

PHILANDER P. CLAXTON ON VOCATIONAL TRAINING

Commissioner Of Education Thoroughly In Sympathy With The Practices Of Swiss Schoolmaster Whom Napoleon Scorned

James B. Marrow in Philadelphia Record.

The great Napoleon blundered. Swapping kingdoms as he would often deal in countries as if they were plantations, he told Pestalozzi that he had no time to trifle away over the alphabet. Pestalozzi, thought Napoleon, was no more than a Swiss school teacher. He did not know that the friendly little man from the shore of the Lake of Neuchâtel was the wisest and most brilliant drillmaster in Europe; the marshal, indeed, of embryonic battalions and brigades and of armies marching onward to conquest.

"What," Pestalozzi would ask, "is that boy's aptitude?" To be a tailor? Then make him one. In his philosophy it was more honorable as well as patriotic to be the father of a brave and capable soldier than of an inept lawyer, though the soldier died from a bullet in his youth and the lawyer lived to be three-score and ten.

"Vocational training" is now the phrase by which Pestalozzi is interpreted. It is old in Central Europe, but new in the United States. Reduced to a single word, its definition is preparation—preparation for the individual, the family, the community and the nation.

Why should a dull and discouraged clergyman preach to a slumbering church when he can play and harrow, reap and husk enthusiastically and excellently and buy shoes and clothing for his wife and children? Thus Pestalozzi taught and his idea has been caught up by Americans of the twentieth century. Pestalozzi would have halted the clergyman ere he began the study of theology and turned him faceward toward the waiting country.

The United States Chamber of Commerce—a host of 300,000 driving men, emerging cities and States, from coast to coast and from the frontier of Canada to the edge of Mexico—seeing through the veil that separates the present from the hereafter, has accepted and proclaimed Pestalozzi's doctrine, knowing little, possibly, of Pestalozzi, the man.

Trade War Coming. A terrible war is coming, some prophets are saying, a war with commodities in place of cannon. Nation is a battle with nation, weaponed not with rifles, flying machines and bombs, but with plows, reapers, lathes, retorts, crucibles and furnaces. Therefore, preparation must begin with farms, mills and shops instead of at armories and gun factories.

Men are to do the fighting, as of yore, and they must be trained, as in the past. Pestalozzi would take them while they were children, discover them and then develop them into a cohesive and highly capable productive host. This he did for Germany, through the instrumentality of disciples who understood and adopted his educational policy. And France is suffering today because Napoleon turned his back and walked away.

No one, perhaps, on this side of the Atlantic, translates Pestalozzi with greater fidelity of purpose and feeling than does Philander Priestly Claxton, the brilliant United States Commissioner of Education.

"Do you believe that a nation's efficiency begins with its children?" he was



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asked by the writer of this article. "Your question," he replied, "seems to answer itself automatically. All things begin with the children of a nation—intelligence, self-control, virtue, common sense, industry and capability. Nature teaches that lesson. 'First the blade,' we were told years ago, 'then the ear and then the full corn in the sheaf.' Frobel, the great teacher, said that the gardener bestows the greatest care on his young plants.

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"A scrub sapling will never make a noble oak. This country was dedicated to liberty, righteousness and education. When the bell at Philadelphia rang out its defiance to England and its king, there were schools and churches everywhere. A nation cannot be efficient without education and education starts with the young. Afterwards, it is the sum of one's experiences.

"If I had the regulation of the people I would have them go to school for 70 years; there or four hours a day for 40 years; and thereafter two or three times a week until they died. Then there would be actual efficiency to the full measure of ability. An increase of knowledge means an increase of prosperity. The wealth-producing power of the people is in the exact proportion to their education.

"An educated people living on a rock in the middle of an ocean would lay their hands on the raw materials of the finished product and become rich. Wealth and civilization are inseparable. I am almost willing to say that wealth and happiness, not for the individual, but for a nation, are also inseparable.

"I shall not condemn wealth until every frugal and industrious family in the United States has a home of its own, with a garden in which there are flowers and trees. I want to see every hovel torn down. There should be wealth enough so that no woman or child is hungry or in rags.

"Much needs to be done in this country. Roads, liberating millions of our people from the tyranny of mud and its isolation, should be built and our cities and villages should be made beautiful. Wealth alone can do this work and wealth must come through education. The educated man puts a harness on a river and it turns wheels and gives thousands of other men employment.

"Educated men drive tunnels through mountains and gather up waste products and make the desert blossom and bear fruit. Two-thirds of the wealth created in the United States during the last 40 years can be directly traced to the work done in our public schools. I do not hesitate to say that no institution at any time in the history of the world has achieved so much for humanity as have the public schools of the United States within the same 40 years. "You asked if a nation's efficiency

begins with its children. I replied that your question answered itself and then called to mind some facts from our own history to prove the truth of my statement. I might have taken you to Switzerland and shown you what has been accomplished in that country by a practical system of education for the young.

"Switzerland, with only 3,745,000 inhabitants and in area no larger than our own States of Maryland, Delaware, and Rhode Island, is one of the richest countries in the world. It is without natural resources. It has no harbors or shipping. Its winters are nine months long. An eighth of its surface is perpetually covered with ice and snow.

The Statue in Geneva. "Why, man for man, it is one of the wealthiest nations on earth! The statue in Geneva of Johann Heinrich Pestalozzi answers the question. One hand of the statue is on the head of a little barefoot boy; the other hand is on the head of a little girl. At the base of the statue, cut in marble, are these words: 'To our Father, Pestalozzi. All for others; nothing for himself!'

"Do you attribute Germany's efficiency to Pestalozzi?" Dr. Claxton was asked.

"I do," he answered. "Although education in Germany was compulsory before anything was known there of Pestalozzi and his methods, Saxony heard of him through his published story and sent an expert to Switzerland to investigate his work. Pestalozzi's novel, which he called 'Lienhardt and Gertrude, ein Buch für das Volk,' or in English, 'Lienhardt and Gertrude, a Book for the People, showed what a good woman could accomplish.

"The heroine of the story, by her industry, common sense, frugality and kindness, changed a family and then a village. Pestalozzi's idea about teaching spread all through Central Europe and had a profound influence in Ger-

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many, Holland, Denmark, and Switzerland. Little was done before his day to test the developing theory of education. He reduced the theory to practice.

"Pestalozzi, a Swiss of Italian blood," Dr. Claxton went on to say, "showed, among other things, that to pension a man at the expense of the government was to make him more helpless than he would be were he to earn his own living. He taught self-respect, self-support and self-reliance.

For 20 years Pestalozzi taught and toiled on the shores of the Lake of Neuchâtel. Hundreds of people visited his school, among them Madame de Staël and Talleyrand. Friedrich Frobel, who estimated kindergartens, or play schools, for children between the ages of 3 and 7, learned Pestalozzi's meth-

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"It has also been discovered," Dr. Claxton said, "that our high schools have failed because pupils leaving them have learned more about Julius Caesar than of Jane Addams and Senator Beveridge. Well, I am working toward the day when everybody in our grammar schools shall receive a high school education. Our plan, for those who are compelled to work, is to have two boys for the same job, whether the job is in a factory or a store. The boy, then, who works in the morning can go to school in the afternoon, and the one who goes to school in the morning can work in the afternoon.

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