

Altenheim Retreat for Aged Just Like Home.

Writer Tells of Nature's Beauties Seen From Building and Comforts Afforded Inmates of German Institution.

PORTLAND, June 18.—(To the Editor.)—To satisfy the curiosity of numerous inquiries which reach our home in regard to the conditions prevailing in this excellent institution and for the benefit of those who cannot read the German, I, being an inmate of this home for a period of nearly three years, feel in duty bound to give a truthful account of how we are situated, what we are doing and what awaits those who are admitted to it.

The German Altenheim, or German Old People's Home, is situated on a plain in an easterly direction from Mount Tabor and can be reached by a little walk from the eastern terminal of the Hawthorne line. The road is lined with cottages, gardens, orchards, etc. A good sidewalk brings you to a gate. The number of the house is 2601 Division street. A magnificent brick building rises inside of a 20-acre tract, donated for that purpose by the widow of the late Henry Weinhard to the General German Aid Society. In front of the house we have a well-groomed lawn, cut by a road in the form of a horseshoe, flower beds and rose bushes lining the edges.

The building is of a modern and solid construction. The basement contains a heating plant, laundry, drying-room, a spacious and elegant dining hall, holding six extension tables, and large kitchen, pantries, closets, etc. An elevator brings you to the first floor. When you enter the house from the veranda via the broad steps already mentioned you will find to the left an elegantly furnished reception-room and to the right the office of the matron and next to it her living-room.

On entering the main hall, right opposite to the lobby, you will find a large assembly hall, with piano and phonograph, in which we have concerts twice a week and for the spiritual welfare for those who need it we have church services by our chaplain, Rev. Schwichtenberg. The community is non-sectarian.

The rest of the first floor consists of living-rooms. The elevator brings us to the second floor. This floor contains, besides nine living-rooms, a reading-room, stocked with choice books and periodicals, and is also used as a smoking-room and the indulgence in various games, such as chess, dominoes and checkers. The third or top floor contains about 10 living-rooms. All the rooms are elegantly furnished and carpeted. We have hot and cold water in each and are enjoying all comforts which a modern hotel can offer.

Four of the rooms are furnished for two inmates, so that aged couples can be accommodated. The stairs and halls are carpeted so as to deaden all sounds. From the windows and the porches we see a magnificent panorama. Looking south we can see Tremont, Arleta, Lents and in the south-east Kelly's Butte. On the west we see Mount Tabor and the hills west of the city of Portland. On the north Montavilla and in the background the snow-capped Mount St. Helens. On the east we look over a plain dotted with farm houses, villas, orchards and cultivated fields. Back of Kelly's Butte we observe our ancient friend, Mount Hood. It is a veritable cyclorama of natural beauties. Every foot of the 20 acres donated by Mrs. Weinhard is cultivated and it consists of an extensive orchard of choice fruit trees and several large tracts of berries of every kind. The treatment of the inmates is excellent. The members of the directory vie with each other to make life as old fellows as pleasant and comfortable as possible and the fare cannot be surpassed in the best hotel of the city. Come and see for yourself. For those who are inclined to give assistance, please write for particulars to the secretary of the General German Aid Society, H. C. Bohlemann, No. 64 North Ninth street, Portland, Oregon. ED ALISKY.

ISSUE IS NOT SECTARIAN Reply Made to Strictures on Catholics in Textbook Issue. MILWAUKIE, Or., June 18.—(To the Editor.)—During the discussion which preceded Monday's free textbook law grave injustice has been done to the Catholic residents of Portland, particularly by the published sermons of certain Protestant clergymen, and I beg room in which to protest against the unfairness of these reverend gentlemen and to make some explanations. It is putting it very mildly to say that the spirit which evidently actuates these clergymen in their attacks against the Catholic Church is not the spirit which one would expect to see exhibited in public by men professing to preach the gospel of Him who said: "By this shall men know that you are my disciples, that you love one another." Moreover, it is a spirit distinctly out of harmony with and opposite to the true American spirit which guarantees liberty and equal rights to every citizen of the Republic. For instance, in at least two prominent pulpits last Sunday were preached sermons whose preachers took advantage of the current discussion of the free textbook law to denounce Catholics as guilty of thrusting a sectarian issue into the educational domain of forming dishonest designs upon the public school funds, of interfering in the affairs of the state to the injury of the public school system, of not being in sympathy with the system of public education.

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public school system would suffer no injury and it still by long odds would have the better end of the bargain. Catholics, with their own private money, build and equip their own schools and support their own teachers, and thus they save to the state each year the vast expense to which it would be put if Catholics insisted on their civic right to have their children educated in the public schools.

Catholic schools give to their pupils a secular education measuring up fully to all the requirements of the standards which the state has set; and, too, they develop their pupils into loyal and patriotic citizens, to which the Nation's every battlefield has given eloquent and mournful testimony. Therefore, as Catholics every year are paying their full quota of taxation to support the public school system, from which they get so little in return, I contend that the state still would have the better end of the bargain even if it were to issue free textbooks to the Catholic schools.

To say that Catholics are not in sympathy with the public school system is to state what is not true. As far as the public school system goes we are in fullest sympathy with it—nay, more, we are proud of it. But we regard it as essentially inadequate and defective, inasmuch as it does not teach religion. We hold that the principal function of education is to inculcate morality, and that no stable morality can be built up which is not founded on the dictates of religion. And this is why Catholics persist in maintaining, at such great cost to themselves, their separate schools—not that they love the state less, but that they love God more.

Another mistake which preachers make is to assume that our present public school system is the only possible alternative that might be chosen. There are others. In England and in Canada, for example, they have in operation the far more equitable "results system," under which the separate schools receive their pro rata share of the funds raised by taxation for public education, and this system works to the satisfaction of both Catholics and Protestants, and patriotism is flourishing.

True to his inconsistency, one of the preacher-critics whom I have mentioned ceases from his declamation of "hands off" in church and sectarian influence upon the schools," and from his denunciation of "sectarian issues" thrust into the educational domain, only to launch out into an ardent plea that the Bible (of course, not the Catholic Bible, nor yet the Jewish Bible) be thrust into the public schools. JOHN F. DOLPHIN, Pastor St. John the Baptist Church, Milwaukie, Or.

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Official figures fix the number of cows in Hungary at 2,620,000, of which more than 2,000,000 are pure-bred animals of the best milk-producing breeds. Mrs. J. W. Blow, of St. Louis, Mo., owns a dead in perpetuity in a pew in Westminster Presbyterian Church, given her in 1851 by her father. Applewood is the favorite material for ordinary saw handles, and some good so-called briar pipes.

Miss Dorothy Dickson, of Chicago, is out to break the world's record of 25,000 miles in a year, made by a New York girl. She has begun, according to her meter, almost 8000 miles since the beginning of this year. A California railroad has lost a station and has given it up after the mother search. It was located a point in Los Angeles County, between Duarte and Azusa, a station which was "wiped off the map" in the floods last winter.