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WHY NOT A LINCOLN CHART?

Not even the recent eclipse with all its thrills and wonders fires imagination in the American boy as does the magic name of Lincoln. The mysteries of nature may appal us, but it is the human touch that stimulates to action all latent qualities of the soul. To the American lad Lincoln embodies the greatest combination of characteristics ever found within the breast of single man. He emphasizes the spirit of human-tenderness, of undaunted courage, of firmness and rigidity of purpose, and perhaps above all the spirit of tolerance and human understanding. Little if anything may be said of Lincoln that has not commanded the expression of the world's great minds. All humanity pays tribute at his shrine.

It is recorded that when he was walking to the national capitol one day he said the great regret of his life was that he had been denied the advantage of a college education. What an inspiration in those words for the youth of today showered as he is with educational opportunities. We wonder if the boys and girls in this town have learned a real lesson from the life or from this thought of Lincoln, or do they think of him only in the terms of his immortal Gettysburg address. What a wonderful thing if we used the legacy he has left us, if each of us took measure of the man, considered the characteristics that made him great and then by close self-examination found out in what proportion those characteristics rested in ourselves. Perhaps we might sense love of humanity as the dominant note, and then strive to measure somewhat to the standard. We might make a little chart and examine it from month to month to see how our percentages are getting along, giving 100 to Lincoln as the standard of a real American. It might prove more interesting than even the cross-word puzzle and really give a meaning to hundred per cent Americanism.

JANUARY THAW CAUSES MUCH WATER TO RUN OFF

This section is subject to a January thaw in which considerable snow is melted and the water runs off to the low places, but the one that has been taking place this week, assisted by hard rains, has caused a big flood of water and this has damaged the highways, interfered with business and caused much inconvenience, besides the actual loss of much water that should be stored in an impounding dam for irrigation purposes the coming season.

We have been accustomed to witnessing these January runoffs for years but this one is certainly a grief when we think of how the water is needed—the shortage of last season and the possibilities for real development in irrigation, all tend to cast reflections upon the citizens of this big valley. There isn't a question but the Harney Valley Irrigation project will eventually be a realization but when is still debatable. Will the present owners realize any benefit from such benefit—will their children? We criticize others for lack of enterprise or diligence in prosecuting development but always have an excuse for our own shortcomings.

We are now awaiting the decision of the government reclamation service to pass upon the Harney Valley project. Let's hope for a favorable consideration and early action. If the government engineers report favorable to this project are we going to allow some other excuse for delay or are we all going to get behind it and give it our unanimous support.

This section has the reputation of never being together for anything—it's about right, yet, we can never expect to have everybody of the same mind, but if the right ones are of the same mind we can accomplish results. Too often we allow little things to stand in the way of big things—we must change this and push tedious bickerings off the map and go after things.

Each year we witness great waste of water in this big country that need sit so badly, yet we seem unable to get together on a plan to remedy this. There's a way. If Harney Valley can get a few real progressive

men to invest in land and give their energy toward an irrigation plan we'll get it in spite of those who are continually finding fault and causing delays.

BEBE DANIELS, RICHARD DIX IN NEW PARAMOUNT PICTURE

Every once in a while there suddenly appears on the film horizon a motion picture that offers something new in the way of story and theme. Originally in photoplays, as regards plot is mighty rare, and for that very reason "Sinners in Heaven," the new Paramount picture, which comes to the Liberty Theatre next Saturday, February 14 deserves to be singled out for special and honorable mention.

To many film fans the title of this screenplay has a familiar and reminiscent sound. That's because it was adapted by James Creelman from the powerful novel of the same name by Clive Arden who had the coveted honor of having this story adjudged the prize-winner in the English book competition of last year.

Alan Crosland, who produced the picture, has many directorial triumphs to his credit, but it is no exaggeration to say that he has surpassed all of his previous efforts with "Sinners in Heaven."

An indication of the extreme care that went into the making of this cinema may be seen in the array of screen talent that has been assembled for the various roles. Bebe Daniels and Richard Dix have the two featured roles, while the supporting cast includes Holmes Herbert, Montague Love and others.

UNIQUE RACE IN NEW FILM COMING TO LIBERTY

Before a wildly cheering mob of a thousand spectators, six teams of bicycle riders recently staged the first six day race ever run in the West, in the specially built track at the Paramount West Coast Studio.

The race was the feature event of "Open All Night," Paul Bern's first picture, one of the Paramount "Famous Forty" which is coming soon to the Liberty Theatre. Viola Dana, Jetta Goudal, Adolphe Menjou, Raymond Griffith, Maurice B. Flynn and Gale Henry head the featured cast, and all of them appeared either in the stands or on the track while the camera turned.

Flynn, famous as a Yale Varsity full-back, raced against some of the Southland's best athletes—and won by a safe margin. Several Los Angeles sports writers, many from outside points and some of the screen's most famous actors and actresses witnessed the whirlwind finish.

Work on the Paramount lot stopped temporarily, the personnel of every department flocking to the "howl" which is so large that tiers of seats had to be erected on the roofs of adjoining stages to accommodate the crowds. The set was an exact duplicate of the Winter Circus track in Paris, where the six-day race is an annual sport event of magnitude. It is this race that plays an important part in "Open All Night."

Voice amplifiers were used by Gern in directing the scene. Altogether, well over a thousand persons witnessed a race unique in the annals of sport in Los Angeles.

NEW VALENTINO-PARAMOUNT PICTURE DUE AT LIBERTY

If the word "super-production" had not been so sadly abused and misused, we would be sorely tempted to apply it to Rudolph Valentino's latest Paramount picture, "Monsieur Beaucaire," which is due tonight and Sunday at the Liberty Theatre. For if ever a picture deserved superlatives it surely is this screenplay, which Forrest Halsey adapted from Booth Tarkington's gloriously hu-

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man story and which reaches the silver sheet via the directorial guidance of Sidney Olcott.

Imagine the love interest of "The Shiek," the romantic coloring of "Blood and Sand" and the spectacle of "The Four Horsemen" combined in one photoplay and you begin to understand why "Monsieur Beaucaire" is a photodrama of amazing beauty and power. To the students of history it will be an inspiration; to the schoolboy it will be an education, and to the blasé film fan it will be a revelation. All the pomp and magnificence of the court of Louis XV, notorious for its love affairs, its intrigue, honor and vice! The scheming Mme. Pompadour, the dissolute King, the crafty Richelieu—they live once more!

And there isn't a man or woman, who will fail to sympathize and thrill with the merry, dashing Duke de Chartres with all his amours and all his fights! Verily, it is a role that only Valentino can play to perfection!

As for the supporting cast, it may well be set up as a standard of excellence, including as it does, Bebe Daniels, Lois Wilson, Doris Kenyon, Lowell Sherman, Ian Maclaren, John Davidson, Paulette Goddard and many, many others famous on stage and screen.

Film fans, you who rave about the great pictures you have seen, see "Monsieur Beaucaire" and you will have something to brag about!

FRESH AIR FOR THE CHILDREN

Proper ventilation of school buildings is essential. Fifteen per cent of the high school juniors, in a study recently made, stated that the school could help more than it does to develop health habits by looking after ventilation more carefully. Of those stating ways in which the school tends to produce ill health, 40 per cent mentioned "poor ventilation." Pupils want fresh air. Twenty-one per cent of the 15,975 answering included "fresh air" among the "three best health habits possessed." This recreation-inducing group placed it second only to "plenty of exercise."

Small rural schools meet the requirements by providing ventilating heaters or satisfactorily jacketed stoves with adequate fresh air inlets and foul air out-lets. Some have furnaces, gravity exhaust ducts, and window boards at the majority of the windows. The window boards

are frequently panes of glass one foot high set as deflectors in the window sash. These, properly regulated, serve ventilation needs admirably.

According to experiments performed under the direction of the New York State Ventilation Commission, window-ventilated rooms with gravity exhausts seemed fresher and freer from odor and more comfortable as to temperature than rooms equipped with more expensive fan systems. The appetite for food is considerably decreased as a result of breathing stale air. Malnutrition and ill health retard pupils. The temperature of the room affects the vigor of pupils. A reliable thermometer in plain view of the teacher's desk should register a room temperature of 68 degrees. The lower stimulating temperature, together with an air change, without chilling drafts, sufficient to remove the accumulation of bodily odors, is most favorable for study. School boards should provide proper ventilating equipment. Teachers should learn how to regulate it.

PREVENTION RATHER THAN CORRECTION

Errors once made by a child are not wholly blotted out of his mind. He tends to repeat them and to continue repeating them until they become firmly fixed bad habits. As far as possible, schools should try to direct the child that there will be a minimum of mistakes in his work and he will not be led into the formation of faulty physical and mental habits.

These were the conclusions reached by two of the speakers at the recent meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, concerning the teaching of spelling and algebra. Dr. Garry Meyers, of the Cleveland School of Education, studied children's mistakes in spelling and found that if a word was misspelled once the same error would probably occur again and the amount of work then necessary to learn the word correctly was much greater than it would have been had the child not made the original error. A similar experiment was carried on by Flora L. Scott, who followed up the errors made in a series of algebra problems to see whether the mistakes made by any pupil had no apparent connection with each other or whether in answering the same problem the pupil repeated the same mistakes. Out of 200 sets of ans-

wers containing more than one error she found that in 168 sets or 84 per cent the errors were repeated. Both speakers conclude that much valuable time and effort can be saved in the schools if mistakes are prevented rather than corrected.

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 P. M.

An Episcopal Clergyman once said to a little Sunday School girl, "If you will tell me where God is, I will give you an orange."

The child replied, "If you will tell me where he is not, I will give you two."

President Coolidge says, "It is these religious convictions that represent the strength of America, the strength of America, the strength of strength of all civilized society."

It is vital that true religious convictions become established in youth and to this end we strive in our Sunday School.

Divine Worship at 11 A. M.
 Theme of Sermon—"The Overcomer."

Every Christian may have the victory who is willing to pay the price. February 12th, next Thursday evening, is to be a prominent event in the church. Everybody is most cordially invited to attend.

The following statement from Dr. Thompson is assuring—"The Team on Every Church Visitation will be with you, according to schedule now before me, at Burns on Thursday February 12th. The Team will be composed of the Rev. W. L. Van Noy, the Rev. William Baird, the Rev. Frank M. Gault, a returned

Missionary from the Cameroun and Myself."

The evening program will begin at 7:30 P. M., addresses to be given by different members of the Team. It will be a noteworthy occasion and you are cordially urged to be present.

After the program, the Ladies Aid will serve luncheon and a social hour will be spent in honor of our guests.

SAMUEL HARRIS, Minister.

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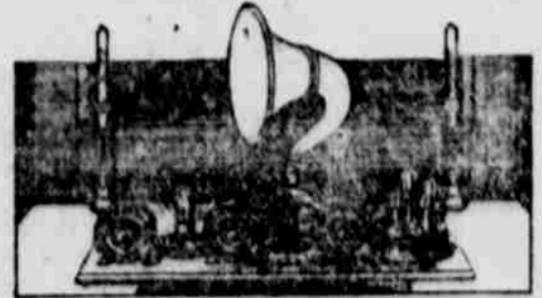
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