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TEACHERS ELECT HAMPTON HEAD FUEL MEN WILL HOLD THEIR JOBS

LA GRANDE MAN TO DIRECT THE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

Compulsory Education Is Passed on by the Teachers in Session.

A. C. Hampton of La Grande was elected president of the Oregon State Teachers' association for the ensuing year at the close of the annual session of the representative council in Portland Friday afternoon. W. C. Alderson, Multnomah county school superintendent, was chosen vice president, and Miss Julia A. Spover of Portland and W. H. Rutherford, city superintendent at Eugene, members of the executive committee. The secretary-treasurer will be elected by the other officers.

A number of important legislative appropriations more than \$888,000, annually, for the support of the public schools of Oregon.

Compulsory Education Advocated. The teachers also voted to do everything in their power to secure the passage of a legislative act, accepting for Oregon the provisions of the federal vocational education bill, known as the Smith-Hughes bill, and the enactment of a state law raising the compulsory attendance age to 16 and providing for compulsory education at part time schools for all children between the ages of 16 and 18 who are regularly employed at any form of labor.

Looking toward their individual interests, the teachers voted for the enactment of a measure providing for the increase of the minimum fund for each school district from \$400 to \$600, on the ground that with the increased cost of living no teachers should be expected to teach for less than \$75 a month. The legislature will be asked to act toward that end.

Railway Fare for Students. Providing for the payment of the railway fare of students attending the Oregon state normal school, who live within the state and whose round trip fare amounts to \$5 or more, is another measure to be brought before the legislature. This is similar to a law now in force in Montana.

Resolutions were adopted indorsing the proposed compulsory physical education; urging the legislature to provide amply for the Oregon Social Hygiene society; indorsing the federal education bill, the child welfare bill to be presented before the legislature by the Grade Teachers' association of Portland; creating a domestic relations court in counties of 100,000 population; indorsing of the thrift movement; the increase in school funds and thanking the Portland school board and others for courtesies extended.

Superintendents in Session. A number of needed legislative measures, purposely omitted at the council meeting of the State Teachers' association Friday, were considered by more than fifty city superintendents in session today at the public library.

R. L. Kirk, city school superintendent of The Dalles, who was chairman of the meeting, was called home suddenly by the serious illness of his son, and J. O. McLaughlin, city school superintendent of Corvallis, presided.

The morning sessions were taken up largely by the discussion of technical school problems. C. A. Gregory of the school of education at the University of Oregon gave the first talk on "The Need of School Tests in Oregon," and his address was followed by a general discussion.

Bank Holidays Are Many. Because of holidays, civil and religious, throughout the different countries, we are only 87 days out of a year which banks are open in every part of the world at once.—People's Home Journal.

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FRED HOLMES NOT RELEASED BY NATIONAL BOARD.

Oregon's Fuel Administration Will Keep Working Until the Coming Spring.

The fuel administration will continue until April and Fred Holmes, administrator for Oregon, has issued the following:

Wood can be utilized to best advantage by burning it in combination with coal, according to the United States fuel administration in a booklet of information for consumers and savers of fuel sent to Fuel Administrator E. J. Holmes. It is advisable to use blocks on the fire when the fire box is comparatively empty and cover them with coal.

The fire should receive more frequent attention than when burning coal alone. The steam chamber in the smoke pipe should also be kept open wider than when burning coal alone as less chimney draft is needed. If wood is used alone in a coal heater, the grate should be partly covered with sheet iron or fire brick to reduce the draft.

Maximum coal prices and zone regulations will remain in effect until at least February 1, according to advices received from Washington by the fuel administrator.

Variations of temperatures are much more healthful than a uniform temperature. As a means of preserving health few things are better than a frequent fall of temperature, followed by a more gradual rise.

Moist air is more healthful than dry, provided it is not too warm. Such air feels warmer than dry air at the same temperature and retains its heat longer.

A self-closing faucet on the kitchen hot water supply will effect a great saving in heat.

Largest Volcano. The largest volcano crater in the world is that of Haleakala in Hawaii. It is 29 miles across and, in places, 2,000 feet deep. New York city could be dropped into the crater with all its skyscrapers intact, and it would be completely hidden from any person beyond the rim of the crater.—People's Home Journal.

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EXTENSION WORK REACHED FAR HALF MILLION IS POSSIBLE SAVING

PROF. CENTER GIVES FIGURES ON WHAT WAS DONE.

Federal Government Paid Half of the Expenses of the Undertaking.

CORVALLIS, Dec. 29.—That was conditions gave the work of the college extension service great impetus is indicated by the annual report submitted by Director O. D. Center. It is shown that 406,802 persons in the state were reached through its many enterprises—in other words, more than half the population.

The federal government pays more than half of the expense of maintaining the extension service. In the biennium 1919-1920, \$213,523.12 is expected to be available from this source, \$58,535.12 of this amount being federal Smith-Lever money and \$154,988 from the United States department of agriculture. The state is asked to furnish \$194,635.12, while \$82,900 is the appropriation from the counties, making \$491,958.24 for the extension work. The present state appropriation for the biennium for educational extension is \$50,000, for cooperative farm demonstration, \$30,000, and for state duplication of county funds, \$76,100, making a total of \$156,100. State Smith-Lever funds amounting to \$38,535.12 are requested for the biennium 1919-1920, without which the \$58,535.12, the federal Smith-Lever money, will not be available.

Horner Prints History. A 400-page history of Oregon—"Oregon, Her History, Her Great Men, and Her Literature"—by J. B. Horner, professor of history at the college, is in type and will be ready for distribution soon. It is profusely illustrated and describes 500 events. Professor Horner, who has had a wide acquaintance in Oregon for more than fifty years, obtained much of his information first hand, but was assisted by no less than 100 artists and writers in the compilation of the work, which is strictly an Oregon production. The illustrations were made by Hicks-Chatton of Portland, the printing is being done by the Gazette-Times of Corvallis, and the binding will be done by the Oregon City Enterprise. Professor Horner has actually been planning this book for years—in fact, it represents a life work.

Consolidation Commission Goes to Heart of Things. State Government Can Be Revised in Many Ways, Is Assertion.

The Commission on Consolidation, appointed by the governor at the request of the last legislature has made its report. T. J. Scroggin, cashier of the United States National bank of this city, is a member of the commission and a great deal of thought and study has been given by the body since its appointment. Here is how the Commission on Consolidation figures out the economies which are recommended to the legislature, showing the possible saving per biennium by economical management and consolidation, based on appropriations of 1917-1918:

- Industrial accident commission, expense limit, \$75,000.
- Professional boards and new license fees, \$20,000.
- Stallion registration consolidation with live stock sanitary board, \$2550.
- Reduction Appropriation from State printing board consolidation with state printer, \$4000.
- Election pamphlets, change in delivery, \$10,000.
- Biennial motor vehicle licenses, \$28,000.
- District attorneys, \$72,000.
- Prob. commissioners, abolished, \$1200.
- Social hygiene society, reduced in appropriation, \$10,000.
- Mines and geology, reduced in appropriation, \$20,000.
- Tourist association, reduced in appropriation, \$22,500.
- Public Service Commission, reduced in appropriation, \$40,000.
- State architect, saving in architect's fees, \$7,000.
- Saving in rent by transferring departments in Portland to Salem, \$7000.
- Saving by abolishing boards, \$10,000.
- Total, \$830,200.

NEAR-BEER RULED OUT

No More "Two Per Cent" to Be Made in Montana.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 30.—Attorney-General S. C. Ford, in a ruling given out Saturday, blasted the hopes of proprietors of Montana breweries and saloons that they could continue in business by making and selling soft drinks containing not more than 2 per cent of alcohol. He stated that all beer, regardless of its alcoholic contents, is outlawed.

Attorney General Ford holds that the 2 per cent alcohol qualifying clause relates only to preparations not commonly regarded as liquor, such as flavoring extracts and essences, and that their use is prohibited if they contain as much as 2 per cent of alcohol and it is possible to become intoxicated by their use, even though immoderate quantities be required.

Pendleton Uses Sheep Dip to Sprinkle the Streets; Flu Finds Enemy in Dip

Not with the idea of extending the sheep industry into the business section of Pendleton, but with a desire to rid the city of all flu germs, is the reason given by the city council that they first for ordering the street department to mix a decoction of strong sheep dip in the water used for flushing the thoroughfares. The flu continues to be busy in that city and every day brings forth a long list of homes quarantined.

CARD OF THANKS. I wish to express my heartfelt thanks to neighbors and friends for their kind assistance in my time of sorrow.

WILFORD ROFFORD.

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Huge Saving Is Seen

The report goes further and shows how much money can be saved by giving the state police more to do. For instance, amounts available for activities which can partially be taken over by state police executives were considered and adopted by the assembly, an presentation by George W. Hug, chairman of the legislative committee, among them being the support of the Hohe Smith federal education bill, now before congress, for Montana:

- Special fish and game wardens, \$527.58.
 - State fair police, detectives, ticket takers, etc., \$3000.
 - Special agents for apprehension of criminals, \$4000.
- The foregoing three items give the commission on consolidation a saving to report of \$842,527.58.
- Rent of offices in Portland for the last biennium amounted to \$18,900. By transferring the departments to Salem, a saving of \$7,000 is pointed out. The other \$11,900 would be necessary to rent offices which some of the departments must have in the city.
- The Industrial Accident Commission is recommended to shift to Portland instead of having a headquarters at Salem, inasmuch as 60

per cent of the business handled originates in Portland and it is the cost of traveling between Salem and Portland, which in itself, in two years, costs \$2500.

Boards May Be Abolished. Of \$10,000, the general expenses of 11 boards and commissions during the last biennium the Commission on Consolidation figures that \$10,000 can be saved by abolishing the boards.

In summing up its recommendations, showing a saving of \$842,527.58, the report of the commission does not give much encouragement to the hopeful taxpayer, for it says: "Although it is believed the amounts may be saved to the state biennially by the adoption of the proposed recommendations, it should be noted that it may not thereby appropriations to that extent or account of the growth of public functions and the increasing cost of supplies and necessary advances in salaries and wages, due largely to war conditions and beyond control of the state. This, however, may be offset to some extent by the economy possible within the departments through consolidation and increased efficiency."

NEW TODAY

STRAYED—1 black yearling filly, three white feet, small white stripe on face. Branded horseshoe S. bar on left shoulder. Write Harry Coalwell, Ferry, Ore. Reward. 12-30-19.

FOR SALE—The following furniture is offered for sale at Hot Lake—All or part oak in fine condition—dresser, chiffonier, buffet, 2 sectional book cases, large Hooper style kitchen cabinet, nearly new; Cribben & Sexton 6-hole kitchen range; set heavy oak, leather seated dining chairs, and various other household necessities. Also a small ebony finished J. & C. Fisher piano in good tone and condition, for \$100. 12-30-19.

FOR RENT—Light housekeeping rooms. Phone Red 2081 or Black 3291. 12-30-19.

STRAYED—Two Jersey heifer yearlings, one light Jersey, one dark Jersey, the dark Jersey last seen in Fruitdale Nov. 6. Branded Circle N on right hip. Phone Farmers 19X1. 12-30-19.

WANTED—Young man to wait on trade at lunch counter. Will pay good man \$15 a week and board. Hurry up, I need some one. Herman Roesech. 12-30-21

FURNITURE—Range and heating stove for sale. First class condition. Call Black 5544. 12-30-19.

WANTED—Work on ranch by experienced man and wife, or other work. Call Observer. 12-30-19.

Few Escapes. There are few indeed who escape having at least one cold during the winter months, and they are fortunate who have but one and get through with it quickly and without any serious consequences. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and observe the directions with each bottle, and you are likely to be one of the fortunate ones. The worth and merit of this remedy has been fully proven. There are many families who have always used it for years when troubled with a cough or cold, and with the very best results.—Adv.

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