

Roycroft Philosophy

By Fra Elbertus.

The secret of power: Keep Sweet.

Take your choice—at least an hour's work each day in the open air, or a few weeks every year in bed, looked after by Dr. Jack-anapes, with a plumber's bill for a Christmas present.

He who criticises, be he ever so honest, must suggest a practical remedy or he soon descends from the height of a critic to the level of a common scold.

Heaven is habit—and so is hell.

The essence of power lies in reserve.

Converse, of course, but eliminate the gabfest.

Prepare to live by living.

It is a great man who has the courage of his lack of convictions.

It is quite absurd to say that a man is good or bad—he is good and bad.

Labor is the only prayer that is ever answered.

Discontent is inertia on a strike.

Hot air is all right but see that it is well compressed before you use it.

Do not keep your kindness in water-tight compartments, if it runs over a bit it will do no harm.

A duty is a pleasure which we try to make ourselves believe is a hardship.

We make our money out of our friends, our enemies will not trade with us.

If you don't know what to do suppose you don't.

When in doubt, mind your own business.

The folks who do the big things are not in bondage to their bodies.

Necessity for Normal Schools

Those who contended for one Normal School as against three or four concede that there is a necessity for such an institution.

The difference between one and three or four is a theory.

There is then the objection that three schools of this character form a combine.

But there is not an argument against an institution for training school teachers.

Can the training of public school teachers with safety be left to sectarian colleges?

The worst enemy of Normal schools will not admit that.

Can the Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian or Catholic colleges supply all the trained public school teachers that are needed?

If they could would that be desirable.

Must not the state establish the standards of public education.

The only charge that was made in the legislature was that they formed a political combination to get appropriations.

But the same charge was made against the scalp bounty bill, the Crater lake road bill, the pilot bill, the Eastern Oregon asylum bill.

It would be useless to tell the Honorable Senators, whose only cry was "wipe out the Normal schools," that there was no combination for the Normal schools.

The charge of graft could not be substantiated for a single dollar.

The state has abandoned its position of setting the standards of public education.

It will now be a race between the private and sectarian normal schools, of which there are a

score in Oregon.

Which shall predominate in supplying our public schools with instructors.

Misled by a false cry of economy Oregon has indeed been in a humiliating position.—Capital Journal.

A. Y. P. Contest.

With the beginning of next month we expect considerable interest to be manifest among those who want to attend the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition as the guests of the Pacific Northwest-Monmouth Herald contest. The county will be divided into districts and the person receiving the highest number of votes in each district will be sent to the Exposition with all expenses paid from their nearest railroad point to exposition and return. This includes side trips to Victoria, B. C., Tacoma and other points of interest. There is, however, this provision, that no person will be sent from any district from which there is less than 100 subscriptions received and further; any person securing 100 subscribers or over by their own efforts, will be given this trip. A coupon will be published in a short time giving each paid in advance subscriber 25 votes which can be cast for any one they choose whom they would like to have take this great pleasure trip. There will be four districts in Polk county and we hope that there will be no less than two who will go from each. No restrictions will be placed on any candidate as to where they shall canvas for subscribers.

District 1 includes Independence, Buena Vista, Suver and all territory contiguous to the Willamette river in Polk county. District 2, includes Monmouth, Rickreall and McCoy and adjacent territory. District 3, includes Dallas, Perrydale, Ballston and vicinity. District 4, includes Airlie, Falls City, Black Rock and vicinities.

Subscriptions to the two papers will be as follows: Three years to the Pacific Northwest and one year to the Monmouth Herald \$2, counts 250 votes; 3 years to the Pacific Northwest and two years to the Monmouth Herald \$2.50, counts 500 votes. Subscriptions can be sent anywhere, but we prefer the subscriptions to the Herald shall be in Polk county.

Sample copies of both papers will be supplied candidates from this office and if names of possible subscribers are sent in beforehand we will send copies to them so they will have a chance to read the papers before you call on them.

Regret for the Normals

Outside a few men who play two-bit politics and worship at the shrine of the Salem hog, there is general regret at the Capital City that the normal schools were cut adrift without even a lantern to keep anyone from falling over the ruins at night. Representative Patton received many congratulations for standing loyally by them to the last in the house, and The Journal has had many telegrams complimenting it for its loyal support of these institutions. In an interview with a Journal reporter Sister Superior of Sacred Heart convent expressed deep regret that the normals had been abandoned by the legislature. She said it was wrong to abolish state institutions for the training of school teachers, as the need of professional educators was very great in Oregon. These are progressive views about public education, which the ladies who conduct the Catholic boarding school

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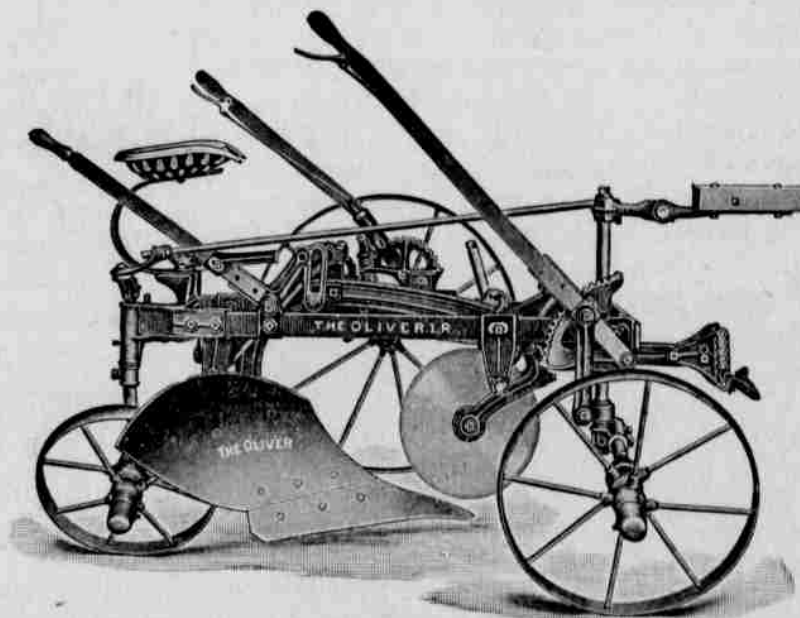
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are not generally given credit for holding.—Salem Journal.

One of the worst among the bad things done by the recent Legislature was refusing to allow the Normal schools of the State enough money to complete the year's work. Hundreds of those taking normal instructions were seriously injured by this thoughtless act.—Corvallis Republican.

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