

TO THE SCHOOLS

The New Law Will Improve Rural Education.

DISTRICTS MAY CONSOLIDATE

With Centralization Will Come Advantages in Curricula and Many Advantages Now Missing in the Present System.

The new law for consolidation of school districts, which takes effect May 21, is going to work much improvement in the educational facilities of rural communities. It is the law that will give higher educational advantages that it is looked upon as one of the most important enactments of the last session of the Legislature.

In some districts, however, the law is viewed with apprehension lest it may take away local schools. This apprehension is manifest in several places in the eastern part of Multnomah County. The advocates of the law seek to quiet this uneasiness by saying that when the law has been put into operation it will create benefits and advantages which rural districts do not possess by centralizing educational efforts and creating higher educational advantages.

Superintendent Ackerman says that he believes that in several communities where there is a strong school district sentiment, the consolidation of small districts will be a relief. A similar fire occurred in the yards of the North Pacific Planning Mills, on Twenty-second and Thurman streets.

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The law will improve educational advantages in our rural communities," said Mr. Robinson yesterday. "I know of several places in the district where the law would be of great benefit. If consolidated would enjoy improved facilities."

Provisions of the Law. The law will first be put into effect in Clackamas County, for the consolidation of Milwaukie, Concord and Harmony districts.

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FIREBUG STILL AT LARGE

MANY SUSPICIOUS FIRES RECENTLY FOUND IN PLANING MILLS.

Inciendary Who is Suspected to Have Burned the Victoria Dock is Heard From Again.

The firebug is still working in Portland. Ten fires known almost beyond doubt to have been of incendiary origin have occurred during the present month. A fire of incendiary origin was the one that turned out to be the most serious in the series.

On March 23 an alarm was turned in from box 55. A pile of lumber had been ignited in the yards of the Eastern Lumber Company, and but for hard work on the part of the firemen and the mill employes, the fire would surely have been a disastrous one.

Thursday night a fire started in a carpenter shop at Tenth and Flinders streets. About \$3 worth of damage was done before the flames were extinguished.

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MEETING NOTICES

AL-KADDER TEMPLE. A. A. O. U. W. M. E. S. - Notice of a monthly meeting of the Shrine will be held this (Saturday) evening, March 28, at Masonic Temple at 8 o'clock.

MARRIED. RANKIN-FERRECH- Frank M. Rankin and Alma Ferrech were married March 28, at Arlington, Or. Both are well known in this city.

DIED. BAILEY-At Los Angeles, March 27, 1903. Mrs. Bailey, formerly Mrs. J. M. Bailey, died at her home in Los Angeles, California, at the age of 80 years.

FUNERAL NOTICES. STONE-Ernest L. Stone, of Multnomah County, Ariz., departed this life on Saturday, March 28, 1903, at the age of 70 years.

FUNERAL NOTICES. EDWARD HOLMAN, Undertaker, 4th and Yamhill sts. Rens Stinson, lady assistant. Both phones No. 507.

MORTGAGE LOANS. On improved city and farm property. R. LIVINGSTONE, 224 Stark st.

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Good Residence \$5400.00. 10 rooms, porcelain bath, cement floor in basement, full lot, in desirable neighborhood.

Make Your Selection. Of good homes and building sites at Peninsula University, in Clatsop County, Ore.

4000 FARMS. For sale in the Williams River tract, in Clatsop County, Ore.

Best Buy We Have. \$3600. Full lot and modern 7-room cottage on Northrup near 24th street.

SPECIAL BARGAINS. Excellent home, 5-room house with one-half block of land, bearing fruit trees, two blocks of car line and stores.

A Bargain. 50x100 feet on 18th, near Northrup, East front, \$1500. Easy terms. This is 25 per cent under the market price.

A FEW NEW NO. 1 PORTLAND BUILT BUGGIES FOR SALE. Must be sold at once. Call at Old Mechanics' Pavilion or 206 Front St.

NO SHANTY! NO SHACK!! If you have a thousand dollars to invest in a home, don't put it where some one can destroy its value by building a shack along side of it.

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The old-fashioned double-your-money method of retailing still prevails in some stores, but not in the ones that sell GORDON hats.

GORDON hat agents give you a perfect hat for \$3.00. They could ask \$5.00 and get it, but they wouldn't sell so many hats.

PURIFY YOUR BLOOD WITH HOOD'S SERRAVALLO. It will give you an appetite.

DAILY METEOROLOGICAL REPORT. PORTLAND, March 27.-8 P. M.-Maximum temperature, 51; minimum temperature, 40.

Table with columns for Stations, Maximum Temperature, Minimum Temperature, and Wind. Includes data for Baker City, Bend, Burns, etc.

WEATHER CONDITIONS. The disturbance off the Washington coast has increased in intensity, and storm warnings have been extended to all coasts in the North Pacific States.

WEATHER FORECASTS. Portland and vicinity-Occasional rain; brisk to high southerly winds.

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CLASSIFIED AD. RATES.

"Rooms," "Rooms and Board," "Household Goods," "Real Estate," "Lost and Found," "Public Notices," "Mortgage Loans," "Land Sale," "Farms," "Livestock," "Stocks," "Bonds," "Insurance," "Legal Notices," "Medical," "Religious," "Miscellaneous."

AMUSEMENTS

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