

STATE OF MINNESOTA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
SAINT PAUL



P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, We are this year celebrating the centennial of Horace Mann, the patriot, educator, and reformer who early in our national life recognized the fact that free popular tax-supported education is necessary if democracy is to be maintained, social injustices cured, and necessary social changes achieved; and

WHEREAS, The week of November 7-13 has been designated as American Education Week, and dedicated to the preservation and development of our American Educational system, especially in relation to our national life;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elmer A. Benson, Governor of Minnesota, proclaim the week of

NOVEMBER 7th to 13th, 1937

as

MINNESOTA EDUCATION WEEK

in order that we may re-dedicate ourselves and our state to the cause of free, public education, unfettered, adequately supported, and available to all, regardless of class, race, age, place of residence, or economic status.

I urge that this week be made the occasion for special consideration, especially among parents and educators, of such vital problems as the following:

How to achieve the goal of free, public education for all the youth in this state, in view of the fact that large numbers of them are out of school yet unable to find either profitable employment or the training needed to prepare themselves for citizenship and vocational efficiency.

How to make education a continuous process, not ending with the completion of a given grade but extending throughout life, in view of the fact that adults need educational assistance both in solving their immediate personal problems and in learning how to take part in solving the intricate social and economic problems that have arisen in our rapidly shifting social scene.

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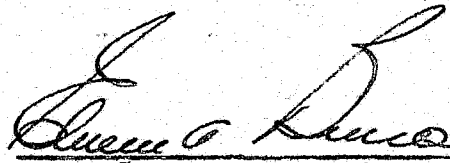


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How to employ educational resources to help our people improve both the quantity and the quality of their knowledge of the great movements that are sweeping across contemporary life, such as the co-operative movement, the labor movement, the peace movement, and the re-awakened movement for the conservation of both human and natural resources.

If MINNESOTA EDUCATION WEEK develops public interest and information about these great educational problems, it will have provided a living memorial to the founders of our great public school system.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed, at Saint Paul, this 1st day of November, 1937.


Governor of Minnesota

Attest:


Secretary of State

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