

TALKING IT OVER

True Friendship
By Mildred Bronson.

Dear Readers:
No doubt, if I were within a listening ear when you look at the subject of this topic, I would hear the remark, "She has written this once, why again?" Would I not? It is true I did write, on a few weeks ago, but I am repeating my version on it, for one of my dear friends and readers namely, Mrs. Beatrice W. Davis, of Superior Wyoming, who says she is a Christian and trying very hard to live it every day and requests me to give my version on True Friendship for her. I wish to thank Mrs. Davis for her wonderful letter and I will do my best to answer for her and you.

True Friendship, a small phrase of fourteen letters, but one that means so much and has so much to do with the living of our lives. You hear some times among our people, "I don't want any friends, especially in this town, and two-faced here are too dirty and two-faced to mean any good. You hear people make remarks similar to that haven't you? Perhaps you have made them yourself. Remember, I said perhaps.

Well my friends, I may be wrong, but in my opinion as long as you utter remarks such as these or even have them in your heart or mind, you will continue to have no true friends. You may say why? This is the reason. "To have friends, you must first show yourself friendly." Am I not right? And another thing, you must first show yourself friendly. Am I not right? And another thing, you can not be a true friend to anyone unless you are a true friend yourself.

How true: So true, now tell me this, how can you be true to anybody when you are not true to yourself? How can you think well of anybody if you continuously have evil thoughts in your mind? You can't, because you can't carry evil thoughts in your mind without thinking something evil of everyone you meet.

Did you ever stop to think of how far the Negro race is apart? By that I mean, how distant the majority is from one to the other. If we had more true friendship within our group, and when I say true friendship, I mean Friendship this is the same all of the time. A friend that is willing to do anything to help the other person. Friendship that will go down, maybe in the gutter with a friend. Go down in the gutter with a friend, to stay? No, to help bring him back back up again. Friends will say the same things behind your back as you say to his face. Friendship that is the same when your friend is broke, and down as it was when he had

money position, etc., in life. If you can not say that you without any of the above in True Friendship you are not a true friend and never will be until you learn the above.

You have heard people say I am a Christian and then later on hear them remark to another person, "I don't like her or I can't stand her." Am I not right? In your Bible you will find a phrase something that reads:

"How can you hate your fellow man which you have seen and love me whom you have not seen. It's impossible. So True Friendship comes before us again. You have got to be a true friend to everyone before you can truthfully bear the name of a Christian.

My friends as I look through one of my books. I came across a little quotation as follows.

"An enemy will say you are foolish and be done with it, but a friend will give all the reason why. If you are a true friend to a person you will not tell their faults behind their backs, but will tell them to their face. Will you not?"

So my friends I could go on and on with new thoughts continuously coming to me and this vital subject, but since time and space will not permit, I must bring it to a close. But I seriously hope that I covered the subject fairly well for Mrs. Davis, and trust that I have not been too outspoken.

But my friend, I write from the heart and put the plain facts before you, whether they be pleasant or not. If a thought comes to my mind as I was writing and I would not put it down because I felt that it might cause me to lose someone's friendship, I would be cheating myself and you. What we need today is people for writers that are going to bring the true facts before the public regardless.

That brings before me the fact that up to date I have not received one letter from a Pastor. I wonder what can be the trouble. Am I too outspoken? I shouldn't be, not for a true Preacher of the Gospel. Not if he is bringing the people the true facts. I will close now with this poem and sincerely hope that you will remember it as you go through life.

Life if good begins and ends,
In the circle of our friends,
Memories that help and cheer
Centers in the friendly years.

When at the years, when you stand,
May you grasp a friendly hand.
And be glad the good Lord sends,
You, your company of friends.

DOINGS AMONG THE DINING CAR AND HOTEL WAITERS

By Hopie

Well, Well! Spring is here to stay if what some of our down home boys are right. And after all, they can be right in their way, can't they? Mr. Robbins missed quite a few last winter, didn't he? And he gets paid for studying the clouds, skies, and what not. While those down home boys study the feathers on the fowls, ring around the sun, corns on the toes, the quack of the ducks and geese travelling north and above all the jumping and that ambitious attempt to dance to the tune of "Love in Bloom" by some of those poor waiters while a few of their old faithful friends stand by with tears in their eyes for them, singing, "The Darned Old Fool Ain't What He Used to Be." They can be right can't they? Sure. Who knows your corns any better than you? Or whether you know the moon or sun is filling up with Spring rains any more than they know when your are drinking beer that you are filling up? They may not be able to tell what you are getting down when you are drinking sice gin, and high balls, if you could keep your sober thoughts to yourself. Anyway, they may be right. Let's hope so anyway.

Oh, say. Here is something that should be circulated. Last week the Creighton club gave a banquet down at the C. of C. to welcome their new football coach. After the banquet the manager of the C. of C. received a letter of appreciation, which expressed the following sentiment:

"We wish to thank you and cannot say too much for you and your well trained, manly crew that served us perfectly. I must say that you have been spoken of many, many times since, and we wish to show our appreciation to you for the successful way you served us. It was considered and honor that you and your organization took a lively interest in the affair, and such active part in making it a success. Many of our 500 guests have remarked of the excellent food, and the promptness and courtesy of the waiters."

We only hope that this is just a beginning of many more like this. We also hope that this will encourage Mr. Harrold to go on to greater works.

I would like to go back a week or two and thank Mrs. Albright and Miss South Omaha for bringing to my attention the feeling that exists between our groups of North and South Omaha. I made a special investigation because I couldn't credit the statements. And I was surprised to find that it is true? I asked about a dozen, and ten of them told me or showed me that Mrs. Albright and Miss South Omaha were right. I can't see how we could be so small. The

Several members of the faculties of the cooperating institutions will be in residence for the summer school. In addition, experienced teachers from the faculties of other institutions are being secured.

The institutions cooperating with Atlanta University in the 1935 summer school are Morehouse College, the Atlanta School of Social Work, Morris Brown College, Clark University, and Gammon Theological Seminary. The Interdenominational Ministers Institute will be conducted this year at Morris Brown College. All other work will be centered on the campuses of Atlanta University, Morehouse College, and Spelman College.

What is there in life for me?
Naught but care and sorrow,
Disappointments, loneliness,
Waiting for the morrow.

Once I thought that luck was mine,
I guess I was mistaken
All the joys I thought I had,
I found, too late, were taken.

So I'll go on, a luckless chap
Chasing bright illusions
Till death, kind death, should claim
me
In sweet, tranquil conclusion.

By D. Eugene Murray

MOUNTED TROOPERS CHARGE CROWD OF MINERS AT COURTHOUSE
Wilkes-Barre, Pa.—Mounted troopers last week charged a crowd of 15,000 miners gathered before the state courthouse here in protest against the arrest of 51 mine union leaders. As a result of the troopers' attacks, seven workers went to the hospital. Eleven others were arrested and put under bail amounting to \$47,000.

In the courtroom, Judge Valentine heard the cases of 29 of the 51 arrested men. These union officials have refused to heed an injunction to call off the strike against the Glen Alden coal company. No action by the court has as yet been announced.

A tremendous mobilization of armed force against the strikers is being carried through by mine operators and state and county officials. Local police, state troopers, detectives and company police and guards are cooperating in an attempt to smash the strikers' ranks and reopen the mines. There are rumors that martial law will be declared. The answer of the workers has been to increase the picket lines at the mines.

Commodore tells me that while I was sick, they put on a new captain by the name of Jones. Have you met him?

I am told that a certain waiter got an order for a coffee cocktail. He went to the bar and set it up and said, "Coffee cocktail." The bartender told him to serve the coffee on the side or put it in a table. Did he? I wasn't there. Oh, me. Remember, I said, "I was told."

I visited the young waiters class Friday night, and it surprised me to see the progress of these young men. Mr. Branch should be given a big hand for the splendid

very thought of it is shocking to intelligence of good thinking people. Here is a quotation from our great leader, the late Booker T. Washington, "It is impossible to hold a man in the gutter without staying there with him, because if you get up, he will get up." So true, isn't it?

Here you are. Name it and take it. Mr. G ordered two steaks, two saads, two coffees, etc. Put up his platter and said, pick up. Cook "on de fire." He picks up platter, salads, bread and coffee, covered platter with a nice hot cover and as he pulls up to checker said chick—check. Lifting cover and said, "Two steaks, Oh, oh, No, No, No." And after a long breath he said, "On fire." "Put them out." Your problem, not mine. "O. K. Take it away."

Captain Booth went down to inspect the shoes of the crew on request of the head waiter, Mr. Branch. He returned and said that a waiter had on a pair of "turnplow" shoes. What kind of shoes can they be?

New York—CNA—Two thousand young school children barely escaped death here last week when a fire broke out in a public school in the heart of Harlem, just after the school day had ended.

The school is located at 135th and Lenox Avenue, and had been for several years condemned as a fire trap, unfit for use. The fire did \$25,000 worth of damage to the school building. Over eleven fire department stations were active in attempting to control the flames. The smoke and fumes enveloped the territory blocks away from the fire. The Harlem hospital, which is two blocks from the school was completely penetrated by the smoke, causing injury to many of the patients.

The school building was erected in 1889 and was turned over for Negro children after it has be-

come unfit for use. Although the fire consumed almost the entire structure, the children were required to attend the same school the next day.

A meeting was called last Wednesday night by the League of Struggle for Negro Rights at which parents of school children in Harlem, took action against the use of this fire trap for their children. A delegation was appointed at the meeting to attend the open hearing of the Board of Education on March 13. At this time unemployed teachers, parents, and Negro citizens of Harlem will demand the building of a new school in place of the half destroyed fire trap.

HARLEM FIRE TRAP SCHOOL BURNS—2000 CHILDREN BARELY ESCAPE DEATH

See you next week.

PROVERBS AND PARABLES
By A. B. Mann
(For The Literary Service Bureau)

YOUR CHICKENS AND MINE
The saying is, "Your chickens will come home to roost." It is based on the fact that chickens may leave their own yards, but at roosting time, will return. The lesson is of retribution or penalty for wrong doing. In the Bible it is called reaping what is sown. In ethical terms it is retributive justice. In slang parlance it is "getting what is coming to you." In penal language it is paying penalty for transgression of law, human or divine.

This saying and these interpretations remind us that we cannot do wrong or render injustice with impunity; and it warns us to be careful in all our dealing with others—and with the conduct of our own lives.

The ideal of Friendship is to feel as one while remaining two.—Madame Swetchine.

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NEW YORK EDUCATORS, IN PRAISE OF DUBAR KINDERGARTEN

New York—Unstinted praise from public school teachers and private school principals as well as many visiting educational experts is given the model kindergarten conducted for five years by Paul Laurence Dunbar Apartments, Inc.

Mrs. Clara Burrill Bruce, assistant manager of the Dunbar and director of the welfare services, took the initiative in securing the cooperation of the New York Kindergarten Association. That admirable association furnishes the principal teacher, Miss Henrietta Maesing. Miss Maesing is well experienced in handling pre-school children; she has won the sympathy and support of the mothers of the Dunbar. A mother's club has been organized to aid the work; it meets the first Friday in each month. An assistant teacher, Miss Marjorie Walton, daughter of the journalist, Lester A. Walton, is furnished by the housing corporation, as well as rooms and playgrounds for the children.

Comments on the work have stressed the high quality of the training provided. Public and private school teachers have remarked that they can instantly tell a Dunbar Kindergarten trained child. The program offered places a premium on developing the creative instinct in the child, giving it appropriate materials with which to work, such as paints, brushes, etc., for painting and drawing, a variety of toys, and small projects in which the children cooperate in making such things as dolls and doll clothes, and molding from plastic material anything that catches their fancy.

The Dunbar Nursery School, under the direction of Miss Ellis and Miss Beatrice Cain, supplements the work of the kindergarten, taking babies from eight months to 4 years while the kindergarten takes them from 4 to

5. A total of 32 children are now enrolled in the kindergarten, practically all of whom were born in the Dunbar.

Miss Jennie Haxton, supervisor from the Kindergarten Association, has warmly approved the conduct of the school.

ATLANTA, GA., UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCES OPENING DATE OF SUMMER SCHOOL.

Atlanta, Georgia March 21.—Special:—Atlanta University's summer school, in which all of the collegiate institutions for Negroes will participate again this year, will open June 12th and continue until July 24th.

The session will afford opportunity for students to receive special training in social work, in teaching methods and school administration, and in religious work. As a special feature this year, the University, in cooperation with the Georgia State program of curriculum reorganization, is offering under the direction of a specialist in curriculum study, courses in the Fundamentals of Curriculum and the Planning of Curriculum Units for Elementary and Secondary schools.

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