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### EDUCATIONAL.

The school exists for the benefit of the pupil. Hence, in dealing with school matters the interests of the pupil are primarily the interests to be consulted.

Parents sometime feel that teachers are a species of crank, because they insist that their children be present every day.

Mrs. Green is going to the country to visit her father, and Sadie wants to go, so she takes Sadie along; or she has a big washing and keeps John out to turn the wringer. Then Mrs. Green becomes very indignant because the teacher asks Sadie or John for a written excuse showing why they were not at school.

Should the pupil be allowed to stay out, and has the teacher no right to know why he is out?

By staying out of school the pupil injures himself. He gets behind in his studies and loses the continuity of his work. Then he loses interest and begins to get discouraged. The result is that he finally drops out and the boy's parents wonder why it is that he has such a dislike for school.

When the boys stay out of school he is wasting the time of his classmates, for he becomes a drag to the work and delays the class until he catches up. No pupil should feel that he has a right to waste the time of his classmates in such a way, and get a great many do just this sort of thing.

The fact that this boy is not getting along as he should and that the class is not getting along as it should is an annoyance to the teacher. The real teacher has an interest in the work and in the progress of each pupil.

Why should not a boy or girl be tardy? Because, primarily, tardiness is a bad habit; it is a matter of business for a person always to be on time. In later life the pupil will find that punctuality is one of the essentials of success. There is something more to be gotten out of school than merely the book-learning. It is at this time that the child is forming his habits, and care must be taken that they be good habits.

Who are the persons interested in the matter of regularity and punctuality in attendance? Many parents seem to think that it is a matter of interest only to the teacher. They refuse to co-operate in the matter of reports and seem to think that the teacher should give their children some prize if their attendance happens to be perfect. They remind me of a story I once heard concerning the experiences of a teacher in the mountains of eastern Tennessee. After she had been teaching in this school a month, she heard of a family up in the mountains some distance away, whose children were not going to school. One evening she walked up to the cabin where they lived, saw the father of the family and told him of the school and its advantages. He promised to send his children. They came and seemed to take quite an interest, but after two weeks they quit coming. The teacher waited a week but as they did not come, she again went up the mountains to the cabin. She saw the father as before and said that she had come to see if something hadn't happened to the children since they had not been at school.

"No, none of 'em ain't sick nor none of 'em hain't got hurt."

Then why is it that they don't come to school any more?

"I sent 'em down thar to weeks," he answered gruffly, and yu didn't pay me a cent. They kin make more 'en thar at home."

The parent as well as the teacher should be concerned in this matter and be glad of a chance to co-operate with the teacher. The teacher in taking a school makes it his or her duty to give the pupil proper instruction, but it is a duty the parent owes to his child to see that that child is present to receive this instruction.

R. E. DALE.

Teachers sometimes unconsciously fall into bad habits of teaching and the pupils are permitted to fall into bad habits of study and of reciting. One should be watchful of himself and of his pupils in order that the best results of study and

recitation may be obtained.

The question should very seldom be such as can be answered by yes or no, nor should it be suggestive of the answer. A good story is told of a class in Civics. The subject of the lesson was the "Powers of Congress." The teacher asked, "Who may declare war?" Quick as a flash the answer came, "Congress." "Who may levy and collect taxes and duties?" "Congress," and so on the questions went, and the invariable answer was "Congress." After the recitation had concluded a visitor was requested to ask the class a few questions upon the lesson. He consented, and asked, "Who may borrow money?" "Congress." "Who regulates commerce?" "Congress." "Who may declare war?" "Congress." "Who may raise armies?" "Congress." "Who struck Pat Murphy?" "Congress." The visitor then thanked the class and turned it over to the teacher.

Often the teacher falls into the habit of repeating the answer of the pupil, supplementing it with points the pupil has omitted. Sometimes, indeed very often, the pupil mumbles over something that is practically unintelligible, and the teacher says yes, and proceeds to read or recite the book answer. It is needless to say that this is time worse than wasted. Quite often one will see a whole class, the members of which invariably answer in the rising inflection. I have even seen this in spelling classes where the spelling was done orally. Teachers sometimes go so far as to nod or shake the head, according as the pupil is making a good or poor guess at the answer. Again let me say, do not let the question suggest the answer; require the answers to be in complete statements; have no "congress" recitations. The pupil should contribute something of value, and the teacher something of value to each recitation, and this outside of or beyond that which may be contained in the text.

M. H. MEAD,  
County Superintendent.

### FARMERS ATTENTION.

BROTHER FARMERS:—I want to address you on a subject which deeply concerns your welfare in the near future. I believe the one thing the times demand of farmers is more business like methods of marketing. I believe there can be no progress made in this direction without united action. There is but one reasonable conclusion, farmers must organize and act together. The cheapest kind of laborers in the cities, janitors, coal heavers, and street cleaners are organized and their rights respected. The highest class of laborers, engineers, electrical experts and high salaried mechanics are organized and their abilities protected. Not on the American soil today is there a body of men not organized except the farmers. I hear you say on reading this that farmers are too widely scattered to organize. You are not too widely scattered to visit your home town nearly every Saturday afternoon for about nine months of the year. Many of you are in touch with your neighbors and with the home town with telephone. What is wanted is a leader to propose farmer organization and co-operation. Are you willing to take the lead? If not, you know who will be a natural leader in your township. Go to him and ask him to bring the farmers together to form a union. I ask you to do this now, because organization of farmers is in the air and no prosperous intelligent community will wish to be left behind in this movement. I am not asking you to do anything which will put you in a position to attend better to your own business, to do your own shipping to save shippers profits and enable you to figure from \$100 to \$300 a year additional profits on what you raise. Every man of you who has followed the arguments and read the educational papers of H. H. Carr of Chicago, the Champion of farmers direct shipments for years past knows that it pays. You who have tried to ship direct and save shippers profits, know how much the individual farmer has to contend with. If one or two hundred farmers in a township, or at a shipper point, are organized into a union, who or what is there to oppose their plans? You ask for what you want and you get it. Will this pay for trouble for forming a farmers' union? Nebraska and Iowa must lead the grain states in organizing because they have the most to sell, most to ship. Let us impress it on you to move in this matter now. The matter of forming these unions into state organizations will begin very soon. The National Farmers' Association is all ready organized for the purpose of directory and encouraging the formation of local farmers' unions every where. I appeal to your intelligence and good sense that there is nothing to lose and much to be gained by joining in this work of farmers' organizations. The time is not far distant when you and those who act with you will be proud of the part you take in farmers' organizations. In twelve months it will be the most powerful organization of workers in

the world. Do not think too long over this. What is needed is action-organization.

J. S. CANADY, Secretary.

### Notice To Farmers.

The meeting for permanent organization of the Farmers Elevator Association will be held at the court house on Saturday, March 3rd. Meeting will be called at half past one o'clock. Mr. J. T. Brady, Secretary of the Albion Association, will address you at this meeting. He hopes to see every farmer in the county at this meeting.

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### Public Sale.

I will offer at Public Sale on the C. Biemond farm, seven miles south of Loup City, Nebraska, southeast 1/4, Section 13, Range 15, Township 14, on Tuesday, Feb. 27, commencing at 10 a. m. sharp, the following property to-wit: 8 head of horses; 23 head of cattle; 22 head of hogs; farming implements; 5 dozen chickens, one dozen guineas, household goods and other articles too numerous to mention.

Free lunch at noon.  
Terms of sale: On all sums of \$10 and under cash. Over \$10 a credit of 9 months will be given by purchaser giving bankable security, drawing 10 per cent interest from date of sale.

FLORENS LAKEMAN, Owner.  
JACOB ALBERS, W. F. MASON,  
Auctioneer. Clerk

### Auction Sale.

I will offer at Public Auction on the Sarah G. Taylor place, west half of Section 33, Township 15, Range 14, four and one-half miles southeast of Loup City, on Wednesday, Feb. 28, commencing at 10 a. m. sharp, the following described property to-wit: 12 head of horses; 20 head of cattle; 22 head of hogs; farming implements; household goods and other articles too numerous to mention.

Free lunch at noon.  
Terms of sale: On all sums of \$10 and under cash. Over \$10 a credit of 9 months will be given by purchaser giving bankable security drawing 10 per cent interest from date of sale.

DAY BROTHERS, Owner.  
JACOB ALBERS, W. F. MASON,  
Auctioneer. Clerk

### Burlington Bulletin

**Of Round Trip Rates.**  
Additional Trains to the Northwest:—Commencing Feb. 11th, two daily trains to Montana, Washington, Puget Sound and Portland, via Billings, Mont., Short Line.

Special Homeseeker's Rates:—Greatly reduced round trip rates to the North Platte Valley and the Big Horn Basin, Feb. 20th, March 6th and 20th. Less than one fare for the round trip. Low one way and round trip rates to points in the South and Southwest Feb. 20th, March 6th and 20th.

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