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GEORGE E. TEMPLE.

Deputy Grand Master Grand United Order of Odd Fellows.

George E. Temple, national deputy grand master of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows in America, and also grand secretary of Missouri, accompanied by R. D. Brown (both of St. Louis) spent Sunday in the city, the guests of Edw. S. Lewis, district grand master. They were delightfully entertained at dinner Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Ed-

wards, 1227 Highland, and at luncheon by Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Patterson, 2429 Flora boulevard. Brother R. D. Brown has the distinguished honor of having his membership in the first Odd Fellow lodge organized in America in 1843, Philomathean, No. 646, New York City. They left at midnight feeling highly gratified over the manner of their reception by members and friends of the order.

THE NEGRO'S DESTINY.

President Roosevelt's address to the students of Hampton Institute on Memorial day is pregnant with wise counsel and good cheer for the negro race in this country. His words apply to the race everywhere throughout the country, and if his advice is accepted in the proper spirit the advancement of the negro toward the goals of respectability and dignity will be notably hastened.

Mr. Roosevelt went to the bottom of the so-called race problem when he said that the only real way to help the colored man is to let him help himself. As a matter of fact there is no race problem, so far as material advancement is concerned, in regard to the negro race, any more than there is in respect to any of the immigrants who come to this country. In nearly every instance they start at the bottom, both in a social and economic way, and their chief problem is how to acquire homes and achieve independence. The immigrants have left a state of industrial slavery almost as bad as the slavery of the negroes in ante-bellum days, and they have come to this country to find freedom and comfortable homes. The only road to the achievement of this ambition is patient industry and law-abiding, self-respecting citizenship. The same road is open to the negro, and he is not handicapped in any way except when he is petted and spoiled by sentimental theorists, or by his own lack of understanding of the conditions of the struggle and the prerequisites to success. Just as the only way for the negro to gain any social recognition is not to demand it, for such things

never can be gained by compulsion, so the surest way, as the president points out, for him to achieve independence is to rely upon himself and by patient thrift and the upbuilding of his own character to become self-respecting and respectable. So far as all the real aims and objects of existence are concerned, the negro's destiny is in his own hands.—Exchange.

The Son is always glad to publish the advice of our brilliant president, Mr. Roosevelt, to the negroes of this country. He has shown a manly and broad disposition toward securing to the negro race fair play. His advice is indeed most logical and valuable. Let us try to heed it.

It is the opinion of this editor, that no young man has ever come to this city, who has so successfully ingratiated himself into the good graces of the better thinking people of the community, as has W. C. Hueston, and he has done this not by stooping but standing firmly, for what he thinks is right. We think that this young man has been a stimulant to the young men of the community, and we hope that he is to have a long residence in this city, for it was he, this spring, in the city election, that taught the managers of the last campaign, that money was not the object of all Negro campaigners, and now Mr. Hueston is held high in their esteem, this only shows what a young man can do if he is actuated by the right thought and purpose.

If the Springfield mob murderers are not convicted, it will not be the fault of the Attorney General and our excellent Governor, Mr. Folk.

GEORGE E. TEMPLE.

National Deputy Grand Master of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows of America.

Deputy Grand Master George E. Temple, of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, spent the day in Kansas City, last Sunday, and delivered an address before a large assembly of Odd Fellows and Sisters of Ruth, by whom he was given a splendid ovation.

His address was an eloquent and instructive exposition of the fundamental principles of Odd Fellowship, and made a lasting and beneficial impression upon all who heard it.

Brother Temple's visit to Kansas City was made in the course of his annual itinerary throughout the western jurisdiction of the order, in the discharge of his official duties, in the interest of that great benevolent organization, of which he is one of the ablest representatives, and was necessarily brief. He left on a midnight train, Sunday night, for Coffeyville, Kan.

To no other one man does the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows of Missouri owe so much for its rapid growth and stability, as to this able young devotee, who combines in one pleasing personality, the rare qualities of the successful promoter, organizer and diplomat.

Among the Odd Fellows who have risen to eminence in the West, George E. Temple stands alone in the amount and quality of individual effort put forth for the benefit of the order. He has been a tower of strength to his own order in this state, which, under his administration has enjoyed a phenomenal growth, and has been a brilliant example to the aspiring promoters of other fraternal orders, by demonstrating the possibilities that are attainable, with an active and aggressive man at the helm.

Brother Temple wears no empty honors. He has won his present high position in Odd Fellowship by hard, continuous, conscientious work, and, unlike the "man of destiny," who has had honors thrust upon him, this patient toiler has blazed his own path through the virgin wilderness, and therefore knows every inch of the ground.

George E. Temple is deservedly the most popular member of his order. His popularity, like his honors, are largely due to the fact that he is able to meet men of every class and rank of life, on equal terms, without condescension or toadyism. He is a good mixer in any crowd, because his hearty and genuine greeting to his fellow man, though a stranger, dispels suspicion, destroys prejudice and establishes a mutual confidence that is characteristic of human brotherhood.

George Temple is one of the best examples of true American pluck and perseverance, backed up by sterling ability and true moral worth, and his well earned promotion to the exalted position of Grand Master of the United Order of Odd Fellows should be tendered him when the B. M. C. assemblies in Richmond, Va., next October. His triumph would be the best vindication of the fundamental principles of the order, and demonstrate to the world that, Friendship, Love and Truth are the corner stones of Odd Fellowship in fact as well as in form.

As the international head of the order, George E. Temple would infuse new life into every department of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows and place it into the very front rank of the Negro organizations of the world. His indefatigable

industry, sober judgment and natural aggressiveness, combined with his thorough knowledge of the constitution and laws of the order, would enable him to guide the destinies of the order with a safe but fearless hand, to greater prosperity than it has yet attained.

Temple has earned his "golden spurs," and should receive the just reward of merit. Justice, fair play, and the law of precedence demand his election to the office of Grand Master of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows this year.

Only one Negro delegate was selected by the Republicans to represent the Negro voters at the Springs convention. We do not understand this new move. The Ninth Ward did not send a single delegate, nor the Tenth Ward. The Eighth Ward managed to squeeze out one. But then we suppose the new party managers know their business.

We are advised by a dispatch from Washington that Prof. Vernon took charge as Registrar of the Treasury last Tuesday morning and took the oath of office at noon of the same day. From the tenor of the dispatch Mr. Vernon has no patronage to dispose of. The Son wishes him success in his new field of labor.

There seems to be some little chance for 25c gas. We hope the effort of Mr. Beardley to secure to the people cheap gas, will avail as something. It is a shame that the people have been forced to pay \$1.00 gas while 25c gas is within a stone throw.

If there is a Negro in Kansas City who thinks that the manager of the Son does not know what the running of a newspaper requires, he will step down and out. Muster up a man who will give a guarantee to run the Son one year without running in the ground and the "Son" is his.

Oldest University.
The oldest university in the world is at Peking. It is called the "School for the Sons of the Empire." Its antiquity is very great, and a grand register, consisting of stone columns, 329 in number, contains the names of 60,000 graduates.

Peculiarity of Buddhism.
The religion of the Buddha is cited as an example of recognition given by a great religious teacher to the lower animals. Alone does the doctrine of Buddha embrace a recognition of the dignity of the lower order of animals.

Transforms Vegetables.
M. Mollard of Paris, not satisfied with the usual grafting adopted by floriculturists, has started to transform vegetables. It is said he has succeeded in turning a radish into a potato.

Polar Region is Healthful.
The air is so pure in the Polar regions, so free from harmful microbes, that throat and lung diseases are unknown there. That section is also entirely free from contagious maladies.

Speed of Electric Current.
The speed of the electric current in copper wire is 463,500,000 meters a second. The fastest ocean steamer makes only 9.8 meters a second.

"Real Comfort" is Normal.
All we ought to expect is comfort, artistic if you choose, but complete at all events. That is quite enough for anybody. When surplus wealth comes, let the comfort grow into luxury. But to wear one's self out fretting for unattainable things, to barter honor for them, is sheer folly. If the world could be brought to the point of seeing this there would be greater joy in living.

Many Tailed Kittens.

Cats with nine lives and cats without tails have always been plentiful in Wapakoneta, O., but cats with two or three tails were never seen there before. Pelsler brothers are the proud possessors of three kittens with seven tails, two have two tails each, and one has only one common tail. The extra tails grow out of the kittens' backs along the backbone, are fully developed and almost as long as the natural tails.—Exchange.

Word is Overworked.

Doubtless the most over-worked word in the English language, conversationally, is the word "proposition." Once you begin to notice it, it gets on your nerves. Some people can't talk thirty seconds without using it. A friend of ours used it twenty times in the course of two minutes' talk. It is maddening. Stop it. A little picturesque conversation goes a great way.—Chicago News.

Hubby's Precious Pipe.

"Where is my new meerschaum pipe?" he bawled anxiously from the library. "Oh, here it is, dear," cried his wife, running to him with a queer dark object in her hand. "I knew how hard and unsuccessfully you had been trying to color it and so this afternoon I got out my paints and painted it in this lovely drawnwork pattern of brown and green and blue."

First Shedding of Tears.

It will be news to many that as a rule we do not weep until after the fourth month of life. One of the leading physicians of Europe says that he has been unable to satisfy himself that any asserted instance of weeping at an earlier age is genuine. Moans, screams, etc., go for nothing. The question has to do with shedding tears.

Mexico Cave Dwellers.

The cave-dwellers of Mexico can travel a distance of 170 miles at a stretch, going at a slow but steady trot. Frequently a letter has been carried a distance of over 600 miles in five days, the carrier living all the time on a simple diet of pinole, a finely ground corn, mixed with water into a thin paste.

If You Invite Anybody—

Don't give vague invitations; they do not seem, and probably are not, intended seriously, and no one is complimented by a courtesy of that sort. If you really want a visitor, indicate the time or times when you will be free, and leave the invited to fix the date, or ask the visitor for a definite event.

Wealth in Old Hotel Structure.

In altering an old hotel in New York city it has been found that the beams, floor boards and woodwork are of solid mahogany. The structure would prove a perfect mine of wealth if it could be razed, but the owner refuses to allow this to be done under any circumstances.

Church Trumpet.

At Braybrooke church, England, is still to be seen a monster trumpet, sixty-six inches long, which was used in the early part of the last century to summon the people to church instead of church bells. It was also formerly used by the choir leader during service.

An Old Puzzle Revived.

Dancing men—and others—have a difficulty with the new fashions in finding their partners' waists. A century ago the Observer, in referring to a similar puzzle, exclaimed: "The heart that used to pant above the tucker now beats below the waist."

Elephant Hard to Approach.

An elephant has so delicate a sense of smell that when in a wild state it can scent an enemy at a distance of 1,000 yards.

Prussian Universities.

The cost to the Prussian government of its ten universities a year is nearly \$4,000,000.

For Gay Window Gardens.

The peasants of Europe vie with one another as to which will have the gayest window gardens—a little strife that would lead to good results in this country. Put plants in every window you can, train vines over them, hang up baskets filled with plants that are easy to cultivate, such as the asparagus fern or the tradescantia.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Nearly Akin.

Not being able to find an appropriate likeness of his satanic majesty, an old colored parson tore a picture of a racing automobile from a newspaper and held it before his congregation. "It de same thing," he explained, "dis heah thing makes es much noise es old Nick, does es much damage an' eben hes a horn sticking out in front."

Struggle for Lucky Pins.

According to an ancient bit of Sussex folk lore, when a bride returns home from church her single friends at once rob her of all the pins in her dress, under the impression that every maiden who is lucky enough to possess one will be married during the course of a year.

Rays of Radium Are Common.

Although it cannot be said that radium is plentiful in nature it has been discovered that the rays or influence which radium gives off are common everywhere. Very many of the most plentiful things and some of the most opposite character are known to be radioactive.

When Trees Explode.

The shattering effects of lightning upon trees may be accounted for, in some degree, by the sudden evolution of heat and expansion of gases in the wood and the vaporizing of the water in the sap. A veritable explosion may thus be caused.

Must Be on the Move.

Not long ago it was common, among all classes, to find a man living where his grandfather lived. Now how many do so. It is barely respectable, it is at least dreadfully old-fashioned, to stop in one place ten years.—Exchange.

Penalties of Riches.

Money is a mere medium of exchange until you begin to want more of it than you need. Thereafter in every increasing ratio the law of compensation exacts the payments and the penalties of riches.—John A. Howland.

Human Needs.

"Man wants but little here below," mused the philosopher, "but if he's thorough, he wants it right. If it's a little bird, he wants it hot; and if it's a little bottle he wants it cold."—Baltimore American.

Also, Elsewhere.

In England it is not what you know that is of importance, but whom you know; not what you are, but who you are; not what you do for yourself, but what others will do for you.—London Truth.

Musical Jewelry.

Musical jewelry is not unknown. A Milanese named Faeslimo is said to have given his wife a bracelet which tinkled forth three different tunes.

Desecrate Italian Churches.

There is considerable excitement in Italy over the increasing number of thefts of works of art in churches and monasteries.

King is Great Linguist.

The king of Greece is the greatest linguist among monarchs. He reads twelve languages and speaks most of them.

Control of Africa.

All parts of Africa, except Abyssinia, Morocco and Liberia, are controlled directly or indirectly by some European power. French Africa is about equal in area to half the United States.