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VAIL SCHOOL PLAN RAISES SERIOUS PROBLEM

Lyndonville Reader Puts Pointed Question to State Board of Education

To the Editor of the Caledonian-Record:—
May I express through the columns of your paper the sentiments of the people who are interested in agricultural education in answer to the item published in your paper of August 27th, "Vail School May go to the Institute?"

This article has been read with much care and special note made of the men who were invited by the Board of Education to advise with them concerning the matter—and wonder how many of these gentlemen have sons who are interested in agricultural education.

Do not lose sight of the fact that the Vail Agricultural School was established by Mr. Theodore N. Vail and given to the state of Vermont with a view to doing the most good to the greatest number of Vermont boys. Most of those boys are not able to avail themselves of a higher education through schools, and every boy who is a graduate of this school is today in a good paying position and useful in the world, feeling that he owes much to the Vail Agricultural School.

Of necessity, owing to the war, the school has been small in numbers for the past few years, and for that reason it has been expensive to maintain. This year, however, the enrollment bids fair to be large. Forty boys have not yet finished their course, and there are inquiries and applications from 60-75 more boys. The school could easily number from 85 to 100 boys this year. Are they worth looking after?

How about Young America being the "Hope of the World" if the Boards of Education of every State treat their Agricultural Schools in this manner?

If a man as far seen and wise as the late Mr. Vail saw in such an institution wonderful possibilities, and the State of Vermont realized them six years ago in accepting Mr. Vail's gift, are the people of Vermont going to let this institution slip out of their hands?

"Does it pay?" we are asked. How? If you mean does it bring a revenue into the State? No. Does any school? But how about a revenue any school? But how about the boys of tomorrow if the men of today refuse to consider the schools from an educational standpoint rather than a financial. What about the 40 boys who haven't finished their course? Is the agricultural education of forty of Vermont's young men worth considering, not to mention many more who are seeking admission?

It is true that the financial needs of the school are great. It needs a new dormitory first of all, but would it cost any more to build one here than at Randolph?

Let us hope that the people of Vermont will awake to their opportunities here and their responsibilities before it is too late.

An Interested Citizen.
Proper thing now for candidates to travel like ordinary passengers, instead of having special trains. They should remove their coats and collars so no one can say they are proud.

CAMPING OUT IN THE WILDS OF YELLOWSTONE PARK

Supt. A. H. Dinsmore Writes of His Experiences in Our National Reserve

My dear Mr. Editor Smith:

From time to time as I paw over the miscellaneous effects in my saddle bags, consisting of fishing tackle, mps, field glasses, strings, shaving outfit and various other things too numerous to mention I come upon a bundle of yellow envelopes with "The Caledonian" in big black letters on them and am reminded of a promise made as I was leaving St. Johnsbury Up to now, the days have been too full of action to think of its fulfillment but tonight I find myself back at Mammoth Springs, close to the north entrance of the Park, and a few minutes on my hands after a busy day, when I can compose myself.

As I look back upon the two weeks spent in the Park I can hardly see where the time has slipped to, yet much has been done. On the roads we have covered all the belt line, but one short strip of uninteresting timber, to which is added the road from the South entrance up Snake river to Yellowstone Lake. But this was only incidental to our pack train trip in the wilds. And "wilds" is right, for we were three days in a country entirely without trails, in which we saw no "sign" of man, ancient or modern.

Following my arrival, several days were spent in organizing the pack train, purchasing supplies and getting them to points where they can be picked up as they are needed from time to time, obviating the necessity of a few horses and lightening the work of loading and unloading as moves are made.

Howard Eaton, of "Dude Ranch" fame had just gone in, picking up all the saddles in the country for his 50 "dudes." So I had to hire one horse at Gardiner to complete our complement of riding saddles, and as the pack team was already at Lone Star Geyser, 50 miles south in the Park I undertook to take him out. This was rash and I have paid the penalty, believe me.

The Park roads are as familiar to me as the drive from St. Johnsbury to the hatchery, almost. I left Mammoth Springs at 2 p. m., and made the first 20 miles at a round trot in three hours and five minutes, not bad for a tenderfoot who hadn't been in the saddle for a year. Next morning, to avoid traffic, I fed my horse at 5 a. m., and took the road for the remaining 30 miles at 4 o'clock. But somehow I found it undesirable, for various reasons generally distributed from the top of my head to my shoe taps, to hit so brisk a pace and it was about 10 a. m., when I painfully pulled myself from the saddle at the Ranger Station at the Upper Geyser Basin. That evening we went into camp 5 miles beyond and early next morning began our wilderness journey. Six to ten hours in the saddle since then he gradually worked the severity out until I am now in condition so I can take advantage of all the tricks known to a road range rider and get mile after mile with comfort both to man and beast.

Our outfit consists of 16 horses, 10 packs and six saddle horses. As packer and horse wrangler we are fortunate in having Horace "The Indian," a man who lived his boyhood

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Morgan Horses Arrive at Japan

The Morgan Horse Club of New York have received word of the safe arrival in Japan of the dozen Vermont Morgans which Issa Tanimura, the commissioner of agriculture, recently purchased in a tour of the New England with members of the Morgan Horse Club. In the lot was the blooded Morgan mare Hazella which the Japanese commissioner purchased of Elmer A. Darling of East Burke. Mr. Tanimura writes from Yokohama as follows:

"All the horses, including little ones, arrived here safely. Ajax and Hazella were taken already to the Imperial palace by one of the staff of the Imperial household, and the remaining horses are to be kept in the harbor for one week as a regular quarantine."

FLAG RAISING AND SPEAKING SATURDAY, SEPT. 11

W. A. Ricker Has Invited Congressional Candidates to Speak Here

W. A. Ricker, chairman of the republican town committee, has invited the three candidates for Congress on the republican ticket, Congressman Porter H. Dale of Island Pond, Capt. E. W. Gibson of Brattleboro and John W. Gordon of Barre, to a joint debate in St. Johnsbury on the evening of Saturday, Sept. 11. On this occasion three of the republican candidates for governor will discuss state issues, and anticipating a favorable reply from the Congressional candidates Mr. Ricker has engaged both the Colonial Theater and the Armory for that evening. St. Johnsbury's two bands will furnish music and there will be flag raisings on both Main street and Railroad street. Mr. Ricker proposes to open up the campaign with a star attraction and the event is anticipated with great interest by the citizens generally.

Girls' Community League Activities

Miss Dinsmore and the Good Time Club had a jolly time playing Wednesday on the Club House Lawn. A dozen little girls were present.

Miss Marion Briggs of Volunton, Ct., a teacher in the New England Peabody Home for crippled children, told the Square Circle about her work at the meeting on Tuesday.

Josephine Mitchell was hostess at the Square Circle party Thursday night. Under her able leadership the girls had a lovely time with games and dances. Miss Dinsmore taught the Circle "Pop Goes the Weasel" and "Ace of Diamonds," a Danish folk dance.

Training Schools at Johnson and Castleton

At a meeting of the State Board of Education at Lake Willoughby, it was voted to approve the establishment of union teacher-training classes at Johnson and Castleton.

Final arrangements have been made with the local school boards, and these classes will be opened early in September. It is the intention of the State board to utilize, in connection with these training classes, the fine equipment of the normal schools in each of the towns where they are to be located. Each class will fill an urgent need for teacher-training in a territory unserved by any other institution of this kind.

It is hoped that, on account of the present scarcity of teachers in this state, and the unusually high salaries which the profession now commands, girls who have completed at least three years of high school will be eager to avail themselves of the opportunity offered by these training classes.

GEORGE C. CARY GIVES \$100 FOR MEMORIAL TABLET

Name of Every World War Veteran to Be Placed On Tablet

A splendid contribution for the memorial to the soldiers which the W. R. Knapp Post of the American Legion is raising, was received Wednesday morning when George C. Cary dropped into the Caledonian-Record office and left a subscription of \$100 towards the proposed tablet. Mr. Cary said he wanted to do something towards such a worthy cause and filled out the blank which has been appearing in the Caledonian-Record and left it on the editor's desk. This is the largest contribution yet received, but no matter what the size of your gift may be don't fail to have a share in memorializing the St. Johnsbury soldiers in the great war.

Only a short time before R. C. Kelsey dropped into the office and handed out a dollar bill. He said he was glad to give to the fund to memorialize the names of the boys who served in the World War.

The fund has now reached \$126.50. Are you satisfied not to be among the contributors? The memorial tablet will cost close to \$1500.

The object of the memorial tablet to be erected in some public park in St. Johnsbury is to record the names of every St. Johnsbury man and woman who served in the World War in any of the Allied armies. No names will be overlooked. They will be placed in bronze on a monument of Barre granite. It will be a memorial that everyone will be proud to look upon. Send in your subscription to the Caledonian-Record today. This newspaper in addition to giving its space freely to raise this fund has made an individual subscription of \$25.00. No subscription is too large and none too small to be recorded in this patriotic service to our World War veterans.

The contributions to date in the order of receipt are:
Caledonian-Record \$ 25.00
R. C. Kelsey 1.00
George C. Cary 100.00
H. Gordon Smith .25
Laura H. Stone .25

Congressman Dale on P. O. Dept. Ruling

Congressman Porter H. Dale has stated that the ruling of the post office department that an employe must retire at 65 is contrary to the intent of the law which would provide that such a step was optional.

By this ruling St. Johnsbury recently lost its veteran carrier when Harry A. Holder was retired and placed on the department's pension list. Mr. Holder's satisfied patrons wanted to keep him in the service and signed a petition to that effect. Mr. Holder wanted to remain longer, but all efforts of Postmaster Gleason to keep him were unavailing by the ruling that retired veteran postal employes all over the United States.

Population of Orange and Essex Counties

The census of Orange county is 17,279, a decrease of 1,424 or 7.6 per cent.

The population of Essex county is 7,364, a loss of 20 compared with the 1910 census.

In 1900 the population of Essex county was 8,056. The population of Brighton is 2,250, an increase of 267 over 1910 census; Concord, 1,102, an increase of 22; Lunenburg, 1,048, an increase of 168. The population of Island Pond village is 1,837, and Concord village, 360. The six towns showing increases are: Brighton, Brunswick, Canaan, Concord, Lemington and Lunenburg. Fourteen towns showed decreases.

Vermont Red Men Elect Their Officers

At the final gathering of the various tribes of Red Men of Vermont at Brattleboro Friday a Past Great Sachem jewel was presented to N. A. Norton of Lyndonville, Grand Sachem, and Mr. Norton was one of the speakers of the evening.

Fred J. Clark of Brattleboro was elected great sachem; Ira E. Wright of Barre, great senior sagamore; John O. Tucker of Brattleboro, great junior sagamore; Mr. Norton, great prophet; Mr. Rock, great chief of records; Frank R. Dawley of Montpelier, great keeper of wampum; U. S. Grant of Lyndonville, great sun; H. L. Clark of Brattleboro, great mishewina; William F. Walker of Barre, great guardian of wigwag; and J. W. McLaughlin of Beecher Falls, great guardian of forest.

PLANNING FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Committees Appointed for Gathering at St. Johnsbury October 1-3

Representatives of the St. Johnsbury Sunday schools met at Grace Methodist church Monday evening to make plans for the State Sunday School convention to be held in St. Johnsbury, Oct. 1-3. State Secretary Robbins of Burlington was present and assured those present that it would be one of the largest and best conventions ever held in the state. Mr. Robbins estimated that the attendance of delegates would range between 500 and 600.

Fred R. Clifford was elected chairman of the general committee with Alvin C. Noyes treasurer. The chairman of the other committees are as follows: Arthur F. Stone, Mrs. Henry H. Eldridge, Miss Helen C. Stevens, Mrs. Arthur R. Brooks, J. H. Brooks, Miss Alice B. Warden, E. C. Smith, Vernon Tiechurst and Rev. A. S. Woodworth.

Following are the committees: Registration: Mrs. Henry H. Eldridge, Miss Alice E. Hall, Miss Lillian Pearl, Miss Alice Clark, Miss Annie Daniels and Miss Laura Jenness.

Entertainment: Miss Helen Stevens, Mrs. Wm. McFarland, Miss Maud Sprague, Mrs. H. A. Lougee, Mrs. Fred Bundy, Mrs. G. F. Chamberlain, and Mrs. Carl Morris.

Catering: Mrs. Arthur R. Brooks, Mrs. George Wright, Mrs. Fred Clifford, Mrs. H. A. Power, and Mrs. C. P. French.

Reception: Jonas Loomis, Chas. W. Steele, F. B. Jacques, Chas. Wright, Edgar R. Brown and the Boy Scouts. House Committee: Miss Alice Warden, chairman, other members to be appointed.

Decorating: E. C. Smith, O. A. Ulrich, Miss Jennie McDonald, and Miss Mabel Shields.

Ushering: Vernon Tiechurst, chairman, other members to be appointed. Music: Rev. A. S. Woodworth.

The general committee was empowered to fill any vacancies which might occur in the above committees.

Woman Killed by H. W. Varnum's Car

H. W. Varnum of Jeffersonville, in trying to dodge three boys on bicycles, ran his automobile against a telephone pole near the Duxbury-Waterbury bridge Friday night and fatally injured Mrs. Mark Eastman aged 46. She was standing behind the post and he did not see her until he got out of his car to view the damage and found her lying partly under the car. She died an hour later.

THREE CANDIDATES FOR ST. J. TOWN REPRESENTATIVE

The Contestants Will Try It Out at the Primaries On Tuesday, Sept. 14

There was filed with the town clerk in St. Johnsbury Tuesday the petitions of three candidates for town representative: William F. Richardson and Gilbert E. Woods on the republican ticket, and Charles N. Whitney on the democratic ticket.

Mr. Richardson is employed at the scale works and came here from Westmore, his parents being the proprietors of the famous Richardson house at the southern end of Willoughby lake.

Mr. Woods is the assistant treasurer of the Citizens Savings Bank and Trust Company and one of St. Johnsbury's leading financiers.

Mr. Whitney is a farmer who has a wide acquaintance and represented St. Johnsbury in the legislature of 1917. He served eight years as lister and was the party's candidate for one of its State senators.

Harry A. Black, secretary of state, is writing the town clerks of the state explaining the laws relative to the coming primary election and in which he explains why the town clerks shall place the names of women on the check list and why they shall have the right to vote as shown after a careful consideration of the subject and in view of the fact that there will not be a special session of legislature to clear up some of the questions. Mr. Black will mail the letters Wednesday to the clerks.

Earl W. Brailey Married at South Royalton

Earl W. Brailey of Pittsford, formerly principal of the Concord High school, was married at South Royalton on Aug. 14 to Miss Dorothy Nash of that village. Two clergymen participated in the ceremony and the double ring service was used. About 60 of the friends and relatives were present at the wedding which occurred in the afternoon at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Brailey will make their future home in Pittsford where he is principal of the Junior High school.

The groom is a graduate of the U. V. M. in the class of 1914 and has been principal both at Concord and Essex. The bride is a Middlebury college graduate of the class of 1919 and the past year has been teacher of home economics at the Essex high school.

VERMONT WOMEN ENTITLED TO VOTE SAYS ATTY. GEN.

Poll Tax Not Necessary for State and National Voting

The women of Vermont can vote at the state primaries. September 14 when a candidate for governor and other state officers will be nominated and at the general election in November by getting their names on the check lists and without the payment of a poll or any other kind of a tax declares Attorney General Frank C. Archibald.

The attorney general says that the proclamation of the equal suffrage amendment to the United States constitution by Secretary of State Colby automatically makes women voters and declares that no addition of legislation is needed in Vermont to assume their newly granted right.

Mr. Archibald continued that there was no longer any distinction between men and women so far as political rights are concerned and that the constitution being the supreme law of the land, all state statutes which are based on such a distinction are swept aside and men and women stand on an absolute equality. What the statutes require of men in the way of qualification is now required of women, no more and no less.

More Licenses Removed By Secretary Black

Another lot of automobile license have been taken away by Secretary of State Black. These included H. W. Varnum, suspended indefinitely because of a fatal accident; Frank J. Gibney, North Troy, for alleged operating a car when intoxicated; Robert E. May, St. Johnsbury, revoke for conviction of being intoxicated while operating a car.

Secretary of State Black has cancelled the license of Arthur V. Schoppe of St. Johnsbury for having been charged with operating a machine while intoxicated. Neil E. Welton of Burke has also had his license revoked for reckless driving.

The reports of accidents to Secretary Black for the season have exceeded 1,000 and in the list reported to Montpelier Friday we saw Ed I. M. Locke of East St. Johnsbury who reported that David Rivera's car was being operated without a right and that his machine ran in

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