

GOVERNMENT LEADS NOW FOR \$15,000

President of Normal School Tells of Pressing Needs at Monmouth.

REGENTS YET TO GIVE O. K.

Report of State Institution in Entirety Not Approved by Board. Initiative Tax About Adequate for Maintenance, He Says.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—In his biennial report submitted to the State Board of Normal Regents, President Ackerman, of the Monmouth Normal School, asks that \$15,000 be secured through legislative appropriation for that institution. He states that the most pressing needs are equipment for the new dormitory, additional land, cement walks, improvement of the grounds and a domestic science, manual training and gymnasium building.

"While we need the building badly," he says, "we can manage to get along without it for the next biennium. The others must be provided for in some way. The initiative tax fund is about adequate for maintenance, hence, should not be used for other purposes. The board deems it best to provide for as many students as possible in the dormitory, hence decided to expend the whole of the \$50,000 for a building and central hall for the girls' dormitory, \$8500; purchase of land, \$5000; cement walks and improvement of grounds, \$1500; total, \$115,000.

Speaking of the training school work done at the normal school, Mr. Ackerman says: "School Building Modern. Through the interest and courtesy of the Monmouth school district the normal is privileged to use the elementary schools of such district for training school purposes. In addition, it has, during the past two years, erected a modern \$20,000 school building, equipped it and allowed the normal to use the first floor for its training school. Such district maintains on the second floor of the building a fully equipped four-year high school, with nearly 60 pupils enrolled. The normal has no official relation with the high school. The teachers in the training school are paid partly by the state, the district paying the remainder, which is the same as the salary paid the elementary teachers at Independence, Dallas and Falls City. It will be seen that the normal is in a position to pay as much for the education of its children as do Dallas, Independence and Falls City. There are a principal and four teachers employed in the training school, all of whom have been specially trained for their work."

As to the normal faculty he says: "In the normal proper 12 instructors besides the president and principal of the training school are employed. These have been selected on account of their fitness for their work and each is an artist in his or her department. Each member of the faculty has been loyal and co-operative in the interests of a school that is the faculty of the Oregon Normal School. At the close of the year 1911-12, the normal critic teachers, the reason being that our fund would not justify paying an increased salary. This should not be.

"Best Possible in Need. We should pay salaries such that we could secure and retain the very best. At the present time the heads of the several departments are not receiving as much as do instructors in similar positions in the Portland high schools."

"As to the function of a normal school Mr. Ackerman says: "First—To train teachers directly; hence it is the policy of the school to allow no one to be a teacher who does not intend to prepare for teaching. The demand for trained teachers is steadily increasing on the part of city and village school boards, but I regret to say that the county school boards have as yet not evinced a burning desire to secure trained teachers. Their fault is far too many instances is to secure a cheap teacher, regardless of ability, experience or training."

"Second—To establish high teaching standards for other institutions that may have teachers' training classes. "Third—To assist in solving the rural school problem (a) by training teachers directly for rural work; (b) by establishing a rural school department and placing a suitable person in charge. Up to date our funds have not warranted the expenditure for this purpose."

"Outlook is Promising. The outlook is most promising. A decidedly growing interest is manifest. A school must be a growth. It must establish itself in the confidence of the people. It must demonstrate that its product meets the expectations of its friends and neighbors. All of this takes time, but when once secured progress will be rapid. We feel that the school to a great extent is fulfilling its mission. Not all has been done that could be desired—but, as has been before intimated, a good beginning has been made. What has been accomplished has been through co-operative team work on the part of board, Legislature, alumni, faculty, student body and those engaged in education work throughout the state. This we have had and my only wish is that such relations may continue to exist and I take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to each and all for the valuable assistance rendered at all times."

Mr. Ackerman shows that in the enrollment there has been a total number of different persons enrolled from September 18, 1911, to August 2, 1912, of 284 and from that time to January 1, 1913, 172. There have been 44 graduates, 17 from the elementary course and 27 from the standard course.

The report of President Ackerman in its entirety is not approved by the Board of Normal Regents.

Vancouver Port Boosted. VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Judge Donald McMaster and Judge-lect H. Back of the Superior Court, and Dr. N. J. Taylor on Monday, December 16, appeared before the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors, in Washington, D. C., in reference to having an appropriation made for the survey and for deepening the channel of the Columbia River, a short distance below Vancouver. They had been appointed by the Port of Vancouver to represent it before this board and they spoke for 30 minutes on reasons why the appropriation should be recommended by this board. Senator Jones' private secretary accompanied the three representatives of the Port of Vancouver.

BRIDGROOM-TO-BE OF NOTED HEIRESS AND HIS FIANCEE, WHO WILL SOON BECOME HIS WIFE.



Above—Finley J. Shepard; Below—Miss Helen M. Gould.

GOULD WEDDING NIGH

Ceremony Expected to Take Place in Holidays.

COUPLE MUCH TOGETHER

Finley J. Shepard Visits Gould Home and Says Matter of Date for Marriage Rests Entirely With His Bride-to-be.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Although neither Miss Helen M. Gould nor her fiance, Finley J. Shepard, will discuss their plans it is the belief of some of their friends that their wedding will take place within two weeks, probably a few days after Christmas. Mr. Shepard, in refusing to discuss the coming wedding, has said that the matter rested entirely in the hands of Miss Gould.

Mr. Shepard and his fiancee spent Sunday together and it is believed talked over the wedding plans with Miss Gould's family at Miss Gould's home, 573 Fifth avenue. At 5 o'clock an informal dinner was served at which only the members of the family were present. Miss Gould and Mr. Shepard went to church together yesterday morning. They had luncheon at the Gould home with a party of friends and afterwards strolled through Central Park until time for dinner. Mr. Shepard left for his hotel shortly before 10 o'clock.

Mr. Shepard announced that he wanted to be at the offices of the Missouri Pacific Railway to take up his new duties in New York. The plans of the different organizations of the United States Army and Navy to honor Miss Gould on her wedding are fast being completed. The Army and Navy will be represented at the wedding by magnificent gifts purchased with funds raised by subscription from among the enlisted men of every ship of the fleet and every post of the Army both in the United States and the Philippine Islands.

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Among diplomats here the opinion prevails that notwithstanding the conditions considered unacceptable the conditions presented by the allies and what the allies declare are terms which cannot be reduced, peace ultimately will be concluded. It is remarked that the allies and Turks, when the armistice was concluded, were exactly in the same position as the Russians and the Japanese when the United States induced them to adhere to the Portsmouth treaty. Both the Turks and Bulgaria were at Tchatalja in virtually a state of exhaustion. Now both have strengthened themselves but neither really is a course which the allies will accept.

The Turkish fear further reverses and irreparable losses and the allies fear to endanger the positions they have gained.

Because of this reciprocal apprehension, an understanding may be reached. The hardest point in Adrianople, on which an agreement between the delegates perhaps would be difficult if its solution were attempted directly by them. It may be brought about, however, through the mediation of one power or several powers, or now that the differences between Austria and Serbia have been settled by the whole of Europe, whose intervention would save the face of both Turkey and Serbia because of the concessions they would be obliged to make.

If European mediation is impossible or unsuccessful, other powers may be appealed to, first of all the United States. It is rumored that there is a possibility of asking mediation by the Pope. It is recalled the Pope, Leo XIII, was entrusted with Bismarck with the settling of a dispute between Germany and Spain over the Caroline Islands. In case His Holiness were the mediator his action would be entirely independent, as none of the belligerents is a Catholic power.

Ambassadors to Meet January 2. It is considered that the best person to approach the Vatican for mediation would be M. Mijuskovitch, one of the Montenegrin delegates to the peace conference who was Montenegrin envoy to the Holy See during the negotiations for an agreement concerning the Catholic hierarchy in Montenegro and the appointment of an archbishop at Antivari.

The conference of Ambassadors will meet again January 2. Meanwhile the German Ambassador has gone to Berlin and M. Cambon the French Ambassador, is spending the holidays in Paris. Count Mensdorff, the Austro-Hungarian Ambassador, and Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, are in the country for Christmas.

John A. Keating, Banker, Returns. John A. Keating, vice-president of the Lumbermen's National Bank, returned yesterday from a seven weeks' trip through the principal business and financial centers of the East. Mr. Keating is satisfied with conditions in other parts of the country and looks to 1913 as an era of continued prosperity.

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Rehad said he was animated by a desire to avoid procrastination and that the question might be dealt with directly between the Turks and the Bulgarians, thus making it possible for the conference to continue. The heads of the allies expressed satisfaction with the reply.

Turks Impassive as Statues. Then M. Novokovitch, tall and erect, rose, holding in his hand a large sheet of paper. It was the crucial moment of the conference and all eyes were turned upon him. The Balkan representatives showed emotion and anxiety. The Turks appeared as impassive as statues.

All the secondary questions having

been settled, the moment has come to explain the conditions under which the allies are ready to conclude peace," M. Novokovitch said. Then he read the demands of the Balkan states. When he had concluded all eyes shifted to the representatives of the Sultan. They, however, gave no display of feeling.

Rehad Pasha rose again and in his habitually slow manner, asked for a written copy of the proposals. M. Novokovitch thereupon ordered the secretary to make the copy and the delegates left their seats and joined in an animated and cordial conversation.

During the long wait for a copy of the demand and while disclaiming any desire to enter into a discussion of their merits, the Turks said that speaking unofficially they considered the terms to have been designed for the purpose of breaking off the conference.

Delay Until Saturday Granted. When the delegates had signed the document Rehad asked for an adjournment until Saturday in order to consider the proposals and his request was granted.



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