

Says Athletics Power in School.

"The power that lies in school athletics is coming more and more to be recognized, and the importance of controlling and supervising these athletics is demanding attention," said Dr. Henry D. Phillips, rector of Trinity Episcopal church, yesterday afternoon in addressing school men and women who had gathered at the Columbia theatre for the second general session of the State Teachers' association.

"Most thoughtful men recognize that the training of the physical man is putting into the background the training of the mental and spiritual qualities. What are we going to do about it?"

"Athletics is taking more time than should be devoted to it—what are you school people going to do about it?" he asked.

"There is everywhere a tremendous interest in school and college athletics. We have gone mad on the subject of athletics. If we build up a strong group of citizens, it will be because of the contributions made to that citizenship by school teachers. All of us see what an important part athletics plays in the life of the school and college boy and girl, and we are also coming to know the value of athletics as a trainer and developer of character.

Fair, Square and Honest.

"Fair, square, honest athletics will produce fair, square and honest men. We all know there have been irregularities in athletics—whether these irregularities begin in high schools or in colleges we can not say. We know, though they are there, and it is our duty to deal with them.

"A town wants to have a winning ball team. The citizens of the town want a winner; some big strong boy, a star player, not a bona fide student, plays on the school team and helps it to win. What is the effect of such tactics on the other members of the team and on the boy himself? Is any one deceived? Can you fool a boy? Does he not know that crooked athletics are being indulged in? What is the effect of such crookedness on the student body?"

"Over zealous alumni pay part of a student's expenses to college so that he may play football. Is this fair and square athletics?"

"Are we, through our athletics, teaching our boys and girls that we will not connive at irregularity? Are we showing that we are honest to the core?"

"In our high schools we have got to require a standard of scholarship.

"We must let it be known that a boy who has not enough brains to keep up with his classes has not enough brains to play football and to engage in right and ethical practices on the athletic field. We should let our standards of ethics and honesty of the class room prevail on the athletic field. Athletics is a power for good or for evil, all depending on the way it is managed. The management of athletics is worthy of the serious attention of our school men and school women. Clean athletics, honest athletics, square athletics produce men of cleanness, honesty and squareness."

Dr. Phillips was heard with much interest and was warmly applauded at the conclusion of his address.

Dr. Swearingen Speaks.

At the conclusion of the address of Dr. Phillips, Dr. J. E. Swearingen, state superintendent of education, was presented.

During the course of his remarks Dr. Swearingen said, "We will pay every high school application in full and also every term extension claim. We will also pay vocational educational teachers in full—so do not worry." This statement was received with applause.

Dr. Swearingen devoted a considerable part of his address to a discussion of financial and legislative subjects, saying at the outset that the legislature was the highest school board in the state. He told of the difficult situation which the legislature faced this year and of the postponement of the payment of taxes in 1921. Shortly after that postponement, he said, the state paid to the federal government in taxes as much as the entire state appropriation bill carried little of this money, he said, returning to the state.

"There is plenty of money in South Carolina to run the state government—the question is, how to get it," he said.

Dr. Swearingen said that he went into office standing for an equal chance for every child to get the rudiments of an education; for a six months' term and for a salary of \$100 per month for every qualified teacher.

In speaking of unpaid salaries, Dr. Swearingen said: "Some of you have not drawn money for some months I dare say. You have not been paid

because taxes have remained unpaid. I don't know how it is that some sheriffs hold tax executions in their offices some four or five years, but you teachers who are unpaid need not worry. The school authorities have power to borrow money."

Dr. Swearingen was given close attention by the large audience present. E. C. McCants of Anderson presided at the meeting and several announcements were made by R. C. Burts, secretary.—The State.

Big Game of Baseball in Augusta.

Augusta, Ga., March 20.—The Committee of Fifty of the Board of Commerce which was responsible for the famous Augusta Community Barbecues of 1920 and 1921, when 7,000 Georgians and Carolinians were fed at one time under one roof, thereby establishing a record for the South and, therefore for the county, has gone in for baseball. This Committee has arranged an exhibition and match game for Friday, March 31st, between the Detroit Tygers, managed by the incomparable TY COBB, and the Augusta team of the South Atlantic League, which is directed by Neal Ball, the first man in the big leagues to make a triple play unassisted. Just to add a thrill to the performance, Neal made it in a world series game.

The Committee of Fifty is responsible for the fact that the Detroit team of the American League is training in Augusta. Ty Cobb, who is a resident of Augusta, was anxious to bring his charges to the city, but there were no facilities at Warren Park, the local baseball plant, for his players. The Committee of Fifty promptly got busy and found out if they underwrote a certain sum the officials of Richmond Academy would erect the necessary club house. Ty Cobb then announced that he would bring his ball tossers to Augusta, and he did. The Committee of Fifty is now promoting the game to meet the indebtedness contracted in order to make the necessary improvements.

It is seldom that Southern baseball fans, even the largest cities of Dixie, get an opportunity to see such an array of talent prancing around a ball yard as will be seen at Warren Park the day Detroit and Augusta meet. There will be Ty Cobb, the immortal Georgia Peach, who needs no introduction to American anywhere, whether they be baseball fans or not; the man who has made apparently unbreakable records than any other man can hope to make—the greatest player the game has produced.

Harry Heilmann, the champion batter of the American League, will also be in the lineup. Heilmann is one of the greatest stars in baseball, and yet he is still young in the game. Bobby Veach, a veteran of many campaigns and still going strong, one of the hardest hitters in the big leagues, and with Ty Cobb and Sam Crawford, a member of the most famous outfield trio that ever graced a diamond, will also be on deck for action. Detroit's outfield will also boast of Johnny Mohardt, who has yet to play his first big league game, but who is one of the most widely known men in athletic circles today. Johnny hails from the Notre Dame University, Indiana, where he entered at football to such an extent that sport writers rated him as high or even higher than Brickley, Mahan, Berry and other stellar lights of the gridiron in days gone by, and they do say that there is one thing he can play better than football, and that is baseball. Ty Cobb evidently thinks so too, for he is playing him regularly in practice games and does not hide his admiration for his ability.

A record baseball crowd is expected at the game; the entire proceeds of which will be turned over to the Board of Commerce, through the courtesy of Managers Cobb and Bell. Admission will be one dollar. Parties are being formed, even at this early date, in towns scores of miles from Augusta to motor up to the game, and reservations are coming in in a steady stream. Baseball such as will be displayed the afternoon of March 31st in Augusta is scheduled but rarely, and no baseball fan or admirer of the Committee of Fifty intends to miss the battle.

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BETTER THAN ALL MEDICINE

Oysters Put Artemus Ward on His Feet When Every Other Remedy Had Proved a Failure.

When Artemus Ward and Dr. Hingston, who acted as his manager on his Western lecture tour, arrived in Salt Lake City, after that amusing and successful visit to California, the beloved humorist fell sick. So badly was he, after his arduous rounds of the Pacific coast and his strenuous days in Virginia City, Nev., with Mark Twain and Bill Nye, that his life was despaired of.

The lecture Artemus had arranged with Brigham Young to give in the theater, had to be postponed. In fact, so hopeless seemed the case that Dr. Hingston even tried to arrange to have the body of his friend and partner transported to the East on the stage coach. But the optimism of Artemus brought him back to safety again, a very thin and weak man.

But before he was allowed to leave his room, Artemus had difficulty gaining sufficient strength even to walk. From Brigham Young to the least humble of the Mormon "saints," attentions in the form of fresh eggs, jellies and other helpful delicacies were showered upon the convalescent. Artemus enjoyed everything, but nothing seemed to give him strength.

At last a food was discovered in a local grocery, so we are told, that "lifted him from his couch." This was nothing more or less than a dozen cans of Baltimore oysters, put up in squares of block tin. The first oyster stew "hit the spot," and Artemus chirped up:

"Get out the bills for the lecture! See Mr. Clawson and arrange for the date. The show is safe enough, now we've got on an oyster basis."—Mark Stuyvesant in the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

TO MAKE HEADWAY IN LIFE

Consecrate and Concentrate, is the Advice Given by Writer in Forbes Magazine.

You want to make headway in the world, of course. See if this thought can help you: First, consecrate yourself to your calling; then concentrate. The lives of most men of notable achievement have been characterized by consecration and concentration. Before one can consecrate oneself, one must be possessed by some bigger and broader and better idea than mere money making. There must be something in the work that appeals to one. The work must appear to be worth while, worth effort and industry and sacrifice. You could not, for example, conceive of anyone consecrating himself to "bootlegging." There isn't one honest calling, however, to which a worker could not consecrate himself or herself if animated by the right spirit. Having consecrated oneself to a line of endeavor, then concentration must follow if proficiency and success are to be attained.

The worker, be he employee or employer, who hasn't consecrated himself to his calling fails to derive from it that deep satisfaction known to those who have consecrated themselves to their jobs. Concentration follows consecration naturally and with joy rather than hard effort.—Forbes Magazine.

Swiss Santa Rings Bell.

In the quaint little town of St. Gallen, Switzerland, which has retained many of its curious medieval customs, Santa Claus makes his visits ringing a gigantic cowbell, says Popular Science Magazine.

In St. Gallen, every Christmas eve twelve men array themselves in white trousers and shirts, embroidered wool suspenders, and bright red ties. Each one fastens an enormous cowbell on to a wide leather belt, and covers his head with an enormous mask of cardboard, the upper part of which is decorated by stenciled designs.

One of the twelve is called "Samichlaus." It is his duty to give the good children presents. The other eleven remain at a little distance on the outskirts of the jolly crowd that follows them on their rounds, giving candy to the grownups and entertaining everybody with their clowning.

Cave-Dwelling Snakes.

Until recent times no reptiles were known to have adapted themselves to existence in the darkness of caverns. Now, however, it is known that in the Malay peninsula a snake, a species of coluber, inhabits certain caverns, feeding upon the bats.

These cave-dwelling snakes attain a length of between eight and nine feet. Their coloring simulates that of the walls of the caverns. The rock is a yellowish limestone, traversed with blackish veins, and these markings and colors are curiously reproduced in the snakes, many of which lurk on the ledge in the semi-darkness near the entrances, watching for the bats.

The Game of Whist.

All great discoveries are works of time, and the game of whist is no exception to the rule. Its merits were not recognized in early times, and under the vulgar appellation of "whisk and swobbers" it long lingered in the servants' hall ere it could ascend to the drawing room.

At length some gentlemen in England who met at the Crown coffee-house in Bedford Row, studied the game, gave it rules, established its principles, and then Edward Hoyle, in 1743, blazoned it forth to all the world.

Partisan Strife Will Not Remedy.

To the Editor of The State:

I ask space to express my appreciation to my friends who saw fit to nominate me, or, rather, suggested my name for a candidate in the coming campaign for governor; also to reply to numerous friends and letters, as to whether I will be in the race. I will say that I am not hunting a job and will have to carefully consider the matter before I can give a definite answer.

I admit that the time is here when something should be done. Some think the time ripe for another revolution in state politics, but with the existing financial status I would hate to see our people torn to pieces by demagogism or a political upheaval. This is no time for a repetition of some past circumstances; no time with the increased amount of crime that is being committed almost daily to have our penitentiary emptied of all classes of criminals—safe blowers, thieves, murderers, etc.—nor is it necessary to abuse all outside of the penitentiary. Under existing conditions we should have a quiet campaign and whoever makes the race for governor should have the ability and qualifications to lead and to represent all classes of our people and to reconcile them by a just and economical administration that will bring back to normal our conditions and help to foster all our institutions and encourage diversified enterprises that will build up our state and give every class of our citizenship equal rights and privileges to work out for themselves an honest living and a proper enjoyment of life, educationally, financially, socially and otherwise. There must be a long and steady pull together of all our people, with a due consideration for every one, so that we may come back to the morning light of a brighter day. Much has been done at the recent session of the legislature to diversify the burdens of taxation and much more needs to be done and will be done to remedy this. The administration of our government has grown out of proportion to the tax paying power of our people under hell weevil conditions and it will be necessary to so simplify and reduce our expenses within the paying power of our farmers and all other classes of citizens that all may live and prosper. We need a new and able leader, endowed with common sense and full business judgment to serve the state and people in a business way, with full knowledge of the science of government and economics, to lead us out of our stagnant and inactive situation and set us agoing with the tide of prosperity.

We don't need at this time any narrow minded partisan governor, but one who has been a successful business man and is a statesman and will be a success as a governor, and has the interest of all our people at heart.

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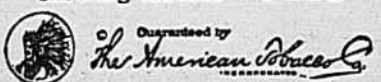
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