

OLD MAXIM FALSE

Dr. Loveland Says All Men Are Not "Free and Equal."

Urges Importance of Education on High School Graduates.

CIVILIZATION LIKE A BICYCLE

Must Move Forward or Fall, He Says.

Sixty Boys and Girls Receive Their Diplomas.

"You boys and girls are the most expensive things we've got," said Dr. P. L. Loveland in his commencement address Friday night at the Auditorium before the 60 members of the outgoing high school class and an audience of 2,500. "One-half of our taxes go to look after you young ones. (Laughter.)"



Harold Greider, Honor Student of the High School Graduating Class.

"The question might be asked are you going to bring reasonable interest on the investment. One eastern educator said recently a large per cent of the young men who go out from the high schools and colleges are 'business mollycoddlers' and that the girls seem to care more for 'poodle dogography' than for the fundamentals of life. A distinguished business man in Chicago the other day—he is dead now—wrote a great argument against the high school and college.

"The American schools are the cornerstone of our nation that no heedless professor in the east can tear down by turning his pen into a shovel. "These young people represent the fifth generation of American democracy. Remember, young people, that the American civilization is built like the bicycle—it cannot stand, it must go or fall. States must amend their constitutions, churches must revise their creeds, else will come stagnation.

"You represent a select class. Only 2 per cent of the people of this country go through college, yet 80 per cent of the leadership of this country is through college education.

"There will be those who will say if you turn your back on the teachings of the past that you are turning your back on God—but you believe it. I am here to plead that while you may reverence the things of yesterday you must on no account be content with the accomplishments of the past.

"Don't let your life be governed by those who revel in the antique. Venerate the past but let your ideal be something better. See visions, build air castles, have no dream of human equality. You've heard on the Fourth of July that all men are created free and equal—don't you believe it. Jefferson said it was a self-evident truth. It isn't; it is a self-evident lie. What you want is an equality only of opportunity—that is what you should demand whether you be white or black.

"Then the speaker told of the greatness of the state of Kansas. In closing he said: "Go to the world, the greatest state has the greatest men and women in the world."

**Brings Large Returns, Says Starr.** The ceremonies were rendered over by Superintendent C. C. Starr. "Education has sometimes been considered as a monstee," he said, "but now it is hard to find anyone who believes that education does not bring the largest returns of any investment."

Music by the high school orchestra was the first feature of the program. The processional was played on the pipe organ by Miss Mildred Hazelrigg as the members of the class marched to the platform past rows of subalterns. The invocation was pronounced by Dr. Arthur S. Henderson of the First Congregational church, and Miss Mary Emily Daniels sang three solos that pleased. The diplomas were given out by President C. C. Nicholson of the board of education.

The honor student of the class as previously announced, Harold William Greider, son of Prof. W. H. Greider of the high school. The second honors were bestowed upon Miss Jane Kinman.

**The Graduating Class.** The following are those who were graduated: Frank William Aike, Samuel Houghton Albough, Paul William Anderson, Elsie Ella Bowles, Helen Ruth Case, Mary Cunningham, Walter William Davis, Helen Dickerson, Mary Israel Dickerson, Alice Douglas, Chas. Judson Eldridge, Harold Clay Ewers, Grace Myrtle Frantz, Olga L. W. Frantz, Margaret Elizabeth Fuller, Mil-

dred Marlon Glenn, James A. Garfield Grant, Olulu Okelian Grant, Harold William Greider (1st rank), Herbert Gold, Lida Meachen Hardy, Frank Victor Harshbarger, Helen Loraine Haskell, George L. Hell, Vivian Herron, Russell B. Hickox, George L. Hillinger, Inez May Irwin, Cecelia Mary Israel, Martha Ellen Jennings, Minnie Mayetta Jones, Elvin Everett Joss, Ruth Miller Kaster, W. Ralph Keller, Ray William Kimball, Jane Kingan (2nd rank), Helen Wilberon Koozitz, Marguerite Elizabeth Koozitz, Ernie Theodore McCord, Edward Vernon McIntosh, Maureen McKernan, John Deseroff Mahaffey, Clarence Roy Messick, George Herbert Mulford, Mabel C. Nonken, Lucile Marguerite Organ, Fannie Orena Patton, Marie Geraldine Porter, Pearl Marie Rhodes, Julien VanCleave Root, Hazel Pauline Sadiemre, Nellie Anette Southwick, Leslie Stewart, Ruth Anna Swearingen, Mary Edith Tudegraff, Ellwood Gordon Washburn, Mary Janette Weightman, Grace Wilbits, Florence Rudolph Wilson, Harold John Woodford. Boys 26, girls 34, total, 60.

SPOILS PHOENIX PLAN

Arizona Governor Will Not Join in an Inaugural Parade.

Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 10.—The devotion of Governor-elect George P. Hunt to "Jeffersonian simplicity" has caused a conflict between Arizona's first state governor and the various Phoenix committees delegated to arrange for the statehood celebration and inauguration festivities. Soon after his election Mr. Hunt announced that his inauguration would be marked by Jeffersonian simplicity—that he would walk to the capitol, take the oath of office, deliver his inaugural address and assume charge of the state government. Notwithstanding this announcement, committees were named and plans made for a big celebration. The entire city was to be gaily decorated. It was to be the biggest day Phoenix had ever had.

Then came word from Globe that the governor-elect had disapproved the program. He refused to allow the militia to parade and the various committees were in a quandary. The plans of the chairman of the parade committee were shattered because the governor refused to ride to the capitol. No one even knew if he would consent to review the parade. No one knows yet. In the absence of definite word from Washington regarding the time of issuing the state proclamation the date of the inauguration program is uncertain.

FEUD LEADER KILLED.

Son Shot Later by Sheriff Serving Warrant.

Pineville, Ky., Feb. 10.—One of the most noted feud leaders in the Big Sandy Valley, Louis Hall, who had boasted of killing 20 men, was shot and instantly killed at Shelby Gap in the Pine Mountain yesterday by Constable Johnson, and his son, Morgan Hall met the same fate a moment later with the same cool hands. People of that section fear a revival of the feud war. Johnson had a warrant for Morgan Hall, who was suspected of operating a "blind tiger" and had openly defied detectives to enter his home at the forfeit of his home. A short distance away, carrying the rifle, on the stock of which it was his boast he touched the score of his victims, Johnson at once opened fire, shooting first the father and then the son.

RULE IS NOT SAME.

One Convict Freed, Another Kept on Same Law.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 10.—Despite the fact that his partner in crime secured his freedom by the habeas corpus route, Charles Anderson, convicted of robbing a postoffice at Sellwood, Ore., in 1907, must serve his full sentence. This was the ruling of Federal Judge W. T. Newman. Anderson and Frank Wayne were convicted on three counts and given a sentence of seven years. After serving three years on a burglary count, Wayne secured his liberty on the ground that all counts were covered in the burglary charge in a federal district court in the state of Washington. In the case of Anderson, who had been transferred to the federal prison at Atlanta, Judge Newman holds that the authorities cited, which purported to sustain the Wayne release in the Washington court, are really against it.

SHE FINDS A WILL.

Hawley's Protegee Claims to Have Discovered Missing Document.

Babylon, L. I., Feb. 10.—Miss Margaret Cameron, the protegee of the late Edwin Hawley, the railroad millionaire, indicated to friends that she has found a document or will under which she becomes entitled to a share in his estate. Relatives of Mr. Hawley assert that he died intestate and have applied for letters of administration. Miss Cameron is reported to have found the document during a visit to the railroad man's country home early this week.

WASH OUT WEALTH.

Three Million Dollars is Hanging on the Line.

New York, Feb. 10.—The staff of the United States Life Insurance company has just completed a ten days' job of washing and ironing which was probably without precedent in downtown New York.

The "wash" which they hung on lines strung across the vault of a big Wall street bank and then ironed out carefully with electric irons, consisted of 3,000 pieces of paper representing more than \$3,000,000.

The securities were salvaged from the subcellar vaults of the burned Equitable building a fortnight ago. Thousands of gallons of water had filtered through them while they lay there, and the papers were soaked almost to a pulp when removed from their resting place.

"We tried to dry them with blotting paper," said Secretary Kenway of the company, "and we blotted and blotted away at the wet securities for almost a week but the moisture refused to come out. Then we ordered a dozen electric fans and a dozen electric irons. When these were sent down to our new vault, we strung ropes across the vault and hung the 3,000 bond certificates out to dry in the breeze from the fans. The securities were attached with regulation wooden clothes pins. As soon as each paper was partially dry, one of us spread it on an ironing board and carefully ironed out. About the only thing we did not use which a laundry does is bluing and starch. "The ironing of 3,000 pieces of laundry isn't easy work and we are quite proud of the result, for not one of the 3,000 bonds is in the slightest degree torn or damaged."

WANTS 400 WARRANTS

U. S. Attorney Is After the Butter and Egg Trust.

New York, Feb. 10.—John Doe proceedings that have been instituted by Assistant District Attorney Ford to ascertain whether the New York Mercantile exchange, an organization of butter and egg men, controls prices and is a conspiracy in restraint of trade are expected by the public prosecutor to show that two members of the exchange arbitrarily fixed prices for the four hundred members of the organization. The prosecutor said today that these two men each day visited several places of business of certain members of the exchange, made "real or pretended" inquiries as to the state of the egg and butter market. After this inquiry a list of prices was posted on the exchange. The prosecutor says that the exchange by this method has crushed out competition and that by the arrangement the members are able to buy eggs and butter at the lowest possible price in the "flush" season and store them and to sell them in the winter months at the highest possible price. Warrants for the four hundred members of the exchange have been asked for by Mr. Ford.

TO PAY MEN WAGES.

Governor's Plan Would Help Provide for Families.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 10.—A plan of Governor Marion E. Hay, to be submitted to the next legislature, which provides for compensating convicts of good record employed on the state highway systems, was made public here today. Governor Hay proposes to pay to the unmarried man 50 cents a day for each working day, the money to be held in trust for him until he leaves prison. For the married with one child, as proposed, 75 cents a day should be set aside, the money to be paid quarterly to the family, while a man with a larger family should be paid an increased amount in accordance to the number of children he has.

FREE LAW LECTURES.

Instruction on Agency and Carriers Every Monday Evening.

Three years ago a number of business men, most of them bank employees, prevailed upon the management of the Washburn Law school to offer a few special evening courses. These courses have proven very popular, and then three evenings a week have been devoted to business men, in classes of 25 to 30. On Monday evening courses will begin on Agency and Carriers, Agency at 6 o'clock and Carriers at 8 o'clock. In order that new men may become familiar with the class of work being done, the lectures on the first evening will be free to all. Each course consists of 18 lectures of 2 hours each, and tuition is \$5 for the entire course.

HIS STORY BELIEVED.

Youth's Tale of Being Forced Into Counterfeiting Wins Freedom.

Spokane, Wash., Feb. 10.—After giving a detailed account of how he had been enticed into a counterfeiting den in Peavole Valley by Harry Adams, now serving a term of eight years in the federal penitentiary at Fredonia, Louis Barlow was freed today by a jury in the United States court of the charge of passing counterfeit coins. Barlow said he left his home in Grand Forks, N. D., two weeks ago, and arrived in Spokane. He declared the coins he tried to pass had been given him by Adams, and that, owing to his poor eyesight, he failed to detect the fraud. Adams recently pleaded guilty and said that Barlow was a partner.

HIS AUTO KILLS HIM.

Confederate Veteran Cranks Car "On the High."

Athens, Ga., Feb. 10.—Former State Representative John G. C. Stevens, aged 75 years, wealthy planter and merchant and Confederate veteran, was killed by his own automobile in which his wife was seated near Comer, Ga. The car had been left on the high gear, and Mr. Stevens attempted to crank it. The car plunged forward, dragging him many yards. He was dead when picked up.

NO SECESSION IN MODERN WOODMEN

Charles S. Locknane, State Deputy, Says Members Satisfied When Schedule Is Explained.

SOME ARE DISGRUNTLED

Mr. Locknane Says Woodmen Rates Are Lowest Any Society in America Will Be Permitted to Do Business On.

Charles S. Locknane, state deputy of the Modern Woodmen of America, connected with the organizing department of the society for seventeen years, was seen yesterday and asked as to the reported dissatisfaction among the membership touching the recent action in raise of rates, among other things said: "The detailed tables adopted at Chicago have not yet been gotten out to our membership and very naturally our people not being informed, thereon, are guessing as to what the specific measure adopted was. We have one and one-fourth million members and to get out this printed matter and in the hands of each individual member will take a little time, but I am assured that such will be out in the next few days and I know that from the sentiment expressed by members in our camps to which such has been in detail explained, that we will not have only a satisfied but a very enthusiastic membership thereon when such is fully understood.

"The alleged organized movement reported of 'secession' is a joke. There can be no such thing as 'secession' in the M. W. A. Individual members can, if they choose, lapse from the society, but there is no state organization for 'secession.'

"At Kansas City, Kan., with a meeting advertised for a week in the public press for this purpose to which the 3,300 members of that county were invited, but one hundred and five members appeared at the meeting and but twelve of them voted for the appointment of a committee to 'investigate the feasibility of secession.' At Winfield, Kan., a disgruntled, unsuccessful candidate for society honors, and another member with a record of being expressed of an already defunct society, are sending out circulars calling upon members and camps to secede and offering to take the members into a new society without a medical examination. That action was not indorsed by the camp at Winfield and its only substantial basis is that a few disgruntled members calling themselves a 'mass meeting,' took such action. Every person at all familiar with insurance regulations of the state knows well that such offer is misleading and impossible. If any member doubts my statement, that all fraternal societies must require a medical examination of the members, he can verify such through the Attorney General's office or the office of the Superintendent of Insurance at Topeka. No member of our society should be misled by such untruthful and dastardly statements. At El Dorado seven or eight disgruntled members gathered in a little room, called themselves a 'mass convention,' in keeping with the famous action of the 'three tailors of London' who promulgated resolutions denominating themselves, 'We, the people of England,' are throwing out to the press misleading statements.

"In the Thursday State Journal appeared another 'fake' report from Kansas City, Kan., of the same character as the above. Our members should be warned against these unreliable reports that emanate from the minds of destroyers and not builders.

"The new rates of the Modern Woodmen are the lowest that any society in America can or will be allowed to do business upon.

"The fact is that twenty-four other fraternal societies have called conventions for this year to raise the rate in keeping with state legislation enacted. Fifty-one other societies have already in recent years raised their rates but nearly all of them will have to raise again.

"At Chicago the Head Camp was confronted with the disastrous experiences of other societies which procrastinated in the raising of the rates until the old age element had grown so large that they had to raise them so high that twenty-four fraternal societies in the last ten years have been compelled to go out of business. The American Legion of Honor put off re-rating until its membership of sixty years of age had to pay \$144.00 on \$1,000 per year. It left 40,000 gray haired members who had paid for twenty-five and thirty years, with worthless certificates on their hands. The Knights of Honor, a powerful organization as it has been, today is collecting \$7.00 per thousand per month from its members of sixty years of age. In some of the jurisdictions of the A. O. U. W., a rate of \$7.94 per month per thousand dollars is being required. The grand old Royal Arcanum through procrastination has a rate of \$5.36 in its laws on its members of 65 years of age. In every legislative district over our country are scores of men holding worthless policies in defunct Mutual Life companies and fraternal societies. The Modern Woodmen has seen fit while still making growth to meet this issue before it has such an old age element as to make a necessary raise of rates so high as to be prohibitive.

"Through the unparalleled record of the Modern Woodmen in securing membership of younger years in 1910, adopting 163,000 members at an average age of 29 years is an illustration. "We have but 12 per cent of our members above 50 years of age, yet one-third of our deaths last year accrued through this 12 per cent of membership. In five years we will have fully 325,000 in these higher ages. In ten years we will have over one-half million of our membership in the higher ages. In the light of the experience of other societies which put off until too late proper re-rating, it would be criminal to further lead the rank and file of our membership to go on paying for a long term of years, into an institution which could never possibly, upon our present rate pay their certificates. A 25 per cent and 33 1-3 per cent increases by fraternal societies have been the graveyard of all societies pursuing such tactics. Common honesty dictates that we find the cost, and when so found be fair with our membership in the adoption of such. Every member of our society should know that when he receives the next issue of our official paper and studies the various plans adopted that whatever plan he freely chooses for January 1, 1913, all being computed on the same adequate table that the amount promised will be paid as truly as a note of the Bank of England.

"For ten years the question of rates has been a burning issue in our society. In 1903 we went through the most extensive campaign ever known in any society in America, resulting only in a compromise measure. At the Buffalo

convention the committee on state and national legislation, composed of delegates only, brought in a report showing that sixteen states had enacted legislation and the committee gave as its judgment that an imperative necessity existed that the Modern Woodmen should raise its rates.

The 778 delegates voted unanimously that a special session be held in Chicago to consider the rate question. Our members should appreciate that rates voted for by 460 delegates elected as they were from Maine to California, must have very great merit in them. Adverse judgment, inflamed in invidious spirits and possibly agents of old line companies and unfraternal fraternal societies should be suspended until full information is obtained.

"The man who misleads and causes one of our good, old, gray haired members to drop his protection in our society through bad temper or misguiding judgment will certainly have a reckoning with his 'Satanic Majesty.'

"I wish to say in adjective, in the suprelative, and adverb in the imperative, that every society in America will have to raise its rates as high or higher than the Modern Woodmen. If any member is misled and deserts us, in years to come, as my prediction comes true, I want him to write to me and say, 'Neighbor Locknane, you told me so.'

"Keep in mind that if these rates should prove too high so as to raise more money than is needed, a provision obtains that assessments will be skipped so that nobody will pay more than is actually necessary to make sure that our certificates will be paid.

"We have until January 1 next year to study, investigate and know. Camps should pass no resolutions and individuals should take no action until full information is at hand and fully discussed. Competitors are willing to pay high to anybody who will get our members to desert us.

"Any member who wishes to continue his membership on the actual cost plan is given an opportunity to do so through one of the options known as the 'step rate plan.' This plan is similar to the plan used by the A. O. U. W. of Kansas and is very attractive to 65 years of age, and meets the approval of all people who are afraid of reserve funds and who prefer to carry their own reserve in their pockets. The 'step rate plan' advances by five-year steps, just as the Kansas A. O. U. W. does. The monthly rates, according to ages (with the exception of the addition of a slight percentage of loading on the younger ages as in other plans, with no loading on the older ages), will be as follows:

STEP RATE PLAN. 20 ..... \$0.30/40 ..... \$0.39 25 ..... .32/45 ..... .51 30 ..... .31/50 ..... .69 35 ..... .34/55 ..... .99 60 to 65 ..... 1.60

"The above table will be furnished in complete form soon.

"This option is the equivalent of any other option given the members from which to choose, and the new plan, through some one of the options, will give every present member, as well as the new ones to come, an opportunity to carry insurance according to his own fancy as to plan.

"In the confidence inspired as to solvency, I am confident that within six months we will have the most enthusiastic sentiment ever known in the history of our society; that hence forward our society will have the American field of life insurance among classes of men we have not heretofore been able to enlist with us, and that within ten years we will have more members than the three largest old line companies put together."

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