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## ED. TOLAN, ADIEU

### Career is Unique

'You can count all the champions who have juit on top of their form on one hand,' informs Arthur Duffey sport sage and former "world's fastest human."

Eddy Tolan who recently resigned from the AAU is one of the few who are included in this rare list.

The entire track career of Tolan is unique, and for that reason he will long be remembered in the annals of the spiked shoe. This Hametic gladiator was a real track king. He performed the unusual feat of winning a double Olympic sprint championship. He is the first American to achieve this distinction since '20. He is unquestionably one of the very few athletes of the world who has ever won two Olympic titles in one game. Not even Charles Paddock, formerly the greatest dashman in the world has such a record.

### World Record

Back in July 2, 1930, Eddy proxed that he was the world's fastest human. Up to this time, Frank Wykoff, California's native son, was considered the king with Canada's Percy Williams of Vancouver, George Simpson the Ohio cracker, and Eddy Tolan of Michigan, runners up. But on the above date the "Michigan Flyer" also known as the "Midnight Express" romped 100 metres up in Vancouver, B.C. and defeated both Simpson and Williams, finishing the race three feet ahead of Simpson and four feet in front of Williams. His time of 10.2 seconds was better than the then existing Olympic mark and according to Art Duffey, Tolan was running faster than Wykoff's 9.4 seconds for the 100 yard distance. In 1930, therefore, Tolan really gained his prestige.

Notwithstanding his remarkable ability Eddy Tolan was continually reminded that he was a Negro. It is said that one day he experienced difficulty in gaining admission to the Olympic Stadium during the games last summer. The difficulties that he passed through may never be fully revealed. Perhaps it is best; but the American public knows of a few and can guess at the rest.

Knox, of Shreveport, was elected chairman. Each member signed personally the following declaration as the platform of the Council;

"We declare lynching is an indefensible crime destructive of all principles of government, hateful and hostile to every person involved . . . public opinion has accepted too easily the claim of lynchers and mobsters that they were acting solely in the defense of womanhood. In the light of facts, . . . we repudiate this disgraceful claim for all time. In evidence of our purpose we solemnly pledge ourselves to create a new public opinion in the South which will not condone for any reason whatever acts of mobs or lynchers. We shall teach our children at home, at school, and at church a new interpretation of law and religion; we will assist all officials to uphold their oath of office; and finally we will join with every minister, editor, school teacher, and patriotic citizen in a program of education to eradicate lynching and mobs forever from our land."

Louisiana is the ninth Southern state to form a branch of the Association. A tenth, Virginia, is to be organized in a few days. To date, more than seven thousand white women located in 1,200 towns in the Southern States, have signed the above declaration and committed themselves to the Association's program. Mrs. Jessie Daniel Ames, director of woman's work of the Interracial Commission has been the organizer of the movement.

(The Star of Zion)

Perhaps there is nothing in this country that is harming the Negro race more than the fatal doctrine of hate which our own newspapers and so-called "leaders" are instilling into the hearts of our people. There is no occasion for it. It makes us bitter and savage and is turning twelve millions of people who are by nature friendly and genial into a mental mass that will work eternal injury to this race if it continues . . . the Negro claims to want to follow in the footsteps of one by the name of Christ and asks others to follow after Him. What can there be in this strange religion that preaches human love and fosters human hate?

Every man and woman in this world who thinks at all knows that there are wrongs and injustices on this earth that need to be righted, but can these be righted with hate? Need we manifest bitter dislike for every white man and woman because a few wrong some other few? Let us get some idea of perspective into these skulls of ours and stop hating and preaching hate.

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## CONTINUE DRIVE AGAINST MOBS

Louisiana Women Form Council and Join Southwide Association for Prevention of Lynching.

Baton Rouge, La., Feb. 10—Leading white women of this state began here last week a new drive against mob violence by Southern Women for the Prevention of lynching, an organization promoted by the Interracial Commission.

The Louisiana Council comprises eleven women prominent in religious and civic circles, including representatives of the Federation of Women's Clubs, the Congress of Mothers, the Daughters of the Confederacy, the Council of Jewish Women, and the Presbyterian, Baptist, Methodist, and Catholic denominations. Mrs. Ben

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