' wives. She wept when the Bishop referred to her as "the little woman who stood by me in all these years."

LANGSTON HUGHES IN EVENING OF HIS OWN READINGS

Portland has been unusually favored this season by the appearance of distinguished Negro artists. While memories of "Green Pastures" still linger with us, an artist, who has focused international attention upon the new school of Negro literature, comes to favor Portland with a lecture-recital of his own poems.

Langston Hughes was born in Joplin, Missouri, on February 1, 1902. He has lived in various parts of the United States and Mexico, and has worked as a seaman, visiting Holland, France, Italy, Spain, and the West Coast of Africa. Since his graduation from Lincoln University, Pennsylvania, he has devoted his time to writing. He has recently returned from a trip through Cuba and Haiti. His great ambition is to visit all the Negro countries of the world, studying the lives and customs of darker peoples everywhere.

Mr. Hughes has appeared in lecture-readings of his poems before various groups at Oberlin, Fisk, Princeton, Tuskegee, and other Negro centers, before literary clubs in New York, Cleveland, Buffalo, and many large cities, and under the auspices of the Urban League, Y. M. and Y. W. C. A.'s and churches throughout the East.

Among the awards which he has received for literary excellence are the First OPPORTUNITY Poetry Prize for 1925, Witter Byner Intercollegiate Poetry Prize for 1926, the Harmon Gold Award for Literature 1930, and recognition by the American Library Association in 1930-31 for his novel "Not Without Laughter."

Mr. Hughes will be assisted in his recital by local talent. Mrs. Jessie Coles Grayson is chairman of the committee of arrangements.

BUSINESS MAN IN RACE

George W. Rawlinson has lived in Portland fifteen years. Owns and operates the New System Laundry, an independent institution employing one hundred fifty people and deeply interested in promoting the welfare of all working people.

He has always been active in the cause of Independent Merchants' Association and is at present one of their board of directors.

He is a progressive and will sponsor all legislation which tends to promote the welfare of Oregon, its people and its industries.

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For
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MULTNOMAH COUNTY

"Legislation Adequate To Meet Present-Day Developments"

VOTE - X - 77

