

# THE HEPPNERIAN

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### THE VALUE OF AN EDUCATION.

The most valuable result of a good education is the broadening, deepening and refining of human life, therefore making it impossible to measure definitely the result in dollars and cents. However, education promotes industrial efficiency and increases material wealth. This is the reason that Germany, with excellent public schools, has grown so much more rapidly than her neighbor, Russia, which has vastly better resources but poor educational facilities.

In the United States it has been shown that the earning capacity of the citizens of several states is in direct proportion to the efficiency of their school systems. For instance, Dr. Charles W. Dabney investigated this matter and found that the average schooling given in 1898-99 to the citizens of Massachusetts was seven years; to those of the U. S. as a whole, four years, while that of Tennessee was only three years. Corresponding to these figures he found that the average daily production of the citizens of Massachusetts was 85 cents; that of the U. S. as a whole was 55 cents; while that of Tennessee was only 38 cents.

The necessity for education has increased and will continue to increase with the advance in complexity of the processes of civilization. Because of the unparalleled progress in the arts and sciences during the past fifty years the need for education has in general multiplied many fold. In law, in medicine, in teaching, in manufacturing, in trade and industry of all kinds, this same increased demand for education is found.

An investigation of the educational advantage enjoyed by the 8000 persons mentioned in the "Who's Who in America," for the year 1889-1890, brought out the following facts: Out of the nearly 5 million uneducated men and women in America, only 31 were able to obtain the distinction of being catalogued in this book. Out of 33 million with high school training, 1245 have manifested this marked efficiency, and out of one million with college or university training, 5788 have merited this distinction. The child with no schooling has one chance in 150,000 of performing distinguished service; with elementary education, he has four times the chance; with high school education 87 times the chance, and with college education 800 times the chance.

As no other political event has had more to do with national peace and stability, and hence with industrial possibilities than the framing and adoption of the Constitution, especial significance is attached to the results of Prof. Jones' study of the part which the one per cent of college graduates played in this important matter. He found that the author of the Constitution, Thomas Jefferson, was a college graduate; John Adams, its ablest defender, was a college graduate; 23 of the 54 who composed the convention were college graduates and 27 were college bred men. In fact, the one per cent of college graduates in America can almost be said to have called the convention, written the Constitution, and secured its adoption and ratification.

The Massachusetts committee on industrial education made a study of 799 workers who had left school at either 14 or 18 years of age and traced the actual average salaries received by these workers from year to

year. They found that boys who remained in school four years longer in order to take a technical course, soon caught up with their brothers who stopped at 14 years, and went ahead so rapidly that in four years they had earned as much as the other boys had in eight. At the age of 25 the boys who had taken the four years extra schooling were on the average getting \$900 per year more than those who left school at fourteen.

Every day spent in school pays the child \$9.00, therefore the child who stays out of school to earn less than \$9 a day is losing money, not making it.

Experience has shown that only through a thorough system of public schools and colleges can a state or nation provide for itself an adequate supply of citizens capable of furnishing the necessary directive force.

**Basketball Season Next.**  
 Now that football has worn itself out, the boys are anxiously anticipating the opening of the basketball season. Heppner has been held up for early practice due to the lack of a place to play, but things are looking better now that the school has been able to temporarily lease the old Swindig warehouse situated south of the schoolhouse.

The high school boys are going to cover the walls with heavy building the corners which will make the playing a warmer place in which to play. Lights will also be installed, and baskets erected. The Heppner boys are paper, and place two large stoves in planning a successful basketball season with everything pointing to a championship team.

The schedule has been made out as follows:

Heppner vs. Hardman, Jan. 7, home floor; Lone, Jan. 14, home floor; Lexington at Lexington, Jan. 21; return game with Hardman at Hardman, Jan. 29; return game with Lone at Lone, Feb. 5; Arlington on home floor, Feb. 11; return game with Arlington at Arlington, Feb. 25; and return game with Lexington on home floor, March 4th.

When Miss Miller, Miss Fisher, Miss Thorpe, Miss Wilson and Miss Nelson started home from The Dalles Sunday in a Ford sedan, it seemed luck was certainly against them, for they came in home on one rim and one wheel.

Just this side of Arlington they found that they had a flat tire so they undertook to change it. However, they were not as strong as they had anticipated for try as they would three of them together could not succeed in getting the rim off the wheel. The rain was just pouring down so after they had succeeded in getting the wheel off, they decided to come on home on the rim.

This was not the end of their trouble for they had another flat tire about six miles before reaching Lone. This time they were able to get the rim off but could not separate the rim and the tire so they left them both off and came on in home on one wheel and one rim. They reached Heppner about 2:45 Monday morning and were a much sadder but wiser group than they had been when they left The Dalles at 8 o'clock the evening before.

**Girls' Basketball.**  
 When the basketball hall is completed, the girls are going to show Heppner "who's who" in Heppner Hi athletics. Good material is promised and a good coach is in readiness and is about as anxious to get started as the girls are.

John Farley says that in selling shoes he finds that leather makes the best shoes but banana skins are the best "slippers."

### Attendance Good.

During the past six weeks the average attendance of the high school was 97.1%. This average is comparatively lower than formerly, although allowance must be made for early winter weather which is always conducive to colds.

The faculty hope that the six weeks term which began Monday will have a higher average, since this is the third and last period of the first semester. The students are eager to raise their grades, so that a creditable showing may have been made when the new semester begins.

The register indicates that a rather high number of tardy marks have been occurring. The total of 105 students in the high school shows 23 tardinesses, while but 53 students have been neither absent nor tardy.

### Honor Roll.

The following high school students deserve particular mention for their creditable work done in their classes during the past six weeks:

Mary Baymer, freshman, with 4 A's and B's.  
 Orrin Bisbee, senior, with 4 A's and 2 B's.

Tying for third place were Marjorie Clark and Fletcher Walker each with 2 A's and 2 B's.

These grades would indicate a very high average, since an A represents 84-100 and B, 83-84. These honors have been determined by an average of their total grades.

### Fire in Lab.

The students of the chemistry class were quite shaken last Monday when flaming alcohol was spilled on the floor of the laboratory. Orrin Bisbee was the victim and had it not been for his quick wit perhaps some damage would have been done to himself.

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Crin grabbed his apron, which was all in flames and threw it on some of the flames on the floor. This extinguished them, and left the laboratory none the worse for the happening.

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Mrs. E. R. Huston, chairman of the school board, visited the high school Tuesday forenoon. She visited the biology, domestic art, world history, Latin III, American history and English classes. She seemed quite pleased with the work being done in the school.

One day of every week a period of 15 minutes is given at 1:45 to singing old songs. The first meeting was held Tuesday and many musical voices echoed throughout the assembly at that time.

The American history class challenged the civics class for a debate. The question, "Resolved, that the United States enter the World Court." The civics class returned their reply of acceptance written in Latin.

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Miss Murray: "Can animals smell water from a distance?"  
 Janie Allstott: "Well, if you are driving a bunch of pigs—"  
 Miss Murray: "Yes, but I wouldn't be driving any pigs."

The class in American history taught by Miss Miller has been spending the last few days studying numerous histories to gain material for a paper on the Formation of the Constitution, which was due last Wednesday. This is the third of these reports centering on the important phases of American history, the other two being the causes of the American Revolution and the part that the French played in the Revolution.

Rev. and Mrs. O. C. Wright were at Heppner to attend the Junior play and to visit a few days with their daughter, Miss M. Wright, the music teacher. They stated that the Junior play was acted as well as a college play.

It is earnestly requested by the faculty that the parents cooperate with the school in seeing that the big school students have at least



Star Theater, Sunday and Monday.

one to two hours of home study each day.  
 Mrs. Dix, the second grade teacher, is unable to teach her classes on account of a bad case of the flu. Mrs. McNamer is taking her place until she will be able to resume her work.

Miss Nelson, fourth grade teacher, is also ill. We wish them a rapid recovery.

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