

BY THE WAY—

The people of Reynoldsville have usually got what they wanted in the long run, in the way of public improvements, despite the obstructions of fossilized molluscs and ditatory "powers that be."

Reynoldsville the Central Point of Proposed New Normal School District.

Two bills are now before the Pennsylvania Legislature which are of more than passing importance to the people of Reynoldsville and Jefferson county. The first provides for the creation of a new normal school district composed of Clearfield, Jefferson and Armstrong counties. The second asks for an appropriation of \$10,000 for the purpose of establishing a State Normal School at Dayton, Armstrong county.

Thousands of Acres Of Unproductive Land Might Be Made Yield A Profit.

There are thousands of acres of land in the section surrounding Reynoldsville practically unproductive which by a sane method of reforestation could be made yield heavy profits to the owners of the land within the next decade or two—profits absolutely certain without regard to local progress or stagnation.

If it is "a sound and remunerative investment to start forests from the seed in England, (as actual experiment has demonstrated), how much more profitable it will be to Americans in view of the fact that the measures that are now being proposed in the United States are so much simpler and less expensive.

The way to build up the public school standard is to co-operate with the teachers in their work. Show your interest and sincerity by a visit to the Reynoldsville public schools on Patrons' Days, next Monday and Tuesday.

The operation of the "steel plant" under new management is another sign of the returning business confidence throughout the land.

LINCOLN, THE MARTYR PRESIDENT.

BORN FEBRUARY 12, 1809.

IT IS FITTING that the public schools should emphasize the birthday of this great man, whom the people so dearly love. Though he was of lowly parentage, the habit of his mind and soul was to high and noble aspirations.

Among the first books that LINCOLN read were the Bible, Pilgrim's Progress, and Aesop's Fables. Here we find the basis of his literary taste and the chief characteristic of his literary style—simplicity.

In these days of multiplied books and of free schools, it will be well for the boys and girls to recall the fact that ABRAHAM LINCOLN had extremely limited opportunities in this line. No free textbooks were his!

These facts from the life of this great man should be an example and a lesson to the pupils of the Reynoldsville schools. May the exercises of next Friday spur them on to greater application to their work, to greater punctuality in their school duties, and to a higher appreciation of the privileges which they enjoy in a land of FREE SCHOOLS.

Many False Affidavits Concerning Age of Minors.

A new bill to regulate child labor in Pennsylvania has been introduced in the state legislature. It makes little change in present requirements but aims to prevent fraudulent certification as to age by parents and guardians. The State Child Labor Association is behind the bill and a representative says the bill is the result of months of study both as to what has proved practicable in other states and may be reasonably expected to pass.

The Pennsylvania Educational Commission has recognized this evil and has put into its bill, now pending, a requirement that parents must bring proof of age of this sort before their children may leave school to work.

Reynoldsville Has:

- A tannery. A silk mill. Summer park. A glass factory. Two grist mills. Parochial school. Two brick plants. Two woolen mills. A sewage system. Two planing mills. Three newspapers. Two express offices. Healthful location. Abundance of labor. A macaroni factory. Two cigar factories. Good trolley service. Three fire companies. Two candy factories. Two telegraph offices. Up-to-date merchants. Immense coal deposits. Principal streets paved. A modern public school. Large beds of limestone. Cheapest fuel in the state. Innumerable social clubs. Forty lodges, more or less. Sanitary compound factory. Seven well conducted hotels. Five modern church edifices. Excellent city water supply. An up-to-date machine shop. Free sites for new industries. Abundant coal, coke and gas. Reasonable rents for tenants. Numerous amusement resorts. Police protection for property. Well trained professional men. Live Business Men's Association. Surrounding population of 70,000. Large wholesale establishments. Best people on earth for citizens. Telephone service over three lines. An electric light and power plant. Four club rooms for social recreation. Biggest honey producing concern in the state. Finest clay and shale deposits in Pennsylvania. Shipping facilities over two great railroad systems. Largest coal mine in the world within three miles. Some of the largest and finest stores in the county. Three solid national banks with a combined capital of \$25,000,000 and surplus of approximately \$10,000,000.

Lumbering in Washington As Seen By a Former Resident of Reynoldsville.

Ostrander, Wash., Jan. 30, 1909.

DEAR EDITOR STAR:—As time is a little heavy with me to-day, being far from my native state and among strangers, I thought I would drop a few lines to you to let you know what kind of a country this is. It is a grand country in many respects, but I will only try to give you a small sketch of what I have seen, and I have seen but a small portion of Washington state. I am in one of the lumbering districts. I worked in the Pennsylvania lumber woods the greater part of my early life and I thought I knew just about all there was to know about lumbering, but I find that a man "never gets too old to learn."

Mr. Collins, a Pennsylvania man, has a large mill here and cuts a large amount of bill stuff, much of which is from 30 to 100 feet in length. This is quite a broken country where I am; deep canons, high mountains capped with snow, but it is warm down here in the valley. The Cowlitz river is a large stream swarming with fine salmon and other fine fish; the forests have plenty of game such as elk, deer, bear, wolves, mountain cougar, lynx, kintos, and small game. It is healthy out here, pure air, good water and plenty of fruit.

C. P. HARDING, Ostrander, Cowlitz Co., Wash.

Owing the illness of the editor of THE STAR during the past week, there may not be the usual amount of personal and local news in this issue. Attending to the editorial, reportorial and office work at the same time is a rather strenuous job for the "committee of one" in charge.

Development of the lower vein of coal spells prosperity for Reynoldsville.

Ever There?

"When your heels hit hard And your head feels queer, And your thoughts rise up Like the froth on beer; And your legs are weak, And your voice is strong, And you laugh like—at some—fool song— You're drunk— B'Gosh, you're drunk." —St. Louis Republic.

Well, Did You See That

BEE-LINE

At Robinson & Mundorff's

Well, if you have not, it will not cost you anything to have a look, so just step in and look around. Of course, we sell bee supplies and try to keep a complete line of "Root's" goods on hand.

Rea Bee & Honey Co.



A SATISFIED PUBLIC

Is the best advertisement. In 1908 was a successful year in my optical work and I will try to make 1909 even better.

G. C. GIBSON, Optician.

Come, Mr. Renter, Let us reason together

THE majority of the imperial fortunes of to-day were made through judicious realty investments. Never before were the possibilities for fortune building so pregnant with opportunities as they are at the present time. Russell Sage said:

"Young man, buy real estate and then work hard at your avocation. Your real estate will make your old age comfortable."

Here is the advice of one of the most successful financiers of the age—a man who accumulated a fabulous fortune. The first thing towards getting a start in life is to save money. The next thing, to invest it profitably. Now, at the beginning of the year is a good time to glance over the past and see what you have done toward owning a home of your own.

ONE LOT on south side Main street; 32 x 150. Suitable for house or store building; fine location for some order to build them a permanent home.

ONE LOT on south side Jackson street; 50 x 150 feet with two good frame houses thereon, one 6-room and one 7 room. Good barn on lot. Will sell together or separate.

ALSO, One good building lot in DuBois, on Tabe Avenue, and one large brick building in Falls Creek containing four store rooms on first floor and a nice suite of living rooms on second floor. Building is 73 x 58 x 68 x 30.

These are only a few of the good things we have. We can offer you timber, coal and business propositions, and best of all, SEWER CLEAN and SEWER CLEAN DOUBLE XX. Do not forget these. Come in and see us, and as we said before, "Let us reason together."

Reynoldsville Chemical Co.

ROBT. Z. PARRISH, Manager. OVER REYNOLDSVILLE HARDWARE STORE.

GILLESPIES

Good Buy Shoe Sale

To close out all our broken lots, odd sizes, we continue this Good Buy sale, for you, and Good Bye, for us, of Shoes and Rubbers. We've cut prices lower than the lowest notch.

SHOES

Table listing shoe prices: \$3.20 and \$4.00 Shoes, Good Buy Price 2.69; 2.50 and 3.00 Shoes, Good Buy Price 2.19; 2.50 Shoes, Good Buy Price 1.98; 2.00 Shoes, Good Buy Price 1.69; 1.50 Shoes, Good Buy Price 1.19. On our 39, 49 and 69 cent counters, you'll find extra good values.

RUBBERS

Table listing rubber prices: \$3.00 Hi Top Rubbers, Good Buy Price \$2.49; 3.25 Hi Leather Hi Top, Good Buy Price 2.49; 2.75 and 2.50 Heavy Rubbers, Good Buy Price 2.19; 2.25 and 2.00 Heavy Rubbers, Good Buy Price 1.69; 3.75 Gum Boots, Good Buy Price, 3.19; 1.75 Lo-Cut Rubbers, Good Buy Price 1.39; Ladies', Misses' and Children's Arctics 69c; 25c size White Cross Foot Powder, Good Buy Price 15c; 10c size " " " 7c.

STOCK TAKING WEEK.

This week you can still buy Ladies', Misses' and Children's Coats at one-half price. We're giving Furs another cut. Not many left. Cut prices still hold good on a great many lines. Money in your purse to attend this Good Buy Sale at

GILLESPIES.