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A new secret society, the Ku Klux Klan Kluksa, is circulating the white population of Havana urging an active protest against the "insolence and deplorable violence" of Negroes. The members of the society say that they will use violence without scruples if that is necessary to defend homes. Such is a news dispatch coming from the stricken Republic of Cuba. Such a declaration and such a society, can but add fuel to the existing flames of the revolution now taking place in Cuba. The beginning of the internal strife was caused by the moiled power of the island in its effort to degrade further, through exploitation of the laborer, the toiling masses. This, the latest effort of the foreign population of Cuba, the forming of the notorious K.K.K., would on the face of things, appear as an over effort to drag the United States in the embroiling of a civil war. The population of Cuba is predominantly black and for the white population to single them out for punitive purposes would only be inviting trouble of the worse kind. The monetary interests of the island would like to see conditions so bad and chaotic that the U. S. would be obliged to land military forces. To any one who is familiar with the tactics of the inhabitants below the imaginary line of Mason and Dixon, know full well the idea behind the attempt to create additional trouble. That element of the population embracing that area of the nation are noted for fomenting strife between peoples of different complexions. But in Cuba they will find a somewhat contrary class of black folk to deal with. In the first place they are nationally, great and racially conscious. They have none of the inferiority complex, and less of the color complex. But when the man applies for a job run by American capital and manned by black labor he states as one of his main qualifications that he was born and reared in some one of the states of the South and knows how to handle "niggers." When the United States built the Panama Canal the straw bosses were mainly from the South and that is one of the reasons that there existed at that time more racial restrictions and more racial prejudices, than existed in the states. The Panama Canal Zone carried more racial inhibitions than most of the states of the southland. Cuba is infested with that same element, and they seek every means to foment trouble between the races.

POLICEMAN SHOOTSLIND MAN—ACQUITTED

Down in Atlanta Georgia, charges of murder against a policeman were dismissed. A warrant had been issued against Police Officer W. Allen following the fatal wounding by the officer of Glover Davis, a blind man, whom the officer had "shot in cold blood." The policeman's defense was "self defense" and the judge dismissed the case on the theory that the blind man was a bent to kill the officer at the time of the shooting.

Testimony in the case showed that the blind man was at least fifteen feet from the policeman at the time of the shooting and was said to have had an ice pick in his hand. What the public would like to know is, what manner of man is a policeman who thought his life was in danger at the hands of a blind man who was at least fifteen feet away with an ice pick.

A blind man could only see by sound and touch. He can judge the distance of objects by sound. He can judge the position of objects also by sound. His actions are always in a straight direction. The policeman had eyes to see the world and all things about him. It is rather strange, indeed that this officer did not have intelligence enough to know that he could escape the efforts of the blind man by merely darting to the right or to the left. Surely, on one would believe that this murder was committed in self defense but a southern judge.

A CODE FOR RELIGION

As one of the most advanced thinkers in the American ministry, Dr. John Haynes Holmes is the logical person to give voice to the belief that if we can revive our economic life by means of codes why not try the same medicine for our ailing spiritual life which has also been in a great slump. As a means of restoring spiritual "prosperity," Dr. Holmes has proposed a religious code adaptable to the churches of all denominations. The two most significant of the eight points in his suggested code are those providing for the extermination of prejudice and the abolition of sectarianism. No right-minded person would withhold support from a church or a synagogue bound by a code or war

on bigotry and intolerance, but what would be their reaction to the elimination of sectarian differences? For many years there have been efforts made to get all Protestants together on one religious platform but creedal differences have been an insuperable obstacle. The several wings of the Catholic church have also sought to merge without success. No serious effort has been made to reunite Orthodox, Reform, and Conservative Jews on a common theological platform but we can imagine what a tempest would be created if such an attempt were made.

The Scribe

AS THE TWIG IS BENT THE TREE IS INCLINED

Prevention of crime and ways and means to effect it, are much under discussion now. In this connection, the American Humane Education Society, with headquarters in Boston, is putting forth suggestions as to training of children which bear important relation to this highly important effort to prevent crime and vice.

It is the conviction of many who have studied the subject and ascertained that in many homes and schools the mind of the child is being made ready for crime.

Early impressions, it is pointed out, are strongest. Mother Goose stories are taught, as soon as the child can talk. In pleasing rhyme he becomes familiar with crime. He is told about the boy who "stole the pig and away he ran." There are the gory facts of "Jack the Giant-Killer."

This humane organization says that "it would be unjust to charge mothers and nurses with deliberately teaching disregard for life, callousness to suffering, or positive cruelty; but many of them repeat day after day and year after year, and teach the little ones like to see conditions so bad and chaotic that the U. S. would be obliged to land military forces. To any one who is familiar with the tactics of the inhabitants below the imaginary line of Mason and Dixon, know full well the idea behind the attempt to create additional trouble. That element of the population embracing that area of the nation are noted for fomenting strife between peoples of different complexions. But in Cuba they will find a somewhat contrary class of black folk to deal with. In the first place they are nationally, great and racially conscious. They have none of the inferiority complex, and less of the color complex. But when the man applies for a job run by American capital and manned by black labor he states as one of his main qualifications that he was born and reared in some one of the states of the South and knows how to handle "niggers." When the United States built the Panama Canal the straw bosses were mainly from the South and that is one of the reasons that there existed at that time more racial restrictions and more racial prejudices, than existed in the states. The Panama Canal Zone carried more racial inhibitions than most of the states of the southland. Cuba is infested with that same element, and they seek every means to foment trouble between the races.

Complaint is made, too, by these humane organizations that some histories glorify warfare, dwell upon the numbers killed in battle and exalt war heroes to the exclusion of the heroes of peace.

Motion pictures depicting crime and cruelty, and detailed accounts of crime in sensational newspapers, are pointed out as fruitful sources of evil influence upon the young.

Editorial Pasadena Star-Times

DO YOUR PART NOW

Production, continued production, is necessary if our manufacturing plants are to keep men employed. Buying power must be used. Only through consumption which demands increased production can payrolls be built up. No plant can continue to operate beyond consumer demand.

A dollar spent now for building does two things. It helps the construction industry put back to work thousands of skilled and unskilled workers; it buys needed materials now cheaper than they can be bought later. Even though the cost is now higher than it was a few months ago, it merely proves that costs are increasing. To save money and create jobs, act now.

Statistics show a shortage of over 1,900,000 houses. This figure is based on a definite survey in 257 cities. Millions of homes already built are sorely in need of modernizing—a concrete driveway, a basement, a paint job, a new roof, refurnishing.

A dollar will buy more for you today, do more for your country, than later. Analyze your building needs. Ask yourself, "How can I best do my part?"

THE HOME

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Ases before the beginning of recorded history man lived as other animals of the forest, without any special place of abode—out in the open with the sky as his only shelter, and his senses, sight, smelling and hearing becoming less acute, caused a natural increase in fear. Here we see the inevitable balance of nature, in that necessity, the mother of thought and invention, developed thought as a protection and security against his enemies.

This thinking, this reasoning, caused him to make his home in caves with small openings, in huts made of trees tied together at the top, and as he developed further, in huts built over the waters of lakes. We see him in America living on cliffs accessible only by poles and ladders in which could be drawn up in case of emergency.

So you see that protection, necessity and fear, played an important part in the selection of homes then, and when we apply the thermometer of common sense and reason to the whole matter, you will find that they are still factors to be considered in the fashioning of our homes today. Fear of storms, fear of burglars, fear of fire and fear of our neighbors. These factors have existed to our knowledge for 20,000 to 40,000 years, and are just as influencing as ever.

The Scope and Purpose of the President's Emergency Re-Employment Campaign

The President's Emergency Re-employment Campaign may be described briefly as a plan to add from 5,000,000 to 8,000,000 persons to the nation's payrolls within the next six weeks or so, through agreements made with the President of the United States by some 5,000,000 concerns or individuals, employing two or more persons each.

In order that this number of jobs may be made available, it will be necessary, of course, for employers in many cases to shorten working hours. The plan also provides for certain minimum wage scales which also in many cases will mean added labor costs for the employer.

The President's agreement, however, includes a pledge of cooperation from the consuming public, and it is thus anticipated that the employer, while undertaking a larger expense as the direct result of his agreement with the president will gain added patronage as the just reward of his public spirited attitude.

The fact also is to be borne in mind that where all employers act together to put people back on their payrolls or to raise wages, no employer, as the President himself has pointed out, "will suffer because the relative level of competitive cost will advance by the same amount of all."

It is to be understood that this plan is supplementary to the plan of code adoption by various industrial and trade groups which has for its purpose the elimination of unfair competition, the establishment of more equitable rewards for labor, the spread of employment and the control of production. This plan for speeding business recovery, launched under the provisions of the National Recovery Act passed by the last Congress is rapidly being made effective, and there will be no let-up on the drive to make its adoption widespread.

The President's Emergency Re-employment plan will bridge time and bring the nation out of the depression more rapidly than if the code adoption plan were depended upon exclusively. The President's Agreement also covers many business groups that would not be amenable to any of the code arrangements.

And what is still more important, perhaps, the President's Emergency Re-employment campaign carries certain psychological values that are priceless as patriotism at this juncture of our economic history. The President himself made this quite clear in his recent address to the nation when he said: "On the basis of this simple principle of everybody doing things together, we are starting out on this nation-wide attack on unemployment. It will succeed if our people understand it—in the big industries, in the little shops, in the great cities and in the small villages. There is nothing complicated about it and there is nothing particularly new in the principle. It goes back to the basic idea of society, and of the Nation itself, that people acting in a group can accomplish things which no individual acting alone could ever hope to bring about."

Thus we have all the power and potency of mass attack directed along sound lines of organization and system. Here briefly, is an outline of this organized attack on unemployment. In every community, organizations are formed along military lines, which is fitting enough, because the President's Emergency Re-employment campaign is Uncle Sam's war on unemployment and the nation is rallying to the colors just as loyally as though we were actually engaged in a war against a foreign foe.

The local committee is made up of the active heads of the leading business and civic organizations, and includes also the mayor. These committees in the thousands of cities and towns throughout the country were formed following telegrams and letters sent by General Johnson to the presidents of Chambers of Commerce or similar trade bodies in every section of the country. These local committees elect a general to have charge of the city campaign and a lieutenant general who is a woman. The general selects three colonels, each of whom take over a certain part of the campaign work. For example, Colonel No. 1 has charge of the "man-power" or organization department. Under his direction block-block canvasses will be made to check up on compliance with the President's Agreement, and to make a survey of the unemployed, as to adaptability by experience as to trades and industries and thus be able more readily to help in the reason of assimilation of labor by expanding industries. Colonel No. 2 briefly, has charge of newspaper publicity and kindred activities; and Colonel No. 3 has the training and direction of public speakers under his charge.

Each of these three colonels has seven or more majors on his staff, and each major has about the same number of captains. Each captain has 7 or more field workers. All of the local organizations are, of course, constantly supplied with educational and inspirational material of all kinds from the National Recovery Administration in Washington. Literally tons and tons of printed matter has been shipped to every nook and corner of the country.

The NRA emblem, known as the Blue Eagle, is one of the most interesting and vital features of the campaign. All employers who sign the President's Agreement are entitled to display the Blue Eagle with the initials NRA and the words "We Do Our Part." Merchants, manufacturers and those who have the right to display the insignia by reason of their line complied with the President's Agreement, are permitted to hang it on their walls, or in their windows, or on trucks and cars, and, if they so desire, to it on their products or merchandise. It is, in fact, the desire of the Recovery Administration that all make liberal use of this badge of patriotism.

Any person in the United States who wishes to cooperate in the President's Emergency Re-employment Campaign and be considered as a member of the NRA may go to the authorized establishment in his locality and sign a statement of cooperation as follows: "I will cooperate in re-employment by supporting and patronizing employers and workers who are members of NRA."

Every phase of the progress of this mighty campaign will be flashed in the newspapers of the country and announced constantly over the radio. In this way everyone will be in a position to know just what the campaign is doing from day to day in actually putting people back on the payrolls and adding to the mass purchasing power of the country.

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L. M. B.—My pocketbook was misplaced in my home not long ago please tell me where I will find it?
 Ans: I might interest you to know that the two valuable rings that were in your pocketbook are in a downtown pawn shop. Your pocketbook was not lost but purposely stolen.

Lonesome Wife—My husband left me two weeks ago and I would like you to tell me the cause of his leaving? Please tell me how to send the twenty-five cents for a private reply
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V. E. T.—My mother is very sick and I would like to know will she get better?
 Ans: Your mother will improve considerably with the coming weeks. If you will go back down there and see her again, she will greatly appreciate it.

L. J. C.—I read your column in the paper every week and find it very interesting. Will you please tell me if my husband will get a job soon? He is desperate to find work.
 Ans: Your husband will secure work this month. I advise him to have more faith in himself and to work just as hard looking for a job as he would on the job.

J. T. L.—Will the plan I have in mind for getting money for my family needs be successful?
 Ans: I realize that you need money badly, but you will find yourself in a pretty mess if you attempt to beat the number in a big way. I do not advise this risk as I know you will be unsuccessful.

F. P. W.—Please tell me whether I am due a pension from my husband's death?
 Ans: If you can prove that the cause of your husband's death was due to his service over seas you are eligible to receive money from the government. I fear however that such is not the case.

G. W.—Would you write to Harrisburg in reference to my daughter's trouble.
 Ans: I believe that you could get a better result by securing the services of a reliable lawyer. A lawyer is far better qualified to handle this case than you are.

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