



IN AMERICAN HISTORY OFFERS READING COURSE

In response to more than a thousand requests from various parts of the country, the Bureau of Education, Department of the Interior, has just added to its list of reading courses a reading course in American history. In announcing the new course Dr. P. P. Claxton, commissioner of education, declares:

"All American citizens should know more of the history of their country than can be learned from the meager outlines of the textbooks used in our elementary and high schools. That a large number of people should have such general and comprehensive knowledge of the country, its life and growth and the form and spirit of its institutions, as can be gained only from reading at

least several of the standard histories is essential to the welfare of the republic. At every national election and at many state and municipal elections the people are called upon to vote on policies which cannot be intelligently determined without such knowledge. Legislators and other representatives of the people are constantly in need of it. Only out of the history of the past can come an understanding of the principles by which they must be guided if they are to work wisely for the future. To read extensively and deeply in the history of the country becomes therefore a patriotic duty. Only thus can one love his land with 'love far brought from out the storied past,' 'used within the present' and 'transfused through future time by power of thought.'

"Those who have learned to read

history find it the most interesting form of literature. The story of any country or of any great movement of any people, fitly told, is interesting, especially when the reader has learned to understand the relation to each other of the thought and feeling and purpose and action of the people. No country has a more interesting history than the United States, which, from its beginnings in the scattered settlements of immigrants from European shores three hundred years ago and less, has grown through colonial and national life till it has become the greatest, wealthiest and most powerful and most prosperous, the freest, the most self-controlled and self-restrained, the most cosmopolitan and the most firmly united nation the world has ever known. The story of the United States is the story not of dynasties and courts but

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Chadron State Normal School

Robert I. Elliott, President

Miss Mary Wilson and Miss Jane Babcock of the piano department played for the music department of the Woman's Club this week.

There will be an art exhibit at the Normal building next week, February 16 and 17, with programs in the afternoon and evening. Some two hundred reproductions will be on display at that time.

State Superintendent W. H. Clemmons will be here Thursday of next week to address the students at chapel and give an address in the evening.

Reverend Bigger, pastor of the Methodist church at Oelrichs, S. D., was a chapel visitor Monday morning. Reverend Bigger is intending to take some absentia work with the Normal.

In civics class Tuesday the question was discussed as to whether or not the amount of land that an individual may hold should be restricted by law.

During the past week the class in Chemistry II has been working on the carbohydrates, alcohols and the coal-tar compounds, taking up a brief study of the manufacture of sugar, starch and paper; also the methods of preparing alcohols and the chemical changes involved in bread making.

Miss Frazier's first and second grades have about completed their study of the Eskimo. These lessons have been made vivid by the use of pictures, stories, songs, games, black board drawing, the sand table and paper cutting scenes of Eskimo land. Miss Marguerite Walsh has charge of this class.

A concert was given in chapel last Friday and was very well rendered, which speaks well for the training of the orchestra leader, Mr. Thomas.

The class in Agriculture I are beginning the study of the origin and location of soils.

Some new books just received in the library are, "The Victor Book of the Opera," published by the Victor people; and "Dictionary of Philosophy and Psychology."

Each child in the primary room has begun another piece of weaving. Some are starting on their third piece. All are learning something about the different kinds of materials used in this work and the ways of managing these materials. Raffia, cotton-wool, mottled chinelle, rug yarn and germentown yarn, in different colors, are being used. Miss Bess Remender is getting good results in this class.

The class in college physics has been studying the fusion, vapor tension and sublimation curves. While studying some of the familiar phenomena of nature as illustrated in the glacier motion, and the abnormal action of water in regard to expansion and contraction with an increase of temperature, they have also been much interested in some of the apparently impossible problems; as the possibility of freezing water in a red-hot crucible or the conditions under which it would be impossible to change ice into water no matter what quantity of heat was applied.

In chapel Monday morning Professor Wilson discussed the breaking off of diplomatic relations between the United States and Germany. He defined the danger zone that Germany has established in the eastern Atlantic and northern Mediterranean and emphasized the fact that our relations are to be greatly regretted, because Germany has furnished us several millions of fine citizens. He expressed confidence in the ability of the administration at Washington in regard to their management of American interests in this crisis and he also said the diplomatic break may not mean war. He counseled moderation of expression and observations regarding the affair.

The senior class held a very enthusiastic meeting last Wednesday. Plans for the semester and for commencement were discussed. As a result the following committees were appointed: Class play, Anna Smith, Marie Leed and Wilma Bruce; Class night, Madelin Leppla, Frances Kreizenbeck and Marguerite Morrissey; Campus program, Orpha Carmean, Hazel Beckwith and Nina Turecheck; Gift, Claire Gorton, Bess Remender and Mary Wilson; Caps and gowns, Rowland Gillett and Clarence Kelso. A committee was also appointed to ask that chapel seats be reserved for the seniors. This was granted and the seniors now have permanent seats in a prominent part of the chapel.

On Friday night of last week Superintendent Jackson of Rushville brought his basketball team over for a game with the Normal. Two complete teams were out for the Normal and the second team was given a tryout against the Rushville team. Both teams showed lack of experience and no one seemed able to hit the basket. Numerous fouls were called on both teams. At the end of the first half the score stood 5 to 6 for the Normal scrubs. During the second half several of the Normal regulars went in and ran the score up to 22, while Rushville could not

pass the 13 mark. The Normal boys and girls teams expected to go to Hemingford and Alliance respectively the next morning, but Northwest ern trains were so late that it was impossible to make connections at Crawford.

The Alice Freeman Palmer Society, at their regular meeting last Friday, enjoyed a program of selections from the poetry of Theodore Botrel, a Breton poet, whose work is to be soon published in English. Through the courtesy of a friend of a member of the faculty, the young women had the privilege of using the manuscript for the volume that is to be published. The music and the masterpieces of art used to supplement the program were also of French composition. It was a delightful program and the girls expressed their appreciation of the beauty of Botrel's poetry. Miss Vivian Hyser presided in the absence of Miss Florence Collins, the president. On Friday, 15, their next meeting, the program will consist of studies of great pictures, copies of which will be shown at the art exhibit on the two days following. On March 2, the program will consist of selections from the works of John G. Neihardt, a Nebraska poet, and on March 16, the story of the opera Lehengrin, with selections from the opera, will be given.

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The word "tweed" as applied to cloth means twilled and has nothing to do with the river Tweed.

The largest hens' eggs are produced in Manchuria those weighing one-sixth of a pound being common.

There has just been invented a double moving picture screen, on one of which the picture is shown, while the explanation is on the other.

There are but two kinds of poisonous snakes in the U. S. Those with rattles and those with dark hour-glass shaped markings on a lighter ground.

Secretary Daniels favors laws to compel steel companies and other private concerns to give government orders precedence over private orders.

Shark skins are to be utilized in this country in making leather as a result of experiments by the U. S. Bureau of Fisheries. The skins are exceedingly tough.

American chewing gum is exceedingly popular among the fighters in European war front. It steadies the nerves. There is a story of a wounded soldier who was kept alive for five days by the saliva-producing gum.

C. A. SORENSON WILL GO TO PEACE LEAGUE MEETING

Besides William J. Bryan, Nebraska will have one other delegate at the emergency peace league meeting at Washington next week. That one will be C. A. Sorenson of the legislative reference bureau, a member of the Ford peace party last year and chief backer of the pending legislative measure to do away with compulsory military training at the state university.

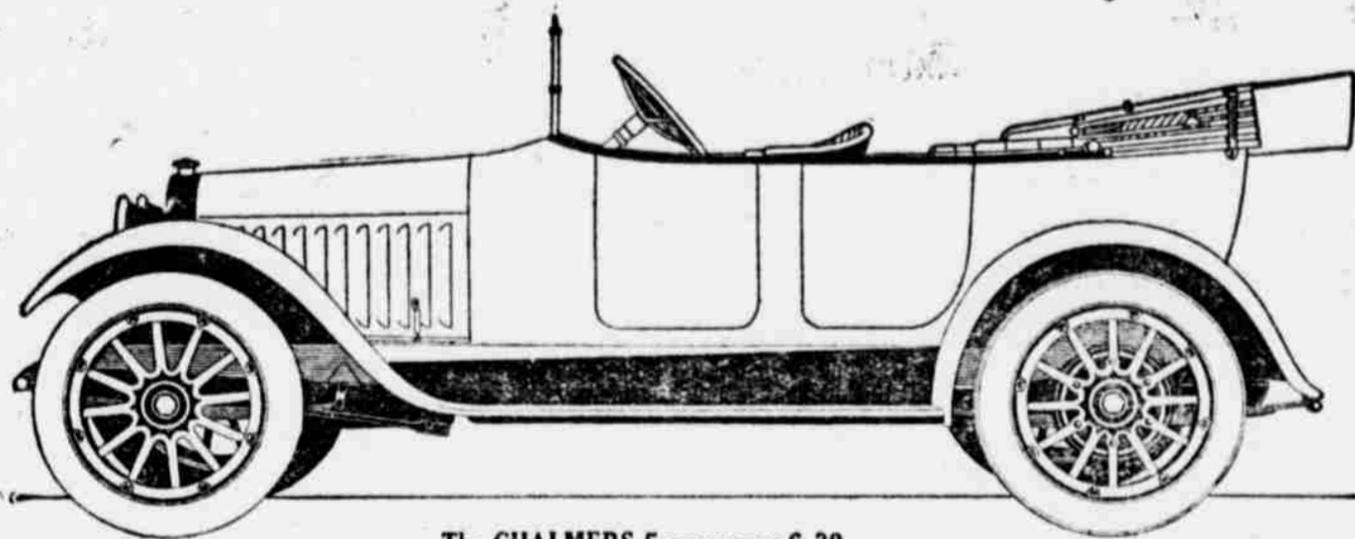
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