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CLUB TAKES UP CHILD

The Mothers Club of this city is. devoting much time to juvenile procetton and child welfare work at the semi-monthly meetings at this time. The following well written paper was read by Mrs. Clarence Young at a recent meeting.

HOME There is a consensus of spinion that irregularity of home life is viewed as the greatest factor toward juvenile delinquency. The problem of the day. With our juvenile courts crowded with cases our police records cluttered with unusual cases involving the wrongdoings of misdirected or neglected children, the time has come for a public uprising to demand the safe guarding of the coming generation and to inculcate In the minds of parents who are willfully negligent, the penalty of their neglect and in the minds of himself. those who are careless, the consequences of their carclessness also to imbed in the minds of children the folly of misdeeds.

No problem is more vital at this time and no subpect should have more attention and no campaign should have more ardent support of the people of an community who have the interest of the coming generation at heart.

A child has the right to a normal, the absence of a wise morther's care. decent sympathetic home; the right to the care and protection of the state in case its natural guardians fail in their duties; the right to be safeguard against corrupting influences and debasing environments; the right of deliverance from cconomic pressure and the serfdom of child labor in all of its forms.

. The most important part of any juvenile work is homemaking edueating parents to see that the strongest human obligation is that of parents to the child. If moral standards are not maintained within the home, respect for the moral standards will not be maintainend outside of home. The school can only huild upon the foundation laid within the family life. The home and the school must be made the tmmertal foundation of an immortal

Chester A. Lyon of Big Brother Farm stresses the need of parents co-operating in child training, and of parents understanding their childran. He secred lax marriage and emusements be provided for childen.

crime when a St. Louis judge con tributed a new thought to the symposium. He joins the chorus of condemnation of parents in most instances in which youngsters go wrong but he adds that it is "not the ignorant people who neglect their children, but the pleasurescoking parents." In other words, selfish desire to be rid of whatever constitutes an obstacle to indulgence is not associated with literacy or its reverse, but is an evil to be corrected by other means than so-called formal education. But inability to comprehend the obligations of parenthood is a form of "ignorence" that the judge evidently has overlooked in his classification One finds it hard to think of disqualification more complete than that of the father or mother who must abandon the youngsters in order to enjoy life.

Moral and Spiritual Neglect

The child must be given the opportunity to learn of religious truth and to worship God. The form of religion matters not but it has been

WELFARE Courts that religion is essential in tive and healthy ideals, and seoth- of religion, education, health and daughters are spiritually awake and when this spiritual development is wealth. neglected.

There is as much danger in presenting facts prematurely as in withholding needed instructions. dren may be stupid enough in their beloved country. adult-planned school studies, but of juvenile delinquency is an issue they will exhibit the most alert quickly when such interests are epproached, his whole body is already ening and what does he get? Prob- ward the goal. ably a jumble of rotten misinformation and then he finds that he is a man and now, perforce, must try

What of the girl standing on the frontier of the dark world of prostitution? It used to be said of her that she was subnormal if she fell, but now we know that she is no more so than her happier sisters in society. The difficulty with her is in her unregulated emotional reactions and these are but normal pubescent phenomena eminently characteristic of puberty, and destructive only in

Social diseases are spreading, making our home no longer inviolate Can we teach purity to our boys and girls and the sacredness of parenthood. It must be done by experts. But it must be done.

Mrs. Emmo Russell, field secretary for Pacific Rescue and Protection Society tells that 80 per cent of girls in Louise Home make good. Follow up work is done for several

Not all girls are delinquent, some abandoned by mothers. Mrs. Russell has 75 girls reporting to her regularly, even though released to their own methers. Some mothers are only a detriment (All socially minded people should read Louise F. Shields articles featured in Sunday Gregotian.)

Many cases are the result of mothers allowing their daughters to slay out at all hours for dances or joy rides or even to stay over night. taking their word that they are with girl friends.

The suddest fact in the entire outdivorce laws as productive of child took of this institution is that a problems and arged that clean large number of the girls have been forced into delinquency by fathers. The last word had not been said brothers, uncles, and most disgusting through the exhaustive literature of all grandfathers, usually in cases on the subject might indicate that where the mother has died or deit had been-on the subject of serted the home. Public spirited citizens should concern themselves to look into the situation of any little girl left in a home without the protection of a mother, particularly

in taplated sections of the country. A child's definition of happiness is that which suggests pleasure and enjoyment. That is only natural, for if we think of a child as happy, we think at the same time of the re creation and amusements. A child without an instinct and a desire for play would be a most abnormal and unhappy one. Its diversions, however are not always easy to regulate, for pleasure cannot be forced down anyone's throat. If a child does not like the amusement provided for it. It will sally forth to find substitutes for such amusements and these substitutes are too often of a dangerous type. The whole question needs more study and consideration than has been given in the past. The child's point of view and its natural tastes should be better appreciated and understood so that something satisfying may be given it in the way of recreation, and its amusements at the same time made safe and clean.

At the bottom of many juvenile delinquencies and disastrous experiences we find a natural craving for amusement and adventure which, if it had been understood and wisely treated in the beginning might have been easily controlled. We might as well realize that whatever we do, children are going to join in the universal quest for happiness and pleasure, as one of their rights. It is for us, therefore, to see that they are properly guided in their search for recreation and are taught to find enjoyment in the finer things of life.

Are the children of our community to be taught to think rightly and to live usefully or are they to be allowed to drift aimlessly with no regard for their personal obligations toward the state and society at large? They often reach the parting of the ways sooner than one would suspect. If their thoughts and activities are properly directed and they are kept mentally alert and spiritually awake they will be fitted to take their alloted parts as officient and helpful citizens in the future. If, on the other hand, they are permitted to become selfish and self-centered, if they are allowed to grow indifferent to their obligations and weak in self-discipline and selfcontrol, the will soon lose respect for all authority and fall into that

Out of which material are we going to build the city and state of tomorrow? The choice is ours to make, and we all share a common boy or girl. responsibility in seeing that our Sex crimes are often caused by an children are taught to reverence and taken in aggregate produces a reeffort to obtain knowlegde which is fight for those ideals which we just- sult which is astonishing in its farinstinctively interesting to all. Chil- ly regard as the cornerstone of our reaching effects.

No one should be discouraged at the magnitude of the task. If every hospitals, community centers, socie-

part and to fit themselves for their eat. duties as citizens of tomorrow, we, woman in the land can render at | umes. least some measure of service toalded they cannot elevate and pro- tion. tect the whole youth of the nation. Child labor cannot flourish side child conservation as one of its prin- or neglect. Or if a child is to be cipal and sacred tenets if the move- | denied recreation and happiness, its

It goes without sayying that those discard at the same time, own children are by that very act wise enough to prepare its children results. Aluminum eye cup free. rendering the supreme service to for the responsibilities which they Reed Bros., Druggiots. the state, and this is also true of will be called upon to bear. Happy

proved by experiences in Childrens class which bereft of decent incen- these who are working in the fields will be its future if its sons and the training of children and that ing with discontent and lawlessness, ways an individual can contribute ready to dedicate themselves to its no lasting good can be achieved threatens danger to our common his or her share to the advance- service. Let us see that our chilment of child welfare in general.

Big Brother and Sister organizations are merely asked to interest shall not fail. themselves singly in the case of a

Each effort, small as it may seem

be appreciated, churches, schools,

These are the main obligations must not ignore or forget the obli- which the state owes its future citigations which we ourselves, as citi- zens. All subjects alluded to are zens of today, owe the community of importance and each subject propin this respect. Every man and erly dealt with would require vol-

These are essentially dependent ward this end. The work cannot be one upon another. Education would left to specialists and experts. Some be futile without health, health individuals may be in a position to would be difficult without recreation, homes and help parents to measure dedicate their lives to child training and all three would be well-night up to the most important task in and child saving, but alone and un- impossible without proper protec-

The entire country must join in the j by side with education and health. task with enthusiasm and accept Health cannot survive cruelty, abuse, ment is to be carried on to a glorious ' education, health and moral training might as well be thrown into the camphor, witchhazel, hydrastis etc.,

ergy to the care and training of their this or any other nation which is work more. One small bottle shows

dren are so guided and guarded that when the call comes to them they

Why not go to the bottom of this thing? Why not try prevention? A small fraction of the cost of such a police force, spent on social treatment of the juvenile delinquent or the young, incipient offender, would A small measure of service would indeed pay for itself "several times over." Why not go back to cause? Why do these offenders, mostly appreciation of the faintest allusion year we progress a little in promot- ites including such effective organ- young men, apparently lack the sense to sex. Here we have an instinctive ing child welfare and developing faations as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts of right and wrong or any regard for interest. The stupid boy wakes up our methods and standards along clubs, playgrounds, camps, and other the property and welfare of others? these lines; if we take no backward social and civic groups innumerable. They have not been educated moralsteps and do not relax our efforts' which are calling for the public's ly. Character, the only real prevenon edge with natures physical awak- we shall move steadily forward to- active co-operation and support and tive of crime, has not been developto which everybody can contribute ed. The crooked business men is In teaching chidren to take their something by way of personal inter- no better than the petty thief or burgiar. Both have missed out on a life training which would make them useful and happy.

Why not invest in a more practical direct system of teaching character in the schools, yes and in the church also, and in other institutions established to train the young? Why not invest a great deal more in agencies that protect and build up the world-the up-bringing of chil-

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Fifty-two years ago Famuel W. Sam's father moved to Magnet New year later he took a job at 75 ey Goods Corporation of New year later he took a job at 75 och which controls eight buy control a day in a rewmill in the of Becker,

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000 to \$225,000 in one year's time. As a result of his remarkable in street overty on a they farm rising at 4, milking the cows, build-management, the little makeshift in Fairplay, Hot Springs County, ing the fire and cooking the lodg-combination business became, in ing house breakfast. But he saved 1902, the Union Trust Co., and \$19 a month out of a total wage of Reyburn was elected president. In \$19 50, and banked it. When he was 1903 the deposits were over 22, Reyburn was admitted to the \$1,000,000, and Reyburn was the Bur. He took a job in a real estate financial leader of Little Rock. In had saved \$456. At the end the Little Rock Clearing House another year he had saved Association, and in 1908 was made whole family of aix, his father's 81,500 and opened a law office. But the real estate, banking and "gen-When he was 12 he had twenty boys working for him as ralesment the real estate, banking and "gen-eral store" office had grown. He conmous John Claffin department centrated on the banking end of it and increased deposits from \$30,-

This Week ARTHUR BRISBANE

Wheeler No "Easy Mark-Bigger Ports Coming-Would Miracles Do?

Some enthusiasts out West, athau-jto report. He might utilize the gas lated by large pocketbooks, have in- sagine frolley car that his once dieted Senator Wheeler trying to dis-showed this writer in his Devrhorn courage his able investigating. By laboratory. Light in build, has car this time they probably regret it, could cross the Continent at the rate for the Senator is investigating of sixty miles an hour without tak-THEM to find out just what and who log on fuel, and at less that half are behind the indictment.

Washington knows that when Senator Wheeler entered public life in Montana he found two political parties out there, one called Repub-lican, one called Democratic, both

Dr. Chapman, excellent scientific worker for the American Museum of Natural History, returns from the Andes mountains bringing a bird that brays like a donkey and a duck discenting clergymen that you are the characters.

New York is proud, learning from slowly turn into striped pepper-United States authorities that New mint?

long do you suppose it will be before into a live serpent, but, even if you Jacksonville. Fla., and Los Angeles change your stick into a serpent, both have an ocean traffic bigger than I'll still say, that is interesting, but that of which New York is so proud twice two are not five." to-day? This country is only start-ing, and the really big ports and cities are still to find their place.

there won't be any big advance in hotel was built, according to Dargasoline prices this Spring because win, by the gorillas, a small, feeble "moddy roads will hold down the tribe of his own relations, weak in tomobiling. Less automobiling fore, compelled to think. Thinking, menus smaller demands for gas. and they became rulers of the world. smaller demands means that the rulers den't put up the price. In Frederick Landis says that this other words, "What will the traffic country, instead of admitting go-bear?" not "What does the pasoline rilling that come here to die of

the present cost of transportation. That ought to interest rathroad men now. If it doesn't, the kind of competition it will give them will interest them later-and TOO late.

Robert D. Towne says religion lican, one called Democratic, both owned by copper mines.

When he ventured to oppose the copper capitalist he was informed that he would be run out of Montana. But he had other plans, got himself elected to the Senate of the United States, and now the people are hearing from him.

Even the fattest pocketbook ought to realize that this is no time for financial "rough stuff."

I the simple wind wants to believe everything. everything.

that brays like a donkey and a duck that can't fly.

Before amazement carries you all bound for perdition, and to away at thought of a duck that can't fly, ask yourself how many human beings there are that can't think?

Jones into a stick of peppermint candy." Would not that convert all if Dr. Jones did stiffen up and

York's port handled more than one-half of the total ocean passenger traffic of the United States. Seattle, Boston and San Francisco were next.

Well the so, but the human heart is hard. You remember the Arabian philosopher, who said to the holy man: "You may say to me, "Twice two are five, and to Well, that's to-day's news. How prove it I'll turn this walking stick

A gorilla, just arrived, is living in a fine New York hotel. How it would surprise him if his dull, Those that rule the oil market say worried brain could realize that the Muddy roads diminish au- muscle, teeth and claws, and there-

Henry Ford will buy a trolley line connecting Muscle Shoals with the Gulf at Pensacola, Fin., according LIVE.



My good friend Honry To. hett is a many-wided man. . . . He'll take a hand in any game an' play the best be can. . . So for as eddication goes, ! aint a shinin' light,-but h wouldn't fool with nothin' that he didn't think was right.

I've heaved him prattle half day, about the war in Greece. and, he'd slam the dad-burn tariff like a jestice of the peace,-He'd farm it fer a season if the idea hit him square-then, swap it fer a barber shop, an' go to cuttin' hair!

If you search among the clergy, you will hardly find a man; that can preach a better sermonette than Henry Tunket! can. . . . And, while the wood aint set aire by anything he's done, I reckon he's a genius, i? ever there was one!





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