

COMPULSORY EDUCATION BILL

In order to discuss any question fairly, we must approach it with an open mind. We must have some knowledge of it. We must use words with a clear meaning, and both parties use them in the same sense. In this spirit and with this thought, let us briefly consider one of the questions of the day.

We have heard the word liberty used all our lives, but have we thought out what the word means when applied to our rights and duties as citizens? It is a favorite word in our country, and we are taught from childhood that our government and our social relations are based upon its principles. But after all is the just and true meaning clearly understood by many people who use it most? We fear not.

In the discussions and arguments of those opposed to the compulsory education measure now before us, "inalienable rights" and "liberty" of the person and of the citizen are terms constantly used. A careful weighing of their use of these words and arguments would lead to the conclusion that many of these people use them as if "liberty" and "freedom" meant that a person had the right to do as he chose regardless of the welfare of others or the state.

Let us see if this is so. Let us begin at the beginning and "reason together." Whenever two persons come in contact with each other, there must be some rule to govern their conduct. The same is true with any number of people, whether they be few or number millions. This rule of conduct when adopted by a community or a state becomes the law governing their conduct toward each other. Has one person the right or has he the "liberty" to do another wrong or refuse to do what the safety, protection or welfare of the community or the state requires of him?

If you say he has, we must part company here, for we cannot and do not care to discuss the question with you. For in such case you are an anarchist and believe in the life of the jungle and that might makes right. In such case there is no room for discussion, for you do not believe in any moral obligation. And, stripped to the core, moral obligation is the basis of liberty and freedom.

You have no right to do anything that injures your neighbor or the state of which you are a member, and you have no right to refuse to do what is necessary for the safety, protection or common welfare of the state. On the other hand, the state of which you are a member has a right to compel you to refrain from doing what may injure your neighbor and to do what its safety, protection and welfare demand, or punish you for a violation of this duty. Do you admit this to be true? If not, there is no common basis for further discussion. But if we do agree upon these things, let us go a step further and see if we can find out to what this leads.

People cannot always agree as to what their rights and obligations are toward each other and what the safety, protection and welfare of the state demands of us. Then some person or body must decide the question. Who shall it be? Each must decide for himself or the people of the community or the state or some outside power or potentate must do so. Do you say that each must decide for himself, then you have no uniform rule and anarchy and chaos follow. If you say that this will not do, then you are driven to the alternative of holding either that the people, through its regular organized and established channels, must decide the question or some outside power or potentate. Which shall it be?

It is the first and fundamental principle of our government and political society that all power is in and emanates from the people. Do you believe in this principle? If not, you do not believe in the principles of a representative, republican government, and are not a true American, and then you have no part or lot with us. But if you do believe in this principle and are an American at heart, the next question for consideration is, how is the state or community to decide the question? Is a majority or a minority to decide it? Our way in these United States declares the majority must do it. Do you assent to this rule? If not you are out of joint with our system of government and should seek another country for your abode.

It follows, then, that if a majority of the people of this state decide that its safety, protection and welfare require that each child from the ages of eight to sixteen years shall attend the schools of the state, how can you justly say that it is depriving you of your liberty?

So that in the final analysis, is not the real question at issue whether the safety, protection and general welfare demand that your child should, in the formative period of its life, attend the school where the great fundamental principles of a democratic, free government are taught, and learn to think in and speak the English language?

This question may be the theme for discussion in another paper. EUGENE COMPULSORY EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, (Paid Adv.) L. Blyeu, President, Eugene, Oregon

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ASSESSED VALUATION IS MILLION HIGHER

Lane County Property Counted Worth \$31,556,854; \$928,134 Higher Than One Year Ago.

The assessed valuation of property in Lane county this year, exclusive of that of the public service corporations, is nearly a million dollars greater than that of last year, according to Herbert E. Walker, assessor, who has made public the summary of assessment of different kinds of property. The total valuation this year, aside from that to be paid on public service property, is \$31,556,854, as compared with \$30,628,720 last year.

Exemptions for veterans of the Civil war and their widows claimed this year amounted to \$164,270.

The assessment summary for this year follows:

Acres of all lands, 1,238,235; valuation, \$16,291,130.

Acres of tillable land, 134,307; valuation, \$5,534,710.

Acres of timber land, 453,422; valuation, \$6,640,180.

Acres of non-tillable land, 650,506; valuation, \$4,116,840.

Improvements on deeded or patented lands, \$1,702,180.

Town and city lots, \$6,223,450.

Improvements on town and city lots, \$3,952,960.

Improvements on land not deeded or patented, \$21,760.

Logging roads, 38.88 miles, \$74,840; rolling stock, \$39,400; total, \$114,240.

Steamboats, sailboats, etc., \$652,370.

Merchandise and stock in trade, \$1,495,650.

Farming implements, etc., \$232,840; tractors, \$7,900; total, \$309,840.

Money, notes and accounts, \$99,120.

Shares of stock, \$100; valuation, \$388,290.

Horses and mules, 5786; valuation, \$274,400.

Cattle, 26,634; valuation, \$477,860.

Sheep, 17,750; valuation, \$58,130.

Goats, 16,731; valuation, \$15,990.

Pigs, 3292; valuation, \$20,130.

Dogs, 797; valuation, \$9280.

Poultry, 42,472; valuation, \$14,370.

Total assessed valuation of all property, \$31,721,124.

Soldiers' exemptions, \$164,270.

Net valuation of all property, \$31,556,854.

USE OF BONUS MONEY NOT LIMITED, SAYS RAND

Money secured by ex-service men as a loan from the state bonus fund may be used in any manner the borrower may choose, according to an opinion handed down by Justice Rand of the supreme court. Judge Rand pointed out that the constitutional amendment creating the state bonus fund does not authorize the state bonus committee to limit the use of bonus loans to the purchase of a farm or home.

The opinion is based upon the appeal of Frank W. Moore from the Marion county circuit court in a case involving the right of the bonus committee to reject an application for a loan upon the ground that the money was to be used for purposes other than to acquire a farm or home. The lower court had upheld the bonus committee in its ruling rejecting Moore's application for a loan.

SURVEY OF GOSHEN LOWELL ROAD BEGUN

Survey of 12 miles of roadway between Goshen and Lowell, which will be known as county road bond project No. 14, has started and is expected to be completed by the end of the month. Construction work will be begun early in the spring. The state and Lane county will share equally in the cost of the piece of construction. While the distance between Goshen and Lowell is about 15 miles, there will be but 12 miles of construction as a portion of the route has already been macadamized. The route extends through Pleasant Hill, Dexter and Trent, and it is quite likely that some of the heavy grades over the hills on the present road will be eliminated by building lower down in the valley at certain points.

COTTAGE GROVE MEN GIVE TO OREGON U.

Harris Ellsworth, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Ellsworth, of this city, is one of ten men, nine graduates of the University of Oregon and one graduate of the University of Washington, who have contributed a \$1000 endowment toward the ten-million-dollar fund that has been inaugurated by the University. All of the men are now engaged in business in Eugene. By the terms of their agreement each will pay \$10 a year for 10 years. At the end of 10 years the \$1000 with interest that has accrued will go to the university.

Robert Earl, former Cottage Grove high school student, is also among the ten. Earl graduated from the university in 1921 and Ellsworth in 1922.

ROAD WORK DONE NEXT WEEK IF WEATHER GOOD

Road work is being resumed on all county projects and if next week sees good weather practically all work will be finished, according to Roadmaster Jack McKy. Teams have replaced trucks in hauling gravel on several jobs, where the grade is soft.

Teams are now hauling gravel on the Alvadore-Long Tom and in two or three days the first coating of rock will be on. The first layer of coarse gravel on the new Natron section of the Willamette road will be on by tonight, according to the roadmaster. Teams are hauling gravel on the Noti-Elmira job and if the weather continues trucks will be put back on to rush it to a finish.

Sheriff Turns Over Tax Money.

Over a quarter of a million dollars in tax money taken in at the sheriff's office through the mail since October 5 has been turned over by Sheriff Fred G. Stiekels to the county treasurer. The amount actually turned over at this time was \$255,000.

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OREGON GETS FUNDS FOR ROADS AND SCHOOLS

Government Apportions Timber Revenue; \$154,021.30 is Share Given This State.

The state of Oregon has just been apportioned \$110,015.21 by the federal government for roads and schools. The amount will then be apportioned by the states to the counties in which national forests are located. Oregon received the second largest amount among the 28 states benefitting by the division of funds.

The funds were secured from timber sales, grazing permits and other sources of national timber revenue for the past year which netted the government \$34,421,531. Twenty five per cent of this amount was distributed among the states.

An additional 10 per cent of the total receipts was transferred to the forest service for the construction of roads and trails within the forests and this provision netted Oregon \$44,066.09. California was first in the amount apportioned, Oregon second and Washington third.

COMMUNITY DOLLAR DAY IS TO BE STAGED

All Merchandising Establishments of City to Put on Bargain Carnival November 22.

Cottage Grove will stage another community Dollar Day on Wednesday, November 22. Every business house of the city has been invited to participate and practically every merchandising establishment will advertise bargains for that day. Details are now in charge of committees which were appointed Monday night at a preliminary meeting held in the chamber of commerce rooms. A second meeting will be held at 7:30 next Monday evening, in which all interested have been invited to participate.

The general committee is A. W. Swanson, C. H. Burkholder and G. M. Marksbury. The advertising committee is Roy Short, Ivan Warner and Elbert Smith. These committees will be added to and additional ones appointed as needed. Advertising of the event will be carried into all the Cottage Grove trading territory.

\$900 CLEARED ON LANE COUNTY FAIR THIS YEAR

Approximately \$900 was cleared up on the recent annual Lane county fair, according to reports submitted by W. A. Ayers, secretary of the fair board at a meeting of that body called to balance the books after the yearly show. The total income from the fair is approximately \$8000. An allotment of \$3000 was received from the state and the county appropriation was \$3000.

A total of \$4,803.55 was taken in for admissions at the main gate and \$1179 at the grandstand. Approximately \$2000 was turned in from the concessions and exhibit fees, the report shows.

Elks Raise Large Fund.

Approximately \$600 was raised by the Eugene lodge of Elks at their three-day Christmas Cheer Jubilee, which was staged at the Eugene armory last week. All of the money, in addition to funds raised from other sources, will be spent to relieve the suffering of the unfortunate of Lane county at Christmas time.

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What this bill really proposes is to substitute state control over the education of your children for your control.

The people of Michigan have already overwhelmingly defeated this measure, because it attacked the freedom of education.

Protect your rights which are being endangered—do not be misled by the name of this bill. Read the proposed bill carefully. Read the campaign literature. Find out the intent of the bill which is disguised by the title.

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