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Sense And Some NONSENSE -



By Dewey

residents would not have come to this area.

To be frank—brutally frank—Brookings schools are almost at the bottom of the ladder—not in an academic way—but physically.

Here children are forced to attend school in rooms too crowded to give the individual child the opportunity rightfully his. Here, high school is being carried on by three teachers, a load which is better carried by five.

Yet, Brookings expects her graduates to enter schools of higher learning and compete against those from schools which have every advantage. Is that quite right? Could anyone be so simple-minded as to call it fair?

College life is geared for a fast pace. In four years a student is supposed to carry a load which covers far more ground than all his 12 previous years. Without proper background, can one from such school be expected to carry this load?

Population has grown in the past two or three years—the enrollment figures appeared in the article printed elsewhere in these columns the past two weeks. All these facts should be heeded. All patrons of the school should be aware that the horse and buggy days are gone—also gone are the days when one teacher can carry eight grades and do justice to the pupils of the school.

This writer has observed rural children entering a union high school as freshmen. These same children could not spell correctly—nor had they any idea of punctuation, to mention nothing of the many educational deficiencies incurred while in the elementary school.

A person can overlook a small

child's inability to spell well—the same may be said of those up to the sixth grade—but—from them on, things must be different.

It will mean that this community, if it is ever to survive, to expand and hold a place in society, to build sufficient school facilities to care for the growing children, whose birthrights demand proper education. The average dairyman thinks nothing of spending two or three dollars a year to keep each of his registered cows "on the list" with a cost for some herds running into the hundreds of dollars—yet this same person may be found voting against a reform which may mean much to his own child—the most precious possession he has.

Money has been made in this community in the past. This is likely to be insignificant beside what will be made in the future. Money, to some people, is the goal toward which they strive—forgetting the citizens of tomorrow—those who will lead the destinies of the world in less than a generation. What will be the label Brookings will make for herself, come April 22?

The Pilot—\$2.50 for 52 weeks.

Hogan Opens Logging Camp

Bob Hogan, for many years one of the area's noted woodsmen is branching out. Fallers have already begun to lay timber from a stand of seven million feet Bob has accumulated about 12 miles west of town. A mile of road is being built into the stand, Bob using a "cat" he recently purchased, and which will later be used to get out about half of the timber. The remainder will have to be handled as a "donkey" show. A chain saw is being used in the woods.

Bob states that he has a contract to deliver all the peeler stuff, down to a minimum of 36 in diameter, to the veneer plant at Klamath, Calif. Tops and smaller timber, at a minimum rate of 20,000 feet per day, will be taken by the Crag Lumber Co. mill at Brookings.

Part of this stand was acquired from Everett Isenhart, according to Hogan, who says

he has, for the present, the help he needs, but when operations step up, he will hire more men.

Local News Items

Kathleen Steeves presented high school will a 20-year collection of National Geographic magazines, which the school board going to have bound and put in the school library.

Clyde H. Clary, Oregon manager for Edward Brown and Sons general insurance, of Portland was a Monday caller on Peter Lesmeister, on business.

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Pole Setting Now In View

The work on the expansion and reconstruction of the electric system in area is being pushed to the fullest degree possible. The Co-op has sent Herb Lindsey to this area to expedite handling and signing of easements.

Although no promises can be made, the actual construction work of setting poles, installing cross-arms, etc., is in view — with, of course, the reservations being made for the manufacturers' inability to fulfill their commitments.

Certain critical and "hard-to-get" articles for the line construction have been acquired. However, there are still other necessary materials which have not as yet been received, but through the purchasing department of the Co-op, every effort is being made to obtain the material, and immediately.

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