DR. DE MORK'S ADDRESS

Delivered at Annual Convention of Liberal Medical Union Held in This City

Below will be found the address delivered by Prof. M. De Mork of this city, president of the Liberal Medical Union, at the annual convention of that body held at the Atlantic Hotel the fore part of this week. The union is composed of physicians and others interested in reputable schools of healing. Dr. De Mork, who has been president for the past year, was re-elected for the coming year. Dr. De Mork's address follows:

My Friends and Brothers:

Our assembling on this occasion marks the first annual mile stone of The Liberal Medical Union as a National or world-wide organization. I say world-wide, for as its platform is broad enough for the harmonious reposing of all reputable schools and systems of healing, so is its territorial boundaries uncircumscribed by conventional lines of State or Nation, and it stands as The Liberal Medical Union, and from every country and every clime where is cherished the sacred principles of Liberty and Freedom from legislative or other unjust restriction in relieving suffering humanity, we welcome membership and cooperation. When I accepted the great honor you conferred upon me one year ago, in electing me as President of this grand organization, I did so in deep appreciation of that honor, and full realization of the great responsibilities entailed, and a firm resolution to fill to the best of my ability its arduous requirements. This I have done, and without going into historical details, suffice it for the present to congratulate you on the increase in our membership, and on the fact that we have, beyond question, one of the greatest organizations in existence, and one which has in the successful carrying out of its objects, more in accomplishment for the benefit of afflicted humanity, than any organization of whatever name or nature on the face of God's earth. To unite all the different worthy schools and systems of healing into one harmonizing, uplifting, professionally progressive organization, is one of the noblest efforts of man to further the best interests of humanity, and is well deserving all the assistance and co-operation possible. That the undertaking seems gigantic, and declared by some impossible of consummation, is all the greater reason for our united efforts, ever bearing in mind, that the harder the battle, the greater the victory. Time was, when prejudice between different systems of healing was much more pronounced than now. A certain element in the Medical Profession, has bitterly opposed every advanced idea in healing that has been evolved and established, and is responsible for all the nefarious legislation, entitled "medical practice acts," that disgraces the statute books of nearly every state in the union, and is to-day, the blackest and most damnable blot upon the bright escutcheon of American Liberty. And when, in this boasted land of freedom, "the land of the free and the home of the brave," her best citizens can be criminalized, prosecuted, persecuted, deprived of their liberty and incarcerated in felon's cells behind prison bars, for honestly, honorably and humanely endeavoring to alleviate human suffering, whose only crime, (God save the mark), is actually restoring to health and happiness the sick and afflicted, it is high time the Goddess of Liberty was awakened from her hypnotic slumber, by the clarion tones of outraged humanity demanding from the hand of justice, the God given right to relieve and cure illness and sufferings, without the inhuman, tyrannical curse of persecution because methods of successful results are substituted for disappointing, cemetery enriching failures. In a word, all medical laws, no matter in what language they may be couched, are designed not for the benefit of the people, but are promulgated solely and wholly to protect certain incompetent practitioners of some system of healing, to the exclusion of many others equally as competent, if not more so judging from results obtained, and who need no protection, law or license to save them from everlasting dissolution, under fair, square, honorable competition.

Most of us have lived long enough to realize that no one school or cult of healing has yet evolved a system of Therapeutics so infallibly effective, that it can rest upon its merits and bid absolute defiance to disease and death, under a positive guarantee of cure. And yet we find a class of practitioners called political doctors, who never manifest possession of special advantage over their professional brethren in superior brain qualification, or secret knowledge concerning the eradication and cure of diseased conditions, whose professional pathway through life is embellished with more marble monuments in the cities of the dead, than living testimonials of their qualification and ability in curing diseases, who seek to crucify through pernicious legislation, all who have not thumbed the same text books or been educated in the same theory. The more successful their competitors, which should be co-workers, in bestowing health in place of sickness, strength in place of weakness, normal in place of abnormal conditions, the greater their efforts to prevent them from pursuing and enjoying the practice of their profession, and depriving hundreds, of their choice as to method of treatment they desired. And I believe this feeling has been brought about more through ignorance and selfishness than from an innate desire or inclination to do evil and injustice. And that had they sought through association and investigation, before condemnation the merits of systems different from what they had been educated into, and cultivated the acquaintance of the practitioners thereof, at the same time making comparison of results obtained, they would willingly have admitted some of the facts they have been and are being, compelled to acknowledge. Time was when the Allopathic school condemned and villified the Homeopaths. Homeopathy came into existence because of the need or necessity for the more successful combatting of disease and death, and Allopathy has lived to realize that it has no special advantage over "Homeo" or any other pathy.

But both of those, opposite to the limit in theory and practice, failing to vanquish the dread destroyer in various abnormal conditions, along with other side issues, came Eclecticism with its claim of "best from all the rest," and was born the existing drug medical trinity, bitterly divided in both main and particular, but united as the God head in some instances through iniquitous boards of health and medical societies, to exclude schools and systems evolved from other theories and experimentations. But the goddess of progress would not down: ridicule, prejudice and persecution never unreasonable and unjust legal enactments that were and are a disgrace to any age could not crucify living truths, and to-day nearly 40,000 persons in the United States alone are not only holding their own in results obtained in relief and cure of disease by and through methods entirely different from the drug dispensing trinity, but there are thousands of reliably recorded instances of most satisfactory results after other methods had failed. These practitioners are being patronized, and by those too, who should have the right and privilege of their preference, and should be the best and only accredited judges of their various efforts in the struggle or battle against disease and untimely death. Many of the noblest, best and most enlightened and successful representatives of the older schools of medical practice realize and recognize merit in all the cults and systems of healing, and how much it will redound to the interest and benefit of all concerned to unite all in one society or brotherhood, with a united effort in waging universal warfare for the extermination of disease, and relief and cure of the sick and afflicted. And what more noble, beneficial, blessed effort can be made in the best interests of humanity than the harmonious uniting of all interested in the art of healing, each according to his or her individual ability, yet all in one society as it were, with no professional contention or strife, but all willing to help others help those, who through affliction by disease are unable to help themselves. And the attainment of this end is one of the principal objects of "The Liberal Medical Union," an organization that seeks not the promulgation of any special idea, system or procedure in the cure of disease, but the united endeavors of all concerned. It is indeed a union of practitioners of all reputable, result-obtaining systems of healing. It is an organization that extends the fraternal hand of fellowship to honorable practitioners of all systems and theories of intelligent effort backed by an established ability to minister to the relief of suffering humanity. As an organization its seeks too, to protect aid and assist its members, and especially in instances of unjust persecution on interference with their right and privilege in the practice of their profession, each in his own way. It seeks the abolishment of the power of tyrannical "State Boards" and "Regents" in the matter of deciding the right to practice to graduates of medical colleges, and recognizes the supremacy of the legitimate diploma in determining the proficiency and ability of graduates to and in the profession they have chosen, and in giving them the legal as well as moral right to practice the same.

It is an organization that encourages the student of the art of healing by extending the right hand of fellowship through membership, and so far as I am aware is the only medical organization that recognizes the ability, intelligence and prerogative of the druggist and pharmacist, to minister and prescribe in manner, and under conditions, in which he may know himself fully qualified. It is free from political preferment, graft and partiality, and exists and labors for the benefit of the people, who are really the ones most interested, who pay for relief and cure, are entitled to the best efforts available in their behalf in accordance with their choice and should not be hindered or deprived because others, through ignorance or prejudice, may not have faith in the methods of their preference. Each and every system of healing offered for their relief should stand or fall by its merits, as it surely will if given the rights and privileges to which it is justly entitled. None except the weakest in efficiency and most unreliable in beneficial results would need protection under the law to maintain its existence and save it from dying a natural death, and the people are fully and entirely competent to choose for themselves, and do not need any protection through legislative restrictions or interference, and it is the greatest injustice to directly or indirectly force them to submit to measures and medicines which are the prejudiced choice and selection of others. And that is one of the reasons we solicit the co-operation of the laity in our efforts to establish and maintain conditions that will redound to their welfare, their benefit and their blessing. And if they realized the extent of the great calamity that the nefarious Owen bill, and the establishment of a National Board of Health would be to them, I am positive they would arise in their might and rally to support us in our efforts to prevent such iniquitous proceedings.

So long as the combatting of disease is so largely experimental and unreliable, so long as the means and measures used are so diversified, so long as no one, school or system can truthfully claim a positive and infallible cure for diseased conditions, or substantiate by comparison of results even a marked superiority over other methods of alleviating human suffering and misery it would be inhumanity criminal to introduce measures legal or otherwise that would show favoritism or even establish a liability to favoritism to any cult or system of healing, no matter what its claims or how long it has been in existence. No, do not hinder, do not restrict, do not hamper, but rather throw open wide the doors of honorable conscientious endeavor to mitigate human misery and with open arms extend a welcome and a blessing to all who come laden with a desire to relieve and cure, and when tried in the crucible of results obtained let the survival of the fittest under judgment of the sufferers themselves determine which is worthy, which is not, which shall stand and which shall fall. Let not judgment be passed by others which may be considered in competition, but let the voice and choice of the people be the verdict. Instead of antagonism let us have harmony and co-operation, and instead of divided selfishness an earnest united endeavor for the benefit of all who call on us for relief. In justice to ourselves, in justice to the sick we cannot afford to ignore and stand aloof from one another for in this humanitarian and progressive age we must move onward and upward, and cultivate ideas and ideals above misplaced bigotry and unjustified selfishness, and help, not hinder, the noble work in which we are professionally engaged. Times have changed, customs have changed and a greater spirit of liberality pervades the professional atmosphere than has prevailed in the past. Learn to look upon your fellow practitioner no matter how much his theory and practice may differ from yours, as a co-worker worthy your consideration and co-operation, especially when it may be of benefit to some one else.

However simple or ineffective it may seem to you, watch it, and the time may come when you will be surprised and chagrined to see it succeed where you had failed. I don't believe there is a man living who has had 15 years practice who has not had that experience in greater or less degree. Consideration and co-operation must and will come when no reputable physician or practitioner will let his patients die under his system of treatment, for if when not obtaining satisfactory results under his treatment he does not call to his consultation and assistance representatives of other systems of healing he will be justly considered guilty of the grossest injustice to his patient and if death ensues, but little short of a murderer through neglect. Every doctor has a right and ought to consider himself as conversant with the theory and practice of his own school as any other member of it, and it is not to his professional discredit for him to consult in conditions which may mean life or death to his patient with those of other methods and especially when their records for results are fully equal to his own.

Do not consider this visionary or impracticable, for I assure you it is a right, it is an effort in the interest of the sick that will soon be justly and righteously demanded by the public and those who refuse will be justly considered unworthy and they will surely fall by the wayside, and I desire to state that I have never asked a physician of any school for consultation advice or assistance, but what it was given with professional courtesy and I never observed any evidence of wrecked professional dignity on either side. And I trust it is well understood that members of our union not only advocate but practice consultation and co-operation whenever considered for best interest of their own or another's patients. Let The Liberal Medical Union be a truthful synonym for all that will redound to and for the best interests of the sick and afflicted. There is much injustice to be wiped out, much enlightenment to be given the people and perhaps some sacrifices to be made, but my friends and brothers to your credit be it said, our organization is composed of men who place principle before policy, public welfare before selfishness and arrogance, and we are as certain of accomplishing our meritorious aims and objects as light of dawning day, is to succeed the gloom of darkened night.

As we increase in numbers and financial resources, and our objects become known to the people so will our strength, power and influence be felt and appreciated.

The Press and the pulpit will champion our cause and aid in our work and to save themselves from ridicule and censure the most selfish and dogmatic of our now opponents will as a matter of professional salvation be knocking at our door for admission to membership. I am hoping will be soon able to publish our own magazine and Journal of Health for the more effective dissemination of information concerning our organization, and the education and enlightenment of the people along lines of hygiene, sanitation and diet and how best to obtain and retain health and happiness in place of sickness and suffering. And it is not too much to anticipate an Institution of healing embracing all the best and most successful methods in existence and in which will be crystallized the essence of all curative and not experimental systems of treating diseases and from which men and women will go forth much more competent to combat the ills incident to human life than are we of to-day. Then let us leave this meeting proud of our union, proud of ourselves because of our connection with it, with full determination to put forth every honorable effort for the increase of its membership, the promulgation of its principles, until liberty and freedom from unjust prosecution and prosecution shall prevail, the avenues to our school houses be cleared from the vipers of compulsory pus poisoning, and the pathway to the bedside of the sick and afflicted be free and unobstructed by unprincipled representatives of tyrannical insolence, arrogance and prejudice, and united effort go hand in hand and heart to heart, bearing their best offerings for health, strength and happiness, ever under the invocation that not one but all means and measures for the alleviation of human suffering receive from the Great Physician on High, his choicest blessings in fullest measure.

BLIND FOR 20 YEARS NOW SEES FACES OF WIFE AND CHILDREN

Worcester, Mass., Nov. 23.—Blind for 20 years, Walter P. Guy, head of the Guy Furniture Company, today, saw the faces of his wife and children for the first time in two decades. Following an operation, 10 days ago, the bandages were removed from the man's eyes, last night, but it was in a dark room where he could only dimly make out the outlines of objects in the room. Today, he will be permitted to look upon the faces of his wife and children in a dimly lighted room for several minutes. Dr. David Harrower, who performed the operation, said, today, it will be a complete success. Cataracts were removed from each of the patient's eyes.

DETECTIVE KILLED BY MAN HE TRIED TO ARREST

Erie, Pa., Nov. 23.—Detective Sergeant John R. Grant was shot and instantly killed, early today, by Henry Vesper, 21, at Vesper's home as Grant was trying to open the door into Vesper's apartment. The murderer is a livery hostler and a national guardsman.

Young Vesper fired the shot through a closed door, aiming blindly. The bullet pierced Grant's heart and he dropped without a word. The murderer escaped down the back stairs, carrying the rifle and has not been captured. He was being sought by the police on a charge of assault, having struck and knocked unconscious with the butt of his rifle Mrs. Alice Brubaker, his sweetheart's landlady, after an altercation.

Showgirl Weds Belmont

Ethel Loraine Wires Her Chum She's Married to Millionaire's Son, Raymond

New York, Nov. 23.—"I am married to a Belmont," was the substance of a telegram sent to her chum, Mrs. Tom Barnes, in Princeville, Ore., by Miss Ethel Loraine, a showgirl formerly of "The Follies of 1912," and this, backed by the discovery of a marriage license in Jersey City, today, convinced the White Way that Raymond Belmont, second son of August Belmont, and Miss Loraine were really married, despite the persistent denials of the Belmont family.

At the Belmont home, today, in 34th street, no confirmation of the wedding was obtainable nor could Miss Loraine be found at the apartments where she was said to live. It was learned that late Thursday, August Belmont and an older brother left the house in a touring car and returned home with Raymond. There was a family conference, it was said, and Raymond left his father's house at 2 a. m. When the license was obtained the young woman gave her name as Ethel Helen Lindner.

60 PER CENT INCREASE IN FLORIDA SOCIALIST VOTE

Jacksonville, Fla., Nov. 23.—Complete revised returns of the Florida election show enormous gains for the Socialist party whose vote increased 60 per cent. That party is now second in the state, the regular Republicans third and the Progressives, who were expected to run second, fourth.

SOCIAL NEWS

Miss Ellen Donahue of 545 Central avenue, was pleasantly surprised by a party of her friends on Wednesday evening. The evening was enjoyably spent in games, music and other amusement. Vocal solos were rendered by Veronica Donahue, Frances Boller, and Henry Kenny also instrumental solos by Viola Rock and Fred Clausen. Among those present were the Misses Frances Boller, Ida Daws, Viola Rock, Dorothy Browne, Madeline Giblin, Angie Probert, Grace Bouton, Esther Browne, Marion Kerrins, Veronica Donahue, Cecelia Barron, Ellen Donahue, also the Messrs. Clarence Keating, Elwood Weiss, Henry Kenny, Arthur Keating, Albert Jelf, Robert Whalen, Fred Clausen, Edward Bouton, Albert Barrows, Walter Barrows, and William Goodrich.

John T. Logan, president of the Logan Bros. Co., returned to his home 25 Yale street, last evening, from Litchfield, in Rourke & Rourke's private ambulance. He has been critically ill for some time with kidney and lung trouble.

Farmer Want Ads 1c a word

ALUMNI DRAMA CLUB PLAYERS IN FITCH SHOW

"The Girl With the Green Eyes" is Next Production

Miss Farnan Will Have Importan Role of Mrs. Cutlingham

"The Girl With the Green Eyes", booked for Monday evening, Dec. 2, at the Lyric Theatre, and which is overflowing with comedy, particularly in the second act, is the second play to be presented by the Alumni Drama Club of the High school.

The principals are Miss Fannie Northrop, Adam Hugo, Miss Julia Farnam, Miss Natalie Newman, Miss Sue Andrews, George Jensen, and Curtis Tracy. Miss Northrop is a very dainty and sweet "Jinny Austin," which part was created by Clara Bloodgood in 1902. Miss Northrop has a splendid foil in Miss Newman as "Ruth Chester", but to Miss Farnam as Mrs. Cullingham will also go a large share of the laurels.

JULIA FARNAM

Miss Farnam was "Imogen Parrott" in "Trelawney of the Wells", so successfully produced by the Alumni Club last spring and will be remembered for her clever portrayal of that role. She has had experience in other amateur theatricals and it is the general opinion that her work on Dec. 2 will be near that of a professional. She makes much of small opportunities and rises to a great height in her interpretation of a woman with newly acquired wealth who to use the vernacular is "butting into society."

The first act of the comedy affords the young ladies of the cast ample opportunities to wear some fetching costumes, for it is the scene of a fashionable wedding reception. The bride, Jinny, is in her white satin bridal robe, veil, and orange blossoms, and her five attendants in dresses of as many shades of old rose chiffon over white satin, each girl's dress and accessories being a tint deeper than the others. The next act takes place in Rome and is in the summer, so the attire will be in keeping with the season. The others are all laid in gay New York and the costumes represent the taste of the ultra wealthy. Hats they say always put the finishing touch to a lady's toilette, and the firm of E. H. Dillon & Co. have kindly furnished some of their imported models. So it can plainly be seen that this particular phase has been carefully and tastefully arranged for.

Built upon the success of "Trelawney of the Wells", which was the club's first offering, the play this year is bound to prove an even greater success, for experience is a great teacher and the errors made then will not occur this time. The long list of patronesses assures the club of the support of the city's most prominent people and those who witnessed the triumph of last May will be anxious to see the next efforts of the players.

The plays of Clyde Fitch, the author of "The Girl With the Green Eyes", have been ever popular because of their bright and witty dialogue, apropos sayings, characters true to life and stories most entertaining. One of the playwright's main merits was an extraordinary quick and accurate observation of the details of everyday life. His outlook was spontaneous and fresh; he went to life itself for his materials he saw and reproduced directly with no suggestion of the second hand. All of which is plainly observant in the play the Alumni Drama Club has chosen for presentation on Dec. 2.

Seats go on sale on Saturday morning, Nov. 30, at 9 o'clock, at the Lyric.

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Sailors' Queer Customs.

The sailors' broad collars were devised so that the powder or tar on the wearer's cues should not come off on the blouses. In those days every sailor wore his hair in a cue and either had the cue powdered or held together by tar. This was not good for the blouse or jacket underneath. So detachable broad collars were added. Sailors stopped wearing cues a century ago. But they still wear the wide collar. When Lord Nelson died the British navy went into mourning for him. Sailors put broad black ribbons on their caps and black ribbons on their blouses. And the ribbons remain to this day not only on the uniforms of British sailors, but on those of other navies as well. The broad "bell shaped" ends of sailors' trousers legs were thus shaped so that the wearer might more easily turn his trousers up above his knees when he had to swab the decks. Deck swabbing was a hateful and supposedly degrading task. Hence the sailors called their enemies "swabs" as a term of contempt.

Automatic Fire Doors.

The construction of a fire door and its installation may be standard in every way, but for the door to be of service it must be closed at the time of fire. As employees of a plant cannot always be depended upon to close the doors of the plant, because of panic or other reasons, fire doors should be either self closing or automatic. A self closing door is one which closes by itself as soon as a person has passed through. This door is normally always closed and never should be allowed to be blocked open. The automatic type is held open by means of a weight or catch, which has connected with it a series of fusible links. In cases of fire the solder on one or more of the fusible links melts from the heat, releases the weight or catch, and the door closes. This type of door should be employed wherever it is necessary for the door to be kept open at times, but otherwise the self closing door is preferable.—F. P. Walther in the Engineering Magazine.

Sartorial Genius.

The genius in tailoring accomplishes without effort things that refuse to yield to the most determined efforts of the ordinary mortal. He apparently creates out of nothing. His touch transforms the shape of the customer and the set of the garment. He molds the ungainly form into an Apollo, and the misfit garment falls into natural place in his hands. The lines of his draft are unapproachable, and his system is infallible. He knows just when the shoulder is to be advanced or receded. He understands intuitively just how much the waist is to be suppressed or filled in and how much spring is required. He never makes a mistake, and if the journeyman ruins a garment beyond repair in the making the genius sets it right with a few touches, even though to repair it is beyond the ordinary cutter's skill.—Tailor and Cutter.

One Exception.

There are so many ways of offending a waiter at a big restaurant that it seems difficult to think up a new one, but a customer who lunched at a famous hostelry achieved it. Being in a sentimental, contemplative mood, the customer remarked, "I suppose people from every country under the sun dine here, eh?"

"It is depressing to reflect on the generations that have sat at these old tables," the customer resumed dreamily. "Old and young, grave and gay, from far and near, rich and poor"—

At that point in the reverie the waiter flared up indignantly. "Not poor," he corrected. "It costs money to eat in this place."

Then he presented the bill, and the customer agreed that it did.—New York Press.

Queer Birds.

There are two rare species of birds in the Amazon forests of which no specimens, it is said, have ever been brought away—the "bellbird" and the "lost soul." These names are derived from the effects produced by the cries of the birds, the former having a voice likened to that of a silver bell and the latter possessing the eerie accomplishment of crooning in such a manner as to produce goose flesh on the unfortunate person who hears its song.

Lunar Athletics.

The "man in the moon" must surely regard with amused contempt our much vaunted athletic records. A good terrestrial athlete could cover about 120 feet on the moon in a running broad jump, while leaping over the barn would be a very commonplace feat. He would find no difficulty in carrying six times as much and running six times as fast as he could on earth, all because the moon attracts bodies with but one-sixth of the force of the earth.

At Sea.

"Isn't the ocean grand and majestic?"

"Yes, and there is an indefinable something about it that impresses me strangely."

"What is it?"

"I was just trying to determine. I have it. It's the utter absence of billboards."—Washington Herald.

Natural Inference.

"Here's an umbrella I've kept for three years," he said proudly.

"Isn't it about time you returned it?" she replied.—Detroit Free Press.

A Little Hazy.

"Pa, who was Jonah?"

"I can't place him just now, but he was some sort of an inside man."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Parental Problems.

Where a whipping may improve one boy it will create a grudge and a thirst for revenge in another. Parents have several problems besides making a living.—Atchison Globe.

Perfectly Frank.

Intending Passenger—Can I go to Scollay square without change on this car? Fresh Conductor—No, mum; you need a nickel.—Boston Transcript.

The greater the obstacle the more glory in overcoming it.—Moliere.

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