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EDITORIALS

OUR WAR SITUATION.

It does seem that some of our American citizens are trying to bring this country into war with Germany—the capitalist, the munition plants and a few shippers who are after making money regardless of the loss of life. While we know ere this time the president would have declared war if he could have done so, we hope that the better judgment of our congress will refuse to drag our country into war. Our ships and merchantmen have no business to go over into the war zone except for mercenary purposes. If we will only attend to our own business and not foreign countries, or more specifically the British Isles, we would make sufficient money and live happy and peaceable, ever looking to Jehovah as our God and not mammon. Let us first protect the lives of our American citizens at home and preserve the honor of our country from murder, lynchings and burning at the stake.

COLORED GIRL WINS FIRST PRIZE.

Buxton.—Miss Emma Smith, clerk in Monroe Mercantile company's store, won a \$60 diamond ring in a voting contest which was conducted by Misses Langlois' moving pictures at the Y. M. C. A. building. The contest was for the most popular young lady in Buxton and several contestants (white and colored) were in the field seeking to win the beautiful diamond ring. The contest was run during

several weeks, until February 23, when Miss Smith had 20,945 more votes than any of the other contestants and was awarded the well-deserved and merited prize.

INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION.

As Seen by R. H. Payne, A. M., Prof. of Manual Arts, Bartlett College, Dalton, Mo.

Education is the result of teaching, for it means to instruct, to form, to bring up; it is properly drawing out and implies the discipline of the intellect, the establishment of principles and the regulations of the heart.

A human being is not in a proper sense a human being until he is educated. What sculpture is to a block of marble education is to the human mind; if a man would know the true end of life he must be educated, because true education is the awakening of the mind for love of truth, giving a just sense of duty, opening the eyes of the mind to the great purpose and end of life.

We are to teach men because of the capacity of the human mind. How wonderful are the faculties of the human mind and what a vast storehouse of knowledge may be stored up by that power.

It has been said that the mind is a natural substance and to educate it is a delusion, and will only last in time and will go out in the high winds of eternity like the light of a candle, but we take the position of the majority of men that the mind is immortal, that spiritual essence, the chief attribute of the human soul, if not the soul itself, the scope of which is unbounded in its flights.

We teach children because of the future possibilities of the mind; the utmost possibilities of the human intellect has never yet been exhibited; the shortness of human life, and many other hindrances have prevented the possibility of testing what the human intellect under favorable circumstances might accomplish.

The philosopher, the saint, the hero often lie hidden or concealed in the bosom of your vagabond, from a common person who can tell whether lies hidden the talent of a seer which education might have disinterred and brought to light.

Industrial education is the training of the hands through the mind to what is right and best. The training that makes man happiest is the training that makes him more serviceable to others. The training of the hands to materialize our mental pictures and concepts.

Industrial education aims at the production and perpetuation of an industrious and intelligent nation, therefore industrial education should interest every good and loyal citizen.

Intelligence and efficiency are its ideals, judgment and reason furnish its unshaken base, its ends and aims are educational because it evolutionary both physical and mental capacities.

The theory has been advanced by some that children can learn for instance the manual arts at home. This is one of the greatest errors of the age and accounts for the multitude of unskilled laborers who throng our country, disorganize our unions and trouble the government.

It may be possible to teach books at home, but to acquire the mastery over the laws of mechanical processes necessitates a well equipped physical laboratory and a competent instructor, which is beyond the reach of an ordinary family.

Proper education equips the individual for the responsibilities of life; the student should come out of school able to put the combined efforts of hand, head and heart into operation. The education that fails to supply these demands is not worth while.

Another aim of manual arts is to elevate and spiritualize labor to shed new light and vigor upon the humbler walks of life. The trained hand furnishes food for the body and sustenance for the mind. The hand accomplishes physical work. The mind does the thinking and planning. We may discipline the mind without training the hand, but we cannot train the hand without involving the mind.

Manual arts is not essential only to the intellectual growth of the individual, but upon it depends the responsibility and pride of the race, because the strength and renown of every nation depends upon the genius of its inhabitants.

God requires a heart to reason, a head to contrive and a hand to execute, and without such union in the different walks of life greatness would be lost in sight, natural honor would be no more, creation would become drunken with stagnation and totter off into eternity.

Girls should learn a trade in order that when they are called upon to fill the noble calling of a wife they may not be handicapped when they enter upon their new vocation, but will be in a position to make home happy and life worth living and cleanliness, comfort and joy may abound under their roof. We take the position that the man ought to be the supporter of the family, but we do not argue that the wife ought not to know how to work, in case they set their heads together to accumulate property and money they will not get rich very soon if both work every day in the year. Again, if sickness should overtake the husband, now if the wife knows a trade she can do much towards keeping poverty away from their door.

Girls should be taught embroidery, dressmaking and millinery in the

schools, because the future success of any race belongs to the division of talent. The rising youths should be taught and learn to be artists in their respective callings.

A professional carpenter is worth as much to a race or nation as a professional doctor.

The principal purpose of teaching agriculture is not to make farmers, but because such teaching brings the schools in touch with the daily life of the community.

No complex civilization could exist without agriculture because its teachings are very essential for a higher civilization. A good farmer needs to have good business principles, executive ability, skilled hands and good judgment.

To be able to understand the reasons for farm practices requires some knowledge of the sciences, such as botany, chemistry, physics and other sciences, as well as a study of animal and plant diseases. Some years ago it was thought that anyone could farm, but could they farm scientifically? No. Because it requires as much mental alertness to be a good farmer as a good lawyer, doctor or merchant. One who does not avail himself of this knowledge is very much handicapped in this great occupation.

If a child can be taught successfully in the public schools arithmetic, history, language and other sciences he also can be taught the fundamental principles of successful farming. It is universally accepted that aptitudes are developed, tastes are acquired and life habits are formed. Therefore every child should learn to form habits of observation and master a study upon which the great laws of agriculture are based.

Many boys and girls reared on the farm do not get an education beyond the rural schools. If the truths that pertain to nature are not established in the public schools a large per cent of our boys and girls will be deficient in this great vocation.

To be abreast with the demands of the times and to be recognized as up-to-date schools we must make provisions for sending our pupils out with a knowledge that has application to everyday life. We do not expect boys to become skillful in handling tools, machinery and stock from what they learn in the common schools, but they can learn to tell why to plow deep, why to prune trees and how to feed stock.

Do not think we are trying to discourage college education. We are not, for it is of all possible advantage and is needed among us as a race. We simply hold that when back to the farm movement becomes general there will be less loafers on the streets of our cities and more homes and bank accounts will be established.

The school, which the writer represents stands out for Christian and industrial education, non-sectarian, but strictly religious.

We are not yet one dozen years old, but thus far we have overridden our sanguine expectations. This stimulates us to higher efforts.

The recent farmers' conference that we held was well attended by representative farmers throughout the state. Some very important subjects were discussed and much good was accomplished. We are not a Tuskegee or a Hampton, but we are the farm life school of Missouri and the west.

Our glee club, which is now touring Missouri towns and singing to large audiences, are lifting up a standard of music to the people.

The teachers' training course is now in full operation. We invite any teacher who wishes to get a better grade of certificate, if your school is out or when it is out, come and join us in this great training course, which will be of much help to you in your school work.

WASHINGTON, IOWA, NOTES.

Mrs. G. W. Black goes to Oskaloosa for an indefinite stay.

Ray N. R. Morgan visited relatives in Ottumwa this week.

Willis Turner was ill the fore part of the week.

Mrs. Nancy Jane Tiffin died Tuesday a. m. at her home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry Green, with whom she had been making her home since last August, a disease of a dropsical nature being the cause of her death. She had been a resident of Oskaloosa for many years, and was a member of the Wesley Chapel M. E. church of that place for 40 years. She was a woman of good Christian character and her friends were legion. The funeral was held Friday afternoon from the Henry Green home and interment in the Washington cemetery. Rev. H. C. Boyd, of Waterloo, a former pastor here, conducted the service, assisted by Rev. N. R. Morgan. The A. M. E. church choir sang her favorite songs.

A card from Howard Motts to friends here was dated butte, Mont, and said that he was railroading now and was on his way to the coast.

Mrs. Sallie Shelton is expected in the near future for a visit with relatives and friends.

SIoux CITY, IOWA.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Horace Green, 615 Sioux street, Friday Feb, 23rd, a daughter.

Mrs. Phobia Pemberton is confined to her bed with the gripe.

Mrs. Frank Thompson is confined to her bed with throat trouble.

The entertainment given by the Progressive club Thursday evening Feb. 22nd was a success; they cleared \$21.50.

The Stewards and Stewardess of Malone A. M. E. church will give a candy pulling Friday evening, March 9th.

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