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REFORM IN CHILD WELFARE.

WHEN the legislature meets in January, a group headed by William Kletzer, state chairman of the American Legion's committee on child welfare, will be in Salem demanding the establishment of a department of welfare in Oregon to supervise relief work, rehabilitation, widow's pensions, and in particular those agencies and institutions which have to do with child welfare. Mr. Kletzer visited Eugene last night to explain the program to interested groups here.

It is not the intention of the Legion group to abolish "home rule" in such matters, says Mr. Kletzer, but it is their intention to bring about a coordinated program of welfare work and put an end to various abuses which have developed in some localities. He says that Lane county, due mainly to intelligent guidance on the part of the Red Cross and kindred agencies, is one of the few bright spots in a very dark welfare situation in which politics has often distorted human values.

In some Oregon counties, Mr. Kletzer charges, there has been gross discrimination in distributing widow's pensions and mothers' pensions, families in many cases have been broken up ruthlessly in an effort to keep down county expenses, innocent youngsters have sometimes been committed to institutions for delinquents in order to pass expense on to the state, and in some parts of the state the business of operating "placement homes" has become little better than a racket.

These are extremely serious charges and certainly deserve careful investigation. As for the movement for a coordinated welfare service in Oregon, the Legion is to be commended for taking up a reform which is badly needed, for even in this county, in spite of setup which is considered exceptionally good, the handicaps are almost insurmountable.

Oregon's funds for rehabilitation work of every character are pathetically insufficient. Except for a few very badly overtaxed orphanages, this state provides no institutional care for the large number of homeless children who do not deserve to be classified with delinquents. As was pointed out by John Boyard during the recent studies of the situation by the Kiwanis club, Oregon has no efficient or comprehensive system for handling the increasing number of juvenile delinquents.

We do not share Mr. Kletzer's optimistic belief that Oregon's job in child welfare can be done properly at an actual saving in money. We do agree that for the state as a whole the job is being done very badly and half-heartedly, and it is our belief that the job is worth doing as well as possible whatever the cost, because one child saved for decent citizenship more than pays the expense of intelligent care and prevents the ultimate bill which every added criminal or indigent creates.

ONE OF EUGENE'S RELIABLES.

THERE was a high tribute to Frank McAllister in the comment of an old friend: "Frank was one of Eugene's reliable." Calm, fair-minded, sensible, Mr. McAllister played his part as a citizen. In times of high excitement, such as occur now and then in every community, he was one of those to whom you could turn for plain, ordinary reason. He viewed men and events with tolerance and humor. He had a friendly understanding of the ways of people.

Frank McAllister was one of those who saw Eugene grow from a village to a city and he shared in that development. He had no exaggerated ideas of its future but he visioned an orderly, balanced program of progress here. He was distinctly of that school which believes that any city should be made better before it is made bigger, and he gave generously of his time and judgment to the many movements which serve that ideal.

The comment that Frank McAllister was "one of Eugene's reliable" is a reminder of the fact that the character of cities is peculiarly dependent on people, many sorts of people—the aggressive, the emotional, the visionary, the plain-spoken, the conservative, the practical. The particular buildings and businesses and institutions which come to be in one place or another do not so much matter as the people who tenant them in each generation. For it is the personalities which give a town its "atmosphere."

We remark that a certain city is dull or attractive or friendly or hard or garish or cultured, scarcely realizing that these impressions are mainly due to people. The Eugene which we know and take pride in is a town which was created by people, among whom modest Frank McAllister was long a leader. Young men coming on to community leadership, with large visions of what must be accomplished should find it interesting to study the history of towns—and people.

The president of Bolivia has resigned—as presidents resign in most of the South American countries.

WHAT OTHER EDITORS THINK

FOOTBALL RECRUITING

There have been rumblings in the press of a big college "athletic expose" coming out soon from the hands of the Association of American Colleges. The coming report is heralded as being filled with "startling" revelations concerning the subsidizing of athletes and other matters.

We are doubtful if the report will make the expected stir. Few people are under the impression that good football players, who starred in high schools circles, just happen to go to some college. Most people know that through alumni associations and contributions from other sources that inducements in the form of jobs and scholarships are prone to fall to the youth who exhibits a talent for the great American game.

And, in addition, a great many people these days think that the youth who devotes half his college year to intensive training and punishing practice, and goes out on the field to take chances of bruises, wrenched muscles and tendons, broken bones, and possible serious and permanent injury, deserves what he gets. In fact many think that the boys who draw in thousands of dollars at the gate ought to receive more than they do.

The fact that the public, well aware as a rule of these practices of recruiting athletes still retains its enthusiasm for college football would indicate that the further harping on the matter in the public prints will cause no particular sensation.

The only good that might be accomplished might be a standardization in each conference of the "offers" that might be made to athletes. Such a regulation, if enforced, would even the quality of play in the conference and thus increase public interest in the games and would, to a certain extent, prevent the larger and richer schools from being perennial champions.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER

Register-Guard Washington Correspondent
 WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The administration usually is smart enough not to burn its fingers twice on the same red-hot poker.

That's why you shouldn't anticipate much if any fuss over the seating of Senator Bronson Cutting of New Mexico.

Not that the administration didn't try hard to defeat Cutting this year. Not that the Farley-Harja political machine still wouldn't like to replace this Republican progressive with a regular Democrat. Not that Congressman Dennis Chavez, defeated by fewer than 1300 votes, isn't aching to contest the election if he can get enough support from Democratic forces. Not that partisan politics doesn't usually figure as importantly in such contests as the merits of the case or that the huge Democratic majority in the Senate which would have to pass on the contest wouldn't ordinarily be a tempting set-up for a man in the position of Chavez.

G. O. P. STILL HOLDS CARDS

But the red-hot poker in this instance is a solid bloc of progressives, including the ablest fighters in Congress, and determined that no one is going to do Cutting any dirt. If the administration wants to take on the battle of its career with Norris, LaFollette, Borah, Cutting, Costigan, Wheeler, McCarran, Bone, Johnson, Capper, Long and a few more of those fellows, it can encourage Chavez. The bitterness certain to be stirred up by such a move might easily mess up the whole next session.

So you needn't be surprised if Chavez is appointed to some federal job.

Sentiment for Cutting, shared even by some conservative Democrats, might cool if it developed that any serious monkey business figured in Cutting's election. No evidence of that has been supplied by Chavez, and progressives have assurance from Cutting that there wasn't any.

There's a new Democratic donkey on the presidential desk—a large bronze one, which makes four in all. And just one little gray-plush G. O. P. elephant, with its ears knocked down.

STILL OUT OF BALANCE

Insiders are studying a new confidential economic survey by one of the administration's most trusted brain-trusters, which indicates how far the maladjustment between industry and agriculture still is from solution.

This expert finds that it would require a 45 per cent expansion of industrial production to bring about a rise in farm prices, through increased employment and purchasing power, which would restore relationship between agricultural and industrial prices existing in 1929.

Plenty of thought is being given to his finding that whereas agricultural production in 1934 has been 85 per cent of the 1929 level, agricultural prices have been but 60 per cent.

And that whereas industrial production was only 30 per cent of 1929, prices of industrial goods averaged 85 per cent of the 1929 prices.

The figures will be used by New Dealers who believe that industry, in one way or another, should be forced to expand production.

THEY KNOW WAR

Most members of the Senate munitions committee's staff, hard hit by the committee's current poverty, are World War veterans. They don't like war, and have worked zealously at the job of exposing the secret activities of the munitions makers. They're staying with the committee without pay this month, largely because of their personal interest.

One of them tells a grim story of an experience in France which has made him hate the soldiering business ever since. His unit, after weeks of fighting in the Argonne which had left all hands foul, bearded and threatened with or suffering from pneumonia, had been engulfed by Germans and cut off. Five runners were sent back. Each disappeared. He was the sixth, and reached general staff headquarters, sinking down outside the mess hall where the staff was meeting he heard argument as to the storming of a hill. His colonel, whose regiment had been replaced five times, was protesting that it "would take the lives of 5000 men to take that hill."

"Well," said a general confidently, "we've got 'em." So the hill and the 5000 lives were taken.

AN EDITORIAL ON HEALTH

By DR. MORRIS FISHBURN

Editor, Journal of the American Medical Association, and of Hygiene, the Health Magazine
 DISCOVERY of insulin has made it possible for children, who have the disease, to live long and useful lives.

However, there is no disease affecting mankind in which life and death are so close together as they are in diabetes in children, because the failure to use insulin when needed will result promptly in the appearance of the unconsciousness called coma which moves on into death. The responsibility, therefore, of every one connected with the care of the condition, including parents, nurses and doctors, is great.

Diabetes is rare in infancy and quite infrequent up to the age of four years. Most of the cases in children come on during the period between 8 and 12 years.

The structure of the body, or lack of certain parts responsible for diabetes, may have some hereditary connection.

In the control of diabetes, it is not only necessary to use insulin which supplies the material that is not given to the body by the pancreas in such cases, but also to control the diet. It must be borne in mind that children require food not only for their daily needs but also for tissue repair and body growth.

However, the diabetic child should never eat more food than is necessary, since an excess of food will result in an excess of sugar in the blood.

The highest total number of calories allowed for the child with diabetes is 1000 daily. Beyond that the diet of the diabetic child differs little from the well-balanced diet of the normal child, and it avoids all extremes in sugars.

In giving insulin in such cases, the best method is to use the least possible daily amount. Frequently these children get along with two injections of the insulin daily, but in some cases three are required.

An overdose of insulin results in a serious condition—namely, a lack of sugar in the blood, which produces severe symptoms. Everyone associated with the child must be informed concerning these symptoms. This includes particularly the teachers, who take care of the child when it is away from its parents and nurses.

With the use of insulin more and more children are developing to advanced years, and there is some hope in the fact that occasionally the development of the gland called the pancreas is such that less and less insulin becomes necessary.

A complete cure of the disease is not expected. There is some evidence, however, that in some cases the disease is advancing when the child is full grown.

The occurrence of any other disease at the same time, of course, lays a special burden on the diabetic child.

SIDE GLANCES



"The trouble is, they'll probably just send us the usual socks and handkerchiefs."

Lincoln P. T. A. Is Entertained

The Lincoln Parent Teacher association held its meeting, Wednesday afternoon, seventy mothers attending. At the business meeting, the group voted to serve hot lunches at the school. Miss Pyburn's room won the prize for the most mothers present.

For the program, John W. Anderson, of the board of governors of the automobile accident prevention group spoke on safety measures. Readings on safety were given by Charles Lundstrom, Betty Lou Collins, Kemper Hull, Yvonne Gormley, Lyle Weaver, Elaine Newberry, Waldo Haley, Virginia Shelby, Dean Melles, Joy Cooper, and Allen Weinstein. The mothers' chorus, unit one, sang.

Mrs. Mabel Lusby's room was in charge of the tea, the mothers on the committee including Mrs. Roy Collins, Mrs. E. D. Anderson, Mrs. J. E. Bradley, Mrs. Marshall Rogers, Mothers of Mrs. Nancy Kidd's room were in charge of hospitality.

New Officers For Group Elected

New officers were chosen at the meeting of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Wednesday evening.

Following are those named: Mrs. Florence Small, president; Mrs. Grace Conn, senior vice-president; Mrs. Melinda Rose, junior vice-president; Mrs. Olivia Hill, chaplain; Miss Cora Kreamer, Mrs. Hattie Gray, Mrs. Maude DeVaney, all on the council; Mrs. Maude Rouse, patriotic instructor; Mrs. Rebecca Chapman, treasurer.

The next meeting will come on December 26.

Rebekah Dinner

The Rebekah lodge is serving a chicken dinner Friday evening from 5 until seven-thirty o'clock at the I. O. O. F. hall, proceed to go for the benefit of the lodge Christmas cheer fund. There will be a program and dancing after the dinner. Mrs. G. A. Harnden, Mrs. B. M. McKinnier, and Mrs. John Starr are the general committee in charge of the dinner. Mrs. Avis Moser is chairman for the dining room, Miss Eva Worden for the tickets, Mrs. Harold Roberts, Dewey

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Edited By LAURA L. BALDWIN, A. M.

For many years Assistant Professor of Household Arts, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York

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Club Dinner

Some two hundred and seventy-five attended the benefit supper and program sponsored by the River Road Women's club, Wednesday, at the River Road schoolhouse. For the program, a Christmas playlet was presented under the direction of Mrs. Fred Gibbons and Miss Louise Burnes. Song solos were given by Mrs. Fred Gibbons and Miss Louise Burnes. The club is to have its regular meeting, Wednesday next, at the home of Mrs. Ruby Hinton at two o'clock.

Elks Event

More than one hundred were out for the monthly potluck dinner and card party of the Eugene Elks lodge. In charge for the supper were Mr. and Mrs. Gordon B. Fish, Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Holbe, Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. M. Wilhelm, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Manville. Fifteen tables of cards were in play following the lodge meeting, prizes going to Mrs. Raymond Marshall and Roy Walker. A similar event will be given on the second Wednesday of January.

Sale To Start

The "knick-knack" sale planned by the Eugene division of the American Association of University Women will open Friday at the Johnson furniture store and continue through Friday. Old books, stamps of value, china, costume jewelry, old pictures, old phonograph records, sheet music, and similar items are to be sold for this event. Mrs. Kenneth W. Moore is general chairman, assisted by a large committee of members of the group.

W.C.T.U. Have Party

The W. C. T. U. quarterly birthday tea was held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lily Yoder. Mrs. C. F. Gordner sang Christmas songs, Mrs. John Conaway playing the accompaniment. Miss Becker spoke on Alaska. Various toys, books, and other articles were brought for the box to be sent the boys and girls of the children's farm home.

Approximately 60 per cent of the visitors to Yellowstone National Park are women.

FRIDAY SOCIAL EVENTS VARY

Episcopal Guild Plans Party In Afternoon

By MARIAN LOWRY

FRIDAY brings an interesting variety of social events.

The women's guild of St. Mary's Episcopal church is sponsoring a benefit card party at the parish house Friday afternoon at two o'clock. Mrs. J. R. Coleman being chairman. Assisting here are Mrs. E. F. McBee, Mrs. Frank B. Harritt, Mrs. Sherwood Burr, Mrs. Virgil B. Avery, Mrs. E. S. Sawyer, Mrs. A. A. Hillstrom, and Mrs. C. A. Swartz. There will be a sale of aprons and cakes in connection with the party. All friends are invited. The guild held its regular meeting, Wednesday, at the parish house, the group doing work on aprons and quilts. Thirty-four attended. For the potluck luncheon at noon, Mrs. Walter P. Fell and Mrs. Harold Frink were in charge. The guild is to hold no more meetings in December, the next event to be January 2. The monthly church supper will come on the second Wednesday of the month.

The Oregon Lewis and Clark chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will hold its December meeting, Friday evening, at the home of Mrs. A. T. Cockburn. Mrs. William Barker and Miss Mabel Simmons are to be assistant hostesses. There is to be a musical program arranged by Mrs. S. E. Stevens.

DANCE DATE CHANGED

Announcement was made Thursday that date for the Tongueue Christmas dance had been changed from Saturday, December 22, to Friday, December 21. The party is to be given at the Eugene hotel and is for the benefit of charity this year. Miss Ethel Thompson is general chairman for the event.

TO ELECT OFFICERS

Members of Blue River chapter, O. E. S., is to meet Friday evening at the Masonic temple. New officers are to be elected.

B. N. S. CLUB

The B. N. S. club held its meeting the past week at the home of Mrs. Jennie Deeds. There was a dinner, followed by cards. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Prince Glaze, Mrs.

Chaperons Are Guests At Dessert

The heads of house arrangements made up of the presidents of all women's living groups, entertained with a dessert party, Wednesday evening, at the Delta Gamma sorority, honoring the chaperons of the sororities and halls.

In addition to the chaperons, other guests were Mrs. C. L. Schwering, Mrs. Nelson F. Macdonald, and Miss Alice Miller, Seattle, national treasurer of Phi Mu sorority.

Christmas decorations were used for the table. Following the dessert, Christmas carols were sung and the Phi Mu trio, including Misses Margaret Lott, Mary Ann Wendell, and Margaret Ellen Osborne, accompanied by Miss Maxine McElroy, sang.

CLUB GROUPS

Mrs. Jean Lottridge is to be hostess for the Westside bridge club, Friday.

Mrs. Jack Hutton is to entertain for the Hit and Miss club on Wednesday.

Harmony Bridge club meets Friday with Mrs. Pearl Hanson.

HOTNESS WEDNESDAY

Mrs. W. B. Neal entertained for the Hit and Miss club on Wednesday. Mrs. Cutter was a special guest. The club is planning a New Year's dinner on December 29, the event to be at the home of Mrs. P. J. Barile. Members are to entertain their husbands for the event.

FRIDAY GROUPS

The Co-Workers class of the First Baptist church is to meet Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Hugh Hampton. This is the Christmas meeting and each member is asked to bring a small gift for the exchange of gifts.

The Past Presidents club of the W. R. C. is to meet Friday for its Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Fred Hydrum.

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