

"PATRON" SUGGESTS THERE MAY BE OTHERS

Mr. Editor:

Noting carefully the article "Facts Concerning Bethel Hill School" which was carried in May 15th issue of your splendid paper, "our" Person County Courier. If you may permit me to claim it as "our" paper and because of the fact that it is a part of this splendid Person County and enjoys a large circle of friends with a large splendid man of ideals at its head, so it's a pleasure to say these things, and yet I might happily say more but must go on to my other say.

The article above, "Facts Concerning" perhaps might concern many or might not. I do not know anything about Bethel Hill, but had always looked upon that institution as being without apology. Being from another part of the county entirely, it does not become me to criticize in precise but extend my very best wishes for high success and attainments which that school has always, heretofore stood so far as I have been able to acquaint myself and which has been its reputation.

But, in a general way and as a whole, that article may have opened eyes elsewhere in the way of questions, etc., or stirred comment. One might wonder if there are not hidden facts about other schools or not. Whether there are closed doors so, to speak and "non committal" replies given to many questions, etc. There might be and there might not be. I do not propose to accuse in any specific case or instance. Make these remarks as example or illustration and let the reader decide the answer as may affect his or her community school by investigation or other, if one may choose to do so. Doubtless our county system of schools, public business or otherwise is up to any standard of methods and perhaps and doubtless does surpass some in respect to facts in the habits, practices, economy, efficiency and administration of its affairs as a whole—it should though in each detail and it may or it may not be doing so already—you determine that part. Anyway, it's a good county and good to this writer in all respects, but not on the "favorite" plan, but because of the fact that it's the policy of its good citizens to be a neighbor to its inhabitants. So we are, I mean I am, and am sure all good citizens are proud of his own county and schools and other public necessities and the only town of the county—Roxboro—and we would criticize as a means of constructive rather than destructive. If at all we would criticize. It's merely in order to make things better and better.

So then, if "favoritism" or any other "isms" are creeping in to retard our school progress, then eliminate it NOW. Right now and regardless. It's true one man can't do so alone and yet one man can't prevent it alone. If so, others are shirking their duties as patrons and officials. If there is too much family business in the appointment of teachers, it should be looked after. Other words, too much selling one's favorite to self and the county or tax payer paying the bill is and nothing more or less than discrimination and a high violation of purpose of office. Again, many times perhaps, there are for instance a \$120 teacher filling a position when a \$105 can do just as good or efficient service with that particular grade of work. In such cases I say use judgment and let economy preside. Not only on the other hand, perhaps a \$100 teacher is employed account of being a favorite or relative when as a matter of fact a higher class or more efficient teacher ought to be employed for that same work even though her certificate carries higher salary. So many folks seem to think the schools are run merely and solely to furnish jobs to the jobless. They sometimes seem to forget that the schools are run absolutely for benefit of the many hundreds of children and not merely and solely in order to give a job to some committee man's wife, sister, daughter, son, niece or nephew, or "grandmother." I retract that as relates to "grandmother" for the fact that if we had some of our splendid old grandmothers teaching in lieu of some of present day subjects, we would see a difference.

Heart-Heart Talk By Dr. John Joseph Daines

INVISIBLE REALITIES

Once a very great editor assured a little girl about the reality of Santa Claus. He said in so many words that the most real things in this world are the things that children and men do not see.

It would be very difficult to find a sentence that holds more of sublime truth.

We cannot see an electric current of 20,000 volts; yet it is there in all of its terrible reality.

No one has ever seen carbon monoxide gas. Who does not know of it and fear it?

The deadly spirit in alcohol is invisible. The clear liquid looks as innocent as distilled water; one cannot tell them apart, so far as looks is concerned. The smell, taste, and effects on the human constitution go to make the spirit most realistic.

Human beings have learned of these stern, invisible realities, and how to evade their harmful effects, and also how to apply them to useful purposes. Almost every modern home uses illuminating gas, which nobody has ever seen. One of the most deadly elements known, if it gets the upper hand.

Education prevents our enemies from getting the upper hand, and makes valued friends of them. It is only the ignorant and neglectful that suffer consequences. With proper training man can have dominion over all things; without it he is easily victimized.

The fully-trained, intelligent man, guards every portal against the invasion of the invisible foe, which is the kind that kills; the enemy that cannot be seen is very real, and is many times more dangerous than one we can see. The invisible enemy attacks from behind, as it were. The trained man sees him around him. God pity the man of woman, boy or girl that gropes in ignorance today!

LIFE A MYSTERY

Take the delightful uncertainty, the guess-work, the "gamble", if you'd call it that—take these elements out of life, and life loses interest.

The mystery of tomorrow—who would have it otherwise? The uncertainty of what may happen—how seductive? I would not know the future if I could; the hope that it is bright arouses all the faith of which I am capable; and life without faith is but dull, drab, mean existence.

Why, the few things we are reasonably sure of in the future are the very things that bring dread. We don't like to think about death, sorrowing mourners, and the like—so we turn hurriedly to dreams—to hopes of eternal life; and right there, the mystery holds a world of comforting reassurances.

I certainly don't want to know what will happen tomorrow, next week, next year; I might not sleep well tonight, or for nights to come. I prefer the amorous dream of golden possibility, that tempers me to combat possible disaster, like the loss of a small bet in life's great game of chance.

Good men and women have committed suicide to escape calamities which they felt sure would come. Ah, they were not sure. Nobody can be absolutely sure of the future, or what it may bring—and that's a mighty comforting fact, it seems to me, to tuck away in one's bosom especially if he has tendencies to see only the dark side of things.

I have no use for the "fortune-teller," or for any one who claims ability to peer into hidden realms and make forecasts for me. To accept life with its enhancing uncertainties, its inspiring gambles, its happy conflicts—to win some of its ten thousand victories—to overcome evil with good—what better doctrine than that?

claim and start something and upset communities and it's not treating others fair who have same material for sale. Go on market for lowest price for same goods and accept lowest price when purchasing materials, supplies, fuel, etc., whether roads, schools or other public business where the tax payer is involved. So many folks would get on various committees, boards or public office with no purpose or business whatever other than for their own personal gain and folks have seen the like demonstrated at some time or another or in some parts of the country or another and all of which winds up with or at sad expense of tax payer. Taxes are a necessity, understand, and enough must necessarily be assessed to support our county's need, but the point I am trying to make is the economical expenditure of such funds that the benefit may come back to us in the purposes as is intended and which created the necessity of tax in the first place.

So then, if any of above which has been mentioned and which is done by way of example or illustration, but if such practices are in force in our county and I hope it isn't, but if such selfish motives are in a single instance being practiced it might be well for such person or persons to ease out while in good standing and before "house cleaning" is ordered, called, or in many instances, demanded. It will certainly be done if our good citizens are awakened to a single suspicion because folks will not stand for such conduct if such existed: "Facts Concerning Bethel Hill School", merely send out a call. Are there any facts that may concern others. If so, let's rid ourselves now before criticism creeps in to corrupt the good name of our county. Make public business an "open book." It's the citizen's right. Not merely a choice or an idle curiosity but a right. If you are ashamed to tell the tax payer what you are doing or expending his money for, then stop spending it. Employment of teachers, truck drivers, janitors, principals, etc., or the discharging of them by committeemen for some personal private gain to benefit some boarding house or some merchant in the spending of their salary, etc., is injustice and merely using such office for personal greed and graft—and tax payer paying the excess of circumstances and perhaps difference of efficiency involved.—A Patron.

A home made diving suit was recently constructed by a New Jersey man from an old water boiler, fifteen yards of rubber tubing and an old beer pump.

A perfect rainbow reflected by the light of the moon was recently viewed in Oregon.

Transparent leather is now being made by an English expert.

An Illinois man recently found a puffball mushroom that measured 30 1-4 inches across.

Dempsey damaged a vertebra in his neck. The neck is stiff and painful and he plans to have X-ray pictures taken of the injury.

"What a fine sap I'd be to ever fight again," he said as the barber chided a "big strong fellow like you" for jumping when his neck was twisted. "I've got a million dollars and that's enough. If Gene Normile, my former manager, said in Reno that he had an agreement with me for another fight, he was all wrong. We are mixed up in a proposition together, but it doesn't involve boxing.

"Almost every day I receive offers of one kind or another to fight again. I answer them all the same way, thanking them for the offer, but saying that I have no plans for getting into the ring again.

Now, On The Other Hand.

"Of course, if someone came along with a bona fide offer for \$1,000,000, I'd have to consider it seriously. If someone offered to make it worth my while for me to start training, and find out if I could get in shape again, I'd have to think that over, too."

"There have been no million dollar offers and I don't expect any. Even if one did come, I'm not so sure but that I wouldn't refuse it after all. I'm a promoter now and have a mass of theatrical offers. I'll never fight again."

Reports that Dempsey had decided

to return to the ring have been piling up within the past few years. Shortly after visiting Dempsey here, Normile announced in Reno that the former champion would box again in Agua Caliente, Mexico, for a million dollar purse. Humbert J. Pagan, Dempsey's partner in promotion, declared several days ago that Jack would battle the winner in the Pasito-Uzcudis-Max Schmeling fight here this fall.

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Middle Life Troubles

"ABOUT twenty years ago, my health was very bad," says Mrs. Mat Howard, of Terrell, Texas. "I was passing through a critical time in my life, and I suffered a great deal. I was not at all strong, and my nerves got all upset. I had hot flashes, and some times would get suddenly so faint I could not stand up. My head would whirl, and I could not see a thing. I would have to lie down for hours at a time. I improved so much after I had taken Cardui for a while. I continued the medicine for some months, until I had passed the critical period. Since then, I have given Cardui to my five daughters. All of them have continued the use of Cardui in their homes. We have all been better for having taken it."

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REALLY THROUGH CLAIMS DEMPSEY

Manassa Mauler Denies Reports Of Contract For Bout In Mexico, As Was Rumored

WILL MAKE HIS MONEY LETTING OTHERS FIGHT

Figures There's Too Much Easy Money In Promoting And Theatrics; Former Champ Indicates He'd Think Long Before Refusing Million

New York, May 20.—Stretched out in a barber's chair while a razor fought with his blue-black beard and a manicurist clipped his nails, Jack Dempsey blew the lather from his lips today and declared without reservation that he is farther away than ever from another ring comeback.

As forcefully as a man could say it, the former heavyweight king declared that the retirement he announced after Gene Tunney whipped him for the second time in Chicago still stands—more so now than ever. The ring has lost its lure, fighting days are behind him, and a new career stretches ahead.

As the barber rubbed Jack's face with perfumed lotion, the big fellow winched. Working out in a gym here last week "to keep my clothes fitting,"



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