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WHAT SHOULD A GRADUATE KNOW?

Question Asked By Teachers In Graded School Causes Much Interest.

THREE ANSWERS RECEIVED

One Gentleman Advocates Business and Domestic Science Courses.

Several weeks ago we sent out seven letters to various men and women in New Bern asking for opinions as to what a High School graduate should know and be able to do. Up to date we have received three answers which means one of two things either the question is very difficult to answer or there is little interest in what and how we teach in the school. Letter No. 1. "A High School graduate should be able to enter the State University without condition. The tax payers who desire to send their children to college, should not be compelled to have them take a course away from home preparatory to entering college. Should a child desire to enter business, he would have sufficient grounding to enable him to handle any of the problems which come up in an ordinary business career, if your curriculum equals the entrance examinations required by the best colleges, otherwise, he would not."

This letter gives two clear answers to the question. This gentleman's opinion coincides, in the main, with the ideas and plans of those in charge of our High School at present and incidentally this opinion is about the same as the recent report of a committee of experts of the National Education Association. With one more year in High School in which a practical business course including stenography, book-keeping and typewriting shall be taught to those desiring such a course, and all the entrance requirements for college entrance be given to those who plan further study, we think the school will be meeting the needs of the majority of the pupils and the public in general.

Letter No. 2. "Replying to your recent favor in regard to my idea of what a High School graduate should know and be able to do, will state that I think every parent that allows their boy or girl to go through the High School to be prepared for college, with the idea of sending them to college, is able to pay for the preparatory school that they may enter college."

I think, therefore, that our High School should give the boy or girl a business course, or in the case of the girls who select, a domestic science course. There are many boys and girls who are not able to go to college, but after finishing the High School have to go to work, and I think it would be far more practical to offer these boys and girls a practical business course that would fit them to earn their own living."

The first point made in this letter sounds reasonable enough until you get the facts. In an investigation made this week in our High School, there were 23 who thought their parents were able to send them to a preparatory school upon finishing our Grammar School, which consists of seven grades. There were 73 who did not think they could afford much more, if any, training if it were not for our High School. The 23 above if in school elsewhere would take from New Bern to build up other towns about \$400.00 each or \$9,200 in all—twice what the entire High School now costs.

The second point in this letter in reference to a business course is all right if the business course is placed where it is possible to mean something, viz: a pupil who finishes the seventh grade—our last grammar grade—is not capable of mastering a business course that would be acceptable in the business world. Such a pupil does not know enough English grammar, composition, spelling, etc.; his range of information is too limited and his powers are not developed sufficiently to grasp the ordinary problems of today—and then we would glut the market with stenographers and typewriters and nobody could make a living if the one hundred and odd who are in High School were all to pursue this course of study. We have shown that all the development along the line of formal discipline of the body and mind, that the average citizen of New Bern is to get, must come from our public school.

What sort of a town will we have twenty years from now, if let people

GOOSE CREEK SCHOOL CLOSES.

Most Successful Term in the History of That Institution.
Goose Creek, April 4.—After one of the most successful terms in the history of the school at this place came to a close today. Miss Edith Brinson, the teacher, has given entire satisfaction in her work and the patrons of the school praise her very highly. An interesting program was carried out in the closing exercises.

There will be a meeting of the Book Committee of the Circulating Library this morning at 11:30 o'clock. Important business is to be transacted and every member is requested to be present.

USE RADIUM FOR CURE OF CANCER

\$2,500 WORTH INJECTED INTO THE LIVER OF MALCOLM WATSON.

Philadelphia, April 4.—Physicians in this city will watch with interest the result of an injection of one three-hundredths of an ounce of radium into the liver of Malcolm Watson, as a cure for cancer.

The operation was performed in the Methodist Episcopal Hospital by Dr. G. J. Schwartz. The radium was brought to Philadelphia by Fr. Otto Brill, an Austrian chemist, now living in Pittsburgh.

The dose put into Watson's liver was worth just \$2,500. It is believed that the radium rays will act on the cancer as they do on a number of diseases and gradually kill it. Several prominent medical men witnessed the operation. The only anesthetic used was a local application of cocaine.

It may be difficult for you to believe that the world will go on just the same after your demise—but it will.

F. H. Shipp of New Bern, sales manager for the Pepsi-Cola Company, is a business visitor in the city.—Greensboro News.

The book committee of the New Bern Library Association will meet at the library this morning at 11:30 o'clock.

only have that degree of culture given in the primary and grammar grades with a business course added?

Letter No. 3. "In reply to your letter of recent date asking my 'idea of what a High School graduate should know and be able to do', will say that the first essential is to secure the graduates, since ninety per cent of those who enter school drop out before reaching the tenth grade."

In considering the good of all children of New Bern it does not signify very much what the ten who graduate each year "know and are able to do". It is my opinion that the system of education is more to blame for this condition than anything else. From the very beginning of schools those in authority have been trying to shape the children to fit the system. Their theory sounds very beautiful when expounded by a pedagogue, but it does not work out in practise except for a few. The schools are public utilities and should be operated for the benefit of all the children. Why not reverse this old order of things and give us a system to fit the children?

The knowledge of a foreign language, living or dead, is not essential in the lives of ordinary Americans, and most of us are ordinary, notwithstanding the fact that we have studied Latin on the chance that we might want to become doctors, lawyers or teachers!

Latin and German are all right, but don't try to force either on unwilling victims. If I had anything to do with this school, I would make it possible for those pupils who do not care to take Latin or German or who fail in either, to complete the rest of the course, and receive a certificate for the work done. This would I do until there is money enough to offer a practical course.

In the past a great many have been sacrificed to the system, and forced out of school, at the seventh or eighth grade, because they could not or would not learn Latin, thereby losing the untold benefits which they might have derived from the High School."

This letter naturally opens up quite a number of debatable questions, several of which have been pondered over for many years.

DANIELS DIVES IN SUBMARINE

Head Of The Navy Visits Norfolk And Inspects The Yards.

WAS VERY MUCH IMPRESSED

Paid Visit To The N. C. Naval Reserves Boat The Elfrida.

Norfolk, April 4. Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels yesterday for the first time visited the Norfolk Navy yard and St. Helena training station, and when he left for Washington tonight he said that he found much to interest and impress him. "The Secretary arrived at the yard at 10:30 yesterday morning, having come in Wednesday night on board the yacht Yankton from the Southern drill grounds where he and his party witnessed both the day and night target practice of the Atlantic battleship fleet.

The party that had been with the secretary at the target practice having returned to Washington Wednesday night on the yachts Doplin and Mayflower, the secretary was accompanied here yesterday only by Lieutenant Commander Palmer, his aide, and Rear Admiral Twining, chief of the bureau of ordnance. Arriving at the yard the Secretary was escorted to the administration building, where he was received by Rear Admiral Doyle, commandant of the yard, and the officers of the yard, and of the vessels tied up there. Representative Hcland of the Norfolk district, also met the secretary at the yard and accompanied him on the inspection.

The Secretary's first view at the navy yard brought him into contact with many interesting subjects, which he said he would cultivate as time goes on as a part of his program of familiarizing himself intimately with the navy and all phases of the naval service.

He took his first dive in a submarine yesterday and seemed greatly interested in the experience.

Besides going through the shops, the secretary went aboard several of the vessels of various classes, which are now at the navy yard. Among them was the naval reserve ship Elfrida, which is assigned to duty in North Carolina waters, and which the secretary was jokingly informed constitutes the "North Carolina navy," and should, therefore, be of particular interest to him.

The secretary spent the entire day at the yard and the St. Helena station. At lunch he was the guest of Admiral Doyle. In the afternoon Secretary Daniels received a committee of navy yard workmen, who discussed with him certain amendments of their wage scale. Chippers, drillers, calkers, riveters were represented. The delegation included Thomas Nolan, president of the International Association of Boiler Makers, and P. Flannigan, third vice-president of the International Association of Blacksmiths.

"A DEAD CHURCH" WILL BE THEM

DR. PHILLIPS CONTINUES STUDIES IN THE BOOK OF REVELATIONS.

The congregation continues large at the morning service each Sunday at Tabernacle Baptist church.

Rev. J. B. Phillips, the pastor, has been speaking for several Sundays on Christ's messages to the Churches as recorded in the back of Revelations.

The subject tomorrow morning will be "A Dead Church," or a Study of the Church at Sardis.

The ordinance of baptism will be administered at 7:30 p. m. which will be followed by a song service and Mr. Phillips will preach on "A Judgement Day."

Sunday school meets at 9:45 a. m. Young men and women will find a royal welcome awaiting them in the Barrens and Philathea classes.

The public is extended a cordial invitation to all the services of the day.

MR. ROYALL WILL ENLARGE PLANT

Plans Formation of Company Which Will Also Build Cold Storage Plant.

ICE CREAM DEMAND STRONG

Wants to Keep The Business Here Instead of Sent to Other Clipes.

H. E. Royall, who has sold out his retail ice cream, fruit and confectionery store, will now devote his whole time and attention to his wholesale ice cream business, for the development of which he will form a stock company incorporation papers for which will be secured in a few days.

Mr. Royall's Board street plant already has a capacity of three hundred gallons a day, but the demand for the product is so good in this section that the new company will without delay enlarge the plant so that no longer will it be necessary to send to Richmond, Baltimore and Norfolk to get ice cream to meet the demand. It will be the plan of the new company to solicit the ice cream trade of not only all the retail establishments here but also of the places in the nearby towns.

In connection with the ice cream factory will be a cold storage plant, something else that with a little attention and advertising will, it is believed by Mr. Royall and those associated with him in his new enterprise, meet a real need here and prove a profitable venture.

Every summer wholesale merchants here have to send to Richmond perishable articles in order to place them, shippable articles in order to place them in cold storage and protect them from being spoiled by the heat. The promoters of the new enterprise hold that this business had better be kept in New Bern than given to some other city.

Following the development and successful operation of the enlarged ice cream factory and cold storage plant, the same company plans the erection of a candy factory.

FUNERAL SERVICE VERY IMPRESSIVE

MANY FRIENDS GATHER TO PAY LAST TRIBUTE OF RESPECT TO MRS. BANGERT.

The funeral of Mrs. Caroline Bangert, who died early Wednesday morning, was conducted yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from Centenary Methodist church of which she had been a member for many years. The church was well filled with friends of the family who had gathered to pay their last tribute of respect to the departed one.

Very impressive services according to the ritual of the Methodist church were conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. B. Hurly. The musical program included the song, "Some Day We'll Understand," very effectively rendered by C. T. Pumphrey, and "Lead, Kindly Light," the latter hymn being sung by the choir as the funeral party left the church.

The burial took place at Cedar Grove cemetery where the body was placed in a vault. There was a profusion of floral designs, one of the largest collections ever seen at a funeral here. Some of the especially handsome offerings were a beautiful pillow of white carnations and lilies sent by the Elks of which Albert Bangert, son of the deceased, is a prominent member; a large and beautiful wreath sent by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Craig of Gastonia, and a handsome design from the Women's Missionary Society of Centenary Methodist church. Mrs. Bangert having been one of the charter members of that organization. There were also many other designs, some of them coming from friends of the family in distant States.

The pall-bearers were as follows: Honorary—T. A. Green, L. H. Cutler, T. A. Henry, E. B. Hackburn, Dr. R. S. Primrose, Thomas Daniels, W. C. Willett, H. B. Smith; active Dr. R. D. V. Jones, B. B. Hurst, D. M. Roberts, A. E. Hibbard, Fred Whitty, George Dall, Edward Clark, J. H. Harrisfield.

HOME TALENT PRESENT PLAY.

Oriental Folks Turn Out To See Production.

(Special to the Journal)
Oriental, April 4.—"Her Gloves" a laughable farce comedy in three acts, was presented at Midyette opera house tonight by a cast composed entirely of local players. The performance was given for the benefit of the Episcopal church at this place and was well attended.

There was not a dull moment during the entire play and the different roles were well carried out. Oriental has some of the best amateur talent in the State and their work tonight demonstrated their ability to handle a piece that has many intricate parts and situations.

HAMLIN BLOWS FROM FLORIDA

REPORTS LAND OF FLOWERS AS BLOOMING AND BLOOMING—BEAUFORT BOUND.

Horace H. Hamlin, at one time city editor of the Journal, returned from Florida yesterday, bound to Beaufort. Mr. Hamlin reports the Land of Flowers as blooming and blooming. He has spent the winter in beginning the development of Indian Rocks, a famous spot on both bay and gulf, not far from St. Petersburg and Tampa—in fact, the logical point for Tampa's seashore resort. It had been known for years as one of the beauty spots of the Gulf coast, but had never been on the market till Mr. Hamlin went down there last winter, had the shore front subdivided and placed lots on sale. He is very enthusiastic about Pinellas Peninsula.

MUCH FERTILIZER BEING SHIPPED FROM THIS POINT.

Unusually large shipments of fertilizer are being made from this section just at this time. Not only are the railroads handling heavy shipments of this class of goods but each day a number of boats come here to receive cargoes from the factories and warehouses in and around the city. At the fertilizer plants men are working both day and night in order to supply the demand.

PROGRAM AT THE ATHENS TODAY.

Big picture show. A two reel feature subject of "The Reincarnation of Karma" Miss Lillian Walker taking the leading part.

During the early Christian era, Karma, a very spiritual and virtuous High Priest of the Temple of India, resists with all his religious fervor, Quinetrea, a beautiful and fascinating enchantress. Quinetrea eventually conquers and Karma falls a victim to her wiles. She triumphantly taunts him, and outraged at her cruel deception, Karma curses her, and Quinetrea is transformed into a huge snake. Fifteen hundred years later, Karma appears, reincarnated in the personality of Leslie Adams and loves the beautiful heiress, Lillian White. Together they visit the ancient Temple of Karma and are shown the reptile, which every hundred years resumes human form. While Leslie gazes fascinated, the snake uncoils and Quinetrea stands before him in all bewitching charm. She holds him with her hypnotic power and forces him to accept an amulet for his betrothed, upon receiving which Lillian falls dead. Karma beholds a vision of his former self as High Priest, again curses Quinetrea, and drops dead across the prostrate body of his betrothed.

A most wonderful and unique production by the Vitsgraph Co. made in several countries, and costing thousands of dollars. It will be a privilege to any body to see "The Reincarnation of Karma". Don't miss it. Also a "PATHE WEEKLY."

Many interesting pictures of various events all over the world, are to be seen in this rare "weekly".

VAUDEVILLE.

Tonight closes our engagement with the Brothers Melville, in their original creation "The Acrobatic Comique and the Mad Clown". All new and original comedy. Something different from the rest. The old and the young, the grave and the gay will like this act.

Matinee daily at 3:45. 2 shows at night. First starts at 8 o'clock, second follows immediately after close of first.

DID THE COLONE DRINK TOO MUCH

Friends Testify For Him In His Suit Against Editor Of Michigan Paper.

EMPLOYS VERY ABLE LAWYER

Examination of Witnesses Being Carried Forward Behind Closed Doors.

Washington, April 4.—Did Theodore Roosevelt, while President, drink intoxicating liquors and if so to what extent? This question came before an examiner in this city who is assisting in preparing the record in the case of Theodore Roosevelt against A. W. Newitt, editor of Iron Ore Age of Ishpeming, Mich.

Editor Newitt, in the last campaign, charged in his paper that Mr. Roosevelt had indulged too frequently in intoxicants. The Colonel sued for libel, characterizing the story as a malicious falsehood. He employed James H. Pound, a noted lawyer of Detroit, to take charge of his case. The newspaper editor retained Oscar Andrews, a lawyer of Cleveland.

Messrs. Pound and Andrews have been in Washington for the last two days, hearing the testimony of witnesses summoned in behalf of Col. Roosevelt. Admiral Dewey, Gifford Pinchot and other warm personal friends of Col. Roosevelt have appeared before the examiner as "character witnesses." The proceedings, carried forward behind closed doors, are being kept secret by agreement. The case will be heard before Judge Flanagan in Michigan in May.

Testimony in the case was taken in New York a short time ago. There was the same degree of secrecy. It is said that Silas McBee, editor of the Churchman, was one of those who appeared on behalf of Col. Roosevelt. Dr. McBee was in the party accompanying the Lord Bishop of London to this city when he visited President Roosevelt at the White House. The doctor was a spectator at the tennis match between the President and the Lord Bishop.

NEW MAGISTRATES MUST QUALIFY NEXT WEEK.

Saturday of next week, April 12, will be the last day on which a large number of newly elected magistrates may legally qualify to discharge the duties of their office. The State law with reference to them was ratified March 12 and a period of thirty days was allowed in which they might qualify by appearing before the Clerk of the Superior Court and taking the oath. If the law is not complied with the magistrates-elect will forfeit the privilege of meeting out justice and sitting as judges of their fellow-men.

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New Bern Gas Company—You want to take a bath.

A noteworthy list of properties in the "For Sale" column today.

If you have idle capital at the moment better look them over.

Nothing more substantial, or sure of profit, than real estate.