

Thoughts For To-Day

— By —
NAHUM DANIEL BRASCHER

"KEEP 'EM FLYING"—From those who HATE their fellowman; and towards those who love JUSTICE and OPPORTUNITY!
* * *

WHO IS — WAS — "GARCIA"?

The leading editorial in the Chicago Defender: "Judge Hastie Takes a Message to 'Garcia'" is provoking wide discussion. The editorial is ably and eloquently written, covering adequately the main topics in point, to wit: White America must know that Black America—LOYAL AND TRUE—knows that the Christian, patriotic, eloquent claims of national and international neighborliness and good will are nothing but mosquito-bar fabrications as long as color-bar is a "BLACKOUT."

Young America, go to your library and read about the famous "Message to Garcia." Today's "Garcia" is every government official in Washington, the 48 sovereign states; territories and possessions, such as are left, for the moment. (Let's get 'em back with the aid of black.) The day of kidding us is over; stop OSTRICH.
* * *

LET'S TAKE THE DEAR SOUTH—

The dear, dear South of long ago, and today, is rich in natural beauty and memories of sundry kinds. Search the song books, and every state has a melodious song about it dedicated to the glories. "Carry Me Back to Old Virginia," written by a Negro, to "Swanee River," in beautiful Florida, written by Foster. The South has some grand Negroes, who are staying on the spot and "building, building, building," midst handicaps and humiliation. Say what you will, there are SOME fine whites in the South, but they are just now becoming ARTICULATE. They have a long, long, long ways to go. Mrs. Roosevelt has made fairness and justice in the South and North very, very popular. "WATCH US GROW." Japs are called "imitators"—well, let's smile.
* * *

"WE ARE AMERICANS, TOO"

The tragic passing of Carole Lombard unfolds interesting observations. Miss Lombard was a native of Ft. Wayne, Ind.; she raised more than \$2,000,000 for national defense in Indianapolis, capital city of MY native state, and Will Hays, "movie czar" is native of Sullivan, Ind., and I know him personally, very cordially.

Gov. Dwight H. Green, of Illinois, state of Abraham Lincoln, is a native of northern Indiana; and my good friend Val J. Washington, member of the Illinois Commerce commission, is a native of central Indiana; and Lieut. Noble Lee Sissle, now organized with the recreation division of the United States Army, is a native of Indianapolis. As this scribe, native of Richmond, Ind., we spent many years in Cleveland, Ohio. And, Clark Gable is a native of Cadiz, Ohio, also native home of a former newspaper associate of mine, the late Welcome T. Blue, along with Thomas W. Fleming, in establishing the Cleveland Journal (Ohio).

Now, from here on YOU write the story of "The American Way."
* * *

"SEVEN COME ELEVEN"

An Associated Press story in Sunday's prints had a strange way of telling the citizens of the United States that President Roosevelt is asking the Congress for 11 billion dollars more for the United States Navy. The seven-eleven angle was told in a whimsical way—unusual for dignified A.P. What about us in the Navy? Fellow Americans, and Secretary Knox, your "traditional policy" is the bunkiest of BUNK in the light of TODAY'S CRITICAL NEEDS! WAKE UP!
* * *

JOE LOUIS AND THE NAVY

No, this is different. Recall "Thoughts For Today" quoted a remark that "Joe Louis is an evangelist." Herb Graffis, columnist, has an article in the Sunday Times, Chicago: "Success the hard, simple way." Magnificent! Read it. You'll never regret.

GIVE A SMILE; KIND WORD—instead of a scowl and grunt!!