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Wintry weather is necessary for the success of major activities in Eastern Oregon, agriculture and lumbering. It is here. And while we enjoy it with the approach of the Christmas season we should not forget that it brings temporary hardship and discomfort to many poverty-stricken homes.

IT'S NOT ENOUGH
The state budget, as announced recently, properly outlines the expenses of state government and state activities in the light of available funds indicated by present conditions.

The budget commission could probably do no more—but the state legislature can. The total of state funds whose expenditure for the next two years is thus outlined is not enough for the good of Oregon. And this total, if adhered to strictly by the legislature, will not, we believe, be in accordance with the wishes of a majority of the people of the state.

It is not enough for the legislature to merely find out how to take care of the existing deficit and keep the state running on the 1925-1926 level. That can be easily accomplished if we receive the O. & C. land grant tax refund, as pointed out in the last issue of the Oregon Voter; but something more is necessary.

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FERDINAND OPENS PARLIAMENT



The king of Roumania, here showing the face of an elderly professor behind his large glasses, is reading the royal address at the opening of parliament in Bucharest, while Queen Marie was visiting America.

Extension Service of University Reaches to All Corners of State

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Ore., Dec. 12 (Special)—From the remotest corners of Oregon where mails are a month apart, from shepherd's and logger's camps, ranches, service stations, schools, and ships, as well as from busy city homes, communications from students taking correspondence courses in the extension division of the university.

Four hundred and forty-one teachers, 128 students, 87 home-makers and 49 patients, 29 of whom are in the state tuberculosis sanitarium at Salem, are among those enrolled in study, making a total of approximately 400.

A bus boy, college president, author, journalist, master mariner, architect, electrician, attorney, janitor, biologist, minister, florist, mail-carrier, radio operator, surveyor, forester and civil engineer are among the students.

Multnomah county has the largest number of persons taking the courses, with Lane county second and Marion county third. Jefferson county only has two, Sherman county has four, Crook county has three and Wheeler two.

Work Grows
Since the first correspondence course was offered in 1907, the work has grown tremendously through the years and in 1925 total enrollment was 1,225 students, enrolled in 1,675 courses.

More Women Enrolled
Twelve hundred women are enrolled because of the fact that many teachers, wives, and mothers are taking advantage of home study to keep pace with progress. Teachers find that courses are of direct assistance to them in their classroom work.

Every county in the state is represented by two or more students. In addition to the county representation, 444 communities are reached by this study.

One woman student explains the delay of her lessons by the fact that the river separating her from civilization is several miles high in places by flood without bridge.

Traveling 1,200 miles each year in religious welfare work in Southwestern Oregon sleeping out here, there, in tents and tents, with the means in close contact with civilization and active study is the woman's quest. By one hour for taking a holiday course.

Letters Received
A letter from a student who has taken courses in English told of his success. "I am posting letters from the time the shores are open until 4 o'clock. When it is time to begin to do the chores again, I have to feed and put in the head of sheep and 25 lambs to the sheep barn. Feed 25 head of traps, feed 15 head of milk cows and milk 15 of them, get in the night milk, and sometimes I have to load and feed of horses and 20 head of beef cattle. I get to sleep about half past seven, but am supposed to go to bed at 8:30, as my parents do not approve of my staying up late."

"I am a boy, 18 years of age, five feet ten inches tall, and live on a farm 10 or 12 miles from the railroad. We have about 120 head of beef cattle, heavy spring calves from the winter range. Besides gathering cattle, we have been harvesting the corn, digging potatoes, and doing other work around on a farm."

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GIRL ROBS BANK TO GET 'THRILL'

Stenographer, 22, Characterizes Officials of Institution as Saps

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 12 (AP)—Characterizing officials of the Farmers National Bank at Buda as "saps" for allowing her to rob them of nearly \$1,000 Saturday Miss Rebecca Bradley, 22-year-old stenographer, today waited at her mother's home here while authorities sought to determine whether a \$500 bond was sufficient for her release on a charge of robbery with fire arms.

Although she declined to supply all the details of her escapade after her release on bond Saturday night she told officers how she drove her auto to the small country town near here Saturday and after persuading the bank employees that she was a newspaper woman assigned to write an article on the community forced the cashier and a companion into the auto and escaped with approximately \$1,000. She said she wanted a "thrill."

Miss Bradley, a graduate of the University of Texas and now working for a higher degree, is employed in the office of Dan Moody, attorney general and governor elect. On being arrested a few hours after the robbery she told the sheriff of driving to Round Rock, near here, Saturday morning and visiting with officials of the Farmers State bank there. She returned to Austin and then went to Buda.

Obtaining access to the cashiers cage on the pretext of borrowing a typewriter, she covered the two men with a pistol and with the pistol, "I made immediate" forced them into a vault. She took what money she could find and returned to her home, placing the foot and pistol in a package and mailed it to herself at the university station.

Today in Washington

Congress meets at noon. Oil conspiracy trial continues. Interior department bill is before house.

Measure to extend maternity act is on senate calendar

Supreme court hands down number of decisions in many cases. Today's prize for painting the lily goes to Moscow, where a training school for clowns has just been established.

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