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Two Very Pertinent Questions

Dr. A. T. Allen, State superintendent of public instruction, shot two pertinent questions to Williamston people in an address here, Sunday night.

The first was, "Would the people trade the education, in all its forms, which they have received from public taxes during the past 25 years for the money that has been spent on it?" In other words, would we have a better State than we do have if we were to make a distribution of all the taxes paid for schools back to the people who paid them and put people on exactly the same educational level they would have been had not the money been spent.

The man who would undo the educational work complete during the past 25 years in exchange for the money spent for such service would of course be called the biggest living fool.

The second question was, "Shall

we save all of our school tax money in our pockets during the coming 25 years, or shall we spend it to meet the needs of the best approved plans now in use or which may seem wisest from time to time?"

We would like to see a ballot, "No taxes, no schools," against "Taxes and schools." The American people answered "No tax, no school" in the early part of the last century. Now we see things differently. Suppose a citizen today did vote "No tax, no schools," what would be said of him? It is doubtful if one person in a thousand would cast such a ballot; certainly not in the open where reasonable people could see them.

While the great questions of public education does not please everybody—because it is like everything else, it is not run just as everybody would have it—yet few are so blind that they would abolish it.

Is the Professor Right?

According to reports on the discourse of Professor L. H. Davis, of the local schools, on a recent Sunday

morning on the great subject, "Sin from the Layman's Viewpoint," we

are faced with many points that are not as we had thought.

First of all, the subject matter strikes at the clergy. He states that "Evangelical or theological sin is portrayed by the clergy as being the following or satisfying of certain desires, which conduct is forbidden by God."

The professor is right, if he had only paused here, because God has admonished men through every age to abstain from certain things, even though they do appeal to men's passions. The patriarchs, the priests, the kings, the judges, the prophets, Jesus Christ, and the apostles have taught in every age the need to abstain from evil. For that reason is not the preacher of today justified in admonishing men to look away from their own plans and follow the commands of God and in the pathway of the Savior?

The professor goes further and says, "These desires are both natural and superficial." We think these two words, "natural" and "superficial," should be watched with care. Does it mean that we are to follow our natural inclinations? Then, where will we go? Is not that one of the troubles now with all of us? Preachers and laymen, too, are trying out their own natural inclinations. Why should not the clergy admonish us?

Again we find the professor saying, "The adage that we are the worst enemies to ourselves applies aptly to organizations and institutions." The church must be the organization and institution referred to. Of course, the people of the church may not be honoring it properly, but is not the trouble because they fail to follow and stray away from its teachings rather than a weakness in the principles of the church and the truth for which it stands?

The statement, "Such unnatural and humanly instituted barriers and standards have literally driven men from the church," is surprising. What church does he mean? Who built the church; who prescribed the things it teaches? Then how is it narrow, or how is it untrue; and why is it driving men from it? Have they something better; are they willing to trust their own science for both this world and the world to come? The church is not narrow; it stands for truth, justice, love, mercy,

and every principle that elevates and satisfies the souls of men. It goes further; it recognizes the wonders of the heavens and the earth and its grandeur and greatness. It recognizes every principle that science has yet discovered and teaches that man will never fathom all the wonders and mysteries that God has placed in his reach and for his use, and which he permits his inquiring and unfolding mind to discover as the family of men actually needs them. The God that created the church, and its builder, Christ, makes scientists and recognizes their good works. The trouble with the scientists when he is driven away from the church because of its narrowness, is only because he feels that he has outgrown his Maker and steps out on his own platform.

"Acceptance of the church's teachings is out of the question * * * Some have resigned themselves and live in the knowledge that the world here is not such a bad place * * * and by the hope that the hereafter is either a better place or nothing."

The professor fortunately began to come to himself when he reviewed the big question, for he says, "Living this life is governed by universal laws which exact penalties upon their transgressions no less assuredly than they give joy in their fulfillment. So sin, from the layman's viewpoint, is real and has to be reckoned with whenever nature's laws are disobeyed." Here he is right. No man can become so highly educated that he can know more truth than all those who have gone on before him, the God that made him, nor the church that was established to enlighten and save men and nations.

NOTICE

Having this day qualified as executor of Charlotte Slade, deceased, all persons holding claims against said estate will present same to me as payment before October 22, 1928, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please come forward and make immediate settlement of same. This the 22nd day of October, 1927. JOHN D. SLADE, Executor.

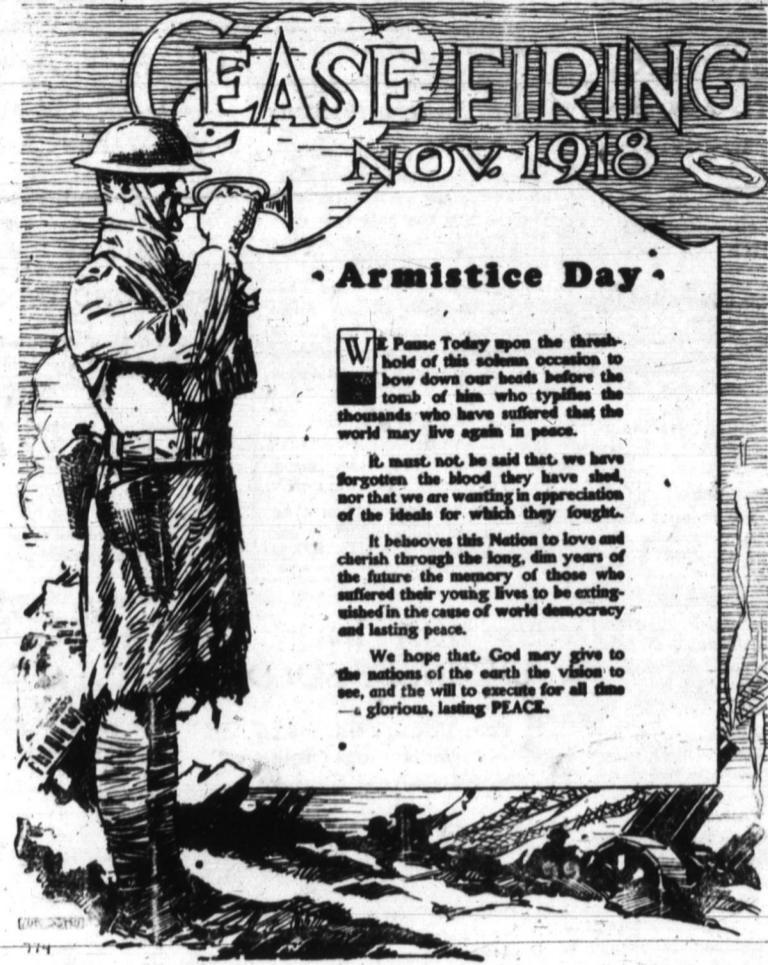
NOTICE

Having this day qualified as executrix under the last will and testament of W. A. Edmondson, deceased, all persons holding claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to the undersigned for pay-

ment on or before the 5th day of October, 1928, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

are requested to come forward and make immediate payment of the same. This 5th day of October, 1927.

MARY D. EDMONDSON, 67 6t Executrix of W. A. Edmondson in bar of their recovery.



WE Pause Today upon the threshold of this solemn occasion to bow down our heads before the tomb of him who typifies the thousands who have suffered that the world may live again in peace.

It must not be said that we have forgotten the blood they have shed, nor that we are wanting in appreciation of the ideals for which they fought.

It behooves this Nation to love and cherish through the long, dim years of the future the memory of those who suffered their young lives to be extinguished in the cause of world democracy and lasting peace.

We hope that God may give to the nations of the earth the vision to see, and the will to execute for all time—a glorious, lasting PEACE.

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