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Ethics and Economics

Pennsylvania enjoys the reputation of standing near the head of states whose politics are thoroughly bad. It is, then, somewhat surprising to have a Pennsylvania legislative committee report a bill favoring more teaching of ethics in the public schools, a suggestion that the state which holds the city of brotherly love and political corruption is seeking in a small way a remedy for her unhappy condition.

The report holds this paragraph: "Recently an educational commission from Great Britain visited the United States. At a meeting in Philadelphia, at which Provost Smith of the University of Pennsylvania presided, it was stated that American college diplomas were not accepted in England for postgraduate work, and on this account most of our graduates went to Germany to complete their studies. The chairman of the British commission explained that in England the teaching of ethics and the teaching of economics were combined, which is not done in the American system of education."

The popularity of German universities, even though they do not require work in ethics, has waned, at least for the near future. Are our graduate students not to be permitted to enter English universities in the future because of their lack of training in ethics, or shall we include the combination of ethics and economics in our college work in the future? There is little danger that we shall become too highly trained in moral philosophy and it is certainly not complimentary to be considered ineligible to Oxford and Cambridge because of such lack.

The teaching of ethics to our youth and the practice of a little higher brand by our adults would perhaps, hasten that millennial state which we are beginning to lose faith in as a result of the conference of the powers in Paris. Individual attention to ethics, both in preaching and in practice, will be beneficial to us, and to the people of other nations as well.

War and Public Education

It is one of the unexpected developments of the war that the cause of public education of children should have received and kept a new impetus in almost every country involved in it. Perhaps it was seeing the flower of the young manhood depleted by war that has stimulated the appreciation of the governments of the European nations of the importance of raising the average of intelligence in the boys and girls who will be the parents of the future. Whatever it is, the fact remains that even in Italy, where with the exception of Russia there has been the least concern for popular education, there has been a constant consideration of ways and means to increase the efficiency of the public educational system.

Throughout the period of the war the Italian government has kept ever before the proper authorities the question of carrying out such legislation as has already been secured to provide and enforce school attendance for children under ten. And not only that. New plans have been made, new policies worked out and

prepared for application. Italy has appreciated the fundamental fact that if she is to enter upon anything like equal terms with the other nations of the "big five" in the life of the continent she must provide better educational facilities for her children and see to it that ignorant parents give their children every advantage provided.

The Constitution Of The World

The Constitution of the World, which has been prepared for submission to the nations to compose the League of Nations, furnishes a fair working basis for the organization of the world into a combination to maintain the peace and suggests that there may be consummated a union similar in its essential nature to the union effected by the Constitution of the United States. It will be to the governments of the world what the federal constitution is to the governments of the states.

That the newly formulated constitution is but a skeleton upon which to hang the principles which will develop as the League of Nations develops, is evident from its disposition to leave those questions which are the tender points with the several nations to the later decision of the commission itself. The size and nature of armament of the several states, the exact meaning of "freedom of the seas," the principles upon which the international labor bureau shall be operated, these are left pretty much to the future for decision and formulation.

Of course it is understood that any code of law to govern the relations of nation to nation must be only concerned with the fundamentals. Anything having to do with the details can scarcely be treated in such a document without making it so inelastic that it will be useless for any other conditions than those that exist just today. And, since the immediate danger of war is not to be reckoned with, it is the future that must be provided for in any league of nations that is to be worth the time that it requires for organization.

Military Training Supplementary To Home

One of the arguments put forth for the establishment of the policy of the universal military training of the youth of America is that it is necessary if we are to have a properly self controlled manhood in some way to make up for the lack of home discipline and to offset the lax home training. This is a sad acknowledgment to make, but it is, alas, only too obvious to be denied. We have developed a strange condition in the up-bringing of our youth today. Never have childhood's rights been more generally acknowledged. Never has so much work been done to secure for the children of the poor the sort of clothing, food and living conditions that ought to be supplied to the future citizens of a great country. Never has there been so much eager discussion of the proper educational policies, so many organizations devoted to the study of the psychology of the child and the right principles of rearing children. This has been no idea such as that of our ancestors, our parents in some cases, that children should be seen and not heard. The child is listened to with deference today, no matter whom he interrupts or how little worth hearing what he has to say may be.

In the face of this searching after truth comes the statement that our boys, when they reach high school age, are so lacking in the qualities which are developed through the discipline that life is sure to impose sooner or later, have been so laxly trained, that they are not fitted for the discharge of the duties of citizenship without the experience of the discipline which the military organization imposes.

There is altogether too abundant proof that there is this lack in the boys and girls, too, of today, a lack which must be made good somewhere, if not at home, then in the school, that supplement of the home to which more and more of the duties of motherhood are being delegated. Until we can recover somewhat from

our too ardent acceptance of the gospel of child self expression and swing a little back to that system of child culture which prepares for life outside the charitable confines of home, we shall have to resort to some artificial means of providing for the lack which they have suffered. And military training is a very good means.

Seattle And Its Lesson

Seattle has faded from the front page but the lesson that has been taught, the warning that has been given, should not be allowed to pass from the minds of the people of the United States.

Seattle came out of her labor trouble whole, not because there were not the elements of success in the organization of the strike, but because there happened to be in the mayor's office a man who had the courage and the clear vision to deal with the situation in the right way. And behind him was the steady good sense of the majority of the citizens, opposed to any such demonstration of the new theory that owners of industrial plants should be trampled upon and the powers of government taken over by labor unions.

The country at large owes a debt of gratitude to Mayor Hanson of Seattle, and can best show that gratitude by keeping in mind the lesson which he has given to thoughtful people.

ANNOUNCE RECEPTION FOR REV. J. L. WALKER

An informal reception will be given the Reverend and Mrs. Joseph L. Walker of the Wilmette Methodist church, Friday evening, February 28, in the church parlors. All members and friends of the church are invited to be present. The Ladies' Aid society of the church will be in charge of an interesting program.

Reverend Walker, though only recently made pastor of the local church, is already well known in the Village. It is expected a large number of residents will participate in the official greeting. The hour of the reception is 8 o'clock.

DEAN RE-ELECTED HEAD OF COMMERCIAL BODY

One hundred members and friends of the New Trier Commercial association enjoyed a dinner and dance at the Winnetka Community House, Wednesday evening.

The dinner was followed by the annual election of officers of the association.

Leo M. Dean was re-elected president. A. Lips was elected vice-president, without serious opposition. Frank R. Gathercoal named treasurer, and Justice Otto Falk was re-elected secretary, without opposition.

Several new members were announced by Secretary Falk.

Play University High Girls

Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock the Girton basket-ball team will play University High school in the Girton gymnasium. After the game the Girton Athletic association will entertain the opposing team at a George Washington luncheon.

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Parked Too Near Fire Plug

Frank C. Wymond, 28 years old, a discharged army officer, 800 Walden road, Hubbard Woods, was found guilty of parking too near to a fire plug a 811 Davis street, Evanston, this week.

The boy has a hair-trigger will; jumps at conclusions; short-circuits directly from idea to action.

Cooper Unimproved

Motorcycle policeman Cooper, who is in the Alexian Brothers hospital suffering a fractured skull as the result of an accident 2 weeks ago, is still in a critical condition.

Boys like cheerful sinners better than melancholy saints; when they uncork the bottle of goodness they want to hear something pop.

The Cemetery Beautiful

PLANTED amidst nature's own beauty, man has created a beautiful park cemetery. The sunken gardens, the winding paths, and the imposing chapel makes this spot a vision of beauty. It is indeed a fitting final resting place for our beloved ones.

MEMORIAL PARK CEMETERY and ANNEX

Gross Point Road and Harrison St., 1/2 Mile West of Evanston

We want you to visit this cemetery. You will find it interesting and attractive. You should reserve for yourself a family lot—all lots in Memorial Park are sold with full perpetual care guaranteed. Suitable easy payments—no interest. Don't miss this opportunity.

YOU ARE INVITED

to call or write to the main office, 703 Marquette Bldg. and make appointment to have one of our representatives call for you in an automobile to take you to and from the cemetery. No obligation. Investigate NOW!

Central Cemetery Company 703 Marquette Building, Dept. 8612 Chicago

Our perpetual care funds are on deposit with the Trust Department of the Central Trust of Illinois.

Silverware Opportunities

Owing to war activities in the past year, silverware manufacturers have directed sixty per cent of their output to war work, the balance being used to supply the trade with necessities. Naturally many patterns we are displaying have been discontinued and many more are difficult to obtain.

With this in mind we have decided to dispose of the entire assortment of these particular items at sharply reduced prices. Taking into consideration the steady increase in the value of silver, this is a splendid opportunity to purchase silverware at a minimum.

A Partial List of the Many Pieces Is Shown Here—

Bowls, Baskets, Dishes, Trays, Toilet Articles, Marmalade Jars, Salt and Pepper Sets, Smoking Accessories, Liquor Bottles, Bon Bon Dishes, Bottle Openers, Traveling Cups, Vases, Candle Sticks, Picture Frames, Pitches, Tea Pots, Coffee Pots, Cups, Novelties, Urns, Cream and Sugar Sets, Leather Goods.

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OLIVE OIL—Red Lion, quart \$1.65; Ehman's, 1/2 gallon \$3.15; McNally's, quart \$1.89, 1/2 gallon \$3.50; Centorbi and Avanti, quart \$1.79; Antonini, 1/2 pint 58c, quart \$1.99, 1/2 gallon \$3.80, gallon \$7.50. A few bottles still on hand.

MAPLE SYRUP—Log Cabin, small 29c, large size 99c.

COCOANUT—Dunham's—1/4's 12c, 1/2's 22, lb. 42c; Drummedary 1/4's 12c, 1/2's 22c.

O CEDAR OIL—Bottle, small 23c, large 45c, quart 93c, 1/2 gallon \$1.41, gallon \$2.39.

CHOW CHOW—Imported, Holbrook's, only a few on hand; large jar 50c; Cross & Blackwell's new price is \$1.00 for the same size jar

AMMO—3 cans 26c, dozen 99c.

NAVY BEANS—5 lbs. 59c.

COFFEE—Monarch, 3 lbs. \$1.03, 5 lb. carton \$1.70. Thrift (very fine quality) bulk, lb. 32c.

JELLY POWDER—Monarch, pkg. 10c.

BROMANGELON—pkg. 10c.

POLLY PRIM POLISH—25c bottle 22c, 6 (25c bottles) \$1.22.

PREMIER SALAD DRESSING—Bottle 35c.

RYZON BAKING POWDER—1/2 lb. 19c, lb. 33c.

REAL EGG NOODLES—(cackle) 1/2's 19c, 1/2 dozen \$1.05

SOAP—White Flake, 10 bars 59c, Swift's Pride, 10 bars 55c, 100 bars \$5.25; Ivory Flakes, pkg. 9 1/2c; Crystal Soap Flakes, pkg. 9 1/2c; Crystal Soap Chips, pkg. 15c.