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DEPRIEST WINS

Millions of Negroes throughout the United States received news of the re-election of Oscar DePriest to Congress, with great appreciation.

Had Baker, the democratic nominee, won over DePriest, it would have removed from the highest law-making body, the race's only representative.

Mr. DePriest is not personally liked by all colored people. This is nothing new, only natural, and many do not approve of his attitude and actions on many questions. However, DePriest is no different from the rest of humanity and cannot expect to be a perfect man, in nor out of Congress. But this much is certain: De Priest can be depended on to do his utmost in the interest of the district which he represents and the whole Negro race which he also indirectly represents.

Regardless of what some think of the Negro Congressman, he is not afraid of any body or any thing and when questions come up affecting the rights of Negroes the race can depend on Oscar DePriest when it cannot on any other man in Congress.

We don't know what Oscar will do with all those democrats about, but the close association with those from the south may have a fine influence upon them so that they may see their Negro constituents in a different light than ever before.

JOE K. CARSON MAYOR-ELECT

When we told Joe Carson that (he being the best looking man in the race for mayor) that the ladies would all vote for him and prevail upon their husbands and sweethearts to do likewise and for that reason he was sure to be elected, he smiled and said he hoped so. And he was. We predict that Mr. Carson will be a worthy successor to "Our George" even though he may not have the opportunity of kissing a queen.

The Advocate extends to Mr. Carson its sincere congratulations and best wishes.

THE ELECTION

The American people have shown by their vote that they want a new deal in politics. The election of a democratic president will be the first democratic administration since Wilson and the people are high in their expectations of better times. They have placed their faith and confidence in the leaders which they have charged to head our government.

Now that he democrats are in power again, they are facing a very difficult task; in fact, they are facing the most difficult task ever experienced by a new administration. All over the nation, the democrats have been victorious in their conquest. The senate and the house are controlled by the democrats. The victors are jubilant, because the country has recognized their candidates and their policies, due to the unsatisfactory administration just closed. The democrats are on trial. If they make good, they will probably be in power much longer than the administration just chosen.

When president Hoover knew of his defeat, he sent a telegram to Gov. Roosevelt saying: "I wish for you a most successful administration. In the common purpose of all of us, I shall dedicate myself to every possible helpful effort." Great sportsmanship was shown in that message. If every one accepts defeat like that and holds no malice, it would be better for the common good.

Let us all manifest that spirit and turn our hands toward the wheel and help the democrats to a glorious success.

HI-WAYS TO HEALTH

Is a new department started last week in The Advocate for the benefit of our readers. It is in keeping with our desire to render service to our patrons that we have introduced this department edited by one of the really outstanding dieticians in the country, Ada R. Mayne. We hope you will derive great benefit from this as other educational features published in these columns. Ed.

SUICIDAL CHANCES

Accounts of suicides usually indicate a preference for the quickest and easiest way out of life. An exception comes from Cuba in a recent report stating that 65 girls, from 16 to 23 years of age, committed suicide in Havana during a three-week period because they were disappointed in love or tired of living. Each soaked her clothing with alcohol and applied a match, choosing this painful death in accordance with a historic Cuban

tradition. What a way to die!

America rejoices that she has no such traditions. Perhaps a Cuban would conclude however, that many of our citizens take suicidal chances with fire, when he reads that 10,000 persons are killed by fire annually and as many more are injured.

Americans take chances with fire by permitting faulty construction of hollow walls, unsafe chimneys, heating plants and roofs, and by neglecting rubbish. Factories and business buildings contain unprotected vertical openings, hazardous manufacturing processes, and lack of sprinkler systems. The remedies for these hazards are often simple. In fact, it is difficult to visualize a fire that could not have been prevented had correct conditions been maintained—Conditions that would at least retard the spread of fire, holding it in check until the firemen could arrive.

Perhaps we will no longer take "suicidal chances" with fire when fully informed on this subject. It is the duty of those who know to spread the information.

LIVING INSURANCE

According to the ancient humorous tradition, we should look upon the life insurance salesman as a nuisance and a pest, to be avoided whenever possible.

As a matter of fact, we should look upon him as a benefactor and a friend.

Many of us in these times have come to do that. The public attitude toward life insurance has changed. It is no longer regarded as a rather unpleasant necessity, which will take care of dependents after our death. It is being seen in its true light—as an investment, a creator of wealth and a protector for ourselves as well as others.

More money is paid by life insurance companies to living policyholders than to beneficiaries of deceased policyholders. Life insurance, in brief, is exactly what the term implies—living insurance.

Through diversifying the risk, life insurance gives us what no other investment of a comparable nature can give us—the highest degree of safety that can humanly be attained. It is the perfect investment for the person of moderate means—the person who has no money to risk in speculation. When he puts his money in a life insurance policy, it is as if he gave it to a large committee of financial experts, operating of himself and others like him, to invest. It is no wonder that life insurance sales held to a high level when sales in almost all other fields were a fraction of what they used to be.

The local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, as usual, made a poor guess in its endorsement of candidates to be voted on for the most important offices.

We have wondered when the National office puts its seal of approval upon local branches endorsing tickets? There is no question about it, members of the local association are not in accord with the practice and since the organization is interracial, inter-religious and inter-political, we cannot see how it would be justified in playing politics and endorsing tickets. We think the practice will sooner or later disrupt the local organization.

With a political organization already functioning, there is no reason why it cannot speak for the race vote. We hope our people will think seriously on this matter if they are interested in the welfare and continued lift of the Association.

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KEEPING -FIT-

By De Norval Unthank, M. D.
BRINGS OUT SOME STARTLING FACTS

Winifred B. Nathan, Ph. D., Professor of Education at Atlanta University in his thesis for his degree—Health Conditions in North Harlem, 1923 to 1927 brings to light some startling facts. His study is chiefly a study of Negro health, giving rather telling statistics and discussing very frankly the underlying problems that must be attacked to get any appreciable improvement. While his statistics are for North Harlem proper, they are really a glowing example of conditions among Negroes in every large center of Negro population—probably on a somewhat smaller scale. Therefore his conclusions are significant for the whole Negro group. I shall attempt to review some of these points in this column with an attempt to make practical applications to the whole Negro group.

The comparative trends of Negro and white mortality rates in the United States is very interesting. While the mortality rate is surprisingly high for Negroes as compared to whites, there has been a very consistent decline in the Negro rate over a period of years. The death rate among Negroes declined from 24.4 per 1,000 population in 1910 to 17.3 in 1927. The white rate declined from 14.6 per 1,000 in 1910 to 10.8 in 1927. Thus the Negro shows a proportionately larger decline than the whites at a higher level.

That there is such a decline in the death rate among Negroes is a very hopeful sign. It indicates that probably the proper approach is being made to reduce the exorbitant rate. The job of the Negro group today is to put more efforts along these lines. The death rate is reduced proportionately as ignorance, poverty and poor and crowded living conditions are reduced.

MY VISIT TO THE LABORATORY OF A BACTERIOLOGIST

(By Ivan Cannady)

During my recent trip to Seattle, I had the great pleasure of visiting the laboratory of a prominent bacteriologist, who is enjoying a lucrative practice there. Her name is Miss Lodie Biggs. Knowing nothing of the functions of the profession of bacteriology, I knew not what to expect. When I entered the door of her office, I found myself in a small, but cozily furnished reception room, and after a short wait, my friend, the bacteriologist, appeared. My visit was purely a social one, but after I had been there an hour, I was asking her all sorts of questions about the interesting things I saw in her laboratory. Some of you are wondering what a bacteriologist is: a person who receives clients from doctors and diagnosis the symptoms of any disease they might have; takes blood tests of the clients and finds what bacteria are present in the blood.

Her laboratory consists of quite a large room, filled with large flasks, tubes, burners, and other scientific apparatus. She prepared slides with various traces of different diseases upon them. These, she placed beneath a microscope, for my observation. I found these bacteria very interesting, because the microscope magnified them so greatly that I could see the nucleus of the cells.

After I had spent two or three hours in her laboratory, I had a pretty good knowledge of her work. I was able to prepare slides for her microscope, operate the centrifugal machine, and take a blood test. From now on, I shall hold the profession of bacteriologist in high esteem, because it is so interesting. If I had a greater knowledge of the science, I might become a bacteriologist.

KROPP THANKS SUPPORTERS

Permit me to express, thru the columns of your valued publication, my sincere appreciation to the citizens of Portland who supported me in my recent campaign for City Commissioner. It was most gratifying to me to know that so many of the voters favored my candidacy. I sincerely thank them for their confidence.

EDWARD L. KROPP.

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Helpful hints

BY NANCY LEE

This department has dealt with the problem of prejudice before, but it is a characteristic that is forever creeping out into the open. When one is suffering from this malady his vision is blinded. He cannot see the good in anyone but himself, so lacks tolerance and consideration for the weaknesses and frailties of others. In other words he has set a standard by which he expects other to pattern. When they refuse to do so, because everyone has to "work out his own salvation with fear and trembling," he immediately becomes prejudice against that person.

He should take into consideration that the life problems of each individual is different and that each one reacts differently to them and to his environment. He should practice more love and tolerance, and keep himself so busy clearing the cobwebs from his own mind that he hasn't time to worry about how much some one else has accomplished.

BIRTH CONTROL CRYING NEED FOR NEGRO SAYS MEDIC

Scores Institutions For Not Giving Informative Contraceptives

New York, Nov. 11—That American Negroes stand greatly in need of knowledge how to limit their offspring, is the statement of Dr. Charles H. Garvin, writing in the November issue of the Birth Control Review. An advance copy of the article has been sent out.

Dr. Garvin cites the high infant mortality among Negro babies as showing the need for fewer children with better opportunity for those brought into the world.

"My appeal is not for the reduction of America's black population," he writes, "but I am vitally interested in increasing racial stamina by the reduction of the unfit. Fewer and stronger babies, high-quality, low-quantity production. The birth and death 'turn-over' among Negroes is appalling. Few racial groups show such a high birth-rate with a correspondingly tremendous and distressing infant mortality rate."

"Infant mortality is highest among the children of the poverty-stricken, the underfed and badly housed, where vice, degeneracy, alcoholism, crime, and tuberculosis thrive. It increases in direct ratio to the size of the family."

In default of information on contraception which they should have, Negro women are resorting to criminal abortions which, Dr. Garvin reports, are definitely increasing. Dr. Garvin criticizes the "sluggishness" of Negro medical institutions in considering birth control methods and says: "Just why our two medical colleges have been so reluctant to offer scientific contraceptive teaching in face of the dynamic practices of the Negro, is most perplexing to me. The situation is tragic and the responsibility of the Negro physician is clear."

FORMER PORTLAND PASTOR GOES TO NORTH CAROLINA

Rev. L. Albert Moore And Family Tendered Farewell Reception

Los Angeles, California, November 11—Sunday, November 13, will be the last service for Rev. L. Albert Moore who will leave for North Carolina on Wednesday, November 16 at 6:15 p. m. over the Southern Pacific. Few local pastors have been more popular than Rev. Moore and for that reason many yearn to see him leave Los Angeles.

As a testimonial to the departing clergyman, the First A. M. E. Zion church of which he has been the pastor, will give to Rev. Moore and his family a farewell reception on next Tuesday evening. Not only will the members of the church attend this affair but many who are not members of the church have expressed interest in the success of the reception and it is predicted that a very large number will be in attendance.

From Country's Highest Telephone You May Call the Rest of the World



Atop Pike's Peak, Colo., 14,109 feet high, is the highest telephone on the North American continent. Since it is a standard Bell System telephone, linked with the central office at Colorado Springs a few miles away, from it one may call 92 per cent of the world's telephones on this and four other continents. Bottom picture shows Pike's Peak, taken from main street of Colorado Springs; at upper right is shelter house at summit; and in circle is the telephone in actual use.



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