IN THE CHURCHES

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS TO MEET.

(Church notices will be printed in the Sunday Oregonian, if received in legible form, not later than Friday evening. Musical programmes will not be published, except for services on special occasions.)

On Monday evening, March 10, at Grace M. E. Church the second quarterly meeting of the Sunday school superintendents will occur. All Sunday school workers are invited, especially superintendents and teachers. It is expected that the meeting will be largely attended, as a very interesting programme has been prepared. At this meeting arrangements will be made for the coming state Sunday school convention, which is to be held at Portland, May 14-15. Mrs. Mary F. Bryner, of Peoria, Ill., is expected to take a prominent part on the programme of the state convention.

Delegates will be elected at the state convention to attend the international Sunday school convention which meets at Denver, Colo., June 26-30. The Denver convention promises to be the largest in the history of the international association.

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At the regular meeting of the Portland Ministerial Association in the Y. M. C. A. building on Monday, March 3, at 10:30 A. M., the interesting discussion of a month ago will be resumed, and Rev. W. E. Gill and others will speak of "Helps, Hindrances and Hopes in Our Work."

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"The Believing Skeptic" is the topic of an address to be given by Rev. Huber Ferguson before the men's meeting at the Young Men's Christian Association Sunday afternoon, March 2, at 4 o'clock. Mr. Warren Pease, tenor in the First Congregational Church quartet, will sing a tenor solo. Services are held at the association building, Fourth and Yamhill streets. Men are invited.

First Congregational.

There will be the usual services at the First Congregational Church, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Arthur W. Ackerman, D. D. At the morning service, the Lord's supper will be administered, together with the reception of new members and the baptism of children. In the evening the topic will be "Perseverance," the third in a series of Lenten addresses on the conflicts in the life of Jesus. The music will be under the direction of W. A. Montgomery.

Taylor-Street Methodist.

The pulpit of Taylor-Street Methodist Episcopal Church at the corner of Third street, will be filled at 10:30 this morning and at 7:30 this evening by the pastor, Rev. H. J. Talbott, D. D. The Sunday school meets at 12:15 and will rehearse special Easter music under the direction of I. D. Boyer. The Epworth League devotional meeting is held at 6:30 in the evning.

First Unitarian.

At the First Unitarian Church, corner Yamhill and Seventh streets, Dr. Cressey will speak at the morning service at 11 o'clock. The Sunday school meets at 12:30; the William G. Eliot Fraternity at 7; subject of discussion, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?"

First Christian.

The Suuday services of the First Christian Church are now being held in the Auditorium, 208 Third street, between Taylor and Salmon streets. Rev. J. F. Ghormley will take for his theme in the morning "The Exclusion Act." Revival services will be held in the evening. Rev. C. A. Detson will preach, taking for his theme "Some Lessons From the Life of Christ."

First Baptist.

At the First Baptist Church, corner Twelfth and Taylor streets, in the absence of Dr. Alexander Blackburn, the pastor, Rev. Ronald McKillop, of Salem, will preach. Subject, "Wanted, a Man." The services of the day follow: 10:15, prayer for the day; 10:30, preaching; 12, Sunday school, John G. Malone superintendent; 3, Savier-Street Mission, C. A. Lewis superintendent; 7:30, service with sermon by Rev. R. McKillop; topic, "Earth in the Light of Its Lost."

The pastor and family are spending a few days at Seaside for rest. Because of the absence of the pastor the reception of members and the Lord's supper will be postponed until next Sunday.

Immanuel Baptist.

At Immanuel Baptist Church, Second and Meade streets, services will be held at 10:45 and 7:30. The subject of the evening address will be "Except It Die." Bible school meets at noon; at 3 the pastor, Rev. Stanton C. Lapham, will conduct the service at Park Place. Junior Young People's meeting is held at 4; at 6:30 the devotional service of the Young People's Union will be led by Miss Helen Ordeman; midweek prayer meeting is Thursday evening.

Calvary Baptist.

At the Calvary Presbyterian Church, corner Eleventh and Clay streets, Rev. W. S. Gilbert, pastor, there will be services at 11 and 7:30. The subject of the morning sermon will be "The Two Gates"; evening, "Four Modern Miracles". There will be music by the chords choir, Miss Margaret Lamberson director; Miss Brown soprano.

Trinity Episcopal.

At Trinity Church, Sixth and Oak streets, Rev. Dr. A. A. Morison, rector, the services will be: Litany, sermon and holy communion at 11 A. M.; evening prayer and sermon at 7:30; Sunday school at 9:45 A. M.

St. Matthew's Episcopal.

At St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, First and Cruthers streets, services will be as follows: Holy communion, 8 A. M.; litany and holy communion, 11 A. M.; Sunday school, 9:45 A. M.; choral evensong, 4:30 P. M., when the Rev. Dr. George B. Van Waters, of St. David's, will preach. Rev. W. A. M. Breck is clergyman in charge.

St. Stephen's Episcopal.

At St. Stephen's Chapel, Episcopal, Thirteenth and Clay streets, Rev. T. N. Wilson will conduct services as follows: Morning prayer and sermon, 11 o'clock; evening prayer will be held at St. Helen's Hall, 4:45; Sunday school, 9:45. Holy communion is observed after morning service on the first Sunday of each month.

Berea Mission.

At the Berea Mission, corner of Second and Jefferson streets, services will be held today at 10:30 and 7:30 by the pastor, Rev. J. H. Allen. The morning subject will be, "The Church as the Pillar and Ground of the Truth"; the evening subject, "A Little City and a Wise Man."

The New Church.

The regular services at the New Church will be held today in the A. O. U. W. building, corner Taylor and Second streets. Sunday school meets at 10 A. M.; preaching service at 11 A. M., conducted by Rev. T. E. Coulter; subject, "Spiritual Unity, or the Way All Men Become One."

St. Mark's Episcopal.

At St. Mark's Church, corner Nineteenth and Quimby streets, Rev. J. E. Simpson, rector, the Sunday services today will be as follows: 7:30 A. M., holy communion; 11 A. M., morning prayer, litany (choral) and sermon; 7:30 P. M., evensong; 10 A. M., Sunday school. On Friday nights during Lent the litany will be sung by the full choir, under the direction of T. M. Lighter. On Sunday evening, March 2, and on Sunday evening, March 9, Professor R. H. Thornton, dean of the law school of the University of Oregon, will deliver addresses on "The Mystical Interpretation of Holy Scripture," at the 7:30 o'clock services.

Danish Lutheran.

At the Danish Lutheran Church, Thirteenth, between Hoyt and Glisan, services will be held today at 11 A. M. and 7:45 P. M. Sunday school meets at 10 A. M. C. H. Hansen is pastor.

Norwegian Lutheran.

Services will be held at the Norwegian Lutheran Church, Rev. J. M. Nervig, pastor, 45 North Fourteenth street, today, at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sunday school meets at 10 A. M. The Ladies' Aid Society will meet with Mrs. C. Nilson, 449 Larrabee street, next Wednesday afternoon.

Bethel African Methodist.

Services at Bethel African M. E. Church, 68 North Tenth street, today, are as follows: Preaching at 11 A. M.; subject, "The Golden Rule"; class meeting at 12 M.; Sunday school at 1 P. M.; Christian Endeavor at 7 P. M.; preaching at 8 P. M.; subject, "Full Acceptance of Christ." W. T. Biggers is pastor.

Swedish Lutheran.

At the Swedish Lutheran Immanuel Church, 428 Burnside street, Rev. John W. Skans, pastor, there will be services at 10:30 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sunday school at 12 M.

Volunteers of America.

The Volunteers of America will hold their regular meetings at 26 North Second street, as follows: 10 A. M., Bible class, led by Mr. Odell; 3 P. M., services by Mrs. Additon and helpers of the W. C. T. U.; services at 8 P. M. will be led by Captain and Mrs. Dilts, officers in charge.

Christian Science.

At the First Church of Christ (Scientist), on Twenty-third street, near Irving, services will be held at 11 and 8. The subject of the sermon is "Man." Children's Sunday school meets at 12:10. Wednesday evening meeting is held at 8 o'clock. The free reading-room is open daily from 10 to 5 and 7:30 to 9 at rooms 2, 3 and 4, Hamilton Building, 131 Third street.

At Second Church of Christ, Scientist, Auditorium, Third street, between Taylor and Salmon, services will be held Sunday at 11 o'clock A. M. and 8 o'clock P. M. Sunday School convenes immediately after close of morning services. Wednesday evening testimonial meeting at 8 o'clock. The reading-rooms are open daily from 10 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Universal Brotherhood.

New Century Theosophical Society (nonsectarian), Universal Brotherhood, Lodge, No. 84, will hold services today at 416 Marquam Building, at 8 P. M.; subject, "Children." Ladies' group for children meets at 10:45 A. M.

Spiritualist.

The First Spiritualist Society will hold conference at 11 A. M., and at 12:30 the Lyceum will meet. At 7:30 P. M. services will be held by J. H. Lucas and Mrs. Cornelius. The song service for the occasion will be rendered by Mr. Lew George and the Pearson sisters. All services will be held at the Artisans Hall, Abington Building, Third street, between Washington and Stark.

EAST SIDE CHURCHES.

Trinity Methodist.

At Trinity Methodist Church, East Tenth and East Grant streets, Dr. A. Thompson, pastor, there will be the usual services held. Subject in the morning, "The Law and Life of Love;" in the evening, "A Sublime Life. Sunday school meets at 10 A. M., Mr. S. Morrow, superintendent; class meeting is held after morning service, A. E. Collins, leader; Epworth League devotional service at 6:30 P. M., Mrs. Rhoda Lee, president.

St. David's Episcopal.

The services in St. David's Episcopal Church, corner East Morrison and Twelfth streets, Rev. George B. Van Waters, D. D., rector, today will be as follows: Early celebration of holy communion at 8 A. M. and also at 11 o'clock service; Sunday school and Bible class at 9:45 A. M.; morning prayer and sermon at 11 A. M.; evening prayer and sermon at 7:30 P. M.; services at St. David's Mission Chapel, Chicago Station, at 3 P. M.; Sunday school at 2 P. M.

Second Baptist Church.

At the Second Baptist Church, East Seventh and East Ankeny streets, Rev. William E. Randall, pastor, will preach this morning at 10:30 on, "Personal Reaping; the Law and Limitations of Harvest;" evening topic will be, "Realizing Ambitious Dreams; Lessons From a Life;" Bible school convenes at 12 M.; young people's service will be held at 6:30 P. M.

First United Evangelical.

Rev. H. L. Pratt, pastor of the First United Evangelical Church, East Tenth and East Sherman streets, will speak this morning at 11 o'clock on, "The Two Likenesses," and at 7:30 P. M. on, "God Answers."

Centenary Methodist.

At the Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church, East Pine and Ninth streets, there will be preaching by the pastor, Rev. W. B. Hollingshead, at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; morning class meeting is at 9:30; noon class, 12:15; Sunday school, 12:15; Epworth League devotional service, 6:30 P. M.; week night prayer service, Thursday, 7:30.

Hassalo Street.

At the Hassalo-Street Congregational Church, this morning at 10:30 a sacramental service will be held. At the evening service at 7:30 there will be preaching by the pastor. Sunday school meets at 12 M.; Y. P. S. C. E. meeting at 6:30; prayer meeting, 7:30; study of the Lord's Prayer, subject, "Our Daily Bread." Hawthorne Circle meets Friday evening, March 7, with Miss Olsen.

Church of the Good Shepherd.

The Rev. H. D. Chambers will preach at the Church of the Good Shepherd, corner Sellwood and Vancouver avenue, Albina, at 11 in the morning and 7:30 in the evening. Holy communion is at 11 A. M.; Sunday school at 10 A. M. Evening services will be held regularly in this church hereafter.

Westminster Presbyterian.

A service for the children will be given this morning at the Westminster Presbyterian Church. The pastor, Rev. H. S. Templeton, will take as his theme "Like a Little Child." Sabbath School meets at 12:30, and Christian Endeavor at 6:30 P. M. At the evening service at 7:30 the sermon will be on "The Light That Condemns the World."

Sunnyside Methodist.

At the Sunnyside M. E. Church Dr. H. B. Elworthy, the pastor, will preach in the morning, his subject being, "The Memorial From the Master." In the absence of the pastor the Rev. C. A. Lewis, of University Park, will occupy the pulpit in the evening. Sunday school convenes at 10 A. M. and the Epworth League at 6:30 P. M., with J. T. Brown as leader.

Sunnyside Congregational.

The services of the Sunnyside Congregational Church will begin with Sunday School at 10 A. M., which, under the superintendence of S. C. Pier, will study "The Stoning of Stephen." At 11 o'clock the pastor, Rev. J. J. Staub, will preach a sermon on "Christ's Treatment of Self-Righteousness." The Junior Endeavor Society meets at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, Miss Grace E. Kemp, superintendent; the senior society, led by Miss Flora M. Kemp, will convene at 6:30 for the consideration of "The Joy of Service." The theme of the pastor's discourse at 7:30 is to be "A Cake Only Half-Baked."

First Universalist.

At the First Universalist Church, corner East Couch and Eighth streets, the morning service is held at 11 o'clock. There will be a sermon by the pastor, Rev. Hervey H. Hoyt, on the subject, "He Who Would Be Great." Sunday school follows the morning service; Young People's meeting at 6:30 P. M.; subject, "Means of Growth."

Rodney-Avenue Christian.

Subjects at the Rodney-Avenue Christian Church will be as follows: Morning, "The Regions Beyond"; evening, "Source of Authority in the Church." The pastor, Rev. Albyn Esson, will preach.

St. John's Episcopal.

At St. John's Episcopal Church, Sellwood, the evening service is at 7:30; Sunday school, 11 A. M. Rev. A. M. Breck is clergyman in charge.

St. John's Presbyterian.

Rev. E. W. St. Pierre, pastor, will occupy his pulpit, St. John's Presbyterian Church, Seventeenth and Marshall streets, at both services today. At the morning service, at 10:30, the theme is: "The Sighs of the Master"; evening, 7:30, "Three Views of Life." Sunday school meets at noon; Young People's meeting, 6:30 P. M.; week night prayer meeting Thursday at 7:30.

University Park Methodist.

The pastor, Rev. Charles T. McPherson, will begin to deliver a special series of sermons at the University Park M. E. Church, Sunday morning. His subject at 11 A. M. is, "The Love We Live By"; theme at 7:30 P. M., "The Voice of Jesus in the Storm." Official board meets Monday evening; mid-week prayer meeting on next Thursday at 7:40 P. M.; topic, "The Earnest Christian."

Swedish Methodist.

At the Swedish M. E. Church, corner Borthwick and Beech streets, there will be preaching Sunday at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.; Sunday school, 10 A. M. Rev. J. Johnson, the presiding elder of the Swedish district, will preach both morning and evening.

Scandinavian Lutheran.

At the Scandinavian Evangelical Lutheran Church, corner East Grant and East Tenth streets, services in Norwegian will be held at 10:45 and 7:30. Sunday school in English and Norwegian follows the morning services. Next Thursday evening the Young People's Society meets with Mr. and Mrs. Skaale, 529 East Sherman street, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets.

SIDE LINES OF A BUSY DESK

THIS is the story of Don, a fox terrier, that had more affection and intelligence than a great many human beings. He was more faithful and loyal than any man or woman I ever met. One saying above all others has gone ringing through the ages since man knew and loved his four-footed friends: "Faithful as a dog." It is not "faithful as a man, or as a woman." Four years ago I was in a lonely boarding-house, some thousands of miles away from home and kindred. After the toils of the day were over, the evenings seemed to be long and aimless in that Eastern town, and social events were few and far between. Relatives were communicated with by mail, and it seemed hard to make new friends. One evening, feeling depressed because I realized that it meant having other people around to make life worth living—a confession of weakness, one of the other boarders, who was married, said: "Young man, you appear to be lonely around here, with your folks so far away. Why don't you get married? Look at me. I've married the nicest, sweetest, best woman—"

"What you have suggested is impossible, at present. Besides I did not know that my alleged dullness worried you," was my reply.

"Don't get mad about it. Meant no harm, I assure you. Why don't you keep a dog?"

Here was an idea. I consulted the woman who kept the boarding-house, and after she had glanced at me through her spectacles she said: "You are one of the steadiest young men in my house, and I hope your dog will be as quiet in behavior as you are yourself. I have no objection to the dog coming here, as a favor to you. There won't be any extra charge for the new boarder." Generous soul. After calling at various kennels and going to the dogs generally, I selected a 5-months'-old wire-haired fox terrier named Don, and he became my property for $10. The dealer lent me a dog collar and chain with which to convey Don to his new home, a handsome doghouse specially built for him.

Arrived home, I looked at my new friend. He had a stubby tail, a black ring over one eye, and a black strip extending from his forehead to the tip of his nose, and he looked to be a happy little dog. All the other boarders petted him, and Don submitted to the caresses with the air of one used to such things. He was given dog biscuit soaked in milk, and then he was chained to his house. That night and the next morning, Don howled for his mamma, most melodiously. I went around to his kennel at 7 A. M. and found a neighbor sitting on the fence. The neighbor scowled and suggested that he did not like the dog, because it barked, and hinted that Don ought to be moved to parts unknown. I replied that if the neighbor did not like Don's barking that he could move his own house.

For the next month, following instructions, I kept Don chained to his kennel, except when I took him out for a walk in the evenings, chained to my wrist. I personally fed him twice every day, and taught him only to eat from my hands. Then one sunny afternoon, I whistled and took my terrier out for the first time without the chain attachment. Don promptly ran into every open door and paid visits to strange people, without being introduced, and I had to apologize for him. The first evening, when I hurried home about 6 o'clock to dinner, I saw something white standing at the head of the avenue. It was Don. The next minute he was jumping around me, barking with riotous delight. It meant, "Welcome home." This performance was repeated every evening at the same hour, rain or shine, for two years. Don was always waiting at the end of that avenue, and there was always the same joyous bark, the mad frolic because I had arrived. Don never jumped up until he was nearly out of breath if any of the other boarders came home. When snow fell, I said, "Don won't be at the end of the avenue tonight. It's showing. He will be asleep by the fire." But he was there, with the same joyous welcome. Did it rain? He was there. Scarcely a human being would have done all this, for one other human being. The human being would have had his or her headache, work to do, or important engagement elsewhere.

Don accompanied me in all my walks, whether I wished it or not, and he even attended church and blinked, but never slept at the expounding of Presbyterian theology. Once I was seriously ill for two days and nights, and he insisted on keeping near my bedside, refusing all food during the interval. If I wrote a letter or read a book, Don would sit and gaze at me, his eyes having a look of almost human inquiry. Once, a neighboring butcher said to me: "Your dog steals meat from my place every day. He just comes in and helps himself, and I dare not say anything to him, for he's an awful fighter. What am I to do about it?" "Send me an account of what he eats every month and I will pay it," was my reply. On the first day of the month, this bill was handed to me: "From J. Gavin, butcher. To meat stolen by your terrier, for one month, $1.50. Received payment."

Then Don found out the office where I worked, one bright morning, and gaily trotted in. He took shelter beneath my desk and went to sleep, but when the office boy went to eject him Don showed his teeth and the boy quailed. I grieve now to say that sometimes I wearied of this ceaseless devotion, and now and then I said to him: "Go home. I am tired of you today. See you in the evening." Off the dog would go, his tail drooping, but he would meet me at the end of the avenue, wildly barking, as if nothing had happened. A human being would have said: "Oh, well; if you do not desire my company, I can take the hint. There are others. Our friendship is at an end." But Don? A careless whistle brought him back.

He had soft, appealing eyes, and was very fond of women's company, but he only liked one other man besides his master. To my great amusement, I found out that Don used to call at six different houses for breakfast every week day morning—one after another—and as soon as he had broken his fast he ran from the house. He never visited Sundays.

Then the tragedy came. It was a beautiful Summer evening as I walked home from work, and for the first time I missed Don at the end of the avenue. Where could he be? There was no welcome bark, no mad frolicking. There was a group of persons on the lawn, and Don lay on the ground. "Your dog is sick, I'm afraid," said one person, yawning. "Glad you've arrived. He won't allow any of us to touch him." Don's tail wagged feebly when he heard my step, and he made an effort to rise, but failed. His eyes were glazed, and seemed to say: "Master, I couldn't be at the old trysting place tonight. It is not my fault." Don had been poisoned by eating meat thrown over the fence from the street. A veterinary surgeon was hurriedly sent for, and when he arrived he said: "Poor little black-eyed doggie. He is past medicine, I'm afraid." It was so. Don was dying.

I took the poor brute's front paws in my hands and looked into his eyes, but could not speak. There was a lump in my throat. But if Don could not speak his eyes could, and for one instant there shone in them such a look of love and devotion that it was almost human. Then he died. Little dog with the black eye, if there ever was a good friend you were one. You almost had a soul.

Our State Pride.

AS we wander over this broad country of ours, intent either on business or pleasure, the thoughtful ones among us are struck with the affection with which every native-born American regards the one state where he first saw the light of day. In the East people do not as a general rule wander very far from their native town. For instance, you will not find a Massachusetts man living in Connecticut going into ecstasies over the Bay State—it is too near him. But in the Middle States and especially along the Pacific Slope, the sentiment about one's native state is very strong and growing stronger each year.

Those of us who are earning our bread and butter in Oregon and who are resolved to stay with Oregon come weal or come woe, cannot be blamed if we feel a sympathetic thrill when we suddenly meet with a stranger who, on investigation, comes from the banks of the Connecticut, the Hudson or the Mississippi. He may be a graduate from the same school or college, and he may have smote the bounding baseball on the same lot where we first endeavored to hold up first base. The inference is when we meet five or six Eastern men of this character, we form a social club, or we at least meet at each other's houses and discuss old times. In this manner state societies are formed, with all the glory of annual banquets, where the star after-dinner speaker is the favored son of the old state from whence come the guests.

New England societies are plentiful in this Western country, and we admire their members—able men and fair women with all the graces of the Puritan as their heritage and few of his faults. Memories of the Empire State are kept before us by ambitious New Yorkers, but in state club organizations of the past ten years a good measure of success has been achieved by clubs or societies representing the great State of Ohio. It is a difficult matter to say just how the sons and daughters of Ohio achieve such wonderful success, especially along social and political lines. They have the quality of "get there." It has got to be quite a common saying that if a man aspires to be President of the United States, he has no chance of being elected unless he comes from Ohio. The Ohio men help each other along, in social courtesies and in trade. There is almost a Scotch clannishness among them to a marked degree, and at Ohio gatherings one is struck with their kindly welcomes and open-handed hospitality.

It has been said: "The state is obliterated in the United States. State pride is gone. We are all Americans." Not so. Travel where you please, you will find the children of men are gregarious and have a never-dying affection for that spot called home, where childhood's happy days were spent, the spot where we were trained to be men and women. We can love the old state without being disloyal to the new one, and we will be all the better Americans for it.

Stealing of Childhood.

KIDNAPING is an offense that is severely punished by law. The offender is fined and placed in prison for stealing and forcibly carrying away a human being. But what punishment should be dealt out to the person who robs little boys and girls of their childhood, who makes the tots old men and women before their time? Curiously enough, the law is silent in this respect.

Happy childhood, when skies are blue and life is as a Summer's day. Eyes are bright then, complexions radiant, laughter ringing. It is the time to grow, the time to play, the brief season when we make and lay the foundation for friendships that will last until our journey's end. Our school days commence then, and think of the delight and pride we experience in after years when we say of a distinguished American: "He and I were at our first school together." Childhood is the season when games are learned. Think about the delights of hop Scotch, shinny, duck-on-the-rock, follow-the-leader, leap frog, black men, run, sheep run; black tag, puss in the corner and others. Boys spun tops, and they could not sleep o' nights when they won more marbles than the other fellow. First lessons in baseball were taken in these youthful days, and do you remember the glorious occasion when our old school played a ball game with the boys of a rival school, and not only beat them, but were clearly the victors in the free-for-all fight that concluded the proceedings? The referee was 9 years old, and most of the players his junior.

Now it is different. The avaricious greed of parents forces many children to go to work when they should be playing. Or parents are like the old woman who lived in a shoe—they have so many children that they do not know what to do. There are so many little mouths to be fed that the older children must go to work in order that those brothers and sisters coming after them may be saved from semistarvation. And those parents say: Behold how many olive branches the Lord hath sent—when the truth about the situation is that they have brought more children into the world than they can reasonably expect to support. The eldest child is a sort of nurse for the others, until they grow up, and, like little ducks, are able to walk away themselves. Have you ever been the eldest sister or brother in a family where no paid nursemaid or domestic servant was kept, where there was grinding poverty? If you have, you received very few of the joys of childhood.

Another reason why childhood is stolen from our boys and girls is because our American schools teach too many subjects and scholars are worried with endless lessons which they are forced to do at home. These children are so tired that they cannot play. No less an authority than President Edmunds, of the Philadelphia Board of Education, has recently said: "It may not be unwise to inquire whether we do not attempt to teach too many subjects. One of the evils of attempting to do too much is the necessity of requiring the scholar to do long and exhaustive work at home. Knowledge acquired at the expense of bodily strength and health is purchased at too great a price." In many Portland homes boys and girls worry over studies they know they must have ready for the teacher the first thing in the morning, and fathers and mothers will bear testimony that one of their most perplexing duties, after the close of a hard day's work, is to sit down with their children and help them with their lessons. After working every night with the children from Monday to Friday, you are tempted to inquire why these mysteries should not be explained to your children during the regular school hours. Mainly because of excessive home studies, parents in this city, who can afford to do so, have taken their children from the public schools and placed them in private institutions of learning.

It is comforting to know, however, that the boys and girls of our public schools are fairly healthy under adverse conditions, and that their lungs are as sound as could be expected, as any visitor who is present at a school day of sports can testify. The children do not look depressed, but they do not look as physically fit as they ought to, in a large number of cases. The careful observer sees in many schoolrooms, many white little faces and flat chests. The children do not play enough, or they do not have opportunity to do so, to develop their bodies and harden their muscles for the work of life. It is saddening to meet a young man of say 25 years old, with one shoulder higher than another, caused by clerical work at a desk, and hear him say: "I had to work when I was a mere child. My school days were few in number. I am not well developed because I did not get time to play when I was a child, to enable me to grow and expand." Stolen childhood again.

Golden hours in child life only exist for us once, and never come again. Any man or woman who robs a child of his or her childhood commits a grave crime, and it ought to be a stain on any one's conscience. You might as well suddenly try to plant a lovely, sweet-smelling rose bush in a dark cellar. Without air and sunlight, it dies. Let the children play as long as they can. Goodness knows, they will be men and women and face care and perplexity soon enough.

McKNOCKER.

About Oregon Roads.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—(To the Editor.)—In the editorial columns of the edition of Feb. 15, 1902, headed "Our Cheerful Jeff," commenting on a short address delivered by me before the Good Roads Commission of the United States at Charleston, S. C., as reported in a paper published there. This was my statement: That we had received some benefits from literature sent out by the Government Good Roads Department, and that some improvement in our road laws may have come from this; that I was heartily in sympathy with this department for the building of good roads, and would do what I could to maintain and help the cause. I also invited them to come to Oregon with their special train, and demonstrate, at different places in the state, their improved method of building roads with their latest-improved machinery and engineering. This commission is doing this for many other states. I also stated that we have some very good roads built at Salem, the capital, and I still maintain that we have very good roads, and on the whole the state, with her large area and small population, has as good roads today as three-fourths of the states in the United States.

I am too good an Oregonian to address an intelligent audience, composed of four Governors of other states, United States Road Commission, etc., at a place where the State of Oregon was making an exhibit of her resources, that if you attempted to go through the Willamette Valley with an automobile it would be necessary to have a four-horse team in sight to pull you out of the mud. It is an old saying that "it's a dirty bird that will dirty its own nest," and I will not be guilty of this for my native state. I believe the Republican party was responsible for the "famous seagull bill" therein referred to, and if there is any besmearing to be done, let it fall where it justly belongs.

JEFFERSON MYERS.

ROOSEVELT'S COLLEGE DAYS

He Was Not Specially Distinguished in Athletic Sports.

Curtis Guild, Jr., one of President Roosevelt's most intimate friends since their association at Harvard, contributes to the Harvard Graduates' Magazine an article of interest to collegians and others, on the President's college career. Mr. Guild says that in athletics Roosevelt, although a supporter of the college teams, did not especially shine. He was not naturally muscular and his defective eyesight was a handicap to him. However, Roosevelt did do some sparring, with a pair of glasses lashed to his head. His "fighting weight" was 135 pounds. He lost the lightweight championship, being defeated by one C. S. Hanks. Roosevelt was a member of the Alpha Delta Phi, D. K. E., Hasty Pudding Club, and others. He was also an associate, not an active, member of the Glee Club.

"Roosevelt was a great reader," continues Mr. Guild, "and spent hours in work which counted nothing on his college standing. Roosevelt read not for examinations, but for information. An aristocrat in the best sense, cowardice, meanness and falsehood were simply impossible to him. He was clean-cut in thought and speech. Brave to rashness, strong in his convictions, preferring honor and failure to accommodation and success—these were his traits. The popular man at Harvard is not always popular in after years. The leader of the freshman year often becomes the camp-follower among the seniors. But in Roosevelt's case the leader of opinion at Harvard has become the leader of public opinion of his country."

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