

Closer Co-operation Among Teachers Planned at Institute

With over 400 delegates in attendance the Fifteenth Annual session of the Oregon State Teachers' Association was opened in the auditorium of the high school Monday. The pedagogues began arriving from all over the state Sunday night and by Monday the hotels of the city were filled to overflowing.

In addition to teachers and superintendents there were in attendance representatives from the University of Oregon, the O. A. C., and the State Normal schools.

Monday was spent in the adoption of a new constitution, the selection of Portland as the permanent meeting place of the association, by which it is hoped to gain a much larger attendance of members, and in hearing the lecture of Thomas M. Ballist, dean of New York university on the subject of "Educational Problems in the Light of Evolution."

Dean Ballist appealed to the teachers to use psychological principles of evolution in the teaching especially of young children. He traced the development of the nerve centers of the body and showed by describing the actions of young children how certain large muscles controlled by fundamental nerve centers are first developed. Typical of these are the nerve centers which control the grasping power of the hands. Even tiny babies are able to perform this function. His plea throughout the lecture was for the recognition of this fact, that in children some functions are developed earlier than others, in teaching and to make education instruction follow these lines of development, allowing nature and time to aid in the development of complicated nerve processes.

The opening program was as follows:

Piano solo, Miss Venita Hamilton. Address of Welcome, Attorney Gus Newbury.

Response, H. H. Heardman, of Portland.

Male quartet, Noel Lindley, Herbert Alford, Clarence Mæker and Lewis Bennett.

Violin solo, Miss Bess Bryan.

Violin duet, W. C. Jaynes, and Mrs. Paley, accompanied on the piano by Miss Venita Hamilton. First Symphony by Beethoven; encore, Schubert's "Serenade."

Vocal solo, Miss Laurin Hinman. Vocal solo, F. L. Edmeads.

There have been two sections in the state organization. The eastern division which met a short time ago sent representatives who in cooperation with the officers of the western division perfected an organization by which all of the teachers of the state will be bound closer together and all will have the benefit of closer cooperation and sympathy.

The officers of the western division are H. H. Heardman; E. F. Carleton, Salem, and George Briscoe, Ashland, vice-presidents; W. R. Rutherford, Eugene, treasurer, and W. M. Smith of Marion county, secretary.

The executive committee is composed of J. A. Churchill, superintendent of public instruction; J. H. Ackerman, president Oregon Normal at Monmouth; Emma C. Warren, Astoria; G. W. Hug, McMinnville, and U. S. Collins of Medford.

The committee of reorganization is: H. D. Sheldon, chairman, Eugene; J. H. Ackerman, Monmouth; George A. Briscoe, Ashland; E. D. Seymour, Dallas; J. A. Churchill, Salem; O. M. Brown, Roseburg; William T. Foster, Portland; Mrs. Mamie Fulkerson, Salem; O. M. Elliott, Salem; E. R. Peterson, Medford; Frances Barnes, Portland; L. R. Alderman, Portland; H. M. Sherwood, Portland; Dr. A. P. McKinley, Portland.

Monday night a reception was tendered the delegates at the Hotel Medford followed by a dance at the Seventh Company armory.

Tuesday the convention was addressed by President Carl G. Denney of Willamette university on the

increasing use of slang in the United States. He made a plea for the assistance of all teachers in stamping out this evil. Thomas M. Ballist followed with an address on "Play, Work and Drudgery in Education."

In the evening the School Masters' club of Jackson county entertained the delegates, Ed Andrews giving a talk on Shakespeare and Mrs. Alan Brackinreed outlined the plan of the Drama League. Many of the teachers attended the performance at the Page theater of "Hyacinth Halvey."

Wednesday the session closed with the election of officers, the adoption of resolutions, and a last address by Dean Ballist on "Moral Education in the Light of Evolution."

The following officers were elected for the coming year.

President, E. P. Carlton, assistant state superintendent, of Salem.

Vice-president, George A. Briscoe, principal Ashland high school.

Executive committee, Miss V. Orschild, Portland; Superintendent O. M. Elliott, Salem; Professor H. D. Sheldon, U. of O.; Superintendent J. Percy Wells, Jackson county.

Committee on credentials—Chairman, Professor E. D. Ressler of O. A. C.; Superintendent J. G. Remel, Astoria; Superintendent F. B. Hamlin, Roseburg; County Superintendent C. F. Bonney, The Dalles; Mrs. M. S. Sukerson, Salem; W. T. Foster, president of Reed college; Miss Rea B. Parrot, Oregon Normal.

The commercial division of the Oregon State Teachers' association held several interesting sessions at the high school Tuesday and Wednesday. J. M. Greesley of the high school commercial department presided, and Mrs. B. I. Van Gilder of the Medford Commercial college, acted as secretary.

Several questions concerning commercial education were discussed. These discussions were participated in by the following teachers: Dean Bexell, O. A. C.; Dean Morton, U. of O.; L. T. Hodge, Ashland high school; B. I. Van Gilder, Medford Commercial college; V. W. Flint, Gold Hill high school; Ina Akins, Medford high school; J. M. Greesley, Medford high school; Mrs. B. I. Van Gilder, Medford Commercial college, and E. B. Stanley, Central Point high school.

It was unanimously decided to affiliate with the department of vocational education and to meet next year at Portland. It was also decided to invite all members of the National Commercial Teachers' federation who are teaching in Oregon to unite with this organization in advancing the cause of commercial education throughout the state. A resolution, offered by Mr. Greesley, was adopted as follows:

That each county institute be asked to organize a commercial teachers' association, which would send a delegate to the state convention, and that private commercial schools be recognized.

Mr. Van Gilder suggested that a Southern Oregon Commercial Teachers' association be organized, which would affiliate with the state association. A discussion followed which showed that everyone was in favor of such an organization.

The principal feature of the session was an animated discussion of the report of the committee on the standardization of courses in commerce in the high schools of Oregon. The leaders in the discussion were Dean Bexell of the O. A. C. and Dean Morton of the U. of O. Following the discussion, the report was unanimously adopted.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President, C. D. Lazenby of the Jefferson high school, Portland; and secretary, Mrs. Lawrence, of Portland.

The Roach Timber Company of Muscatine, Iowa, has raised \$300,000 to build the first section of a logging road near Sutherlin.

Big Tourist Hotel Near Fish Hatchery

L. E. McDonald was in Ashland on business Wednesday from his home near the government fish hatchery on Rogue river, thirty miles from Medford. Mr. McDonald stated while here that on Christmas there was a family reunion, there being seven brothers among the thirty-five members and family representatives present. Mr. McDonald informed us that several of the brothers, including himself, are permanently located on their 600-acre farm there, and owing to the great demand for a nearby mountain resort in the Rogue river country, they are building a fine hotel near the fish hatchery on the banks of Rogue river, where tourists may find the very best accommodations. The hotel is of the mission style of architecture, having steps thirty feet wide leading to the main entrance, and columns twenty feet high across the front of the building. An electric plant is to be installed to furnish lights and power for the premises. Everything will be modern in every respect and the management will be the best.

The materials used in the construction of the fireplaces weighed ninety tons, and 150,000 feet of lumber will be necessary to complete the main structure.

W. G. McDonald, one of the proprietors, is a landscape artist of much note, who will have a perpetual art exhibit second to none on the Pacific coast. The proprietors hope to be ready for the grand opening some time in June, 1916.

They also intend to construct a trail from their place to the Umpqua divide, making it convenient for hunting parties to get in and out of the good hunting grounds.

It is to be hoped that these gentlemen will meet with success in their endeavor to serve the public.

G. W. McNAB.

Yreka Boy and Mother in Smash

Siskiyou News (Yreka, Cal.).—An auto accident occurred on Friday evening at 8:30 o'clock which proved very serious and may be fatal to some of those injured. Elmer Orr and his mother, Mrs. H. W. Orr, went by auto to Montague to meet her mother, Mrs. Anna Orr, and her half-sister, Mrs. Leonard Gilcrease, who came from Reno, Nev., to spend Christmas with relatives in Yreka. Returning from Montague, and having topped Butcher hill approaching Yreka, they noticed an auto coming toward them, traveling in a zigzag manner and at great speed. Orr turned his auto as far to the side of the road as possible so as to escape a collision. The driver of the other auto, Frank Lewis, who has a ranch on the Shasta river near Montague, evidently must have lost control of his machine, as when he neared Orr's auto he turned directly toward it and collided in a head-on collision. Mrs. Anna Orr was thrown through the glass shield and suffered a broken thigh near the hip and a fractured knee cap, and also several bad cuts on the face and neck. Her escape from death is miraculous as the glass cut deep into her neck. The others in the car were bruised and badly shaken. Lewis and a man by the name of Brown received a few cuts. It is reported that Lewis is suffering from internal injuries. Gallagher, driver of the Hoffman auto stage, coming up at the time of the accident, brought them all to Yreka.

(Elmer Orr attended high school in Ashland for two years. His mother is also well known in the city.)

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JANUARY PUDDINGS.

Four Recipes That Are Heavy Enough to Meet the Cold.

Tapioca Pudding.—Soak one cupful of pearl tapioca overnight in one quart of water. In the morning pare and core six tart apples or peaches. Stew them slightly and lay in a deep baking dish. Add sugar (and a little lemon juice if apples are used) to the tapioca and pour it over the fruit. Bake until the tapioca becomes like jelly and eat either hot or cold, with or without sugar and cream.

Chocolate Pudding.—Heat a quart of milk with four level tablespoonfuls of grated chocolate and three level tablespoonfuls of cornstarch dissolved in a little cold milk, a pinch of salt and sweeten to taste. When cooked thick flavor with vanilla and when sufficiently cool pour into a glass dish. Serve very cold with whipped cream piled on top.

Prune Pudding.—One pound stewed prunes, whites of four eggs and one cupful of sugar. Drain the juice from the prunes, remove the stones and chop. Beat the eggs stiff, add the sugar gradually, then stir in the chopped prunes. Bake twenty minutes. Serve cold with whipped cream flavored with vanilla.

Rice Pudding.—Mix four cupfuls of milk, one-third cupful of rice, one-half cupful of seeded raisins, one-third cupful of sugar and one-half teaspoonful of salt. It is necessary to stir occasionally to prevent rice and raisins from settling to the bottom of the dish. If raisins are not used some flavoring should be added.

SOME BEAUTY DON'TS.

A Few Simple Habits That Help Save Off Seediness.

Don't wear thin shoes and gossamer stockings in cold weather or you will have that pinched, chilled look that is so unbecoming. Don't economize in shoe leather. It is economy which will probably cost you dear.

Don't give up taking exercise even if the weather is bad. A brisk walk on a cold day is a complexion beautifier.

Don't fail to dry your hands thoroughly after washing if you wish to prevent them from getting chapped. Don't forget to wear a veil if your skin is susceptible to cold winds. Don't wear heavy headgear. It is very bad for the hair. Don't let your rooms get hot and stuffy. Always leave the window slightly open at the top.

An excellent lotion for preserving the color of fair hair is made from camomile flowers. An ounce of these should be placed in a bowl and about a pint of boiling water poured over them. Cover the bowl and allow to stand for a couple of hours, then strain carefully and use occasionally, dabbing it into the roots of the hair.

The more fair hair is brushed the better it looks. Brushing gives a gloss which eventually becomes permanent and so is far better than what brilliantine could impart; also it frees the scalp from dust and makes the hair grow. The brushes must be kept scrupulously clean; should be washed every morning and left to dry.

Canary Crusts.

Take some stale pieces of bread, cut into squares and thin slices of gruyere cheese, also cut into squares. Now take one piece of bread at a time, butter it, place a slice of cheese on the bread, cover with mustard and then cover with another slice of buttered bread, so that when finished the bread is evenly cut and the cheese between. Have some butter melted in a frying pan, fry to a golden brown and serve with a lettuce salad.

Changes in Militia Rifle Shoot Rules

Rules for the 1916 national rifle matches have been drafted by a committee at Washington, D. C., appointed to formulate them for consideration of the board for the promotion of rifle practice, which will meet January 31 for its annual session.

The suggested changes of rules were made public Thursday by the war department and are in substance as follows:

The substitute for the present method of division of teams by standing into three classes with trophies and prizes for each class, a class A, B and C division on standing, the first fifteen state teams to form the first class, the next fifteen the second and the remaining teams the third. Class A team members would receive gold medals, class B silver, and class C bronze. Cash prizes would be dispensed with in the national team matches.

Teams from the army, navy and marine corps and also from schools and colleges would be added to the various classes, according to standing, a single trophy to be awarded to the highest United States service team and a single trophy to the highest school or college team. The highest score team of the trophy winners would be awarded the national trophy, the second team the Hilton trophy and the third team the bronze soldier of marathon trophy.

The committee suggests that coast artillery be represented by a team and that officers with the rank of major be admitted to the competition as team captains, previous regulations having excluded grades above captain.

A general revision of rules governing pistol matches is recommended, and it is proposed that the number of cash prizes be increased in the individual matches.

The board will decide the place of the 1916 matches later.

Farmers of Oregon Will Go to O. A. C.

More people than ever assembled in Oregon to consider means of improving agricultural, home-making and related affairs are expected to attend the annual Farmers' and Conference Week at Corvallis January 3 to 8, inclusive. There were more than 2,200 in attendance at last year's sessions, and the majority of those intend to return this year and add as many others to their delegations as they can. Also the conference idea has been strengthened by experience and observation, so that the coming conferences have been materially enlarged both in scope and character.

There will be about a score of separate conferences held by those engaged in special phases of industry or business in Oregon, which will call for about three for each day of the week. Each conference will be held under the supervision of the college specialist who has the subject in his department work, and at each address will be made by some of the leading men and women of Oregon and of the entire United States, including several representatives of the United States Department of Agriculture.

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Teachers' Convention Adopts Resolutions

The following resolutions were adopted Wednesday afternoon by the Oregon State Teachers' association:

Whereas, we recognize the importance of properly trained teachers in improving education standards and conditions in the state and especially in the rural school, and

Whereas, Governor Withycombe in his message to the legislative assembly pointed out the need of more normal school facilities in Oregon;

Therefore, be it resolved that we earnestly call attention to this need heartily endorse Governor Withycombe's recommendations in the matter and especially recommend that proper steps be taken to provide normal schools in southern and eastern Oregon.

Whereas, the problems of the rural teachers are so numerous and the need of professional assistance so evident, and

Whereas, so few forms of industrial and professional supervision are so inexpensive as the supervision of rural schools when the capital invested in salaries paid and the number of employes are considered, and

Whereas, very few forms of supervision are so pregnant with splendid possibilities of service as the supervision of rural schools in the assisting in the wise expenditure of school money in building houses and providing equipment in the aiding and assisting in improvement of school room work and stimulating the social and industrial life of the rural community

Therefore, be it resolved that we heartily endorse supervision of rural schools in the state of Oregon and we recommend that the legislative committee formulate recommendations for extending and perfecting the system which has been so well begun.

Resolved, that we appreciate the royal manner in which the city of Medford has entertained this association

That we extend our gratitude to musicians who have so delightfully entertained us, to Superintendent Hillis and the local teachers for providing in every way for our enjoyment and comfort, to the superintendents and principals club of Jackson and Josephine counties for the splendid entertainment in St Marks hall, the district school board of Medford for use of the high school building, to the domestic science department of the Medford high school for the splendid luncheon served,

And to the Medford daily papers of the city for their excellent reports of the meetings.

On a motion from the floor the following resolution was added:

That this assembly express its appreciation to the members of the state school superintendent's office and all others who assisted, for the preparation and management of the educational exhibit at the Panama exposition.

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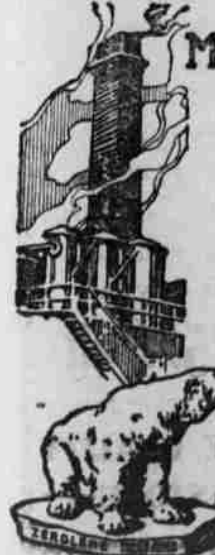
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