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**STATE TYRANNY**

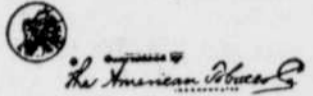
As Senator Hall has withdrawn from the political race for governor, and thrown his influence to Walter Pierce, on the ground that the latter has come out endorsing the school bill, it is evident that in spite of Pierce's denials that that bill is not an issue, it will be the deciding factor. Of course a voter can vote for Pierce and turn down the bill, but those who object to it or those who favor it, will mostly vote for the man who is pledged either for or against.

The NEWS is not a partisan paper, that is, it does not stand for any particular political party, but it has always maintained the right to speak out its mind on any measure when occasion demands. Such a measure, in its estimation, is the school bill, whose title is grossly misleading. Many would think its object was to make education compulsory, that is not so, for there is already a compulsory education law, but it is to make attendance compulsory between the ages of 8 and 16 years at the public schools only, which is an altogether different matter. If it passes and is sustained as constitutional, then all private schools which educate children between the above mentioned ages, will have to go out of business. It had better be termed school monopoly bill.

The bill has been sponsored by the Scottish Right Masons, and a letter by P. S. Malcom, inspector general in Oregon, A. and A. S. R., has been published broadcast claiming that it was initiated to secure the perpetuation and preservation of our free institutions of American ideals and principles, and not as its opponents claim, for religious purposes. But as the far greater number of schools which will be affected, if it should pass, are parochial or denominational schools, and most of these are Roman Catholic, it cannot be made other than a religious issue. His letter has been well answered by William D. Wheelright, a well known Portland business man, who is a Protestant, whose reply was published in all the leading papers. From now on to election the papers will be full of arguments for and against the bill. We could urge many, but will be content with one, which we consider most fundamental. The bill is a tyrannical interference with and usurpation of parental rights. In principle it is one with what is now termed Prussianism, which makes the state supreme over the individual in body, and soul. No matter if its object is a laudable one, it should be vigorously rejected, for it is doing evil that good may come. State tyranny should be fought at its inception, and state tyranny begins when it overrides the inalienable rights of the individual. For some years there has been a growing tendency for state interference in what formerly were considered private concerns. On the plea of bettering health conditions homes have been invaded by a corps of inspectors, and the responsibility for the children's health has been taken out of the hands of the parents. While some, and perhaps a good deal of good has resulted, yet there is danger of it becoming an intolerable tyranny. It is not improbable that a mother may yet be forbidden to nurse her own baby, unless she has been medically

**LUCKY STRIKE**  
cigarette

It's toasted



examined and received a certificate of health and permission. The responsibility of the health of the child rests on the parents, primarily, and while the state has the right to insist that they fulfil it, and assist them in so doing, it is highly detrimental to the state's own interest, that it should relieve the parent of this responsibility and assume it its self.

The same is true of the educational training of the children. This responsibility is a sacred obligation of the parents, who should be left free to carry it out as seems to them best, provided it is up to that standard which the state has a right to demand. The bill should be emphatically turned down, as its basic principle is subversive of individual liberty and the integrity of the family.

**THE TURK SCORES**

Turkish luck has again become ascendant owing to the jealousies among the allies. It is probable now that Constantinople will be given back to the Turks. Thus one of the benefits of the late war has been thrown away, for the Turk in Europe is ever a menace to civilization. In this instance the French and also the Italians took the side of the Turk against the British, who single-handed could not undertake to curb the Turk, especially as by so doing, an uprising of the Mahomedan millions in India was threatened. But "the day" has only been postponed, for sooner or later there will be a titanic struggle between the Cross and the Crescent, or the whites and the Asiatics.

**IS CIVILIZATION WORTH SAVING?**

Whether or not civilization is worth saving, is a question that we Americans, fondly believing we are isolated from the rest of the world, are now required to answer. For civilization was never in such grave danger—not even in the dark hour when she was like to perish on the bloody banks of the Marne—as she is today. On the shores of the Aegean sea, civilization is beset by the Turk, and Hun, and Slav, and Great Britain alone is defending her. If Great Britain falls, the world—our world—falls. If civilization is worth saving, we Americans must think so, and go to her rescue.

The war made by the Turk is a continuation of the war begun

by the Hun, and left unfinished by the fatal armistice of Nov. 11, 1918. The army of the Turk, whose atrocities, have for decades been so frightful that they have gained for their perpetrator the kindly tolerance we extend to the insane with homicidal tendencies, is officered by Germans and fully equipped with great and small arms that the Allies should have taken, but did not, from Germany; Germany amply supplied with the munitions of war, is ready to go to the aid of Turk and Russ, and finish the work she set herself in August 1914. On whom rests the blame for the present ability of the murderous trio to prosecute war, threaten the world's peace and menace civilization? Misguided by some malign spirit that posed as lofty idealism, we overlooked the many violent provocative causes for declaring war on Turkey, and left the Turk the power to run amuck; this same malefic spirit dictated the armistice; why Russia has been left the power to aid the bandit Hun and Turk in their attack on civilization neither gods nor man can say.

Great Britain seems to be alone in her fight to save civilization. She needs help sorely and at once. America?—Portland Spectator.

President Harding has shown the sincerity of his convictions in vetoing the bonus bill, which action entailed considerable courage.

The new tariff bill has been passed. We shall become aware of the fact through the rise in price of a great many commodities.

**O. A. C.**

Students of agriculture, the home, trades and industries, Oregon farmers and home-seekers, and military men and florists, find an appeal in the four groups of exhibits staged at the Oregon state fair by the agricultural college. These groups show student and military training, the latest and most helpful findings of the experiment station as to crops, livestock and poultry, horticulture and farm plans in Oregon, and economic floral design.

Campus training in agriculture, home economics, commerce, mining, forestry, pharmacy and vocational education, are graphically represented in the educational pavilion. Brilliant transparencies show the observer the principal activities as they are carried out by student and staff. Information booths will supply literature and offer consultation to those in search of information.

The station in four large booths shows what farm crops to grow and which to let alone in various parts of Oregon, soil fertility, moisture and management, farm plans and land clearing by new burner method, growing and caring for fruit including new economic prune drying, and classes, types and breeds of farm animals and poultry with feeds and management for improved stock and profits.

How the country's soldiers live in war and peace camps, means and arms of attack and defense, sanitary living in training and field camps, modern army trans-

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I am now prepared to do all kinds of watch, clock and jewelry repairing.—A. N. Johnson. tf.

**TRIBE CLOSE TO EXTINCTION**

Only Pitiful Remnant Remains of Seminoles Who Once Defied the United States Government.

The Seminole Indians are to be moved to a reservation on the west coast of Florida—an area of 21,000 acres. Though partly under water, the tract is deemed of adequate extent, inasmuch as there are only about 225 Seminoles left.

This is the melancholy remnant of what was once a powerful tribe, which owned the whole of Florida and fought with the United States government one of the most vigorously contested wars in our history.

The Seminoles are notably handsome people and their young women are the



Typical Seminole House.

prettiest of all Indian girls. There are no white half-breeds among them. So strong in the tribe is hatred of our race that, if a Seminole woman were to have a child by a white man, she would be likely to be put to death.

Around their necks the women wear many strings of beads of cut-glass, which they buy from traders. Sometimes a squaw is adorned with as much as six quarts of these beads, and even the girl babies are loaded down with them. The women pierce as many as ten holes in the upper rim of each ear to hold pegs of wood.

The Seminole house is of peculiar construction, having a roof and floor, but no sides. Its framework is of palmetto poles, which support a platform three feet from the ground and a roof of palmetto leaves. It is all one room, open to view from without, and one might imagine that here was the limit of nonprivacy were it not that the Seminole dwelling is customarily hidden in the jungle.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Object Lesson Too Realistic. A demonstration of hell fire was given a woman by her husband in their home in Chicago. The couple had been arguing about the future life, and the man had stoutly maintained the theory of eternal damnation and of actual burning. When they went to bed the husband poured gasoline over his wife and applied a match. Neighbors broke into the house just in time to save the woman from being burned to death. The man is being examined by alienists.

**VEGETABLES NEED CLEANING**

Much Care Should Be Exercised Whether Served Raw or Cooked—Use Brush on Potatoes.

Wash all vegetables with great care, whether served raw or cooked. Scrub large vegetables, such as potatoes and carrots with a brush. Greens should be washed leaf by leaf under running water, or in a large amount of water, until free from grit and visible dirt. In the latter case, any sand which clings to them is likely to sink. To prevent it from again getting on the vegetables lift them from the water instead of pouring the water off.

**For Boys and Girls**

A total of \$3525 in prize money, trips, awards and maintenance is being offered to the club boys and girls of the Northwest who attend the Pacific International Livestock Exposition, Nov. 4th to 11th, this year. Besides the regular prizes provided by the exposition and breed associations, there are several specials including \$500 given by E. A. Stewart, president of the exposition, which provides for twenty educational trips to Carnation Stock Farm at Seattle, one of the largest Holstein breeding establishments in the world, a \$25 prize scholarship to the State Agricultural College offered by O. M. Plummer, and several

others provided by farm paper publishers.

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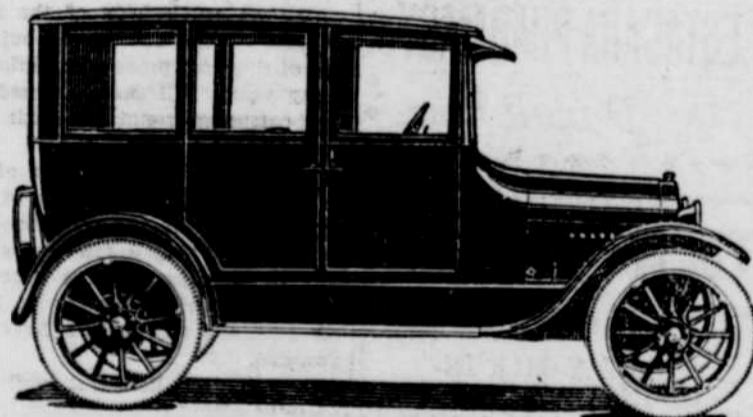
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