

PROPAGANDA SAID MENACE

Prof. Nelson Raps Present Day Tendency Regarding High School System

That the tendencies to make the school an arena for the distribution of propaganda and that the high schools are being regarded as a refuge for social privileges are the greatest menaces of the present day were the opinions expressed by J. C. Nelson, principal of the Salem high school, in speaking at the Kiwanis club luncheon Tuesday noon.

"Though the propaganda may be good, worthy men seek to take up the time of the schools and the attention of the students to spread their doctrines," declared Prof. Nelson. "Teachers are engaged to prepare the minds of the youngsters to enable them to solve problems when the time comes. They are not called upon to live mature lives until they are mature, and it is not the purpose of the schools to spread doctrines. Parents should resent any effort along this line. During the war, in a time of emergency, it was necessary to let loose a flood of propaganda. The average student is not sufficiently mature to select right from wrong and the legitimate work of the schools is being disrupted. The safest thing is to keep out propaganda of various, though worthy causes, altogether."

An even greater danger in this country is that the high school is being regarded as a refuge of so-

MAY BE BRITISH AMBASSADOR TO GERMAN CAPITAL



Sir Horace Rumbold.

Sir Horace Rumbold, now acting as British high commissioner in Turkey, is mentioned unofficially in London as the probable successor to Baron d'Abernon as British ambassador to Berlin. The baron plans to retire from the diplomatic service soon, it is said.

cial privileges, the speaker said. The high school is regarded in many instances as a step toward preparation for college in evolution of social standing and the drawing of social lines. The tendency of the less-favored people is to regard this more seriously than other classes, Prof. Nelson said, and the true spirit of democracy is decreasing.

"The time has come for a closer definition of democracy," Prof. Nelson continued. "Do you think democracy has improved? Did we accomplish our aims in making the world safer for democracy? Germany is not the only example of a nation where democracy has failed to triumph."

"Democracy should mean that every individual in every state is equal to every other individual in the matter of every type of opportunity. Do you think this spirit has increased or decreased? Or is it being limited? It may be one of the natural results of the war. Writers of the Declaration of Independence had a clear conception of the meaning of the

term democracy. Shall I teach young people that the words 'All men are created equal' or shall I use a qualifying term of 'certain men are created equal?' Are the words to be translated literally or as far as the school is concerned shall it stand for the words of the constitution in their exact meanings? Gentlemen, I ask you to think it over."

"We must either install the love of the truth in the students or else that propaganda which meets with your approval," declared Prof. Nelson in closing. "Reformers are not looking toward the advancement of the republic nearly as much as they are toward advancing their own prestige."

In prefacing his remarks, Prof. Nelson said he was glad that the public attitude toward the teacher and the profession had greatly changed in the last 20 years, and that the teacher, the male teacher in particular, was no longer regarded as a freak or a man who had proved himself unsuccessful in other lines of activities and had taken up teaching as a last resource.

A long indenture, executed in the "month of the end of the Kaiser Bill and the entrance of Income Tax Bill," covering the coming golf tournament between Bert Ford and E. Cooke Patton brought forth much merriment. The contest will be staged Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock, the loser to furnish the dessert at the next meeting of the Kiwanis club, the nature of the dessert to be dictated by the winner.

D. D. Socolofsky presented the resolution recently passed by the Realtors concerning improvements of the auto camp grounds, urging that now was the time for action as all tourists were gone. The attendance prize offered by Dan J. Fry, Jr., was won by Tommy Roberts. The giver stipulated that no one who had previously won the prize was to receive it. Roberts was the third man after the regular seventh, the other two having acknowledged received the prize at a prior date.

WORTHLESS MARK MAY BE REPLACED BY 'RENTENMARK'



Dr. Lentze.

The Berlin government is planning to demonetize the now worthless German mark and replace it with the "rentenmark," or German dollar gold loan notes. The new "rentenbank" is to open in Berlin this month under the presidency of Dr. Lentze, it is said. It is estimated that investors in the U. S. have lost between \$500,000,000 and \$750,000,000 on German marks.

legislative power, however, the opinion said, to delegate to municipalities the sole power to regulate and control the streets within their corporate limits and to withdraw this delegation of power. Other opinions handed down follow:

Grace B. Anderson, appellant, vs. E. C. Hurlburt and Olive R. E. Hurlburt, appeal from Multnomah county; action to recover money. Opinion by Justice Bean. Judge J. P. Kavanaugh affirmed.

C. Overturf vs. J. Howard Carroll, et al. appellants; appeal from Clatsop county; appeal from judgment rendered. Opinion by Justice Harris. Judge J. A. Akin affirmed.

C. F. Senter vs. Peninsula Lumber company, appellant; appeal from Multnomah county; action for damages. Opinion by Justice McCourt. Judge Robert Tucker affirmed.

P. E. Hicks vs. Peninsula Lumber company, appellant; appeal from Multnomah county; action for damages. Opinion by Justice McCourt. Judge G. W. Stapleton affirmed.

SILVERTON LOSER IN STAGE FIGHT

Justice Rand Decides Controversy in Favor of J. W. Parker, Owner

Cities and towns are prohibited from enacting or enforcing ordinances that conflict with the state traffic regulations, according to an opinion written by Justice Rand and handed down by the Oregon supreme court here Tuesday.

The opinion affirmed Judge George G. Bingham in the case brought by J. W. Parker, owner of a number of stages operating out of this city, to test the validity of an ordinance passed by the City of Silverton in which it was attempted to further regulate for hire carriers within the boundaries of that municipality.

The ordinance attacked by Mr. Parker provided that stage operators seeking to conduct their business in the City of Silverton should pay a license fee of \$75 annually for each stage in service, together with providing terminal facilities. Further provision was made in the ordinance that stages should not pick up or unload passengers in the streets of the municipality.

It was contended by Mr. Parker that the ordinance was in direct violation of the state traffic regulations, and consequently was void. It was held by the supreme court that the state laws fix the license fees to be charged stage lines, and that the streets of any city or town are a part of the public highway system of the state and belong to the whole people.

The municipalities, according to the opinion, possess no legislative power over the public streets within their corporate limits unless conferred by some enactment of the legislature. It is within the

Test Oil Well's Flow Makes Sudden Increase

FORT COLLINS, Colo., Nov. 13.—The flow of gas struck Sunday morning in a test well of the Union Oil company, 14 miles north of here, at 4 o'clock this afternoon suddenly increased to a flow estimated at 15,000,000 cubic feet a day. The well blew itself in with a roar that could be heard for miles and tonight the roar of the escaping gas can be heard for five miles. The gas flow is tinged with color, presaging a possible flow of oil within the next 24 hours.

The well was drilled in Sunday morning and the gas sand produced an initial flow of 100,000 cubic feet a day, which increased steadily until this morning a maximum flow of 1,500,000 feet was registered, which held until the well "blew in" this afternoon. The well was down 4,285 feet when the gas bearing sand was encountered.

BOLD DEFENSE MADE BY CHARLES FORBES

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nction with contracts for veterans' bureau hospitals.

Big Crowd Present
The former director denied he had discussed such contracts with Mortimer.

Appearing at his own request, Forbes was on the stand for four and one-half hours today and it appeared that his examination, direct and cross, probably would not be concluded for at least two days. He began by reading into the record a long prepared statement and then was examined by his counsel, James S. Easby-Smith. The former director who has been ill for some months, appeared to stand the strain well until late into the day when several times his counsel cautioned him not to over-excite himself.

Forbes' testimony was heard by the largest crowd that has yet attended the hearings.

The awarding of contracts on hospitals at Northampton, Mass., Tupperlake, New York and American Lake, Wash., which figured largely in Mortimer's testimony, the purchase of the Livermore, Cal., hospital site; the employment of Matthew O'Brien, a San Francisco architect, to prepare plans for the Livermore hospital and the Perryville sale were the principal subjects touched on today by Forbes.

The former director declared the first thing he did with respect to hospital contracts after congress made the money available was to confer with the engineering departments of the army and navy.

The witness testified that plans and specifications for the three hospitals under discussion had been prepared by either the navy or war departments and that he had followed recommendations of those departments in awarding contracts.

As to the purchase of the Livermore site, Forbes declared he had refused to consider a price of either \$150,000 or \$112,000 and finally had made the purchase at \$105,000 after he had succeeded in having included in the site valuable water rights and easements on the county roads. He denied that he had written a letter to Secretary Mellon, recommending purchase at \$150,000. A carbon copy of a letter purporting to have been written by Forbes was placed in evidence some time ago, but it developed today that Secretary Mellon has since reported that the original of such a letter was not to be found in the treasury files.

Harding Not Incensed

Employment of a local architect to assist with the Livermore plans was suggested by President Harding, Forbes testified, and O'Brien was hired on the strength of endorsements which he brought to Washington, among which were those of the two senators from California and the entire delegation from that state, in the house of representatives.

Describing Perryville as "the best junk pile" the government ever had, Forbes said he was for closing it, but that there was "a desire and a political one" to keep going.

The former director told of several conferences with President Harding about the sale of Perryville supplies, but denied that the president was incensed or indignant as Dr. Sawyer had testified.

He said at one time the president had seemed interested "in some towels" and "another time 'in sheets' that were being shipped out. His testimony also was that

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Mr. Harding in stopping the sale of the cars then loaded to move, Dr. setting out these cars that Forbes finally had given permission for Sawyer testified that it was for war dismissed.

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