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The School Picnic

Forty-five hundred school children, ranging in ages from the pupils of the kindergarten to the seniors of the high school, marching to Glen Miller park on June 15, will be a stirring sight.

For the first time in the city's history, its future citizens will pass in review before their parents and the citizenship. The parade will have dramatic features.

The mobilization of the boys and girls by schools, swinging along Main street, buoyant and happy, with an undimmed and unclouded future before them, care-free and unworried by the problems of adult life, will recall to many a man and woman the days of yesteryear and the season of life that is irrevocably beyond recall.

Who of us would not wish that he were numbered with the youthful paraders, with life still an untraveled road before him, with another chance to start afresh, with another opportunity to avoid mistakes and errors?

What mother's heart, seeing her son or daughter marching with thousands of other boys and girls, will not glory in her priceless possession and consider herself blessed to be numbered with the mothers of Richmond?

What father's interest in a stalwart son or gracious daughter will not swell in pardonable pride as he beholds that youthful host march by, clean of heart, and strong of limb?

And what citizen, with heart responsive to the call of childhood, will not offer a benediction upon the boys and girls who soon will be listed in the citizenship of the city?

Surely the whole city will watch that parade with more genuine interest and heartfelt concern than any pageant that has ever moved over our thoroughfares. It will evoke sentiments that never before have been felt in the hearts of the crowds that have lined Main street.

Rippling Rhymes

By WALT MASON

LONG AGO

When I was young the women wore great spreading gowns that swept the floor and gathered dirt and leaves; that raiment of a bygone day is out of date and done away, and how my spirit grieves! The sidewalks now are just a sight, with rubbish lying left and right, an eyesore and a crime; the women's dresses do not sweep the refuse and the garbage heap as in the saintly time. When I was young a damsel wept if peradventure, when she slept, her ankles she displayed; she knew the gossips all would hoot and give to her a wide repute as bold and naughty maid. And now such modesty is lost; the old ideas are a frost, a rookback and a jest; the well turned ankle is a sight that gives artistic souls delight, and soothes the savage breast. When I was young the woman laced until she had an insect's waist, a fragile thing to view; you think that if a zephyr came and caught her fairly on the frame, she'd surely break in two. And now the ladies in our grad have waists like Mrs. Venus had, an awful, more or less; and I am told, they do not feel the armor plate of bone and steel that used to cause distress. And so, although we yip and bray about the fashions of the day, and say they make us sore, although the modern styles we curse, it may be that old things were worse than those we now deplore.

Good Evening

CONFESSIONS OF A CYNIC.

I don't believe that all politicians are dishonest nor that all dishonest men are politicians.
I don't believe all I see in the newspapers, and I don't believe all that I see elsewhere.
I believe that some things are coming down—elevators, for instance.
I will walk around the block any time to escape meeting a man who wears perfume.
I have nothing in my cellar and, in that way, I escape many evening visits from tiresome neighbors.
I don't believe in taking old-fashioned remedies—until I get sick.
Missouri telephone subscribers are allowed by a court to use one cuss word when they don't get the right number. Any man who can express what he thinks of the telephone service in one cuss word is too smart to try to use the thing at all.
Report says short skirts offer a great temptation to the mosquitoes, but we believe the mosquitoes would have a tough time with some of the shins we have noted in the street cars.
AND STILL THEY COME.
More answers to Edison's questions:
Q. What is felt? A. Payment of income taxes.
Q. What star is it that has been recently measured and found to be of enormous size? A. Fatty Arbuckle.
Q. Who wrote "Home, Sweet Home"? A. Volstead.
Q. Who invented the cotton gin? A. Gordon.
Q. What is the lightest wood? A. The kind used for matches.
Q. What is shellac? A. Another name for hooch.
Q. To what is the change of seasons due? A. The underwear manufacturers' advertisements.
Q. What is cake? A. A substitute for beverages once used in this country.
The counter revolutionary forces in Russia have taken Omsk and Tomsk. After they capture Bombosk it will be all over.
Persian women are not permitted to wear hats.

visualize the Richmond school system could have aroused the interest which the execution of this spontaneous idea to conduct an outing for the school children will create all over the city. Its effect will be seen in a stimulated interest of the parents in the institution in which their children are being prepared for life.

Many a parents will see that the school system is not something in which he has no concern, a piece of machinery which takes the child in the kindergarten and progressively advances it to graduation from high school, but that it is an institution made up of 4,500 boys and girls, and hundreds of men and women who are shaping citizens out of human beings.

No longer will the teacher be looked upon as an agent authorized to impart knowledge, but as a vicarious substitute of the parent, who is doing what the parent cannot do.

Parents will realize that they have entrusted part of their obligation of parenthood to these men and women of the school system, and that these teachers are conscientiously striving to fulfill a high function.

Too often do the parents forget that their children are under the direct influence of the teachers for many hours of the day, absorbing not only secular knowledge but also principles of right living and right doing.

If the parent would keep in mind constantly that the teacher is only his substitute, he would cultivate the teacher's acquaintance for the purpose of helping him in his arduous task of training aright the boy and girl. Many a problem in the schooling of the individual pupil would be solved in a few minutes if the teacher had the co-operation of the parent.

The schools and churches of the country are the two agencies training our youth. Both have a sacred duty which they are striving to perform manfully and honestly.

A number of Sunday school conventions in Wayne county recently devoted many hours to a discussion of methods whereby the imparting of religious knowledge might be made more efficient. The teachers of our schools are constantly applying new methods and increasing their ability to teach.

Both church and school will attain their purposes quicker and better if the fathers and mothers, by appreciating the high duty of parenthood, assist them with advice and counsel in their high callings.

Two Minutes of Optimism

By HERMAN J. STICH

"READING MAKETH A FULL MAN"—BUT FULLNESS WITHOUT DIGESTION IS DYSPESIA

Some years ago there was a meeting in Cincinnati of a society devoted to the cause of missions.

One of the members got up and made a long speech, which was later reprinted in full, a speech extremely complacent and dull.

When he was through, he introduced a Sioux Indian as representing a people sadly in need of missionary education.

The Indian's reply contrasted sharply with the address to which he had politely listened.

"My people," he said, "are not like your people. You have books. You listen to what men say who lived long ago and far away. You see what they say. You do what they did. You hear what they heard. You think what they thought. My people cannot do this. We cannot read. We can only see with our own eyes, and hear with our own ears, and think with our own minds."

This Indian chief felt he was the mental superior of the persons he was talking to, and he attributed this superiority to the fact that they were able to read, while he was not, and was therefore compelled to use his own eyes, ears and mind to see, hear, think and learn for himself.

The chief's reasoning was, of course, somewhat vulnerable; but there is no doubt that in his simple way he had struck upon one of the undesirable excrecences of an age that has become so pen-ridden that we even put the letters of the alphabet into our soup.

The invention of the printing press has been an unbounded boon to humanity; but it has not been an unalloyed blessing—it has weakened to a great extent the average man's natural powers of direct observation, of independent thought and judgment—just as the automobile and tram have gradually discouraged use of one's legs.

Books are mighty good servants but almighty bad masters—they are a good staff to help along but dangerous to lean upon for sole support. Carlyle says that a collection of books is a true university, and in the light of what we know of our great men, it might be added that often the smaller the collection the larger the university.

Aside from occasional reading for recreation, a book should inform or stimulate or do both—a man should read in order to think better and do more—and when books usurp the place of independent cerebration, then the reader is being done a service he is able to and should do for himself, and as in all such cases, he is done an injury instead of a benefit.

Thinking is to reading what the alloy is to gold—it hardens it, making it usable in everyday life.

Reading without thinking creates shallowness. It is an incongruity—making the ruffie bigger than the skirt. It turns out "educated fools". Digest, assimilate, think your way through books.

Reading without digestion and assimilation is useless and often harmful—it may make a full man, as Bacon says, but fullness without digestion is dyspepsia.

Answers to Questions

BOY—How do you lay out a tennis court?—Measure off seventy-eight feet for one side line and drive a peg at each end. Take two lines, one thirty-six feet long, the other 55.9 feet. Attach one end of each line to one of the pegs, bring the free ends together and drive a third peg. This gives one end line thirty-six feet long. Now attach one end of your 36-foot line to the peg first driven, and one end of your 78-foot line to the third peg, and bring the free ends together. Drive a peg here, and you have the four corners of your rectangle, 36 by 78 feet. To put in the inner line, measure four and one-half feet from each side line on each end line and drive a peg and connect for the inner side lines twenty-seven feet apart, and which makes the courtfor singles. Then on each inner side line drive a peg eighteen feet from the end line, and connect for service line; do same at other end. Then at middle of service line drive a peg and connect for half court line. The easiest way to make these lines is to connect your pegs with wrapping twine, and this will serve as a guide for the marker. If you do not want to buy a patent marking machine, use whitewash and an old, well-worn broom. A mark should be made mid way on each side line, thirty-nine feet from each end to mark where the net is to go, and posts should be set three feet outside the court on each side and be three and one-half feet high.

Interested—Where did Australia get

its name?—The name Australia is taken directly from the Latin word australis, meaning southern. Thus the smallest of the five continents is the southern land in name as well as in location.

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

Correct English

Don't Say:

We are often deceived by the ALLUSIONS of our imagination. The author made an ILLUSION to his childhood. He received credit for the ADVANCE that he made. We judge of a man's character by his ACTS. To do this deed would be the ACTION of a mad man.

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A parachute of enormous dimensions has been invented, which, in case of accident, will lower the entire cabin of a passenger carrying airplane to the ground in safety.

AMERICAN PRESENTS HOME OF CERVANTES, GREAT SPANISH WRITER, TO HIS COUNTRY



Spanish maidens waiting in door of "House of Cervantes" for the presentation ceremonies.

The home of Casae Cervantes, the great Spanish writer, has been presented to the people of Spain by King Alfonso and Archer M. Huntington of New York. The house probably will be opened as a museum to the people who have worshipped the works of Cervantes. The king and queen and Huntington attended the presentation ceremonies.

TODAY'S TALK

By George Matthew Adams, Author of "You Can," "Take It," "Up"

THE NURSE

I have always been greatly blessed with health. But if I should ever become ill, I think that I would want to be VERY ill—so that I might have the constant care of a Nurse!

In the first place, the work of a Nurse is to render service. And these who never get sick or have the opportunity to go to the sickroom where Nurses are, hardly appreciate the work that the Nurse does in this world.

During the Great War, however, people saw as they had never seen before the kind of a person that the Nurse is. Long hours, irritation, little recreation, small pay—these things do not figure high with a Nurse. She thinks only of the one she serves. And many is the smile and word of cheer that she gives when her body is so tired she has to whip it to its work.

She is a Mother to Mothers, as well as to Men and Babies. And I believe that more people have been made well by Nurses than ever have been by Medicine. For, somehow, this human machine of ours likes to respond to its kind. And when there is someone near to tell us that we are getting better and not to mind the pain, somehow every good element in us comes to the rescue to pull for us—along with the Nurse.

No nobler human breathes in this world than the Nurse. The reason why Mothers are so wonderful is that they are such natural Nurses. And the reason why Nurses are so wonderful is that they are such natural Mothers.

Many people get sick for no other reason than that they have been poorly mothered.

Mary Roberts Rinehart was once a Nurse. She is the most famous writer in America, at least among women. I have a secret idea that she writes such good stories because she must have been a very good Nurse. For no one in the world gets into people's hearts like a good Nurse. When folks are sick they are their real selves, and no make-believes. Mrs. Rinehart doesn't want to give away where she learned so much about people, so I will do it for her—she learned it by being a fine Nurse and looking right into people as they are.

If I were a poet, like Eddie Guest, I would write the best poem I could write—to the Nurse. God bless every one of them!

Who's Who in the Day's News

Sir Edward Carson's recent appointment to the \$20,000 a year post of a lord of appeal, with a seat in the house of lords, marks his disappearance from that political arena in which he has played so very disturbing a role in the last 30 years or more. For as Lord Carson he will be by nature of the judicial impartiality imposed upon him as a member of the highest appellate tribunal of Great Britain be debarré from taking any active part in the political discussions of that upper chamber of the legislature to which he has now been elevated.

For many years Carson, himself an Irishman, has been prominently in the public eye by reason of his fierce opposition to Irish home rule. He has been the principal obstacle to the autonomy of Ireland. That is why his retirement at this time is taken to mean that self-government is soon to become an established fact in Ireland.

Carson is a native of County Galway, Ireland. He was educated at Trinity college, Dublin, and was admitted to the Irish bar in 1889. He was solicitor general for Ireland in 1892, and again from 1900 to 1906. He was attorney general in the cabinet in 1915, and first lord of the admiralty in 1917. He remained a member of the British cabinet until the end of the war.

Probably the most brilliant member of the Irish and English bar, enjoying an enormously lucrative practice, possessed of a truly Hibernian sense of humor and love of fun, despite his somber appearance, Carson will be unenviably remembered in history as a man who revived in Irish the conviction that rebellion against the government may be indulged in with relative impunity and even success. For it was Sir Edward Carson who, by inciting Ulster to armed revolt against the Asquith government in 1912 and in the early part of 1914, and who by his organization of the so-called National army for armed resistance against the laws of parliament and the decrees of the crown, without incurring any penalty for his leadership of the insurrection, encouraged the Sinn Feiners to believe that they could attain their ends by similar means—that is to say, by force of arms.

The Spartans, in Greece, 500 B. C., used sepia, the most ancient ink, for making inscriptions on sarcophagi.

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Summer Slogan Adopted by Grace M. E. Church

"No summer slump," is the motto adopted by Grace Methodist church for the present conference quarter.

Rev. A. H. Backus said Saturday that the pastor, choir, Sunday school teachers and the entire working force of the church have accepted the challenge and will be on hand Sunday and every Sabbath of the summer months. Prof. Samuel Garton, Earlham, has made preparation for the music program Sunday.

Of the series of moving pictures to be exhibited for 10 Sunday evenings, beginning with tomorrow night, the Rev. Backus said:

"The parents who do not see that their children hear the message and see the picture of the boy Lincoln Sunday evening, will miss a great opportunity of imbuing their minds with the principles of honesty, gentleness and religion."

"Little Orphan Annie," will be the film shown at the church Tuesday night. Lemonade is to be served free of charge to the church guests.

"A plea for the Supernatural" will be the subject of the Sunday morning sermon.

Memories of Old Days

In This Paper Ten Years Ago Today

A meeting of the pastors and Sunday-school superintendents was called at the First English Lutheran church at which the subject, "Shall Richmond Ask for the Indiana State Sunday School Convention for 1922?" was to be discussed. It was requested that all be present at this meeting to decide.

Dinner Stories

Anita Stewart returned from a brief vacation in a very small town the other day with a new yarn. It's about Irene, belle of the village green, who was in a drug store with her rural swain. While absorbing an ice cream soda her straw became bent.

"Hey!" she called to the clerk. "My sucker's broke."

The swain colored. "Ding it!" he exclaimed, pettishly. "How'd you know I was?"

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