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SCHOOL WILL SOON OPEN.

School opens September 10. These are the days that the mothers will be thinking of getting the children back from the camps and the mountains. The boys and girls will be brown as berries. We hope that all the newspapers in the country will not spring that old chestnut about the boys and girls creeping to school like snails. We will never forgive Shakespeare that exaggeration. Our experience is that boys and girls like to go to school. They cry for it. It may have been different in Shakespeare's time. Perhaps Shakespeare went to some school like Squeers', where the boys were underfed and beaten for even showing any spirit. Our boys and girls will hop, skip and jump to school merrily and joyfully. Their teachers will if they are wise encourage this happy joyful spirit; we do not want too much repression. What is merely animal spirits is often mistaken for meanness and badness. The doctrine of perversity prevails in some schools. The modern idea, which prevails here under City Superintendent Hampton, is that the school child should not be kept sitting at desks too long. Physical exercise is mixed in: the children get up and walk about the room; they sing and dance. We are glad that the schools are so conducted now days that happiness, jubilant spirits, and merry laughter are not regarded as a crime.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Success To This Strike.

With whatever fortitude heaven has given us, we shall endure the horrors of the hunger strike begun in Ellensburg, Wash., by 61 members of the pestiferous I. W. W. These rascals were arrested for intimidating workmen in Ellensburg, and having been housed in a temporary prison, were served with food. They declined to eat, and have informed Sheriff Garrison that as long as they are kept in jail, they will keep up the hunger strike. They have let it be known that they intend to starve themselves to death, so that civil and criminal suits may be brought against the Sheriff.

With extraordinary equanimity, Sheriff Garrison views the efforts of the vicious I. W. W. to "get the law on him." He says if their heirs sue him for damages, he will set up a counterclaim for room rent; and if he is charged with murder, he will be able to prove contributory negligence. In the meantime, he is thinking of having the gang engaged in the hunger strike arrested on the charge of trying to commit suicide—a crime which, while not serious enough to merit capital punishment, is yet great enough to earn a term on the rockpile.

There is grave fear that the villains in jail in Ellensburg will not carry out their threat. Already, four of them have broken away from the control of the hunger strike leaders, and are eating heartily and obstreperously. It would afford the peaceful, law-abiding citizens of the Pacific Coast a deal of satisfaction to see this strike carried to a successful conclusion.—Portland Spectator.

The Pope's Proposals.

The Kaiser will be found ready to accept Pope Benedict's proposals for peace. The Prussian war of frightfulness with its utmost disregard for the canons of civilization, was checked at the Marne, baffled at Verdun and is doomed to hopelessness by the rising of nearly all the nations of the world now joined in resistance to the terrorism of the outlawed absolutist.

The terms are undoubtedly offered in good faith, but in the very nature of things, they would, if accepted, leave the Prussian military power in position to remain a future menace to a peaceful world. They do not even propose indemnity for the crime of Belgium, a crime that, in the conscience of mankind, should be paid for by the junkerdom that committed it.

It will be difficult for the allies to consent to negotiations on the terms proposed.—Oregon Journal, Portland.

National Cleanup.

Elihu Root declared in a speech that there are many persons in this country traitors in deed and word, who ought to be taken out and shot. Root is right—and what is more if the war continues for a year or two and the country gets down to real serious business on account of it this very thing will occur. There will be the greatest cleaning up a nation ever saw. Editors of seditious publications and labor leaders, mostly of foreign birth and under Prussian or I. W. W. influence and pay, will be given short trials and swift sentences that will end their activity for all time to come. There is either an American nation or there is not and the test will come within two years if the war continues. When peace comes again it is to be hoped that the idea will have been driven home that when a man takes the oath of allegiance to the United States he understands all the obligations that act imposes.—Daily Capital Journal, Salem.

HOGS ADVANCED \$2 IN WEEK.

Chicago, Aug. 18.—(United Press)—Hogs sold at nineteen dollars a hundred weight. A two dollar advance in a week.

The Weather. Portland, Aug. 18.—(United Press)—The U. S. weather forecast: "Fair".

P. J. Driscoll of La Grande was registered at the Imperial Hotel, Portland, Tuesday.

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