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It is only natural that in touring the
world the English flyers should include
Turin.Flood lights for the garage may be
the next step in coping with auto
bandits.There's this about the musical num-
bers on radio programs: There are
no cures.One of the best chances for peace
lies in these frequent ammunition plant
explosions.The clothing industry is said to be
in a period of transition. From long
sleeves to shorts?It's a rare man that can get mad
over evolution without making a mon-
ey of himself.Those who are doing quite a lot of
talking about woman's dress have lit-
tle to talk about.If you wish to ascertain how little
faith there is in this world, hang out
a fish paint sign.The promoters of the pogo stick
ought to make monkeys out of the in-
nocent purchasers?Painting the lily may be an impos-
sibility, but painting a rosebud mouth
is an everyday fact.There is danger in having too much
gold, says the treasury controller, but
few of us need worry.Those dentists who are urging jaw
exercise evidently never attended a
state political convention.A slim-line tailored suit is one among
a variety of styles, most of which con-
flict with a slim-line purse.One of the strangest things in this
world is how eager a man is to smoke
after his last match goes out.The flappers have organized. No
doubt their motto will be, "Remember,
girls, he's somebody's brother."Another nice thing about being a
radio soloist is that you don't have to
buy a new dress for the concert.Red, green and blue sports shoes are
said to be the thing and, of course,
they will demand clothes to match.

Colors as Medicine.

The responsiveness of the physical
organism to changes of color is a be-
lief that is reflected in the customs of
many peoples. From the earliest times
it has been the practice of the Chinese
to clothe victims of smallpox in car-
mine. In Tonkin children with measles
are painted red, while in Spain the
traditional prescription for the same
malady is a red shirt and red syrup.

The Usual Whine.

After a man has made an ass of
himself and thrown away his chances
there isn't much left except the pleas-
ure of complaining that people didn't
treat him right.—Birmingham News.

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Public Forum

To the Editor:

Where Are We Drifting?

We read of agitation in certain of
the states for laws to compel the
teaching of the bible in the public
schools; in others the teaching of un-
Scriptural science is compulsory,
which will result in a sure crop of
infidels. Now, we learn that an
attempt is being made in some states
to close all private schools, and to
compel all children of the first eight
grades to attend public schools.This proposed measure is hostile
to the rights of every American
citizen, and is not in accord with the
guarantee of civil and religious
liberty vouchsafed to every individ-
ual citizen under our federal Con-
stitution.The state has a right to require
all its citizens to receive a certain
amount of intellectual training in the
fundamentals of good citizenship;
but the state does not have the right
to say where the child of a parent
shall be educated, or the precise
road that shall be followed in reach-
ing the intellectual standard set up
by the state. The state may prescribe
the certain fundamental studies, but
it cannot dictate the precise text-
books and formulas of the curricu-
lum. Likewise, the state has a
right to require a definite amount of
preparatory training on the part of
those who shall constitute the public
and private teachers of the children
in its domain. The state has the
right to test the intellect, but it does
not have the right to shape the in-
tellect without the consent of the
parent, who has the first claim upon
the child.The parent, and not the state has
a right to decide the character of
education the child is to receive—
whether it is to be partly religious,
or altogether secular.The public schools, which are un-
der the direct supervision of the
state, cannot impart spiritual or re-
ligious instruction. If, therefore, a
parent or a denomination desires to
give a child not only physical and
intellectual training, but spiritual in-
struction also, the state should wel-
come such a plan rather than deter-
it. Because, as a rule, the child
that is instructed in spiritual things
as well as secular matters, makes abetter citizen than one whose educa-
tion has been purely secular.We should not forget that our
forefathers who founded this great
Republic, and who framed for us our
constitutional laws, and gave us our
ideals of true Americanism, were all
educated in private schools. For more
than fifty years after the founding
of our Republic, we were without
any public school system, and our
government was maintained and
prospered, and all its citizens who
received any education, were trained
in private schools. This proves con-
clusively that private schools, even
without the supervision of the state,
are not detrimental to good govern-
ment, and are capable of producing
the highest and noblest type of the
patriotic citizen.However good the public school
system may be, it may attempt to
train useful and loyal citizens for
this world only. The Christian
school will do all this, and besides
give a spiritual training for citizen-
ship in the world to come.Plato said, 'A good education is
that which gives to the body and to
the soul all the perfection of which
they are capable.' If the wise par-
ent prefers to give his child this
more complete education at his own
expense, why should any one object?The growing tendency on the part
of some to obliterate freedom in the
matters of religion is greatly to be
deplored.Every American parent as such
should rise up in defense of his in-
alienable right. Every true lover
of liberty and of the ideals of true
Americanism should work earnestly,
setting before the people the prin-
ciples involved in this issue, and pre-
sent an effectual protest against the
encroachments upon the rights of
conscience and the grant of relig-
ious liberty.Unless this is done with all dili-
gence, we will awake some not far
distant day to the fact that we have
lost the dearly bought liberty of
which we have boasted, and have
drifted back to the methods em-
ployed by the Dark Ages.Very sincerely yours,
Clara R. Winterton.
Farriday, La.

Scissors and Paste

Since competition between the two
principal railroads that serve Oregon
is practically assured by the recent
dismemberment decision, let us spec-
ulate on future railroad extensions.Suppose that the Union Pacific, or
the Southern Pacific or both, should
be unduly dilatory in building the
Natron cut off. Could the inter-
state Commerce commission, under the
charged power granted by the Trans-
portation act of 1920, compel one or
the other to proceed with construction?
Of course, it would have to be
assumed that both were finan-
cially able to undertake the enter-
prise.Already the Interstate Commerce
commission has exerted the power of
restraint with respect to new railroad.
Only the other day we had a very
good instance of this. A line was
projected from Wenatchee to Ken-
necook. An investigator, detailed by
the commission, reported that neither
necessity nor convenience called for
the building of the line, and while no
formal decision has been made it is
taken for granted that the commis-
sion will kill the project with its
veto. Since it has power of negat-
ion, would it be a radical step to
give it power over construction?Until very recently railroad ex-
ecutives of two or more great sys-
tems, with the approval of their re-
spective boards of directors, were
able to reach any kind of an agree-
ment with respect to 'division of
territory'. They could and did
agree not to invade the other's own
domain. Oregon's development has
suffered for a generation by this pol-
icy but 'them days is gone forever.
Now the United States government
has, through the agency of the I. C.
C., assumed control.Oregon may expect under competi-
tion to receive what hitherto has
been regarded as railroad favors.Hereafter extensions will not be
favors, but needed service directed im-
partially for the public good by the
constituted authority. Members of
the I. C. C. will soon make a person-
al survey of the Pacific Coast. They
want to get for themselves the views
of commercial bodies, the owners of
industries, and of individual shippers
including farmers, orchardists and of
the cattlemen. Their one aim is of
adequate service and the elimination
of waste. The record of the commis-
sion proves that it shows no fav-
orism.Some way ought to be found to
impress upon the Interstate Com-
merce commission in clear and con-
cise form the views of men engaged
in material activities. The needs of
Western, Southern, Central and the
Eastern Oregon are so inter-related
that what helps one section must
will help all the others, and all of
them are bound up with the two of
the railroads which have been effec-
ted by the dismemberment decision.

Peculiar Reckoning.

When Harry de Windt visited the
Siberian Ostiaks he found that they
calculated quite long distances in
terms of kettles, an almost identical
custom at the other end of Asia. If a
journey was five kettles long an ex-
plorer found they meant that it would
take as long as it would to boil five
kettles of cold water in succession.

MICKIE SAYS

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THE STRAIN!"

Juvenile Frankness.

Among the subjects for "composi-
tions" given out in a primary school
was that of "bravery." The lad who
drew this turned in his effort in these
terms: "Some boys are brave because
they always play with little fellows,
and some boys are brave because their
legs are too short to run away, but
most boys are brave because somebody
is looking on."Twilight.
Twilight is made possible by the
earth's atmosphere and its power to
reflect the sun's rays. For a certain
time after the sun has disappeared be-
low the horizon the sun's rays pass
through the earth's atmosphere at such
an angle that the light rays are reflect-
ed and refracted.As They Heard—So They Speak.
Baby is two and a half and talking
very nicely. Mother and father
and he was immensely pleased with
himself. Swelling out his little chest,
he nodded his head several times and
remarked sagely, "I am a ——— good
boy!" Where did he get it? Is now
the question in the Brown family.

PUBLIC SCHOOL

Vote 314 x Yes

The purpose of the compulsory public school attendance bill is to insure
the instruction of all Oregon children of grammar school age in a common
language, a common history and common ideals, to the end that American
unity shall be promoted, American ideals safeguarded and American insti-
tutions perpetuated.This bill is proposed because its supporters believe that only by universal
education of our children on standard and uniform lines can these things be
achieved.This bill proposes no religious restrictions. It contemplates no limitation
of the right of the parent to teach religion to his child in his own way and
according to his own belief. It raises no issue of religious difference.This bill is purely a measure to insure that all children by attending the
public schools shall be taught alike during their grammar school years, so
that their outlook may grow to be a unified outlook for the common weal
and for their country and its institutions.To make an all-American nation we must have all-American instruction
of our children along recognized standard lines. Ignorance of American
ideals and institutions and language is the greatest menace to them, because
those who do not understand them properly do not support them.

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Many of them gave their lives that we
might enjoy freedom.In the Declaration of Independence they
recorded those truths that have so safely
guided our democracy.They have written that men are en-
dowed by their Creator with certain "unalienable"
rights, and "to secure these rights govern-
ments are instituted among men."And now these rights are attacked. The School Mo-
nopoly Bill (called on the ballot Compulsory Education
Bill) proposes that we surrender a God-given right—the
right of parental control—the right of a parent to say in
what school his or her own child shall be educated.Maintain your right to control your child through the
education you feel it is right to give it. Do not be led astray
by fine phrases. Look into this dangerous bill. You will
find the vital principle of "unalienable" rights is at stake.Vote 315X NO on the
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