

NEW SCHOOL LAW

Legislators Made Many Changes in the Code at Last Session.

A synopsis of the new school laws adopted at the recent session of the legislature has just been prepared by State Superintendent Churchill, for a copy of which we are indebted to County Superintendent Baker. The provisions of the new law applicable to Coos county schools are given below. These will all go into effect May 21, 1917.

Minimum Term of School
The most constructive measure in the law providing for eight months of school each year in every school district in Oregon. The manner of providing for this term is the same as the present law. The minimum term was changed from six to eight months and the minimum amount of funds was changed from three hundred dollars to four hundred dollars. If a school district does not receive from the County School Fund the amount of four hundred dollars, it shall levy a special tax not to exceed five mills. If this sum does not produce four hundred dollars, then the county court must apportion the balance from the general fund of the county.

Qualifications of School Voters
The law defining the qualifications of a legal school voter was amended so that the property qualifications imposed by this law shall not apply in the election of school directors and school clerks. Hereafter, any citizen of this State who is twenty-one years of age and who has resided in the school district for thirty days immediately preceding the school election, shall be entitled to vote for school directors. This change in the law does not affect the qualifications of a legal voter for bond elections or in voting a tax.

Requirements for Teacher's Certificate by Examination

The law requiring that no person shall be entitled to a certificate by examination before completing a term of at least six weeks of professional training was amended so that after September 1, 1919, all such persons must have completed a term of not less than twelve weeks of professional training. This course may be given in any chartered institution, or in any standard high school of the State. In the high schools the course now runs through the twelfth year. When this law goes into effect, it will run through the eleventh and twelfth years.

Military Training
A law was provided for establishing military training in the high schools of the State subject to such direction, supervision and inspection as the Governor of the State may order and direct. Credit shall be given toward graduation. The amount of such credit shall be determined by the State Board of Education.

School Clerk Certify Money
Hereafter the school districts shall notify the county assessor and the county clerk of the amount of money to be raised whenever the school districts make tax levies, instead of certifying to the rate per cent of tax levy. These notices shall be filed not later than the first day of December of each year.

To Vote Tax Increase

A law was enacted outlining the procedure whereby any tax-levying body may submit to the people the question of levying a tax when the amount to be raised is a larger amount than the amount limited by the Constitution. This will apply in case the county court of the school board for a district finds it necessary to levy such an amount. Whenever the court deems it necessary to levy such a tax it shall certify to the county clerk that such an increase is necessary, state the reasons therefor, and the amount of such increase, in not to exceed one hundred words. This determination and certificate shall be made in less than thirty-five days before the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of any year. The county clerk shall then issue orders and mail to the judges and clerks of election, notices of election, and the election thus called shall be held on said date and in the same manner as other general elections. In school districts the determination and certificate shall be made by the board of directors and notices of election given by the school district clerk which notice shall be given and published for not less than twenty days prior to the date of the election. Under the provisions of this bill any county may vote a tax sufficient to abolish practically all of the local tax levies for school purposes.

Apportionment in November

The county school superintendent shall apportion the school funds on the second Monday in November instead of the first Monday in October.

Census

The district clerk shall take the

school census on the twenty-fifth day of October instead of on the twenty-fifth day of November.

Condemnation Proceedings

When a school district secures land by condemnation proceedings the title which it shall receive for such land shall be a fee simple title.

Frances E. Willard Day

The fourth Friday in October shall hereafter be known as Frances E. Willard Day and a portion of the afternoon of such day shall be spent in the public schools of the State in instruction and exercises relative to the life of Frances E. Willard.

Arbor Day in February

Hereafter in Western Oregon, the second Friday in February shall be known as Arbor Day. For Eastern Oregon the date remains as at present, the second Friday in April.

Eighth Grade Diplomas

The law providing that no high school shall be entitled to receive tuition from the county high school fund unless the pupil holds an eighth grade diploma was amended so that the equivalent of an eighth grade diploma may be accepted.

Warrants in Regular Order

Whenever any warrants issued by any school district of this State have been, or hereafter may be endorsed "not paid for want of funds" and funds shall thereafter become available for the payment of same, such funds shall be applied in payment of such warrants in the order in which they were so endorsed.

Teachers Cannot Resign During Term

The law relating to the resignation of teachers was amended and now provides that any teacher in the public schools of this State and any teacher who shall have entered into a valid contract to teach in any public school of this State who shall willingly violate the terms of his or her contract for teaching by resigning his or her position as teacher within thirty days before the time during the period for which he or she shall have contracted to teach, shall have his or her certificate revoked by the authorities issuing same upon due notice from the school board, and shall be disqualified from teaching in the public schools of this State for the remainder of the school year. The clause relating to sickness and to the rights of the school board to release a teacher was left unchanged.

A High School Comedy.

The best comedy the high school has ever undertaken is to be presented at the Masonic hall on Saturday evening, March 24. It is "Mr. Bob," written by Rachael E. Baker. High schools usually select some aged classic play as the vehicle for displaying their histrionic ability, but the local school has decided to do something different this time, something entirely different. "Mr. Bob" is a modern comedy. It is exceedingly humorous throughout. The wit is of a variety to appeal to the present-day American audience without being salacious or unclean.

Much of the comedy gathers around the fact of the mistaken identity of one Mr. Brown, a lawyer's clerk, while Patty, the maid with ambitions to become an actress, adds her share to the fun. The cast is as follows:
Philip Royson..... Arthur Hooton.
Robert Brown..... Herbert Lukens.
Jenkins, the butler... Charles Willey.
Rebecca Luke, a maiden lady..... Marion Schroeder.
Katherine Rogers, her niece,
Zelma Strang.
Marion Bryant, Katherine's friend..... Leanna Curry.
Patty, Rebecca's maid... Ada Downs.
Remember, Saturday evening, Mar. 24th. Keep that date open.

Coquille Meets Waterloo.

Those who attended the basket ball game at North Bend last Friday night, when Coquille met that Bay team, describe it as one of the best and cleanest games played this year. North Bend won 00 to 00, and was the only team in the association to win from the locals in both games. For some reason North Bend has always had an edge on Coquille teams no matter how badly they are beaten by the other fives in the conference. With Bandon and Marshfield tied for first place—each having lost two games, one to the other and one to Coquille—it has been decided to play off the tie here tomorrow (Saturday) evening at Masonic Hall. Bandon will run another excursion up for the occasion and the Bay will undoubtedly have a large delegation present. It will be a hard-fought game and one worth seeing. Although Coquille fans will have no partisan in the contest, we predict that neutrality will be conspicuous by its absence.

Marriage Licenses.

March 9—Walter Irvine Barklow and Ruby M. Wallen.

March 15—Omer Gramby and Mattie Bird.

March 15—James Bird and Leona Hartley.

Mar. 16—Oxel Rudberg and Lola Davahport.

M. E. Church South.

The Sunday School at 10 a. m. C. D. Hudson Supt.
Preaching service at 11 a. m. The subject, "Personal Evangelism," by the Pastor.
Union services at Masonic Hall at 2:30 p. m. and 7:45 p. m., Dr. Hamilton preaching. Union League service at 6:30 at the Hall.
Everyone urged to be present.
H. Marvin Law, Pastor.

Methodist Episcopal.

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Mrs. Jas. Richmond, Superintendent, Mr. H. O. Anderson, Musical Director.
The preaching service at 11 a. m. The Rev. C. L. Hamilton, our pastor evangelist from Portland, will preach. A union Epworth League meeting at 6:30 p. m.
A union evangelistic service at 7:30 p. m. Both the Epworth League and the evening service will be in the Masonic Hall.
Services by Rev. C. L. Hamilton every evening next week at 7:30 p. m. in the Masonic Hall. Good singing and good speaking. Come.
You are earnestly invited and will be made welcome at these services.
T. H. Downs, Pastor.

St. James Episcopal Church

Fourth Sunday in Lent—March 18. Sunday school at 10 a. m.
Morning prayer sermon at 11 A. M. Evening prayer sermon 7:30 P. M. Special attention is called to the Lenten services on Saturdays at 4:00 P. M. The addresses will be delivered by Dean Hornsfall.
Rev. F. G. Jennings.

Christian Church.

Bible School at 10 a. m.
Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.
C. G. Price, Minister.

Presbyterian Church.

Teaching service from 10 to 11 a. m. Preaching service at 11 a. m. We extend a hearty welcome.
F. S. Shimian, Pastor.

Christian Science Society.

Services next Sunday at 11:00 a. m. Subject, "Substance."
Wednesday evening meeting at 8 o'clock.
Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Corner Third and Hall streets.

His Busy Month.

Rev. G. LeRoy Hall, captain of the cruiser "Life-line" and colporteur for the American Baptist Publication Society, was here Saturday on his way to fill an appointment at Fairview Sunday.

As an indication how busy a man in his line of work can be he gave us the following figures of his activities for February: miles traveled, 299; sermons and addresses, 26; churches visited, 3; Sunday schools visited, 3; children's meetings, 2; conversions, 2; religious calls, 138; funerals conducted, 3; wedding ceremonies, 1; offerings, \$6.40; Bibles and Testaments sold, 46; other books sold, 21; Testaments given away, 100; received for books sold, \$31.69; localities visited, 15.
Mr. Hall informs us that Bibles, like almost everything else, have been affected by the high cost of living.

New Cases in Circuit Court.

March 9—Henry Bischoff and Bessie Bischoff vs. Ralph Bischoff.

March 12—George Witte and Mary Witte vs. J. A. Goodwill and Jennie Goodwill.

March 16—Frank Flam vs. Clyde F. Barrows and Annie E. Barrows. Suit to foreclose mortgage.

Trappers.

If you have any furs for sale let me make you a price before you ship.
Geo. T. Moulton.

Probate Court Notes.

A petition has been filed for the probate of the will of Catherine Figg. Her estate consists of real estate estimated to be worth \$7,100 and personal property to the amount of \$4,106.34.

Perfect in Spelling.

Those perfect in Spelling in the Third grade this week were:
Clara Clausnitzer, LeNorme Pownder, Tommy Toates, Alda Vowell, Robert Brown, Ralph Humbert, George Belloni, Leona Carter, Royce Richmond, Loretta Wilson, Gladys Roby and Dorris Emery.

Want Ads

One Cent a Word Each Insertion

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GIRL WANTED to do general housework. Telephone 97x.

CHICKENS wanted. Address F. B. Smith, general delivery, Coquille, Oregon.

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Willow, \$1.50 to \$2.25.
Splint, 65c to \$1.25.
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