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Indiana's Educational Campaign

The educational campaign which is to be waged in Hoosierdom for ten days, beginning Nov. 7, is not for the purpose of raising money or raising salaries, but for the purpose of acquainting the people of Indiana with the plan necessary to improve the efficiency of the school system.

The citizens of Indiana have been proud of their school system for many years, but disclosures show that our pride is not based on facts. The Russell Sage Foundation, which has made a scientific investigation of the efficiency of the systems of education in all the states and territories of the United States, covering a period beginning with 1910, places our state seventeenth among the American commonwealths.

The rank is not a flattering one. It emphatically destroys any claims we may have made in the past to educational supremacy. It proves without shadow of doubt that the boys and girls of this state are not receiving the preparation for life to which they are entitled. It urges us to study our educational system with the object of improving it.

The educational campaign should be a salutary one. Indiana must rank among the highest for its interest in education. The public dares not neglect the schooling of its youth, for in them lies the hope of the future.

The years a boy or girl spends in school cannot be recalled. If the educational system is unable to offer the boys and girls adequate schooling, to hire capable instructors, to equip properly its schoolrooms, to erect new buildings, to adopt new methods and to apply new theories, the state is recreant to a high duty and its citizens liable to the severest criticism.

Our educational system must be maintained at the highest point of efficiency. There may be other pressing demands on the public funds, but paramount to all financial requirements and

more important than all other considerations is the improvement of the schools. If Indiana has been negligent, the time is here when action must supplant sloth and indifference.

First Voters

Fifty per cent, perhaps more, of the voters who go to the polls next month will cast their ballots for the first time. Women, and young men who have just attained their majority, are in this class.

Both parties know that the first voters need instruction as to the proper method of voting so that the ballot actually will record the choice of the elector and that it will not be mutilated so that it will be thrown out when the count is made.

For that reason they are launching a campaign of instruction. First voters will find it decidedly to their advantage to watch the newspapers carefully until election day for advice as to the proper method of handling the ballot. If a voter is unable to mark his ballot intelligently and to observe the regulations that are prescribed, he will invalidate it by his own action.

Three weeks will elapse before election day, but all voters, young and old, should remember that if 23,547 electors go to the polls they will tax the accommodations to the limit. Hitherto a large number have waited until shortly before the closing of the polls, causing congestion and some confusion.

Vote early at the forthcoming election. Vote before noon if you can. Avoid the rush. If you are not in the voting room when the hour of six strikes, your vote is lost. Your position outside the door at this hour will not entitle you to enter. Only a certain number of voters are admitted into the room at the same time. The law is strict on this point.

One of the election commissioners, who has had years of experience in election affairs, said recently:

"There is no question that if voters delay their voting there will be many who will be shut out of the polls at the last minute."

There will be the same number of voting places as at former elections, but the number of voters in each precinct virtually has been doubled, suggesting emphatically that some will be shut out of the polls if they wait until the last minute to cast their ballots.

Vote early to be sure that you will be able to cast your ballot.

Answers to Questions

SUBSCRIBER—Will you kindly publish the following questions and answers in your paper? Did the Republicans gain control of the senate and house when President Wilson was elected the second time? (2) What date did the senate and house convene which gave the Republicans control? (3) Did President Wilson make public appeal for support of Democratic candidates to congress on account of their being the ones who would support him when he ran for office second time? — Did not gain control until 1918. November 8th elections resulted in Republican majority in house of representatives and senate. (2) Terms of members began March 4, 1919; special session began May 19, 1919; regular session began December 1, 1919. (3) October 24, 1918, President Wilson issued an appeal to the people to return a Democratic congress, saying election of a Republican congress would be taken abroad by Germany and allies alike as repudiation of his leadership and policies.

R. B. J.—What is the greatest depth of the Great Lakes? — Lake Superior has the greatest depth. The Geological Survey reports a depth of 1,012 feet.

Readers may obtain answers to questions by writing the Palladium Questions and Answers department. All questions should be written plainly and briefly. Answers will be given briefly.

Prominent Educators

Scheduled to Address Parent-Teacher Conclave

(By Associated Press)

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 14.—School problems will be discussed by a number of speakers at the annual state convention of the Indiana Parent-Teacher association which will be held here Oct. 21, 22 and 23 at the Y. W. O. A. The program includes addresses by speakers who are prominent nationally in educational activities.

A list of the speakers and their subjects follow: Mrs. B. F. Langworthy, Chicago, "High School Problems"; Mrs. Lewis Fetherston, Chicago, "Health and Malnutrition"; Mrs. Albion Fellows Bacon, President of the Indiana Child Welfare Association, "Needed Child Welfare Legislation"; Dr. Valeria Parker, Hartford, Conn., "Womanhood"; Prof. Mary L. Matthews, Purdue University, "Dress"; Rev. F. S. C. Wicks, Indianapolis, "Social Life"; Mrs. David Ross, Indianapolis, "Better Films"; Prof. A. E. Albers, executive secretary of the Indiana Sunday School Association, "The Religious Training of the Child"; Prof. Donald DuShane, Columbus, Ind., "School Attendance"; Mrs. Richard Lieber, Indianapolis, "Juvenile Court Work"; Amos Butler, Indianapolis, "Our State Wards"; Elizabeth Hester, Indianapolis, "Is Instruct A Safe Guide for Parents?"; Prof. J. I. Pettigohn, Indiana University, "Community Building"; Prof. L. N. Hines, state superintendent of public instruction, "The Teacher and the Community"; R. E. Cavanaugh, Indianapolis, "The School A Social Agency"; Dr. Edna Edmondson, executive secretary, "The Field of the Parent-Teacher Association."

The program of addresses will be interspersed with business sessions.

League of Nations Asks Vilna Report

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Oct. 14.—The League of Nations has sent a telegram to Col. Chardigny, at Kovno, who is in charge of the league of nations commission here, asking him to report fully on the Vilna situation and as to what treatment the members of the commission have been given and assuring him of their support of the league.

The Poles unofficially have been informed that the league considers the Vilna situation extremely grave and a violation of former Premier Paderewski's statement at the Paris meeting of the league council that the integrity of Lithuania would be respected. The case will be considered at the Brussels meeting of the council Oct. 20.

MRS. WILLIAM B. WILSON DIES WEDNESDAY MORNING

ELMIRA, N. Y., Oct. 14.—Mrs. William B. Wilson wife of the secretary of labor, died at 2 o'clock Wednesday morning in Washington, D. C. She was born in Blossburg, Pa., and the body is to be brought to that place for burial Sunday.

NOTICE

Special meeting of all working men at Odd Fellows' hall Thursday night, 7:30 p. m. This meeting is open to everyone.

Central Labor Council Committee

Masonic Calendar

Thursday, Oct. 14.—Wayne Council, No. 10, R. and S. M. Special assembly, work in the Royal and Select Masters Degrees. Refreshments.

Saturday, Oct. 16.—Loyal Chapter, No. 49, O. E. S. State meeting and initiation of candidates.

Five Minutes with Our Presidents

By JAMES MORGAN



1880—June 7, James A. Garfield, nominated for president by Republican convention at Chicago. November, elected president.

Garfield is the only president who was present at his own nomination. The presidential lightning struck him as he sat in his seat in that most extraordinary and exciting national convention which met at Chicago in 1880.

After many great wars in history, partisan bands have kept up the strife for years in the form of brigandage, asserting the right to "live off the country" which they had fought to save. In our unimpaired but very political country, these bands after the Civil war went into politics instead of taking to the saddle and the highway, and they thrived on the spoils of office and in legislative jobbery. Clans or factions, springing up in many Northern states to battle for the control of the patronage and the special favors of legislation, devotedly followed such chieftains as Blaine of Maine, Conkling of New York, the Camerons of Pennsylvania, Zach Chandler of Michigan, Logan of Illinois and Morton of Indiana.

Although the Hayes administration had marked the end of that epoch the clansmen refused to disband and made their last stand in the Republican national convention of 1880. All the "Stalwart" clans, believing with a St. Louis editor that there was "one more president in the bloody shirt," seized upon the great name of Grant, and under the banner of the "Hero of Appomattox" they rallied against the "Half Breeds" who followed "the Plumed Knight," James G. Blaine of Maine. It was a wonderful battle, but its true object on both sides was given away by Delegate Elihu of Texas, when he blurted out in open convention, "What are we here for, if not the offices?"

The rival champions in that remarkable tournament at Chicago were Roscoe Conkling, chieftain of the "Stalwarts," and James A. Garfield, Ohio, the spokesman of the "Half Breeds," although he was restrained from directly supporting Blaine by the instructions of his state in favor of the nomination of John Sherman. Conkling, a handsome fop, carefully studied the right moment to make his theatrical entry upon the stage the first day, drawing the applause as he advanced down the aisle with his "grandiloquent swell, his majestic supercilious, overpowering, turkey gobbler strut," which Blaine had held up to the laughter of congress years before in a never-to-be-forgotten speech. The next day Garfield took his re-

the hall into a wilder crowd in the street. There he rumbled the agitated candidate into a public back, the top of which was frantically torn away before the driver could whip his horses out of the mass of yelling curious people who never before had seen a man struck by presidential lightning. The Garfield campaign opened badly. The "Stalwarts" sulked in their tents and the effort to "fire the Northern heart" with the old war cries against the South had been made difficult by President Hayes' policy of reconciliation.

The Democrats had been carrying the country at every election for six years, and the September election in Maine foreshadowed another victory for them in the national election in November. But the bankers—"Wall Street" took alarm because the Democrats had won in Maine by a coalition with the Greenbackers, and they aroused the business interests to take a hand in the campaign. These powerful forces brought the "Stalwarts" and the "Half Breeds" together and induced Conkling, Grant and the disaffected leaders to go to the rescue of Garfield.

The office-holders also were warned of their peril of being turned out, and the assessments on them helped to swell the biggest campaign fund in history up to that time. Garfield himself anxiously inquired of the chief collector at Washington, "How are the departments doing?"

It was the first of our national campaigns in which money talked out loud. The tide was turned in the October election in Indiana, as Chester A. Arthur frankly chuckled, "by a great deal of"—here the vice president-elect paused, silently washing his hands in invisible soap, and then he ironically added, "... tracts and political documents."

A more worthy aid to victory was supplied by Gen. Garfield. His managers adopting the "front porch" method of campaigning, shipped crowds to his simple village home at Mentor, near Cleveland, where his daily chats, graceful and tactful, delighted his listeners and won the admiration of the reading public.

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Today's Talk

By George Matthew Adams

THE ART IN YOUR HEART

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For art is the expression of the delicate and beautiful. Though in all art there is an inexpressible depth of power.

We see the art of the world with our eyes, we appreciate it with our minds—but we feel it in our hearts. It is the art in your heart which counts most of all.

Kindness, gentleness and courtesy are all arts and a very important phase of art in general. When people carry lovelessness in their hearts, they express it in whatever they do, whether that expression is in the shape of a painting, a bit of bronze, or some fine act.

There are artists beside those who paint with brushes and those who have the ability to thrill great crowds with the tones of their fingered skill.

The greatest artist of all is he who in his heart is an artist. And only those with art in their own hearts are able to appreciate fully the art in another's heart. Art is co-operative. It is democratic. It is sublime!

It is the art in your heart which makes you want to be useful and happy and to go on from the best you have or hope to have. There is nothing selfish about art.

Love is the essence of art. No artist ever could be great without it, any more than he could become great without heart.

If your heart is rich in art, and in the appreciation of everything that it contributes, then you may rest assured that there can be no finer success or better happiness than this.

It's the art in folk's heart that makes them smile!

Good Evening

By Roy K. Moulton

RINGIN' THE DUMB-BELLS.

The man that wears white socks and takes a handful of toothpicks in the restaurant, is the fellow that refuses to move back in the elevator.

Rippling Rhymes

By WALT MASON

YEARS AND WISDOM

I've lived about a hundred years, and as I lived I looked around; and in the course of time, my dears, some chunks of wisdom I have found. I've found that kindness always pays; it smoothes the path we have to tread, and takes much anguish from our days, and hurls us when we go to bed. Speak kindly of the man next door; he'll hear the unkind things you've said, and they make make his spirit sore, so he will come and punch your head. Speak kindly of the grocer's clerk, who stung you when you bought some rice; he's weary by his grinding work, and so got balled up on the price. Speak kindly of all men who pass; they need kind words to make them glad; they're trying hard to cut their grass, and hands are tired and hearts are sad. My life has been a joyride great, because I hate no man on earth, and in the cheapest kind of skate I try to find some signs of worth. I have about a million friends, who smile upon me when we meet, and when my little journey ends, my funeral will be a treat. The boys will boost me on that day, not for the silly rhymes I grind, nor for my wealth of fragrant hay, but for the fact that I was kind.

Memories of Old Days

In This Paper Ten Years Ago Today

Six thousand people packed the coliseum, and fully three thousand outside the building could not gain admittance, expecting to hear Theodore Roosevelt, but because of railway blunders he did not arrive in time. Senator Albert J. Beveridge addressed the crowded house.

When we owe him any money he is on our neck like a New Jersey mosquito, and we have as much of a chance to get away with anything as the night watchman has in a tombstone works.

"I have little or nothing to wear to the party," said the woman who exaggerates.

"I don't know whether to sympathize or congratulate you," rejoined Miss Cayenne. "You must be one of two cases: The depth of poverty or the height of fashion."

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The new styles may make the women look shorter, but they make the men look longer.

The only time there will be a noticeable drop in good prices is when the bill of fare happens to fall out of your hand.

The shoe salesman will always be able to sell you something that has a kick in it.

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