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IS A COLLEGE EDUCATION WORTH THE COST?

Some say that it is, and others that it is not. I have heard some fathers and mothers positively assert that the study of some parts of a college course is a useless expenditure of time and money. That there may be some truth in the assertion in certain cases may be admitted. If there is no more in the sons and daughters of those who make the assertion than there is in themselves, the necessary expenditure of a college education will in a measure be useless. "When there is nothing in, nothing can be drawn out." Every teacher knows this from experience. Absolute mental vacuums, however, are seldom found in normal cases, and it is not true that a college education is an absolute useless expenditure of time and money. Even those who are of low grade mental endowment are benefited in some degree by such education. This is well known to all close observers of education in general as well as that of the college. What is education? According to the derivation of the word, "it is the act of drawing out, the act of cultivating and developing, by thorough mental discipline, man's innate individuality, which is generally well nigh boundless in its capabilities. This education ought to begin in childhood and be continued in the primary and secondary classes of the public schools under high grade teachers. But it should not stop there. Those who enter upon professional life in its numerous forms and all those whose work requires much thought and quick perception of its adaptability to whatever is in hand, need the thorough mental discipline of a good college; and the better the college the better the preparation for any and all of the emergencies in life's various activities. This is no visionary speculation of a philosophic theorist but a fact confirmed by men who are conversant with such things and furnish statistics which prove beyond a doubt that a college education is a valuable equipment for the performance of any of life's activities in the best manner possible. The fact "that of all the young men that have graduated in this country from colleges one out of every forty has reached honorable distinction, while of those who have not graduated from colleges only one in ten thousand reached distinction," cannot be explained very easily, if at all, if college education has nothing to do with it. Two hundred and fifty chances for distinction are certainly much better than one. But this is not the only thing worthy of consideration in favor of the college graduate. Graduates of first class colleges are in constant demand for good positions of different kinds while non-graduates often find difficulty in getting positions of any kind. Close observers of the outcome of new graduates generally are pretty sure that "the man trained to minister all his powers at the command of his will and adept himself to the demands of conditions will succeed better in any occupation than a man untrained." The college graduate of ordinary mental ability, who has ambition to be and to do something and was not born tired and afflicted with megalomania, an exaggerated estimation of his own ability, is a failure in his profession and wonders why it is that his less brilliant friend, as he thinks, is the occupant of a position of greater distinction.

WILLAMETTE'S OPPORTUNITY.

Portland, Jan. 7.—It was announced today that James J. Hill, chairman of the board of managers of the Great Northern, will contribute \$50,000 to the endowment fund of Willamette University at Salem, providing other contributions to the endowment fund are secured to the fund up to \$250,000. Some time ago Senator R. A. Booth, of Eugene, announced he would give \$100,000 to the University endowment fund if other contributors came forward with \$300,000 to the fund and \$50,000 for a new university building. Aggregate fund to be raised is \$600,000. Of this sum \$125,000 is available from other contributions and with the Hill and Booth gifts amounting to \$150,000 the university must raise an additional \$325,000 to complete the fund.

Rusk Is Speaker.

Salem, Jan. 9.—As punishment for alleged allegiance of the Lane county delegation to the Chamberlain-Bourne combination, which was condemned as unrepentant by the House, upon reconvening at 1:40 p. m. this afternoon elected John P. Rusk of Union and Willowa counties as speaker and thus settled the long drawn-out and animated fight for Oregon of this brand of legislative assembly which has been one of the most hotly contested organization fights in years and in which chief public interest centered.

The election of Rusk to speakership was finally accomplished during the noon hour by combining of forces of W. Lair Thompson of Lakeview and Mr. Rusk against forces arrayed in favor of Allen H. Eaton, Lane county, and is intended for and regarded as a severe and austere rebuke to the state university for its alleged disloyalty to dominating party and as a warning that it must be good in the future if it expects any concessions or favors at the hands of the Republican party in the legislature.

As a reward for his affiliation with the Rusk forces at the last moment which brought about his election, it is stated that W. Lair Thompson is to have his say in naming of committees. The final result of the vote upon speakership was: Eaton, 22; Thompson, 2; Rusk, 35. Upon motion of Eaton and Thompson, the election of Rusk was made unanimous and committee composed of Libby of Marion, Eaton and Thompson, was named to escort the speaker-elect to the chair.

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SOME MODERN BOOSTING.

J. A. Perry, a former Linn county man, represented the Medford commercial club at the Chicago Land Show, where Medford had a splendid display of trout, one that opened the eyes of the world. Mr. Perry took home with him 3500 names of people wishing further information in reference to the Rogue River country, and a special booklet is being prepared to send to all of them. The Sun says "Mr. Perry made this statement, which will show what an effective system of boosting this has proven to be." "I needed help and more printed matter. I did the best possible under the conditions but when one man has to satisfy the inquiries of 25,000 people it is a task of much magnitude. Medford's exhibit was really the Oregon exhibit. There was a small lot of stuff from Grants, Pass and one or two other places, but the Medford

exhibit was Oregon in big letters. All inquirers as to Oregon were sent to us. All were earnestly interested. Many knew of Medford and Rogue Valley. A number of persons who owned property out here would appear from time to time, and each one would lend his voice in praise of the valley. This counted heavily for us. "Many of the inquirers were surprised to learn of our mild climate. All wanted to listen as long as I could talk to them. It was a fine way to advertise our city and valley." Mr. Perry was given a vote of thanks by the commercial club.

THE JOURNAL'S POSITION.

The Journal is opposed to graft in any form or under any guise. It believes that graft by a newspaper is as culpable as graft by a professional. For this policy, its publisher has been criticized.

When a newspaper renders advertising service to the state it should receive as much compensation as it charges the business public, and no more. Time was in this region when it was the vogue for a sheriff to pay his organ extortionate prices for the publication of delinquent tax lists and sheriff's sales. The law fixed no limit and the cost was laid on for all and sometimes more than the traffic would bear. In one county in Washington the charge for a delinquent tax list was \$2500 and the amount of the delinquent taxes \$800, or less than one-third the newspaper fee. It was graft. The relation between the newspapers and any legalized public printing should be on a strictly business basis, several of the measures proposed by the upstate publishers are worthy of adoption, but the law should fix the rate on a business basis, and provide against holdups of the public or the state by secret agreement of rival publishers. The United States government has its Sherman anti-trust law based on exactly this principle.

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Almost the middle of January and still the mums and roses are blooming as ever. The herds and flocks are giving some response of gratitude that their lot has fallen in pleasant places—man only is non-appreciative of the good things that he about him. Why shouldn't we all rejoice being permitted to enjoy this Oregon winter.

Grain is looking exceedingly well for this time of the year. Pastures are good and stock, of all kinds is doing well. Feed is scarce and high, but the winter has been such that range stock have fared nicely without much feed. If reasonable weather continues the stock owners will pull through the winter with a very low rate of losses.

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C H NEWS

New suits.—Eleanor Sommerville agt. Wm. Thompson et al, suit to quiet title. R. H. Lindegren agt. Eric A. Lindegren, for divorce. Marriage April 1907 in Portland. Charges: cruelty, abuse, extravagance, had to chop wood, and milk cow, struck plaintiff. They have two children 3 and 2 years of age.

A new suit is the Oregon Electric R. Co. against R. L. Burkhardt, W. C. Burkhardt and H. D. Burkhardt, brought to condemn the right of way for the electric line through the property of the defendants in the eastern suburbs of the city.

The county court is at work on road supervisors, will name the tax rate tonight and tomorrow select the jury list for the year.

Deeds recorded: Ethel Mendenhall to John Sommerville, lot Harrisburg, \$ 1 S. P. Co. to C. E. Moulton, 160 acres, 1320 C. E. Moulton to O. W. Olson, 160 acres, 10 Emeline Moss to W. M. Moss, 80 acres, 10 Araminta Munkers to C. M. Perry, 20 acres, 10 Araminta Munkers to F. F. Perry, 20 acres, 10

Marriage licenses: Michael Keef, 44, and Agnes E. McHugh, 34; B. J. Ridders, 32, and Isabel H. Tracey, 21.

Deeds recorded: Mary J. Roberts to T. C. Kendall, 55.38 acres, \$ 10 A. C. Schmitt to Julia A. Daan, lot Lennot, 10 C. A. Witchcraft to Elmer Archambeau 77 acres, 1000 Altes Slaybaugh to E. L. Co 40 a., 1

Final account approved in estate of Mary Hazen.

New suit. A. L. Ball agt R. A. Moore, to recover \$182. Wright & Johnston attorneys.

County court has been busy most of the day on the Plainview school district case.

Marriage license. John Cyrus Whitney, 20, and Henrietta Pearson, 17.

Makes the Annual Levy at 10 Mills.

The county court this afternoon agreed upon 10 mills as the amount of county levy, which is 1 1/2 mills for roads and 8 1/2 mills for all other purposes, including state, schools, current expenses, old soldiers, etc., not being segregated. This makes Albany's total levy 23.65 mills.

Junction Won.

The Albany skating basket ball team last night was defeated by Junction 18 to 17 in about as hot a contest as was ever played, fast and furious. Albany was three points ahead at one time, but Junction pulled up and ahead.

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MISFITS.

Politics is a great game of trade. The winter of our discontent has come.

The tail of the eastern storm was bound to flop over the hills.

The back scratchers will now be worn to shreds down at Salem.

Don't let up on one good resolution: boost for Albany all the time.

It will take a complete knockout for Bowerman to know that he is set down on.

The assembly candidates stood no show, and should have kept out of the race.

Eaton was properly defeated. He was an assembly man and was due to defeat.

Hill says the trouble is not the high cost of living, but the cost of high living.

Twist, Wash., has 257 people. It will take several more twists to make a city of it.

According to Prof. Pickering of Harvard, Venus has animal life, and is covered with snakes, delirium tremens all the time.

The quarterback of the Prineville football team is named Coffin. The season ended at Prineville Saturday, without his being needed.

Newspapers have a universal rule for throwing all anonymous communications into the waste basket, with no rest of the rubbish.

A new cure for nervous ills is rolling while naked in a snow bank. Oregonians will have to remain nervous or take some more sane cure.

All over the United States the Oregon plan of government is being mentioned, that is government by the people, and particularly in the election of a U. S. senator by the people.

In the modern dance a man sees with composure another man with his arm around his wife or best girl; but if seen in a like position anywhere else there would be a tragedy.

Mrs. Chas. H. Mills is getting a divorce from her husband, a son of E. Fay Mills, once a Christian evangelist, now a Unitarian preacher. Chas. H. is a sociologist, but after living three years with him Mrs. Mills is not.

The Democrat said right along the proposed model saloon license was a bunco game. Now even the Oregonian admits it as follows: "What has become of the 'model license law' which was to work such a salutary transformation in the saloons? Has it been laid away until the next prohibition fight comes on? Perhaps it may be less useful next time. If white man fools Indian once it is white man's fault. If he fools him again it is Indian's fault."

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 11.—Salem city's population, thirteenth census is 24,084. The twelfth census was 4,558. E. DANA DURAND, Director.

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One bill prepared is to make a man signing an initiative or referendum petition declare that he has carefully read the whole of the bill. This will probably be killed.

Chase introduced the first bill in the Senate, for the sale of tide lands. The most important were ones, regulating white slavery, making October 1 discovery day and a civil service bill.

Miller had two bills, one providing for meeting of legal voters in road districts, the other for the employment of convicts on highways.

Among the bills are a 2 1/2 inch fire cracker affair, for special elections for annexing territory to cities, for all day primaries, for rotation of names on ballots without numbers, for county hospitals.

The Black Eagle Mines.

The Black Eagle mines of Gold Creek are preparing to ship their first ore to the Tacoma smelter, the beginning of regular shipment of high grade ore. The Mail of Stayton says a ledge of \$80 ore has been struck. The company has five claims and will now push the business as a money producing enterprise. The Mail says the credit is due to W. L. Shire, the superintendent, with the work from the start. A road has been built, the company has a sawmill and 60,000 feet of logs on hand and a 40-H. P. engine. A number of Albany people are interested in the mines, and it is to be hoped they pan out richly.

Stupendous

Is the motion picture entitled, Maid of Niagara, produced by the American Pathe Co. and shown at Dreamland tonight, Wednesday and Thursday. Two other feature pictures will be shown making the finest program ever shown in the city. One of them is The Boy Scouts of America by Edison. The other a Biograph high class comedy. MANAGER DREAMLAND.

DOINGS OF THE WORLD

Dr. Faine, of Eugene, is on his way to Honolulu.

Jackson day was quite generally remembered by democrats.

Pennsylvania has recovered \$4,300,000 stolen from it by the capitol thieves.

Twenty-seven conventions will be held in the Northwest in January and February.

Miss Illington, the actress of fame, mashed a masher in the face and got a mashing item in the paper.

Seventeen people were killed by the storm crushing some barges off the Massachusetts coast, yesterday.

The Oregon Electric is getting ready as fast as possible to come up the valley. These rights of way suits show that it means business.

Joe Tinker a celebrated base ball player has bought eighteen acres near Newberg and is now an Oregon farmer. He seems to be a regular plunger in dirt.

Ed. W. Powers, of Salem, has returned from a trip to the Dakotas, where he sold at retail three car loads of logan and other berries and prunes. He struck weather 32 below zero.

A new pension bill has passed the house by a big majority, under which veterans of the civil and Mexican wars will receive \$15 a month at 62 years of age, \$20 at 65 years, \$25 at 70 years and \$30 at 75 years of age.

Hood River has a sensational damage suit, one by Clive N. Needham agt. William G. Snow, a wealthy contractor for \$20,000 because of the alienation of the affections of his wife. Snow is a married man and has a fine home. It may be a cold day for Snow before Needham gets through with him.

A Broadway Favorite.

Manager Sebaltz is pleased to announce to his patrons that for one night Monday, Jan. 16th he has secured an extraordinary attraction. On this date, Miss Grace Cameron, the Broadway favorite will appear in C. Herbert Kerr's bran new comedy "NANCY."

This character is a continuation of her famous character "Little Dollie Dimples" which we all liked so well upon the occasion of Miss Cameron's last appearance here. Her supporting company is an exceptionally fine one and the production is carried in its entirety by the company.

2928 REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, AT ALBANY, IN THE STATE OF OREGON, AS THE

Close of business Jan. 7, 1911.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	\$ 517,165.18
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	8,214.80
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	100,000.00
U. S. Bonds on hand	25,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	129,092.86
Banking house furniture, and fixtures, etc.	11,000.00
Other real estate owned	22,031.05
Due from National Banks (not reserved agents)	1,415.32
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies and Savings Banks	22,956.73
Due from approved reserve agents	39,944.92
Checks and other cash items	11,203.47
Notes of other National Banks	8,000.00
Fractional currency, nickels and cents	121.18
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, viz:	
Specie	\$122,303.40
Legal-tender notes	00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	5,300.00
Total	\$1,023,499.91

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	100,000.00
Surplus fund	29,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	89,928.75
National Bank notes outstanding	24,350.00
Due to other National Banks	2,753.76
Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers	3,947.51
Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks	33,193.11
Dividends unpaid	700,572.54
Individual deposits subject to check	51,750.24
Demand certificates of deposit	
Certified checks	
Total	\$1,023,499.91

STATE OF OREGON, COUNTY OF LINN, SS:

I, O. A. ARCHIBALD, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

O. A. ARCHIBALD, Cashier.
 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of Jan. 1911.
 H. F. MERRILL, Notary Public.

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