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Vocational Education

The prime purpose of vocational education is to fit the boy and girl to become a skilled worker. Better farmers and more efficient workers is the one demand which present conditions are making of the educational system. The demand stresses the idea of skill. Workers of all kinds are needed in our complex civilization, but the man and woman with trained brain and skilled hand is its most important factor.

As early as 1914 a congressional commission reported that it had found a condition of vocational unpreparedness for maintaining our agricultural, industrial and commercial prosperity. The war period not only demonstrated the truth of the congressional investigators but also proved how perilous was this condition, while the post-war period, with its many complexities and perplexities, has abundantly reiterated the necessity for better trained men in all the important branches of our national household.

The National Society for Vocational Education recently emphasized the necessity of expanding that form of education which enables the boy and girl to make a practical application of what he or she has learned in school.

A survey of the educational attainments of

the people of the United States shows that the average scholastic attainment is about the sixth grade, and that hundreds of young men and women who leave the schools after progressing beyond the sixth grade are unfitted to take a definite place in commerce, finance, industry and agriculture.

Vocational education, it has been pointed out, seeks to provide "that kind of education that will help in making better farmers, more efficient workers in the trades and industries, and more scientific management of the home."

No longer can a man succeed if he is able to do a little of everything, or find the boast of being a jack of all trades a profitable one. Competition at home and abroad demands a higher degree of skill than has even been the case in the history of the United States. Only the genuinely prepared man and woman, who has been adequately trained in mind and hand, will be able to hold his own in the race for supremacy. And what holds true of the individual will also hold true of the nation. European countries that train their workers are the ones that will capture the foreign markets because of their labor efficiency and their ability to succeed where others lag. Consequently it is becoming increasingly more important for nation and state to provide adequate vocational training for its citizens, and for the individual to train himself carefully for his chosen vocation.

How important, then, for the youth not to idle away its time in frivolity but to plan for the future. George Matthew Adams recently said: "Be systematic—the Thought, the Plan, the Energy, the Success of your day is measured in value by your application of each—of System."

Answers to Questions

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Q. Is it true that in Mississippi a wife cannot sue for damages because the money would go to her husband?—E. D.

A. The National Woman's party, which is making surveys of state laws affecting women, says under the common law this would have been true. Mississippi, however, enacted a statute giving a wife the control of her own property. Under this law a wife may sue for alienation of her husband's affections. In a suit for damages for physical injury the wife would receive the other's award for personal injuries—her suffering—while the husband would collect the amount allowed for loss of her services.

Q. Which of South American countries contains the most people from the United States?—A. M. P.

A. Argentina has more representatives of the United States than any other South American country. In that country there are about 3,000 people who hail from the United States.

Q. Can moths destroy a hive of bees?—J. A.

A. The bureau of entomology says that moths do not destroy strong, healthy colonies in good hives. If moths have entered, the beekeeper should study his colony to see what other trouble has weakened them. Queenlessness, lack of stores or some such trouble, would bring about a condition favorable to the entrance of the pests.

Q. What is the rhyme Royal?—L. C.

A. Several stanzas have been given this name, because King James I of Scotland used them in writing a sentimental poem.

Q. How much money is spent for foreign missions by Protestant churches?—C. C. C.

A. The best estimate obtainable places the amount spent by Protestant churches for foreign missions in 1920 at \$100,000,000.

Q. What is the function of the ash constituents of food?

A. Their function is to build the bone, teeth, muscles nerves and tissue; to enter into the composition of the living cell in every part of the body and to regulate body processes.

Seattle now outranks Reno as a divorce center. Westward the course of vamps takes it way.

Charlie Ray's first visit to New York was a success. Nobody sold the country boy the Brooklyn bridge.

HOPE NOT!
Front page headline in New York paper: "Three-inch Snowfall Chased by Thaw." Great Scott! Is he out again?—J. McE.

It is about time Oscar, of the Waldorf, repaid a few millions by picturing his cookbook. Every other book in the world has been scenarioized.

When an author wants to write a new movie scenario now days he simply tears a page out of the unabridged dictionary and tells the director to throw the words together as he likes.

Lessons in Correct English

Don't Say:

WHO do you want?
WHOM do you say will be there?
I found a watch WHOSE spring is broken.

The warden admits WHOEVER has the password.

WHO are you looking for?

Say:

WHOM do you want?
WHO do you say will be there?
I found a watch the spring OF WHICH is broken.

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TODAY'S TALK

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

WINTER

Those who have never known the Winter of snow and sleigh bells have missed a great deal.

But there are other thoughts that are even nearer and dearer to me when Winter comes. I think of the sleeping roots and bulbs and blossoms, and the hiding sap.

And how beautiful are the flakes of snow which fall so silently from the sky! Why is it that these flakes are so perfect, so beautifully formed? And why are they always the same in proportion and arrangement? They are works of art in themselves—more intricately made than any hand could fashion.

Put the snowflake under the microscope and get a thrill! When I look at one of these tiny masterpieces, I compare their beauty with that of the rose and the lily and tell myself that I wouldn't know how to disbelieve in a great God if I wanted to.

I love the cold snap of the Winter wind, and the songs which it sings.

Winter, I sometimes think of you as a kind father, or some special friend. You take me apart and talk to me about so many interesting happenings. I look upon you as a teacher. You help to rest my eyes for the loveliness of Spring and Summer and tell me about the golden tints of Autumn. I like you, Winter!

One never knows real whiteness until the lap of the Earth is filled with snow.

Who ever painted a picture to compare with a cold frosty morning of Winter, bathed by the rays of the sun at early morning?

Often I sit upon my bed before rising and look out of my window at the sparkling gown of Winter. How restful and soothing the picture is—and how free!

I wouldn't want to live where Winter never came. Any more than I would want to live if I knew that age wouldn't creep on—gracefully.

Winter, you spread soft shadows across my soul. You put poems into my heart. You sweeten my dreams and make my bones and muscles strong for the contest of life.

Winter only stays around for a short time. Love it while you may.

Who's Who in the Day's News

SEN. CHARLES ELMOR TOWNSEND

Friends of Senator Townsend in his home state of Michigan fear that by reason of his championship of the cause of Senator Newberry he has done irreparable damage to his chances for re-election at the Michigan primary in next summer.

Townsend's act has been condemned by that large body of Republican voters in Michigan who oppose the expenditure of huge sums of money in elections.

Townsend was first elected to congress in 1903 and was re-elected every term until the 62nd congress. It was while serving as congressman from the second Michigan district that he was nominated at the primaries for senator and he was elected on Jan. 18, 1911. He has represented Michigan in the senate ever since.

Senator Townsend was born in Concord, Mich., in 1856. He was educated at Jackson high school and the University of Michigan. In 1885 he was admitted to the bar and started his practice in Jackson. Later he was made registrar of deeds of Jackson county and in 1888 was made delegate to congress. For four years previous to his election to congress Townsend was a member of the Michigan state central committee.

More than 200 Richmond business men enthusiastically pledged their support in a titanic seven-day effort to raise a fund of \$50,000 for the Y. M. C. A., at a meeting held in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium. Sharon E. Jones, president of the Indiana state Y. M. C. A., explained the past record of the association in this city.

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him guilty of the crime Augustus, then, it seemed might dance on air at some appointed time. But lo, his learned attorneys saw a misplaced comma in some writ, declared it was a fatal flaw, and pawed the floor and threw a fit. The jurist listened to their burst of eloquence, and took a pen, and wrote: "The judgment is reversed—Augustus must be tried again." The second trial, of snail-like speed, became a chestnut and a bore, and then the jury disagreed, and Crawford must be tried once more. This Jabez Spry has long been dead, long since he closed his little page; his slayer yet will die in bed of ailments incident to age.

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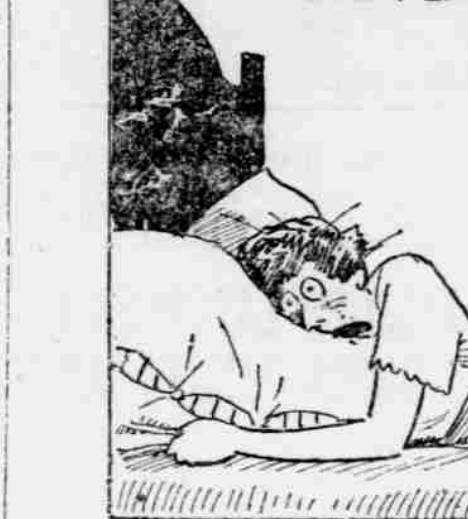
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Ain't it a Grand and Glorious Feeling!

WHEN YOU WAKE UP ABOUT 12 O'CLOCK AND LISTEN FOR JUNIOR (15, WHO IS OUT TO A PARTY) TO COME IN



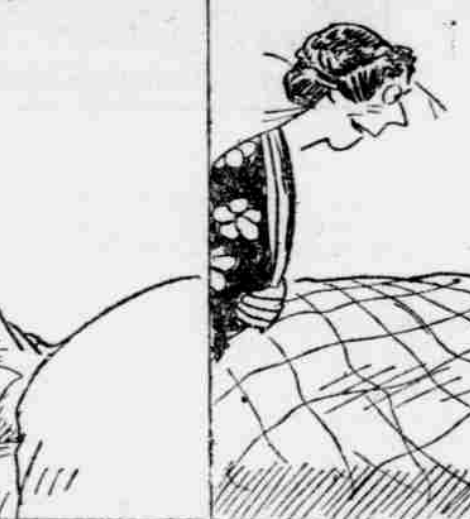
AND THE CLOCK STRIKES 1.30 AND YOU FEEL SURE HE WILL NEVER COME HOME AGAIN



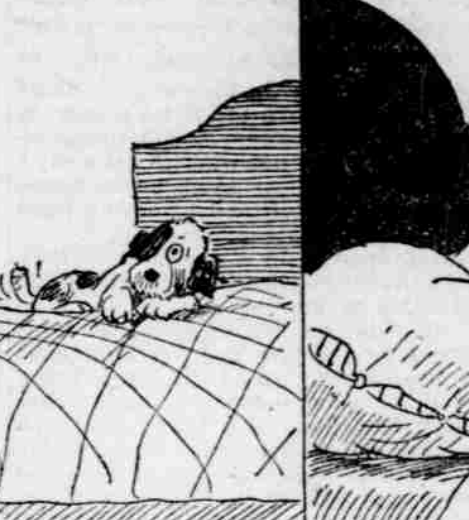
AND YOU DECIDE TO GO INTO HIS ROOM AND ALL YOU FIND IS HIS LITTLE DOG ON THE BED



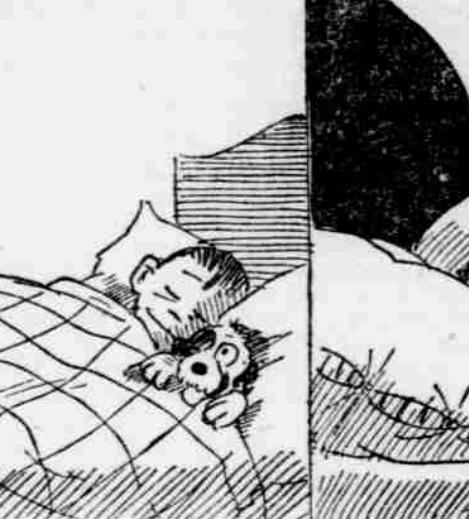
AND YOU DECIDE TO TAKE A LAST DESPAIRING LOOK INTO HIS ROOM - AND THERE HE IS SOUND ASLEEP!



AND YOU GO BACK TO BED AND WORRY AND YOU HEAR THE CLOCK STRIKE 12.30 AND 1.00



OH-H-H-BOY!!! AIN'T IT A GR-R-R-RAND AND GLOR-R-R-IOUS FEELIN'?



After Dinner Tricks

No. 76—Thought Foretold

From a pack of cards remove the four nines, and lay them face down, in a pile. Otherwise remove nine other cards and lay them in a pile. On a piece of paper write "You chose the nine heap."

Hand the folded slip of paper to some one and tell him to choose one of the heaps. When he has selected one, tell him to read the message. If he chose the pile containing the four nines turn them up, and say: "See, you chose the nine heap." Then show him there are, no nines in the other pile.

If he selects the heap containing nine cards, do not turn them up, but count them, showing him there are exactly nine cards there, and only four in the other pile. Thus your prophecy is correct, no matter which he chooses.

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they want him, and by walking out, leave him there.

"He's perfectly quiet," remarked the man to the two girls who were hiring a pony and trap. "Only you must take care to keep the rein off his tail."

"We won't forget," they said.

When they return he asked them how they had got on.

"Splendidly!" they exclaimed. "We had one sharp shower, but we took it in turn to hold the umbrella over the horse's tail, so there was no real danger."

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