

## Educators Are Opposed to School Monopoly Bill

Educators of nation-wide reputation have condemned the so-called compulsory education bill to be voted on in Oregon next month. In letters to the committee representing non-Catholic private schools a number of university presidents and others point out the un-American character of the proposed legislation. The letters have been given out for publication from the Protestant committee headquarters in the Consolidated Securities building.

Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university, wrote in part as follows:

"This bill is conclusive evidence that Prussian ideas have displaced American ideals in the minds of some, at least, of the voters of Oregon.

"Education is primarily and fundamentally a parental and family privilege and duty. The parents of a child are responsible before God and man for its upbringing and its preparation for an honorable and useful life. It is an essential part of their civil liberty to train their children in such wise and in such form of religious faith as they may prefer and choose.

"In our American theory, the state steps in, not to monopolize education or to attempt to cast all children in a common mold, or forcibly to deprive them of all religious training and instruction, but merely to prevent damage to itself. It offers a free opportunity to every child to receive elementary education, and usually much more than that, in tax-supported schools. But it is in no sense the business of the state, in our American political philosophy, to attempt to monopolize education or to prevent the freest choice by parents of the teachers and schools of their children.

"This measure is exceedingly dangerous, in that it strikes directly at the authority and dignity of the family, at religious training of every sort (since tax-supported schools may under no circumstances offer such training), and at that complete education which is the only training worth having.

"If Prussia had won the great war, this bill is precisely the sort of measure which it would have introduced in every country that came under its control.

"This measure should be entitled 'A Bill to Make Impossible the American System of Education in Oregon.' It is fundamentally un-American in its principle and purpose and should be overwhelmingly defeated."

**President Hadley's View**  
Arthur Hadley, former president of Yale university, wrote:

"In general, I dislike to express an opinion on legislation which is pending in other states, but an examination of the law proposed on page 21 of the Oregon voters' pamphlet leads me to think it an unwise and unnecessary infringement on individual liberty. It certainly looks like an attempt to give the majority of the people a dangerous power to restrict the diffusion of truth which it wishes to suppress."

**Competition Held Desirable**  
Dr. Edward T. Devine, associate editor of Survey magazine and professor in Columbia university, wrote as follows:

"It is extraordinary that the promoters of a law, the alleged purpose of which is to prevent group divisions and cliques, should admit that the inspiration of it comes from the resolutions of a secret order. The American non-sectarian public school system will continue to compete successfully with parochial and private schools; it needs no compulsory monopoly. The state should supervise all schools, examine and certify teachers and insure that children are taught fundamentals. It should not set up a monopoly or interfere with complete freedom of education. The interests of public schools require free competition, free experiment and free criticism."

**Dr. Wilbur Opposes Bill**  
Here is what R. Lyman Wilbur, president of Stanford university wrote about it:

"While I believe in compulsory education of all mentally sound boys and girls up to the age of 15 or 16, it seems to me both unwise and unfair to require that this education be given only in state supported schools. There should be free option for parents to educate their children either at home or in private schools properly supervised and inspected by the state."

Harry Pratt Judson, president of Chicago university, wrote that the

provisions of the bill seem to him to encroach upon the fundamental rights of American citizens with regard to the education of their children. Robert E. Vinson, president of the University of Texas, gave it as his opinion that the task of educating all of the American children is large enough to require the co-operation of every proper private and public effort.

### MARYSVILLE NEWS

The parents and teachers of Marysville school met Wednesday afternoon, September 27, at the school building to organize a Parent-Teacher association. Many were present. Mrs. H. V. Hartzell of Woodmere helped organize the association. A very helpful and pleasing address was given by Mrs. D. B. Kelly, president of Portland council of the Parent-Teacher association. A constitution was adopted and officers were elected.

The second Wednesday in each month was decided upon for the regular meetings. All patrons of Marysville are urged to attend and take an active part. An interesting program is being planned for next Wednesday, October 11, at 2:30 o'clock.

### School Notes

The superintendent of properties of the school board inspected our building last week. He plans to have a double lavatory installed in the future and also outside drinking fountains.

David Beck, of 4803 Seventy-fourth street, is absent, due to illness.

Robert Jones of second grade is ill with tonsillitis.

Mr. Wyman reports the following attendance score by points for the different rooms: No. 1, 979 (first place), 98 per cent, 1 tardy; No. 6, 979 (first place), 98.8 per cent, 9 tardy; No. 10, 978 (second place), 98.4 per cent, 6 tardy; No. 9, 977 (third place), 98 per cent, 3 tardy; No. 5, 977 (third place), 98.1 per cent, 4 tardy; No. 7, 977 (third place), 98.3 per cent, 6 tardy; No. 3, 977 (third place), 98 per cent, 3 tardy; No. 4, 960 (fourth place), 96.2 per cent, 2 tardy; No. 2, 957 (fifth place), 96 per cent, 3 tardy.

There is great rivalry among the rooms for first place this month.

### LOCAL REALTY FIRM ACTIVE

The following real estate transfers have been made by D. J. O'Connor and F. R. Fenton from their office at Ninety-second street and Mount Scott carline:

Highly improved farm at Oregon City, from Milo Stephens to W. R. Dugger; consideration \$13,000.  
Lots 4 and 9, block 3, Fowler's addition, from John L. Fowler to Charles Kerr.

Lots 11 and 12, block 4, Riddell Heights, from Mary C. Cook to Olaf Akerson.

House and lot on Fifty-sixth avenue, from H. J. Green to F. L. Stringham.

Filling station and two lots, Eighty-second and Powell Valley Road, from E. H. Sims to Mike Miller and Reinhold Miller.

Five-room house and one-third of an acre, 9705 Forty-sixth avenue, from William H. Dalrymple to Clyde Walker.

House and three lots, 6113 Eighty-third street, from Fred Jorg to J. M. Sperl.

Three-room house and acre of ground on Gilbert Road to F. W. Huston.

W. R. Dugger's five-acre tract at Fairview.

### Bride Is Given Shower

The teachers and officers of the Arleta Baptist church gave a miscellaneous shower on Mrs. Homer Warner last Monday at her home. Mrs. Warner, who was formerly Miss Leona Darden, lives at 5516 Fortieth avenue and is superintendent of the Arleta Baptist Sunday school beginners' department.

**Mental Culture Club Holds Meeting**  
The Mount Scott Mental Culture club held its first meeting for the fall last Thursday at the home of the president, Mrs. H. E. Hall, 4603 Seventy-third street. Luncheon was served at 12:30 o'clock. The program of the afternoon was "Vacation Echoes." Each member told of her experiences during the summer.

**Arleta Parent-Teachers to Meet**

The Arleta Parent-Teacher association will meet at Arleta school next Friday, October 13. There will be a special program and round-table talk.

## LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Mrs. A. H. McGuire, a niece of D. J. O'Connor and M. P. O'Connor of this city and her daughter and son-in-law of Lewiston, Idaho, were Lent's visitors Tuesday.

George H. Hamilton is celebrating his recovery from a bad case of poison oak by painting Ben F. Miller's house.

H. E. Roettger has purchased the Kern Park Hardware company from Mr. Woodham and has taken charge. His son, B. E. Roettger, is helping him. The store has been renamed the Roettger Hardware company. Mr. Roettger recently conducted the Kern Park Hardware company in north-east Portland. Mr. Woodham plans to leave for southern Oregon, which climate, he thinks, will benefit his asthmatic condition.

Michaelson and Mayson of Fifty-fourth street and Foster Road, manufacturers of davenport and other varieties of furniture, have established a branch manufacturing location at Sixty-ninth street and Foster Road.

Mrs. Edney of Omaha, Neb., formerly Miss Esther Ward of Montavilla, was a recent visitor at the home of Mrs. J. H. Zehrung.

District No. 9, Multnomah County Sunday School association, will hold their annual meeting at the Lent's Evangelical church next Sunday, October 8.

Rumors and gossip are traveling around fast at Newberg, Or., and soon will start in Mount Scott. Watch for it.

Baker's confectionery has moved to a more central position in Trmont.

Mrs. C. H. Blanchard has assumed the pastorate of the United Brethren church at Amboy, Wash.

The quarterly Sunday school institute of district No. 9 will meet next Sunday at the Lent's Evangelical church at 2:30 o'clock. The leading speaker, will be Rev. F. M. Jasper, the newly appointed Sunday school secretary of Oregon for the Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Newman of Weymore, Neb., who are spending a few months in Portland while on a tour of the Pacific coast, have taken rooms at Forty-fourth avenue and Seventieth street.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Whitworth of southern Idaho are visiting their daughter, Mrs. F. E. Finley, 4229 Sixty-third street.

### KENDAL STATION NEWS

Mesdames Anna Stewart, Fred Johnson, R. C. Nelson and Riley Loyd were in Portland Saturday on business.

Mrs. J. De Koning entertained a number of her friends from Portland Wednesday.

Grandma Batin visited her niece at St. Johns Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Nelson and Mrs. A. M. McDonald were shopping in Portland Tuesday.

William Jantz and Karl Weber each are building new bungalows on Grey street. Sam Williams is having a new roof put on his house this week.

The Parent-Teacher association met at Batin schoolhouse Thursday afternoon, October 5.

Mrs. Mary Brady returned Sunday from Hood River where she visited the past month.

Bobby Falkner, 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Falkner, is suffering from a burned mouth and throat. The boy tried to drink from the spout of the teapot which had just been filled with boiling water.

The ladies of the Harmony Public Improvement society gave a dance Saturday night in the new clubhouse which they built this summer. A good crowd was present and all spent a very pleasant evening. A Lent's orchestra furnished the music.

### Asking People's Aid

Indicating that the Pierce-for-governor campaign will be carried direct to the people before the rapidly on-coming day of election, an advertisement is appearing simultaneously this week in the newspapers of the state making a plea for dollar subscriptions, on the basis that this candidate is one of the people and dependent upon the rest of the people to elect him.

### Boys' Chorus to Appear

Wednesday evening, October 11, the Whitney boy chorus will give a program in the municipal auditorium. At this concert a special effort is being made to have a chorus of selected voices rather than one of mammoth size. Several new chorus numbers will be sung. One number was written especially for this chorus, both the words and the music.

### Grange Meeting October 14

Mrs. Wendle, lecturer for Lent's Grange No. 153, has obtained the Baruca orchestra of school children from Laurewood Methodist Episcopal church for the next meeting, October 14. Miss Fay Finley is the leader of the orchestra and she and Miss Helen Lockwood will give vocal solos.

## WOODMERE PARENT-TEACHERS REPORT PROGRESS

The Woodmere Parent-Teacher association held its second monthly meeting Thursday afternoon at 3:30 in the school assembly room. Mrs. William Katsky, president, had the reports of the various committees charged with making preliminary arrangements for the annual halloween masquerade ball and pumpkin festival to be held under the auspices of the association on the evening of Saturday, October 28. These reports were submitted for the approval of the general membership and final steps were perfected for making the affair a greater social event than ever before.

Since its last monthly meeting the association has succeeded in inducing the school board to authorize the purchase of additional school grounds for Woodmere school. A full report of this important achievement was made at the meeting. Other business of importance, made possible and necessary by the largely increased membership, came up for disposition.

## LOWER MOUNT SCOTT CHURCH ACTIVITIES

**Laurewood Methodist**  
At 11 Rev. F. E. Finley's subject will be "The Ministry of Saul."

Due to the meeting at the auditorium of all the Epworth leagues of Portland at 6 and Bishop Stunts' address at 7:30 there will be no services in the evening.

The Queen Esther circle will meet at the home of Miss Lillian Blanchard, 5121 Sixtieth street, at 2:30 o'clock Saturday, October 7.

### Arleta Baptist

The ground for the new church was broken last Sunday. Dr. Leonard and Mr. Smith spoke. Mr. Day sang. Mr. Chambless, a charter member and senior deacon, took out the first shovelful of dirt, after which all the other charter members each took out one shovelful.

Special evangelistic meetings will be held October 1 to 15, conducted by August Hunderupt. All the meetings so far have been well attended.

### Millard Avenue Presbyterian

Morning services, Dr. White's subject will be "The Joy and Inspiration of Anticipation."

Evening services, sermon subject, "In School With Christ, the Great Teacher."

### Third United Brethren

Morning services, "Christ, Our Pass-over."

Evening services, "The Rally of the Faithful."

### Tremont United Brethren

Morning sermon subject, "Jesus Only."

Evening sermon subject, "Camouflage Condemned."

The choir from the Second United Brethren church put on a musical program last Sunday. A large number were in attendance.

### Kern Park Christian

Morning sermon subject, "The Resurrection."

Evening sermon subject, "The World Call to the Cross."

Mrs. Kendall, state president of the Women's Home Missionary society, spoke Tuesday evening on the national convention.

### Lents Methodist Episcopal

T. H. Downs, pastor.  
Sunday school, 9:45.  
Services at 11 A. M., sermon theme, "The Seen and the Unseen."

There will be no services at the church in the evening, but a city-wide Epworth league service in the municipal auditorium at 6 o'clock, led by the district president. At 7:30 a mass meeting of city-wide Methodism in the same auditorium will be addressed by Bishop Homer C. Stuntz of South America.

### Tools Stolen; Showcase Left

While visiting his father, F. E. Jigger, 6139 Ninetieth street, Sunday, F. E. Jigger Jr. lost \$35 worth of automobile tools from the unlocked chest on his car. When the theft was discovered Mr. Jigger Sr. found a small showcase, which he thinks was stolen from some store or shop.

## REWARDING MERIT

The renowned Frederic the Great, while riding one day some distance from the palace, saw an aged man working in a field. His bowed shoulders and general appearance gave evidence that the life of this peasant had been one of hardest toil and exposure, but he seemed perfectly happy. His face wore a contented smile and while he worked he sang with great cheerfulness and not a little skill.

"Good morning! You seem very happy," exclaimed the king, pausing by the roadside. "Is this your property?" "No, sir," answered the peasant, who did not know the king. "I am not so well off as that. I work by the day for a rich farmer."

"What are your wages?" asked the king.

"My wages are eight groschen (about 20 cents) a day," replied the laborer.

"That is very little," said the king. "You deserve more than that. Can you live on so small a sum?"

The man laughed heartily as he answered: "Oh, yes; I can live on it and have something to spare."

"How is it possible?"

"I will tell you," continued the peasant, leaning on his spade and looking squarely, with honest eyes into those of the king. "Two groschen are for me and my wife; with two I am paying an old debt that I owe; I lay by two for use in the future and two I give in charity."

"All that is very strange; it is a mystery I cannot fathom," remarked the king.

"Then I will explain it to you," said the peasant. "I have an old father and mother at home. They cared for me when I was young and helpless. Now they are old and dependent and I care for them. In order to pay the debt I owe them, I daily put aside for their use two groschen. The third pair of groschen I treasure up for my children, who may in turn the more easily help their mother and myself when we are old and can no longer work. With the other two I support a poor old lady, a distant relative of my wife, who is sick and infirm. These are the groschen I devote to charity and thankfulness to the good God who has blessed me with health and strength. To this practise I believe I owe the fact that I have never had a day's illness in all my life."

"Thou art a noble fellow," replied the king. "No wonder thou art happy. Now it is my turn to read a riddle. Hast thou ever seen me before?"

"Never, so far as I can remember," said the peasant after carefully scanning the face of the king.

"In less than five minutes thou wilt have seen me 50 times and will have 50 of my pictures in thy pocket."

The old man looked at him with a puzzled air and said: "That is a mystery I cannot fathom! You must be joking with me, sir!"

"It will be quickly explained!" said the king. Putting his hand in his pocket, he drew forth 50 gold pieces on which was stamped his image, and gave them to the astonished peasant.

"I owe you more," he said, "for you have taught me a valuable lesson. Adieu!"

With these words he galloped away and was out of sight before the astonished peasant could realize to whom he had been speaking.

### Rustlers' Class Entertains

The rustlers' class of the Laurewood Congregational church was entertained last Friday evening, September 29, at the home of their teacher, Vera Pratten. Games, music and refreshments were enjoyed. The guests included the Misses Lucille and Edna Springer, Bernice Sailor, Frances Cornes, Arleta Fouest, Alice Holten, Gladys Acker, Lucille Quam, Mildred Volls, Pauline and Vera Pratten.

### Injured Painter Dies

F. Bachofner, Hillside painter, injured in the scaffolding fall at the Yeagher theater, September 28, died in Good Samaritan hospital Friday, September 29. The man was injured internally. The other injured are recovering.

### Say This Quickly

Betty Botter bought some butter.  
"But," she said, "this butter's bitter.  
If I put it in my batter,  
It will make my batter bitter.  
But a bit of better butter,  
Will surely make my batter better."  
So she bought a bit o' better.  
And made her batter better.  
Better than the bitter butter,  
So 'twas better Betty Botter  
Bought a bit o' better butter.

### Think Right

Think smiles, and smiles shall be;  
Think doubt, and hope will flee.  
Think love, and love will grow.  
Think hate, and hate will know.  
Think good, and good is here.  
Think vice, its claws appear!  
Think joy, and joy ne'er ends;  
Think gloom, and dusk descends;  
Think faith, and faith's at hand;  
Think ill, it stalks the land.  
Think peace, sublime and sweet,  
And you that peace will meet.  
Think fear, with brooding mind,  
And failure's close behind.  
Think this: "I'm going to win!"

## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

### Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers

Teachers from all sections of Marion county gathered at Salem Friday in annual convention.

The Oregon caves in Josephine county were visited during the last season by more than 10,000 tourists.

A movement is being launched at Ashland to beautify the Pacific highway by planting roses along the fences.

Due to recent legislation by congress the state of Oregon will receive for the years 1923-24-25 federal road aid to the amount of \$2,995,892.

The run of chinook salmon in the Umpqua river, which is now practically at an end, was very light this season and very few silversides have been caught.

Led by the city planning commission, all forces in Pendleton are working toward a union depot for the Union and Northern Pacific railroads in that city.

An annual prize of \$25 in gold has been offered to the student at Oregon Agricultural college excelling in forensic work for the year, by Jacob Reichart of Corvallis.

Reports received at Salem from rural districts indicate that the recent rains have not injured the prunes, and that picking has been continued without interruption.

Discontinuance of the dual election board system, whereby ballots are counted while polls still are open, was recommended by the Multnomah county grand jury in a report.

Ruby Dollar, an 18-year-old high school girl, was shot and almost instantly killed at Ashland by Earl Barnard, one year her junior, while playing with a loaded revolver.

An incipient cyclone in the vicinity of Irving, north of Eugene, tore down farm fences, blew limbs off trees and overturned the station building at Ross, on the Oregon Electric line.

Girl students at the Klamath county high school must hereafter wear the uniform dress adopted by the student body last year or present a satisfactory excuse for non-compliance.

The grand jury at Klamath Falls indicted J. W. Siemens and John Siemens Jr., his son, for alleged fraud in connection with failure of the First State and Savings bank, which closed last January.

William von der Hellen, of Medford and Eagle Point, was awarded the contract for construction of the Eagle Point irrigation district canal between Big Butte creek and Eagle Point on a bid of \$140,000.

Vaughan & Bester, who own and operate a sawmill at Acme, on the lower Stuslaw river, soon will build a logging railway several miles long up Hadsell creek, to bring fire logs down to their plant.

Evergreen blackberries, which grow wild in great profusion in most parts of Clatsop county, are now in their prime and hundreds of persons are engaged in picking them both for sale and for domestic use.

The largest tax remittance to be received at the office of the Linn county tax collector covering taxes due on the second half of the year was turned over by the Weyerhaeuser Timber company. The amount was \$11,215.32.

By a vote of 35 to 27, with 21 of the delegates absent, the Oregon state federation of labor, in session at Salem, adopted a resolution urging amendment of the Volstead act so as to permit of the manufacture and sale of light wines and beer.

Marguerite Stark, 13-year-old Portland girl, was proclaimed winner of the silver loving cup offered by the Oregon Farmer for the boy or girl scoring the highest number of points on any project at the state fair at Salem. Miss Stark scored 100 points in canning.

The secretary of state has turned over to the state treasurer \$607,931.02, representing the net receipts of automobile registrations for the six months ending September 15. The money will be used in paying a part of \$734,000 in interest due on highway bonds October 1.

The Oregon pear crop considerably exceeded the earlier estimates, reports F. L. Kent of the department of agriculture. The heavy spring drop did not prove to be as serious as anticipated. Indications are that the total 1922 pear shipments will amount to about 1650 carloads.

Seining for salmon is the subject of discussion on the lower Coquille river, where it is held the practice is not

approved by the sporting element, who believe the river eventually will become a poor fishing district if seining is allowed. Fishermen and cannerymen who profit by taking salmon hold an opposite view and the question is likely to be settled by the state legislature at next winter's session.

With ten inches of snow on the ground, Crater Lake Lodge is practically snowbound, when the entire force of employees returned to Medford. According to the lodge management, the patronage this season has been the largest in its history.

Two truck loads of young trout were sent from the state hatchery near Yida on the McKenzie river, to the new state hatchery at Oakridge, on the upper Willamette river. The trout number about 200,000 and will be left in the ponds at Oakridge until the close of the fishing season in the fall of 1923.

One of the largest damage verdicts ever handed down by a jury in the Multnomah county circuit court was given Lew Wallace, ex-agent for the American Life Insurance company in the state of Oregon, when he was awarded \$71,170.33 in a suit brought against his ex-employers for alleged breach of contract.

The candidates' pamphlet, to be printed and distributed among the registered voters of the state prior to the general election in November, will contain between 25 and 30 pages, according to an estimate made by Sam A. Koser, secretary of state. The time for filing statements for the pamphlet expired Thursday afternoon.

The army aviation camp on the Eugene municipal flying field is being broken preparatory to the return of the members of the 91st squadron of the army air forces to the home station at Crisfield, San Francisco. The recent rains have extinguished all fires in western Oregon and there is no more need of the patrol.

Sixty thousand rainbow trout have been sent from the McKenzie hatchery for distribution in Linn county streams. This consignment was originally intended for the streams east of Cascadia, but the weather conditions prevented taking them there, so the trout were liberated in lakes and streams in the vicinity of Scio.

An unusual amount of worm damage, together with small sizes and more or less "brown spot," have materially reduced the prospective 1922 commercial apple crop of Oregon, as compared with the earlier indications, is the opinion of F. L. Kent, agricultural statistician, department of agriculture, who has very recently visited the principal apple-growing districts of the state.

A mineralized tooth, more than four inches in length, found in Newberry crater by Peter Valley of Bend has been classified by United States biological survey officials at Washington, D. C., as that of a horse, probably an extinct species. Judging from the size of the tooth, central Oregon's prehistoric steed was at least three times the size of the average horse of today.

Ed Forrest of Broadbent, Coos county, is a contender for Luther Burbank's crown. Mr. Forrest has developed a Hubbard squash which seemingly has indefinite keeping qualities. He exhibited his first specimens at the Coos and Curry county fairs in 1921 and again this year exhibited the same specimens, apparently as sound as when they were plucked from the vines last year.

Completion of the Ashland-Klamath Falls road, better known as the Greens Spring road, probably will be left to the voters of Jackson county at the November election. Klamath county has voted \$300,000 in bonds to be used to complete the road from Klamath Falls to the Jackson county line, and it is estimated that it will require about \$75,000 to complete the remainder in Jackson county.

Because of the inability of the state highway department to obtain cement, work on three road-construction contracts in different parts of the state has been suspended. The contracts affected by the cement shortage include the Rex-Tigard section, paving through the city of Jefferson and the construction of a bridge over the Umpqua river at Winchester and a bridge over the Willamette river near Aurora.

United States engineers are encamped near Agness, Curry county, 20 miles from the mouth of the Rogue river, planning a pack train bridge over the Rogue to give access to the Illinois river valley and the various mining districts in that section. The bridge is to be a suspension affair, with two cables anchored to concrete piers on opposite sides of the river. The work is to be done for the forestry department. Curry county is considering an appropriation to add to the fund with the hope of making the bridge wide enough for vehicles.