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SIGNS OF ACTIVITY, ANYHOW



NOW MY IDEA IS THIS

Daily Talks With Thinking Philadelphians on Subjects They Know Best
DR. EDWARD LODHOLZ
On Physiological Viewpoint of Death

PHYSIOLOGICAL immortality as a reality and the immortality of life as it pertains to human beings, a possibility of the future, are seen by Dr. Edward Lodholz, professor of physiology of the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Lodholz discussed these points, which seem startling to the common mind, at a recent lecture.

The actual reality of physiological immortality has already been established scientifically, said Dr. Lodholz. "Scientists not only are aiming for but a great many see a possibility of the future the establishment of the immortality of life in the human being."

"Immortality as manifested in the transference of life cells from the people of one generation to those of another throughout the ages is a fact beyond question. Heretofore, therefore, from the scientist's viewpoint, is a tremendous factor in life."

The physiologist is already able to record the fact that, contrary to the biblical teaching, "each generation shall beget another," the average age of man has been gradually increasing since the beginning of time.

Hygiene extending age span means a great increase in the age span. The question of nutrition has been advanced to the point where it is possible within the near future to limit the question to one of cellular investigation, and it is not improbable that people will be actually living with a vigorous life instead of in a senile or partly dead condition.

"Death, contrary to the popular view, is not a matter of a few hours or days or weeks. It sets in at birth. Some reach early age or death while living, at a very early age. Evidence has been accumulated for the maintenance of life, not only this, but he must understand their interactions. Then and then only will he be able to eliminate the problem of physiological immortality."

The problem of physiological immortality, although an immensely complex one, never without leads itself much better to scientific methods than that of the immortality of the soul. Scientific methods have unfolded the fact that physiological immortality is a reality. At present it is only conclusively demonstrated in the single-celled form.

"Yet this is a giant stride. These organisms are made of the same vital substances as we are, and we face the fact that mortality is present in multicellular forms, the problem of establishing immortality does not look like an insuperable one."

Theories Not Fatal Barrier
In fact, most of these theories do not pose a fatal barrier to the possibility of establishing immortality in all living forms. In moments of optimism it is not difficult to imagine that the goal will be reached and the pinnacle of human endeavor within the possibilities of science accomplished, that of establishing the immortality of the individual.

SHORT CUTS

One thing in President Harding's favor is that he makes haste slowly.

McCaughy may now put his aspirations in camp with the Penrose banner.

The closing of ten Philadelphia breweries puts near-by a little further off.

The Kautner tobacco bill has been smoked out and found to be not up to snuff.

If Wrigley could have an appeal made to the coroner's court he might win a respite.

"Stunt flying" over New York has been forbidden. Violators will doubtless be arrested by fly cops.

Noadays when a man speaks of the "politics of religion" he is accused of indulging in paradox.

Perhaps the very saddest thing about last Friday's big function were the humorous accounts of it.

D'Annunzio is reported to have been and gone and not married. That man simply wishes for excitement.

If they must rearrange the University of Pennsylvania, why not say our sport is here, call it Penn-Franklin?

The President for Mrs. Harding evidently believes in open East, Red, Blue and Green Rooms openly arrived at.

Robert J. Kautner introduced a tobacco revenue raiser in the Legislature February 8. Then his pipe went out.

District Attorney Rotan says Philadelphia, according to its size, has less crime than any other American city. We are not proud; just sympathetic.

"Now that I have learned that smoking is not permitted in Moyamensing prison," said Demosthenes McGinnis, "I have resolved to live a life free from felony."

Anti administration councilmen may be permitted to consider the "regrets" of the Women's League for Good Government a being in the nature of a swift kick.

What effort, if any, we rise to acquire will the refusal of the Washington police to allow the McCaughy Marching Club to parade have on the Philadelphia postmaster ship?

WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

1. Who is the prime minister of the Union of South Africa?
2. In what way does the "second violin" differ from the "first violin"?
3. Name the author of "The Republic of Letters."
4. What is the national anthem of Belgium?
5. What is the national anthem of the Netherlands?
6. For whom is Harvard named and was he the founder of the college?
7. What are the corresponding ranks in the army and navy?
8. Name and briefly characterize three American poets of the modern era.
9. Who wrote "The Wreck of the Hesperus"?
10. What is the capital of Liberia?

ANSWERS TO SATURDAY'S QUIZ

1. Henry W. Longfellow, in the American version, used the dactylic hexameter. "Evangeline" and "The Courtship of Miles Standish" are the two poems in which Longfellow used the hexameter in Greek and in Latin.
2. Dactylic hexameter is a verse of five feet, each of which, in its normal form, is a dactyl or foot consisting of a long or stressed syllable followed by two short or unstressed syllables. It is the most important of the classical meters and is usually a spenser or trochee, a foot of two beats or stresses.
3. The University is named for the first Roman emperor, Augustus.
4. The father of both a Neapolitan colonel and a major in the United States army was a dactyl or foot of the verse.
5. Delaware is the smallest state, in territory, in this nation.
6. Giovanni Battista Vico was the director general of the Metropolitan Opera Co. of New York.
7. George Ade wrote "Fables in Slung Sticks." The statues of the Lion of Saint Mark are in Venice.
8. A sacrament is the ritual of California. The United States has no national emblem in an official sense as adopted by Congress. It is a dactyl or foot of the verse.
9. The national flag by general consent of the people was adopted by Congress on September 17, 1792.
10. The founder of Liberia was the American slave, Samuel P. Rogers.