

HISTORY AND CIVICS MADE COMPULSORY

Credit in Each Required for
High School Graduation.

NEW TEXTBOOKS ADOPTED

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SALEM, Or., Aug. 26.—(Special.)—Hereafter American history and civics will be compulsory in the high schools of Oregon. No student will be graduated from these institutions who has not earned one unit in these studies, according to announcement made today by J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction.

Text books to be used in the public schools for the next six years were adopted by the state text book commission in June. This made necessary the complete revision of both the high school and the elementary courses of study.

Credits Needed to Graduate.
Each student will be required to study English throughout the high school course and 15 credits are required for graduation. No student may carry more than five subjects and the teachers are cautioned not to permit any student to take up that number of subjects, excepting those of more than ordinary strength and ability.

All students, except those unusually strong both mentally and physically, will be required to spend four years in the high school to be graduated.

In preparing the manual covering the new course of study for the high schools, Superintendent Churchill was assisted by a group of educational experts in the various subject subjects.

English Course Extended.
The course in English is more extensive and complete than the course heretofore published in an Oregon manual and conforms to the report of the committee on English representing the National Educational association. Eight terms of one-half year each are offered. Work in composition is especially emphasized and much space is given to the study of good literature. Detailed suggestion is given the teacher for presenting poetry, drama and the novel.

Under composition the principles are a good outline, cultivation of a good vocabulary, writing of themes. Paragraph work and sentence work are explained in full, with the suggestion to the teacher that the constant aim be to get the student so thoroughly alert that he can write and speak freely.

All Standard Subjects Embraced.
The complete manual consists of 118 pages. The course embraces all subjects given in any standard high school in languages; four years of Latin, French and Spanish are offered; four years of science and history are outlined.

Full and complete courses in industrial and commercial subjects have been prepared.

Much freedom in the choice of elective is given with the hope that students will not be forced to take a subject in which they are not interested and for which they have no aptitude.

PEACE TREATY IS CHANGED
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ment to the peace treaty to drive a "poisoned dagger" into the peace treaty and to place the United States in the position of a "big bully," Senator McCumber of North Dakota, the only republican member of the committee, voted against the amendment, asked the senate today to overrule the committee's action.

Blow Against China.
The speaker said: "No greater blow could ever be struck against the real interests of China" than by the committee amendment, the actual purpose of which, he asserted, was to kill the treaty and the league of nations. The amendment provides that the old German rights in Shantung province shall go to China in place of Japan.

"Why did the majority of this committee pause in the midst of their hearings to make this particular amendment," he continued, "and then proceed with the usual leisure to lay out rates for further hearings which will consume a week or so more? The purpose is apparent. It is to signify to the country that the treaty is a bad thing, this treaty. It is to put Japan in a position where she cannot without an appearance of being coerced do what she has promised to do. It is to make the treaty a thing of the past and thereby send the first dagger thrust through the body of this treaty."

Political Bluff Suggested.
"Is it an act of true friendship toward China or a mere political move to defeat the treaty? If its sponsors now fail to come forward and openly pledge that if Japan is driven out of this treaty then the United States will proceed single-handed and alone to drive Japan out of China—will renew this world war and send our soldiers into the orient to fight for her, then by this act they are betraying China with a false lie."

"They know and we know that this country will never go to war against Japan to prevent Japan from doing just what we have allowed every other nation to do in China without a protest. With the league of nations, China obtains an assurance which is tantamount to a guaranty by all the world that not only will Japan return to

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