

## TO TRAIN THE HAND

Manual Training for the Public Schools.

### SUBJECT TO LEGAL OPINION

Petition of Taxpayers Granted and System to Be Introduced Gradually  
—Contract Let for Heating and Ventilating Buildings.

Manual training will become a part of the programme of the Portland public schools in September if no legal obstacles present themselves. At the meeting of the Board of Education last evening a petition signed by a number of the largest taxpayers of the city was presented asking for manual training in the schools. After some discussion the petition was granted.

J. V. Smith, as a lawyer, wished to make sure that a school levy could be made which would include expenditure for this purpose. The petition was therefore granted with this proviso. The Attorney-General of Oregon will be asked for his opinion on this point, and it is hoped by the directors that an answer will be quickly submitted.

The petition of the taxpayers was not allowed until Chairman Henn Wittenberg had restored the chair to Richard Williams and put the motion aside. J. N. Teal was present to urge the directors to grant the petition, of which he was a signer, and his arguments carried much weight.

It is believed that little additional expenditure will be needed. The new system will be introduced in the lower grades and gradually work up along the higher grades until practically the entire public school system is included.

The Seattle High School now has an excellent system as a portion of its regular work, and something of like character was earnestly recommended to the annual tax-meeting last December by Mr. Wittenberg.

Aside from the discussion of manual training the directors devoted considerable time and attention to a discussion of the merits of different heating systems. This was brought up by the awarding of the contracts for the heating of six schools, including the High School, to the McPherson Company, who controls the largest hotel heating and ventilating system for the city. Three bids were submitted for each school, but the McPherson Company, by reason of its system, was able to underbid the other two competitors in every instance. This system is now in use in the Sunnyside School.

An entirely new system in the High School will cost \$8000, in the Park \$650, in the Brooklyn \$700, in the Albina Central, now heated by stoves, \$200. The new buildings on East Twenty-eighth street, near East Couch, and at Twenty-first and Raleigh, will be heated by the fan system for \$1000 and \$500 each.

Richard Williams doubted the feasibility of heating the small rooms by the fan system, when W. G. McPherson, who was present, explained his system, Mr. Williams found himself in a very small minority and capitulated. In fact, Mr. Wittenberg ran through the motions to have the fan system adopted, but the fan systems one by one. In the case of the Park School the system of heating and ventilation had to be decided upon without much owing to the progress of the remodeled building.

"Can't the steamfitters of the city bid upon this work?" asked Mr. Williams. He was assured by Architect Jones that any bids from local steamfitters would probably be close to double the bids submitted by the successful bidders.

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terior is elaborately decorated in white and gold, and with specimens of Swedish pottery and chinaware. The headquarters of the Swedish royal commission will be located in the pavilion.

Queen Lilliuokalani, the deposed ruler of Hawaii, accompanied by her adopted son, ex-Prince Cupid, and his wife and a number of friends, arrived today from Washington and took apartments in the inside inn, inside the grounds. The party expects to remain in St. Louis about two weeks and numerous entertainments have been planned in honor of the visitors.

SEMBRICH IN HER PRIME.

This Famous Singer Will Appear at the Marquam, May 13.

All the great New York critics agree that Sembach is now in the height of her power as a singer. At the song recital she gave in Carnegie Hall in November she had one of the largest and most brilliant audiences that New York has ever known. Only Paderewski and Sembach, indeed, can draw such audiences for a simple recital. The next morning, November 18, every New York paper of importance printed columns concerning the great event, eulogizing the singer in unusual terms of rapturous admiration.

The public plainly realized that this would be the only opportunity to hear the greatest art of the greatest lyric singer now rejoicing the world, before she began her Winter's arduous task at the opera," says the New York Sun. "She has never sung better to this public than yesterday afternoon. In song recital, Sembach being a singer of infinite resources, of most dainty vocal touch, then started. Then would follow a curse or a sob, according to the sex of the employ.

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## WINTER GARDEN CLOSED

SHERIFF ATTACHES BEER AND VAUDEVILLE RESORT.

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Closed and bolted doors met those who essayed to visit the Oberon or Winter Garden yesterday, for a sip of beer. There was no alluring music from the foot-pedal orchestra, and the only company was through any of its hourly sprints. Not even did the clink of glasses or the monotonous "draw one" of the waiters break in upon the silence. The explanation of this phenomenon was inscribed on a small but formidable bit of paper conspicuously posted on the door. "Closed by the Sheriff" was the expression, with the added note, "until further orders." Every now and then an employee would wander up to the door, look astonished, then startled. Then would follow a curse or a sob, according to the sex of the employee.

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