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A Worm's Eye View

By CARROLL L. UNLAND

Men study and strive and many devote their lives to the conquering of disease. Other men contribute hospitals and sanitariums for the curing of man's physical and mental ills. Yet disease and ill health are still so common that everyone is familiar with this misfortune. Men fight both for and against the development of a program of socialized medicine designed to prevent ill health and to arrest disease in its early stages. Man has not learned the way to good health.

Men have built great religions purporting to explain God's plan for His creatures, the mystery of life and death, the hope of eternal life, and a moral code designed to enable men to live in a commendable, constructive, cooperative manner. Houses of worship, great cathedrals and little shrines, and churches of all descriptions are the meeting places for millions of people, gathered to worship their God as they see the way. Yet religions tend to seek material wealth and political power and in so doing defeat the greater good which is their avowed purpose. Wars have been fought, millions of lives lost, homes and communities disrupted because men forget the true purpose of their religion and choose to deny other men the right to worship God in some other way and to seek the road to eternal life by the light of some other religion. Man has not learned the way to religion tolerance.

Men have built great universities and institutions of learning and the body of knowledge now available to the seeker covers great areas of all subjects. Yet the greatest interest is usually in the physical and material fields. Nearly everyone has some knowledge of these things. The sciences of psychology and sociology are highly developed but the common man takes little interest and neglects the very fields of knowledge most necessary to a peaceful contented existence. Man has

not solved the problem of education.

In some areas great quantities of food are produced. Great surpluses allow the people to live in relative luxury and often result in wastage and loss. In other areas equally great numbers of people suffer from starvation and exposure. One group undermines the general health by overeating while the other group suffers from many diseases resulting from malnutrition. Man has not solved the problem of distribution of the necessities of life.

Men profess to believe in democracy and the rights inherent in each human being. Men fight wars to defend this belief. Yet the world is full of minorities, racial, religious, economic, and others, which are continually suppressed and denied equal rights with the dominating majority. In other instances more powerful minorities seek to dominate majorities for selfish purposes. In each case the more powerful group, neglecting to give thought to the rights of the weak, is defeating the goal of democracy. Man has not learned how to secure the greatest good for the greatest number.

Mankind has learned how to discover, capture, and exploit the great, God given, natural resources. But in blindness and selfishness men are rapidly exhausting and destroying while neglecting proposed activities to conserve, perpetuate, and rehabilitate nature's bounty.

Men achieve great astounding feats of construction and transportation; but some misuse these wonders for purposes of war. Untold wealth and energy is used to destroy the best and greatest achievements upon which equal amounts of wealth and energy have been expended. That is war. Men have not learned how to prevent race suicide.

Until such time as mankind can find noble and unselfish motives in its collective heart in sufficient quantities to guide and direct the enormous expenditures of resources and energies which

Our Children

By Mrs. William B. Davis

Fat Children

The treatment depends on the cause. Many people think the cause is gland trouble, but actually this is rarely the case.

There are several factors that make for overweight, including heredity, temperament, appetite, happiness. If a child comes from a stocky line on both sides of the family, there is a greater chance of his being overweight. The placid child who takes little exercise has more food calories left over to store in form of fat. The most important factor of all is appetite. The child who has a tremendous appetite that runs to rich food like cake, cookies and pastry, is naturally going to be heavier than the child whose taste runs principally to vegetables and fruits and meats. But this only raises the question of why one child does crave large amounts of rich foods. We don't understand all the causes of this, but we recognize the child who seems to be born ("constitutionally") to be a big eater. He starts with a huge appetite at birth and never loses it afterwards, whether he's well or sick, calm or worried, whether the food he's offered is appetizing or not. He's fat by the time he's 2 or 3 months old and stays that way at least through childhood.

Of the excessive appetites that develop later in childhood some at least are due to unhappiness. This happens, for instance, around the age of 7 in children who are somewhat unhappy and lonely. It is the period when the child is drawing away from his close emotional dependence on his parents. If he doesn't have the knack of making equally close friendships with other children, he feels left out in the cold. Eating sweet and rich food seems to serve him as a partial substitute. Worries about schoolwork or other matters sometimes make a child seek comfort in overeating too. Overweight sometimes develops during the puberty stage of development, especially in unhappy children. The appetite normally increases at this time to take care of the increased rate of growth, but it's probable that loneliness plays a part in some cases, too. It is the period when the child may become more turned-in and self-conscious because of all the changes he is experiencing, and this may lessen his ability to get along enjoyably with his fellows.

are now being used for evil and destructive purposes we worms have no cause to lose sleep or to suffer any nervous breakdowns over who shall inherit the earth.

Sports Scope

Satchel Paige Realizes Baseball Dream



Courtesy of Lincoln Journal.

SATCHEL PAIGE

NEW YORK. (ANP). Ten years ago I chatted with Leroy Paige, Kansas City Monarchs pitcher, at Yankee stadium about colored stars being in the big leagues. I recall baseball's legendary "Old Man River" saying:

"I would give years of my life to be in there pitching for a major league club and I feel that I would make good against the best of them." There was no boastfulness in Paige's speech, just the normal desire of American baseball players whose lifetime dream is to pitch before crowded stands and to hear the chant of bleacher fans and box-holders after a notable effort.

That was back in 1938. Ten years later, Aug. 13, 1948, Satchel Paige pitched a 5-0 shoutout victory for Cleveland, American league, against the Chicago White Sox. The victory eased the Indians back into first place and Joe Louis and Ray Robinson, world champion boxers who witnessed the game, personally congratulated the tall man with the moustache.

His dream to twirl before a packed house also came true for 51,013 turn-away fans crowded into Chicago's Comiskey park to see just how the much advertised Negro moundsman would fare over the nine inning distance. It was openly stated that Paige would fizzle out completely after four innings but the 44-year-old wizard fooled them badly.

Miss Robinson Passes in Denver

Funeral services will be held Saturday, August 28, 2 p. m. at Nebraska City, for Miss Georgia Robinson, who passed away in Denver, Friday, August 20.

Among survivors are, three sisters, Mrs. Winifred Newton, and Rosia Robinson, Beatrice, Neb., and Edith Robinson, Kansas City, Kas.

Meetings of 25 Negro organizations in 17 states were attended in 1947 by the National Foundation's Director of Interracial Activities to advise groups and individuals of services available from the organization and how to obtain them.

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