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School Bills At Last Legislature Reviewed at Lunch

The Parent-Teachers' Association is much in evidence today, and a good representative of that organization attended the semi-monthly luncheon by the Chamber of Commerce at the Hotel Austin at noon, when they were addressed by leading educational champions of the state. These were Miss Bertha Davis, who represents the vocational work under the Smith-Hughes law at O. A. C., Mrs. C. W. Hayhurst of Portland, state president of the Parent-Teachers' Association, and Hon. Ben C. Sheldon, whose efforts to promote educational interests in southern Oregon are well known.

Mrs. H. T. Elmore, vice-president of the State Parent-Teachers' association, presided at the meeting today and introduced the speakers. As an appetizer, the gathering voiced a number of the booster songs of the Chamber of Commerce, led by Capt. W. M. Briggs, with Miss Bernice Yeo at the piano.

The first speaker was V. V. Mills, who, in the interests of the American Legion and other patriotic organizations of Ashland, told of their effort to raise funds for a memorial to be erected in honor of soldiers of all wars, which, when erected in Ashland cemetery, will be suitably commemorated with flowers on Memorial Day. Only a small portion of the sum needed to secure this shaft has been subscribed, and the Legionaries are anxious to procure the entire amount and have the monument erected before May 26 of this year.

Miss Bertha Davis was next speaker introduced, and in her opening remarks she pledged her influence with State Superintendent Churchill and the O. A. C. in furthering Ashland educational interests. Miss Davis outlined the vocational work under the Smith-Hughes law to the members of the Chamber of Commerce, and spoke particularly about Ashland's practice house, which is one of four in the state. The Smith-Hughes law, the speaker said, is to take care of girls and boys in the schools who are not able to go to college, or who drop out of school before finishing, or get behind in their classes. The training given the girls in the practice house, Miss Davis stated, fits them for the great vocation of life—home makers. She also told of the benefits of the Smith-Hughes law to women outside the schools, adults and married women with homes, and girls in business and offices. This was particularly illustrated by the recent dressmaking and millinery classes in Ashland, and she urged all to attend the

fashion show this afternoon and evening in Chautauqua Pioneer hall, where the needle work of the women in these classes is on exhibit.

Mrs. Hayhurst, the next speaker, prefaced her remarks with a gracious tribute to Ashland park, which she had visited some time ago. She briefly outlined the work of the Parent-Teachers' Association and told of its great influence as the connecting link between the teachers and parents in working for the greatest good for the children. Mrs. Hayhurst also stated that this association is one of the most influential matters, and called the attention of Jackson county's representatives, Hon. E. V. Carter and Hon. Ben C. Sheldon, both of whom were present at the luncheon, to the influence that can spring from this organization in encouraging and promoting educational legislation. As Mrs. Hayhurst speaks again this afternoon and evening, she made her remarks brief.

Representative Ben C. Sheldon, one of Jackson county's delegation at the last legislature and chairman of the committee on education, was the principal speaker at today's Chamber of Commerce forum luncheon. He gave a general resume of the educational measures considered at the last session.

Mr. Sheldon spoke of the general feeling at the session, which reflected a feeling over the state that the unusually high tax levies of this year were largely due to the peoples' generous voting of increased mileage allowances for the three educational institutions of the state, with a consequence that there was a rigid questioning of every school measure which might mean heavier taxation. The result was the adoption of many forward-looking school laws, but practically none looking to an increase in school costs—a result, according to Mr. Sheldon, fair to the schools and to the taxpayers alike.

Special reference was made to the two most important new school laws, the county unit plan and the requirement for a gradual increase in training for the teachers of the grade schools of the state, this latter bill having a direct and helpful bearing on the ambitions of southern Oregon to have its normal school reopened. The two hard fights at the session over educational matters were on the free text book bill and the Portland teachers' tenure of office bill. The former proposition was not adopted, and in the latter case a change was made in the former tenure law. A brief statement was given of most of the remaining 20 educational bills considered at the session.

POLISH REFUGEES BROUGHT TO AMERICA

NEW YORK.—Two hundred and thirty Polish boys and girls, the children of Polish refugees in Siberia, have been transported to America and been placed in institutions by the Polish National Committee of America, according to the 1920 report of that organization. This action was taken at the request of Dr. Jakubkiewicz, a special delegate from Vladivostok, who urged it as being the only means of saving these children, all of them orphaned or separated from their parents, from death or dehumanization at the hands of the Bolsheviks.

Of the 230 transported, says the report, 100 have been placed in the Orphan's Home, Ellsworth, Pa.; 14 in St. Joseph's home, Milwaukee, Wis.; 20 in the Felician Sisters' Home, Detroit, Mich.; 31 in the college of the Police National Alliance, Cambridge, Pa.; and the rest in St. Jeddwig's Orphan Asylum, Niles, Ill. The expenses so far have amounted to \$14,728.

Animals' Week To Be Observed

This is "Be Kind to Animals Week," and demonstrations calling attention to the importance of kindness toward man's four-footed friends will be held by the Oregon Humane Society. It is not known that any particular observance will be made in Ashland.

Today is known as "pet animal day; Wednesday will be "benefit day; Thursday, "red star" day; Friday, "school" day; Saturday, "Boy Scout" day; and Sunday "Humane" Sunday. The week will be observed throughout the nation under the auspices of the Humane society, and in many places appropriate programs will be given in the schools and churches.

CRANK CASE MUST BE KEPT CLEAN

The manufacturers of automobiles recommend in their instruction books that the crankcase be drained and thoroughly cleaned at regular intervals. The reason for this is to avoid unnecessary wear on the engine, which would be caused by the continued circulation of contaminated oil, states Mr. C. H. Pierce of Ford Garage.

Regular cleaning of the automobile crankcase is the first and easiest aid to better engine performance and longer engine life. The wear and tear of engine operation causes steady accumulation of road dust, carbon, fine metal particles and other impurities in crankcase oil. This gritty contaminated oil circulates through the engine, impairs its performance and ultimately leads to rapid depreciation and repairs.

The oil, like the blood of the body, circulates through the engine and carries away all dust and dirt at the same time that it lubricates, but, unlike the blood of the body, it has no way of cleaning itself, as the blood does through the lungs. For this reason, it is necessary to drain out the old oil at regular intervals and to flush out the crankcase to avoid deposits of dust and dirt, which might otherwise contaminate the fresh oil as soon as it is put in the crankcase.

Cleaning the crankcase is a job generally disliked; therefore frequently neglected. To meet the need of regular cleaning of the crankcase, modern crankcase cleaning service has been established at first-class garages and other dealers on the Pacific coast. These garages and dealers use a new scientific flushing agent that cleans out old oil, dirt, grit and other impurities and does not impair the lubricating efficiency of the fresh oil used.

The service is rendered for a nominal charge in addition to the cost of the necessary gallon of finishing oil and the fresh lubricating oil poured into the crankcase after it has been cleaned. Garages and dealers giving this service are designated by a blue and orange sign, bearing the words, "Modern Crankcase Cleaning Service."

WASHINGTON, April 11.—Eight or nine million dollars will be made available for federal farm loan bank loans in Oregon, Washington, Montana and Idaho from the bond issue to be sold by the federal farm loan board April 15, according to present estimates, but some of this money may not be available until July. This information was furnished Senator McNary by the federal farm loan board in response to an inquiry as to additional farm loans for the Ocoee irrigation project in the Prineville country.

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What proportion of this \$200,000,000 will go to Oregon cannot now be determined, but the board estimates that applications now on file from Oregon would absorb the total amount, and it will have to be prorated among the four states.

Californians stopping at the Hotel Austin are W. W. Wolf of Gottville, Chas. M. Savage, James L. Lodie and Mrs. M. Bartholomew of San Francisco, C. H. Thomas and son of Peoria, A. B. White and wife of Yreka.



Ashland Post, No. 14

ASHLAND, OREGON

Glenn E. Simpson, Post Commander.
H. G. Wolcott, Vice-Commander.
Ralph Hatfield, Historian.
Wm. Holmes, Treasurer.
Donald Spencer, Adjutant and Legion Editor.



Ashland Post, No. 14, has received a bulletin from department headquarters at Portland, showing the standing of all the posts of the American Legion in the state. Eight posts show a membership of over 200 each. Portland Post leads with a membership of 2,138. They follow in order: Salem, 376; Klamath Falls, 273; Astoria, 213; Albany, 212; Hood River, 211; Medford, 205. There is a total membership in the state of 7,964. The posts number from 1 to 89, with only five posts inactive. These inactive posts were established in very small towns, where the eligible are now too few to constitute a post.

Ashland Post, No. 14, now has a membership of 63, but more are in the offing. We will have a hundred before Memorial Day.

Eugene Post, No. 3, is preparing for one grand time during the convention, which is to be held there July 1 and 2. A fishing trip and joy ride up the McKenzie river is a part of the plans for the entertainment of the delegates and friends. The American Legion secret organization known as "Hommes 40, Cheveaux 8" will stage a big initiation. All candidates will be brought in box cars with a bed of straw—to remind us of the convention enjoyed in France. Ashland ought to be a dandy place for the convention of 1922. Why not?

A buddy writes for information, asking in what round Congress knocked out the bonus. It was a foul, baddy, and the money was forfeited to the railroads.

"The Salvage Dump."

The Oregon Bonus Election Comes June 7th

Buddies, it has been brought to our attention that there are a number

of our own fellows who are great in need of just the assistance that the bonus law would give them. Perhaps you don't need it yourself, but then you must remember that "We stood together, so let's stick together" and help them get this bonus. We know of at least a dozen of our buddies who want to own their own homes, and this bonus bill will fix it for them. The state department asks each of us to give 50 cents for a fund to prepare propaganda. This money will enable them to tell everybody in the state about the proposed law and show the benefits to be derived therefrom, not only for the six-service men, but for the community in which they reside.

Next time you are down town drop into the office and hand your four bits to the adjutant, who will send it in for you.

Some of the salient features of the Oregon Bonus Act:

You must have been a resident of the state of Oregon at the time of enlistment or induction into service. You must have served between April 6th, 1917, and November 11, 1918. You must have had more than 60 days' service.

Conscientious and political objections and persons whose only service was in the U. S. F. C. will not participate under its provisions.

If you have received a bonus from another state, or have received extra pay from the government, the amount of such bonus or extra pay will be deducted.

If a veteran entitled to receive the compensation has been killed or has died, the money will be paid to his relatives.

Veterans who have received financial aid from the state for educational purposes must deduct such

amount from either the bonus or the loan.

The bill provides that any person qualified to receive and who elects to take the bonus, shall be fined the sum of \$15 for each month or major portion thereof that such person was in active service between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, exclusive of the first 60 days, providing that no person shall receive in excess of \$250. A loan, not to exceed \$3,000, will be made on a first-mortgage security up to 75 per cent of the appraised value of the property purchased. The loan to be paid back to the state at 6 per cent annually, 4 per cent to be credited as interest and 2 per cent to be credited as principal.

The loan feature of the act is significant as one of the most progressive steps included in the legislation enacted in the state of Oregon. The loan gives every veteran of the state a new opportunity in life's battle and should mean the foundation of many a future fortune for former service men.

There is a strong effort being made by the opponents of the bill to defeat it at the election June 7th, so you must talk it and work for it among your friends from now until we are assured by the returns that it is a law. Zero hour, buddies. Let's put it over for the benefit of our buddies and the community in general. Bring your four bits down to the adjutant.

A part of the creed known and flag etiquette says, "Do not allow the flag to be flown at night or in stormy weather." It has grieved members of the American Legion, Boy Scouts and other patriotic organization to note that there has been considerable neglect or carelessness upon the part of some organizations in the city in this matter.

Digger Squirrel Poisoning Week

This week, April 11th to 19th, has been proclaimed by the Rodent Control committee of the Farm Bureau as "Digger Squirrel Week." Every farmer in Jackson county is supposed to poison digger squirrels some time during this week. This will be the start of the first campaign, and a little later another week will be set aside for this same work, as all of the squirrels do not come out at the same time. Some of them will sleep longer than others, and will not come out for three or four weeks yet. In order to make a thorough clean-up of the digger, it is necessary to start this work early and keep it going all summer. Every farmer should make it a practice to have poison grain convenient and use it when he sees a digger squirrel. Let us all get together this week and see what you have done at the first clean-up. Every community in the county has pledged its support to eradicate the digger squirrel as soon as possible. Poison barley can be obtained in every section at cost at 10 cents per pound.

OREGON GETS SHARE OF NEW FARM LOAN

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410 COURSES ARE TAUGHT AT UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, EUGENE, April 12.—Four hundred and ten different courses will be given in the spring term of the University of Oregon that began last Monday, April 4. A student ordinarily attends 2,300 classes to get his bachelor's degree. So, if it were possible for him to attend all the classes given by the university in one week, he would have his education, and a varied education at that. But it would take him about 146 years to finish and get passing grades in all these subjects.

Eighteen of these courses are in architecture, 9 in normal art, 16 in fine arts, 5 in botany, 8 in chemistry, 25 in commerce, 9 in economics, 12 in education, 12 in English literature, 25 in rhetoric and American literature, 9 in geology, 13 in German, 5 in Greek, 33 in physical education for men, 24 in physical education for women, 10 in history, 18 in household arts, 15 in journalism, 10 in Latin, 10 in law, 11 in mathematics, 4 in mechanics and astronomy, 9 in military science, 15 in music, 3 in philosophy, 13 in physics, 3 in political science, 14 in psychology, 7 in public speaking, 19 in French, 1 in Italian, 15 in Spanish, 4 in sociology, and 6 in zoology.

Fifty-five of the 410 classes are held at 8 o'clock in the morning, and the same number at 9 o'clock, necessitating an early reveille on the part of the students. Several of the classes will be held in the evening.

Some of the unusual courses include photography, extemporaneous speaking, home-made physical apparatus, marketing, philanthropy and educational tests and measurements.

SOLDIER OF LATE WAR LAID TO REST

The funeral of the late John Heston Jones took place yesterday afternoon from Dodge's undertaking parlors and was attended by a large assemblage of his sorrowing friends and associates. Rev. W. L. Evans of the Baptist church gave an address over the bier of this young man, after which members of the American Legion, consisting of Arthur Erickson, W. C. Holmes, S. O. Sengler, Ray Johnson, S. A. Peters, Jr., and Donald Dickerson, bore the casket to its last resting place in Mountain View cemetery. Military services in the cemetery were conducted with salute fired by a squad from the National Guard, and taps were sounded after the casket was lowered in the ground.

Time to Apply Apple Pink Spray

This week will be the best time to apply the pink spray for apple scab in most sections of the county. This spray should be applied after the cluster buds have separated and the blossom buds are showing pink. It will not do any damage to spray after a few of the blossoms are out, but spraying should be general this week for apple scab. This is a very good time to use Black Leaf 40 for the control of green aphids. This can be used at the rate of a pint and a half to 200 gallons of water. Use liquid lime and sulphur, one gallon to 25 gallons of water. Dry lime and sulphur, 3 to 4 pounds to 50 gallons of water. Spray thoroughly and cover all parts of the tree.

CITIZENS WITNESS DEMONSTRATION OF NEW MORA PUMP

A company of Ashland citizens, accompanied by the mayor and members of the city council, visited the Ashland Iron Works yesterday to witness a demonstration of the Mora pump, the new device that is being built at that institution. This is a new irrigation pump that has been brought to Ashland by the Mora people, with the object of having them manufactured at the local iron works, and the demonstration of the pump given yesterday has roused the keenest interest among those who witnessed it. The pump was used in the ditch of the iron works with power from an automobile, and while little power was utilized in running the machine, a wonderful amount of water was forced on the land. From present indications the new pump promises to be one of the best assets Ashland can secure.

WOES OF ARMENIA VIVIDLY PORTRAYED

A representative audience greeted Dr. Lincoln Wirt, who addressed them in the Presbyterian church last evening on conditions prevailing in Armenia in connection with the Near East Relief. Dr. Wirt had recently returned from that terribly afflicted country and is able to portray conditions first-hand. While relief is being meted out to the Armenians, gradually, the needs are so great that the call continues to come to American people, and Dr. Wirt is being sent out by the board of relief in order to tell the story of their sufferings as he actually knows of its existence.

No action was taken regarding the establishment of a community chest in Ashland, save a vote on such a fund. This vote resulted in an overwhelming majority in favor of the community chest.

Track and Field Meet to Be Held in Talent April 29

The seventh annual Jackson county track and field meet will be held in Talent Friday, April 29, under the auspices of the Jackson County Athletic Association. This meet is open to all schools of the second and third classes in Jackson county and will be participated in by the following schools: Rogue River, Gold Hill, Central Point, Jacksonville, Phoenix, Applegate and Talent. The Olympic Cup, for which these schools will contest, was won by Gold Hill in 1911; by Central Point in 1915; by Talent in 1916; by Phoenix in 1917; by Talent in 1918, and by Talent in 1920. Contests for all rural schools in the county will be held on the same day.

In the morning the school contests will take place and will consist of boys' and girls' 50-yard dash; 100-yard dash; 120-yard hurdles; pole vault; running high jump; running broad jump. All classes and ages will be included in these contests.

Rural—50-yard dash; 100-yard

dash; 120-yard hurdles; running broad jump; hop, step and jump; flag race; potato race; baseball throw.

The afternoon program will be as follows: Boys—100-yard dash; 220-yard run; 440-yard run for C class; 8-pound and 12-pound shot put; javelin throw.

Rural—An amusing and strenuous sack race.

Two thrilling relay races—Boys: 440-yard relay race; 8 town teams, 4 best men to a team, each man to run 110 yards. Girls: 440 relay race, 8 town teams, 4 best girls to a team, each girl to run 110 yards.

A girls' championship baseball game will be a feature of the afternoon program. Two picked teams will play a game of playground baseball for the championship of the valley.

No admission fee will be charged at the meet, and everybody will be welcome.

Most Accidents Due to Autos Striking Railroad Trains

SAN FRANCISCO, April 12.—"That at the hazard of his life a driver of an automobile should run into trains, break down crossing gates and run over crossing flagmen, when a little precaution or wait would eliminate all danger, is a problem embracing carelessness that almost passes comprehension," states R. J. Clancy, assistant to the general manager of the Southern Pacific.

"During the last three years' ending December 31st, 1920, 151 people were killed, 628 were injured, and 3,993 automobiles were damaged or destroyed at grade crossings on the Southern Pacific.

"Of the 1920 accidents, 490, or more than 25 per cent, were caused by automobiles running into trains, and in 122 instances crossing gates were lowered to protect vehicles while train was passing over run through and broken down. One crossing flagman was killed and 8 injured by automobiles while endeavoring to warn the drivers of an approaching train.

"The noise of the engine of nearly all automobiles is such that drivers may not hear the whistle or noise of an approaching train and they should therefore in all instances look in both directions before at-

tempting to cross a railroad track, and where vision is obstructed they should stop and listen as well as look.

"A passenger train that is a quarter of a mile away is also only a trifle more than a quarter of a minute away, hence it is essential that, before attempting to cross, automobile drivers reckon in time as well as distance, for a quarter of a minute is pretty short time to effect an escape if in shifting gears the engine goes dead or the machine stalls on the track.

"The permissible speed of a passenger train is 50 miles an hour. At this speed the crossing is obstructed about 7 seconds and it requires but a brief wait for all danger to disappear.

"There is but one safe course to pursue and that is before attempting to cross make sure that it may be done safely, stopping, looking and listening if vision be restricted by obstruction or if necessary for any reason. Two long and two short blasts of the locomotive whistle are blown a quarter of a mile back from the crossing and the locomotive bell is then set and kept in action until the crossing is passed. These warnings are distinctly audible at the crossing to any one with normal hearing."

MODERN MEASURES RENDER RAILROAD JOURNEYS SAFE

The recent train wreck on one of the eastern lines, in which many lives were lost, is so unusual in modern railroad history that attention may be directed to the fact that a passenger in a railroad train, according to statistics, is really safer than he would be if he were walking the streets of his home city. The safety measures put in force by the Southern Pacific have reduced the accidents to such a small figure that, according to the statisticians, a Southern Pacific passenger could expect to travel 2,620,292,969 miles, or 104,808 times around the world, in perfect safety. Since June 30, 1909, the Southern Pacific has carried 482,293,538 revenue passengers, and the revenue passenger mileage has been 18,341,420,368 miles. In this time only seven passengers have lost their lives, a percentage which is in striking contrast with every other known means of transportation.

VETERAN OF CIVIL WAR ANSWERS CALL

John W. Mills, Sr., died at his home in Ashland Thursday evening at 10 o'clock at the age of 85 years and three months. He was born in Bristol, Tenn., on January 8, 1836, and in 1859 came to Oregon, where he made his home until the Civil War, when he enlisted with Co. C, First Regiment of Oregon Cavalry, December 20, 1864.

After his discharge July 28, 1866, at Vancouver, W. T., Mr. Mills returned to Roseburg, then later went to Jacksonville, where he was united in marriage to Tabitha Anderson on December 29, 1867. To this union seven children were born, all of whom are living and were with him at his death. These are Mrs. C. W. Mathes, Mrs. G. L. Carey, W. A. Mills, John W. Mills, Jr., Jessie Mills of Ashland; Mrs. J. A. Fritella of Snoqualmie Falls, Wash., and F. T. Mills of Chico, Calif.

Funeral services will be held from the house Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with interment in the Phoenix cemetery. The services at the cemetery will be conducted by the order of G. A. R.

Larimore Chosen For Crater Lake Hotel Manager

The Northwest Hotel News announces that Mr. E. E. Larimore has been selected to go to Crater Lake national park and take charge of the hotel there. The securing of his services will settle satisfactorily the question of the hotel management at this most popular resort of Oregon. Mr. Larimore will be under the direction of A. L. Parkhurst.

Mr. Larimore is well known over the country as a successful manager. His work at The Oregon in Portland, after the failure of Wright & Dickinson, was such that he turned the tide of business from a distinct loss at the time he took it to take charge of the housing proposition at the Standiford Ship Yards under the U. S. shipping board. Here he had charge of the big Liberty hotel and thirty bungalows for a period of three years.

Mr. Larimore has always been very active in all civic matters, having been one of the successful speakers on all Liberty loan and Salvation Army drives during the period of the war, and in 1917 he was the president of the Rose Festival Association and through his untiring efforts, with nothing but opposition and very little money at the hands of the festival board, succeeded in giving Portland a festival that year second to none in its history.

The traveler and tourist will be assured that all that is necessary in the way of hospitable and courteous treatment and service will be dealt out for his comfort and pleasure. We believe "Larry" will put Crater Lake on the map. It is certain he has the best wishes of the entire local fraternity.

Crater Lake Lodge will officially open July 1st for the 1921 season and probably close September 30.

The shipyard hotel will close down in time for "Larry" to transport his crew direct to Crater Lake. His chef, J. C. Fritz, formerly with the Arlington and University clubs, has a reputation for good culinary work, and the entire crew is loyal.