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WHEN KNOWLEDGE ISN'T POWER

There is an old saying that knowledge is power.

But here are some facts that may be contradictory:

Fifteen students of institutions of higher learning have committed suicide during the past school year.

Several of the cruelest murders in our criminal history have been committed during the past year by those who had benefited by instruction in our institutions of learning which offer more than any similar institutions anywhere in the world.

A dormitory at an Oregon school was set afire a few weeks ago by Indian girls who craved excitement of a milder kind than that demanded by the youths who committed murder or suicide. In setting the dormitory afire the Indian girls endangered the lives of many but fortunately all escaped.

At Linfield college, a sectarian Oregon institution, the honor system has been recalled because of the lawless pranks of students.

At Newberg just before commencement two hundred students went on strike as a protest against the suspension of 36 students who were being disciplined for disobedience of their principal, and thereby became more lawless than the students who had been suspended.

In Eugene, Cottage Grove and elsewhere over Oregon, school authorities have had to deal with lawless pranks on the part of children that were, we may safely say without fear of successful contradiction, a display of insubordination far greater than the general run of disobedience in our schools at the time this writer and others of his generation spent a few years trying to gain a little knowledge under conditions far less favorable than those of today.

Only a few days ago this paper chronicled the arrest of three boys who have had the fullest opportunity to benefit by the opportunities for education that are the

greatest in the history of the world. They had broken through three locks to steal gasoline and had accidentally set a building afire. They could not plead ignorance of the seriousness of their crime. It has been called to our attention that none of these three boys was in school and that that fact may have been partially responsible for their lawless act, but was not the first time that the three have run afoul of the law. On previous occasions they promised an officer of the law to mend their ways, but proved unworthy of that trust.

While youngsters boast that this is a new age and that children do not need the same kind of punishment that youngsters got during the years that this writer was a boy, it is our private opinion that the sparing of the rod has gone a trifle too far and that requiring obedience at home is being sadly neglected.

Be that as it may, youngsters who have gone through the grades and through the high school, or are students in high school, do not need instruction at home to tell them what is right and what is wrong. They know full well when they are flying in the face of common decency, they know when they are failing to show proper respect to instructors who are doing their best to make men and women of them, they know when they are failing by their disobedience to be as kind to parents as parents have been to them, they have reached an age when they should know enough not to be misled by the few parents who speak disrespectfully of school authorities and encourage their children in disobedience of school laws and disregard for school discipline.

Our youngsters demand schooling to fit them for their battle with the world; they demand athletic instruction to give them fighting qualities; they demand many other things for their entertainment and comfort.

And we have yielded to many of these demands. Isn't it about time that we began telling adolescent youth that we who pay the bills will say what it shall have and what it shall not have and that when we provide things which it deems necessary or highly desirable for its well being we shall do so as a reward for strict obedience to the wishes of parents and the laws of the land and of the schools?

Aren't we who pay the bills largely responsible for the deplorable lack of responsibility on the part of such a large proportion of our students when we do not

make the demands instead of letting the demands come from the beneficiaries of our largesse? Aren't we giving youngsters a wrong slant upon why they are here when we permit them to assume a role of dictatorship instead of subervency?

Isn't it, as a matter of fact, remarkable that so many, the much greater proportion, turn out to be upstanding, right thinking, clean minded, responsible men and women when we who pay the bills haven't the stamina, the backbone, the patience and the good sense to perform what may be the unpleasant duty of standing on our rights, and fail to show that independence, that ability to shoulder responsibility, that ability to think and act that we wish to be developed in our youngsters?

Knowledge isn't power to these youngsters who have proved weak under temptation, who haven't been able to shoulder responsibility, who have taken their own lives rather than stand up to the gaff, who have sacrificed everyone of the great opportunities placed before them by wantonly taking the lives of others, who haven't had the foresight to see that defiance of school authority leads to defiance of other law and to prison stripes. A little more weight in the hand that wields the rod, a lot more determination on the part of parents to rule their own homes may again make true the old saying that knowledge is power.

Many a friend who was perfectly willing to lend you money when you had a job is hard to touch when you are out of work and really need a loan.

We give our girls a classical education and then wonder that housework is Greek to them.

It is impossible to be an angel on Sunday and a devil on week days.

It is usually a mistake to treat a new friend better than an old one.

When a man feels the biggest is the time he acts like the deuce.

An entertaining man is in demand to be entertained.

DANGER AT GATHERINGS.

COTTAGE GROVE, Ore., May 28.—(To the Editor.)—In the interest of public safety I wish you to publish this article, which, I trust, no reader will misconstrue but will take as a timely warning kindly intended.

At the baccalaureate service held Sunday, May 22, I enjoyed every number of the fine program but I also wondered what would have been the state of terror had a fire broken out. A row of seats was placed the full length of the main aisle and also in many, if not all, of the other aisles. The main aisle exit was blocked with two rows of seats placed in front of the main door. I wish to call to the attention of all that it would have been impossible to have cleared the church without many casualties. Through the main entrance there was not room for one person to pass. To add to this dangerous situation the church pastor (all well intended) publicly urged the ushers to place additional seats in other parts of the church in order to seat the many still standing. This was done.

All of this situation I considered very dangerous and a direct violation of our public safety laws and is not the first instance of the kind that I have noted in our city.

For this reason I have written this short article to the end that such a situation may not be repeated. That I may not be mistaken in my judgment of the matter I herewith submit the legal statute obtained from the state fire marshal, which statute is self explanatory.

As there seems to be no city ordinance covering fire rules in this city, let me suggest that an ordinance be drafted requiring that a copy of the state law in regard to churches and other public buildings be posted in a conspicuous place in these that all may know what the fire rules are.

ALBERT C. WOODARD.

The Oregon law referred to above reads as follows:

"It shall be unlawful for the owner, lessee, manager, or other person, firm, or corporation, having charge of any theatre or public hall to permit any person, during a performance, exhibition, lecture, entertainment, or public assembly therein, to sit, remain standing or place any obstruction in any aisle, passageway, stairway or before any exit in or of such theatre or public hall."

Grove Masons Confer Degree.

Duncan P. Cameron, Worth Harvey, W. J. White, W. A. Garoutte, Earl Hill, C. A. Bartell, A. W. Swanson, N. W. White, Martin Anderson and Elbert Bede returned home Sunday from Medford, where they attended a reunion held by Eugene consistory of Scottish Rite Masons. The Cottage Grove members conferred the twenty-first degree.

## SOCIETY

A feature of social entertainment commencement week was a dinner party given Thursday by Mrs. A. W. Kime honoring her daughter Geneva, who was a member of the graduating class. The table centerpiece was a bowl of salmon pink sweetpeas, the class flower, and each guest was presented with a corsage bouquet. A social evening followed the dinner. Guests were Miss Myrtle Kem, Thelma Kem, Margaret Doss, Rachel Galloway, Irene Griggs, Dorothy Kurze, Lola Godard, Isabel Jones, Bonita Beager and Geneva Kime.

The Delphian club met Tuesday evening in the city library. The lesson subject was "Homer's Greek" and Mrs. A. A. Richmond was program leader. Various topics under this subject were discussed by the club members. Roll call was responded to with memory gems. Following the regular program, Mr. McLendon of Albany gave a very interesting talk on "The Early Civilization of the Hebrew People and the Egyptians."

Mrs. Ivan Barker, Mrs. Nelson Whippis, Mrs. F. H. Allison, Mrs. Wilbur Spray and Mrs. G. A. Sanders were hostesses for the Carnation club Thursday afternoon, entertaining at the home of Mrs. Barker. Bridge was the afternoon diversion and Mrs. Sanders held high score. In a guessing contest Miss Nora Queen was winner. Following cards a delicious luncheon was served. The rooms were attractively decorated with lupin and Scotch broom.

The Constellation club met Thursday at the Masonic hall with Mrs. George Matthews, Mrs. W. J. Woods and Miss Naomi Hoskins as hostesses. A social afternoon was enjoyed and arrangements for the annual picnic, to be held June 23, were made. At the close of the session a dainty luncheon was served. Sweetpeas and roses were attractive table decorations and sweet rock blossoms were used about the rooms.

Mrs. Ivan Barker entertained the Good Neighbors club at her home Friday. The afternoon was spent with needlework. At the tea hour refreshments were served. Wild roses and honeysuckles were artistic room decorations. Additional guests for the afternoon were Mrs. Glen Haney, Mrs. Irl Groves of Eugene, and Mrs. George Boyd.

Mrs. J. Q. Willis and Mrs. Inez Meeks will entertain Wednesday, June 8, for the Tillium club at the home of Mrs. Meeks.

## Anderson &amp; Middleton Closes Logging Camp

CULP CREEK, Ore., May 30.—(Special.)—The Anderson &amp; Middleton Lumber company's logging camp at this point has curtailed payroll expenses by laying off its crew of fallers and buckers, some 40 or 45 men, until some time after July 4. While there had been rumors afloat for some weeks that a shutdown was to occur, it was not expected until on or about June 10.

The camp has only been active for a month. It was shut down for about a year, during the activity of the Kujada camp, which was closed upon the reopening of the Culp Creek camp.

The output of logs to the company's mills at Cottage Grove has been heavy since the camp was opened last month and it is understood that the company has cold decked an ample supply of logs to feed the mills during the period in which the camp will be closed.

## Body of Harold Mangum Is Found.

EUGENE, Or., May 30.—After 18 days in the water, the body of Harold Mangum, University of Oregon student who was drowned in the Willamette, was found in the stream about 50 yards off the municipal auto park about 1 p. m. today.

Mangum lost his life when a canoe overturned.

Funeral services will be held here at 3:30 p. m. tomorrow, with burial at Fishers, Wash, Wednesday.

## Earl Kilpatrick Is Killed.

NEW ORLEANS, May 31.—(U. P.)—The body of Earl Kilpatrick, assistant director of Red Cross relief work in the flood stricken area, who was killed in an airplane accident late yesterday, will be shipped to Portland for burial. Kilpatrick was formerly dean of the extension department of the University of Oregon.

## Franklin Printers Are Coming.

The Ben Franklin club of the Willamette valley will hold its annual picnic on Sharps creek Saturday, June 25, according to word received here from officers of the organization. The club has already held two of its annual picnics here.

## Senior Class Gives to School.

The senior class of the high school has donated about \$75 to the school to be used toward founding an honor society. This honor society will be open to any student who qualifies in scholarship, deportment and activities. The idea of the society is to promote a higher standard in these activities in the student body. It is hoped that the society will be able to affiliate with a national organization. The money has been turned over to Principal F. L. Grannis to handle.

## Cottage Grove Loses Two Games.

The Cottage Grove baseball team lost two games, the first this season. The locals played a return game Sunday with Coburg at Coburg and lost 10 to 6. They played Memorial day with Albany at Albany and were defeated 9 to 3.

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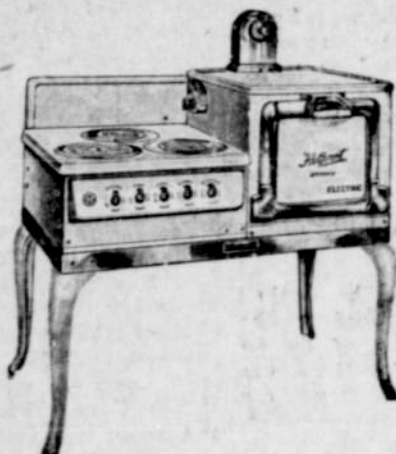
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Your May bills should be paid by June 15.

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