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EDITORIAL

Many people have the ambition to succeed; they may even have special aptitude for the job.

And yet they do not move ahead. Why? Perhaps they think that since they can master the job, there is no need to master themselves.

To attain greatness a man must excel, both in mastering his job and in properly governing himself. And to hold his position he must keep right on excelling.

When a man does a job superbly, he sets a standard for himself that people expect him to live up to. They expect a Babe Ruth to knock home runs, a Joe Louis to score knockouts, a Red Grange to make touchdowns, a Hemingway to write masterpieces, a Caruso to sing his heart out.

Getting to the top is a tough assignment; staying there is tougher. The secret of greatness is simple: Do better work than any other man in your field—and keeping on doing it.

Once a person has attained the heights in his profession, the strain of staying there becomes greater than the titanic struggle he had on the way up. For once atop his lofty perch a man and his work take on a new significance.

The public observes his work and personal activities with a more critical eye. He is expected to retain the same qualities in his work and character that helped him in his ascent to the top.

Too many men, unable or unwilling to make this sacrifice, too often topple from the top rung of the ladder to remain forever in mediocrity.

The price of being a top-notch is terrific. Few of us are willing to pay for it.

LONDON NOTES

Mrs. James Hill has been confined to her home with flu.

Mr. Wm. Hunter has been admitted to Victoria Hospital. His condition is reported serious.

Dennis and Kathy Johnson are home again from the hospital after an attack of measles; also Lynn, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Booker. All children are reported doing nicely.

Rev. Clarence Johnson and his brother David and Miss Muriel Ross are reported to be on the way to recovery after their recent car accident.

To Mr. and Mrs. F. Jenkins a baby girl Leslie Ann.

The Young People at Bethemanuel Church are progressing nicely. They have a membership of 20 or more. They meet each Monday evening in the Sunday School room.

On Sunday, February 12th the Bethemanuel Church will hold its 106th Anniversary of the first Negro Church in London. A special program is being prepared by the officers of the Church. On February 29th the Church will hold their annual Southern Dinner.

On Friday evening, February 10, the Community Family Club will hold a valentine luncheon in the Bethemanuel Church at 7:30, 424 Grey St. The Muncey choir will supply the entertainment with added quartet and duets.

Miss Donna Milton entertained at the Y.W.C.A. the occasion was her 16th birthday. The evening was spent in games and dancing, a dainty lunch was enjoyed by all and each one wished Donna many happy returns of the day.

Mr. Willoughby Hackett accompanied by friends from Detroit, spent the week end in the city visiting friends and relatives.

POLES TO TRANSFORM

UGLY INDUSTRIAL AREA

Planners in Poland are launching what is believed to be the first project of its kind in the world — the transformation of a huge industrial region blighted by smoke-stacks and slag piles to an area of broad green lawns and modern housing developments.

The area whose appearance is to be radically changed in the next twenty years is the Upper Silesian mine and foundry district almost the size of Rhode Island and with more than twice its population.

For years before the war, industry in Upper Silesia grew chaotic-

ally. Factories crowded mines and hampered the proper extraction of coal. Air pollution and undrinkable water were only two by-products of the grime and smoke that clouded the region. Destruction of green space added to the drab picture.

Under the twenty-year project, already approved by the Polish Government and described as an architect's and town planner's dream, the entire region will be overhauled with provisions made for a more rational use and expansion of its economic resources. In the initial stage, industrial establishments not dependent on the region for raw materials will be limited and later gradually transferred to areas outside Upper Silesia. New water supplies will be tapped. Trees are to be planted on what is now wasteland while green belts will separate housing settlements from industrial zones.

The entire project has a head start with the creation of Stalinogrod Park in an area of some 1500 acres between the cities of Chorzow and Stalinogrod. About a million trees and shrubs have been planted. Athletic fields are already completed and a stadium with a seating capacity of 80,000 is to be finished this year. An open-air theatre is planned for 1957. A zoo of 115 acres is rapidly taking shape. Last December Poland's first planetarium was opened in the park.

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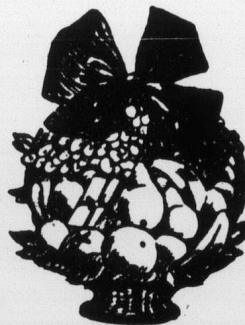
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