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HELP KEEP WILLAMETTE STUDENTS IN SCHOOL

President Doney of Willamette University says students are coming to him daily, or rather hourly, saying they cannot remain in school without some work; and he intimated to the writer yesterday that he will be a nervous wreck if the people of Salem do not come to the rescue.

And he said there are students who can and will do any kind of honorable work, if only it will help them to remain in school; that they will not be at all choice, for the most part, concerning the kind of employment.

The writer talked with a Salem lady yesterday who has taken a place in a store, in order that she may keep a girl student in Willamette university; the student doing the housework while this lady holds the place in the store.

That is only a sample of what may be done in this field, by making some sacrifices.

If all the people of Salem were as resourceful as this one lady, and had the interests of the young people eager for an education as deeply at heart as she has, there would be no question about taking care of all the students who need such assistance.

All of them, and more comers like them.

There can be no greater source of satisfaction to any man or any woman, in after life, than that which comes from having assisted a young man or a young woman through school. Can you think of one?

The students who work their way through school, in whole or in part, make the best students—and they have the best equipment for success after graduation. They appreciate the opportunities which are theirs, and make the best of them.

And these are the men and women in charge of the great institutions all over this country, in very large measure.

Some of the people of Salem, mostly representing the churches of the city, have formed an organization for the assistance of students of Willamette University. But every single resident should consider himself or herself a committee of one to render assistance in this respect.

Ring up the University. Ring up President Doney. Get in touch with the members of the new organization through the pastors. Go and seek out students needing help. Get in touch with the situation in some way, and do your part. It is the duty of every loyal Salemite and of every man or woman who desires to be helpful to others.

And that is all we are here for, after all.

If we have no such desire, we have no rightful place in this world.

Do not delay. Do it now. Do it today, and not next week or next month.

The Americans are trooping home by the shipload from Europe. The tourists were never so numerous nor the ocean passenger rates so high.

Test your memory. What president was it who died 40 years ago on the 19th inst. who was but 49 years of age and had been in office but six and a half months? Who was with him when the shot of the assassin laid him low?

President Harding is making a continuous drive for economy. He can do much in that line by not spending the vast sums appropriated by congress. That was the way Governor Miller of New York solved the matter in the Empire state.

THE GENERAL BUSINESS OUTLOOK IS DECIDEDLY IMPROVING.

The following are some of the outstanding paragraphs of the current weekly financial letter of Henry Clews, the Wall Street authority. They make very encouraging reading:

"Announcement that the exchange situation is again under consideration on the part of the Washington authorities, that negotiations are under way for the rehabilitation of Mexico's external debt, probably to be followed by the recognition of the present Mexican government, and that tentative agreement upon an available tax program preliminary to the reassembling of congress has been nearly reached by the senate finance committee are chief among the constructive developments of the past week. Taken

FUTURE DATES

September 21, Wednesday—Sells-Floto Circus. September 22, 23 and 24—Pendleton Round-up. September 26 to October 1—Oregon State Fair. September 28, Wednesday—State school and committee to open bids on \$5,000,000 bonds. November 21, 22 and 23—Marion county Teachers Institute.

turing regions where seasonal conditions obtain, reaction has undoubtedly occurred, but this would have been true in any case upon the arrival of the usual period or normal reduction. There is no reason to doubt the upward movement of business. This, moreover, is confirmed by August foreign trade returns, which show a large increase both of exports and imports, with a balance of trade in our favor amounting to \$181,000,000. The unfilled order report of the United States Steel corporation shows a larger reduction than had been predicted, but this is a situation that applies to a period of some three weeks ago. Ingot production and general demand are increasing, and the steel outlook is hopeful. The better values for cotton and grain are already having the effect that was expected of them in brightening trade throughout the west and south, with the result that collections in those parts of the country have improved and that sales of goods have been rendered considerably easier in many sections. The earnings of many corporations will have to improve considerably before their stocks can be looked upon as genuinely sound, but unless all signs fall, greater activity in most branches of trade is now close at hand.

Banks Growing More Liberal.

"With the adjustment of the many long outstanding accounts in the farming regions, the banks are tending to become decidedly more liberal, and there is a better supply of funds available for commercial uses than for some time past. Announcement that the war finance corporation is now ready to undertake business under the terms of the act recently passed by congress which authorizes it, if necessary, to advance funds up to \$1,000,000,000, also gives assurance of an ample supply of money. In the opinion of many, the banks are now so well equipped to take care of demands that the corporation is not likely to be called upon for very large extensions of credit. Secretary Mellon's success in placing his entire \$600,000,000 of notes and certificates, representing the largest single offering since the war, at the rate of one-quarter of 1 per cent below the figures established for the last issue, is a striking tribute to the improved investment situation.

"Looked at from every standpoint, financial and commercial conditions have undergone decided improvement and the outlook is much brighter than for a long time past."

IS THE NEGRO PASSING?

(Charleston News and Courier)

Some time ago, at the time the census figures for the country by races were published, the News and Courier called attention to the fact that these figures disclosed a net gain in population for the South of 3,586,107 whites during the decade as against only 162,832 negroes. In other words, for every negro added to the population of the South between 1910 and 1920 there were added 22 white persons. It was shown further that with a total negro population of 10,463,013 the net gain in negro population for the last census decade had been only half as great as the gain between 1890-1900, and that it had been smaller by over 135,000 than the net gain between 1840-1850 when the total negro population was only 3,638,808.

So rapid and progressive has been the decline in the rate of increase of negro population in the past 30 years that the News and Courier was moved in the article referred to ask: "Is the negro in America dying out?" The same question is now raised by the Raleigh News and Observer, which declares that "records of the United States census, together with records from the registry of vital statistics maintained by the state board of health of North Carolina indicate that the answer may be affirmative." The Raleigh newspaper declares that in North Carolina the ratio of negro population in the state has been declining slowly but steadily for the past 40 years, and that there is now "a wide gap between the net gain per thousand white population and the net gain per thousand negro population annually."

North Carolina was one of the first states in the South to inaugurate records of births and deaths for negroes, and while these records date back only five years, their value is already apparent. For the last year they show that the white birth rate in North Carolina was 33 per 100,000 against the negro birth rate of 318 per 100,000, a margin of 15 per 100,000 in favor of the whites. On the other hand the death rate per 100,000 white people in North Carolina last year was 116, whereas the death rate among negroes per 100,000 was

189, the death rate among the negroes per 100,000 being 63 per cent higher than that among the whites. The net gain in births over deaths by whites was 217, whereas the negro population showed a net gain of only 149 per 100,000 of population. "Pursued mathematically," says the News and Observer, "the continuation of the widening ratio of racial divisions, the decline will reduce the negro population to less than 15 per cent of the whole within the next 100 years, and will carry it to the vanishing point within two centuries. Many conditions enter into the situation that cannot be reckoned with until they develop, but figured on a mathematical basis alone, the figures are apparently against the permanency of a negro population in the South."

OUT OF THE DARKNESS

Did you ever think about the children of 2000 years ago? We read of excavations made in far-flung corners of the earth and of data collected about the men that lived in those distant yesterdays, of their cities, their weapons of warfare, their manner of living and so on. Rarely does one see any information about the children. Not so long ago men were making excavations in Rome came upon an apathetic group of objects from the tomb of a little girl of the period of Tiberius, 1960 years ago. They are in nearly as good a state as when the child died.

A coin of Tiberius was put in the dead child's hand, the fee to give to Charon, the ferryman, to cross to the other side of the Styx, the principal river of the "Lower World." Then the box was filled with her little dolls of which she had evidently been fond. She had also apparently loved to play at doll's tea party at that age. So there are a little table and a toy silver candelabra.

She had dressed her dolls and had "made them up," for there is the little box of cosmetics, with the figure of a Baccha on the cover. She was fond of bricks, too, and her parents had put into her box some little cubes painted in four colors. There are a tiny gold brooch—probably one she wore at parties—of the most delicate filigree work and a gold bracelet.

This little maid must have been the daughter of more than ordinary parents, as she had been taught to write, since they had put in some tablets and a stylus. All of this somehow makes her seem as real as the little girl next door, and one cannot help regretting that she could not have had her playthings just a bit longer—this little girl of Long Ago.

LIONS IN THE PATH.

Some of the delegates to the assembly of the League of Nations do not hesitate to express the opinion that the United States is perhaps the principal obstacle in the pathway of world disarmament. The confidence which Uncle Sam has in his own benevolent and peaceful intentions is not shared by the entire universe. We have high ideals and kindly motives, but other nations are not prepared to accept them on faith. There are now 50 countries in the League of Nations. The United States is the only highly civilized power on the outside and there are some governments—or rather some peoples—who think the United States is holding aloof for a selfish and bloody purpose. They think we merely want to talk disarmament and then, when the opportunity comes, we will jump in and take possession of all we can hold. We, of course, know that we would be doing the world good by affixing our brand of civilization to it; but there are a lot of nations who still have a desire to run their governments in their own way. They are inclined to be suspicious of Uncle Sam—and why not? Independence may be as dear to them as it was to the Americans in 1776. Today Americans talk more of liberty and have less of it than any other great nation. Can we expect other governments to accept us without a question mark?—Los Angeles Times.

EVIDENCE OF GOOD JUDGMENT.

If more than half the weddings in Coblenz for a year had Yankee grooms and Teuton brides the Maid of Germany must have good taste. Also good practical sense, for with \$30 a month, at present exchange rates, each of our private soldiers is a near millionaire.—Brooklyn Eagle.

SCREEN IN THE SCHOOLS

They are using the films to teach botany, geography and some branches of history in the public schools of Chicago. The plan is

very popular and the classes are filled. They are making education so attractive and easy that in a few hundred years numbers will be inexcusable. When a girl can learn to make fudge by watching the pictures she is bound to be bright.

HELPING THE BLIND.

A blind beggar in the East advertised for a chauffeur and offered to pay \$45 a week. Said he wanted to go on a "sight-seeing" trip in the south. With the aid of a fiddle he had always been able to clean up an average of about \$30 a day and now he wanted to have some rest and refreshment. His sense of touch has been highly developed.

RAISING HADES.

Roscoe Arbuckle is said to have had an ambition to play "Falstaff" in the films. Instead he has been playing the devil.

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Circus day. This day belongs to the kiddies.

Salem is going to be well policed during state fair week.

The crooked brothers, bootleggers and reckless automobile drivers will have to watch their steps.

Almost everybody has had a comfortable sufficiency of rain for the present. Jup. Pluv. will please take notice and ring off.

Everybody is talking about the Pacific highway between Salem and Jefferson. It is a beauty.

Manchurian walnuts have been imported into this country in halast and sold at 5 cents a pound. Something must be done about it. The new tariff law, as passed by the house, provides a duty of 2 1/2 cents a pound on unshelled walnuts. That is not enough. It should be 10 cents, at the least. And the Oregon legislature must pass a law requiring all sellers of walnuts from Manchuria to label them as such. Our walnut growers must be protected.

Prof. Bonquet writes from Corvallis that the broccoli growers need not be alarmed about the rapid growth of their broccolt. The great danger, he says, is the severe cold of winter. He will likely come down to the Salem district soon and help in showing the growers how to protect their broccolt from possible extreme cold weather.

Gray—Woman is a riddle. Bray—That's right. She keeps us guessing, and yet we hate to give her up!—Cartoons Magazine.

WHITE PASSES UP GOOD LOGGER JOB

Adjutant General Almost Kidnaped by Labor Promoters at Marshfield

While touring southern Oregon last week, Colonel George A. White, adjutant general, was offered a job on a logging grade railroad at \$3.75 a day, out of which there was to be subtracted \$1.25 a day for board and lodging.

It seems that the colonel was indulging in the luxury of a real shave somewhere down below Marshfield and entered into conversation as to wages. His logging boots and general appearance were typical of a lumber worker, and before he could explain that he was after information and not work, two labor promoters were about to carry him off and put him to work.

In the Gold Beach neighborhood, the colonel attempted a little fishing but with his first throw, a real fish came to the surface and carried off fly line and pole. Another day, after hunting all day for a deer and seeing none, in the evening at the camp, a yearling doe grazed peacefully within 50 feet of the hunters.

Returning, the colonel discovered a new sport for young Americans. It was along the detour between Monroe and Corvallis. At the midpoint point in the road, youngsters built bonfires in order to enjoy the troubles of tourists and incidentally to help the farmer who was on hand to pull cars out of the mud for a small consideration.

However, the trip of two weeks, combining business and pleasure, was a most enjoyable one, the colonel said.

AMITY NEWS.

AMITY, Or., Sept. 20.—(Special to The Statesman.)—The funeral of Robert Loop, World war hero, was held here yesterday at the Methodist church, conducted by Rev. T. J. Leger. The large auditorium was filled to overflowing with friends who came to pay their respects to the only boy from Amity who paid the supreme sacrifice. The services were conducted under the auspices of the Robert Loop American Legion post, who gave the regular military ceremonies at the cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gibbs, Mrs. J. Mauser and Miss Gertrude Rea went to Portland Sunday afternoon and called at the Emanuel hospital where the editor of the Standard is recovering from an operation for appendicitis which he underwent last Tuesday.

T. C. Richter spent the weekend in Portland. Mrs. M. A. Borah was removed from the Emanuel hospital in Portland on Sunday, having sufficiently recovered from her serious operation to be taken to the

home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Newman were in Salem on Sunday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Day. Miss Gertrude Rea has charge of the Amity Standard office and with the assistance of Donald

Woodman and Alfred Emerson, looks after the job work and edits and publishes the paper during the illness of the editor. E. W. Rea is still confined to his home by illness which has kept him confined for the past four weeks.

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