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MAINTAIN THE STANDARD.

Let it not be said, after the June election, that one of the first uses to which the referendum was put, was to wrench a handful of spokes from the wheel of education.

Let no man say that Oregon has taken a backward step, and has refused to appropriate a reasonable amount for the maintenance of our State University.

The public schools have often been termed the bulwark of American liberty, and with some truth. The betterment of our school system is a matter of pride to all of us. It is there that the children learn to become good American citizens.

But why stop there? Should a limit be placed on free schools? Should we say that our graduates from the graded schools shall go no further? Should we place a stumbling block in the progress of our own University, and compel our young men and young women, in pursuit of a better education, to go to California and to Eastern schools? What reason is there in this?

Members of the alumni association of the University of Oregon have gone to considerable expense to compile statistics, showing that the money taken out of Oregon every year by students who go to Eastern institutions, is in excess of the amount appropriated for our State University by the legislature. These statistics also prove that, with one exception, Oregon is the most niggardly of all states in its annual appropriations for the support of higher education, and what is more important, it is shown that the Oregon appropriation is less, per student enrolled, than is granted by other states, save one.

Our neighbors, Washington, Idaho and California, are liberal with their schools. Oregon has advanced too rapidly along other lines in recent years to stop here. Tom Richardson, manager of the Portland Commercial Club, is the good authority for the statement that an overwhelming percentage of the letters received from intending settlers in the East and Middle West, contain first of all the question: "What educational advantages does Oregon offer?" It follows that we cannot successfully raise the standard of our public schools and decline to make a proper appropriation for the institutions on a plane above.

GROUNDLESS FEARS.

Clackamas County Democrats, at their biennial banquet and county convention last week, went on record with no small degree of enthusiasm, for William Jennings Bryan and Statement No. 1. Only three weeks ago The Enterprise stated that the Statement was excellent doctrine for the minority party, and it now reiterates this declaration. It must be admitted that some of the Republicans of Clackamas County are in favor of Statement No. 1; it must also be conceded that there is a possibility that a Statement No. 1 ticket will be sent to the legislature from Clackamas County, but there is still another admission, and that is a possibility that this delegation will go to Salem pledged to vote for a Democrat for United States senator. In this manner, perhaps, we shall bear down to the brayings of the Democratic press and politicians, and administer a slap to President Roosevelt and all that he stands for. But no matter what we do locally, it is hardly possible that in the next legislature there will be a majority of the Republican members who have signed the Statement. The Constitution of the United States says in unequivocal language that United States senators shall be elected by the state legislatures. This being the case, our Democratic friends need not assure themselves that the legislature will elect one of their party to this office.

It is entirely natural that there should be dismay in the Democratic camp over the news that the Republican party purposes to undertake next winter, the revision of the tariff. The lowering of the Dingley schedules has been the one practical plank with which the Democrats hoped to appeal to the country. And now they are bereft of that. Moreover, every thinking revisionist, even in the Democratic party, must vote the Republican ticket if he is true to his convictions. He must realize that even if there were elected a Democratic President and a Democratic House, the Senate would remain "hopelessly Republican for at least another administration and that under such circumstances any tariff measure would result only in a deadlock. If he really wants tariff revision, therefore, he must vote for a Republican President and a Republican Congressman.

Wilmer Atkinson has fooled the country with a pamphlet condemning the laws governing second-class mail matter. The constitution provides for the freedom of the press and from that Mr. Atkinson argues that Congress has no right to say what and what are not legitimate newspapers and therefore entitled to the use of the mails at the pound rates. The logic of Mr. Atkinson's argument is that every advertising sheet, every newspaper published solely to exploit a mail-order house, etc., should be carried the same as a newspaper, be-

cause the constitution forbids Congress to discriminate. But why does not his logic go a step farther? If Congress has no right to say what is a legitimate newspaper and therefore entitled to newspaper postage, how has it any right to prescribe any newspaper postage rate at all?

Senator LaFollette goes about the country telling the public that he is constantly "hazed" by the older Republican Senators. And yet Senator Aldrich has agreed to postpone the vote on his financial bill more than a week in order to permit Mr. La Follette to make a two day speech on his amendment to the Aldrich bill.

HATCHING ON EAGLE CREEK.

Government Will Propagate Steelheads on Clackamas Tributary.

Superintendent Henry O'Malley, of the United States Bureau of Fisheries, spent Monday at Eagle Creek, where the government is establishing a sub-station for the season work with steelheads. The stream is tributary to the Clackamas river, and operations have hitherto been carried on there with varying success. Troughs are already on the ground, and a rack will be installed and the steelhead eggs taken. They will be eyed at the sub-station and then be taken to Clackamas Station for hatching. Superintendent O'Malley left Monday night for a brief tour of inspection of the hatchery operations on the Columbia river at White Salmon.

George H. Talbot, who has been stationed at White Salmon, has been transferred to the Potomac river, where he will assist in the propagation of shad.

DIRECTORS ADD SAFEGUARDS.

Extra Precautions Against Fire Taken at School Buildings.

Additional precautions were taken Monday night to provide for the safety of the pupils of the public schools of Oregon City in case of fire. Several members of the board have made rigid investigations against the safety conditions surrounding the public school buildings, and while they have been found generally satisfactory, the board believes that there are yet a few matters that may be improved. Some of the doors at the exits of the Barclay and Eastham buildings open only one way, and this matter will be remedied at once by providing hinges that will allow the doors to be swung both ways and will prevent a jam in case of a sudden exit of a large number of pupils. There will be a new stairway constructed on the outside east wall of the Eastham building. This stairway will be used only in case of fire, or when fire drills are being held. The gong at the Barclay building is too small, and cannot be heard in every part of the building when there are other noises, and the board ordered the purchase of a large steamer gong that will sound an alarm that may be heard several blocks away.

NARROWLY ESCAPES DEATH.

Peter Christensen Gets Severe Fall at Crown-Columbia Mill.

Peter Christensen, an employee of the Crown-Columbia Pulp & Paper Company, narrowly escaped death as a result of a fall Monday. Christensen, who was working on the second floor of the beater room, lost his footing in some unaccountable manner and fell about fifteen feet, striking his head on a pile of pulp. This pulp, being soft, broke the greater force of the fall, but as it was, he emerged with his head badly cut and one leg bruised. Had it not been for the pulp, Christensen would have been killed almost instantly. Dr. Meissner was summoned and took some stitches in the injured man's scalp and afterwards moved him to his home in Bolton.

NEW HALL FOR VEREIN.

German Society Expects to Build a Home for Its Meetings.

The Deutscher Verein of Oregon City held its monthly meeting Sunday, and one of the largest crowds ever assembled in the hall was in attendance. The birthdays of D. M. Klemsen and Philip Schnoor having fallen during the past week, the society had a pleasant surprise in store for them. A musical and literary program of excellent quality was enjoyed by the members, after which the business part of the meeting was held. Owing to the flourishing condition of the society, it is thought by some that they should own a home of their own, and A. Knapp, H. Streibig, R. Petzold and G. Schnoor were appointed a committee to look up a suitable site for such a building. A committee was also appointed for the purpose of asking the Maenner Choir, an organization of German singers, to join the Verein. Eight new members were taken in. Following the business meeting Messrs. Schnoor and Klemsen presented those present with bunches of violets and sprigs of box baum. The remainder of the evening was spent in a social way and the meeting closed with a banquet.

Mrs. H. W. Streibig expects to leave next week for Wisconsin to visit relatives and will then go to Minneapolis, and upon her return will be accompanied by her mother and brother, who will make their home with her. Mr. and Mrs. Streibig have rented the Harding cottage on the corner of Tenth street and Railroad avenue, and Mr. Streibig has taken a two years' lease on the Albright property, corner of Main and Fifth streets, where he will continue in the meat business.

J. J. Burgess, who makes his home with his daughter, Mrs. A. F. Parker, at Gladstone, has returned from Minneapolis, Minn., where he spent the winter with his daughter, Mrs. M. Whitcomb. Mr. Burgess is 89 years of age, but is as spry as a wood of 40. Soia Circle, Women of Woodcraft, met Friday night, and balloted on several candidates. Refreshments were served by the members whose names begin with "S" and "T". On Friday evening, March 20, a St. Patrick's soiree will be held in Woodmen Hall by the Circle.

LOCAL BRIEFS

W. H. Seltzer was in town Thursday from Malina.

Genuine Royal Bread—sweet, nutritious—at Harris' Grocery.

Mrs. H. P. Wink, of New Era, has been visiting friends here.

J. M. Garmire of Beaver Creek was in town on business Monday.

Dr. Rhea Norris and Mrs. Norris have gone to Heppner to reside.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Paddock have returned to Canby, after a brief visit with relatives.

Mrs. R. L. Ringo and Mrs. Thomas Grace of Clarkes, have returned home after a visit with friends in Portland.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers, small, safe, sure little liver pills. Sold by Howell & Jones.

William Mattoon, candidate for county commissioner, is in from his Viola home for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Dupuy left Monday for Baker City, where they will join the Baker Stock Company.

The best is none too good. Get genuine Royal Bread at Harris' Grocery.

Diphtheria has appeared in Kansas City Addition, and the 8-months old child of Joseph Powers has been attacked. The house has been quarantined.

Tom B. Fairclough has returned to the Ogle Mountain mines, after an extended stay in Oregon City. John B. Fairclough, who is now at the mines, is expected in about March 15.

Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup acts gently yet promptly on the bowels and allays inflammation at the same time. It is pleasant to take. Sold by Howell & Jones.

Norman R. Lang, general manager of the Willamette Pulp & Paper Company, has returned from an extended sojourn in California.

Kodol is today the best known remedy for all disorders of the stomach, such as dyspepsia, heart burn, sour stomach and belching of gas. Sold here by Howell & Jones.

Miss Esther B. Holden, who is teaching school at Mount Vernon, Wash., is home for a visit with her parents, as her school has been closed on account of the prevalence of diphtheria.

DeWitt's Carbolyzed Witch Hazel Salve is especially good for piles. Sold by Howell & Jones.

Ira Wishart has returned from Corvallis, where Mrs. Wishart and their son, Russell, will remain for some time, the latter being placed in school there. Mr. Wishart will probably locate in Portland.

Royal Bread—Fresh every morning at Harris' Grocery.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Thorne and daughter, Hilda, of Portland were in the city Sunday visiting, Miss Vera Caulfield.

Just a little Cascasweet is all that is necessary to give your baby when it is cross and peevish. Cascasweet contains no opiates nor harmful drugs and is highly recommended by mothers everywhere. Sold by Howell & Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Keating and children are down from Newberg to spend a few days at the home of Mrs. Fannie L. Cochran. Mr. Keating left Monday for a business visit at Salem.

O. D. Robbins, of Logan; Louis Funk, of Redland; J. H. Daly, of Mackswater, and Harvey G. Starkweather, of Naef, were among the Democrats who were in town to attend the county convention and banquet.

John Mainwood was in the city Monday from Canby. He says the people of his section are almost unanimous against the proposed single tax amendment that will come before the people at the June election.

William Robison of the Fair has returned from his semi-annual business trip to New York City. His son, Charles W. Robison, who came down from Eugene to meet his father, has returned to resume his studies at the University of Oregon.

License to marry has been granted to Christina Barstow and Isaac Sharp and to Ava Lovelace and Cornelius Bronson. The latter were both under the legal age, and obtained the consent of their parents to their marriage. The bride lives at Estacada.

Harry Shaw, who has been in Albany for nearly a year, has returned to Oregon City, accompanied by his family, to resume his former position as linotype operator on the Enterprise.

E. V. Mitchell, of Spokane, general counsel for the New Amsterdam Casualty Company in Eastern Washington and Eastern Oregon, has returned home after a brief visit with friends in this city.

Tax money is pouring steadily into the coffers of Clackamas County, and County Treasurer Paddock has nearly enough money on hand to pay half of the State tax. The amount that Clackamas County must remit to the State this year in taxes is \$38,525.

William Bridges, a well-known farm-

er of Orient, was in the city Thursday to pay his taxes. Mr. Bridges is a Republican of the days of John C. Fremont and is opposed to Statement No. 1. He says that the majority of the Republicans of his section are not in sympathy with the new movement.

Mr. John Riba, of Vinling, Ia., says: "I have been selling DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills for about a year and they give better satisfaction than any pill I ever sold. I have used them myself with fine results. Sold by Howell & Jones.

SOCIETY

There was a merry gathering of young people at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Forsberg, Monday evening, the occasion being a surprise party in honor of the fourteenth birthday of their son, Roland. The affair was carefully planned and after the young host had recovered from his surprise, the evening was happily spent with music and games. In a guessing contest Louise Huntley, Florence Grace, Waldo Caulfield and Harold Swafford were awarded the prizes. Mrs. Forsberg served a delicious luncheon, the table being prettily decorated, pink being the predominating color. The candleabra, with the pink shades, added to the table decorations, and in the center of the table was a birthday cake, ornamented with pink candies, set in holders of white rosebuds. Mrs. Forsberg was assisted by Miss Cis Barclay Pratt.

A pleasant surprise party was given in honor of Mrs. William Blum's birthday, February 26. The evening was spent in music and games, and refreshments were served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Priebe, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Moehne, Mrs. George Blum, Mrs. Frazell, Misses Lena and Rosa Moehne, Miss Bertha Priebe, Charles Blum, Nellie and Melvin Priebe, Fred and John Moehne, Fred and John Fisher, Christ Blum, Miss Hallie Smith, Miss Edith Priebe, Misses Flora and Gusnie Moehne, Harry Kerr, Herbert McDonald of Portland.

Miss F. M. McClacken and T. E. Skinner were married by Rev. R. C. Blackwell at the Methodist Episcopal parsonage Sunday forenoon. Only a few immediate relatives of the high contracting parties were present. Miss Martha Porting was bridesmaid. Mr. home in Oregon City.

Mrs. Samuel O. Dillman was the hostess at the meeting of the Dickens club, "David Copperfield" is still being read. Dainty refreshments were served. Next Monday afternoon's meeting will take place at the home of Mrs. Thomas A. McBride.

The monthly "congregational" night of the First Congregational church took place Thursday, and the attendance was unusually large. The program was attractive and consisted of a recitation, "The Fiddler," Miss Mirtle Toose; vocal solo, "Mignon," Miss Ivy Roake; violin solo, Miss Iva Gordon, and a recitation, "The Goblins Will Get You if You Don't Watch Out," (Eugene Field). This was given by Sammie McLarty, aged six years, and brought down the house. The arrangements for the evening were in the hands of a committee of which Mrs. T. E. Beard was chairman. The men of the church will have charge of the program for the April event, which will take place during the latter part of the month.

About 25 of Miss Gladys Baker's young friends and classmates were entertained at her home in Willamette Saturday evening in honor of her birthday. Her guests presented her with a fountain pen, together with their good wishes for many happy returns. The evening was pleasantly spent with games, new and old, and dainty refreshments were served. Mrs. Baker was assisted in the entertainment of her daughter's guests by Mrs. Viola M. Godfrey and Mrs. E. P. Berdine. The young people departed at a late hour, assuring their hostess of a very happy evening.

A number of the high school pupils of Willamette, accompanied by their teacher, Mrs. Viola M. Godfrey, went to see Hanford in "The Merchant of Venice," Tuesday night at the Hellig Theatre in Portland. The production fitted in well with their school work and was highly appreciated by the students, the class having just completed the study of that play. Those who formed the party were, Mrs. Godfrey, Nellie Johnson, Alice Oliver, Ida Berdine, Mabel Hodge, Gladys Baker, Nellie Richardson, Mildred Ream, Bessie Johnson, Elizabeth Roddy, Fred Baker, Emory Ream, Perry Jones.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Andrus tendered them a pleasant surprise party last Thursday evening at their home in Willamette, the occasion being the 32nd birthday of Mr. Andrus. The evening was most enjoyably spent and refreshments were served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. James Edmunds, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sizer, Mr. and Mrs. Paine and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Sildow, Mrs. J. W. Johnson, Miss Jessie Johnson and Master Arlie Johnson.

The fortnightly meeting of the Der-

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chick Club was held Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Richard Clark Ganong in Canham, and the hostess rendered several vocal numbers that were pleasing. The story of the opera "Aida" was read by Mrs. John W. Loder, and dainty refreshments were served. The next meeting will be held Friday afternoon, March 20, at the home of Mrs. J. E. Hodges.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin T. Griffith entertained the members of the Friday Evening Bridge Club at their home on Water street. The prizes were won by Mrs. Bruce C. Curry and Mr. O. W. Eastham. Luncheon was served. The next meeting of the club will be held Friday evening, March 20, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Beatie.

The first local institute of the year of the Clackamas County Teachers' association will be held at Estacada, Saturday, March 28. This will be an all day session and dinner will be served at noon.

CASTORIA. Bears the Signature of Chat. H. Fletcher. Letter List for week ending March 13, 1908: Women's List—O'Neil, Mrs. Frank P.; Powers, Anna. Men's List—Bryan, J. H.; Covert, A. W.; Case Bros.; Pringle, Geo.; Sullivan, Dan.; Welderman, Richard.

Miss Cheney Opens Studio. Miss Edith Cheney, for the last five months connected with the book and stationery department of Huntley Bros. Co., has resigned her position to re-enter photographic work, and has purchased the studio of J. F. Lymp, on Main street near Tenth. Miss Cheney's artistic abilities are well known here, and many of her studies have been greeted with enthusiastic commendation.

Development League Meetings. A series of meetings under the auspices of the region Development League are to be held this week in Ashland, Medford, Roseburg, Grants Pass, Albany and Stayton. Ione held an enthusiastic meeting last week that lasted until 2 o'clock in the morning. Seventy new members were taken into the Commercial Club there.

Suit to Recover Wood. C. V. Morris, E. L. Walters and Mrs. B. F. Johnson, co-partners doing business under the name of the Standard Wood Company, have filed an action for replevin against William Delap. It is stated that the plaintiffs are the owners of 100 cords of wood lying alongside of the Oregon Water & Power Company's railway line, near Estacada; that the wood is valued at \$265.50, and that Delap wrongfully took possession of the fuel, supposing it was the property of J. D. Forbes. The plaintiffs have demanded possession of the wood, but it was refused.

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