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FULL LEASED WIRE TELEGRAPH REPORT

The Capital Journal carrier boys are instructed to put the papers on the porch...

THE SCHOOL VACATION.

IT IS not only in poetry that school boys creep to school and rush out to play; and opposition to the attack on the summer vacation shares the child's standpoint.

Opposition has heretofore been effective, in a feeling that even slight ennui at home was not harmful, if thereby the return to school was made something not to be contemplated with loathing.

But advocates of 10 or 11 months instruction are turning to the improvement of school conditions, as shortening the period required to produce home boredom.

"Large, airy schools and playgrounds" are proposed in Chicago, with more varied activity during the day. Some Oklahoma cities are instituting an all-year system, with the three summer months optional.

Summer industrial instruction has, of course, already made great strides.

With every other great bourse in the world closed, it would doubtless be hazardous to keep the American exchanges open as the only market in the world on which to dump securities of all kinds in exchange for American gold.

England and Italy alone of the big powers are not absolute parties to the general European war. That they will be drawn into it in spite of themselves seems certain.

It looks like a waste of time and money to send the folks back from this country, where they can get out and clear the land, build railroads and do hundreds of other things, to their native lands where they would be made to kill each other without adding anything to the strength of any of the parties.

Mississippi is to make a determined fight against tipping. A law was passed two years ago making it a misdemeanor to give tips, and recently a traveling salesman was fined \$6 in New Orleans for giving a waiter a ten-cent tip.

Germany's declaration of war against Belgium, because of that country's attempt to maintain its neutrality, will leave Great Britain no alternative but to fight because of her public declaration to protect neutral territory from armed invasion.

The first tryout of the aeroplane as against the dirigible is in favor of the former, though in the two fights so far occurring between them the entire crews on both sides

were killed. The decision is with the aeroplanes, however, because they only carried one man each, while the dirigibles had crews of about 25. In each case the aeroplane easily outclassed its bulky rival.

President Wilson has averted the great railroad strike by persuading the engineers and railroads to agree to submit their differences to arbitration. As a peace-maker the president is certainly making a record—and the country is profiting by it.

The foreign market for our produce may be paralyzed for a time, but they will have to come to it. Europe will starve unless our cereals and other foodstuffs do not bring them a new supply within ninety days.

"The prayers of the wicked availeth not," or words to that effect, remarked the old prophet. Does this explain why the prayers for peace sent up in Portland and Los Angeles Sunday brought no evident results?

If Uncle Sam and the rest of the Americans, especially Argentine, would refuse to send any foodstuffs across the Atlantic, there would soon be peace in that wild and obstreperous European section of the footstool.

England, having had its militant suffragettes so long, feels, no doubt, that foreign war may be a real relief.

Mexico, Huerta and Roosevelt all seem to have got lost in the wash since the war started in Europe.

The Can Opener

This handy tool, the household pet, we ply with skill and speed; and in the modern kitchenette it is really all we need.



leisure hour! For she can get with all her life, and languish in her bowers. And when at evening comes her man, impatient for the oats, she says, "I'll open up a can of beans or deviled beans."

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FIRST WAR CORRESPONDENT.

(From the London Chronicle.) The first war correspondent, according to a theory propounded by Sutherland Edwards, appears to have been Homer, who was sent by the editor of an Argos paper called the Chronos to describe the siege of Troy.

EUGENIC TESTS ARE GIVEN.

Sixty-eight babies were given eugenic tests in the Woodstock Methodist church at Portland Saturday under the auspices of the child hygiene and home economic committee of the Mothers' congress. Dr. Mary V. Maudigan was in charge of the examinations, and she was assisted by 10 physicians.

AGREEMENT IS SIGNED.

Washington, Aug. 4.—Representatives of western railroads met here today to arbitrate the wage dispute. The arbitrators probably will report their findings January 1.

CAUGHT ONE BANDIT.

Helena, Mont., Aug. 4.—"Jimmy" Acbride, a noted Yellowstone park scout, captured one of the bandits who recently robbed the stage coaches in the Yellowstone National park.

JAPS FEAR WAR WILL EXTEND INTO ASIA

Portland, Aug. 4.—That the general belief in Tokio is that the European trouble will be extended into Asia is the information contained in a telegram received yesterday by the Oregon News, a Portland Japanese daily newspaper, from the Japanese American, its correspondent in Tokio.

An agreement has been effected between Japan and Russia to maintain the status quo in the Far East, says the telegram, which also conveys the information that in spite of the European war, Japan will carry out her plan for representation at the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco without change, and that efforts to "unite American steamship routes" have failed.

The telegram follows: "Oregon News, 304 Couch street, Portland: "Russia got permission of the Japanese government for maintenance of Far East in condition just as it is now. It is generally believed that European crisis shall be extended into Asiatic countries. In spite of war in Europe Japan will be represented in Panama Exposition without any changes. Efforts of steamship companies to unite American routes have failed on account of disagreement among members."

CORVALLIS KEEPS PACE WITH COLLEGE GROWTH

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Ore., Aug. 4.—There need be no fear that the rapid growth of the Agricultural College, plus the newly authorized vocational courses, will create a student body too large to be provided for with suitable housing accommodations. The situation has been taken advantage of by a number of keen investors and Corvallis business men, and more houses than ever before at any other time are in process of building in Corvallis. There are about 75 houses in course of construction now, and more than 100 will have been built during the summer. Most of these are built as private residences but are furnished with one to several extra rooms that will be opened to the use of students. In some instances the entire second floor is to be turned over to student use.

In addition to the many new residences intended partly for student use, the former club and fraternity houses will be run to their capacity several times over. Among buildings being erected wholly for club use are the larger are the Athlete Club home and the Gamma Upsilon. Each of these will accommodate a club of about 20 members. Several other new buildings have been erected for student homes with rooms individual or on suite.

With all the earlier housing accommodations and the new rooming quarters for several hundred students to rely upon, President Karr is convinced that ample provision will have been made for all students, degree and vocational, who may desire admission to the college.

THREE-CENT PARES AN ISSUE.

Toledo, Ohio, Aug. 4.—A special election is in progress here today to decide on the proposed \$5,000,000 bond issue for the purchase of the street railway system and its allied utilities—the power, gas and heating plants. Labor organizations are behind the project, and the voting today followed a spirited campaign of preliminary appeals to the people. The streetcar company several months ago refused to lower its fares to three cents, even though the city council so ordered. The council consequently held up the franchise grants and the controversy remains in litigation. The election today will either close or reopen the three-cent fare issue.

WETS' AND 'DRYS' IN OHIO DEATH STRUGGLE

Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 4.—The great "wet" and "dry" campaign evoked in Ohio began in earnest today when the "dry" forces filed at the office of the secretary of state a proposed constitutional amendment abolishing the present county local option law, and establishing the township and municipality as the unit in future liquor legislation.

WISCONSIN LIBRARY SCHOOL HAS OPENED

Madison, Wis., Aug. 4.—The Wisconsin Library school opened today with two courses offered. The first course

COUNCIL'S SESSION WAS VERY BUSY ONE

Spencer Appointed on Police, But the Business Men's Petition Was Turned Down—Sewer Claims Allowed.

As a result of the meeting of the Salem city council last night, the following important business was transacted: E. S. Spencer was elected to be a policeman; the section in the motor vehicle law regarding turning about at intersections of streets repealed, and the sanitary officer dispensed with the first of September, the office being merged with the city engineer's department. A report of the state highway engineer, Bowby, regarding the condition of the steel bridge was read and referred to the bridge committee, which will meet with the county courts of Marion and Polk counties regarding the building of a new bridge across the Willamette river at this point.

When a petition containing the names of 89 business men of the city asking for the appointment of two more policemen for the protection of the city was read it was borne in upon the councilmen that they were in earnest and not to be lightly put aside. Councilman Von Eschen moved that the petition be granted. It was seconded by Councilman Preshall, and Jones called for a roll call. The result was six to six and the motion was lost.

Councilman Southwick declared that the city could do away with the deputy health officer and the sanitary inspector, merging the two offices with the city engineer department. He said the city needed the right kind of a young man on the motorcycle, one who was given the power to make any and all kinds of arrests, and one who would make the arrests when given the power. Councilman Hatch wanted to know if the motorcycle was to be kept where it now is and said the speed cop has not made any arrests in Salem, but that he made about 17 in West Salem. At this juncture a communication from Chief Shedeek was read asking that the motorcycle be returned to his department or else a cycle bought for his use. He said the one in use was especially fitted and made for catching speed fiends and that the health department could get along with a cheaper machine. Councilman Maey moved that the motorcycle be returned from the health to the police department, and the motion carried. Policeman Spencer will use the machine to catch speeders.

It was not until the sanitary officer had been dispensed with that the council would proceed to elect the extra police officer, as it was the desire of the councilmen not to add any extra expense to the city. An attempt to do away with the deputy health officer failed in carrying, the vote being 6 to 6.

There was a small audience of men interested especially in the traffic ordinance. This question came up when a petition signed by W. A. Denton and 245 others was presented and read. It was placed on file as there was an ordinance repealing the obnoxious section already in the hands of the recorder. This ordinance was read later in the evening and passed. Its terms in its present form that all motor vehicles must travel on the right hand side of the street and go straight ahead unless there is an obstruction not more than 100 yards ahead. The amendment passed without any dissenting vote.

The accounts and current expense committee reported back that 18 sewer refund claims had been allowed. Bills against the city had been found correct and warrants ordered drawn for the respective amounts.

The committee on streets reported favorably on the petition for the improvement of Bellevue street and also for the improvement of a part of Liberty street.

Bids submitted to the fire and water committee for 25 new fire hydrants were opened last night. There were four bids in all but only two were considered as they were the only ones that came up to requirements. The Corey Hydrant Co. bid for \$31.50 of the Rensselaer Valve company was chosen, as the city can get immediate delivery of five hydrants. The other bid was for \$31.90, but the hydrants could not be secured until later.

The committee on health and police reported unfavorably on the petition to establish hitching posts on Center street near the steel bridge for the use of farmers when they came to town. The unfavorable report was given on account of the lateness of the season and on account of a protest from the property owners in the vicinity. The matter was referred back to the committee.

In regard to the petition of Chamberlain brothers to stretch a canvas sign across State street advertising their garage the light committee reported unfavorably and recommended that the prayer be denied. The committee believed that the granting of the permission would be bad precedent. The report was adopted.

The city engineer reported that Mill street had been open to the public for 30 days and recommended that the contractors, the Montague-O'Reilly company, be paid 90 per cent of the full estimate, which would leave \$1948 to be paid five months from now. The report, after the council heard a protest against the payment of more money until the curbs were fixed according to specifications, several property owners alleging that the curbs were rotten, crumbling, and blistering, was adopted.

The regular payroll of the street department was read and adopted. Resolutions ordering the improvement of Liberty and Bellevue streets and approval of plans were read and adopted. On motion of Councilman Brown, J. T. Penn was made a special policeman without pay. He is employed by the park board as caretaker of the Willson park. The request was granted.

Through Councilman Hatch the people about Marion square pleaded for the band to hold a concert or two in that place. They thought they deserved that much consideration, as Marion square is a pretty place and has a band stand. A motion instructing the park

This Is the Hunting Season. If you are going out for a day or a month, let us fit you out with proper equipment to insure a successful trip. Come in and let us give you A Few Hints for Camping. Baseball, Tennis, Croquet, Cycling, and all kinds of supplies for outdoor sports. HAUSER BROS. SALEM ALBANY

Low Prices are bringing the business. In spite of the fact that the commission houses have tried to freeze us out, the people of Salem have stood by us and are reaping the benefit of the lowest fruit prices the city has ever known. Below is our price list. These products are the finest that can be bought. High quality and LOW PRICES our motto. Fancy Walla Walla onions, 12 pounds 25c. Large canteloupes, guaranteed sound and good, 6 for 25c. Fine ripe tomatoes, per pound 5c. Lemons, per dozen 25c. Watermelons, each 15c, 20c, 25c. Bananas, 18 for 25c. Oranges, sweet and juicy, 2 dozen for 25c. Wohl's Fruit Market 383 STATE STREET

Washington once threw a dollar across the Potomac river—but there are better methods of making a little money go a long way. Thrifty people are readers of newspaper advertising. They do not buy haphazard. They shop to the best advantage and get the most for their money. See what opportunities the business in today's Journal holds for you.

Passion poets whose thoughts sizzle shouldn't send them to a powder magazine. YOU LOSE appetite, strength and health very quickly if you neglect the stomach, liver and bowels. Let HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS help Nature keep these organs normal and you'll eat better, look better and feel better. Start today.

I will sell at public auction, 2 p. m., Thursday, August 6, at my residence, last house on North Brooks Avenue, Salem, the following goods: Two good milk cows, 1 or 2 horse mowers, 1 buggy, 1 good bicycle, 6 dozen full blooded white Leghorns, and all household furniture. E. E. RICHARD, Owner. HENRY E. VOORHEIS, Auctioneer.

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