

PUPIL-TEACHER RATION IN CITY SCHOOLS IS GOOD

Stating that the Eugene school system was approaching the mark of a pupil-teacher ratio, outlining the improvement in the financial system of the schools and touching on the modern trends in teaching, Superintendent H. R. Gould spoke at the chamber of commerce forum luncheon Friday on the past, present and future of Eugene schools.

Pointing out that the average daily attendance for the month of September this year was 3,561, Superintendent Gould declared that while the personnel of the schools was reduced from 149 teachers in 1927 to 124 teachers this year, the pupil-teacher ratio still allowed the Eugene schools to be accredited well by national educational organizations.

The pupil-teacher ratio in the elementary schools is one to 30, that in the junior high schools one to 27 and in the senior high school one to 28, Mr. Gould said. The average throughout the nation in elementary schools is one to 35, he said, while one to 25 was considered the best ratio with one to 30 as the maximum. Thus the local schools are all right at present but if enrollment continues to increase as it did this year, the district will be faced with the necessity of doing something to maintain the proper pupil-teacher ratio.

In discussing available class room space, Mr. Gould pointed out that two elementary buildings had been closed recently. There was no demand for a building at the Patterson location, he said but the closing of the Geary school opened two possibilities, one that it might have to be reopened if enrollment increases and the other that a new elementary building might be necessary on the west side.

In the event a new elementary building is built on the west side, the city will have three large elementary schools which will accommodate fourth, fifth, sixth grades while the other elementary schools would be used as "feeders" for these buildings, handling the lower grades. Increased enrollment also will necessitate extension of the Wilson junior high school unit, Mr. Gould said.

Warrent indebtedness of the district started in 1919 and gradually increased until 1927 when it stood at \$142,000, the speaker said. Reductions were then enforced and the debt was pared down to \$83,000 by 1930. At that time the depression hit the district and the warrant debt was built up to \$183,000 in 1933. At present it stands at \$121,000. Warrants of the Eugene district are now at par and there is a good demand from investors, Mr. Gould said, declaring that at the last pay day there were investors for four times as much as the payrolls totaled. The superintendent pointed out that the first half of the tax paying year had resulted in good receipts, due to new features in the tax law, but that the receipts during the last half may fall off. For that reason, the district board is not planning operations based on the present tax receipts.

In discussing the educational program in the schools, Mr. Gould pointed out that the emphasis was placed on making good adult citizens, rather than on the "three R's." As a result considerable emphasis is placed on social science in the lower schools nowadays, he said.

"PRETTY BOY" STORY

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and that the mechanic had told him that the machine would fall to pieces if driven more than 30 miles an hour. "Well," Blanchard quoted the man he said was Floyd as saying, "You can at least give us a push."

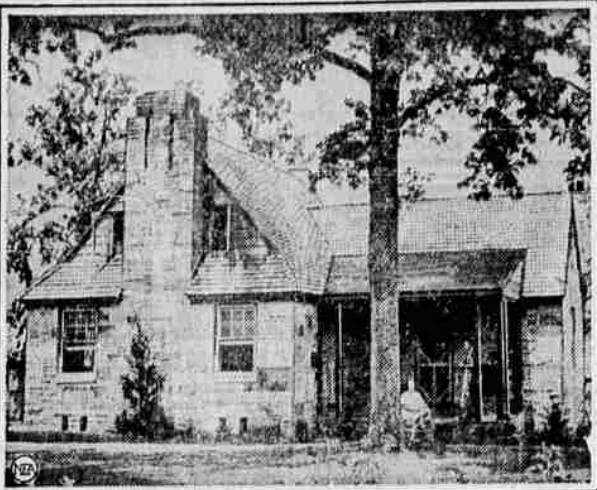
Prompted by an automatic pistol shoved in his back, Blanchard complied. He backed his car around and shoved the stalled machine. In a few minutes the motor of the fugitives' machine turned over and they left, Floyd warning Blanchard that he better go back to Mexico.

The salesman said that a man was stretched out in the rear seat of the fugitives' automobile. He believed that this man had been wounded, perhaps in the gun battle late yesterday near Melrose, Ia.

LEAVE FOR ROSEBURG

General Charles H. Martin, accompanied by Hugh Earle, chairman of the Lane county democratic central committee, left Eugene Friday morning for Roseburg and other Douglas county points where the general will confer with voters in the interest of his campaign.

THIS HOME FOR \$2365!



A beautiful home, with a farm of 15 acres, for \$2365 sounds like Utopia, but it's an actuality in Crossville, Tenn., with the dwelling shown above as evidence. This is one of the completed homes in that federal subsistence homestead district, built of Crab Orchard stone, beautiful three-colored sandstone quarried in the homestead area, and hand-hewn timbers, obtained nearby at little cost. The homesteader pays part of his home cost in cash and part of it in labor.

STOLL KIDNAP STORY

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of the former Bryn Mawr, student and Junior League member, daughter of William S. Speed, retired capitalist.

The Stoll family obtained a complete isolation of Barry Stoll's 18-acre estate yesterday after a day of futile waiting for a contact by the kidnappers. Through last night they waited for word, the place standing almost deserted, with extra telephone lines installed.

This morning Barry Stoll, hatless and apparently greatly excited, roared out of the driveway in a roadster. Another man with him. The car swung down Lime Kiln Road, which borders the estate and headed south into Kentucky. The emissaries took the narrow, winding, irregular trail at high speed, not slowing up for turns or the frequent hills.

SUSPECT HELD

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Oct. 12.—(AP)—A man registered as Walter Childress, of Charleston, was questioned by city police here today in connection with the kidnapping of Mrs. Berry Stoll of Louisville.

Childress was arrested after officers found tufts of blonde hair on the seat of a second hand automobile he was using and which bore Kentucky license plates.

Police said the car, an old sedan, had been sold two days ago by Childress to an automobile wrecking firm here. Officers learned last night that wisps of a woman's blonde hair had been found on the back seat.

Childress, who lived with his mother here, was arrested when he attempted to enter the house. Police had been told he had gone to Huntington to seek work, but posted a guard over the house.

Officers said the man answered, in



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VERTICAL UNIONS ARE ADOPTED AT LABOR CONVENTION

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to separate these workers into carpenters, painters, electricians, sheet metal workers, and such trades and link them to the old-line unions of those crafts.

The financial interests which control these industries long have resisted unionization attempts, the committee said. But the national recovery act and Section 7-A has opened the way, and labor should take advantage of the opening.

RADICALS REBUFFED

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 12.—(AP)—Attempts of asserted communists to address the American Federation of Labor in support of allegedly radical resolutions again were shouted down at the convention session here today.

The communists sought to gain the floor to argue against the convention procedure which has ridden roughshod over the dissenters.

James P. Dallas of Seattle, a member of federal labor union, No. 19,169, ridiculed the federation's claims to democracy, calling it a "mockery." "You are out of order," William Green, president of the federation, shouted. "You are not speaking on the resolution."

Dallas had attempted to speak on an "anti-Jim Crow" resolution. He took the floor ostensibly to support the resolution, which would seek to eliminate all asserted discrimination against negroes from union activities and NRA codes.

Back Munitilons Probe
The convention approved a resolution suggesting that the senate munitilons investigation be continued.

Another resolution, which delegates said also was supported by an asserted communist group, condemned alleged racketeering in labor unions.

TELEPHONE RATES ORDERED SLASHED BY COMMISSIONER

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came from \$542,110 to \$1,116,719 by adjustment eliminating the "holding company fee, excessive depreciation charges, excessive charges to repairs and excessive administrative overheads" and ordering compensation to the various exchanges for the handling of toll business.

Characterized as "neither just nor equitable" that Portland rate payers should make up the operating deficit that has obtained in upstate communities for some years.

Set forth that the West Coast Telephone company, operating in like territory with comparable exchanges and number of stations in Oregon is giving good service and is making a profit, including depreciation, of approximately \$150,766, while the Pacific company corresponding operation shows a loss of \$80,216.48.

Charged the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company with defiance of the commissioner's orders regarding the keeping of books and payments to the holding company.

Reductions in the charges to virtually all classes of telephone users will result from the order, ranging from about 25 cents per telephone in Portland to 75 cents on business phones in Portland. Comparable reductions were ordered for all upstate communities, according to type of exchange service provided.

Rates fixed by the commissioner for exchange outside of Portland in the Pacific system were:

Eugene, Salem and Springfield—One-party business from \$0.25 to \$0.75; two-party business from \$0.25 to \$0.75; one-party residence from \$0.25 to \$0.50; two-party residence from \$0.25 to \$0.50; four-party residence from \$0.25 to \$0.25.

Ashland, Bend, Cottage Grove, Grants Pass, Milton, St. Helens, Tillamook—Business phones from \$4.00

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BULLETIN

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KLAMATH FALLS, Oct. 12.—(AP)—The first quarter of the Eugene high-Klamath Falls high school football game here this afternoon ended 13 to 0 for Eugene.

Bank of Commerce Case Is Continued

The case of Percy W. Brown, receiver for the Commerce company, against A. A. Schramm and the defunct Bank of Commerce, was continued Thursday afternoon until after the close of the jury term, which opens Monday.

Testimony of C. D. Rorer, former president of the bank, was completed Thursday afternoon.

ADMIT STRANGLING

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Oct. 12.—(AP)—Three boys, two of them six years old and the third only four years of age, admitted late this afternoon, police announced, that they were responsible for strangling

possible for strangling old John Feeney, Jr., who was found crammed in a trunk in a ter's shack earlier today.

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