

SCHOOL EXHIBIT EASILY LEADS

Showing of Oregon's Educational Development at A-Y-P. Is Very Strong.

By D. C. F.

Oregon Building, A-Y-P, July 31 (Special).—Next to the Educational building and the model school conducted therein, which claims much attention and study from teachers visiting the exposition, Oregon is conceded to have installed the best, most comprehensive and most representative illustrations of the system of public instruction of any section represented here from the far west. In the display, which occupies more than a third of the floor space, besides almost an equally large area of wall space, on the second floor of the building, a fair idea is conveyed of the extent, workings and prestige of the leading colleges and universities and parochial schools, while considerable emphasis is given the high schools and the manual training school conducted in Portland.

The enlightenment afforded visitors by the examples of what the manual training school pupils are doing, is one of the most vital factors in the exploitation of the state's advantages at this exposition. Complete harmony of plan and interest of the illustrations made by, and among, the instructors of the various branches of the public school system, besides the system and superintendent of Public Instruction J. H. Ackerman, has accomplished such results that it is confidently predicted that the state will give an accounting of itself when the jury of awards meets.

Managers Hold Weekly Meetings.—The persons engaged in educational work on the grounds have organized a club and hold weekly meetings at the various educational exhibits. At these gatherings the school work is exemplified and comparative notes are taken. In this club work the representatives of Oregon have taken a leading part. In fact, were among those to initiate the system. As a consequence Oregon's name is foremost in educational circles. Substantial and striking facts are conspicuously posted in the display so that the most casual or hurried investigator may glean correct ideas of what popular educational systems have to offer the intending home-maker in that state. For example, a highly illuminated sign claims the visitor's attention, reading: "OREGON

Gives two sections of every township to the state school fund. Has an irreducible common school fund of \$5,560,810.62. Has an irreducible college and university fund of \$300,664.13. Every school district has at least six months of school annually. Every district has a good library."

Further information is given in a similarly conspicuous manner to the average compensation of school teachers, the average pay is unusually good, as compared with other states. The enrollment of school pupils is given at 177,493 with an average attendance, daily, of 98.8 per cent.

Library Progress Shown.—The work of the Oregon library commission is exemplified by a complete showing of the traveling cases, the character of books, the blanks used, the books, together with a rich assortment of photographs from every portion of the state showing where the traveling library goes—all manner of places from a lonely wayside store shack, in the backwoods district, to a graphic manner with the liberal use of photos. There is a section devoted to the debate section of the library in use, also the division of books for the use and purposes of general enlightenment among the general associations.

Next comes the section showing the examples of the training given the blind in the state institution. The classwork, as well as the results of the manual training, are selected from the regular

work of the students, none of it being prepared for the exposition. The exhibit is an interesting one, showing the deft work of the blind pupils, in basket weaving, chair caning, hammock weaving, bead work, crocheting, sewing, typing, and numerous examples of the work done under the teaching of the Braille system. A good display of the work of the school for the deaf is given next, prominent in which is the carpentering, cabinet making, chair making and harness manufacture.

Views Important Feature.—A large assortment of interesting views, colored, by Kiser, shows the extent and importance of the state university at Eugene. Pacific university is represented by a collection of rare and extremely valuable volumes from its extensive library, together with views, literature and catalogues giving full information as to the institution.

The preparatory department of Columbia university has an exhibit of its productions, and the work shown by the pupils of St. Mary's academy attracts much favorable attention because of the high excellence of the work. Mount Angel academy is well represented, a feature of this worthy of remark being a botany course as exemplified by the pupils.

Arranged in handsome cabinets on the main portion of the floor are the exhibits of the various school districts of the state, each grade having a large share of attention. Eastern Oregon is represented there being only a few of the more important districts of the state that failed to prepare and send in an exhibit.

Industrial Conditions Illustrated.—The geography, chart and composition work, illustrating phases of the course of study, form the chief portion of the exhibit. The display, which is based on local industrial conditions, gives more freshness, variety and interest to the general observer than if it were strictly school-room topics from the text books. Local history, Indian legends, vacation employment, school and home gardening, outings, children's written work for language exercises, topics on wheat farming, fruit culture, stock raising, dairying, lumbering, fishing, shipbuilding, together with some statistics and statements on conditions for possible development are treated in a broad and frequently lead visitors to look up particularly those remote sections of the Beaver state insistently inviting settlement to see what representative the schools have in the state. And thus it is seen how far reaching are the effects of the exploitation activity in the world in general, and at large by a display and a capable representation of her resources at the exposition. The display and encouragement of popular education and the work of the schools generally is thus spread broadly in the world in general, and at large by a display and a capable representation of her resources at the exposition.

MAY TERMINATE STEAMSHIP PACT

(United Press Leased Wire.)—San Francisco, July 31.—It is strongly rumored among steamship men that the operating agreement between the Pacific Mail company and the Japanese line, Tokyo-Kobe-Kaisha, is about to terminate. Color to the report is lent by the departure of W. H. Avery, assistant general manager of the American line, yesterday on the Tenyo Maru, for Japan. Before departing, Avery stated that he was going to attend a directors' meeting of the Japanese company at Yokohama, and that the question of the termination of the present agreement would be discussed.

R. P. Schwerin, vice president of the Pacific Mail, declares he has no knowledge of the reported rupture. He says the Japanese have been getting the better of the agreement and have no cause for dissatisfaction.

Will Be a Popular Resort.

Ocean-side Lake Beach is getting its share of attractions. The Portland Auto club has negotiated for a clubhouse site and run will be made by the club some time in August. The road is now being put in shape.

Those who hope to take the route say that it is the most scenic trip in the west. The club is now assured of a summer home on the beach that can be reached from Portland in about five hours. The distance is 90 miles.

AIRSHIPS NOW ATTRACT FRANCE

Universities Are Provided Liberal Funds for Two Chairs of Aeronautics.

By Paul Villiers.

Paris, July 31.—The superior council of the University of Paris is now arranging the details for the inauguration of two chairs of aeronautics, for which funds have been generously provided by M. Deutsch de la Meurthe. The sum of \$10,000 provided by the latter, together with an annual subvention of \$500, is to be called the "Henri Deutsch Foundation" and it is to be devoted to the endowment of an aero technical institute for aeronautical research work, aiming at the improvement of all kinds of aerial locomotion. The other gift, \$10,000 from M. Zekendorf, is to be devoted to the founding of a chair of aviation attached to the faculty of science. M. Deutsch de la Meurthe is well known patron of aeronautics. Together with M. Archdeacon, he founded the Deutsch-Archdeacon prize, which was such encouragements first to steeplebasing, and then to aviation generally. M. Deutsch de la Meurthe recently constructed the Ville de Paris steerable balloon, and after its trials handed it over to the French war office. He is now the chief adviser of M. Clement as a builder of large steerable balloons, being the chief promoter of the Astra company of balloon makers and of the Ligue Trans-Aerienne, which is to provide a series of airship lines between the chief towns of France. M. Zekendorf is a rich Greek, who has made Paris his home. Recently he presented the Greek legation building in Paris to the French government, and he has since promised to provide each Greek legation in Europe with a permanent home.

The Avenue de Villiers has been the theatre of a tragic scene. Two revolver shots rang out at 2 o'clock in the morning. Passersby and policemen hastened to the spot whence the shots proceeded, and found the bodies of a man and a woman lying on the ground. Standing over him with a smoking revolver in her hand, was a well-dressed woman. The man was taken to a chemist's shop. He was shot in the back and his condition is grave. The woman was taken before a police commissary. She explained that she was Mme. Colette Labori and that the man who had shot was M. Schwabie. The two had been on an intimate terms, but Mme. Colette Labori declared that she broke with him when she knew his character. From that moment she alleges he conducted a campaign of defamation against her family and herself in those small papers which live on scandals. She had lodged a complaint against him and it is at present being inquired into. But the campaign was prosecuted more violently than ever. Mme. Colette Labori invited the journalist to call upon her in order that he might explain his conduct. He called. She did not receive him, however, but left her rooms to talk to him. Schwabie, she said, declined to discontinue defaming her, whereupon she shot him. The woman has been ordered to hold herself at the disposal of the police commissary.

El Mokri, the chief of the Moroccan mission to the French government, is a humorist of a somewhat grim type. An hour or two ago, I am told, he had a conversation with certain personages belonging to the political world of Paris on the subject of his business here and his prospects of success. "Your government," said he, "does not exactly know who my master is, and I cannot tell them. I am not alone in this respect. After a pause he added: 'Abdoul Aziz was my first master, Muley Hafid was the second and tomorrow there may rise a third. Who he will be Allah alone can tell.'"

If these are his exact words, El Mokri appears to have summed up the Moroccan situation to a nicety. How can the French government treat with an ambassador who is so lost to his sovereign's identity? The reigning sultan is being knocked about by at least two other khedives, each of whom would be greatly rejoiced to send a mission to Paris. Meanwhile the forward party in

France is contemplating the prospect of the dispatch of an expeditionary force of 20,000 men, not merely to take possession of the Chupala country, which can easily be done from Fez, but also to occupy the so-called Sherifian empire and pacify it.

M. Clemenceau is not a friend to lotteries, or to gambling in any shape or form. He has just submitted to the chamber of deputies a bill framed with a view to the abolition of lotteries, and in the meantime to general liquidation of those which have been authorized. The methods which he suggests for this liquidation are somewhat complicated, and as this question is scarcely likely to be discussed for some time at the Palais Bourbon, and as if the bill is adopted the proposed scheme will probably be modified, it is unnecessary to enter into details. If the suppression of lotteries is voted, the public will be deprived of a mild form of excitement, but little else, as we do not hear of people rubbing themselves over lottery tickets, the average price of which is no more than 20 cents.

PORTLAND'S HUSTLING CORNER

Business Is Done on an Extensive Basis at the Corner of First and Washington Streets, Wholesale and Retail—Last Week Was the Prize Winner.

The improvements made the fore part of the ensuing year on the Jacob Kamm property at the corner of First and Washington streets have developed a marvelous change in the drift of traffic to that section of the city. Heretofore the shopping was more or less scattered over the city in a general way, but now the big market place is making a center for all consumers to purchase all food products.

All classes patronize the Washington street public market. They come in closed carriages, automobiles, with horses and wagons, on street cars and bicycles, and a-foot, all carrying big baskets, and they go away heavily laden with a smile that won't come off.

The courteous treatment received by the public at the Washington street public market is largely attributed to the fact that patrons are taken care of by people interested in their own business, instead of clerks who are looking for Saturday night and their pay checks, as all understand that the persons from whom purchases are made at the big market are in most instances the proprietors of the stalls from which the purchases are made.

Since the opening of this market there has been a steady and thrifty business, increasing each week since the opening.

This last week has been the banner week and far ahead of all expectations. It is estimated by the public market to the market the past week and cash registers show \$15,000 purchases made. This fact being accounted for in this way—some people do not make any purchases, but merely come because they follow the crowd, but the majority of shoppers make more than one purchase at more than one stall.

It is estimated that the food products purchased and taken away by the public during the last week would weigh 254,000 pounds, or 125 tons, or 80 dry-loads, and that this represents in dollars and cents \$25,646.84.

The owners of the new building in which the market is located have had to provide more space and have just secured the three story brick building adjoining the present market, and this building will now be thrown open, doubling the floor space of the present market, and spaces are now being contracted for by some of Portland's largest business houses for the purpose of opening up branches on the public market.

"This is an opportunity for a person to engage in business with small capital and little expense and do a thriving and profitable business. Some business places have a special way for sale prices, but this big institution makes special prices every day, and prices are to be found here on all food products that convince one of the practicability of having such a market place in cities. Portland has set the pace for other cities in the developing of this market."

Nominations Confirmed.

(United Press Leased Wire.)—Washington, July 31.—The senate in executive session today confirmed the following nominations: Merritt C. Morham, to be associate justice of the supreme court of New Mexico; William H. Pound of Julesburg, Colo., to be registrar of the Sterling land office.

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That the award was well placed is emphatically shown in the magnificent art creation just received from the factory.

New York, accustomed to the unusual and the wonderful, marveled at its wondrous beauty and at its costly magnificence. San Franciscans who have visited the Eilers store during the past few days have likewise marveled at this remarkable creation.

Piano experts who have seen it have given it as their opinion that a more beautiful piano has never been made.

The case design, in the Renaissance style, is truly graceful in its proportions, the beautiful panel tracery and the various delicate carvings all attest to the high skill attained by the craftsmen.

The case is finished in gold to match the ballroom surroundings, the amount of gold leaf used being enormous, making it the most costly as well as the most beautiful piano ever brought to the coast.

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