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### AMERICA IS GOING AHEAD

It is a relief to have something besides politics to talk about, now that the election is over. We are among those who believe that the United States of America will continue to travel along its predestined course regardless of politics and politicians. They and their activities may impede or reflect the course of events momentarily, but in the long run the destiny of this republic is in the hands of its people, and over these nearly one hundred and sixty years since we established our independence as a free nation, our people have always, in emergencies, exhibited a sane, underlying common sense which, we believe, is still to be relied upon.

One of the things our pioneer ancestors in America learned was to take the bitter with the sweet. They endured hardships far beyond anything we of today can imagine, in their determined effort to establish homes for themselves and enduring heritances for their children in the new land. Sometimes we forget that everyone who lives in America is a descendant of an immigrant. We all of us come of adventurous pioneer stock. Some of us are only a generation or two removed from these ancestors who left their native lands because they could no longer tolerate the conditions under which they were compelled to live, and came to America in search of a new freedom. Some of us come from older stock that has been developed in America thru generations. But whether we are the children of recent immigrants or the descendants of the earliest Pilgrims, we all have in our very blood something of the same strain of independence and self-reliance, without which none of our forebears would have ventured to cross the ocean.

It is that spirit which has made America, and it is that spirit which will carry America forward to greater achievements than we have ever dreamed of.

### THE WHEAT FARMER'S PROBLEM

The price of wheat on the Chicago Board of Trade has recently touched the lowest figure since the year 1852. In Liverpool, the great international grain market, wheat has been selling, according to London newspapers, at the lowest price since the days of Queen Elizabeth, in the 1500's. The price in Liverpool controls the price everywhere in the world, because wheat from all the world is traded in there, and the price of any commodity is always fixed in the cheapest market.

The real reason for the present low price of wheat is, of course, that not only the farmers of the United States but the farmers of the whole world have produced more wheat than the world can consume. And, like most of the rest of the economic ills that are troubling us, this condition traces back to the war. During the war some 65,000,000 men were taken out of their regular employments into the armies of the world. They had to be fed. The price of wheat went up to \$2 and more a bushel.

The result was that, not only in the United States but in every other wheat growing country, every acre of land that could possibly be induced to grow a few bushels of wheat was put under cultivation. These so-called marginal lands were never fit for wheat production on an economical basis in normal markets, but millions of farmers, once they had planted them to wheat, did not see or would not be warned that they could not continue to use these marginal acres profitably in peace time.

It seems to us that the only permanent solution for the problems of the growers of wheat, cotton, tobacco, corn, potatoes, and the other staple crops whose market depends upon not only our own production but world production and world trade, is to find some way whereby the acreage planted throughout the nation to these staples should be limited to fit the probable needs of the world. Farmers cannot do this individually. They must either organize in cooperative associations which will include practically 100 percent of the growers of each staple, or, eventually, we believe they will have to submit to governmental regu-

lation of production, which is certainly a far less desirable alternative.

### THE WAY OF LIFE

By Bruce Barton

#### STRENGTH, ASSURANCE, CALM

More than once in his journeys Jesus had passed the victims of the justice of that day, writhing, tortured beings nailed to crosses and waiting pitifully for release. Sometimes they waited for days before the end. The memory of such sights must have been constantly with him; at every sunset he was conscious that he had walked just one day nearer to his own ordeal.

Yet Jesus never faltered. Calmly, cheerfully he went forward, cheering the spirits of his disciples, and striking those fiery blows against hypocrisy and oppression which were to be echoed by the hammer blows upon his cross. And when the soldiers came to arrest him, they found him ready and still calm.

The week of his trial and crucifixion takes up large portion of the gospels. For that week alone we can follow him almost hour by hour; we know where he ate and slept, what he said and to whom; we can trace the gathering storm of fury which finally bore him down. And this is the magnificent thing to remember—that thru all that long torture of imprisonment, court trials, midnight hearings, scourgings, loss of food and loss of sleep, Jesus never once ceased to be the master.

His accusers were determined. They thronged the courtyard before the palace, clamoring for his blood, yet even they felt a momentary awe when he appeared before them on the balcony.

Even Pilate felt it. The two men offered a strange contrast standing there—the Roman governor whose lips were so soon to speak the sentence of death, and the silent, self-possessed ex-carpenter—accused and doomed—yet bearing himself with so much majesty, as though he were somehow beyond the reach of man-made law, and safe from the hurt of its penalties.

In the face of the Roman were deep unpleasant lines; his cheeks were fatty with self-indulgence; he had the colorless look of indoor living. The straight young man stood inches above him, bronzed and hard, and clean as the air of his loved mountain and lake.

Pilate raised his hand; the shouting and the tumult died; a deathly stillness descended upon the crowd. He turned and faced the figure at his side, and from his coarse lips there burst a sentence which is a truer portrait than any painter has ever given us. The involuntary testimony of the flabby cynical Roman in the presence of perfect strength, perfect assurance, perfect calm:

"Behold," he cried, "the man!"

### The Family Doctor

By John Joseph Gaines, M. D.

There are some points—I might call them rules—that I feel pretty safe in abiding by, subject to very moderate amending for special cases. I will mention a few.

I have learned that the adult man needs at least one meat ration a day, cooked in the manner he likes it best. The working man needs more meat than the housed man. I do not permit heavy meats for the evening meal.

The adult human body needs one or two eggs daily, cooked as the individual prefers.

I prefer cooked fruits to raw fruits, as a rule. From the producer to the consumer these days, may pass the viand through a dozen pairs of more or less dirty hands. It takes more than a casual rinsing to remove germs; cooking does the work. Stewed dried fruits are my absolute favorites for winter eating.

The fruit portion of a meal, roughly speaking, may furnish from one-third to one-half the volume of the ration. We, as a nation, eat too little of well-selected fruits.

We do not give enough attention to the volume of water taken. A patient weighing 150 pounds should drink a total of a half-gallon of water daily. Don't await thirst, if you are sedentary. Get the habit of drinking methodically.

I am asked, "Shall I drink milk?" This by people who are merely run-down from over-strain of affairs. I ask, "do you like it?" "Yes." "Then drink it." But if the answer is, "No, I can't say I like it, but have been told it's good for me." Then I say, "take a glass now and then, but abandon it if it causes distress." "Trial and Error," you know.

## Hilltop Beacon

### AMERICAN LITERATURE

This age in which we are living necessitates swifter and more extensive movements in every line of business and every mode of living. Literature is not an exception to this movement, and because of this fact we accept a certain type of literature perhaps more readily than others. This type is the short story.

The Seniors are very fortunate in that a new text-book was chosen which contained the very best and most interesting short stories in the history of American Literature.

First of all we, become curious concerning definitions of a short story, and after having reviewed and discussed those set forth by such noted critics as Aristotle, Brander Matthews, and Edgar Allan Poe, we began to read real examples of perfect short stories.

Washington Irving, in the early nineteenth century, wrote stories which are still outstanding today. He was called "Father of the American short story." In his story "The Devil and Tom Walker," we remember him for his originality and pervading humor.

Edgar Allan Poe brought forth that new and mysterious element in the short story, and for this reason he was called "Creator of the Short Story." Almost everyone enjoyed his stories, although we preferred reading them in the day time rather than at night.

Nathaniel Hawthorne appeals to many of us because of his efforts to produce a deeper spiritual insight and an acceptance of moral truths in our beings. His writings, even though they are somewhat serious in nature, are necessary to make a favorable balance in our choice of reading material.

A long list of others follow. The more important ones are: Bret Harte, Mark Twain, Thomas Aldrich, Frank Stockton, Jack London, Henry, Margaret Montague, and Wilbur Daniel Steele. Each author gave an excellent representation of his or her emotions, to which we agreed both were valuable and entertaining.

We are now studying poetry, and we are very anxious to make a decision as to whether we prefer this type of literature to the short story. There has never been a perfect and justifiable definition of poetry, and since no member in the class has attained sufficient knowledge to express his poetic inclinations, we were unable to create a definition.

We find, however, that a poet expresses his own personal emotions in stanzas and verses. To appreciate the rhythm of the poetry, we studied the details of form, and to appreciate the works of poets in the past, we studied the history of poetry and poets.

William Cullen Bryant appealed to each and every one of us, because he left us some beautiful thoughts condensed in verses. "Thanatopsis," a poem of death, and "To a Waterfowl," are examples of this famous poet's attitude toward life. In order that we might maintain some of these valuable expressions we committed to memory portions of both poems.

The last stanza of "To a Waterfowl" was unanimously decided upon as an appropriate application for our own lives:

"He who, from zone to zone,  
Guides through the boundless sky  
thy certain flight,  
In the long way that I must tread  
alone,  
Will lead my steps aright."

—Jeannette Laughery.

### ESSAYS

Have you ever read an essay? Perhaps you have never been introduced to the definition of this type of literature. An essay is a short literary composition which expresses the author's view or idea on a certain subject. Perhaps some of you can recall having read such a work. I am sure that you found it beneficial and very interesting, didn't you?

At least the Juniors think so, for this is the type of literature that they have been studying. Most of the time was spent on the essays of "Studies," "Discourse" and "Travel," written by Francis Bacon. Many excellent ideas and new views on certain subjects were extracted from these three essays. However, since the ideas in these essays were only views of the author, some students thought it was their rightful privilege to question a few statements. In "Studies," a statement which was popularly questioned, or rather disputed, was "Studies serve for delight." However, learned men thoroughly agree with this statement. Perhaps the members of our class have not introduced themselves to

Some of the statements made in various essays were discussed in class and questionable statements served as interesting topics for debate. This was our first attempt in debating.

Shakespeare's "Macbeth." The Juniors have been studying Shakespeare's "Macbeth," and are enjoying it very much—that is, most of them do.

Do you want evidence that the Juniors enjoy the play "Macbeth"? Well, here's some evidence:

Writes Louis Bender: "I enjoy reading the play 'Macbeth' because the events of this drama hold one's interest in suspense."

Florence Grathwohl remarks: "I enjoy the play 'Macbeth' because it deals with man's emotional reactions."

Gayford Will's contribution: "Macbeth" appeals to me because this drama furnishes something for the imagination."

## Latham Newsettes

Latham, Ill., Nov. 16.—The Cottle & Cannon restaurant was purchased recently by F. D. Barnett, of Mt. Pulaski, and possession was taken at once. Mr. Barnett was formerly a member of the meat market firm of Rund & Barnett, Mt. Pulaski.

The Past Chief Club met recently at the home of Mrs. Ina Beshears for the purpose of organizing. The officers elected were as follows: Mrs. Ina Beshears, president; Mrs. Lavina Gasaway, vice-president; Mrs. Elsie Allison, secretary and treasurer. The club will meet once a month for a social evening.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Latham Methodist Episcopal church met Thursday night, November 10th, at the home of Mrs. Henry Little.

Mrs. E. K. Rutherford, who was injured in an automobile accident on Route 10, near Illiopolis, a few weeks ago, and was taken to one of the hospitals in Lincoln, was able to come home several days ago, and is now much improved.

On November 2d a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Loetterle.

The Freshman class of the Community High School enjoyed a masquerade party recently in the school gymnasium.

A Junior Choir has been organized at the Christian church under the direction of Mrs. George Waddell. All the children of the church of school age are asked to come and help sing.

The students of the Latham Community High School have completed their first six weeks' work. Honor Roll students receiving an average of 95 per cent and above, are Betty Lou Allison and Sara Jane Pease; students receiving an average of 90 per cent and above, Esther Rutherford, Donald Rentmeister, Fern Kieck and Eileen Stannett.

Frank C. Pease, the well known hardware dealer, who has been ill for sometime, is now greatly improved. On election day he was able to go to the polls and vote.

Cowpeas yielded better than last year, but the production was estimated at 15 per cent smaller.

Esther Volle's response: "This drama appeals to me because it holds my interest to such an intense degree that I hate to stop at the end of the assignment."

Wilbur Schmidt decides: "I enjoy 'Macbeth' because it is full of mystery and superstition." Barbara Barnes suggests: "Shakespeare is one of the world's greatest dramatists. His drama 'Macbeth' is colorful."

Harold McCain's evidence: "I enjoy 'Macbeth' because it is a very interesting play which makes me think hard to get the meaning of the plot."

Lucy Jane Ellis testifies in conclusion:

"I enjoy this drama because it is something different from what we have ever studied."

Yes! The Juniors always have news for inquiring reporters.

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## AUSTIN NEWS

Austin Township, Macon County, Nov. 16.—Not much excitement, or news either, since the election.

Mrs. Henry Heilman and daughter, Miss Sarah Rotramel, and Miss Margaret Isenhour called on Mrs. Walter Phillips last Sunday.

All kinds of weather last week, and sunshine was very scarce—fog, mist, rain, wind, snow, and the thermometer down to 19 degrees above Friday morning. It seemed more like Indian summer Monday, but a decided change took place Tuesday morning, when snow began falling.

Harmony United Brethren Church. The W. M. S. met Thursday with Mrs. John T. Johnston.

Only 37 were present for Sunday School last Sunday morning. A birthday offering of 14c was received from Nelson Jackson.

Preaching and Communion services next Sunday, and voting for delegates to General Conference.

### U. S. BANKS SHOW

#### QUARTERLY INCREASE

The comptroller of the currency at Washington, D. C., Tuesday reported that the 6,085 reporting National Banks in continental United States, Alaska and Hawaii had resources of \$22,565,995,000 on September 30th, an increase of \$198,284,000 over the previous quarter, but a decrease of \$3,180,069,000 from the same quarter of 1931.

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