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TWENTY-EIGHT YEARS OLD

With this week's issue The Advocate is twenty-eight years old and like anything or anybody of that age, it has had many ups and downs and has experienced many changes—some make-up to personnel; like individuals it has its friends as well as its enemies—the latter, we hope, are in the minority.

We are not in a position to state what has been the policy of its editors and managers before our time but can say that since we have been connected with it, we have consistently striven to give a paper of wholesome, constructive news. We have been vigilant in our efforts to protect the rights of the Negro masses, we have fought segregation and social discrimination with all our strength and on the other hand have worked for equal rights and better interracial conditions; we have supported every worthwhile movement for the general welfare; we have urged our group to take part in civil, political, religious community activity, and among many other things, we have urged our young people to go to school and acquire education. We have devoted much space and time toward boosting our church programs, also we have insisted from time to time that we have entirely too many organizations for the best good of our people. Not from a religious and spiritual point of view, but from an economic viewpoint. However, we have urged the people's support and have ourselves—without price—supported the church work.

We cannot say that these organizations, movements and individuals have likewise supported The Advocate. On the contrary, many of them have failed to lift their voices in a single word of praise or consideration. And when they have, they have for the most part included The Advocate in a list of publications. Because of some silly, insignificant, envious person's influence, men, otherwise with very good backbone are afraid to speak out their convictions.

However, The Advocate continues with its program often taking money earned from other sources to pay printer's bills, et al. in order that it may serve. It does this because it believes wholeheartedly in the masses of the race. Nowhere has the so-called Negro leader supported his own newspaper. And the same condition prevails in Portland with a few exceptions. But the mass of the people—those who are not trying for leadership and hence are not blinded with the evil of jealousy and envy and hate. They are the ones The Advocate lives, strives and has its being for.

The Advocate is not a society sheet, altho we devote considerable space

to society doings. We do that to please a class of readers because many peoply confuse society doings with news and consider the paper newsless unless its columns are pregnant with such publicity.

Needless to say we would not be here to write this article if it were not for the support given our efforts by the good people of both races. Some black, some white. A few of our leaders have consistently supported The Advocate and its program—some have even been thoughtful enough to call and let us know they appreciate the things said in The Advocate columns about them and their activities. Our white business men have given their support through advertising without which we would have been compelled to close our editorial doors a long time ago. So when you patronize an Advocate advertiser remember that you are helping your paper to live—not make money. Few Negro newspapers make money in the newspaper business. When you pay your subscription bill promptly—you help us to come out on time; when you fail to do this, you cripple our chance of serving you as we should.

To our regular contributors, our associate editors, columnists, social, health, political, religious, and love editors we owe much for the success of The Advocate.

As little as one may think of it, it is not an easy task to find eligible contributors who are so constant with their contributions, for the average Negro newspaper is not able to hire such work done and The Advocate is no exception. And we want to take this opportunity to thank them and all who have supported us in the past and again request their services and your support for the future.

ON TOP OF THE HEAP

"It's an ill wind that blows no good"—is an old axiom, but apparently as true today as ever. It should be rejoicing over any phase of this depression business? Yet, that is whoever would have thought we exactly what Dr. Harold J. Knapp, Health Commissioner of Cleveland, is doing; because he finds in that city considerable decline in disease with the general health of the people there people eat less in times like these, greatly improved. His theory is that their diet contains fewer luxuries and that health is improved by plain food.

Carefully planned meals cost less money. The less one spends for food the more important milk becomes. Milk is all food, no waste. The least amounts of food which can be used with safety are—Every Meal; milk for the children, bread and butter for all; Every Day; cereal, potatoes, green or oranges for children; Two to Four or yellow vegetables, fruit, tomatoes, beans, peas or peanuts, eggs—especially a Week; Tomatoes for all, dried chically for children—lean meat, fish, poultry, cheese. Amounts to suit the size of family.

Simple plain foods these—but they offer protection and bring health at a cost in keeping with a decreased food allowance.—E. Hofer.

BISHOP GRANT—THE DODGER

Bishop R. A. Grant in order to shield his criminal lust, tells the world that he signed a contract to give the girl that he is alleged to have ruined, \$2,000.00. He states that he was not

guilty, but agreed to do this to save the good name of his church. The statement is rather absurd and reflects upon the intelligence and moral status of the man. A bishop weak enough to pay \$2,000.00 to shield a lie ought to be sent to the home of the feeble minded, or perhaps better confined in some insane asylum.

If the church can stomach the Grant mess, its case is a hopeless one. The duty is plain. If Grant is guilty and he must be, according to the evidence, he should be expelled. But if he is not guilty, he ought to be suspended for forty years for playing the fool in telling a lie to cover a lie.—Rome (Ga.) Enterprise.

OUR NEGRO SOLDIERS

(From the Philadelphia Record, Philadelphia, Sept. 7, 1931)
There are about 4000 Negro soldiers in the regular army. This force is to be reduced by about 500. The War Department explains that Negro recruiting will be suspended so that new enlistments may be used to build up ground forces for the Air Corps.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People protests that Negro combat units (and service) are undergoing a subtle transformation into labor units.

The word to be emphasized in this statement is "SUBTLE."

The Acting Secretary of War says no colored soldier will be discharged or reduced in rank or pay. That there is no intention to break up the Negro regiments.

CLARENCE DARROW

The advent of Clarence Darrow into the Scottsboro case heartens the boys who are watching and awaiting the outcome. Darrow brings to the case prestige, sympathy and efficiency. Darrow is internationally famous as a criminal lawyer and a man among men.

The N. A. A. C. P., which is responsible for his entrance into the case, is to be commended upon being able to command the services of such a noted lawyer.

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Rev. Daniel G. Hill Jr., Minister
First A. M. E. Zion Church
417 Williams Ave.
Rev. W. R. Lovell, Minister

PRESIDING ELD'R

BY DANIEL G. HILL, JR.
(Exclusive to The Advocate)

A new man was assigned to the position of Presiding Elder of the Puget Sound Annual Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal church at the recent annual conference held in Seattle, Washington. The Reverend A. W. Johnson, B. D., formerly pastor and builder of the beautiful church at Tacoma, Washington. In the absence of the Bishop, the Presiding Elder is the next one in authority in the Conference. He makes his official visits on an average of once every three months and supervises and inspects and leads the congregation to greater heights and settles any questions and disputes that may have arisen during the quarter. The Presiding Elder is ever alert for the formation of new missions for the Connection and it is his duty to see that the best available men are placed, with the consent of the Bishop, at every point in the Conference.

During the course of the year this Supervisor travels thousands of miles and endures many hardships for the good of the church. The district which Reverend Johnson is called upon to supervise reaches from Vancouver, British Columbia on the north to Northern California on the South; from Eastern Idaho, Montana and Wyoming on the east to the Pacific ocean on the west. The task, therefore, is anything but easy—it is exacting in the extreme and a thankless task at that.

When the members and friends of the church, those who understand something of the Episcopal form of government, realize what a great task this is, they will respond more nobly and with greater enthusiasm to the Presiding Elder when he makes his Quarterly visits, and they will be able to appreciate the duties and sacrifices that such a leader is called upon to make for the good of the cause.

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

IN THE REALM of Society



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The first floor of Bethel Church was the scene of a very delightful reception in honor of the chorus, Monday evening, Sept. 21. A beautiful Maderia cloth adorned the table, which was gaily decorated in asters and marigolds. A very enjoyable impromptu program was arranged by Professor Barthlett. Rev. D. G. Hill gave a very complimentary talk on the work of the chorus, and cordially expressed his appreciation to the friends who sang in the chorus. Much thanks is to be given to the committee, namely, Mrs. Poynton Johnson, Mrs. R. F. Morwison, Miss Anna Morrison and Mrs. Roberts, for the delicious refreshments which were served.

Miss Emma Pickford of Seattle, Wash., was a visitor in the city last week, and was the house guest of Miss Nellie Allen, of 410 E. 40th N. While here Miss Pickford was the recipient of numerous affairs in her honor. Thursday evening, Sept. 17, she was the honor guest at the Business and Industrial Girls' Club meeting at the Branch Y. Friday, Sept. 18, Miss Jennie D. Grayson was hostess at her home at a party honoring Miss Pickford. Among other Seattle visitors were: Messrs. Bruce Rowell, Clarence Oliver, and Leonard Gaten. Wednesday evening, Sept. 16, Misses Crystal Maxwell and Jennie Grayson were the departure of Messrs. Bob and Duncan Allen. Thursday, Sept. 17, Miss Nellie Allen was hostess at a bon voyage party in honor of her brothers best-husbands at a waffle supper honoring their departure for school. Sunday, Sept. 20, Mrs. M. Simpson was hostess at dinner honoring Miss Pickford, and Mrs. Leonard Gaten left Monday morning for their respective homes.

The Daughter Elks sponsored a lunch and card benefit social at the Elks' Hall, Tuesday, Sept. 15. Mrs. Ethel Turner and Mrs. Edith Williams arranged the affair.

The Vigilantes Club met Wednesday, Sept. 16, at the parsonage. Among other club members were Mrs. Anna Shepherd, president of the South Portland Ladies Club and the secretary of the Zion Emergency Club.

Miss Carolyn Shepherd of South Portland arrived home Wednesday morning from Seattle, where she was the house guest of Mrs. Beatrice Slaughter.

Nellie Franklin and Louise Randolph proved to be fine piano accompanists. The concert was under the auspices of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal church, Rev. D. G. Hill Jr., pastor. Mr. Hill sang with the chorus, in the tenor section, and was the inspiration for the entire musical event.

Miss Caroline Carter was hostess at a delightful party Friday night at the home of Mrs. E. W. Smith. Members of the younger society set enjoyed the smart affair.

Mrs. T. H. Letcher of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. R. Thomas, both delegates to the National Association of Federated Employees, held at Seattle, passed through the city last week and spent the night with Mrs. G. A. Nichols, 407 Brazee St. While in Seattle they were the house guests of Mr. McLean. Mrs. T. H. Letcher, was the guest of Mrs. Nichols on a highway trip Wednesday, Sept. 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert L. Jamison and Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Y. Franklin and Ivan Cannady motored in the former's car to Salem, Sunday, and spent the Willamette University, and special day as guests at International House, the guest of Mr. Roderick Chang, Ching-guests of George Cannady. When they arrived George was out to dinner, as a student and member of the official family of Cosmopolitan Club. The party was shown through International House which is a large roomy mansion built by a Salem banker. It occupies a block with broad, rolling grounds and tall pine and elm trees with a brook running through the back ground. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hall are hosts at the House and fifteen young men of different nationalities will occupy the place. Already they have Chinese, Japanese, American white, American Negro, Russian, Indian and Korean. The boys have private dressing and study rooms but all sleep in separate cots out in a large sleeping porch. A living room, assembly room, bath and dining room complete the building. International House is an interesting adventure in race relations.

Friends of George Cannady will be interested to know that he made a high entrance grade and is pursuing a course leading to diplomatic service when completed will give him both the A. B. and L.L.B. degrees. George also played in the initial football game between Willamette and O. S. C. last Saturday. He is charmed with Willamette and says: "It is not a school of great buildings but one of great teachers." He asks to be remembered to all.

Miss Dorothy Morton, graduate of Franklin Hi, has entered the University of Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. Will Gragg motored up with the charming co-ed.

Miss Nellie Allen is passing the Winter in Portland with her father, Mr. W. D. Allen at their home in Rose City Park.

Mrs. J. A. Wisdom, of 1512 Union Ave. N., left last Saturday for a two weeks' trip in California. She went by stage and the trip was given to her as first prize in a ticket-selling contest conducted by the promoters of the Bethel Chorus program held at the Auditorium, Sept. 14th. In Los Angeles Mrs. Wisdom will visit a time-honored friend.

Up-to-the-Minute Modes
Prepared Especially for This Newspaper



DOUBLE-BREADED
Here's a new version of the one-piece frock which simulates two pieces. You'll note that the cut-away line and the pointed V of the double-breasted section are decidedly different. The skirt has a novel feature, too; it has groups of straight pleats at the front and a single box-pleat at the back. On this frock you'll have a chance to use the big shiny buttons that are the rage now. Against the softness of wool, they prove smart accent notes. Just by way of being terribly smart, take a tip from smart New Yorkers and make this frock in either pale beige or pink and wear it under your dark coat.
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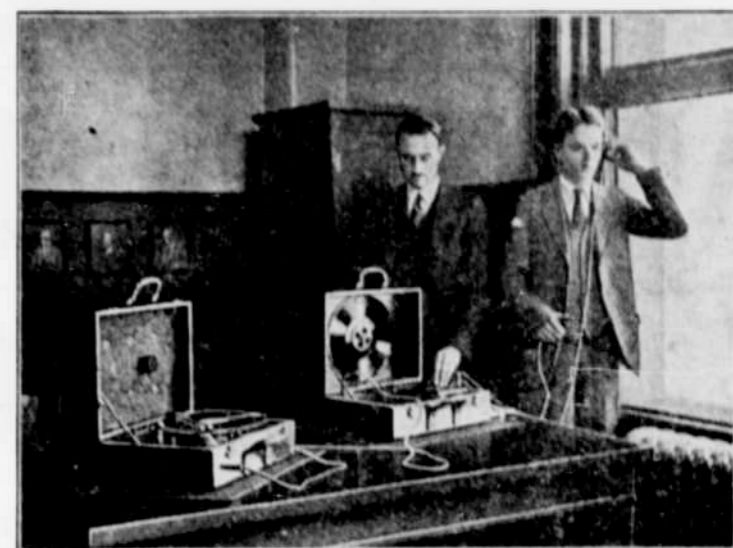
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