Prizes for Children in That School District to Be Duplicated - Educators Explain Value of Earth Education.

Irvington people made plans last night for duplicating in every respect for their school district the prize list provided in the all city school garden contest in which it is said 10,000 children from the 52 schools have enlisted.

A well attended meeting was held in the auditorium of the Irvington school. It was the first of a series planned for the various neighborhoods of the city in the development of the school as a social center and as a means of promoting the garden contest work and arousing the desired interest in it among the parents of the youthful contest-

In an eloquent address President W. J. Kerr of Oregon Agricultural college emphasized the value to children of city garden making.

"It is adapting education to life needs," he said. "It is building a citizenship that will be the backbone of this country. It is teaching that whatover is honest is honorable, that he who tills the soil is not to be despised but to be honored and respected. The success of the nation depends upon the practical value of the training given the children of today."

Utilize Vacant Land. President Kerr further declared that the people of the city may use the advantages of the country as well as those who actually live in the country pro-vided they attempt to utilize the vacant land that would otherwise lie idle while

He told of a small boy of his acquaintance that raised vegetables and

chickens and made profits in sales that encouraged and kept him at the work and concluded by asserting:

"The children, boys and girls, who enter the gardening, has growing or cooking contests in Oregon or Portland should be permitted to get all they can carn in this way from the sale of their products. They learn independence, business and system and self support." George M. Hyland, D. O. Lively and Thomas Hawkes told what the establishing of the schools as social centers may mean in the development of neigh-borhood interchange of thought and frendliness. Eugene Brookings, president of the Progressive Business Men's club, described the success attendant upon a campaign for industrial and earth education in the state of Ne-

Early Vegetables.

E. J. Jaeger told of the plan for giving prizes for early vegetables in an exhibit at the Armory, also the plan of the Irvington contest. Mr. Jaeger is chairman of the subcommittee on prizes of the general earth education commit-tee. Murshall N. Dana, chairman of the general earth education committee, outlined the plan for garden contests in Portland with its accompanying prize lists, neighborhood contests, advisory ommittees, and concluded by asserting that the program in Portland will be successful because it is supported by a committee, each member of which is working, and because the parents, principals, teachers and children are alike

On the speakers' platform there were also Principal J. C. Ryan of the Irvington school, Raiph R. Routledge, hood."—Horace Mann. County Superintendent R. F. Robnson J. G. Bacher, who made valuable sug gestions about practical gardening, in paper read before the audience. O. M. Plummer, presided.

Garden Contest Committee. A meeting of the general garden contest committee was held yesterday Commercial club. A committee com-posed of O. M. Plummer, E. J. Jaeger,

new office is being accomplished today and a telephone is being installed. There were in attendance at yester-Lively, C. C. Craig, E. J. Jaeger, Eugene all the true values in him, must be let Bookings, Ira L. Riggs, Albert Ehresott, J. W. Palmer, James J. Sayer, O. M. Plummer, R. R. Routledge and the shateman.

C. C. Craig for Hartman & Thompson, offered for the use of the committee and the school gardeners several tracts of land in Parkrose addition, just be-yond Rose City Park, which he said lege at the expense of the State Bankers' lation, were on their way to Portland for distribution among the contestants here.

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## IN THE REALM FEMININE



Mrs. Helen Hoy Greeley of New York, who started the campaign for equal, suffrage in Portland and enthused all suffragedom in an interview said that equal suffrage was the very foundation of the Child-Welfare movement and would mean more to it than any other one thing.

CHILD WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

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bert, 1228,

Oregon Congress of Mothers.—Mrs. Robert H. Tate. Tabor 177. 'For what grander, holier purpos

Montesorri, the Magician.

HE "society columns" of our daily papers are filled with items and announcements of women who are doing nothing but pursuing their own pleasure. What people afternoon in the green room of the see given prominence they naturally assume to be worthy of prominence, and as usual-the people are mistaken. O. Lively and C. C. Craig was ap- In Rome, Italy, there is a quiet woman pointed to see what could be done in dressed in unfashionable black, whose the securing of permanent headquarters name and whose achievement, if we for the greatly increased work of the had any proper sense of values, would committee and this committee reported fill columns of space in our papers. Within an hour that a room at 420, in the Selling building had been secured has she done? She has found the way the point use of the Great-Portland Plans association and superman stage. She has discovered not children in the lump, but the Earth Education. Removal to the child—the individual child in each child's body; the child who is not just like any other child in the world; the day's general committee meeting D. O. child who, if he is to return to society

"Dottoressa Maria Montesorri" traces her wonderful work back to the time of would be fenced and plowed and gotten the medium of a child whom he found surround him with ease and freedom ready for planting. The offer was accepted with a vote of appreciation.

It was reported that 8000 bulletins throat, which showed that some kind Every element of embarrassment and issued by the Oregon Agricultural col- grownup had taken him out in the self consciousness is overcome, and he She healed the wound; the child lived his inadeptness." as other wild things do, and when he It is "the potential individual, which was 12 or 14 years of age he was On March 3, Southern Pacific train No. 5, leaving Portland Union depot daily via Fourth street, was extended to McMinnville, arriving there at 7:50 line of research. The good doctor died, trying to insure this individuality a p. m. Returning this train leaves Mc. but his mantie fell upon his disciple, Minnville at 5:45 a. m. dally except who still further worked out theories Sunday (Sunday at 6:50 a. m.), arriving of treatment for defective children and Portland 8 a. m., giving five trains each put his conclusions and experiments in of suffocating spontaneous action when way between these, points. Two via a book. That was in 1848. Some years the child is just beginning to Fourth street, one from Jefferson street, ago Montessori stumbled upon this haps we suffocate life itself." book. It aroused her interest.

opened a school for defective children in Rome. After some months of her training, they were compared with norself and the learned doctors who were observing her experiment, "What is the

has no advantage over the defective child of his age?"

Four years ago the opportunity came to this great woman to test her theories upon normal children, with the result that they far outstripped her defectives of the same age, and indeed many children twice their age.

passed a law establishing the Montessori system of teaching in that brave little republic. Please note: A real republic took the lead in this matter. Last September Paris opened two Montessori schools, one of them under the direction of the daughter of the French minister to Italy, she having studied with Montessori in Rome, England, India, China, Mexico, the Argentine Republic and Honolulu have caught the 6996. good contagion. New York and Boston have started schools, and Montessori has received applications from teachers from nearly every state in the union who want her training, who want to study with her in order to apply her study with methods. So in response to this demand, the Dottoressa," opened a training school in Rome last winter, and at least one American girl took the train-

The thing that we call a school is, in the eyes of Montessori, a place where children should never be put. No wholesome methods of education for her. Each child must be free to educate himself, and Montessori begins as early as 2 and 21/2. Here are some of her say-

ings: "The external world, transformed by the tremendous development of experimental science in the last century, must have as its master the transformed man. If the progress of the individual does not keep pace with the progress of science, civilization will find itself

checked." "The pupil must be left free for spontaneous manifestation." Josephine Tozier, who writes of this

new idea in McClure's, says: "Montessori aims to give the child an environment that liberates his personality. She places him in an atmosphere where

been developed in the child, a sense of would not want her boy to smoke, she his material surroundings and a facility was met with the staggering argument us here. in accommodating himself to them is a part of him. He learns to manage his body deftly, to walk without stumbling, the French revolution to two physi- to carry without dropping, to touch obclans, Drs. Itard and Seguin. One of jects delicately and surely-in short, to these studied defective children through move among the immediate things which woods, cut his throat and left him to inevitably prefers harmonious action to die. But nature was even then intent the discord by which the untrained and upon the development of the superman, awkward child so often tries to hide

> is in every child's body," says Monteschance to reveal itself, rare or common place, whatever it may be.

> "We cannot know the consequences the child is just beginning to act; per-

I'm not going to tell you any more about this wonder, except that the children of the slummiest of Roman slums respond to this respect for their indimal children trained in the usual viduality just as the children of the schools and were found to equal them in development and intelligence. Naturested in this for yourself. Our Portland librarian, Miss Isom, is always wide awake about new books, and no doubt just as soon as Montessori's book on this system of child culture is put into English it will be in our public library, but even now, if you go to the library and ask for May and December McClure's, 1911, and January, 1912, you can learn enough to fill you with thankfulness that the coming generations will not be subjected to the distortions and suppression and tortures and arrested developments under which the present generation and all who pre-

ceded it, have come up. The world is going to be a prettynice place for everybody one of these days. Help it by helping spread this Montessori gospel. We want some of our Oregon girls to go to Rome or Paris to study and bring it back to us. But I forgot. Of course the chaos of a presidential election, the money that will be spent by men striving for office and all the other futile activities of our

absorb public attention, and this discov-ery of the "potential individual" in each child will pass unbeeded and unnoticed

The home where the parlor, library and music room are kept closed with the window shades pulled down for fear the health giving rays of sunshine may fade the draperies or carpets, is not conducive to cheer and companionship. A fireside circle means a big bright light brought down to the family table, and where possible, an open fireplace; if not that, then a stove where little fingers and toes can come close to the

fire.

The home must be a place where the boys and girls can invite their friends to spend an evening without fear of spoiling the furniture or mussing up something which they will be called to task for. Where they can sit with their favorite books and enjoy themselves. A corner for the playthings of the younger children that they may early learn to children that they may early learn to sets, radish, lettuce, etc. Early cabellage of the particular and care for that particular and care for the plant particular and care for that particular and care for the property of the ground is well prepared. It is nothing gained by planting seeds before the ground is well prepared. It is nothing gained by planting seeds before the ground is well prepared. It is nothing gained by planting seeds before the ground is well prepared. It is nothing gained by planting seeds before the ground is well prepared. It is nothing gained by planting seeds before the ground is well prepared. It is nothing gained by planting seeds before the ground is well prepared. It is nothing gained by planting seeds before the ground is well prepared. It is nothing gained by planting seeds before the ground is well prepared. It is nothing gained by planting seeds before the ground is well prepared. It is nothing gained by planting bedone is nothing gained by planting manage and care for that particular part of the room, thus inculcating an order and independence that will affect them through their after life. Each child should have his own books and magazines and parents who study their children can soon learn what particular kind of reading each child will take up and they will be surprised to see the different lines of thought in the same

If the children are early taught to respect the ideas of each other and are allowed to give expression to their own thoughts and are listened to as we expect children to listen to their elders, the family circle would not be broken, but would be a harmonious whole where boys and girls would not want to leave home. Children should never be scolded nor criticised, but reasoned with. We often make the mistake of naming a quality in children "stubbornness," which in ourselves we name "determi-N. P. G.

Neighborhood House Doings.

If you will go to the Neighborhood House Sunday morning from 10 to 12 you will witness a most unique and in-teresting Sunday school. Last Sunday was celebrated the Purim or the spring holiday. Purim meaning lots. It is the beautiful story of Queen Esther, who risked her life to save her people.

The average for February was 93 in the Sunday school and the keen interest is due to the careful work of the teachers, Anseln Boskowitz, Miss Mollie Scgal, Harry Selberbaum, Miss Salome Bernstein, Miss Helen Zidell, Miss Handren twice their age.

Let me tell you how this beneficent virus is "taking," and then I will give you some quotations from Montessori herself. In June, 1911, Switzerland

nothing else can.

Next Wednesday, the thirteenth, the Next wednesday, the thirteenth, the Junior Boys' club will give an entertainment at the Neighborhood House for the benefit of their plano fund. The Jewish Girls' Social club and the Organia club will assist the juniors in their entertainment. tainment.

The average attendance for February at the Neighborhood House, not includ-ing visitors or library attendance, was

hand they are going to turn their attention to out of door play and activi-

The Wednesday afternoon activities are under the direction of Miss Marion Jacobs. Let have more Neighborhood

News of the Circles.

The Portland Council of Mothers held their meeting in the city hall on Thursday afternoon instead of at the home of president. There was a large attendance and the reports of the activities and varied experiences of the cirwas most interesting.

Oak Grove, just organized, was well represented and the plans set forth elaborate for an infant. Mrs. Flebig, the by-laws appointed.

The question as to whether the coun-cil could work to advantage under the cll could work to advantage under the fines a population of 2009 people? This same constitution as the state organiis a condition that actually exists in zation was decided by a unanimous vote Chicago. Can you picture to yourself to have a committee on constitution and by- laws appointed. It was generally conceded that some

drastic action was in order to discourplaces him in an atmosphers where there is there are no restraints; where there is no opposition, nothing to make him perverse or self conscious or to put him on the defensive."

"As a result of the senses having the stated in the sense of SCHOOL GARDEN CONTEST

Mother Love.

Dear Mrs. Hawkes: An article headed Mother Love, in a recent issue of the Child-Welfare page of The Journal school garden contest work and the school garden contest work and the proper methods to be used in successfully raising the vegetables for which prizes are offered. Contestants who desire information may address the Garden Contest Editor, care of The Journal. Questions will be answered by R. R. Routledge, an expert Look for the valuable suggestions in next Saturday's Journal as well as the prize list printed today.)

When to Plant Vegetables. Garden Contest Editor, Oregon Jour nal-How soon can I plant my vegetable

Spade up your garden just as early as the ground will work up fine without clogging or sticking together. You must must not work the soil when it is wet or soggy, for it does much harm. There

sets, radish, lettuce, etc. Early cab-bage plants can also be had now. It hardly pays the small gardener who only wants a dozen or two cabbage or tomato plants to bother raising them,

of "Why, you wouldn't want your boy to be different from all the other boys, would you?" It is a fad, a fashion, the same as it is with the girls about wearing corsets. Not to wear corsets puts the girl outside the regular order of things, places her in the class of unonventional. Unpardonable!

Mrs. McCourt presented the idea of school saving banks to the council. One dealer near the school admitted that his sales of cheap candy fell off one third after the banks had been es-

The bank system has been established in 27 states and in California, a state that leads in things educational, the children soon had over \$30,000 to the

.The American boy or girl does not know the first principles of economy. And how should they? Dr. C. H. Chapman will lecture be-fore the Child Welfare league of the Ladd school Wedneseday afternoon

March 13. At Arlets, Friday afternoon, Mrs. W. J. Hawkins spoke to the Parent-Teacher association on "How to Tell the Truths of Life to Our Children." The meeting was well attended.

Evil of Congested Districts.

In a lecture given at the Art Institute on "The Ideal to Be Striven for in City Planning," the evil of congestion in large cities was dwelt upon, and in view of the probability of Portland graduating in that class, her tendency to congestion was deprecated. This congestion referred to the crowding of people into confined districts and crowded tenements.

It was stated that in New York, Bot ton, Philadelphia and Chicago there were from 1400 to 1600 people "living" to the acre, about 30 square feet per capita and that our American cities were more crowded than any European Our plea is for the child's welfare

necessary in crowded neighborhoods are at best but a relief and a palliative. One of the ideals in city planning to obviate the deadly menace of conges-tion of city dwellers is a system of "Garden Cities" in the suburbs of the larger cities; each adjacent to a manufactory or a group of factories con-nected with belt lines to railways with cheap and rapid transportation lines to the city. Such towns are rapidly springing up over England where the communities own their land and houses in common with large gardens and oper spaces where children can be brough up in a sane and moral manner. These "Garden Cities" are wonderfully successful (even financially so). The children raised there are bigger, healthier and happier than those bred in the city proper.

"Can you picture to yourself one small block containing within its cona 25 foot lot with four houses on it from street to alley? Can you picture to yourself a tenement building swarming with little children whose lives are pinched and starved?" And yet, these

things be. When Chicago had only Portland's population there was no sign of such "As a result of the senses having she stated to a group of boys that she building and apartment house, flat

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select two or three varieties of vege-tables that appeal to you.

By inquiry and reading learn what soil is best adapted for certain vegetables.
Remember soil that grows beans to per-fection will not grow crisp radishes. The successful gardener must study soils, fertilizers, drainage, amount of sun re-oured, etc. This doesn't mean that you fertilizers, drainage, amount of sun required, etc. This doesn't mean that you need get a book and read a lot of dry matter—ask someone who is posted on such matters. Your district garden committee will gladly advise you. Ask your teacher who these men are and do not be afraid of bothering them, that's what they are appointed for.

Don't forget that it is better to grew one or two vegetables and grow them

one or two vegetables and grow them to perfection than to grow quite a num-

Planting and Laying Out Garden. Look over the available ground you have and plan your garden out before you start planting anything. In this way you can get the greatest results from every foot of ground you have.
You may as well have it look pretty
and attractive and have some flowers in the background or around the edges.

You will find small beds very desirable for small vegetables such as rad-ishes, lettuce, onlons, beets, etc. By making the beds about 1½ foot wide and any length desired, with a path around them, it is an easy matter to cultivate

and dig between the rows without step-ping on the bed. You can work from each side and accomplish the best results. Mound up these beds so they will be a little above the pathways and be sure to

make the beds square and the paths smooth. Sow the seed in straight rows (the short way of bed). Do this by laying down a narrow board and mark along

the edge. Peas, beans, corn, etc., are generally planted in long rows. As they grow taller they generally need some support. They are usually planted to one side of the garden. Do not plant any tall growing vegetables where they will bean the support from smaller plants. keep the sun off from smaller plants that need it.

The depth to plant seeds is generally printed on the packets along with cultural directions, but you can always remember this rule—the larger the seed. the deeper it is planted, for instanc, potatoes are planted six to eight inches potatoes are planted six to eight inches | Select patronage with efficient serv-deep, garden peas, beans and corn about ice makes Oaks Rink popular place.

Seasonable Suggestions.

Plant onion sets now. One pound of sets in the warmest location you keep the seeds to make quicker growth.

For a Small Garden.

Garden Editor, Journal—I have only a mail space for a garden. What shall plant for best results?

Seasonable Suggestions.

Plant onion sets now. One pound of sets is enough to plant one 15 feet row. or fill a bed about three and one half by six feet. Open up a little furrow four inches deep and place the sets in an implementation. The rows should be six to eight inches amount.

The rows should be six to eight inches apart.

Lettuce—Plant the seed thinly in rows and when the plants are about two inches tall, take out the little plants where they are too thick and transplant to another bed, seiting them about four inches apart. These will grow into heads providing they are head varieties, if not, they will make a large cluster of loose leaves. If you intend to grow very large specimens, you will have to again thin out to 12 to 15 inches apart. Radishes—Sow thinly in straight rows, about eight inches apart in the very best, rich, loamy, sandy soil you have and cultivate well or you will not raise those crisp, tender, brittle radishes so much desired. Do not plant your seeds too thickly. This wastes seeds and makes you more work later thinning out. You can't grow specimen vegetables of any kind if you crowd them.

Fertilizers—If you can get well-rotted cow manure, it is the best garden fertilizer there is. Fresh horse manure is of little account, it is also very dry. If your ground needs enriching and you want to use commercial fertilizer, it is best to apply this in limited quantities along the rows just before the first, cultivation. It can also be used in the ground before seeding but should be thoroughly mixed with the soil. You can get reliable information on this subject from your seed merchant.

Any pupil in the public school who has no ground to make garden in or cannot afford to buy seeds for same of get the necessary tools, is requested to give this information to his or her teacher and the committees appointed to secure these things will give the appeal prompt attention.

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The affiliated business and commer cial organizations are working hand in hand with the school board and will see that every child who desires to join this city garden contest is properly instructed and supplied with the necessary material. sary material.

Japanese Fight; 2 Likely to Die.

(Special to The Journal.)
Dayton, Wash., March 9. — As a result of a serious affray among a party of Japanese employed in rail-road repair work. J. Murakami, 24, and G. Furaya, 27, will probably die. Mura-kami's skull was fractured and he was otherwise dangerously hurt. Furaya was stabbed twice in the abdomen. Others less seriously wounded are H. Miyaski and Y. Yamanchi. The last named and M. Oseko are in jall, the others in the city hospital. Conflicting statements made by the prisoners and statements made by the prisoners and the injured men render it impossible at present to ascertain who were the prin-

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