

SCHOOLS INEFFICIENT, SAYS J.A. CHURCHILL

STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF INSTRUCTION THINKS DISTRICT UNIT SYSTEM FAILS

Assembly Speaker Condemns Rural Educational Organizations as Being Beset With Evils

The inefficiency and low standard of the rural schools of our state, and the fact that high school privileges are not available to every boy and girl in the state, are the two great educational problems of Oregon, is the opinion stated by J. A. Churchill, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, during an assembly address which he delivered in Villard Hall yesterday.

The reason stated by Mr. Churchill for bringing these matters to the notice of the students of the University, is he realizes the great influence this body of students is wielding and will wield in the state. "And if you are thoroughly acquainted with the problems, we will have your support and sympathy," Superintendent Churchill added.

"Every educator in this country looks upon the rural schools as the weakest link in our educational system. For over fifty years the district unit plan has been in operation, and the district unit of organization has failed. The reasons for this are that the teachers are poorly prepared and poorly paid, that the terms of school are short, that the school buildings are often unsightly and usually unsanitary, and that too often dissension and strife in the school district is the rule, rather than the exception.

All the above cited evils, the speaker stated, would have been remedied by the bill, introduced at the last legislature by his department, which provided for the county unit system instead of the present district unit. The bill, however, failed to pass, but Superintendent Churchill seemed confident that its final passage is only a matter of time.

That the high school problem partially solved by the adoption of the county high school fund law, which goes into effect May 22, was the declaration of the speaker, as he cited the provisions of the bill.

Under its terms, no boy or girl will be compelled to pay high school tuition in any county of the state of Oregon. However, the districts that do not maintain high schools will be taxed a certain amount to help pay the tuition of the boys and girls from that particular section who go out over the state to the different high schools. The money thus collected is to be given to the high schools from which the students received their tuition. Another provision of the bill is that no high schools, excepting those giving a four year course, will be allowed to continue in Oregon.

OREGON NIPS THRILLER IN LATE TWELFTH HOUR

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Thompson	4	0	0	3	0	0
Howard	5	0	0	2	4	2
Smith	5	0	0	1	3	1
Taylor	5	0	1	3	0	0
Wilson	4	0	0	1	0	0
Davis	5	0	0	3	6	1
McDermott	3	1	0	15	1	2
Leader	2	0	1	5	2	3
Bryant	3	0	0	2	1	9

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WEEK-END VISITORS WILL NOT EXCEED 575

Estimate Made Is Based on the Number of Invitations Issued by Campus Organizations

The visitors to the eighth annual Junior Week-End, which began today, will probably not exceed 575, compared to over 1,000 visitors, who were in Eugene last year; while the specially invited track men for the fifth annual interscholastic meet held Friday, will number about 100, compared to 350 athletes entered a year ago.

The figures are based on the number of accepted invitations received by the various organizations on the campus. The falling off in numbers is explained by those in charge of the week-end as due to the impossibility of entertaining so many visitors, and getting them to come to college, which is the real design of the entertainment.

The total number of women invited to the eight sororities on the campus is 125, which is an average of 16 to each house. The nine fraternities are expecting 250 guests, which gives an average of 27 men to them. The other 200 visitors will be scattered between the Dormitory, Mary Spiller Hall, the various hotels in the city, and private residences.

The 78 track athletes were drawn for by representatives of each of the fraternities, each taking seven men, while the Dormitory will take care of the rest.

Final arrangements have been made by all of the fraternities and sororities, and extra beds and cots will be crowded into the rooms, put along the halls, in the basement and up in the attic, while one fraternity has rented part of a house next door. Still another has taken several rooms in one of the down town boarding houses, while others who have members among the town people, are sending part of their men there to make room for the influx of visitors.

The meal problem, due to the doubling of the numbers, has been worked out in most of the fraternities and sororities, by putting in extra tables, while a few will be forced to split the crowd into two sections, due to their small dining room. In the sororities the dining inconvenience is almost eliminated, as they have planned picnics and down town suppers to take care of the crowd.

The committee in charge of the housing of the visitors will see that every train is met, and the athletes and others are directed to the place where they are going to stay. For the benefit of those visitors who wish information, there will be an information bureau located in Villard Hall to answer all questions and give any assistance possible. The information booth will be in charge of at least two students on the committee at a time.

The track men who were invited will have to have their railroad receipts signed by Sam Michael, whose office during the week-end will be in Villard Hall, where the former graduate manager had an office, and is now being used by Coach Bezdek. At the same time the receipt is signed Mr. Michael will also give a check covering the cost of transportation of each of the men invited.

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Owner of "Shack" Improves Millrace Aquatics to Accommodate 150 Bathers with Dressing Rooms.

Paul Bond, owner of the "Shack," has been keeping a special crew of men at work building an additional canoe landing platform, extending 110 feet up stream from his boat house on the mill race. The platform was completed in time to be used as a reviewing stand for the Junior week-end during the "water fete," which will be tonight.

Mr. Bond said, "Following the water fete I intend to immediately start building bath houses on this landing, so that they will be ready for use as soon as the water gets a little warmer. There will be a capacity for about 150 bathers. The dressing rooms will not be small as I first intended, but will be of various sizes, so that parties from two to six can use the same room if they wish to."

Another improvement which may be added to the present swimming arrangements, will be a cement walk 75 by 30 feet, which will be built below the canoe house. This is 15 feet longer than the university swimming tank. The new tank would be constructed above ground, said Mr. Bond, because of the difficulties of putting it in below the mill race level. The water will first be filtered before it is pumped into the tank, which will make it cleaner than the mill race, but will not be heated.

The trees are being cleared away for a board walk to extend 150 feet down stream. Following this the high dive will be rebuilt and strengthened.

"What d'ye mean, feelings? Feelings! I'm after stories."—Lee Hendricks, as Williamson, the reporter, in "Jeanette's Way."

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