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PRESIDENT WARNS FOREIGN NATIONS

In Mobile Address Asserts That Americans Will Never Seek a Foot of Soil by Conquest

Mobile, Oct., 27.—A flat declaration that the United States never will seek another foot of territory in conquest was voiced by President Wilson at the opening of the Southern Commercial Congress here today. "And the United States must see to it that no other nation gains any territory on this hemisphere," continued the president, in an address which was cheered to the echo by throngs which came to Mobile from every section of the state. The president hailed the completion of the Panama Canal as the "Emancipation of the Latin-American states from foreign control."

To the Intermountain Tribune

A lady admirer and reader of the Tribune, sends us the following laudatory verses, this week:

The Intermountain Tribune
'Tis a paper small, yet great,
Just buy a copy of it,
For the news it does relate.
You will like it, once you read it;
Help us make the city grow;
Read the weekly news that's in it,
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You will enjoy it through and through.

Read about the current gossip,
Of the country round about;
You'll be glad you bought a copy
And you'll buy again, no doubt.

Notice to the Public

Notice is hereby given that I, the undersigned, will not be responsible for any debts my wife, Meda E. Whitcomb, may contract from this the 30th day of October, 1913, until further notice.

Geo. B. Whitcomb.
Foster, Oregon

A High School Composition

AUTUMN

A poet has said, "What is so rare as a day in June. Then, if ever come perfect days." But to me there is no time so beautiful as Autumn when the sky is a misty hazy blue and all the world is garbed in such gorgeous array.

The forests which in spring are stately and grand, all in green, are far more beautiful in Autumn, when the maple is brilliant in red and gold, the willow in yellow and the oak in russet brown. The orchards, although beautiful in spring when all in white and delicate pink, are lovelier when the ground is covered with Autumn leaves and the trees are laden with golden peaches, yellow pears and red, russet and yellow apples.

The corn fields too are good to see when the ripe, yellow ears are just ready to gather and the corn stalks give promise of well filled silos for the winter.

The farmers are glad for the clear Autumn days in which to gather in for winter, their supplies of vegetables and fruits, grain, hay and meats.

It is in Autumn too, when the short day is over, that we love to gather at some large farm house to spend the long evening, roasting apples, popping corn and making candy.

Two of our most enjoyable holidays are in Autumn. Halloween, when we make hideous Jack-o-lanterns, and in dimly lighted rooms tell weird ghost stories and have our fortunes told by witches and Thanksgiving, when all the aunts, uncles and cousins go to Grandmas for the turkey dinner.

In the spring we feel strong stout hearted, ready for the long summer of work but in Autumn we feel that we have done our task and are waiting for the reward—the long winter of rest.

High School.

12-4 Items

J. S. Knight and wife have gone to Portland to spend Halloween.

Frank Sheffield took a trip over to the North Fork mining district this week.

Harry Waltz invites those of the neighborhood desiring grapes, to help themselves from his arbor.

W. A. Lembrick, having completed his new cabin, moved into same last week.

Since Beel is deprived of both arms, his neighbors lent a hand during the construction of his new house.

The boys of Sheridan canyon are getting their winter's supplies while the water is low. The pack train can now ford the river and go to each cabin door; for the trail is like a railroad grade, so carefully has it been constructed.

While superintending the falling of a tree at Waltz's ranch, "Blanch" exhibited good execution, but poor judgment. For further particulars ask Blanch.

Hungry Run cabin is sporting a new lid and may acquire an addition. Please explain, Mike.

FOSTER

To the Honorable County Court of Linn County, Oregon:
We, the undersigned, citizens of the County of Linn, Oregon, do hereby petition your body, to rearrange the various roads in the territory of such district as follows: one-half of the road tax collected one-half to the credit of the County Court, in the betterment of the county.

NAME

Greenville School News

Located between Holley and Sweet Home in a small valley about one-half mile west of the main road is a beautiful new modern school building known as the Greenville school. This building is so constructed that the light enters from but one side, and that the north, thus furnishing the best light that can be secured. There is no sun shining on the desks or cross lights to blind the pupils. The windows are large and high, thus allowing the light to fall from above rather than glare up into the faces. The two other much vexing problems, heating and ventilation, are both solved by the use of a Waterbury Heating plant or furnace. This stove has a jacket of sheetiron lined with asbestos, which completely surrounds it, leaving an air space of about six inches. There is an intake from the outside for fresh air which opens into the bottom of the air space. This air, on becoming warmed, rises and circulates over the entire room and is finally drawn out through an open pipe, the lower end of which is about one foot from the floor. The suction in this pipe is caused by the heat from the furnace, thus the ventilation is solved. Pupils receive fresh air and the impure is removed without draughts. Also, pupils sitting near the furnace are no warmer and those in the remote corners no cooler than others. The furnace is quite attractive and is located in one corner of the room thus leaving the middle and most useful part which is too often filled by a rusty stove, for seating room.

The people of the Greenville district feel that the best is none too good for their boys and girls and are equipping their school with modern apparatus that they may have every advantage of the 20th century schools. They have long done away with the old saying, "what was good enough for me is good enough for my children." This saying is now changed to the following: "I had to put up with conditions as they existed then, but thank God I can help change them for the rising generation."

Boys and girls who spend seven hours a day in a clean, well lighted, heated, ventilated and properly furnished room, are far easier to control and teach than those who are forced into a dirty, poorly lighted and unkept room. An average child will adapt himself to his surroundings, becoming gentle and refined on entering the former or boisterous and unrefined on entering the latter kind of a room.

My plea is for better conditions for our boys and girls. Let us see to it that our school buildings and grounds are made a fit place for the proper training and educating of future government makers. Let us visit our schools and see what is needed, then provide it. It will pay to visit some of our modernly built and furnished schools before building or furnishing. Very frequently a little paint, soap, labor and a few pictures change our school rooms into wholesome, pleasant abodes. Let us each enlist as a booster

LINN TO HAVE STANDARDIZED SCHOOLS

County Superintendent W. L. Jackson and Rural Supervisors Adopt Replete Plan

With the object of having a standard by which to measure progress, a replete plan has been adopted by County Superintendent W. L. Jackson and rural supervisors Joseph Brenner of Lebanon, and P. E. Baker of Brownsville, as a standard for the Linn county schools for the year 1913-14. It is to the end of stimulating effort on the part of the teachers, pupils, school officers and school patrons to the betterment of the public schools.

As soon as a school complies with any of the points, upon notifying the supervisor a gold gilded star will be given for the point gained. This star is to be pasted on a tabulated card bearing the points. At the close of the school year a pennant will be given to each school having become standardized during the school year.

The following are the points as they are arranged on the card: Flag—the United States flag kept floating, according to the school law; School House—properly heated, lighted and ventilated; Condition of school room—attractive; Drinking Water—either fountain or tank and individual drinking cups; Out-buildings—proper sanitary condition, (a) boys', (b) girls'; School grounds—general condition good; Spelling contests—every pupil entered, according to rules, discipline and satisfactory work on the part of both teacher and pupils; Library books—properly labeled, recorded and cared for; Attendance—at least 95 per cent for the school year; School board, teacher—(a) proper enforcement of the course of study, (b) subscribing to at least one educational paper, (c) reading at least two books in the reading circle work.

At a meeting of taxpayers of Union High School District No. 2, held in this city, last week, it was voted to levy a 2-mill tax upon the property of district to apply on payment for the school building now being erected in the east end of town.

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F. B. KNAPP, MANAGER

FOSTER OREGON

Parent Teachers Meeting

A parent teachers meeting will be held in Sweet Home at the present high school building on Saturday, November 8, 1913. All parents and patrons are cordially invited to attend and take part in the discussion.

P. E. Baker, Rural Sup.
R. W. Van Fleet, Prin. H. S.
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