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#### The New Memorial Day.

The Memorial Day of the veteran is slowly passing away. The long ranks of bright uniformed veterans that years ago swung grandly past in the Memorial Day parades is now but a thin line of faded blue marching into the shadow of the Night. The old Memorial Day was consecrated by soldiers to the memory of companions fallen in battle or dead in the prisons of the South. The day was then the soldiers' day.

But now, after the balm of time has cured the wounds of the Great War, Memorial Day has become the patriotic object lesson of the younger generation. In the schools the day is set apart with special exercises teaching of the patriotism and loyalty of those men of '61, as an inspiration and an example. But should it not have a larger significance?

Patriotism and loyalty, have primarily, the same meaning, yet in the common interpretation, patriotism and war are associated thoughts, while loyalty suggests more of the civic virtues of every day life.

But in the truest sense, both words are indicative of a true and steadfast faith and love for the thing of which one is a part, the country, the home, the school, the church, the business and the civic life. This is the true patriotism. And the lesson of true patriotism should be taught more generally than it is.

#### Egotism: An Affliction

A Dutchman in one of Kipling's stories has a favorite monkey which seemed eternally full of aches and pains, jabbering and moaning over them night and day. At last the desperate Dutchman draped a rug around the cage, remarking "You haf too much ego in your cosmos."

This remark might well be applied—mentally, at any rate—to many persons of both sexes. Egotism is a prevalent characteristic of human kind. All persons are egotists in greater or lesser degree. And there is no question but that a love of self, within due bounds, is an invaluable possession. The world is apt to take one at one's own valuation, and it is a belief in one's own ability that alone brings success. The true lover of self studies himself that he may develop self respect and character, for it is only through these that he may gain the respect of others.

But there seems to be a growing tendency to the extreme of egotism. Self is the keynote of this commercial age. The extreme egotist is continually calling attention to his own meritorious actions—blowing his own horn. Through policy the tactful worshiper of self conceals his instincts, and assumes, for a time, an enthusiasm in outside interests that he does not feel. But, as surely as the sun rises and sets, the natural impulses will come to the surface, and expose the possessor to the contempt or commiseration of those around him.

And in the end, the egotist pays the penalty—a heavy one. If he has the power to wound, he estranges friends; and if he merely succeeds in making himself ridiculous they either avoid him, or, perhaps make him understand at length that he has overestimated his own importance. He has the selection of many routes, dependant upon his own characteristics.

But they all lead to the same inevitable end—loneliness, misunderstanding, neglect—a tremendous punishment. Yet none too great, when it is considered that in most cases he has had opportunity to retrace his steps.

#### To Tullahoma, Tenn.

Dr. Ingalls is organizing another party for a trip to Tullahoma, Tennessee, to attend a barbeque given for the new settlers, which, we understand, numbers into the hundreds, who have located there the past two years from Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Ohio.

Tullahoma is an ideal summer resort, surrounded by numerous mineral springs and beautiful streams of water, and waterfalls, the altitude being 1070 feet, and not far from the Cumberland Mountains.

The train leaves at 6.45 p. m. Tuesday, July 3rd, and arrives 10.55 next morning. Return the morning of the 6th if desired.

The fare is \$15.00 round trip. Those desiring births, reserved tickets, should apply at once so as to avoid confusion and delay.

#### Just Like Him

Jacob A. Riis, the sociologist, in a recent address to a workmen's club, praised generosity.

"I see a handful of children here," he said. "May they grow up generous. May none of them grow up into such a man as an old banker whom I know."

"He is a millionaire, and he lives in a palace, but his heart is as hard as steel and as cold as ice."

"One of his men completed, the other day, his twenty-fifth year of service. For twenty-five years this honest man had worked for the banker faithfully. He and his chief were both poor at the beginning, but where, in the quarter century, the banker had accumulated millions, the faithful, middle-aged bookkeeper had only saved a few hundreds. His salary, you see, was only \$25 a week."

"He didn't think the banker would remember the twenty-fifth anniversary of his engagement, but the old man did. That morning he handed the bookkeeper a sealed envelope."

"'George,' he said, 'today ends the twenty-fifth year of your work for me, and you have worked steadily and well. In this envelope is a memento for the occasion.'"

"The bookkeeper opened the envelope, trembling and eager. Within lay his employer's photograph. That was all."

In the face of a disappointment so bitter the poor fellow could say nothing.

"Well," asked the banker, "what do you think of it?"

"'It's just like you,' said the bookkeeper simply—N. Y. Observer, 9—14 '05.

#### A Democratic Instrument

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Mr. Charles Rosenow is quite ill with pneumonia.

Mr. John O'Connor of Chicago spent a few days this week with his daughter, Mrs. John Duffy.

A number of Highland Park ladies went to Winnetka on Thursday afternoon to attend an informal gathering given by Mrs. Thomas P. Evans.

Mrs. Bastian has returned from her trip abroad. Mrs. Underwood, who was traveling with her on the other side, expects to stay over there for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Secor Cunningham having rented their house here and are going to spend the summer in the east. They are planning to make the trip in their automobile.

The team from McKinley High School defeated the cadets on Wednesday afternoon by a score of 12 to 3. McKinley put up a fine game and stands a good chance of winning the championship in the southern league.

The Calico Hop given by the Lady Foresters on Tuesday evening was a great success. Though not as well attended as was hoped for all of those present enjoyed themselves to the utmost.

The Highland Park ladies held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Frank McMullen on Thursday afternoon to decide upon an entertainment to be given for the benefit of Gad's Hill. They are planning to have something different from the County Fair, which has been given for the past two years.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hazel avenue near St. Johns. Service Sunday 10:45 a. m. Wednesday 8 p. m. Reading room in church open Wednesdays and Fridays from 2 to 4 p. m. Lesson subject Sunday May 27th: God the only Cause and Creator.

The Illinois Press Association will hold its Forty-First Annual Session at the Lexington Hotel, Chicago, June 6th, 7th and 8th, this year. An interesting program has been arranged and it is believed the meeting will be more largely attended than ever before. A trip into the great Northwest is contemplated in July or August. At the meeting in June the members will be the guests of the White City Wednesday night, also at the Illinois and Powers theaters Thursday night.

A twin birthday party was given in honor of Marvin and Marion, the three-years-old twins of Mr. and Mrs. William Witten on Monday, May 21st. Among the guests were five pairs of twins, Lulu and Lela Ditmer, Lillian and Lloyd Ervett, Gregory and George Ervett, Arthur and Ruth Booth, and Gregory and Kath Sheahan. The guests sat down at a table trimmed with green, and partook of a twin birthday cake decorated with pink and blue candles. After supper the guests all had their picture taken on the lawn. The little twins were the recipients of many beautiful presents.

#### First Baptist Church

Professor George B. Foster of Chicago University will preach at the First Baptist Church on next Sunday morning at 10.45. Professor Foster's latest book, "Finality in Religion" has stirred the entire theological world and it will be a rare opportunity to hear him.

Evening service at 7.45. B. Y. P. U. at 7 o'clock. All are welcome. Seats free.

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