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Righteousness exalteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people. — Proverbs 14: 34.

## NORMAL SCHOOL STANDARDS

In connection with recent educational discussions throughout the state there have been numerous references to the fact that the state normal schools are not up to standard and that something should be done to bring them up.

The state legislature, along about 1911 or 1912, took in hand this matter of normal training in Oregon, and finally set a definite standard which it required all normal schools to meet. The United States department of education sent its representatives who made a thorough investigation and approved the standard set. Our state normal schools always have met the requirements, and still do.

Then there are other standards set by the Northwest Association of Colleges, and required of all its members. Last year that organization sent its inspectors to Eastern Oregon Normal school at La Grande. After a thorough examination of the curriculum, qualifications of the faculty, and facilities of the school, E. O. N. was admitted to membership in the association, which ranks it with the best in the country.

The criticism of our normal schools, it appears, is based entirely upon the fact that there is an American Association of Teachers Colleges which has set the very highest standards ever devised for two and four year normal schools. So high are those standards, in fact, that of the hundreds of teachers colleges in the United States only SEVENTEEN are able to qualify. Of the eight highly praised schools of California only three qualify. None of the three big schools in Washington, and none in Idaho can meet these standards. So it certainly is no discredit to Oregon institutions that their names are not included.

The scholastic standards of Oregon normal schools rank with the best; the actual school work is in every way up to standard. That they are not recognized by the A. A. T. C. is due entirely to the lack of dormitories, gymnasiums, and such physical equipment as only populous, wealthy states can provide. The real work for which our schools were started is being done, and done well.

The statement has been made that the certificates granted the graduates of Oregon's normal schools do not entitle them to teach in other states. That is true only in the case of certain states which require FOUR years of preparation. Where only TWO years are required, the certificates granted by Oregon normals are as good as gold. And in every instance where students of La Grande and Ashland have taken additional work, supplementing their original two-year courses, they have been granted certificates allowing them to teach in any other state.

Moreover, in every instance where students from La Grande and Ashland have been transferred to colleges and universities (and a great many have gone on to other insti-

tutions, especially to those in the three coast states) they have been given FULL CREDIT for all work done in either of these two schools.

It is not a matter of quality of education, but merely the quantity. As Oregon's population increases, the normal schools will develop their facilities until they are regular four-year institutions of top rank. But we cannot expect to do everything in a minute, or a year, or even ten years. Educational institutions must be built up a little at a time, especially in a state as new and sparsely populated as Oregon.

## TARIFF, ECONOMIC ISSUES RANKED BEFORE DRY LAW

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Smith said: "I'm not adverse to it." "Does it look like a first ballot nomination to you?" he was asked. "Not to me."

Smith was asked if there had been any progress in the stop Roosevelt movement. "They are not reporting to me. I haven't seen any of the candidates here in Chicago."

"Have you received any encouragement since your arrival in Chicago?" "Well, I don't think I have any more delegates than when I came because I haven't seen any of the delegates."

Murray Talks Governor Murray, who holds the 22 delegates of his home state and one from North Dakota, arrived to find supporters of Roosevelt pinning their hopes for an early nomination upon whether Tammany chooses to support Roosevelt with the big block New York vote. The Tammany decision may determine also whether the Roosevelt forces will seek to abolish the time worn two thirds rule.

"Who do you think the nominee will be?" the Oklahoma governor was asked as he stepped from the train. "You can guess as well as I can," he said, "but his name won't be Roosevelt."

The tall Oklahoman pulled a big black fedora hat over one eye, wound a brown scarf around his neck and shouted to a group of photographers: "Don't you touch that grip of mine, it's full of good five cent campaign cigars."

Wants Will Rogers The governor then declared he would support Jettett, Shouse for permanent chairman of the convention; that he was against changing the two thirds rule, and that he would prefer Will Rogers as his running mate if he were nominated.

"Will, you know, is a good Oklahoma man, too," he said. The governor predicted a fight over the eighteenth amendment in committee but refused to commit himself on the prohibition question beyond saying: "I'm not a fool about prohibition either way. That means I'm against writing a plank for the fanatics or the hoodlums. The majority of both parties are sensible people. Write the plank for them."

He was asked if he would accept the vice presidential nomination if his own presidential boom went away and replied: "I haven't been offered it yet."

"How long will the Oklahoma delegation vote for you?" he was asked. "Until I tell them to quit," he replied.

"How long will that be?" "Nobody on earth can tell," the governor said as he jumped into a taxicab. "It depends on psychology."

Fropped up in a chair at his headquarters at the Congress hotel a little later with a barber cropping his long gray hair, Murray swung one shoeless foot and said: "We've got to save this country. We will have to deal with the economic questions and not the prohibition question."

"Whoever in the hell knew of John D. Rockefeller Jr., advocating anything for the restoration of states rights?" Murray interrupted his interview to order a pot of black coffee.

A prediction that Senator Walsh of Montana would receive as large a vote for permanent chairman as Roosevelt did on the first ballot for the presidential nomination was made a few minutes later by James A. Farley, the governor's campaign manager.

Farley, asked if he had seen John F. Curry, Tammany hall leader, replied: "When I went around last night he was in bed and today he was out playing golf."

He laughed at talk of "chilling down" Roosevelt strength in the convention and said that if Roosevelt were not nominated on the first ballot his strength at least would be imposing the trend would all be toward his camp.

In every non-Roosevelt delegation with one or two exceptions there is Roosevelt strength and those people will be just waiting for the opportunity to vote for the governor."

Governor Harry Woodring, of Kansas, joined in the prediction of a Roosevelt victory.

Reed Wants Repeat In his press conference former Senator Reed of Missouri reiterated a demand for the repeal of the 18th amendment and that "the atrocities

## HIGH HOPES ARE HELD FOR HOOVER PLAN

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President Hoover had France in mind, it was said, in proposing the abolition of large mobile guns and tanks, and at the same time suggesting that even the largest guns be allowed to remain in frontier fortresses.

Still another factor of French safety, in the minds of officials, is the proposal for reducing the naval strength of the world by about one-third, a factor described as favorable to France since its fleet is not its strongest defensive weapon.

Abolition of bombing planes also would give added security to France, officials believe.

WASHINGTON, June 23 (AP)—An optimistic attitude prevailed today as President Hoover and Secretary Stimson conferred at the White House on the far-reaching suggestion that one-third of the world's arms be discarded.

Stimson expressed satisfaction with the early reception given the proposed \$15,000,000,000 armament slash plan. The French government was said by the secretary of state as "apparently warm up to the plan."

French Press To Oppose Stimson said it was to be expected that the French press would be opposed to the Hoover suggestion.

The secretary expressed no dissatisfaction over the manner in which other governments had reacted to the plan.

Meanwhile, President Hoover received scores of congratulations upon his latest move. Many of the messages were read by him personally.

Senator Capper, an early morning caller, said he had expressed his personal approval to Mr. Hoover.

By Melvin K. Whiteleather (Associated Press Staff Writer) (Copyright, 1932, By Associated Press)

LAUSANNE, Switzerland, June 23 (AP)—Chancellor Franz von Papen of Germany today proposed privately a military alliance between France and Germany as a means of meeting France's demand for security before disarmament.

Such an alliance, which would represent the lion and the lamb lying down together in the field of European military affairs, would, he said, be the best way of solving the problems which face the disarmament conference as a result of the French fear of invasion and their security plea.

Wants Cooperation Speaking English with a pronounced American accent—he was a German agent in the United States in the early years of the war—the greying chancellor added that he was unable to understand the French security plea, but that he intended to do everything in his power to foster collaboration between the two countries.

It was he who prepared the memorandum on economic collaboration which was presented, yesterday, to Prime Minister MacDonald of Great Britain by Baron Von Neurath, German foreign minister. The memorandum proposed a five-year consultative economic pact.

It summarized the reasons why Germany insists she can make no more reparations payments and suggested that the countries at the conference here agree for five years to take no steps likely to harm the trade of others without consulting all the other signatories to the pact.

This suggestion, the chancellor said he believed, fits Premier Herriot's notions of continental business reconstruction.

He said he had sounded the views of other statesmen on his suggestion of a military alliance with France, but did not reveal their reaction to the plan.

Asked whether he had the plan worked out in detail he answered: "If I did I could not now reveal the details."

But, he said, if the pacts of Paris and Locarno and the Rhineland guarantee are not sufficient assurances of security for the French, then the wedding of the two armies, by a suit-

able formula, should allay France's fears and permit solutions of the now seemingly insolvable problems of disarmament, as well as the riddles of Central Europe.

Acceptance of such an alliance by France, he said, would have far-reaching results.

British Have Plan The British memorandum on debts, prepared for presentation to the conference, is conciliatory and not drastically divergent from the French view, a responsible member of the French delegation said today.

Its principal points are a demand for final settlement of reparations; the assertion that Germany cannot pay for the present, and a declaration that if it should be decided that Germany must pay something later on, the amount to be paid must not interfere with Germany's economic recovery, and must not upset world business.

This afternoon Mr. MacDonald and M. Herriot had another talk in which several members of both delegations participated.

## HIGHWAY STUDIES RELIEF PROJECTS

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drawn up by state highway engineers for consideration by the highway commission at some future date. This order was made to the staff at a preliminary session of the state highway commission last night.

Further indication that the highway board was laying the ground work for considerable relief work this fall and winter was noted by discussion of a standard wage scale for workers. Final action on the wage scale was put over until a later meeting of the commission.

Protest of the state federation of labor on the proposed \$1.50 a day wage was in the hands of the commission.

The public meeting of the commission, which contracts will be awarded on approximately \$2 million of road improvement in addition to several bridge and tunnel projects was being held here this morning.

Debate on secondary highway matters and further unemployment relief work discussions were likewise listed on the day's program.

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P. L. MEYERS, President. Dated June 13th, 1932. 6-14-60 t.

NOTICE OF SALE W. C. PERKINS, claimant, vs. Jesse Breshers, John Owen and Keith Crosswhite, defendants. To the defendants above named, and to whom notice is hereby given that W. C. Perkins has filed a lien upon one Chrysler Sedan, 1931 Missouri license No. 366-136, for \$500.00 as per sum of \$50.75, and that by virtue of an endorsement of foreclosure upon said lien, I will, on the 8th day of July, 1932, at ten o'clock a. m., at the Perkins Garage

in La Grande, Union County, Oregon, sell said automobile at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy said lien.

Dated this 23rd day of June, 1932. JAMES NELSON, Constable, La Grande, Justice of the Peace and Constable District, Union County, Oregon. June 23-30, July 7.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed with the County Court of Union County, Oregon, his final account as administrator of the estate of Huey Toon (Chas. Tong), deceased; and said court has fixed

Tuesday, the 5th day of July, 1932, at ten o'clock a. m., at the court room of said court in the courthouse at La Grande, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing any and all objections to said final account and for final settlement and distribution of said estate.

Dated and first published this 2nd day of June, 1932. L. L. SNODGRASS, Administrator of the Estate of Huey Toon (Chas. Tong), Deceased. COCHRAN & EBERHARD, Attorneys for Administrator. June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.

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