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ANNUAL REPORT OF PORTLAND SCHOOL OUT.

Trustee files Annual Report With the State Legislature.

Indicative of the financial condition and the scope of the Boys' and Girls' school in Portland, in which several Union county children are housed, is the twenty-seventh annual report to the members of the Twenty-seventh regular session of the legislative assembly of the state of Oregon, by the trustees. This report says:

Gentlemen:—The board of trustees of the Boys' and Girls' Aid society of Oregon, through its president and secretary, begs herewith to tender its report for the last biennial period. Said report has been approved by the board at a special meeting called to consider the same.

In view of the fact that the state of Oregon has appropriated for many years last past a certain amount of money to be used toward the prosecution of the work of this society among dependent children of the state, the board believes its necessary to furnish each member of the legislative assembly with a report of the work done by the society and a financial statement showing the receipts and disbursements from all sources.

The appropriation made to the Boys' and Girls' Aid society of Oregon has been \$10,000.00 to the biennial period of \$5000.00 per year. This amount has been added to money obtained from other sources to enable the society to care for dependent children of the state in an up-to-date manner. It will further be remembered that this society is a child placing institution; it is its endeavor to receive into its care only children who, through

death or misfortune, have no one to care for them and are committed to the Boys' and Girls' Aid society of Oregon for the purpose of being placed in a family home for legal adoption or to be schooled, clothed, cared for under the surveillance of the society, hence, the society receives children from every county in the state without question, provided they are properly committed under the juvenile court act and that they are sound in mind and body. Temporary children it will be necessary to eliminate from the receiving home as so many children for placement are regularly being committed that our space will not allow us to receive the above class,—but the society will receive and care for any homeless child temporarily for a limited time to enable its friends to provide it with a permanent home.

We have directed our superintendent to prepare a detailed statement which will appear in this report showing cash received and expended; the cost of maintenance at the receiving home and the cost of child placing, or what is better known as field work; also there will be furnished the name of every child received into our home for the last biennial period. There will be found in this list nine hundred and forty-nine names and these children are from twenty-six different counties of our state.

The report of our superintendent will also show that the maintenance of the children at the receiving home for the biennial period cost \$15,974.62. That the average number of children on hand per day at the receiving home was 68, and employees 6, a total of 74.

The average cost of maintenance per head per month was about \$9.00; that there was expended during the last biennial period for field work \$11,317.75. This includes the expense of the office, placing the visiting children out in family homes, and investigating cases of abuse and neglect reported (not in connection with our wards). The number of children under our direct care in the state of Oregon being 480 makes the average

cost of looking after each child per year \$11.80.

We believe that the foregoing is an excellent showing both for work and economy. We believe it is the policy of our superintendent never to refuse a case when properly committed. We believe that if this institution belonged to the state that the cost of its maintenance would be double, and all would have to be paid by the taxpayers of the state. As it now stands, an appropriation of \$10,000.00 is all we ask for the state's share of caring for its many dependents. We know from experience that we can get along with this amount, and do not intend at any time in the future to ask the state for more for the reason that we believe that as our work grows we shall receive many more bequests and property that we now own will be very much increased in valuation. As it is we are now expending nearly two-thirds more than the state appropriates, and such expenditures are all made under the direction and oversight of the board. The board of trustees meets once every month, and the bills are scrutinized and ordered paid by the executive committee after being checked by the clerk and approved by the superintendent.

The placing of children is a work that should be well governed, and no person or institution should be allowed to place children in family homes unless they can be frequently visited after placement. In many cases we feel it would be worse than leaving the children in their former surroundings. The placing out of children in the state should be under one institution, and that institution should be fitted for the work regardless of any necessary expense.

Wherefore, the board of trustees of the Boys' and Girls' Aid society of Oregon prays this honorable body to appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 as heretofore toward the prosecution of its work in the state of Oregon among dependent children.

In conclusion this board feels that the management of its work is in the hands of persons with wide experience, and therefore welcomes the in-

spection and advice of any committee representing the state that this honorable assembly may see fit to appoint.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' AID SOCIETY OF OREGON.

By F. E. Beach, Sec.
Attest: Wm. B. Gilbert, Pres

Mining Legislation.
(Baker Democrat.)

E. G. Warner, writing from Southern Oregon, urges legislation in mining matters for which Thomas C. Burke, president of the Oregon Mining Congress, has long been laboring and which is furthered by an organization backed by the united mining interests of the state could not help but result in ultimate success. Mr. Warner who in a communication in a Josephine paper mentions not exactly sarcastically, but in reality it amounts to that, the measly \$1000 appropriated annually for the state bureau of mines. It might be mentioned in this connection that some of the funds provided by commercial being one to donate, for a mining bureau in Eastern Oregon was turned over to Secretary Mahone and no action yet produced as the result of his activities if he has made an effort in this direction.

One of the main points made by the writer and one thing that the bureau of mines in any community would be the establishment of a means for special training along the line of the mining industry, which in the age of specialists is almost as necessary in mining as in any other industry. Speaking of the small appropriation he says in part:

"Take the precious metal mining and start at the southern line of the state and every few miles you will find evidence of mineralization, also building stone, cement and road material even to its northern border which needs investigation.

"At this late day, this state has established a mining bureau with \$1000 appropriation when it needs \$25,000 to \$30,000 per year in aid of the investigations for technical in-

formation and new geological surveys to realize the extent and magnitude of our mining resources and what this industry means to the growth of this state.

"This sum is small compared with other states near us which may not have any more precious metals and valuable material than we have. Washington appropriates \$28,750, California \$40,000, Wisconsin \$37,500 annually."

It is true that through the inefficiency of one officer of the state mining congress, little has been accomplished in Oregon the past year. However, there is no reason for the representatives of the industry to cease their effort, and Judge Burke is optimistic in this line, that when the affairs of the state organization mining men can be counted on to be adjusted that the Eastern Oregon back and further any movement that may be inaugurated to bring about legislation fair to the mining industry, and which is much needed by that industry for proper expansion and development.

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