

(LA LINTERNA)

Phrase of the moment

It would seem that the whole purpose and object of life is wound up in «the Service of man to his fellows» in disinterested self sacrifice. There is nothing that gives greater satisfaction than to feel that one has given unstinted service to those who are in need of such sacrifice.

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THE NEGRO AT THE CHURCH Philomela's serious talk with girls

The Negroes as a class are generally the most religious people in any country you meet them. They are never too poor to raise money to build a new church, and however the white people may feel about wages and race segregation, they are always ready to contribute to a Negro Church. I have attended their services on several occasions and noted their religious fervour often reaching hysteria. Like most revivals, no word of reason or fact or philosophy is heard. The occasion is a religious orgy. Expressions such as, «Praise the Lord», «Glory Hallelujah», and the like are shouted at the top of their voices. These words are seldom connected with any comprehensible sentence.

If they have no meaning, they at least stir the auditors to an emotion not unlike any other revelry. It is not idle curiosity that draws me to one of these orgies. For many years I have held the opinion that the Negroes a long suffering people, and in spite of my own views on religious questions I cannot deny a feeling of satisfaction that for a time they seem to forget their disabilities and troubles. I know that this self-hypnotism is like any other narcotic, dangerous when taken in too large doses. I know that, after the exaltation, depression must come and that the net result is injurious and brings more pain than pleasure.

I would be the last one to interfere with their religious orgies, and I am inclined to believe that for some of the revelers the few hours of forgetfulness are worth the price. But I am interested in the Negro as a «race» or a «people», and cannot avoid the conclusion that their slow and painful struggle for greater opportunities would be made easier if they were less religious. The development of any people is greater in proportion to their dependence on reason, and an ability to face the facts, however hard the facts may be.

Assuming that there is a God, what reason has the Negro to praise him? Is God his friend? If so, why has he made Negroes the hewers of wood and drawers of water through all the long and dreary past? And why is it that even today men and women of courage and intellect are forced to degradation and humiliation because of the colour of their skin? God could change it all in the twinkling of an eye. In fact, it was only by his will that this suffering was ever forced upon the blackman.

I can understand the cause that made the Negro religious. During his long servitude in bondage he was taught religion. He was closely watched to prevent the growth of any organization that might by chance teach him independence. There was only one place where he and his kind could meet, and this was the church. The master knew that he could learn no sedition there.

Together with other ideas he was industriously taught the text: «Servants obey your master». The church needed no supervision. It was supported by the whites. Its influence was safe and good. The coloured man learned to sing and pray. He was taught his place and he learned it well. Even after the Civil war of America, when his legal freedom was assured, the Negro had no place in the leading churches. There were white churches and coloured churches, and there could be no communion even in the worship of God. The white people helped the Negro build his churches, and even his Y. M. C. A's, but these were «Jim Crow» churches and «Jim Crow» Y. M. C. A's, although both worshipped the same God and read the same book. It is not possible that the whites would exclude them on earth but would associate with them in heaven. Those who believe in excluding them from white churches and white Y. M. C. A's will of course expect them to keep their place in Heaven and expect God to treat them no better there. Those Negroes who go to Heaven will go to a «Jim Crow» Heaven, and of course the whites will take the choice of places in the hereafter as they do now. If there is a God he must know and approve of all of this. It is perfectly plain that if there is a God, and He holds man and his destiny in the hollow of his hand, then this God is white. No one would ever conceive that this God was black. What can the Negro expect of a white God who has already countenanced and approved of his place of servitude through the ages? Will he do any better or differently in Heaven than he has upon the Earth?

Of course it is only fair to say that one great church, the Catholic, does not discriminate against the Negro. This church has earned the respect of the Negro religionist toward Catholicism. Every observer of the Negro knows that he spends too much of his meager income on the church. In our big cities they are trying to imitate the whites. Not only have some organizations succeeded in building elaborate churches, but I am informed, they have «paid» choirs. While tens of thousands are standing in bread lines, the contributions to extravagant churches go on. It is not easy for an outsider to see how any luxury or extravagance is needed for the worship of God.

The Negroes need almost everything that modern civilization demands. They have but one medical school in all the Southern States. They are almost without hospitals even to here in Costa Rica, he must beg admission. They have reached the point where they can not much longer rely upon the aid of the whites. They have already come to be competitors of the whites in industry, and even in the

professions, literature and art. They must soon go «on their own». Their future progress needs education, opportunity intelligence and, above all, courage in himself.

The Negro, like the rest, must look out for himself. Before he robs himself to increase the extravagance of the church he should ask the simple ques-

tion: «What has God done for him» and what will the church do for him to bring to the Status of Nationalism.

Is it not time for the negro to begin to think for himself and build institutions for the education of his son and daughters and Hospitals for his aged as suggested by the Convention of Negroes held in this country in August last.

An Appreciation

The officers and members of University Club wish to express thru this medium to the members of Alpha Literary Club who represented the affirmative side of the debate and to the judges who sat so patiently and listened with earnest devotion to the controversy, their uttermost gratitude and highest appreciation for their invaluable services and unmerited deference.

ALL LIFE IS ONE LIFE

Dear Mr. Editor:

In this age of world greatest enlightenment, where human achievement boasts to be the greatest in history where spiritual attainment from a christain stand point pretend to be at an altitude never reached by past devotees, and where this civilization is impinging its predecessors with omnifarious sarcasms, the human family is still indulging its notions that make us forget that «All life is one Life». The barbarism carried on by denizens of past civilizations though contrary to Gods plan, were more plausible than to day, because they were only forming the nucleus upon which we the more advanced students of human achievement were to construct the formidable superstructures compatible with Progress realising all the time that «All Life is one Life». Such superstructures have been erected, but alas! the builders imbibing the wine of ostentation, egoism, and vaingloriousness, have transformed that which represent the glory of God in miniature to the crumbling magnificence of boastful man. We do not seem to realize that unless we recognise the oneness of Life, so that righteousness from the basis or foundation stone may impregnate the whole of our culture, inevitable destruction is at hand. Though we wink at facts and harden our hearts the «Small Still Voice» condemns. Disadvantages and cruelties incurred on weaker peoples and lower Order of Creation are nothing in our consideration. The Fatherhood of God from a uni-

versal stand point as advocated by Master Jesus is like mere words passing through a whirlwind to be lost in oblivion. «Do unto others as you like them do unto you upon which hangs the perpetual Law of Peace, Love, and Prosperity is sneered at as the most abominable philosophic odour inhaled by us. Our presumptuousness cause us to think that all other entities are inferior to us, forgetting that dignity in Life lies in the production of the entity and not in the refined or gross materialism, & that every prospect pleases, but man alone is vile. Jesus substantiated this by stating that the humble lily growing in a pool of stagnant water was more beautiful than all the glories of our boasted Solomon, and that the very hairs of our heads are numbered. The so-called interior creatures are in the same category in the Scheme of Things before the Creator as the greatest man or woman. And right here I cannot help but reiterating a phrase from the immortal Shakespeare where he said on Adversity,

Sermons in stones, books in running brooks, and Good or God in every thing. Unless we come to the realization that «All Life is one Life» readjust our affairs relative to righteousness on behalf of such the opprobrium of the conscience will still be heard above the din, and the Divine Fingers will ever write on the Walls of Reciprocity. Man, What so'er Thou sowest, that Also shall ye reap.

DAVID M. LUKE
Alba Farm

A young man that will take advantage of your weakness, harm you, and then, either deny his wrongs, or run away from his obligations, is a coward. Such a young man should be spurned, not being fit to even look upon your sweet face.

Well, this is one of the duties your clubs should undertake, to build a fort around their members, making them ever ready to meet such cowardly young men. What does one get, going around with a nicely dressed young man, just because he can look nice every day when that same young man is unable to bridle his carnal desires, and unable to appreciate you for the beauty of your soul? How can you trust yourself to be going always to his home, go roving out with him, visiting the movies together with him, and in fact, idolizing him as if he were a veritable god; when he, on the other hand, is trying to ensnare you as he had ensnared others?

How can you feel safe with any young man, who steals to make you presents, who steals to make himself looking a well dressed man, so that you could be fooled, as he is well aware that you are always affected with glaringness? But these are facts that you have never thought of, but look into your lives, and check up. Our society would be a better one if you would only think a little.

Today, you are sweet you looking, proud, tomorrow you are emaciated, humble. And why? Because today you didn't think that there was a fall coming to your pride, because you did not see where that fall would have been, being blinded. And tomorrow you care nothing for repentance, because all your spirit is being sapped by your one blowl.

Check up, it is not too late now, and help to make this town healthy morally, physically, and intellectually. *Thill next week.*

LODGE FIESTA

On Mater Saunday 29th Nov. the Alma Lodge I. U. O. M.; F. S. went in Fiesta at 3 p. m. for a double purpose firstly, to give to Bro. S. C. Nation Ex. Venerable Grand Master a Testimonial of their appreciation to him for his good services in opening and inaugurating in San Jose this Lodge without the idea of monetary considerations, as well as a Gold Medal in merit of his services.

Secondly, it was to give to our beloved Bro. Senor Lic. Mariano Echevarria, the actual Worshipful Master, a discharge from Bachelors life to join the Honorable Army of Benedictus This Brother gets married today to the amiable, beautiful and highly esteemed member of the aristocratic life of San Jose Miss Mary Brealey.

So soon as the Lodge was called to order and the honours of merit done to Bro. Nation, she was declared in recess, when the visit of Messrs Noe Solano and M. A. Montelegre Secretary and Worshipful Master of the Regeneration Lodge of the Freedmen accepted Order of Masons and Officers of the Grand Lodge of this Order in Costa Rica was announced, when the Bros. came to attention and these distinguished members of the Fraternal entity were admitted and welcomed in a befitting style, both of whom responded in gran eloquence; among other beautiful and affectations expressions, Bro Solano said, that «certain Regulations of Associations prevent us from those free interchanges of loving expressions and actions which ought to be evidenced on such an occasion as this, but he cannot but say that wherever he meets an Assembly of gentlemen in which he finds exhibited the Square Compass and the Bible, he feels encircled by

Brothers» therefore he felt Elated by the welcome and Concord which had been extended to him and his colleague Bro Montelegre who also honored the assembly with phrases of brotherly affection and fraternal esteem.

Bro. Alfredo Sanchez venerable master then responded in touching terms of affection to the epithets of sympathetic concord cast out by the visitors. Soon after, Bro Solano was asked to read for our edification a beautiful work of Masonic Art which he was asked to prepare for the Assembly of the Grand Lodge on the occasion of Armistice Day. This lecture sought to show how by the avaricious, ambitious inclinations of man millions and millions of lives were lost and wrecked by the Great War, the cessation of which is celebrated annually on that date; how the churches had failed, how all organizations claiming brotherly affections had failed, even paternally filial affection had failed among men, by permitting the Ambitions of a few powerful Nobles of this earth to have flooded this earth with so much suffering. Finally he showed that it would only be by true genuine Love and charity displayed in the hearts of man, as taught by fraternal traditions that we can avert another such catastrophe but not the hypocritical avowals of any such Society as that now in Vogue as the League of Nations, each one speculating on the formidability of the other; The lecturer was greatly applauded for his most comprehensive work, after which Bro. Alfredo Castro asked to pin the Gold on the breast of or Bro S. C. Nation; a

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Very arbitrary act

Madre de Dios has been getting famous for occurrences contrary to the Law. It was there that Conductor Nuñez kicked a youngman off his train and ran him down through the village for some hundred of meters with revolver in hand.

About a fortnight or so ago, the hygiene inspector gave order to place Mr. Samuel Shaw of 28 miles in the calabose and fine him twenty five colones for not obeying his orders at the door of the jail however this gentleman paid the fine and avoided an acquaintance with this much dreaded room.

On Sunday 15th. while Mr. N. A. Carr owner of a large Banana Farm at 25 miles and the La Lola mandador's house was preparing to board the regular passenger train to go to his home in Cartago, and to see Dr. Facio on his suffering, he was called by the Sanitary Officer from Siquirres, on refusing to go to this man because his train was approaching, he was ordered to be placed under arrest, locked up and fined \$25.00 and to be held for 24 hours. It appears that this man had given orders that Mr. Carr should have made some alteration in the manner in which his Sanitary Conventence was built, which work was carried out, without going to find out whether his orders were carried out or not he ordered the arrest and incarceration of this gentleman and had it not been for Mr. George Sheddon who happened to be passing he would have been made to spend the night in this filthy room. He gladly paid the \$25.00 so as to avoid the horrors of such a night.

He has made representations to the Governor of the Province and the Minister of Public health relative to such illegal arrest and arbitrary imprisonment and if nothing is done by the government in the matter, he will appeal to the His Britannic Majesty's Consular Service. There have been several complaints made against his many high handed actions in dealing with many citizens along the lines, but no redress has been given, in consequence of the great pull he wields with the Minister of Health; it is

left to be seen what will come out of this complaint, as this action was certainly most uncalled for, these are the sort of swellheaded actions that bring about international complications at times. Investigations have been ordered and all eyes are watching to see what will be the outcome.

Men to be appointed to such positions as Inspecting Sanitary officers and Police agents to act as Judges in remote parts of the country ought to be men well tested and found fit morally and intellectually for the post, not men who are apt to put their own caprices ahead of the dictates of the Law to suit their own purposes.

The Burial Scheme

During the early part of last week, some of the dignitaries of the «Scheme Association» appeared before the Judge of the Civil Courts to answer to a charge of default of payment, of the balance due to Archibald Brown, legatee of the deceased Beatrice Burke.

It is alleged that this association, through a responsible officer, advanced the sum of \$80.00 to the said legatee, but for some special reasons afterwards refused to pay up the balance of this death grant to which this gentleman is entitled.

We understand that Solicitor Egbert Browne, of whom it is said «he never fights to lose» is prosecuting the Association on behalf of Mr. A. Brown.

Developments will be closely watched as it is supposed that the phases of this suit are both ludicrous and interesting.

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By David M. Luke

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Because the times are hard,
And everything around about
Seem to our path retard?

No! surely no we wont give up
But we'll start afresh again:
And scramble hard to reach the top
With all our might and main.

Why say that all are gone when lo!
Just near I see a "Light",
And God is saying Children go!
And start afresh the fight.

I think, the trouble with us all,
Is that we are so weak,
That wether small or great the fall,
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That half has not been told.
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Mr. Percy Bedward proprietor of the Bedward's Drug Store of Siquirres, had a very serious affliction of his eyes, and had to rush away to San Jose; to consult

Dr. Cordero the leading Oculist in the Hospital, but we are pleased to say that with the skilful help of Dr. Cordero, he is on the safe road to recovery. Mr. Bedward is loud in his protestation of confidence in Dr. Cordero's ability, honesty and congeniality; he says *certainly* there is no Oculist in the country as Dr. Cordero and thanks to don Manuel Soto for his recommendation to him, and will now recommend all sufferers to him.

Miss Ruth Delprat has recently undergone an operation for appendicitis by Dr. Facio, and is recruiting steadily. She considers Dr. Facio her Saviour, and is very grateful to him for having helped her back to health.

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light, did remarkably well. L. Francis 9 overs 2. Maiden 17 runs. 5 Wickets.; C. Wilson 8 overs 18 runs 6 Wickets; for the Bananero.; S. Beckford 3 overs 5 runs, 2 Wickets.; S. Taylor 2 overs, 3 runs 1 wicket.

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In Defense of my Philosophy

Mr. Editor:

Although it is my wont to treat every personal and abusive letter with contempt, yet I shall stray from my principle, and answer "IN DEFENSE OF THE U. N. I. A.", not for the sake of Mr. Montague, but for the good that might come out of it.

I think that you can remember when I delivered ALPHA'S address at your last Convention, you, being chairman, styled us "EGOTISTS". We have made functions at our Club room, and have invited the ruling forces of the U. N. I. A., so that they could see and know the policy of this club. How have they treated us? Feeble excuses about twisted ankles, etc. We have been visitors at MASS MEETINGS of this great Organization, and we have listened with keen ears to the many great orators, and what have we gathered? "One Chaplain condemning religion, another president abusing the teaching qualities of teachers, and every thing is abuses, abuses, abuses. There is no gainsaying the fact that these are not true.

I have seen my brother youths idling away their time under street lambs at nights, just because there is no where interesting, other than the movies, to go. I have seen, after quiet U.N.I.A. meetings, the officers and members standing in the streets, quarrelling, and but for the early arrival of the cop, would have come to fists; and I have heard it said repeated by my youthful companions, sons of these officers and members, THESE GARVEY PEOPEE ARE ALL THE WHILE FIGHTING».

Then comes our REGE. Then, I have seen how gladly these youthful companions welcome the strains of the Jazz Bands, telling of the glad tidings of a REGE DANCE TONIGHT; and how quickly tickets are being sold to prostitutes from the RITZ, to mingle with the sons of these decent mothers and fathers,

under the canopy of this great hall of Negro Liberty. And such a stinking noise this mixture can put up, disturbing the night rests of tired neighbours. Our young men, who should have been the back-bone of such a noble organization, as the U.N.I.A. is, unadulterated, with all the sound philosophy of that Great Negro, the Hon. Marcus Garvey, is today the tool of shylock looking officers and members, whose only aim is Dead Fund and Si k Relief.

For God's sake, do not corrupt the word «intelligent», when you have to stoop to so low a means, endangering the morals of your children, these children that ought to be the officers and members of this great organization. Do not make a mess of the English language. Do not call yourself a representative of this wonderful race of ours, because you are a very poor specimen, writing such buncum.

But of course, you do not know the aim and object of Alpha. She is based on the philosophy of the Hon. Marcus Garvey, and not on the U.N.I.A. She has boiled down to a fine point, his intentions, and she has interpreted the building of the African nations to the preparedness of the home. Of course you care not for your home, as I see. She is not going to sing and preach a thing that she cannot practise, but she is starting as a child, creeping, creeping, creeping, until she shall expand herself, covering the whole Republic. I really do not need to see you, as I do not care to converse with you except on straighten up of your home. But I shall always remember you whenever we will be having a function, so that you may understand something of our creed. I am sure that you shall be surprised to see the number of intelligent people who are interested in us.

Would you not like to know that the great Hector Connor is in sympathy with my ideas? But you are too narrow minded.

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From 28 Miles, Waldeck

At the last meeting of the Waldeck Literary and Athletic Club, Miss Edna Allen, the Librarian, gave a very interesting and inspiring address on Athletics. She said that the ancient Greeks were great Athletes, with their life consisted for the greater part of sport and games, in fact they looked upon them as part of their religion; especially the foot-race with which was associated betting and staking of a deposit on the one thought likely to be the winner. So important to them were these games that time was measured not by the movements of the Sun, but by the recurrence of games, and distance measured not by miles but by the length of the foot-race. The games with their accompanying betting were a part of their religion, for from early morning worshippers might be seen thronging the Temple and white-robed priests chanting their litanies, and filling the air with the smoke of their sacrifices.

As the hour approaches, this gorgeous procession leaves the temple headed by the priest of Dionysius and wends its way to the scene of the contest each taking up his place and according to the laws of the game must run a straight race.

A breathless hush falls over the spectators, and as the start is given the contestants dashed away with the speed of the wind and with movements of incomparable grace, each striving for the mastery, one leaps forward, then another until the silence is broken with shouts and sobs and the excitement becomes an anguish intolerable. Men faint and swoon until at last a mighty shout goes up, the race has been won, the victor acclaimed. He is then led to the High Priest who adorns the brow of the victor with a laurel wreath, cut from the sacred tree. Continuing, she said that Greece is no longer playing the most important part in the affairs of the world but she has bequeathed to the nations the spirit of her Olympic games which still survive among the nations of Europe and in several other parts of the World.

She expressed her deep regret that since the formation of the Waldeck Club, the people of 28 Miles should maintain such a strict callousness to so useful an institution.

Captain Reid was the next speaker. She said that she was very pleased to notice through the columns of the Search Light the activities of the various clubs in Limon. She paid a warm tribute to the Editor and asked the members who are not subscribers of the Search Light to do so at once as that paper was a sine qua non to the reading public. A special meeting is arranged for Wednesday night the 23rd. December.

DEATH

The grim reaper has again claimed another victim, to increase the ranks of the departed for 1931, in the person of Lionel Dunkley of this vicinity. The deceased, though not of robust health, was apparently well up to

the time of his death. He was at the Commissary on Tuesday night up to 7.30 and showed no sign of sickness.

At about 5 o'clock on Wednesday morning he took in.

The doctor was sent for and prescribed his case to be an attack of pneumonia. Despite the keen medical

attention, the disease developed and at 9 o'clock a. m. he breathed his last.

His remains were interred at the local cemetery at 8 o'clock on Thursday morning amidst a large gathering of his relatives, friends, and sympathizers.

Reporter

Alpha Literary Club wins from University Club by Absolute Majority vote in Debate

Judges decide that: *Children are Obligated to their Parents After they Have Become of age*

The long looked for debate between Alpha Literary Club and University Club of this city finally came about last Thursday night in the spacious hall of the Costa Rica Burial Scheme Association.

Public Showed appreciation for Literature

The fact that a charge of twenty five cents was made for admission to the auditory, did not seem to have had any effect on the public; Limonites rather expressed their appreciation for literature by assembling from the early hours of the evening to enjoy and give encouragement to the occasion; and at 8.10 p. m. when Mr. Egbert Polson, President of University Club, who acted as Chairman pro-tempore, (pending the arrival of the appointed Chairman Prof. Henry H. Hylton) announced the opening of the function, it was noticed that the seating capacity of the locality was insufficient for the gathering.

Preliminary programme

Under the Chairmanship of Mr. Polson, the preliminary programme of the evening began with a duet rendered by Misses Myers and Rogers, followed by an elocutionary item given by Mr. Ernest Wright: a violin duet «Melodie» was rendered by Messrs Stanley Lettman and Albert Delpratt. At this juncture Mr. Hylton, the permanent Chairman entered and assumed his post. A piano solo was then given by Miss Inez Gillings and the final item of this part of the programme was rendered by Mr. William (Bill) Walker, who rendered a popular song.

Debate Begins under Public's Anxiety

The anxiety of the public to listen to the question controverted was patent; and when the Chairman announced that the time had come, the sighs of impatience disappeared.

The question for debate and the judges were then introduced, followed by the introduction of the debating teams, which consisted of Messrs Cleveland Clarke, Egbert Dobson and Amos Hall,—representing the affirmative on the behalf of Alpha Literary Club—and Messrs James Scott, Albert Delpratt and Felix Rivers,

representing the negative, on the behalf of University Club.

Clarke Leads With Eloquence

Mr. Cleveland Clarke excelled in his defence of the affirmative. During the course of his argument, he quoted several passages of scripture, in support of his theory. He also quoted Coriolanus, who having refused the request of the leading men of Rome; withdrew his besieging army at the entreaties of his mother, to whom he said these words, «Mother, thou hast saved Rome—but lost thy son».

In an interview with Messrs. Bermudez and Polson, of the University Club; both these gentlemen expressed their appreciation of the

decision of the judges, and congratulated the winners for the able manner in which they conducted their side of the debate. «Alpha Club has grandly won», they said.

Mr. Scott, the leader for the negative also gave a good account of himself. He quoted Blackstone, Webster and other authorities.

The debate, on the whole was most interesting, and it was hoped that this will act as a stimulus to the young people of this town, to continue in their efforts for the social and moral uplift of all concerned.

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Where are your Children?

By Dolores Joseph

I have been agitating the importance of a life of aspiration, a life of social greatness, but my agitation has hardly touched, the right chord on the instrumental minds of my people, or it has just flown harmlessly by, without disturbing the quietude of a dormant community. And now a days, things are getting from bad to worse until they have grown into a delapidated state, making existence in this community, boresome. Looking towards the four cardinal points, and covering everything that can be covered with our mind's eyes, we find our churches stating to an hypocritical, community; our lodges, whose philosophy may be sound, are being ruled by powers who abuse it by the mode of life they are living, by the kind of brotherly love they manifest at all times. We find our schools, driving a Latin, a French, a Greek or an English subject into the minds of hardened pupils, that will do these pupils no good in time to come. We find the ruling forces of the U.N.I.A. not representing that sound philosophy of improvement, that that great agitator, that that great master mind, the Hon-

Marcus Garvey, designed.

Parents, you boast of the earning value of your son, but your daughters are generators of iniquities. You strain at a needle, and let by an elephant, you preach sanctity, and practise corruptibility.

Thus, we ask you, «Where are yours sons?» Do not claim that they are bad! because you will be admitting to us, your children, that you, our generators, are the ancestors of retrogression; you cultivate immoralities, therefore you are spiritual paupers.

Take up the birth registries of all the religious bodies, and oh? what a sight. Let the Rev. Gentlemen in this community tell you what they think of what are written on the pages. What are you allowing us, your children to become. What will be our value in after years? What benefit will you derive from us? These are queries which will surely tantalize you, if you should try to answer them.

How delightful it is to be in a community of great men, Rev. Gentlemen, teachers, Journalists, Doctors, Musicians, artists, oh great men and women, and remember that they have been children, just as yours; but whose parents begat them for some purpose in life. How justified would a parent be, if after seeing the fruit of her sufferings, should exclaim: These are testimonies of my desires, I have not suffered in vain for humanity. My children have found a place, an auspicious place in this community, and now I can answer my God with a safe conscience.

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To think you could not say goodbye
Before you closed your eyes.
No one knows the silent heartaches,
Only those who've lost can tell
Of the grief that's ours in silence
For our dear Father whom we loved so well.

ETHEL and MILDRED

Current news

Arrival of School Plane

On Wednesday there arrived in San José from California the airplane «Great Lakes Training» piloted by the young American aviator Robert Forsblade in company with our national aviator Arana. With this airplane the National School of Aviator of which we spoke in our last, will be opened immediately under the direction of Mr. Sheldon.

Adiplomat

Sir Josiah Crosby K. B.

E.; C. I. E. His Britanic Majesty's Minister to Central America resident in Panama arrives today on a tour of inspection. Sir Josiah started his diplomatic career in 1904 as simple interpreter in Siam and has risen swiftly in the Consular service till now he boasts of the Title of Knight Commander of the British Empire and Companion of the Order of the Indian Empire.

We wish him a hearty welcome in Costa Rica and an enjoyable stay in the Switzerland of the Americas.

Our Cricket oval

The Editor of THE SEARCHLIGHT
Dear Sir:

Please give me space in your valuable paper to call the attention of the sport-loving people of Limon to an important matter, which effects us generally. Through the efforts of Mr. Ferris, President of the Cricket Board of Control; a carload of clay was given for the purpose of making a pitch, for use during our past competition. With the heavy showers and heavy trampling of footballers, it is entirely unfit for playing matches; yet nothing has been done by way of repairs.

It is a shame to see cricketers, who claim to know better, and who have played on a better pitch than this, continue to use it every Sunday. One hears almost every day, «We don't want a clay pitch». Why can not the cricketers get together and do something for the benefit of themselves? Do they expect Mr. Ferris, or the Board of Control to do everything for them? For instance; suppose we were called upon, unexpectedly to entertain a foreign team here. What would we do?

These are a few things that should, interest us greatly. — Recently, we have heard much noise

from «Off Brake» about batsmen performing in a polished and dashing style (What a big joke!) How can a batsman time the ball, play correctly, in fact, be at ease on a pitch that sinks in the centre, has rises here & there. It seems that «Off Brake» leaves the vital points of Cricket; severely alone, for individual praises.

Thanking you for space, Sir, I remain,

Yours, for the cause of Cricket?

Roy Chapman

In Defense...

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romvinded to appreciate my endeavours

As I said before, we all cannot be leaders, someone must lead, and I am prepared to follow the true leader. The leader who will not be biased and ignorant.

When I said that I care nothing for a land where we have no hopes to reach, I mean it, and that is the sentiments of millions of negroes scattered throughout the globe, including yourself. If you will read the PANAMA TRIBUNE, of which I am the Agent, you will understand the sentiments of the able minded negroes over there, who feel what it is to be prepared at home. Are you prepared?

Mr. Editor, I hope that I have not used much of your valuable columns to answer so wonderful a «FEDIFENSOR.» I beg to be

Dolores Joseph

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Dean Inge Sees Fall of British Empire Near, With Spiritual Bond Holding Race to Englan

How Significant
 London, Nov. 4.—The end of the British Empire was foreseen by Dean Inge of St. Paul's Cathedral in a lecture on the fate of empires at University College of North Wales in Bangor. After discussing the fall of the Roman and Spanish empires, Dean Inge said he believed the period of the expansion of the British Empire has come to an end.

«The profligate expenditures of the World War, followed by a kind of government I will not criticise, has reduced the richest nation of the world to the verge of bankruptcy and deep humiliation. Although I don't wish to take a pessimistic view altogether, I am afraid our part as a world power is approaching its end. We have been good enough, with some luck, to achieve a wonderful position in the world, but I am afraid we are not good enough to keep it».

Referring to the probable state of England

a century hence, he said he did not know how the population could be reduced but that it must be done.

«We would then live more comfortably», he continued «Historians may say the last world empire was the greatest and most beneficial to mankind the world had ever seen. We will continue to be a great nation if we keep true to our ideals and, whether the nations speaking our language and living largely under our traditions remain under our flag or not, I think they will regard England, as we ourselves regard countries like Palestine and Greece, as their spiritual home».

«Therefore I do not view the end in a depressing frame of mind. I think our empire, in the old sense, is coming to an end but our race is not, and what is worth keeping is in our own hands, especially in the hands of the younger generation to make or mar».

The Gleaner

The sign of the Times

We have been advising our people to naturalized themselves in any country they may find themselves so as to prevent such occurrences as the below, but these fall on deaf ears; for their information therefore we reproduce what is happening in our Sister Republic from the Negro World.

are chiefly Jamaicans, we have had to close down. But we hope that the spirit of Garveyism will ever reign with us, with the teachings of the Hon. Marcus Garvey that the aims and objects of the U.N.I.A. be carried on till the Red, Black and the Green be hoisted on the hilltop of our fatherland, Arica.

With good wishes for the U.N.I.A., I am.

N. B. Douglas

Anti-Foreignism Closes U. N. I. A. Nicaragua Div.

According to the existing conditions at the present in this country which confronts the Negroes, the Puerto Cabezas Division has closed, Owing to the fact of members of the division being all foreigners. The company does not employ at present any foreigners from Merchandise Dept. to the Farm.

You are not wanted. The company has sent away to the different places nearly 500 West Indians, Costa Ricans respectively. These were the people that comprised the Puerto Cabezas Division. There isn't one Nicaraguan who has been enrolled as a member of the Division. Therefore, since all her members and officers

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House Robbery

A thief entered the room of Mr. Cecil Clayton, during the night of Friday last week, by using a duplicate key. The thief then got hold of the bathroom, keys rummaged it in search of money and broke open a small box which was in the trunk. Finding nothing but a few small coins, amounting to about a few colones. The room, bath and kitchen doors were left open with all the wearing apparel of Mr. Clayton lying around on the floor. Luckily, a lady acquaintance of Mr. Clayton appeared on the scene while the police were in charge, and had the trunk packed and returned to his room. Among the articles stolen was a gold watch chain. This was returned on Sunday evening. Mr. Clayton having gone out for a walk, returned at about 6.30, p. m., and found the chain hanging on the lock of his door.

It appears that the person who committed this offence, is some one well

acquainted with the conditions existing at Mr. Clayton's home. Indications point very clearly on a friend who was a very frequent visitor with the owner.

A. Correction

In our article "by Cyrilo Pulling me to pieces" in the last Paragraph of column 2, at line 8" he was made to say,

Under this heading we have those forms (that is of religions) that are called pagan and those other forms that are called by their devotees, etc. etc."

This should have been; Under this heading we have those forms, that are called Pagan and those other forms that are called Christian. Now if you say that the Pagan forms are made by their devotees—& so they are—you would be perfectly right etc. etc.

We glad make this correction, as it alters entirely the sense of the paragraph. Ed.

Races! Races! Races!

At 24 Miles on 14th December see the Programme of 11 Races. Trains to and fro and all attractions. Pretty girls, jovial comrades, good sporting; dancing galore and a happy day spent among your friends.

Cricket in the woods

On Sunday 29 ultimo the XI Bros C. C. of Limon journeyed to Bearsem East by way of westphalia meeting the Fearless C. C. A newly formed club of Beverly on the Bearsem East Oval. H. Calvin the skipper of the home team won the toss and send the visitors to the bat in which the undefeated score of 91 runs for 11. Wkts were made by the Bros. Principal scorers for the Bros. Were N. Brown 19 J. Harrison 13 C. Robinson 13 R. Young 8 T. Harris 9 C. Banton 6 not out. Bowlers for the Bros. Were R. Young who captured 5 Wkts for 30 runs J. Harrison 1 Wkt for 17 runs. E. Caines 3 Wkt for 14 runs. At the close of the Bros inning at 1.40 O'clock they were invited to lunch. The homesters after went to the wicket and could not exceed 73

runs. Principal scorers for the Fearless were R. Brown 30 runs. M. Coll tern 19. U. Mc. Donald 11. H. Harry 9. Bowlers for the homesters were U. Mc. Donald who captured 7 Wkts. for 23 runs K. O. Kelly 3 Wkts: for 26 runs. We beg to congratulate the members of the Fearless C. C. for their treatment towards the visitors which shows that they are true hearted sportsmen. I sincerely hope that, the same good spirit may ever exist among them. I also have to thank the sisters and wellwishers of the XI Bros who accompanied us in the days outing hoping that they will always be with us. On Dec 21st the Matina C. C. and the XI Bros are expected to meet on the Limon Oval in a friendly game of cricket.

A. BROTHER

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Lodge Fiesta...

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 to him the beautifully illuminated Credential of appreciation unanimously accorded him. It reads—A. L. G. D. G. A. D. U.: La Respectable Logia Alma Mater No 1—Consciente de los méritos Mecanicos que adornan al Querido Hermano Sam. C. Nation; y hondamente reconocida por su simpatía a ella, que ha redundado en indiscutibles beneficios; en su tenida ordinaria del día 18 de agosto dd 1931, dictó el siguiente acuerdo; a moción del Hno: Manuel Quirós C. acogida por unanimidad de Votos, se acordó; Conceder una Medalla de Oro al Querido Hermano Samuel C. Nation como reconocimiento a sus buenos servicios en bien de esta muy Resp.; Logia Or. de Costa Rica, Valle de San José, a las 15 horas del día 29 de noviembre de 1931.

Signed and Sealed, Alfredo Sánchez, M. Ven. Maestro; Carlos Ramírez, U, Diputado Maestro; José Vargas A. Diacono Mayor; E. Escarré, Secretario.

Translated, A. L. G. D. G. A. D. D:

This most respectful Lodge, Alma Mater No. 1 Realizing the great merits as a mechanic which adorns our beloved Bro. Sam C. Nation; duly recognized by his love and sympathy displayed toward her, which has redounded in indisputable benefits, has adopted the following resolution in an ordinary session on the 18th day of August 1931, moved by Bro. Manuel Quirós C. and accepted by a unanimity of votes, it was resolved; to concede a «Gold Medal» to our much beloved Brother, Samuel C. Nation, in recognition of his good services to the welfare of this worthy Lodge. En the Rep. of Costa Rica; in this vale of San Jose at 3 p. m. of the 29 th of November 1931. Signed and sealed.

Alfredo Sanchez M., Worshipful Master.
 Carlos Ramirez U., Deputy Master
 Jose Vargas A., Senior Deacon
 E. Escarre, Secretary.

Bro Nation returned thanks to the Bros. for the very agreeable surprise they had sprung on him that date, by conferring on him such unmerited honours; greater honours than those found in the order, being the applauses and appreciations of the gentlemen with whom he had lived and moved, indeed he felt that no higher honour can be bestowed on mankind than unsolicited appreciation of one's unselfish services. This outburst of affection he said would be sufficient gratification to go down with him in the winter of his days; and he hoped it would be a stimulus to the young members of the Craft to so live in the harness of their activities that when they too had arrived in the winter of their days, they would hear that voice of appreciation by their associates saying «Well Done Good and faithful servant enter Thou into the Joy of Thy Labours».

After complimentary exchanges from all present the ceremony was closed and all repaired to the antesala, where a festival was prepared, as a send off (despedida) from a life single blessedness to that of the sweet anxie-

ties of an honorable and esteemed home.

Bro Alfredo Sanchez lead off with a beautiful address on the beauties of married life giving great eulogies to the virtues of his intended partner in life as well as the amiabilities of the Brother's life and the hopes of the Alma Mater for his and her eternal happiness, Bro Alfredo Castro soon followed in similar terms, then Bros Juan de Dios Ramirez, Ed. Escarré S. C. Nation, A. Alvarado and Mr. N. Solano; but the cream of the addresses was that by Mr. Montealegre in which he showed the proselyte that he is only now fulfilling his mission in life and that by adopting the example of Christ with his church he will be a better governor in the Alma Mater and to humanity generally. Bro Echevarria responded most appropriately to the many good wishes and complimentary remarks extended him by his friends and the Lodge generally after which the Elegant tea Party broke up amid the most pleasant memories of such happy Associations.

Current new

The government of San Salvador has fallen by a military movement and is now ruled by a Military Board.

A contraband consignment of silk was discovered in the San Jose Custom house, by which the government would have lost nine thousand colones in duties. Eight bales declared cotton goods consigned to Messrs Mnl. Sateinber and Co. were found to have had many pieces of Silk placed between the cotton goods.

We note that the Contract for scavenging Limon awarded recently to don Reuben Robles by the Municipality of Limon, has been held in abeyance for 3 months by superior orders, to call for a new tender, the other tender was turned down, in consequence of a relative of the proposer being a member of the Board hence an appeal to the Minister.

OBITUARY

Costa Rica has lost one of her most able men by the death of Mr. Oscar Rohrmoser in California. He was in failing health for several months now and went abroad for an operation.

He has been a much respected President of Congress for two terms now, hence the country has been declared in a state of mourning for three days.

S. D. A. Church School reopens

This will inform the public that owing to financial problems the school was closed. Matters however have been arranged and school was reopened on Monday Nov. 30; Parents & Guardians are asked to pay their school fees to the treasurer Mr. R. A. Moffatt and get admittance tickets as usual.

The School Board

Nov. 30 de 1931.

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