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WORTH CONSIDERING

A little serious thought ought to convince us that we spend a lot of energy for things that do not count for much. This is particularly true of our social life. Many women idle away hours at the card table or in equally idle and profitless conversation which could be turned to much better account. Not that we are inveighing against a reasonable amount of wholesome recreation, whether it be cards, dancing, croquet, checkers or like diversions. They are all in the same category. As we see it, there is no harm in any of these when used under proper conditions. There is no difference between a social game of cards and a social game of checkers. When either checkers or cards are used in gambling, and either can be so used, there is harm and wrongdoing. The harm or wrong is not in either the cards or the checkers, but in the use, or misuse we make of them. If we are intemperate in our use of any legitimate recreations or diversions, giving an inordinate proportion of our time to these which should be devoted to other things we are guilty of wrongdoing. When, for example, women, well-meaning women, spend, as some do, morning after morning, and afternoon after afternoon, and evening after evening, when the social season is at its height, in card playing, is not this a waste of time and energy which could be and should be devoted to better and more useful purposes? Would it not be much more profitable to devote a portion of such time to self-culture, or to charitable work and social uplift; to the developing of needed institutions or to the caring for children of mothers who must go to work and leave their little ones unattended? With so many serious and important issues before us in this and every other community, do you not think it wise for women who may have more leisure than others to earnestly consider whether they are making the best use of their leisure time in their social life and recreation or whether they are not dissipating a good deal of energy that might be turned to better purpose?

Gossipers are as a rule experts at lying, and the worst kind of a gossip is a male gossip.

AN IMPORTANT WORD TO SUBSCRIBERS.

The postal regulations require that for newspapers to be sent through the mails subscriptions must be paid in advance. A reasonable time, thirty days, is allowed for renewals. At the expiration of this period, where subscriptions are not renewed, the paper must be stopped. If this is not done, postal privileges are denied the publication. Those, therefore, who desire to continue receiving The Monitor must see to it that their subscriptions are paid, as the law requires, in advance. Statements are being sent to all those who owe, or our collector will call—and unless your subscription is paid we will be compelled to cut off your paper which, of course, we do not want to do.

We, as publishers, MUST comply with the law or pay the penalty.

A WORTHY OBJECTIVE

We have learned with pleasure that the L. C. A., which means the Literary, Civic and Art club, an organization of matrons, which has been meeting for some time, have set as their objective the providing of a Day Nursery, where mothers who have to go to work may leave their children under proper care and conditions. This is a worthy objective, as an institution of this kind is much needed. We wish the movement abundant success. It should be given substantial encouragement. The first entertainment in their fund raising campaign will be a June Frolic, given Monday night at the home of Mrs. William H. Robinson, and should be liberally patronized. We hope the women will not slacken their efforts until their object is attained.

THAT PLAYGROUND

When are we going to get the much-needed supervised playground at Twenty-first and Charles streets which the city was supposed to have acquired nearly two years ago? The houses were moved off and work started, then halted by legal proceedings. The work should be completed and a supervisor appointed. Now it is used simply as a baseball field, chiefly by larger boys who are not careful of their language or conduct. This playground is needed, badly needed, but it should be properly equipped and supervised. Playgrounds reduce juvenile delinquency. Mr. Hummel, what can be done about this playground before the snow flies?

CANNOT STAND

A Detroit judge has just handed down a decision that cannot stand. He has ruled that while William Starks and his wife, who belong to one of Detroit's pioneer colored families, can own property in a certain section of the city they cannot occupy it. If such a decision as that can hold good then the Constitution of the United States is a lie.

PROVOKES CRITICISM

The heavy reductions, running up into hundreds of thousands of dollars in taxes on corporations while raising the taxes of small home-owners does not put County Assessor Greenleaf in a very favorable light or position. It subjects him to severe criticism.

Keep on smiling, keep on hoping, keep on working, keep on struggling, keep on fighting for the right and you will win.

Buy a home before you buy an automobile. If you buy a home first then you can better afford to own an automobile, but if you reverse the process you will soon own neither home nor automobile.

LINCOLN NOTES

Mrs. Martha Taylor Smith and son, Henry Smith, Miss Anna Logan and Mr. John Pegg of Omaha, accompanied by Mrs. Smith's sister, Rev. M. E. Palmer of Pasadena, Calif., motored over from Omaha last Sunday and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Johnson. Mrs. Smith and Rev. Mrs. Palmer are former residents of Lincoln and were prominent in church and social work here a number of years ago.

J. J. Burden is yet at St. Elizabeth's hospital suffering with a piece of steel in his eye. The doctor thinks he can remove it without destroying the member.

The children's festival and baby contest held last Monday evening at McKinley auditorium under the auspices of Lincoln branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, was a financial success. Little Ira Gipson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Gipson won first prize. Rae Lee Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Lewis, won second prize. Other babies, who deserve special mention, in helping to raise Lincoln's quota are Babies Scroggins, Hill and Nichols.

Mrs. Alma Wiley left Thursday for her old home in Plattsburg, Mo., to visit her mother. Afterwards she will visit her brother in Los Angeles.

Mr. Robert Granger left Monday for an extended trip through the east on a vacation.

The result of the recent financial rally at Mt. Zion Baptist church Sunday, June 6, was \$942.10. Mrs. Margaret Lyons, assisted by Miss Zureta Doty gave the willing workers and friends of the church a treat last Tuesday night, which consisted of ice-cream, cake and good daddy. Mrs. Alma Wiley, one of the personal workers, and who brought in the largest amount of money, was leaving the city—hence was termed as the honored guest. She was the recipient of congratulations and given tokens of remembrance by her friends of the church.

Please hurry with your remittances.

The annual sermon of the Lebanon Lodge No. 3, A. F. and A. M. was delivered by the Rev. M. C. Knight at Quinn Chapel Sunday afternoon. A good number of Master Masons turned out, and were joined by several of the O. E. S. ladies. Rev. Knight received congratulations for his fine sermon.

The annual sermon to the Sir Knights and Daughters of Tabernacle was delivered by Rev. C. R. Ross at the Newman M. E. church Sunday afternoon. Quite a number of the members turned out in full regalia. The sermon was fine.

Rev. M. C. Knight went to Kansas City Sunday night on business.

A. L. Corneal left Sunday to visit his old home in Hiawatha, Kans., and other cities.

TO PROBE LATEST KENTUCKY LYNCHING

Clarksville, Tenn.—(By the Associated Negro Press)—S. P. Slaughter, county judge at Elkton, Ky., has solemnly promised that the grand jury which convenes the second Monday in July will thoroughly probe the recent lynching of Primus Kirby, 26, at Guthrie, Ky., last Tuesday morning. Kirby was taken from Chief of Police Mims by a mob and hanged in broad daylight.

JUNE FROLIC FOR DAY NURSERY

The L. C. A. club, composed of a number of Omaha matrons who desire to devote some of their time to useful and needed work, are planning to start a Day Nursery where working mothers may leave their children. The club will give its first entertainment for raising funds for this purpose Monday night at the home of one of its members, Mrs. E. L. Robinson, 2124 Lake street, Monday night, June 27. It will be called a June Frolic and a unique program has been provided. The patronage of the public is earnestly solicited. Prizes will be given to the person naming the mysterious lady who will appear at 11 o'clock and also to those holding lucky numbers.

RECEPTION FOR GRADUATES

A delightful banquet and reception complimentary to the recent high school graduates was given at Mt. Moriah Baptist church last Friday night. An excellent program of music, addresses and other literary features was given.

U. B. F. AND S. M. T. NEWS

The publicity and program committee met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Sands Monday evening, where important matters were considered. Earl Jones, chairman, presided. After the dispatch of business refreshments were served by Mrs. Sands, assisted by Mrs. Belle Payne. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Howard, June 29.

Persons wishing to keep delegates will notify the chairman of the housing committee, Mrs. Georgia E. White, 2317 Charles street, or Mrs. Maggie Moore, secretary, 2302 North Twenty-seventh street.

At the annual election the following officers were chosen: Mrs. Allen Jones, W. P. of Ak-Sar-Ben Temple; Mrs. Georgia White, W. P. of Benson Temple; Mrs. M. C. Sands, W. P. of Friendship Temple; Mrs. D. W. Gooden, M. E. of the Royal House.

Mrs. Bessie Kirby, member of Ak-Sar-Ben Temple, has been appointed Grand Burial Secretary of the Daughters of the Tabernacle and International Order of Twelve to fill the vacancy made by the death of Mrs. Lulu Rountree.

MRS. HARRY LELAND HURT IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

Mrs. Harry Leland, 2436 Ohio street, was severely cut about the head and shoulders from flying glass when the car in which she was riding with her husband Wednesday morning was struck by a Ford coupe driven by J. E. Rudisell, 4366 Davenport street, at Thirty-first and Harney streets. The coupe was overturned but Mr. Rudisell was not injured. Mrs. Leland was given medical attention by a physician at the Field club, where her husband is employed.

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