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Schools Serve Democracy

With the opening of the schools of Prince William, it might be well for parents and teachers to do a little thinking about the pupils that present problems to both of them.

Children going to a school system should not be regarded as raw material to be subjected to certain definite processes in the expectation that the finished product can be certain or standardized. Factors of inheritance and environment combine to make each child a special subject requiring, more or less individualized treatment.

Parents, who expect a school and its teachers to take a rough specimen of untrained humanity and develop it into a polished human being, are looking for a great deal. They must not expect the school to take the place of the home and the church. The guidance that a teacher can give to a pupil is valuable and necessary, but it should not and cannot replace entirely all functions of parents.

Teachers, on the other hand, facing a mass of little human beings in their classrooms, should not overlook the importance of identifying each pupil as a separate and distinct human entity. The good teacher is not a mass-worker. There must be the recognition of the peculiar difficulties that confront each student, together with an intelligent tolerance for the child if the greatest improvement in the individual is to be secured.

Naturally, we are very proud of the school system in this community. Along with millions of other Americans, we thoroughly endorse the common schools which offer educational opportunities to all children upon practically equal terms. The schoolhouse, in our opinion, is the bulwark of democratic processes, which should be understood, respected and appreciated by officials and teachers, as well as by the students themselves.

Farm Economy Bears Brunt

The monthly report of the President's Council of Economic Advisers shows the first recovery in industrial production since October, 1948. Preliminary estimates indicate that, in August, industrial production recovered the four per cent dropped in July.

There are some favorable and some unfavorable facts in the picture as presented to Congress and the President. The country's labor force increased by 400,000 but this was because non-agricultural industries offset the decline in agricultural employment that totaled more than one million. Prices received by farmers, and the parity ratio, continued the decline which began in April. Personal incomes dropped in July to three cent below the high of December, 1948, with most of the decline showing itself in farm income.

We have selected several items relating to agriculture in this country because it seems to establish that farmers, as usual, bear the first brunt of a drop in prices. It is well to bear this in mind in connection with any legislation that bolsters agriculture because of the undisputed fact that the economic welfare of the nation depends upon the economic welfare of the farmers in this country.

Every community of people, including Manassas, needs unselfish leadership. You can supply some of it.

Airlines Need More Help

The subsidy-supported private airlines of the United States face a serious threat in the new jet-powered airliner of Great Britain, according to Velos W. Rentzel, Civil Aeronautics Administrator.

This is an interesting commentary upon an American industry which, we have been led to believe, was foremost in the world. The claim has often been made that under private enterprise the United States has developed airplanes and aerial operations unsurpassed by any other people in the world.

Of course, this has not been accomplished without generous subsidies from the Federal Treasury. In fact, the subsidies from the Government are on a more liberal basis than ever. Now, because of the successful development of a jet-airliner in Great Britain, a movement is underway to persuade Congress to do something to help maintain "this nation's leadership in the development of transport planes."

Chance Is Needed

National "Employ The Physically Handicapped Week," begins October 2nd and will direct attention to the advisability of seeking to give employment to those able to work but not usually considered readily employable.

The special week has been authorized by Congress to call attention to the plight of the physically-handicapped, who need the opportunity to be self-supporting. Many individuals, suffering physical disabilities, are well able to earn their living if they can find sympathetic employers ready to give them a chance.

A Dollar A Dollar

The dollar problem that threatens to stifle international trade arises from the fact that the other nations need and buy more goods and services from the United States than this country is willing to buy from them.

The only way to relieve the dollar shortage is by the process of permitting other people to sell something in the United States. As they sell they will acquire dollars.

While the reciprocal trade program quire the dollars necessary for their purchase has made considerable progress, the tariff still stands as a bulwark against the importation of foreign goods. As long as it blocks the American market to other nations there will continue to be a dollar shortage which can be relieved only by gifts of money, the lending of credits and the investment of American capital in other lands.

President Truman, in his speech at Philadelphia, called attention to the situation, declaring that "we must increase our imports. If this is what we want, the way to do so is to lower some tariff rates to the point where foreign products can be sold on the American market."

Belgian Swims Channel.

Americans may be disappointed that Shirley Mae Fance, the young school girl failed in her attempt to swim the English Channel, but they can take some satisfaction over the successful effort of Fernand Dumoulin, crippled hero of the Belgian resistance movement.

The Belgian industrialist, weighing 230 pounds, was in the water twenty-five hours and one minute. He entered the Channel against the advice of experts who warned him that the weather was too rough. Moreover, he did so with little training, without having tackled a long distance in salt water. Business, in Belgium, said Mr. Dumoulin, was pressing and he didn't have time for long training.

It is possible for the human race to make progress too fast but there is no immediate danger.

There is no telling what you can read under the introduction: "Congressional circles indicate, etc."

A lady remarked the other day that the clothes men wear in hot weather make them look foolish.



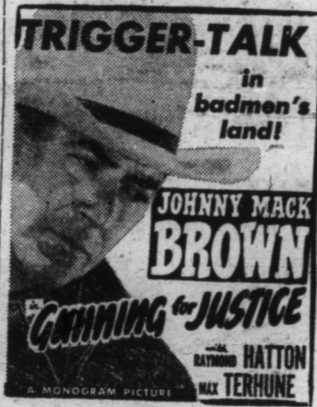
"I don't think it helped Gilmore much, moving him away from the clock."

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September 28-29



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Also Comedy—Novelty

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TRIANGLE

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Peacher visited Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Watson in Dumfries on Sunday evening.

Mr. Francis Burns left last Monday to enter Lynchburg College, at Lynchburg.

Mrs. Stella Shoemaker attended the V. P. I. and Marine Football game at Alexandria on Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Shoemaker was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tubbs of Quantico.

Master Johnny Amidon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Amidon, spent Sunday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Fjane, and aunt, Mrs. Joe Schucraft in Fredericksburg.

Miss Pauline Peacher was the overnight guest of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Peacher on Wednesday.

Mrs. Joe B. Amidon was the overnight guest of Mr. and Mrs. Francis E. Thomas of Arlington on Monday. Mrs. Amidon visited her doctor in Washington on Tuesday. She was accompanied home that evening by her husband, Mr. Joe Amidon and daughter, Mrs. Fred Dillon.

Mrs. Marie Kinchele and son Jimmy visited Mrs. Joe B. Amidon on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gurtler

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and Miss Hilda Amidon were Fredericksburg shoppers on Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Florence Walker visited Mrs. Joe B. Amidon on Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Bernard Kinchele and children, visited Mrs. Ruth Dent on Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Robert Boyd returned home on Sunday from a recent knee operation at Anderson's Clinic, Arlington.

1 Minute Sports Quiz

1. How many years in succession did Ruth lead the league in home runs?
 2. How long did the last Louis-Walcott fight last?
 3. Whom did Pancho Gonzales defeat for the national championship recently?
 4. How many innings did the record Major League game go?
 5. Who is generally conceded to be the best all-round baseball player ever to reach the Majors?
1. Five, 1927-1931.
 2. It ended in the 11th.
 3. Ted Schroeder.
 4. Twenty six.
 5. Tyrus Raymond Cobb.

SCHOOL DAYS

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