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THE RURAL SCHOOLS.

A contemporary that is evidently more familiar with what city people think is taught in the country schools than with what is actually taught there, hazards the opinion that the ordinary rural school teaches little that is related to rural life. Its influence, this writer thinks, tends to exalt the sterile theoretical studies at the expense of the useful.

Perhaps this may be true in some places, but not in this part of Western Oregon. Here, thanks to an enlightened policy, the work of the rural schools is kept intensely alive and closely related to the interests of the community. The so-called practical phase of education, of course, cannot be given too great emphasis in elementary work, but it is included to a most salutary degree.

In one Lane County school, for instance, the students have a Babcock tester and test the milk that is brought to them by the patrons. In this way they not only learn a most practical side of modern farming, but render a distinct and important service to the community. Gardening, too, is not neglected, and the industrial club movement is an important part of the school work.

The rural schools may not get the intensive study that is given to the city schools, because of lack of a complete and well-balanced organization, but they are not lacking in ideals nor are they growing away from the life of the communities in which they are located.—Eugene Register.

The Kaiser writes President Wilson a diplomatic note and then goes out and sinks another neutral ship carrying American passengers. This leads Teddy to say that he wants less eloquence and more action on the part of President Wilson.

1200 Lose Their Lives.

Twelve hundred persons were drowned in the Chicago river last Saturday when the passenger steamer Eastland capsized from overloading at its dock. The passengers were mostly women and children and employees of the Western Electric Company who were bound for a lake excursion. It was known that the Eastland was a top-heavy boat and when twenty-five hundred people were crowded onto her decks the vessel capsized. Federal inspectors were on duty to prevent overcrowding but neither they nor the officers of the boat interfered. The causes of the catastrophe are now being investigated but what good will that do. No one will be punished.

A Chicago dispatch says: "Greater by hundreds would have been the number of dead on the steamer Eastland but for prodigies of heroism. The heroes ranged from slips of girls to ragged dock rats and hobos.

"A frail mite of a girl crawled over the slippery side of the ship at the risk of her life and with her little arms dragged several children to safety.

"A gloomy man who was out of work and contemplating suicide in the river found plenty of work when the vessel capsized. He plunged in and rescued nine before he was dragged out almost dead by other rescuers.

"A policeman made a motorman stop between stations, ran back along the tracks, plunged into the river and saved eight from drowning.

"There were numerous boy heroes. In two cases the little fellows themselves perished after helping women and children to safety.

"One boy, whose identity is still unrevealed, jumped from the dock into the river to help two women hanging to an object in the midstream. He was swimming to the dock with one of the women when the other flung her arms around his neck and all three were drowned.

"William Raphael, manager of a commission house, leaped into the river and was swimming to the dock with two women when a fat man, his face a livid green from fear, clutched the dress of one of the women. Raphael kicked him in the face, but in the struggle the fat man and one woman were drowned.

"All witnesses agree that in the crisis women were stronger and calmer. While the men fought madly for their lives, the women and girls, after the first panic, quickly recovered. They clung patiently to bits of wreckage and obeyed commands of rescuers. Those trapped in the hull waited calmly for death or rescue. The men, however, chiefly young foreigners, dragged women from places of safety and even after their own safety was assured stood stolidly without offering to assist."

The Postoffice Department has been authorized to employ automobiles on rural free delivery routes, and on the second of August about a hundred such vehicles will be put into commission. Postmaster General Burleson has just made the allotment of this service, and the geographical distribution of these national buzz wagons is interesting, to say the least. Forty-four of them will whiz over the prairie roads of the imperial state of Oklahoma; twenty-eight of them will toil through the sandy lanes of peerless Georgia; as a reward for electing a Democratic senator, California will get nineteen of these government benzine buggies; Mr. Burleson's own state of Texas will have eight; Louisiana will have one. The great state of Pennsylvania gets two—located, for a guess, in A. Mitchell Palmer's district. New York will have none, because Mr. Burleson and the administration in general does not like New York just now. But the significant thing is that a Southern Postmaster General proceeds to put about eighty per cent of these machines into three Southern states. This experiment with automobiles in rural free delivery was intended by Congress to be national in its scope. The Postmaster General intends to make it sectional. However, this is a sectional administration.

At a meeting of the Commercial Club held Monday evening a delegation from the Commercial Club of Eugene appeared and asked that Cottage Grove raise enough money to pay the expense of keeping E. M. Warren one month at the Exposition as the representative of Lane County, the Eugene people undertaking to raise money enough to keep him there the balance of the time until the Exposition closes. The amount asked of Cottage Grove is about \$130. The importance of having a representative there and the acknowledged fitness of Mr. Warren for the work were discussed, after which it was unanimously voted that J. F. Spray canvass the town to secure the money and several subscriptions of \$25.00 were volunteered on the spot. The visitors from Eugene were G. W. Griffin, Geo. Quale, Ray Goodrich and H. A. Atkinson.

President Wilson played the "watchful waiting" game in Mexico with indifferent success but he doesn't have to watch nor wait for the Kaiser to torpedo another vessel carrying American passengers.

DR. BOYD WARNS AGAINST DANGER.

Portland Telegram.—That this nation is trembling on the verge of the abyss of war and that it is the duty of every good citizen to refrain from stirring up bitterness against any of the contending nations of Europe, was the kernel of a sermon delivered last evening at the First Presbyterian church by the Rev. John H. Boyd.

A great responsibility, too, he declared, rests upon the press of the country, to be calm and dispassionate in its utterances. The great danger of "communal madness" was illustrated from history and from his own experience in the South, where a negro murdered was lynched by a mob of therefore peaceful, law-abiding citizens, who in the hour of madness clamored for the negro's life "even as the mob at Jerusalem howled for the blood of the noblest soul that ever walked this earth."

He denounced the New York paper, "The Fatherland," for continually attempting to arouse hatred in this country against England, and likewise dispatches emanating from English sources that 19,000,000 Austro-Hungarians in this country would begin a campaign of incendiarism if the shipment of munitions of war by America to the allies did not cease.

"All lies," declared the speaker, but some fact some morning might inflame with communal madness the hearts of 100,000,000 of our people.

"Let us guard ourselves and pray to the Most High God that if the fire is to burn, and war come, it may be only for humanity and for eternal righteousness."

Invite the World.

Washington and Oregon stand today on the eve of the greatest era of prosperity they have ever seen.

It may be two or three years before these changed conditions reach us but come they will just as sure as the rising of the sun.

When they do come these two states want to be ready to throw wide the door of industrial opportunity and invite the world here to develop our untold resources.

We must be ready to do more than merely invite, we must be ready to show the world that we are through the experimental stage and are ready to offer investors protection in the way of sane legislation, low taxes and freedom from unnecessary regulation of private business.

This program is worthy of the support of every commercial organization, laborer and business man, in the two states and we should all go about it just as systematically as we would the establishment of a new business, for a program like this will mean more business for all of us.—Ex.

DORNA.

Miss Esther Anderson of Cottage Grove was in Dorna on business Saturday.

Miss Jacobson of Eugene is visiting at the Jas. Goulet home.

Mollie Teeters left Saturday for Albany to remain indefinitely. Among Saturday visitors at Cottage Grove were C. D. Vauvalla, Andrew Land, Charles Plank, Mrs. Frank Wilson and Philip Mosby.

Bertha Kirk visited in Cottage Grove from Saturday until Sunday evening. Miss Corn Gillette of Seattle, who is on her way to the San Francisco exposition, spent from Thursday until Saturday visiting Miss Georgia Goulet.

Mrs. Chas. Teeters and daughters, Benetta and Nellie, went to Cottage Grove Saturday, returning home Sunday.

Leo Wilson of Wendling visited with home folks Sunday.

H. H. Petrie and wife of Cottage Grove visited Sunday at the J. C. Teeters home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson went to Creswell Wednesday.

R. D. Wilson of Springfield visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson, Saturday and Sunday.

Albert Hague and family of Oakland spent the past week visiting Mrs. Hague's brother, Ben McCollum, of this place.

Quite a number from here attended the minstrel show at Cottage Grove yesterday.

Ed Bennett of Rujada spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Bennett.

Ruth Jennings of Cottage Grove is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Jennings.

The Scott and Chrisman threshers started up Wednesday for the season's run.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Jennings of Fremont, Neb., arrived Tuesday for a visit with the former's brother, C. H. Jennings.

Mrs. Barnhart and daughter Thelma were Cottage Grove callers Tuesday.

Miss Ethel Wilson and Miss Maude Shields went to Cottage Grove Friday, returning Saturday.

Jas. Redford, wife and son Edwin were callers in Cottage Grove Sunday.

SILK CREEK.

July 26.—W. B. Bittinger is building a new barn.

Alice and Jack Gildersleeve went to Lynx Hollow Wednesday evening to attend a lawn party at the L. N. Dresser home.

Mrs. E. L. Lawrence of Crariere City, Ore., has been visiting recently at the home of her brother, Peter Deardorff.

Mrs. Mary Bunch has returned to her home in Oakland.

Mrs. S. E. Markley visited the first of the week at the home of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Medley.

Mrs. Tom Kennedy of Spokane and Mrs. E. Hale of Coast Fork were visitors at the L. L. Woolley home the first of the week.

The Willis and Seward Baling Co. were at work for Eugene Miller Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Line of Yoncalla and Miss Fanny Haney of Divide were here Sunday.

Elder R. W. Airey and E. M. Babcock went to Lynx Hollow Sunday.

Mrs. Hannah Deets of the Grove is visiting this week with Mrs. Lewis Woolley.

Grant Sweet of Lynx Hollow was in the neighborhood Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood of Eugene were guests at the Ferris home Sunday.

Mrs. John Ashby and daughter Ruby were callers at the L. B. Slagle home the first of the week.

A. L. Chitwood was quite ill with the grip the last of the week.

Mr. Wood, a divinity student from Eugene, will preach at the Methodist Church Sunday, Aug. 1, at 11 o'clock.

Sam Damewood from the Cedars was a guest at the Burcham home Sunday; also Mrs. N. J. Damewood.

Those who called on Mrs. Lou Wheeler Saturday evening were D. A. Estes and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Gildersleeve, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Gildersleeve and children, Mrs. Ada Wilson and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Chitwood, Miss Dora Chitwood and Miss Myrtle Walker.

O. C. Davis and Mrs. Frank Davis and two daughters and Ethel Rogers of Lorane called Saturday at the L. B. Slagle home on their way to Eugene with their auto.

Elder R. W. Airey left Monday for Ontario. He expects to work in Idaho the coming year.

Mrs. B. W. Airey and children, accompanied by Miss Elsie Tillman, expect to leave Tuesday for a drive to Coos County.

Wm. Cox and family left Monday for Eugene to visit a few days. Mr. Cox will go on from there to Ferdinand, Idaho.

DISSTON AND RUJADA.

July 26.—Miss Beatrice McGee returned to Rujada Monday after having spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks in Cottage Grove.

Veta Pitcher returned from Star Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Flo McGee returned to Rujada Tuesday morning from Cottage Grove.

Alvis Wicks of Star was in Rujada on business Wednesday.

Bill Smith of Disston left Wednesday for Eugene where he expects to remain for the summer.

Mrs. Roy Garoutte and Veta Holderman of Rujada called at the Ben Pitcher home Friday.

Mrs. J. S. Carr of Disston was a Cottage Grove visitor Friday and Saturday.

Loran Hunt and Raymond Gleason of Wildwood have been hauling hay to Alex Lundberg and Fred Whitcomb the past week.

Marie Jones of Cottage Grove came up Saturday to visit Veta Pitcher.

Thelma Hunt of Wildwood was in Disston and Rujada Saturday on business.

Mrs. Mary Taplin of Cottage Grove visited Sunday with Mrs. O. H. Taplin.

Mr. and Mrs. Hill of Creswell visited friends in this vicinity last week. They formerly owned a ranch in Delight Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Bates of Silk Creek are visiting at the home of W. A. Witcheer.

Austin Moody attended a party at the Dresser home in Lynx Hollow Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Marquiss and two sons are visiting Mrs. Marquiss' sister, Mrs. G. A. Harnden.

Mr. and Mrs. Nixon, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Nixon, Jr., and daughter Eleanor visited Sunday in Cottage Grove.

Helen Moody of Sumner is visiting relatives and friends here.

Nearly everybody has been taking a swim in the river since the weather has been so warm.

A chicken feed and party was held in Horn's Grove Wednesday. Instead of having a bon fire lanterns were hung about in the trees. About 100 were present. Mr. and Mrs. Sears and son, Ipha Widersheim and Mildred Pringle of Cottage Grove were out-of-town guests.

Delbert Bennett and Hezekiah Tucker of Wendling were visitors here Sunday.

MOUNT VIEW.

July 26.—Miss Carrie Heath, Miss Jessie Scott and Mrs. Jean Mosby returned Saturday from an extended visit in Portland and Hillsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cooley entertained Friday at an informal dinner given in honor of their fifteenth wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Helliwell called at C. W. Sears' one evening last week.

L. A. Chamberlain is harvesting his grain crop on the Stocks place this week.

Misses Bertha and Edna Sears are working at the Cottage Grove cannery.

Quite a large number of young people from Cottage Grove motored out to the old swimming hole at the Currin bridge Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Chrisman of Dorna visited their granddaughter, Mrs. Geo. Currin, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooley spent Sunday at the V. D. White home in the Grove.

SAGINAW.

July 27.—Mrs. Mary Taplin of Cottage Grove was a visitor at the Taplin home here on Sunday.

Mrs. Fred Witcheer and children arrived in Saginaw last Monday evening for a visit with friends and relatives.

Miss Lyndall Giber has been seriously ill but is improving slowly.

There was a hilarious old time down on the river at a chicken roast Wednesday evening. A hundred or more were there.

John Bates is in Saginaw making arrangements to move to Washington.

Mrs. Bates is poorly and it is hoped to benefit her health by this change of climate.

The cool river water draws its merry crowd of bathers and incontinent swimmers these warm evenings.

The League of Honor and Mercy will hold its meetings every alternate Sunday beginning the 25th at the home of the superintendent, Mrs. D. W. McKinney. There will be important business at the next meeting, Aug. 8.

Mr. Harnden has bought Mr. Neat's second crop of clover which was first-class in every respect and is hauling it in today. Mr. Johnston is stacking a fine crop of wheat grown on his hill land opposite the Scott home.

Mr. Moody will have about seventy-five pounds of first-class honey from his hives this season.

F. T. Benson and D. W. McKinney made a business trip to the Grove Friday.

LORANE.

July 26.—Ralph Lynch, having got his new barn finished, is now having a dandy little home built fronting on the new road cut off.

Mrs. A. A. Beld went to Eugene Tuesday to meet a sister-in-law, Miss Reid, who comes to make a vacation visit. Miss Reid is a Michigan school teacher.

Summer spraying for aphids is now in progress on the big orchard tracts. The Chapman family have purchased Mrs. L. Crow's house and will make it their home.

The Miller family, who live at the south end of the valley, had a visit from the stork last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant of Eugene are at their summer home here. They have a friend visiting them.

J. Nightingale regrets his vacation here is at an end. He has returned to his business in Detroit, Mich.

BLUE MOUNTAIN.

July 27.—Mrs. Palmer and son Joel visited at the Thompson home Friday and Saturday.

Rufus and Sarah Rawlings were shopping in the Grove Friday.

Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Traer and Mrs. Robbins visited at Perkins Sunday.

A number of the young people from here attended the camp meeting at the Grove Sunday evening.

Finley Whips visited in the Grove Sunday, where Mrs. Whips is staying, taking treatments.

Some relatives of Mrs. Kibbey from Nebraska are visiting there a few days this week.

DIVIDE.

July 26.—Miss Ruth Mackey spent a few days of last week with Mabel Shortridge near London.

Mrs. G. H. Soderstrom and sons of Cottage Grove visited last week at the A. Soderstrom home.

Lester Hutchinson transacted business in Cottage Grove last Wednesday.

Charlie Miller went to Eugene Thursday morning. He intends going to Portland.

T. O. Hutchinson, wife and granddaughter Thelma, Pete Tonoli and wife, D. Dugan and son, E. Turner, Hattie Turner, Ed Soderstrom, Orpha Stevens, N. Lewis and wife, W. Broad, wife and son, Mrs. G. P. Miller, Mrs. Woodley and children, Mrs. E. L. McReynolds and son Kenneth were visitors to Cottage Grove last week.

Miss Virgie Huston left Monday for her home in Myrtle Creek after a sev-

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eral weeks' visit with relatives here.

Miss Olga Soderstrom went to Eugene last week for an indefinite stay.

Mrs. W. E. Burkett went to Portland Friday evening, returning Saturday evening.

Mrs. Edna Hodrick came out from Cottage Grove Sunday morning to take charge of the cook house at the Lebanon Lumber Co. camp.

The dance at the Divide hall Saturday evening was a success. A large crowd was present.

WALDEN.

July 24.—Miss Gladys Schilling spent Wednesday and Thursday with home folks.

Miss Hazel Ashby is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Lloyd Smith.

Miss Ethel and Herman Rasch went to Walker Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Jasper Patten was a Grove visitor Friday.

Mrs. Preston is visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. C. Holliday.

J. C. Schilling expects to begin baling hay Monday.

Frank Brumbaugh went to London Sunday for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Arne spent Sunday evening at Linebaugh's.

Joe Burnett and Ed Turpin are hauling hay to the Grove for J. C. Schilling.

Mrs. Joe Wilson and children from Washington visited with Mrs. Wilson's sister, Mrs. Jas. Lebow, last week.

Special Program for Saturday at The Arcade.

Manager Blackford has secured a special picture for his patrons for Saturday afternoon and evening, entitled "The Post Volunteer." This is a powerful drama of love and war. It is five big reels of thrilling battle scenes and military life, interwoven with heart interest. For the matinee they will give each child a bar of sweet popcorn.

For tonight there is a special four part drama of the Orient, entitled "The Corsair." This has many superb settings and is a beautiful story of the oriental people.

On Monday comes the fourth episode of that wonderful serial, "The Exploits of Elaine." Those who have seen it know how interesting it is and it is getting better as it goes along. There is the Pathe news, showing principal happenings of the world and the fashions that are of especial interest to the women.

"The Price of Fame," the first of the series of "Who Pays?" will be here Friday, Aug. 13. This "Who Pays?" series deals with the twelve vital problems of life and consist of twelve 3-part dramas, one to be shown each week. There is a great moral attached to each of these stories and shows who pays for the follies of the American people. Each one is absolutely complete in itself, not being connected in any manner.

Arranging Conference.

The Eugene Commercial Club is arranging a conference of representatives of all the counties of the Willamette Valley to protest in vigorous tones against covering the lands of the O. & C. land grant into the forest reserve and to demand their disposition at fair prices to settlers and others who will develop them and bring a revenue into the treasuries of the counties interested. There are 2,300,000 acres in the grant, lying almost entirely within the Willamette Valley.

E. N. Cruson returned today from Tillamook, where he has been in business. He expects to do painting and papering here, sign painting being his specialty.

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