

NOT IRRELIGIOUS.

Last Sunday morning Rev. A. Carrick, pastor of the Presbyterian church, gave an instructive and interesting discourse chiefly devoted to the religious element in education.

"These schools are irreligious," hence the necessity for the church to support her own schools, in which the religious element is rightly recognized as an essential educational factor.

The charge that our public schools are "irreligious, Godless," etc., is frequently made. It is maliciously made by the enemies of the school and inadvertently by those whom we know to be its friends, among whom Mr. Carrick is no less staunch than ourself.

The charge is groundless. The schools are not irreligious. The system does not create irreligious schools, nor would the American people anywhere long tolerate, much less support, such schools. Our people are essentially a christian people. They accept the ethical code taught by the founder of christianity.

Besides this, the schools could not compass the ends for which the state maintains them if they were irreligious and Godless. The prime interest of the state is to create and perpetuate a citizenship of virtuous, intelligent, moral, industrious, free, fearless and patriotic men and women.

Just here is where we fall into error. We hold to a creed and believe that an acceptance of some portion of it is essential to human happiness here and hereafter. It is a vital part of our religion, and we desire to inculcate it upon our children, and would not oppose it being impressed upon our neighbor's children.

It is the duty of the christian parent to train his child in those religious tenets and truths which he believes to be essential to its happiness. He cannot honestly evade this duty nor relegate it to some other agency.

The various branches of the church are privileged to found and support schools to teach their peculiar views. Indeed, it is their duty to do so, since all other educational agencies must, in the very nature of things, fail to impart the amount and quality of religious instruction which the church holds to be necessary to right education.

This is as it should be. Let us be patriotically thankful that our fathers founded the state in religious freedom and toleration. Let us also recognize the truth that our public schools have contributed above any other agency in toning down sectarian asperity and substituting therefor an unity of thought and purpose which is in better harmony with the teachings of the founder of christianity.

The Oregonian of the third instant again raises its tomahawk against the Hon. Binger Herman to kill him off as a public man in

the endeavor to prevent Mr. Herman from getting the nomination for congress. It is time when the unsavory practice of that political journal shall cease its public and personal attacks upon decent and upright public men. For thirty years unfortunately for Oregon that journal has opposed every man except two for the U. S. senate not being able to find any but the lone two in the whole state of Oregon qualified for the U. S. senate from Oregon; and strange as it may be one of that two appeared before the last session of the legislature in the last hours thereof for the place after declaring for years that he was not a candidate. The conditions of the last thirty years looks much like one killing off his neighbors to step into the latter's place. Particularly has the Oregonian fought Mr. Herman from the day of his first nomination with the unreasonable vindictiveness that the public well understand the motive is not for public good, but because Mr. Herman persisted in being true to the people he represented, and for this reason that paper has steadfastly labored to poison the public mind against him. And for the further reason that paper has opposed him because he might some day come prominently before the legislature for the United States senate and thus be further in the way of the tall man about the high tower of the Oregonian building for the place. It is every man's right to be a candidate for public position, but no man having the control of a large daily paper should use its public functions for a lifetime to kill off all of the public men in the state whom he fears may be in his way for positions that every man has as good a right to contest for. It would be in line with the same tactics for the general of an army to turn all of his powder and ball to shoot away prominent public men that he might gain position. The GAZETTE does not seek any quarrel with the Oregonian or any of its personage, but there are gentlemanly and honorable methods to pursue all objects and the material for congressmen in the first judicial district is not in the Oregonian's territory and it would be as well for it to take notice thereof and attend to its own difficulties in its own town. The editor of the Oregonian will never make himself satisfactory to the people as a candidate for the United States senate so long as he uses his present public position to kill off and bury all other persons who may seek the place. With kindness and persuasion humanity may be controlled satisfactory and for the accomplishment of good, but dogmatic abuse to besmirch personal good names so commonly urged through newspapers disgusts the best class of thinkers.

Owing to the unfortunate death of the late representative, Thomas H. Tongue, it will be necessary for the people of the first congressional district to place in nomination a candidate for congressman. Owing to the various needs of Oregon and the first congressional district this is no small task. While it would be highly gratifying to the people to favor many of her intelligent sons, yet the people at large are interested in the results which may be accomplished through legislation to this district, as well as to the whole state, and this object should be kept most prominently in mind to guide the motives and acts of our people in selecting a candidate. The Hon. Binger Herman, if placed in nomination, would poll more votes than any other man in the district and with his long and favorable experience in national legislation the people would know that the results of his work after election would be a success in the people's interest. Prior to Mr. Herman's nomination for congress in the first instance, the conditions of the first district for many years had been as now. Soon after his election the interests of the first district were brought prominently before congress resulting in improvements of Yaquina bay equalizing freights and shipments on produce saving to the farmers of the Willamette valley and Southern Oregon thousands upon thousands of dollars. That kind of activity on the part of Mr. Herman in behalf of his own district brought a steady war upon him from other outside localities. At the same time Mr. Herman was active for all other parts of the state. Mr. Herman, however, has been many years in public life and he may wish to remain quiet for a time, yet the people of the first

district need his services and it would be fortunate for them if he will accept the nomination.

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