It Is Not Only Book Week, but Good Book Week; Best-Literature Recommended for Youth

By Marshall N. Dana shockheaded boy drifted into the brary the other day. He asked in the

We have it," said Miss Jessie Hodge

Millard, the children's librarian, "but don't want you to have it." boy went away. Presently hi father came. He stormed. 7 'Why can't my boy have 'Peck's Bad Boy' "? The brarian referred gently to certain obonable passages in the book. Then

"I didn't want to take the responsibillfy for letting your boy have the book. But you may have it to give him if you wish to accept the respons The man took the book. But before

he left he read, at the librarian's request, some of the paragraphs marked RETURNS TO APOLOGIZE

"I want to offer an apology," he coming back to the desk. wouldn't let my boy read that book for thousand dollars, because of some of the things I have just seen in it. But I didn't see those things there when I read 'Peck's Bad Boy' as a youngster.' Seeking something to read, another boy came to Miss Mabel Harris, head of the children's book department down at Gill's. He immediately began browsing among the blood and thun-der stuff. Miss Harris took him over to a looking glass.
"Do you see that boy in the frame?"

The boy grinned sheepishly "That boy," persisted Miss Harris,
"has a good head. He has room for a
good mental work shop. But suppose good mental work snop. Due supplied that he just throws trashy reading into that work shop. He will soon have it as adly cluttered as an old attic, won't he? But suppose he reads things that he will remember, things that will furnish tools for him in the future. He will be a good citizen, doing good in the world. Which do you think would

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#### BOOK WEEK EMPHASIZES GOOD READING



Left to right-Miss Mable Harris, head of children's department J. K. Gill company, a leader in the movement for better reading among children. Mrs. D. B. Kelly, president Parent-Teacher association, which is promoting cause of good reading in schools. Miss Jessie Hodge Millard, children's department of the public library, an important factor in directing the reading of boys and girls.

by children in Portland this week. For this is Children's Book week, We have so many "weeks" and "days" of various kinds that it is almost impossible to keep track of

But Children's Book week is one of the best of them all. "More and better books" is the slogan. Each school child is to read one

Forty thousand books will be read lot of difference to son's future is the direction of James E. Brockway, the idea here. Ministers in their pulpits will stress

the value of good reading among in this contest, children. Women's organizations will But don't get build programs around children's read-There will be book exhibits in the libraries and in store windows. CONTEST AT GILL'S

On Friday evening at the library the Gill book character contest will To stimulate the interest Parent- reach its climax with award of prizes Teacher associations will hold meet- by John Hotchkiss of that firm. Chilings at the library and its branches. dren will present book reviews. They Interesting mother in what the boy or have been writing stories in which girl reads is the objective. Mrs. D. they imagined themselves in the place B. Kelly, president of the Portland Pa- of famous story book characters. Don rent-Teacher association, is actively Quixote and perhaps D'Artagnan will directing this work. There will be talks at the business assemblage and there isn't a doub The boy was bright. He caught the and civic clubs. Giving father a tip that John Silver, Robin Hood and Red that what his son reads will make a Riding Hood will be present. Under

Warm Air

Scout executive, the 2300 Boy Scouts in the Portland council will participate But don't get the idea that reading

good books means that children must read namby pamby books. They can read blood and thunder if it is realistic and teaches a bit of chivalry, self reliance, kindness, protection of the weak. They can read romance if it is pure memance and not extravagant, perhaps suggestive, stuff. get in touch with real life safely at an early age, provided it is real life they find in books and not unreal stuff that will make them self sympathizers, selfish, brutal, coarse of dishonest BRINGS NEW IDEA

Children's Book week brings out a new idea. Libraries are mentioned first when there are discussions of reading. But book stores, it has been found, share responsibility with the

Mabel Harris, for instance, says she finds she is selling more than books. She is selling tools for the mental workshop. She is selling vision; courage, romance and steadfastness. Therefore, she hesitates to sell books that would poison the mind, just as an honest druggist hesitates to sell drugs that would poison the body. Therefore the book sellers' duty is to make close contact with the life and the personalities of customers and furnish that which will provide best equipment at the most formative, period in life. Working on this idea, Gill's has developed a children's department that is one of the most un-usual of its kind in the country. SIGNS ENCOURAGING

Speaking from a long experience in illing children's minds, Miss Jessie Hodge Millard, head of the juvenile reading department of the public library, said:

"It seems one of the most encour-aging signs of the times in an epoch which we have grown to regard as so purely utilitarian that so many people are striving so earnestly and successfully to make childhood happier. This age has well been called the age of the discovery of the child. Educators, parents and others are awakening to the fact that what their children read and absorb into their minds is just as essential to their growth and develop-ment as their food and exercise. "So to make a child's mind healthy we must feed it on wholesome books. The influence which a book exerts on child's taste and character should not be ignored and the best books should be furnished at a time when

#### the reading will prove especially at-tractive to his inquiring mind." Flower Show Will Open With Private Exhibit on Tuesday

Portland's second annual flower show will open in the Oregon building Tuesday afternoon with a private showing for members of the Chamber showing for members of the chamber of Commerce and their guests. The show is being held by wholesale and retail florists under the auspices of the chamber and will continue Wed-

nesday and Thursday.

At the exhibition Tuesday afternoon a reception to members of the cham-Wives of members of the board of directors of the organization will be on the receiving line. There will be spe-

ial music.

In the evening the house committee of the organization and the florists will be Bosts to the general public. Special invitations have been extended to patrons of all the florists having

#### Students Form to Boost O. A. C. in Coos

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis. Nov. 11.—A Coos County club has been organized by the students regis-tering from that section in an effort to get into closer contact with the high school students of Coos county intending to enter college. Seniors of every high school in the county will be invited to a dance given by the club in Marshfield during the Christmas holldays. Rudolph Hillstrom of Marsh-field is president, and Mildred Saun-der, Marshfield, secretary-treasurer,



### Two From W. U. Are press association and the Pacific Stu-

Willamette University, Salem. Nov. ard of Roseburg, vice president, will Willamette University, Salem. Nov. attend in place of Bruce White, who lit.—Two representatives from Wil- will be in the lineup of the Bearcats vote in years was polled here Treeday the university will attend the joint in the Whitman-Willamette game, at the city election. R. Y. Neely was east of Asti

To Attend Meetings dent Press association and the Pacific Student Collegian weekly will be represented by aiss Helen Hoover, with the Pacific Student Meetings of California campus, November 24 and 25. Miss Grace Brainard of Roseburs, vice and the Pacific Student Body and the Williamette Collegian weekly will be represented by aiss Helen Hoover, editor, of Portland.

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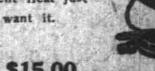
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