

'LAW AND ORDER IS OUR ONLY EDGE'

By Archie Moore

The Devil is at work in America, and it is up to us to drive him out. Snipers and looters, white or black, deserve no mercy. Those who would profit from their brother's misfortunes deserve no mercy, and those who would set fellow Americans upon each other deserve no mercy.

I'll fight the man who calls me an "Uncle Tom." I have broken bread with heads of state, chatted with presidents and traveled all over the world. I was born in a ghetto, but I refused to stay there. I am a Negro, and proud to be one. I am also an American, and I'm proud of that.

The young people of today think they have a hard lot. They should have been around in the '30's when I was coming up in St. Louis. We had no way to go, but a lot of us made it. I became a light heavyweight champion of the world. A neighbor kid down the block, Clark Terry, became one of the most famous jazz musicians in the world. There were doctors, lawyers and chiefs who came out of that ghetto. One of the top policemen in St. Louis came from our neighborhood.

We made it because we had a goal, and we were willing to work for it. Don't talk to me of your "guaranteed national income." Any fool knows that this is insanity. Do we bring those who worked to get ahead down to the level of those who never gave a damn? The world owes NO-BODY -- black or white -- a living. God helps the man who helps himself!

Now then, don't get the idea that I didn't grow up hating the injustices of this world. I am a staunch advocate of the Negro revolution for the good of mankind. I've seen almost unbelievable progress made in the last handful of years. Do we want to become wild beasts bent only on revenge, looting and killing and laying America bare? Hate is bait, bait for the

simple-minded.

Sure, I despised the whites who cheated me, but I used that feeling to make me push on. If you listen to the professional rabble-rousers, adhere to this idea of giving up everything you've gained in order to revenge yourself for the wrongs that were done to you in the past -- then you'd better watch your neighbor, because he'll be looting your house next. Law and order is the only edge we have. No man is an island.

Granted, the Negro still has a long way to go to gain a fair shake with the white man in this country. But believe this: if we resort to lawlessness, the only thing we can hope for is civil war, untold bloodshed, and the end of our dreams.

We have to have a meeting of qualified men of both races. Mind you, I said qualified men, not some punk kid, ranting the catch phrases put in his mouth by some paid hate-monger.

There are members of the black community who call for a separate nation within America. Well, I do not intend to give up one square inch of America. I'm not going to be told I must live in a restricted area. Isn't that what we've all been fighting to overcome? And then there is the element that calls for a return to Africa.

For my part, Africa is a great place to visit, but I wouldn't want to live there. If the Irishmen want to go back to the Emerald Isle, let them. If the Slavs want to return to the Iron Curtain area, OK by me. But I'm not going to go to any



DARR JENSEN, NHS TRACK STAR established a new record during the 18th Boise College-Knights of Columbus track meet staged Saturday, April 20, 1968 at Bronco Stadium in the Idaho capital city. Darr cleared the pole vault bar at 14 feet even, and narrowly missed at 14-3. The new record bettered the old mark by over a foot, as it was 12-11 1/2. Team scoring in the Class 'A' division at the Saturday event was Borah, 84 1/2; Capital, 45; Meridian, 39; Caldwell, 15; Weiser, 14; Vale, 13; Boise, 12; Emmett, 10; Kelly, 9; Ontario, 8 1/2; Mountain Home, 7; Nyssa, 6; Elko, Nev., 5; Buhl and Wood River, 2; Vallivue and Gooding, 0.

part of Africa to live. I'm proud of ancestry, and of the country that spawned my forefathers, but I'm not giving up my country. I fought all my life to give my children what I'm able to give them today; a chance for development as citizens in the world.

I do not for a moment think that any truly responsible Negro wants anarchy. I don't think you'll find intelligent -- no, let's rephrase that -- mature Negroes running wild in the streets or sniping at total strangers. God made the white man as well as the black. True, we haven't acted as brothers in the past, but we are brothers. If we're to be so many Cains and Abels, that's our choice. We can't blame God for it. Something must be done to reach the Negroes and the whites in the ghettos of this country, and I propose to do something.

As a matter of plain fact, I have been doing something for the past several years. I have been running a program which I call the ABC -- Any Boy Can. By teaching our youth, black, white, yellow and red, what dignity is, what self respect is, what honor is, I have been able to obliterate juvenile delinquency in several areas.

I would now expand my program, change scope. If any boy can, surely any man can. I want to take teams of qualified people, top men in their fields, to the troubled areas of our cities. I know that the people who participated in the recent riots, who are participating and who will participate, are misguided rather than mad. If some bigot can misguide, then I can guide. I've spent too much of my life building what I've got to put it to torch just to satisfy some ancient hatred of a man who beat my grandfather. Those men are long dead. Do we have to choke what could be a beautiful garden with weeds of hate? I say NO! And I stand ready to start "Operation Gardener." I invite the respected Negro leaders of our country to join me.

JOB'S DAUGHTERS REPORT ACTIVITIES

Job's Daughters of Bethel 33 met April 18 in regular session, with Honored Queen Christy Nelson presiding.

An invitation was received from Parma Bethel 25 to attend an initiation service on April 29. A "thank you" letter was also received from Golden Rule Lodge 147 of Nyssa for the gift to help with covering of the chairs for the Masonic hall.

A letter from the vice grand guardian was read concerning a scholarship received by Laura Mackey.

Joann Timmerman, senior princess, announced that her rummage sale project has been postponed until May 4.

Next meeting will be a Buddy Bethel session with Ontario Bethel 25 as guests. Jobie of the meeting is Joann Timmerman, who received the bracelet.

SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES

Senior Citizens of the area will meet at 10:30 a.m. Today, April 25 in the conference room at Nyssa Public Library. Those attending are asked to take their own sack lunches. - Lois Counsil, reporter.

GARDENERS MEET

Soil and Water Conservation was the lesson heard by Town and Country garden club members when they met April 18 in the home of Mrs. W. E. Schireman. Mrs. Charles Chapin gave the lesson.

Guests were Mrs. Polly Holub, district director; Mrs. Charles Chapin, Mrs. Lloyd Mackrill, Mrs. Hannah Shomberg and Mrs. George Patterson. May meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Al Chadwick. There will be a tour of local iris gardens, election of officers and a plant exchange.



Members of Golden Rule chapter, Order of Eastern Star, held their regular meeting Monday April 1 at the Masonic hall, with Worthy Matron Della Holmes presiding.

During the regular order of business, the group practiced initiation rites for the April 10 district meeting in Vale. This session honored Worthy Grand Matron Laurie Woodard, and a dinner preceded the meeting.

Following the April 1 business session Worthy Matron and Patron, Della and Bob Holmes were honored with an agenda by past matrons and patrons. The couple was also presented gifts from the group. Refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Holmes, Mrs. Bud Sappe and Mrs. Alva Goodell.

Another meeting of Golden Rule chapter No. 131 was held April 15.

After the business meeting, conducted by Worthy Matron Della Holmes, members with birthdays from January to June were honored.

Among honorees were Bob Holmes, Marie Holmes, Edna Terry, Myrtle Alexander, Ida Miner and Patricia Marcum.

Group singing was led by Lois Cartwright and Jesse Browne. Refreshments were served by Mildred Lancaster, Erma Meyers and Vera Paulus.

Members of Golden Rule chapter joined with other chapters from Ontario and Vale for the April 10 district meeting.

Degree work was conducted by members of the Nyssa chapter.

Escorted during the evening were Laurie Woodard, worthy grand matron of the grand chapter of Oregon, OES; Betty Hevland, grand marshal; Pat-



VICKI PETERSON

Hal C. Barton, scholarship committee chairman at Ricks college in Rexburg, Idaho, recently notified Nyssa high school officials that Senior

Vicki Peterson has been awarded a scholarship in recognition of her potential to do college work.

During her four years at NHS she has participated in FHA, chorus, German club, Theatricals and Debate club. In connection with the LDS Church, she has participated in MIA, seminary, Sunday school and has assisted as church organist. Through FTA the NHS student teaches piano and organ lessons.

Special honors received by Vicki include superior ratings on readings at speech declamation contests two years and a superior rating on her piano solo at the music festival during her junior year.

In the way of vocational plans, Vicki leans toward the literary field. However, she plans to include music and drama in her college work. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Farrell G. Peterson of rural Nyssa.

PINOCHLE PARTIES

The women's afternoon pinochle group met April 17 in the home of Mrs. Charles Zinn.

High score prize winner was Mrs. Bill Schoen, with Mrs. Harry Kingrey receiving the low-score award. Traveling prizes went to Mmes. Sam McConnell and C. A. Wernick.

The couples' Pinochle party was held on the evening of April 12 in the Charles Zinn home.

Traveling awards went to Mrs. Harry Kingrey and Wyatt Smith.

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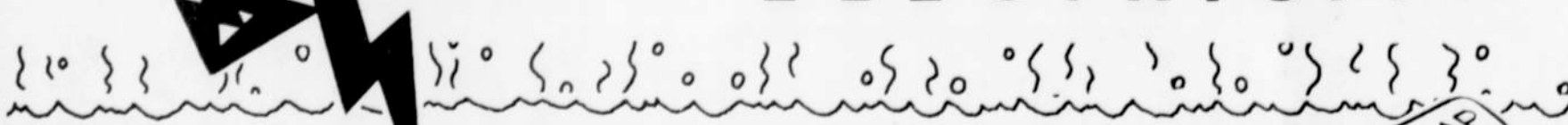
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