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WHAT ARE YOU DOING? WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?

The schools of the country soon will be in session again. This leads us to ask of school pupils: "What are you doing and what are you going to do?"

The answer to the first question probably will be: "Preparing and educating ourselves for our life work."

Very laudable endeavor, certainly, but are pupils really doing what their answer indicates that they are and when they leave school will they be able to earn a living?

A Chicago manufacturer, a man experienced in receiving from the schools as workers in his shops, pupils who have presumably prepared themselves for their life work, a few years ago said that he found them entirely unprepared for the work.

What the schools are doing in preparing young men and young women of the country for their future work should not be underestimated. It is a great work that they are doing, but boys and girls will find that the education which they get from text books alone, important as it is, is not sufficient, nor efficient—that it by no means completely prepares them for their work.

Too many have the mistaken idea that text book education is all the advance preparation that need be made for a life work.

Young men and young women do not prepare far enough ahead, do not plan enough on the time when their school work will be completed and they are thrown abruptly on the world. They will find this happens almost before they know it, and they will be looking for jobs.

All cannot be bookkeepers, nor professional people, nor politicians, all can not follow occupations where a text book education is presumed to be sufficient. Most of these fields of endeavor are overcrowded already. Someone must work at other lines. Are pupils prepared for this time of their life? Are they preparing themselves for such a time?

The uneducated man with a trade is doing better than the educated man without a trade. Educators the world over are beginning to recognize this fact and are declaring text book education merely elementary to the great work of life.

What is the sense of filling live girls and boys with dead languages and higher geometry without giving them a practical education to go with the other? The employer doesn't ask a fellow to demonstrate a little calculus or rip off a yard of Virgil. What he wants is practical business methods. This is not an exhortation of school work. It is merely an ap-

peal for more practical schooling to go with the theoretical. Young people, learn a trade. If you are not taught in your school, take it upon yourself to learn one, and learn one you like and learn it well.

It is almost pathetic to see a young man or woman finish college at 25 or so and find himself or herself unable to earn a living. It is galling to him or her to have to start learning a trade at an apprentice's wage at a time of life when others of like age are supporting families. The writer is not writing of what he has heard. He has seen college graduates working on section crews at a dollar a day, and any pupil is likely to go up against the same kind of a proposition if not prepared against it.

Young men and young women should begin preparing for their life work while they are young. Things are more easily learned then. Then, too, at that age, it is not a serious matter if a young man or woman finds that he or she has started to learn a trade to which he or she is not adapted and wants to make a change. After one reaches 25 or 30 it is a serious thing to waste a year or so trying to learn some trade at which he or she can not succeed.

It may take some ambition and perseverance to do these things and it may require the giving up of pleasures once in a while, but it is not such an irksome thing to do. An hour or so a day is sufficient, and the young man and young woman with a desire to be someone and to amount to something will find his or her fight for a position in the world greatly advanced by preparation now, during time they are allowing to go to waste.

Don't say that this is too much of a task. You will not have to do one-half nor one-third as much as many of the great men of the country have done before you.

While Roosevelt was president he said: "My ideal of a boy is one who will grow up and be able to support himself and wife and children. Bring them up to work," he said, "so that they shall recognize an obstacle as something to be overcome, not to be shirked."

We cannot increase the strength of our muscles by sitting in a gymnasium and letting others exercise for us. Neither can we learn a trade by watching others work at it.

Young men and young women, you will soon be running this great country of ours. Prepare yourselves for the task.

The man who tries to do something and fails is better prepared than the one who tries to do nothing and succeeds.

Keep before you this inspiring motto: "Sud will be the day for me when I become content with the thoughts I am thinking and the deeds I am doing—when there is no forever beating at the doors of my soul some great desire to do something larger, which I know that I was meant to do."

It takes a special election in Multnomah county to fill the vacancy left by the suicide of Representative Maurice Crumpacker. Some of the brothers of the press lament this and have come forth with the suggestion that the state law be changed so that unexpired terms could be filled by the governor. This sounded all right, but it so happens that the federal constitution provides the method of filling vacancies in congress. Some eighth grade pupil might have told them that.—Springfield News.

We imagine that often a girl refuses to show her love for a man because she knows how independent he would act if he felt sure he had her solid. She wants to keep him courting her.

A well-known woman author is reported to have said that women love more deeply than men. Necessarily, for the man in love is about the shallowest thing imaginable.

There is more real pleasure in getting two dollars that you do not expect than in getting many times that amount that you have labored faithfully for.

There are no disasters big enough to worry the person who has plenty to eat three times a day and a good appetite to go with it.

Waxing Candalous. Henry Drummond, author of "The Greatest Thing in the World," in his lighter moments (and he had many) was full of gawdity, frequently displaying a unique and versatile form of wit. He was one of a group assembled one night at the home of Drummond's minister, Dr. Marcus Dods.

During the supper, which had to be taken by candle light, one of the candles began to droop. One of the young men set it upright, then it dropped to the other side. Finally it became a subject of remark.

Someone called it a most wicked candle; another said it should be sent to Greece, and sundry other jokes were leveled at the unfortunate light giver. Finally Drummond said, very earnestly, he thought the conversation was beginning to wax candalous.

Typewriter Ribbons. The Sentinel. Desks, Office Chairs. The Sentinel.

Jack Rabbit Forced to Succumb to Auto

A western physician returning from a professional call across the country hired up a jack rabbit, says the Evansville Journal. The animal trotted along in front of the physician's car undisturbed apparently while it was traveling 25 miles an hour. There was a sporty chance to try out the runner made famous by Mark Twain. The physician speeded his car from 25 to 30 miles, and then to 35. The rabbit held its place in the road apparently enjoying the race at that pace. Then the doctor turned on the gas to a speed of 40 miles an hour. The rabbit held the road until it sensed the car was gaining upon it and then leped into the brush at the side of the road. Thus it appears that the unknown speed of the famous animal has been established. Many a good hound dog has run itself almost to death in pursuit of a jack rabbit before it would give up the chase. The greyhound has never been able to carry on with a jack rabbit. It has taken an automobile to drive the jack from the field in a race for speed. No doubt the jack is wondering what sort of a dog has come into its field to defeat it in a trial of speed.

Another risk assumed by parents, which is not so commonly understood, is that of hurting their children by affection. With human beings the love attitude may prevail in such a way that the child never actually matures and comes to have a fully developed self-life, or indulgence heaped upon the child by the parent may spoil the zest of life and keep the child emotionally infantile. He may become fixed upon the parent so that he is essentially parasitic in his inner emotional existence and cannot maintain normal relationships in business, social contacts or later family life if he ever attempts to establish a home of his own.—From "Social Problems of the Family," by Prof. Ernest R. Graves.

Famous Brigade That Served "Lost Cause"

Two reasons are given for the naming of the Orphan brigade of the Confederate army. Kentucky tried to be neutral when the Civil War broke out, but neutrality was violated and many Kentuckians decided to fight for the South. The famous Camp Boone was formed near the Kentucky line, a few miles north of Clarksville, Tenn. Fifty companies from 84 counties in Kentucky enlisted. These composed the largest part of the First Kentucky, better known as the Orphan brigade.

One of the reasons why this command was called the Orphan brigade was because so many commanders were lost, either by reason of promotion or by death on the battlefield, says a contributor to the Pathfinder Magazine. Another is that the members were away from Kentucky during nearly all the time of their service, and so cut off from communication with friends and family.

Meal Time in China

The Chinese consider the stomach the source of intellectual life, and therefore the fattest man goes for the wisest one. They affect to believe that foreigners come to China to eat because they have not enough to eat at home. It is considered a mark of refined politeness to treat a guest or a visitor to a meal at any time of the day. For the most part, only those who have families take their meals at home; the rest eat at hotels. They usually have two substantial meals a day—one an hour after getting up in the morning, the other between three and four o'clock in the afternoon. The well-to-do class take three or four meals a day. Often the father alone eats meat, while the rest of the family have to be satisfied with rice.

Feeling Like a Lord

I have a cottage in Colchester row, Islington. A cottage, for it is detached; a white house, with six good rooms; the New River (rather elderly by this time) runs (if a moderate walking pace can be so termed) close to the foot of the house; and behind is a spacious garden, with vines (I assure you), pears, strawberries, parsnips, leeks, carrots, cabbage, to delight the heart of old Amosus. You enter without passage into a cheerful dining room, all studded over and rough with old books, and above is a lightsome drawing room, three windows, full of choice prints. I feel like a great lord, never having a house before.—From "Letters to Barton, 1823," by Charles Lamb.

Wonderful Alpha Rays

The Alpha rays from radioactive matter, it appears, consist of verifiable atoms of matter projected at a speed averaging 6,000 miles a second. It is the great energy of motion of these swiftly expelled masses that gives rise to the heating effect of radium. Yet they do not go far. The swiftest alpha particle travels seven centimeters in the air, under ordinary conditions, before it is stopped. But on its way it plonks straight through every molecule in its path, producing positively and negatively charged ions in the process. On an average, an alpha particle, before its career of violence is stopped, breaks up about 100,000 molecular.—Washington Star.

Golfer's Alibi

On the St. A links an enthusiastic golfer was most impatiently faced with a critical short putt. He addressed his ball, studied the line, steadied himself carefully, putted—and missed. Instinctively he glared round, but the entire party might have been so many statues—not a caddy had moved, not a player had budged. His eyes roved the horizon in vain. No one outside the match was in sight. Then he gazed aloft, while breathless silence invested the scene. At last the explosion came: "D—n that lark!"

Wren's Sweet Song

While Jerry Wren is incubating, her mate perches nearby, untroubledly warbling his sweet song, says the Nature Magazine. After the young are hatched there is little rest for either of them. Caterpillars, beetles, bugs and spiders must be supplied in astonishing numbers all the time, until the youthful wrens are ready to help in the hunt.

Coffined in Coconut

In Honolulu may be seen two coconut fiber caskets, known to represent in effigy King Liloa, who reigned over Hawaii in 1590 A. D., and his great grandson, Lono-kapia kapihi. Inside the basket are the bones of the kings. Such coconut fiber caskets, shaped somewhat like an Egyptian mummy case, are extremely rare. These were found in one of the ancient burial caves of Hawaii. The Hawaiians often secreted the bones of dead kings in inaccessible caves to prevent desecration by an enemy.

Herculean Viewpoint

A colored man who owned a large wagon and a small horse was hired to haul away some trash from a home. The trash contained many bricks and made an awkward load. As he was ready to drive away the owner of the house said to him: "If you intend to haul such large loads you need a larger horse." The colored man replied: "If you had to lift him up every morning like I do you would think him heavy enough."

Child Training That Has Harmful Effects

Too much or too little affection of parents is equally harmful and both spoil character. The training that produces docile obedience spoils the child's native aggressiveness and leaves him to be easily beaten in later competitions of life by minds superior only in their inferior preparation. The authority of a parent is a responsibility rather than a privilege.

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A Natural Deduction

There was great excitement in the Jones home out on Long Island. A real lord was paying them a visit. He was now sitting at the dinner-table and Mrs. Jones fluttered as she urged My Lord to eat this and that.

Mr. Jones, swollen with a sense of great honor bestowed upon his household, began each sentence with Lord, and ended it the same way with a worshipful, not to say reverential, air.

As a special privilege—thinking that he might talk about his natter years—little Willie Jones, aged five, had been permitted to attend the function on condition that he refrain from talking unless spoken to. Mindful of his pledge, the little fellow sat in silence, his large round eyes fixed in a stare upon the face and form of the stranger.

But, when he saw the visitor's eye roaming hither and yon across the laden table as though seeking something, an innate sense of hospitality moved him to speak.

"Mom! Oh, mom!" said Willie. "What is it, Willie?" asked his mother.

"God wants a pickle."—From Everybody's Magazine for November.

Pyrotol Pool Closes Monday

Numerous orders are being received at the office of the county agent for the pyrotol pool which will be closed Monday, but sufficient orders will not be received to make it possible to ship a car direct to Cottage Grove. Orders may be placed with the county agent or with either of the Cottage Grove banks. It may not be possible to get further shipments of this explosive as the government has nearly cleaned up its surplus war material.

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Your Home Print Shop First.

Carbon Paper, The Sentinel.

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Advertisement for Vacation Days. Includes 'AUGUST SALE OF SWIMMING SUITS' and 'NEW RAYON UNDERWEAR FOR VACATION DAYS' with price lists.

Advertisement for Men's Summer OxforDs. Features a large '1/2 PRICE' graphic and text: 'ALL REMAINING WOMEN'S SUMMER COATS'.

Advertisement for Umphrey & Mackin. Includes 'BUY TRAVEL LUGGAGE NOW AND SAVE MONEY' and 'AUGUST SALE WOMEN'S, GIRLS' SUMMER STYLE SLIPPERS AND OXFORDS'.

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Advertisement for Tri-Blu Graham's. Text: 'Ask Your Doctor to analyze Tri-Blu Graham's as a food for your baby. Our doctor O.K.s them. So will yours.' Includes image of a product box.