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WHAT IS AMERICANISM?

It is hard to pick up a newspaper these days with reading of a "general strike" that is threatened for some city, either here or abroad. That which has centered the interests of the people of this section of course is the outburst in Seattle.

What does this all mean? Is the structure of American institutions breaking down? These are some of the questions that sober-minded citizens are asking themselves.

Out here in the open of an agricultural and thoroely American community, far from industrial activity, it is hard to believe that any great number of Americans will be swept off their feet by the teachings of Bolshevism, or other foreign political nostrums. But it is time to awaken to the fact that we as a people have been trifling too long with our vaunted security and if we wish to preserve our Representative government that we be prepared to fight its enemies here at home.

Bolshevism is a class movement, an anarchist movement, it is socialism carried to its logical conclusion, the annihilation of government by law. The farmer who today denounces the acts of the Seattle Bolsheviks lead by Rikowsky who threaten to take over industries of that great city, are merely going to step farther than that proposed by Twonley and his Non-Partisan leaders. The only difference is in the methods employed.

At the same time business and professional men, who have stood idly by and permitted unfair tactics to be employed toward the farmer or the laboring man, who have permitted conscienceless politicians to run the affairs of state had better awaken to the fact that such conditions are responsible in part for the troubles that are now disturbing the peace and prosperity of this country.

This is representative government. The essence of Americanism is a square deal, and an equal opportunity before the law for every man to achieve our basic ideal of Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.

If this ideal is worth anything, it is worth protecting. And if it is worth protecting it is worthy of the unwavering support of every citizen.

THE ONTARIO CADETS.

The members of the High School Cadet company received generous praise from the Colonel John Leader following his review of their maneuvers last Friday afternoon. The boys will undoubtedly cheerish his words of approbation, and strive to merit further approval in years to come.

Among the other sentiments which the Colonel admirably expressed was this, on which every citizen may well ponder: "With ten companies like this that I have watched today, I would gladly receive the Bolsheviki from Seattle should they attempt to march on Oregon."

At another juncture in his address to the cadets Colonel Leader said:

"I am pleased to say to you that this is the best drilled High School company that I have had the privilege to inspect. You have a high duty to perform, there can be none higher than that a man be trained and willing to protect the government of the American people."

These words coming from one who has given a quarter of a century to soldiering in many lands and has served in helping Oregon perform a noble part in the world war, in which he early gave his all until wounds incapacitated him, should be indeed a source of joy to the young men of the company and a cause for pride on the community which has long taken pride in the cadet company.

THE JOYS OF THE COUNCIL.

Ontario's City Council will not loiter at many of its sessions if it solves all the problems which are before it at the present time, and others that are bound to arise before every meeting.

Aside from the water problem which is a job in itself, the city government is faced with the realization that to collect the dog taxes, to compel indifferent citizens to keep their lots and alleys clean, to enforce the regulations in other respects, and incidentally to combat the emboldened boot-legger, is a program that will tax its constructive statesmanship, as well as its financial resources.

While the council realizes that it has a hard job before it there is no faltering in tackling the problem, and that is half of the battle itself. It is the temporizing with conditions by many city governments that make enforcement of regulations hard. Once the public realizes that a city administration means business, and is playing no favorites there is a general compliance with reasonable regulations.

PARENT-TEACHERS' COLUMN

This department is an open Forum for the discussion of problems of the school and the home, and is under the direction of the Ontario Parent-Teachers' association. Your ideas are welcome. Kindly leave written articles at the Argus office before Tuesday of each week.

"Play is the logical demand of youth, and the boy or girl whose play life is stunted pines on into adult life handicapped for the struggle to come."

Play is in itself an education, one that gives to the child strength, health, alertness, aggressiveness and courage—better than these it paves the way for a higher standard of morals than we could obtain in any other way.

This is granted today by most people, and those who were slow to acknowledge the benefit of supervised well equipped play-grounds have been pondering the question since this war brot out the fact that so many of their sons who did not pass the physical examinations, could have done so if their bodies had been properly cared for during those early school years.

Some of the parents say: "We have no objection to our children playing, let them play." Their teachers are of the same mind. In fact, they fairly drive them out of their unattractive building with the injunction, "Run and play."

Two minutes after they have been thus ordered out, numbers return and want to go back to their rooms to sit for the rest of the play period.

What is wrong? Let every parent ask himself that question as he passes the school grounds at various times. And if that parent should pass during the play period, notice the onlookers leaning against the building or standing on the central walk, watching the one game that the grounds afford, and know that every soul there wishes he were playing.

Also look over the Library or High School lawn, and if by chance there are any little folks there on the grass (where they have been told positively that they should not go) smile and think, "The youngsters sure do take to grass." Then look back at the Grade yard again.

When Willie or Johnie comes home with his back covered with mud, don't blame him—think of the grassless school yard, without equipment, and remind yourselves that his muscles could have been developed and his energy expanded by chinning himself on an iron bar (which wasn't there.) He was thrown on nature, and used nature's method, "The survival of the fittest."

The girls in the grades are having some of their needs met in their physical training classes—a move that the Board of Education is trying out this year. And if there is any doubt existing in any patron's mind as to the beneficial results of this movement, let him go over to the basement of the High School any day in the week from two till three and watch the girls.

While the Physical Director is doing great work and using largely the play spirit in her work, formal gymnastics can never accomplish for children the whole souled, joyous reaction from their mental activities which they would receive from play on a well equipped play-ground.

A GRADE TEACHER

What do you Think?

Are you satisfied with the subjects now being taught in our schools? What change would you suggest? If you have ideas on the above write your opinions for this column.

LOST—One Civet Cat Muff on road between Vale and Ontario or Ontario and Payette. Finder please notify Roy Reavis, Weiser, Idaho, and receive reward. 12-11-Ads

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
U. S. LAND OFFICE AT VALE,
OREGON.

December 30th, 1918.
NOTICE is hereby given that Raymond V. Harland, of Ontario, Oregon, who, on June 5th, 1915, made Homestead Entry, No. 03895, for SW 1/4, SW 1/4, Sec. 13, S 1/4 SE 1/4, NW 1/4 SE 1/4, SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 NE 1/4, EW 1/4, SE 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 14 and NW 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 24, Township 17 South, Range 45 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Three Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver U. S. Land Office, at Vale, Oregon, on the 4th day of February, 1919.

Claimant names as witnesses:
George C. Davis, James May, John Elliott, F. Beckman, all of Ontario, Oregon.

THOS. JONES,
Register

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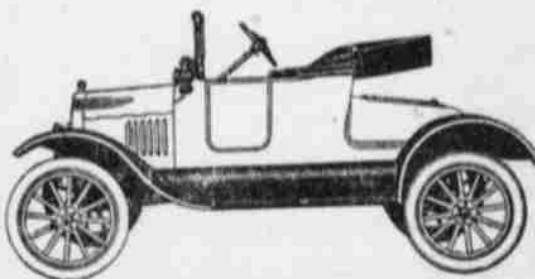
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