

NEGRO EXTERMINATION

The week just closing has seen three bloody outbreaks between the white and black citizens of the United States, which, viewed as a whole, forbodes no good for the future. The first of the series occurred in Omaha, Nebraska, which resulted in the lynching of a colored man, accused of having outraged a white girl, which may or may not be true, but at any rate the accused was given no opportunity to prove an alibi. So intolerant did the mob become that it came dangerously close to taking the life of the mayor of the city because he stood for "the law taknig its course," and the mob set fire to the court house, which was more or less destroyed. Moralizing on the Omaha situation for a minute, we do not hesitate to say it was absolutely uncalled for. Had the proper officials been alive to their duties they would have called for the troops, which were already stationed in the city, to quiet the riotous element. Men frenzied can not be reasoned with only with cold steel in the hands of determined men. The time to quell all forms of riot is when it begins and the way to do it is to do it. We have no sympathy for any man that will rape a woman and death is too good as a punishment for such a wretch, but we are unable to figure out how a man could hold a gun on another man and at the same time outrage a woman.

The Alabama horror Monday was perhaps the most cold blooded murder that white men of the South have ever committed on colored men, which is saying a great deal. Almost without proof, three colored men were placed under arrest, charged with having attempted to outrage a white woman, and they were taken to an open field and told to run for their lives, when all three of them were shot to death by the mob, but a few yards from the muzzles of their guns. And this was done by **Christian White Men** in a Christian Land and Country.

An alleged Negro Uprising was responsible for the infuriated white citizens of an Arkansas community, to grab their guns and shoot to death a number of colored men and one white man last Wednesday evening. How much truth there is in the story no one knows, but there does not seem to be very much. Just another excuse for the white man to put the fear of God into the black man's heart.

What means all this, you ask? Simple enough. It means that the notions that the Negroes got into their heads while in Europe must be shot out. That the growing spirit of freedom in the bosoms of black men must be curbed, whenever and wherever it puts in its appearance. The Negro must be reduced to the same cowardly state of mind that he was in before he went to war. He must be rebaptised in the law that sent Dred Scot back into chains. The spirit of Justice Tarney must live on and on.

We know not what others think on this subject, but "for me and mine", like the immortal Patrick Henry, "give me liberty or give me death." We prefer to see every colored person in the United States slaughtered and their bodies fed to the buzzards rather than for them to surrender one iota of the manhood they fell heir to while fighting in France to make the world safe for democracy. If bloody death must be our portion for being a man then, "Oh death where is thy sting? Oh grave where is thy victory"?

THE STRIKE CONTINUES

Owing to the printers' strike Cayton's Weekly has not been able to meet you and each of you as regularly as has been its custom and it does not promise to be any more regular than it has been for the past month, until some kind of a settlement of the trouble has been brought about. We will do the best we can and angles can do no more.

—H. R. CAYTON.