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CHINA BOYS INFORMATION BUREAU



How can I win a fortune in letters (literature)? - Laurette. (Start breach of promise suit and fake 'em.)

John Speedy Rush has been kicking his way into football fame lately on the Princeton team. (He oughta be a good one.)

Nowadays a weather forecaster does not dare to prophesy high winds for fear the administration will think he is doing press agent work for Mr. Wm. J. Bryan.—Chicago Examiner.

Not Often, However: "Does your husband ever give you any little surprises?"

"Oh, yes. Now and then he comes home sober."

The goldfish thinks nothing of a trip around the globe.—Boston Transcript.

When Darwin wrote about the "struggle for existence" years ago, it's too bad he didn't have present-day prices to go on.

Today's Bellringer: Billy Sunday tells a story of a pious woman who confessed to her pastor that she had yielded to vanity, looked in the glass and thought herself pretty.

Stella's Bargain Counter: When dad thinks son is "burning the midnight oil" at college, he's often burning gasoline.

The Reply of a Guilty Conscience: I stopped at a country hotel last Monday and when I registered I asked the landlady if there were any water in my room. "Yes, there was," he replied, guiltily, "but I had the drain fixed."—B. B.

The Optimist at the Front: I've knocked the spike out of his bloomers' helmet—'er took the top out of my bloomers' ear—'er my shot next!—London Opinion.

It Must O' Been a Grand Sight When They Were at Last All Seated (From the Corland, O., Herald).

You Know What Flirts the Soldiers Are: Nurse (to mistress)—I must leave this place, Mum.

Burglary in Bogville: Burglar Bug to Pat—(Sneezing up alarm clock)—We can't break into this house yet—I can hear some one working inside!

A PIONEER MAP

MRS. HELEN HASKINS of Medford has an interesting pioneer relic in a government map of the "Oregon Territory," published in 1841, containing the "latest information of the Hudson Bay Company and Lieut. Fremont's U. S. T. E. exploration east of the Rocky mountains. The Oregon territory extends from the northern California boundary, 42 degrees parallel to 54 degrees 40 minutes north, containing all that region west of the Rocky mountains."

The map, printed before the day of surveys in the west, is primarily the work of exploration parties and Hudson Bay trappers. Portland is not on the map, as it did not then exist. Neither is Oregon City, Salem, Albany, Eugene or other now flourishing cities.

The Willamette and Umpqua rivers are shown, as is the "Too-too-tut-na or Klamet" river, with a northern tributary, the "Shaste." Smith's river is shown as emptying into the sea at about the present site of Crescent City, and the "Klamet" about where the Rogue empties.

"Mt. McLoughlin" is shown, somewhat north of its location, as one of the three main peaks of the Cascades, Hood and Jefferson the other two, from which it is evident that the mountain was one of the early day landmarks, named by Hudson Bay trappers after Dr. John McLoughlin, factor of the company, "father of Oregon," thirty years before the squaw-mian Pitt named the mountain after himself.

This map should prove conclusively that Mt. McLoughlin is the correct name of the sentinel of the Rogue, a name familiar to all pioneers, recognized by legislative statute in Oregon and by the national geographic board.

AMERICAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

EX-PRESIDENT TAFT is doing this country a real service in calling attention to the antiquated and defective educational system of our public schools. He makes comparison with the system in vogue in other countries, especially Germany.

Three years ago public attention was called to the difference between our schools and those of Germany by a commission sent by the German government to investigate the schools of the United States and discover some means of improving their own.

The American public school system, which should be the best, was condemned, and the report of the German commission is by real educational leaders accepted as true.

American public schools have made but little advance since free education was established. It is true the school expenditures are large and there has been great improvement in school buildings, but the system of imparting knowledge is still the mechanical grind that it was thirty years ago when the chief part of schooling was the memorizing of the rules of grammar and arithmetic.

The reasons are not far to seek. This country has lacked a professional class of teachers, with the result that our children are given over to young people who adopt teaching as a temporary occupation.

Only in recent years has corporal punishment been abolished in the elementary schools as inhuman, but fully as harmful, if not more so to small children, is the tyranny of an irritable or bad-natured man or woman who applies to the conduct of a child the same rules and judgment applicable to an adult.

The pedagogical world up to recent times deemed our system nearly perfect. It received its first rude shock when Mme. Montessori of Italy gave to the world her system. She has been followed by Mrs. Stoner of Boston, who has shown the weakness and stupidity of our school methods.

In the city of Gary, Ind., there has been a most radical departure from the usual methods. Under the superintendence of William A. Wirt has been fashioned a school system from the ground up on the theory that school plans should be made for children, not children for the school system.

According to the Journal of Education, Mr. Wirt has made one school plant do the work of two, causes children to want to go to school every day in the year, reduces the cost of school keeping and produces better educational results than the standardized system elsewhere.

Each school plant in Gary accommodates twice the ordinary number of pupils, because two sets are alternating every hour between use of a classroom and use of a playground, shops or garden. This schedule not only doubles the capacity of the plant to handle pupils, but the alternations make school life as interesting as real life.

The school day is eight hours—two for standard common branches; two for manual training, science, drawing, music, laboratories, shops and studios; one for auditorium exercises and instruction; one for lunch and two for play and physical training, etc.

A writer in the New Republic calls it "the natural school," and says that beside Mr. Wirt, Mme. Montessori seems almost a beginner, so daringly has he carried the

SUFFRAGE CAR RACING FROM PACIFIC COAST TO WHITE HOUSE



Over the Sierra and Rocky mountains, across the Great American desert, through Iowa prairies and Kansas mud holes a suffrage car is speeding from San Francisco to Washington. It is now passing through Ohio.

It is carrying Sara Bard Field, elected envoy of the Woman Voters' convention, recently held in San Francisco, and a petition asking congress to pass an amendment to the constitution enfranchising all women.

Recently Mr. Wirt has been called by New York to a thorough experimental test of his "Gary system" with metropolitan schools. From this great results may flow, and our public school system may be revolutionized.

Scientific management may take the place of the present aimless control which looks upon our school system as a changeless institution.

PEACE COMMITTEE TO MEET IN BERNE

BERNE, Switzerland, Nov. 29.—The executive committee of the international organization for durable peace will meet at Berne shortly to make up a program for the congress which the American members suggest should be held in April. It is said here that the American delegation will include Dr. David Starr Jordan, chancellor of Stanford university; Professor William Hull and Professor Batten. Contributions toward the expenses of the congress received thus far from American sources amount to about \$3000.

STARVE IN SILENCE IS KAISER'S ORDER

LONDON, Nov. 29.—According to a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from Copenhagen, a dozen German newspapers have been suspended for discussing the food question. In his newspaper, Die Zukunft, Maximilian Harden is quoted as saying: "We must confess that the German people for the moment are suffering great want."

HELP THE KIDNEYS

Medford Readers are Learning the Way. It's the little kidney pills—The lame, weak or aching back—The unnoticed urinary disorders—That may lead to dropsy and Bright's disease.

John A. Perl UNDERTAKER

Lady Assistant 28 S. BARKLETT Phone M. 47 and 47-28 Ambulance Service Oregon

HOW TO GAIN FLESH

Remarkable Statement of a Woman Who Was Nothing but Skin and Bones. Laugh and grow fat is a homely saying, but Mrs. Elizabeth L. Morris of Hammond, La., tells of a more reliable method. She says: "I cannot say enough in praise of Vinol, for it saved my life. I was weak, nervous, run-down, could not sleep, was unfit for work and was nothing but skin and bones. Three doctors had all failed to help me. One day I saw Vinol advertised, took courage and bought a bottle, and it soon made me feel better. I continued its use and such a change! I have regained my strength, flesh and health, am perfectly well, and the doctor was surprised to see such a change in me in such a short time!"

THE PAGE

Medford's Leading Motion Picture Theatre. Daily Matinee 2 p. m. Evening 7 p. m. Prices: Matinee 5-10c. Eve. 5-10-15c

Neal of the Navy

The Spider

Between Two Fires

The Rogue Syndicate

Hotel Manx

San Francisco Powell St. at Otterell. Oregonians Headquarters while in San Francisco. Moderate rates. Running distilled ice water in every room. Special attention given to ladies traveling unaccompanied. A la carte dining room.

PRESIDENT WRITES ANNUAL MESSAGE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—President Wilson returned from New York early today and immediately went to the white house and began work on his next annual address to congress. Mrs. Norman Galt, his fiancée, remained in New York to purchase parts of her trousseau.

The president has the main outlines of his address finished and expects to get it in final shape for the public printer today. He took the address with him to New York and discussed it with Colonel E. M. House, his personal friend and political advisor.

While in New York the president is understood to have discussed the outlook for peace in Europe with Colonel House, who went abroad several months ago to investigate the situation for the president.

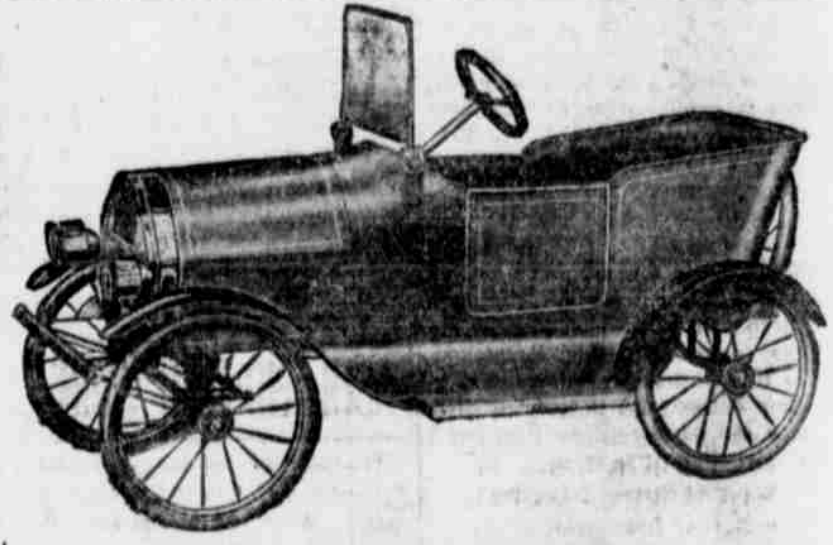
SUBMARINES BUSY IN MEDITERRANEAN

MARSEILLES, Nov. 29.—The French steamship Omara has been sunk in the Mediterranean by a submarine. No word has been received of the twenty members of the crew, and it is thought they have perished.

There are no records of the recent movements of the Omara. She was built in 1872 at La Seyne. Her gross tonnage was 425.

LONDON, Nov. 29, 1:30 p. m.—The French steamship Aberic has been sunk. Twenty-nine members of her crew are missing. Eight were saved.

The British steamship Tonia has been sunk. Her crew was landed. W. H. Crogen of Seattle is registered at the Nash during a business visit to this city.



STAR THEATRE Auto Contest Nearing End

Contestants Standings up to Sunday, Nov. 18th. Charles Pigras 810; Clara Johnson 520; Lefty Ingram 350; Vern Kennedy 325; Jacob Stillwell 293; William Brown 315; Philip H. Lounsbury 195; J. Atken 190; Virginia Bennett 175; Aletta 175; Rudolph Singler 145; Rosell Stillman 125; Letha Hubbard 125; Neve Samuels 125; Lester Bennett 115; Orville Sharp 115; Robert Caster 115; Lillian Ahern 105; Howard Gault 105; Florence Mullin 100; Clarence Williams 100; Pat Lovelace 100; Dorris Runsey 100; Harry Singler 100; Leora Kennedy 100.

PLEASE NOTICE

Write your name in full on Vote Ticket and in the right place. If we cannot read your name you lose the vote. Write very plain. Work hard if you want to be the winner of the little Automobile. Somebody is bound to win. All cannot lose. See the Manager about selling Contestants admission books. If you can sell a big number of these you will stand a better chance to win than the boy or girl who doesn't work hard. The little Auto will be given to some Boy or Girl Christmas Night at 8:30 sharp. If you want to win you must be a little hustler—you cannot expect to be the winner if you don't work for it. Take advantage of the Matinees on which day we will give 100 votes with each admission ticket sold. We will give 100 votes with a 5c or a 10c ticket purchased on the days at the Matinee performance only as follows: Wednesday, December 1st, Friday, Dec. 3rd, Sunday, December 5th and Monday, December 7th. Remember these Matinees and come to all of them and get 100 votes with each ticket. If you can not come have your friends ask for them as they buy their tickets on these days mentioned. At any other time we give 5 votes with a 5c ticket and 10 votes with a 10c ticket. WORK HARD is the only and sure way to win.

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Children 10 cents Adults 15 cents

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MARY PICKFORD The Queen of the Screen

In a Five-Part Paramount A Dawn of a Tomorrow A splendid picture which is bound to please everyone. Come early, rain or shine, and avoid the crowd. Coming Tuesday—Edith Storey, Vitagraph six reel subject, "Island of Regeneration," a wonder.