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RELIABLE?

The other day a very lovely white woman asked us if it is a racial characteristic of the Negro to be unreliable—to take lightly engagements and appointments they make. She then cited instances of very splendid people whom she knew who had repeatedly disappointed her by failure to keep appointments and also failure to communicate with her to make any excuse. Ever since we have been trying to decide whether it is a racial characteristic or whether she happened upon unreliable folk, a hangerover from slavery, or is it a case of circumstances and environment. What do our readers say? Is our race unreliable any more than others? The Advocate would appreciate a discussion of this from the readers. Send in your letters containing your views on the question.

IS IT FAIR?

It has come to our attention on several occasions that some of the patrons of The Advocate when approached about paying their delinquent accounts, summarily have the paper stopped instead of paying up. We hardly think this is fair in view of the fact we have carried them on our books for a long time and extended every courtesy that a creditor could. In return we think it is only fair and just that a special effort should be made to pay us—if not in full—a part of what is owed so we in turn can pay our creditors.

Many of our patrons act as if they think it does not cost us anything to publish a newspaper. They put off paying us until the very last thing and not until they have taken care of every other creditor first.

We cannot maintain a publication as subscribers who do all they can to support us both morally and financially for they realize what a terrible calamity it would be for the colored people not to have a mouthpiece in the community. If they cannot pay when it is due—they do not tell us to discontinue their subscription but they have us call at a later date on which they pay up their obligations to us.

HE RETURNS

Rev. Daniel G. Hill, Jr., pastor of the Bethel A. M. E. church, has been returned for the fourth time by Bishop H. B. Parks. Rev. Hill and his congregation are both to be congratulated, the former that he has conducted his work in such manner as to merit the esteem in which he is held by both church and layman, and the latter that they have been appreciative of the work and worth of their pastor and requested his return.

It cannot be said of every minister that his return has been merited and requested.

The Advocate now, as it has always done in the past, stands ready to aid in the progress of the church program; it congratulates both Bethel and its minister upon the success of its work under the leadership of Rev. Hill.

Cecil E. Newman, editor of Timely Digest, one of the nicest and most interesting magazines we have had the pleasure of reading, writes in the August number: "In Portland, Oregon, on a certain day, we spent five hours in the most complete library this side of Chicago." Thanks, Editor Newman.

Clifford Mitchell, writing in the same issue, gives an illuminating account of how he keeps up with the Negro press. We want to thank Mr. Mitchell for answering many mental questions we have failed to communicate to him. After reading his article it is not necessary.

DAN KELLEHER

The Advocate extends its congratulations to Dan Kelleher upon his recent appointment by Governor Meier to the office of State Parole Officer to succeed Charles P. Pray who heads the state traffic department. We can think of no man better fitted for that important office than Mr. Kelleher.

It will be recalled by Advocate readers that it was due largely to the efforts of Mr. Kelleher while a member of the legislature that some of the black laws were stricken from our statute books and his election is pleasing indeed to Advocates. We wish for him success in his new office.

DARROW AND NEGRO RELIGION

(By W. C., contributing Ed.) We like the way Bishop Robert E. Jones upheld the Negro's religion in his debate with Clarence Darrow, the noted criminal lawyer.

A man who claims to be an agnostic could never understand the hope, faith, and radiant acquiescence of a class of people, who could "Praise God," and shout "Glory Hallelujah" while in the bonds of slavery, the most pitiable state and lowest round of the social ladder. If Mr. Darrow stopped to

think he would recall to mind this fact that the rise of the Negro is without parallel in the history of the world. That in sixty-six years they have reached a high civilization, that has taken other peoples hundreds of years to acquire.

How is this? It is because of his religious convictions without a doubt. He got the spirit of the teachings of Christ—though his body was in chains, his soul was free; though he was held in check materially, his soul was awakened spiritually, and he could dance, and sing, and pray, with absolute abandon. Who can say he does not face life with "courage and intelligence." These two qualities of the soul are apart from education which is acquired and not innate. May the Negro never forsake his God, for in his continued faith, love, and humility lies the hope of his future, and his extended rise in the sun.

Churches--

BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH

Rev. Daniel G. Hill, Jr., Pastor Professor Bartlett has worked hard preparing the chorus of 200 voices in a program of varied music, spirituals, jubilee, classical and semi-classical.

The objective of this concert is to raise money to meet the church obligations.

Not only members of the church have given willingly of their time, but members and friends of the community, as well.

The entire church is assisting in making this concert, which is to be given Monday night, Sept. 14, at the auditorium, a success.

Rev. Hill has been reappointed to this church, for his fourth year.

After the concert there will be a complete reorganization of the church.

MT. OLIVET BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES

The Mount Olivet Church will present different speakers until a permanent pastor or a regular supply minister is employed. At the last official board meeting a pulpit committee was appointed, so that there will be preaching every Sunday morning, or the usual service will be carried on until a new minister has been called. This Sunday at the eleven o'clock service the speaker will be the Rev. J. W. Botts.

Quite a deal of interest is being manifested by those who will attend the service to listen to Rev. Botts, as it was news to most of Portland people to learn that Mr. Botts was in the ministry. While in Chicago, Mr. Botts was a member and one of the assistant pastors of the Mount Olivet Baptist church, of which Dr. L. K. Williams is pastor. The subject of his Godhead—and the Works." The text sermon is "The Third Person in the is found in Gen. 1:1-2. In the evening

REV. ANDERSON'S SUCCESSOR PREACHES AT MONTAVILLA

Rev. Samuel G. Wilson, of Chicago, successor to the late Rev. J. W. Anderson preached last Sunday evening at Montavilla Baptist church to an appreciative audience.

Rev. Wilson is a pioneer in church work and is widely known, having organized the work in the Northwest many years ago. He is a member of several fraternal organizations. Out of a large number of men, he was chosen field worker under the Home Mission for the Regional secretaryship and field worker under the Home Mission Board of the National Baptist convention. Rev. Wilson anticipates making his headquarters in Portland. His territory includes Oregon, Washington, Montana, Idaho, Minnesota, North and South Dakota.

SOUTHERN SINGERS HERE

The Cotton Blossom male quartet, of Piney Woods, Miss., will sing tomorrow night at the First Methodist church (white). According to a leader among the singers, Oregon is far more appreciative of their music than Washington State.

The Vigilantes Club, under the leadership of Mrs. R. H. Camp, will meet at the Parsonage Wednesday, Sept. 16. A short program is being arranged. Bert Turner and Mrs. R. H. Camp will sponsor a benefit chicken dinner Tuesday, Sept. 15, at the Zion A. M. E. church.

POLICE HUNTING FOR GIANT MAN

Klamath Falls, Sept. 9.—Local police headquarters has been warned by San Francisco to be on the look-out for Fred Jackson, Negro, wanted in the bay city for attempted murder.

The man who is 27 years old, was last seen with two other Negroes boarding a north-bound freight train on August 21. He weighs 170 pounds, is six feet tall and wears a small mustache.

IN THE REALM of Society

By Rosalie Bird



Miss Rosalie Bird, 681 Gantenbein Avenue Phone MU 1686

MRS. MARSHALL WRITES FROM OGDEN

The editor of The Advocate is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. Henrietta Marshall of Ogden, Utah, in which she says she has joined the Unity Club. Mrs. Marshall, a charter member of the local Esperanto Breakfast Club, states that she has interested the club in the study of Esperanto.

About Miss Bertha Baker, who accompanied Mrs. Marshall on her return trip home, she writes: "Bertha is having a wonderful time. Today she went up in the canyon. Mrs. Bunell and the children took her. Tomorrow we are going to Salt Lake City to visit places of interest. Then we are going to the Elks swimming pool for a while."

Among those entertaining Mrs. J. L. Caston, at bon voyage dinners were Mrs. S. D. Porter, Tuesday, Sept. 1, at luncheon; Wednesday, Sept. 2, luncheon at the home of Mrs. Whitefield, dinner Sept. 2 at the home of Mrs. C. E. Ivy, Thursday, Sept. 3, spent the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Lomax of Martin Ave., Friday, Sept. 4, breakfast guests of Mrs. I. Maney of Schuyler St. Dinner guests Sept. 4 of Mrs. R. D. Lusher of Montavilla. Sat., Sept. 5, dinner guests of Mrs. W. G. Bird at her home on Gantenbein Ave. Mrs. Caston received many delightful gifts, from her various friends. She and her three daughters left Saturday, Sept. 5, on the Greyhound, for St. Louis, where they will reside with her mother. A host of friends were present to wish them bon voyage.

Much credit is to be given Mrs. H. D. Fuller, chairman of the entertainment committee, for the success of the moonlight dance given Monday evening on the Boat Swan. The dance sponsored by the Eastern Star and the music was furnished by Wilson's orchestra.

When the Mott Sisters failed to show up Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lenore Henderson for their music lesson, their mother, Mrs. Beatrice Reed, became alarmed. She just knew "something had happened." Mr. Reed, who knew the "secret," left before the mystery was solved by Mrs. Reed. The girls left home ostensibly to go to a music rehearsal but in reality they went down town to buy presents for their mother's birthday which was Wednesday. Not until they returned late in the afternoon, laden with odd-shaped packages did it become known to their mother why they never arrived at the rehearsal. Needless to say, Mrs. Reed is all smiles over her pretty street frock, lovely hose, etc., etc.

Dan Byrd of Seattle passed the last week-end as the guest of his family, 911 E. 39th Street North. He came specially to visit with his sister, Miss Mable Byrd, before she takes leave for the East.

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Mrs. George Mullen is taking two weeks' vacation beginning Monday, Angeles and San Diego. She will also cross the border into Mexico, visiting Agua Caliente. Girlhood friends will join Mrs. Mullen in California and make the trip into Mexico.

Mrs. Betty Dyels, of Berkeley, Cal., accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. McCoy, left August 28 for their homes in California.

Mrs. E. L. Johnson of Denver, Colo., cousin of Mrs. Francis Turner, of 384 Weidler St., left Saturday morning for her home.

Mrs. Casper Mann, and her son arrived in the city August 28, and were the house guests of Miss Ruth Kirk.

Mrs. S. D. Porter of Mt. Scott, was hostess at dinner Sept. 1 honoring Mrs. J. L. Caston and three daughters. Covers were placed for 8. Mrs. Caston left on Saturday to reside in St. Louis.

Rev. T. Allen Harvey, presiding elder of the Ore. and Wash. conference, arrived in the city August 28 to hold Quarterly conference. While here he was the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Bird.

The Vigilante Club met Sept. 2 at the home of Mrs. Ethel Turner, of East 1st St. A splendid program was arranged. Mrs. E. D. Cannady was the principal speaker of the evening.

Mrs. and Mr. Nichols had young nephew passed through the city Sept. 3. The couple were on their way to Seattle, where they will make their home.

Rev. T. Allen Harvey was the guest at dinner at the home of Mrs. R. H. Camp, of Shaver Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Y. J. Franklin were the dinner guests Labor Day of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Jamison.

The Wilson's Orchestra furnished the music Monday night on the Boat Swan for the dance given by the Bluebird Club, O. E. S. The affair was largely attended and was reported to be a success.

Mrs. Clara Pickett returned Monday morning from a seven weeks' tour of the east where she visited all of the principal cities. In New York City she visited her son, Dr. Hugh A. Bell and family. In Denver, her last stop en route home, she visited relatives. At Cheyenne Mrs. Pickett boarded the Portland Rose and an interesting co-incident at Pocatello, Mrs. Pollyann Reed, boarded the same coach en route to her home in Portland. Both ladies enjoyed the remainder of the trip together.

During her recent visit in Seattle, while attending conference, Mrs. Mae Hill, wife of Rev. Daniel G. Hill, was the inspiration for a number of social courtesies. They included two sight-seeing trips by Mr. J. S. Jackson, secretary of the Urban League, and Mrs. Dean Hart, a dinner by attorney and Mrs. Dean Hart and a breakfast by Mrs. Clarence O. English.

Mrs. Madge Crane has returned from Topeka, Kans., where she went to visit her grandfather, Robert Oliver, who is very ill. She also visited many friends during her month's visit there. Her grandmother, Mrs. Harriet Oliver, is also ill.

Mrs. W. T. Crawford and her son Holman, returned to their home in Los Angeles after having visited four days in Portland. They motored up as a surprise to Mrs. Crawford's daughter, Mrs. Elmer Flowers. They returned home in time for Crawford to enter the University of Southern California.

Mrs. Randolph Baldwin and Mrs. Wilbur Mercier, sisters, recently returned from a visit to their mother, Mrs. Mayberry, who resides with their brother at Sanjimo, Cal., near Los Angeles. Mrs. Baldwin says her brother operates a chicken ranch on which he has 150 ducks, 25 cows and any number of chickens.

Mrs. J. A. Nichols, of 407 Brazeo Street, was hostess at a pretty luncheon Tuesday, Sept. 1, in honor of Miss Mable Byrd. Members of the Y. Board were additional guests.

The Misses Gwendolyn and Violet Hooker, charming young ladies, report having had a good time attending the recent Pendleton Round-Up. They were guests while in Pendleton of their brother, George Hooker. Others from Portland who attended the Round-Up included Mr. and Mrs. George Canada.

Miss Della Gragg of Denver, Colo., a sister of Messrs. Will and Roy Gragg, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Will Gragg on their return trip to Portland. She will winter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Gragg in Alberta. In honor of her guest, Mrs. Gragg entertained about thirty members of the younger social set Thursday evening at a dancing party at her home.

Friends in Portland are planning to entertain Mrs. Pollyann Reed who returned Monday from an extended trip south accompanied by their daughter Shirley Iline Reed. Among places visited by Mrs. Reed were Ogden, Salt Lake, Denver, Topeka, Kansas City, Mo., Ft. Smith, Boley, Tulsa (Hot Springs, Little Rock and Arkadelphia, Ark. They report having had a most enjoyable summer. Mrs. Reed left June 5 and returned Sept. 7. She will contribute a special article to The Advocate on her observations while away, which will appear later.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Gragg, Mr. Roy Gragg and young daughter Elnora returned from a month's motor trip to their former home in Weatherford, Tex. They report a wonderful trip, not even marred by as much as a tire puncture. While in the south they were lavishly entertained by relatives and friends. The party arrived back home in Portland on Sept. 1.

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Mr. London Montgomery McGhee was host at an elaborate four course formal 6 o'clock dinner on last Sunday evening at the home of his employer in Mr. Tabor. After enjoying a pleasant social hour in the restful and cheerful living room, the guests were summoned to the dining room where the delicious meal was served from beauty, fully appointed table. Attractive cards marked the places for the following guests: Mr. London Montgomery McGhee, Miss Katherine Franklin, Mr. Neil Mitchell, Miss Alfreda Franklin, Mr. George Cannady, Mrs. Cora Jamison, Mr. Ivan Cannady, Mrs. Beatrice Cannady-Franklin, Dr. De Norval Unthank, Mrs. Hiram E. McEwen, Mr. Nancy Jerome Franklin, and Mr. Elbert L. Jamison and Mr. Hiram E. McEwen.

While the guests were enjoying the after dinner coffee in the living room, Mesdames Beatrice Franklin and Hiram E. McEwen entertained with several piano pieces.

Mrs. Floyd Logan-Eastman has returned from a two months' trip to New Orleans, La., where she visited relatives and friends. She reports a most enjoyable trip. Mrs. Eastman had not seen her relatives in 12 years.

Mrs. Thelma Unthank, wife of Dr. De Norval Unthank, writes the editor of The Advocate from Mountain Lake, Minn., where she and "Sonn Boy" are summing that she is having a glorious time. She sends love to friends.

Rev. Samuel G. Wilson of Chicago, is the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Eastman at their home, 6617 66th St. S. E.

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The Younger Set

By Geneva Ivey



Melvin Dawson was honored at a surprise party given by his parents at their home on Monday night Sept. 7. A large group of the younger members of the society set attended.

Ivan Cannady and Gordon Day returned to Portland by train Saturday morning from Seaside, where they passed the former one week and the latter two weeks.

George Cannady came up from Seaside Sunday to be present at Mr. McGhee's dinner party. On Tuesday Hubert Allen of Pendleton, U. of O. student, was his guest at the Paramount and RKO Orpheum shows and at dinner in the evening. Both left early Wednesday, Allen for U. of O. and George for Seaside, where he will remain until the 14th, when he will go to Willamette University.

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