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The high standing of the educational system of this state is shown in the report of the state department of public instruction. Of 511 high schools, 153 are accredited 4-year institutions, 219 non-accredited schools, 8 3-year schools, 18 2-year schools, and 4 1-year. English is the most popular study, with a total enrollment of 30,308 out of 32,244 high school students.

The republican newspapers hereabouts seem to have overlooked the statement of Chairman Murock of the progressive national committee that there are at least 2,000,000 bull moosers who will not swallow anything Penrose et al may hand out via the republican national convention; if compelled to choose between Wilson and a standpatter, he says 90 per cent will vote for Wilson.

"The business interests which usually look to the republican party to give them what they want, desire a high tariff—on dyes, for example—to protect their prices in the home market, subsidies for American shipping, and a liberal immigration law, so at the unskilled labor of Europe may come to do our unskilled tasks." This statement from the World's Work is quoted because it is authoritative diagnosis of the republican party. The leaders of this party frankly desire protection for commodities and free trade in men, high prices for consumers, low wages for working men, more wealth at the top, and less wealth at the bottom. The party has drawn to itself the men and interests who will profit by such policies. It can learn new wiles and new phrases, but it would choke on new principles. If the working men of the United States are conscious of their own interests the republican party will never win another national election.—San Francisco Bulletin.

The county commissioners have more or less trouble in handling the question of care of indigents. Many opportunities are presented to them to care for people who have close blood relatives living in the community, and the attention of the people, especially the taxpayers, should be directed to the sound provisions of the state law, as follows:

Section 8375, Remington & Ballinger's Code.

Every person who shall be unable to earn a livelihood in consequence of bodily infirmity, idiocy, lunacy, or other cause shall be supported by the father, grandfather, mother grandmother, children, grandchildren, brothers or sisters of such poor person, if they or either of them be of sufficient ability; and every person who shall fail or refuse to support his or her father, grandfather, mother, grandmother, child, grandchild, sister or brother when directed by the board of commissioners of the county where such poor persons shall be found, whether such relative reside in the county or not, shall forfeit and pay to the county, for the use of the poor of their county, the sum of thirty dollars per month, to be recovered in the name of the county commissioners for the use of the poor as aforesaid, before any justice of the peace or any court having jurisdiction, provided, that when any person becomes a pauper from intemperance or other bad conduct, he shall not be entitled to any support from any relative except parent and child.

### AT THE CAPITAL.

(By Congressman C. C. Dill.)

Take all the profit out of whatever preparedness program is decided upon by providing that the government shall build its own ships and manufacture its own munitions, is a growing sentiment

among members of both the house and the senate. The report of the Secretary of the Navy, Josephus Daniels, has given additional reasons for such a provision in the new army and navy bills.

"Experience has demonstrated," he says, "that it has been sound public policy for the government to be able to manufacture smokeless powder. A few years ago the government paid 80 cents a pound to the private company from which it purchased its supply." (The DuPont powder trust.) "At the first session of the sixty-third congress I recommended an appropriation to add to the plant at the naval proving ground, the appropriation to be large enough to enable the navy to manufacture all the powder for its ordinary needs. This year the product was nearly 4,000,000 pounds.

"Congress made the appropriation and the navy will soon be manufacturing in its own plant at Indian Head all the powder it needs at a cost of 25 cents per pound, instead of the 53 cents it had been paying to private manufacturers. The cost of manufacturing in our own plant has steadily decreased. If the 3,984,978 pounds manufactured had been purchased, it would have cost, at 53 cents per pound, \$2,112,038.34. Inasmuch as the actual cost to the navy was 25 cents, the cost was \$996,244.50, or \$1,115,793.84 less than the price charged by the private manufacturers. This saving is for one year only."

The Secretary renews his recommendation for the government armor plate factory to eliminate the private profit graft from armor contracts. "It has been demonstrated beyond controversy," says Mr. Daniels, "that the prices charged by the armor plate plants have no reference to competition and little reference to the cost of production. It is estimated that if our government should establish a plant with the capacity of 10,000 tons, armor plate could be manufactured at \$262.79 per ton, or a factory with 20,000 tons capacity at \$230 per ton. The price charged the government for the last armor plate purchased was \$435 per ton, and the price in 1913 was \$454 on contract let March 3, 1913, and \$440 per ton on contract let Nov. 17, 1913, and in 1912, \$420 per ton. This shows that a very large saving can be effected if the congress makes an appropriation in accordance with my recommendation for the erection of an armor-plate plant."

This report is one of the strongest official statements on the subject yet issued, but it is never referred to by the big army and big navy men. To many of us this indicates that they are more concerned with the profits than they are with getting a dollar's worth of preparedness for a dollar instead of 60 or 70 cents worth of preparedness for each dollar appropriated, giving 30 or 40 cents of each dollar appropriated to the armor and powder trusts.

### BUY FLOUR MILLS.

Dale Jones and D. K. Zuck, who have operated the Colville Flour Mills the past year and a half, last Saturday purchased the property from J. C. Bean of Idaho. The property is valued at \$20,000, and was built about nine years ago by the Lasswell brothers. The building is 4½ stories high and has undergone some interior improvements since Jones and Zuck have had the mill in charge. The new proprietors also added \$1,000 worth of new machinery, and the mill is now one of the best equipped and up-to-date flouring mills in the northwest.

The name of the mill has been changed to the TopNoch Flour Mills, getting the name from the TopNoch flour made at the mills.

Users of this brand of flour claim it is the best they have ever used. It is made with a mixture of hard and soft wheat, and every sack carries the guaranty of Jones and Zuck.

The TopNoch mills also manufacture another first-class brand of flour, made entirely from home-grown Blue Stem wheat. It is called Good Flour and has been very appropriately named, for patrons of the mills who have baked with it, invariably call for Good Flour when laying in their flour supply. Every sack of Good Flour carries a guaranty from the mill proprietors. Colville people are fortunate in having two brands of high grade home-made flour to choose from, for if one kind fails to please, the other one is sure to suit.

The TopNoch mills also manufacture TopNoch graham and farina cereals, made from choice Stevens county wheat, and always fresh ground on a French stone burr. The mill also does a large business of feed grinding. The high quality of the products of the TopNoch mills is proof of the ability of Mr. Jones and Mr. Zuck as millers, each having had years of experience in the work in other states before locating in Colville. The gentlemen formerly worked together for four years in Central Oregon. The mill has a capacity of 125 barrels per day and has been working steady since the new crop started Sept 1. Besides other grains, there were 26,000 bushels of Stevens county wheat brought to the mill this fall.

The volume of business done at the mill the past year was double that of the previous year. Messrs. Jones and Zuck deserve the patronage of all public-spirited citizens. Their products are first-class, and they have established a cash market for all grains grown by the farmers. Patronizing home industry is adding to home prosperity.

This mill is a substantial benefit to Stevens county. Farmers from all over the county haul their wheat and other grains to the TopNoch mills and receive cash for them. Before returning home they go on a purchasing expedition at the various stores, and thus the money is kept at home. In no better way can Stevens county realize prosperity than by patronizing home industries. Through the efforts of Mr. Jones and Mr. Zuck the farmers have come to realize the benefit of raising more grains, and last year there was three times as much acreage put to wheat as any other year in the history of Stevens county.

Judging from the conversations with many of the leading farmers of the county, this year will witness more and better fields of grains in Stevens county than ever before. The growing of grain as an industry has steadily increased, until now it is one of the chief products of the farm. All over the country more and more ground is being seeded to grain. The Blue Stem and Marquis wheat are the popular kinds in Stevens county, both being recommended by the TopNoch millers, who also recommended the Marble variety of wheat, grown the last ten years by Thos. Graham of Arden. It is thought that the acreage of wheat in this county will be twice that of last year.

### THE ESSENTIAL FACTS ABOUT AVOIDING "COLDS".

The Washington state board of health press bulletin says: "We've all got bad colds at our house" is the common expression. The reason for the "we've all" and "at our house" is because colds are infectious. It is generally conceded that colds are of bacterial origin but we don't know enough about cold bacteria as yet to make a serum treatment



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for colds or enough to make a very satisfactory vaccine to prevent them.

We do know, however, certain definite facts of considerable practical value in preventing colds. Here are the essentials. Colds frequently result where there is a deformed or diseased nose or throat or where there are adenoids. Frequently the bacteria gets a better or easier hold there than in the case of people with good noses and throats.

Living and sleeping in the fresh air increases one's resistance against colds. Taking a cold sponge bath about the neck, arms and shoulders each morning also helps immensely. Constipation is very frequently an indirect cause of colds and should be strenuously guarded against. Over eating, over heating, especially dry steam (Continued on another page.)