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TODAY

PANORAMIC VIEW IS TAKEN OF COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM

Superintendent Smith and Two Rural Supervisors Tell of Work Accomplished and Things Planned for Future—Innovations Attract National Attention

EVERY TEACHER COUNTY SCHOOLS PLAN OF YEAR IS GIVEN HELP ARE MODERNIZED

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Teachers Needed Advice.

were compelled to meet many trials

ed her worth, she was elected to

some super city school and placed un-

der the efficient supervision of the

Frequent change of teachers, coupl-

parents to leave the country in order

to get better school advantages in

illes out of every five leaving the

One result of such conditions led to

of an education is to get a living

ficial whose duty it is to unify the

this is through the industrial work.

ervision in Marion county are:

better and far more usable.

found in the cities.

there are forty or more.

Supervision Brings Results.

Six prominent results of rural sup-

2. The school equipment is much

4. Many of the teachers are using

5. More teachers with good train-

The rural community inter-

methods that are equal to the best

ing are staying in the rural schools.

ests are awake as shown by the num-

In 1911 there were none, and now

The duties of the rural school will

Duty Owed To Community.

become more important and the de-

mands placed upon it greater in the

next few years. Four of these duties

stand out prominently at present.

Every school should help solve the

lems of its patrons. Every pupil

should have sufficient industrial ex-

perience to make him at least self

sustaining. It is the business of the

school to make efficient citizens.

There is a health education as well

depends largely on sound teeth, eyes,

ber of Parent-teacher associations.

plementary readers.

city superintendent.

ministration of County Superintendent

big idea in the policy of the county. To make definite prog- been acquired through unreliable and patriotism. in teaching proficiency each agents. This equipment consisted month of the school year is the pro- laregly of expensive charts, planetar-

The first opportunity offered the schools whose boards have been schers in this program was a rural careful, were provided with good The first opportunity offered the achers' plan day. September 29. equipment. There was a lack of very his day, before many schools had necessary supplies, such as good was devoted to making blackboards, small up-to-date dicans for the work of rural schools. tionaries, crayons, erasers and sup-A uniform daily program of classes vering problems had been worked out and was explained to the teach-Specific directions covering ims in discipline, how to as periended teachers began teaching an lessons, how to conduct recita- in the one-room schools. Here they as and how to conserve time in an ght grade, one-room school, were of the school-room alone with no liven out and discussed. State Suerintendent Churchill attended this perienced teacher in the city schools neeting and spoke on "Adapting the could get from the city principal. Afor Pittman, head of the de- perience in the rural school and provartment of rural schools of the Oregon Normal school, gave an ad-tress on "The Professional Progres-liveness of the Rural Teacher."

Teachers Advise Together. The success of the plan day sugod the plan of holding small, the city. It is claimed that four famteachers' meetings every four reeks at convenient centers farm do so for this reason alone.

One result of such conditions led to Silverion, Stayton and the false idea that the main purpose m are the centers selected for these meetings. During the rest of without work. Those who complain the year there will be eighteen or of inefficient farm labor and the C. ore opportunities for the rural w. W. movement trace it to this one idea. Thinking people began to try to change the objectionable condiis, and exchange their ideas which tions. The legislature was asked to have proved successful. This plan provide the legal means and in 1911 enables the superintendent and su-pervisors to do their work in the provides for frequent visits to the ost efficient and systematic way. schools by a regularly appointed ofhase of the rural teachers' problem; scohol work and assist the teachers he teaching of reading, language, to bring each school up to its highithmetic etc., are presented with tain definite suggestions for the eration on the part of teacher, patprovement of the teaching of these ets. During the visits to the It is also the intention, as expressed hools following these meetings, by the law, to bring each school superintendent or supervisor he teacher any help she may make it render real service there. ed in applying the suggestions to work in her school. Definiteof purpose in all supervision is the ideal which radiates n the superintendent's office. In order to make the work of these meetings more definite, to

m the state list will be read broughout the county. Marion County at Front.

ach as many as possible of the

pify the professional feeling of the

through these meetings. Two or

unty's teaching force, a course in

ional reading will be conduct-

of the reading circle books home

cher's every day problems and to school board or patrons.

One of the most seriously coned problems of educators today how to measure the results of ching. Many normal schools and olleges now have one or more exerts who devote their attention to entific investigation along these es. The result from these invesentions has been a number of tests nd measurements which have been lardized according to the averabilities of various grades of s. A great many city systems business and community life probools have used one or more ese standard tests. Portland haps the most notable example the northwest. The convention of orintendents which met in City devoted practically the time to the discussion of tests

again Marion county is in t rank of edilectional progmust have attention also. The intro-On all the available tables of from standard tests there beginning. annear any record of a schools, yet there are nty, however, has had a and efficient citizenship. end systematic measureability in reading and arithhe individual scores in these jects of four thousand pupils the county are on the in y are on file in Sarsaparilla eradicates all humors. andent's office. More cures all their inward and outward and tonic, whose merit has been everywhere established.

county an oppor-

One of the leading architects on the coast is Fred A. Legg of this door. city. Mr. Legg has designed many et. This one of the larger and more important buildings in Salem and surrounding for a standard school for the year country. He designed all of the 1917-18: school buildings in the city that are Flagof later construction, excepting the days. McKinley school building.

Among the later buildings that window space must equal at least Wr. Legg has designed are the Roth, Willis, Farrar and Buren, also the girls' dormitory and the addition to the dining room and kitchen at room While there are not as many links contemplated for the comparations years, yet Mr. Legs dition.

Equipment—Teacher's desk and chair; desks for pupils properly adapted and placed; suitable black-beards; window shades in good condition. the state institution for feeble mind.

Practical Motives Guide Ad- Criticism of Former Years County Schools Strive to Teach Thrift, Courtesy Eliminated by Up-to-

By WALTER M. SMITH. There are three things which the Before the year of 1911, there was Superintendent Smith is to much criticism of rural school con- schools of Marion county are esrender the greatest possible amount ditions in Marion county. A mass of pecially striving for this year. They of practical help to every teacher in expensive, unusable equipment had are the teaching of thrift, courte-y

and Patriotism

The necessity for saving should be impressed upon the minds of tram set for the teaching force of lums, out-of-date maps and some children at all times and especially worthless books, However, these during the war. We feel that if courtesy is taught

in the schools, it will be an asset.

of incalculable value to the pupils in after life. When one hears the students sing patriotic songs and salute the flag Perhaps the most serious criticism was based on the fact that all inex-

he may doubt their real patriotism but when he sees them enlist in large numbers from our high schools and volunteer to do what ever the government asks them to do, no one can doubt that patriotism is being taught with a marvelous degree of success. Attendance Record High.

During the past three years the per cent of attendance in the schools has been 95. We are proud that Marion county has helped place Oregon at the head of the list in the United States for best attendance The pupils feel that their progress depends in large measure on their regular attendance at school,

ed with these other defects, led many Our schools have distinguished themselves in the industrial club work. They won the first prize for the best exhibit at the Oregon State fair. The enrollment in this work was larger than that of any other county in the state, totaling over 1500. The following industrial club members won the first prize in the state wide competition and will go to the Oregon Agricultural college summer school for two weeks, their expenses being paid by prominent business men of Portland: William Blake, Jr., Keizer school

corn growing. Thelma Boettger, Auburn school, baking bread

Frank Eggler, Fruitland school pig raising. Madison Nichols, Bethel school est efficiency. To do this, cooperpig raising. Alice Jaquet, Victor Point school ren and directors must be secured.

dairy herd record keeping. A wonderful stimulus was given close to the homes of its patrons and to pig raising in Marion county. when the United States Nationa' bank offered to loan \$1000 to boys One of the prominent ways of doing and girls who would care for one Mr. G. W. Evre, vice president

of the bank, backed the movement not only with money, but with time 1. No teacher need blunder along in ivsiting schools, bringing the pir with a lot of mistakes in methods, in and boy together, then encouraging organization or cooperation with the the boy to make a hog of the ply as quickly as possible.

Mr. Eyre gave the members of the rig club a trin to Portland to visit 3. The sanitary conditions com- the stock yards. Fifty-six boys and pare favorably with those in the girls took this trip.

Value of Tuition Iow Shown, The high school attendance has grown with leaps and bounds since the passage of the county tuition law. A county fund to created by this law from which the tuition of non-resident nun'ls attendang standard high schools in the county is paid. Thus an equal opportunity i given the country boy and girls to get a high school education that for merly was enloyed only by those in the city. Following is a list of the standard high schools and the numher of students attending each:

Salem 829 Woodburn Stayton Scotts Mills Turner as a mental education. Good health

ears and throat. Proper nurishment The deciding factor in the succeducation of the hot lunch is only the of a school often is determined by the interest the community take in it. Forty districts have regular The rural school must do much more than ever before. It must ed- ly organized Parent teacher associa ucate the health, industry, morals tions, holding regular meetings and discussing not only school progres but other topics of special interest to the community. Other districts The Inward Effects of humors are are carrying on community wor worse than the outward. They en- through the debating club, literar danger the whole system. Hood's society, etc.

Marion county was one of the first in the state to formulate a plawhite of these tests will be effects. It is the great alterative for standardizing rural schools. Nov every school is striving to win the stars on the standardization card which hangs in every school. When all twelve points have been won, the which hangs in every school. When the school is a standard school and school is a standard school is a plate bearing the inscription "Standard School," is placed over the

> High Standard Is Set. Following are the requirement Flag-Must be flying on all schoo'

Lighting-The total amount of one-fifth of the floor space, and the light must come only from the left or from the left and the rear of the

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

MARY PICKFORD

"The Little Princess

from the book by

FRANCES HODGSON BURNETT

You have all read about "Sarah Crewe" and you all loved her, but "Mary" makes her even more pathetic, more laughable and more lovable. We dare say that "The Little Princess' is even a greater pieture than "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm."



The OREGON

some other approved method of ven tilating.

Roome-Attractive at all times. Standard Picture-One new one, unless three are already in the room, framed. Grounds-To be clean, free from

paper, etc. At least three features of play apparatus. Walks, if nec-Sanitation-Pure drinking water. either drinking fountain or covered

tank and individual drinking cups. individual, family or paper towels. Ontbuildings-At least two good ones, to be sanitary at all times and

free from marks. Teacher-Must maintain good orler at all times; ground; have her work well prepared; follow state course of study; take at least one education al journal; have program posted in room; keep register in good condition; be

neat in attire. Library-Good selection of at least 100 books from state list, Part 1, excluding duplicates. Case for the books. Books kept upright in good condition, and recorded according to the rules specified by the Oregon State Library and required

Attendance-Average 92 per cent for the year and not to exceed 2 per cent in tardiness per year. School Visits-At least one director must visit the school for one hour each month while the school

is in session. Assistance Given Government, The schools rendered valuable service to the government during the recent food conservation campaign. The bulletins were studied by teacher and pupils and such a campaign of education was carried on that nearly every district in the county signed up 100 per cent. The teachers of Marion county are loyal to the government in this time of great need and they are willing to help in any way they can to win the war so that the money that is being spent for war may be spent to give every hoy and girl a good education which means opportunity.

The last annual teacher meeting went on record as favoring the county as a unit for taxation and also for the administration of our schools. This coupled with a more equitable method of apportionment of school funds would mean greate" progress for our schools.

Marriages Run Far Head of Divorces During Year

The number of marriages in Maion county has run far ahead of the number of divorces, according to 'gures that are available in the ofice of County Clerk Boyer. The records show that a total of seventy-'our divorce cases have been filed luring the year. The total number of marriages for the twelve months ncluding the five latest ones of yes-

Suits of all kinds filed in the cirouit court during the year total 454 and of this number thirty-five have been criminal cases.

OUR JITNEY OFFER-THIS and 5° DON'T MISS THIS. Cut out this lip, enclose with 5 cents to Foley & Co., 2835 Sheffield Ave., Chicago. 'il., writing your name and address learly. You will receive in return a rial package containing Foley's Honey and Tar Compound, for coughs, colds and croup, Foley Kidney Pills and Foley Cathartic Tablets. J. C. Perry.

Hotel Proprietor—And may I ask what the little contrivance is you are

Visitor-That-th, this is my private fire escape.

Hotel Proprietor 'Um, well, we have a rule here with reference to guests with fire escapes. It is 'Cash in advance.'"—Saturday Journal.



We truly thank you for the art you have taken in making our first year the great success it was and we fel sure that you have appreciated our efforts to give the VERY BEST OF SHO SERVICE, including courteons treatment, new styles, right fitting, highest quity, coupled with Lowest Prices, which things go toward making up our effor to be

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