

encouraged-but what was there to any of them? This is what Jennie asked her paper-weight as she placed it on a pile of unfinished examination papers. And the paper-weight echoed, 'not a thing out of the ordinary !" And then, said Jennie, "Well, you little simpleton, who and what are you so out of the ordinary that you should sneer at Wilbur Smythe and Beckman Fifield and such men?" And echo answered, "What?"-and then the mailcarrier came in.

Down near the bottom of the pile she found this letter, signed by a southern state superintendent of schools, but dated at Kirkville, Missouri :

"I am a member of a party of southern educators-state superintendents in the main-en tour of the country to see what we can find of an instructive nature in rural school work. Professor Withers of Ames suggests that we visit your schools, and especially the rural school taught by a young man named Irwin, and I wonder if you will be free on next Monday morning. If we come to your office, to direct us to the place? If you could accompany us on the trip, and perhaps show us some of your other excellent schools, we should be honored and pleased."

And then came the shock-a party of state officials were coming into the county to study Jim Irwin's school ! They would never come to study Wilbur Smythe's law practice-never in the world-or her work as county superintendent-never !--- and Jim was getting seventy-five dollars a month, and had a mother to support. But there could be no doubt that there was something to Jim-the man was out of the ordinary. And wasn't that just what she had been looking for in her mind?

Jennie wired to her southerner for the number of his party, and secured automobiles for the trip. She sent a note to Jim Irwin telling of the prospective visitation. She would show all concerned that she could do some things, anyhow, and she would send these people on with a good impression of her county.

She was glad of the automobiles the next Monday morning, when at ninethirty the train discharged upon her a dozen very alert, very up-to-date, very inquisitive southerners, male and female, most of whom seemed to have left their "r's" in the gulf region. It

cott, the boys filled with delight, the girls rather frightened at being engaged in something like a debate with the salesman.

As the latest-coming visitors moved forward, they heard the schoolmaster finishing his passage at arms with the salesman.

"You should not feel exasperated at us, Mr. Carmichael," said he in tones of the most complete respect, "for what our figures show. You are unfortunate in the business proposition you offer this community. That is all.

Even these children have the facts to prove that the creamery outfit you offer is not worth within two thousand dollars of what you ask for it, and that it is very doubtful if it is the sort of outfit we should need."

"I'll bet you a thousand dollars-" began Carmichael hotly, when Jim waved him down.

"Not with me," said Jim. "Your friend, Mr. Bonner, there, knows what chance there is for you to bet even a thousand cents with me. Besides, we know our facts, in this school. We've been working on them for a long time."

"Bet your life we have!" interpolated Newton Bronson.

"Before we finish," said Jim, "I want to thank you gentlemen for bringing



"I'll Bet You a Thousand Dollars," Cried Carmichael Hotly.

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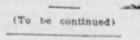
gently than before, "without thanking you for the very excellent talk you gave us on the advantage of the co-operative creamery over the centralizer. We in this school believe in the co-operative creamery, and if

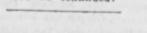
we can get rid of you, Mr. Carmichael, without buying your equipment, I think your work here may be productive of good."

"He's off three or four points on the average overrun in the Wisconsin coops," said Newton.

"And we thought," said Mary Smith, "that we'd need more cows than he said to keep up a creamery of our own." "Oh," replied Jim, "but we mustn't

expect Mr. Carmichael to know the subject as well as we do, children. He makes a practice of talking mostly to people who know nothing about itand he talks very well. All in favor of thanking Mr. Carmichael please say Aye.''





Noted Army Chaplain Pleads for Babies

Rev. Dr. John W. Beard, pastor of the Mount Tabor Presbyterian church, Portland, chaplein of Portland post of the American Legion and chaplain of one of the companies of the famous 91st Division overseas, is strong champion of the campaign to save German children from starvation and never loses an opportunity to say something for that cause.

"We fought and conquered the German militarists," said the noted chaplain, "but, as Major-General Henry T. Allen, commander of the American troops on the Rhine during the occupation, said, 'We never fought children.' We helped win the war as such, but, as when we were fighting the enemy, we bound up his wounds if cap tured, we now shall bind up the terrible wounds inflicted by war's awful fury against these little ones who suffer so. Let's help feed them, by all means."

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said Major-General of the nation-wide paign, and the people ing they support his The state-wide campa relief work is getting der way, too, with sponse from the pe where.

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## Character.

Real greatness has n with a man's sphere. in the magnitude of agency, or in the extent fits he produces. Grand acter lies wholly in the soul, that is the force moral principle and le Ellery Channing.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TRATOR Notice is hereby given dersigned, by an order Court of Linn County, been appointed administr estate of Emaline Gormle All persons having claims estate are required to within six months from the notice, with the proper vot undersigned at his residence in Linn county. Oregon. Dated and first publishe day of January, 1924.

E. E. G. Administrator A. A. TUSSING, Atty, for

## ADMINISTRATOR'S

Notice is hereby given t dersigned, administratrix o of W. G. Carter, deceased final account in said estate with the county clerk of Linn county, Oregon, and the county judge has set Monday, STIMSON THE SHOE DOCTOR the 11th day of February, 1924, at the Second street, opposite Hamilton's hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, as store. the time, and the county courtroom of said connty as the place, for hearing objections to said final account and the Waldo Anderson & Son, distrib-

settlement of said estate. MARV J. CARTER, Administratrix. mers, Essex, Hudson & Hupmobile cars. L. L. SWAN, Attorney for Admx. Accessories, Supplies. 1st & Broadalbin

Allen, head relief cam- le are show- declaration. Sg nicely un- a good re- sople every-	door to Blain Clothing Co. Noon lunches.	of the fair sex in half a century is evidenced by the fact that the treas- urer who signed the check is a girl. People who pay so promptly usually give the money's worth for what they receive. Better go. The property of Jim Burge, who so mysteriously had his head blown open with a shotgun at his home east of Harrisburg, brought \$450. which, with cash in the bank, pays his debts. At the meeting called to consider the county tax budget no objections were raised and the county court or- dered the items placed on the tax roll. Mrs. Kate Gengenbak and daugh- ter Gertrude have been visiting the smicr C. W. Falk and wife. About three weeks ago they sailed from Germany 'o this country. They went to Portland Friday. "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" will be on the screen at the Globe theater, Albany, from Sunday to Tues- day next, inclusive. Those who have
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rling of Brownsville tands the feed and hay ll as anybody in Linn advices from eastern Oregon lead him to think the lowering of freight rates on hay from there will not affect the hay market in the valley, as the eastern growers will pocket the difference in freight and deliver in the valley only at the former prices.

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