

NORMAL HELD IN FAVOR

BUSINESS TERM OF INSTITUTE PASSES RESOLUTIONS.

Continuation of Industrial Club Work Urged—Favor Consideration of Teachers' Pensions.

The eastern Oregon normal school, proposed for Pendleton, was endorsed at the business session of the Polk county teachers' institute Wednesday afternoon.

President J. H. Ackerman of the Oregon Normal school spoke to the teachers yesterday afternoon, and had his speech preceded the business meeting, some of the things he presented to the teachers as planks for their code of ethics would probably have been endorsed.

Superintendent Reynolds has received the following letter from Earl Kilpatrick of the University of Oregon: Mr. W. I. Reynolds, Dallas, Oregon.—Dear Mr. Reynolds:

I am sure that those of us at the University who know you personally and who know what you have done in the cause of education in the past thirty or forty years regret to see you leaving the county superintendency and wish you all success in whatever work you may undertake after the first of the year.

L. D. BROWN HOUSE COMPLETED Family Expects to Move Into It Next Week.

The new house of L. D. Brown, occupying a picturesque site north of town on the Salem road, has been completed by Friessen & Co., contractors, and the family expects to occupy it next week.

THE RIGHTS OF AMERICAN CITIZENS DO NOT STOP AT THE COAST LINE.

"When I say that I am an American citizen I ought to say the proudest thing that any man can say in this world. But you can't have that pride of American citizenship is a cheap thing, if it is not worthy of protection this wide world over.

ASSESSMENT ROLL DONE

PROPERTY VALUATION IS \$929,665 LESS THAN 1915.

Stocks Increase But Values Decrease. Loss of Land Values Is \$836,565.

The totals of the assessment rolls of Polk county for 1916 show a valuation loss of \$929,665 as compared with the 1915 rolls. The greatest loss is that on 37,399 acres of the O. and C. grant lands and a reduction of values on logged and burnt-off lands. This loss amounts to \$836,565.

As opposed to a loss in valuation of \$929,665 there is a gain, in three items, of \$11,705. There was a gain in the number of cattle and swine but a loss of \$9,365 in valuation, "due to bad condition at the time of assessment," says the assessor.

An item of lost valuation which will interest is that of the lessened appraisal of merchandise stocks. Polk merchants claimed they had reduced their stocks during the year, even sufficient to offset the higher level of prices, in the amount of \$19,970.

The valuation losses as listed were: land values, \$836,565; deed lands, \$3,720; deterioration of buildings, \$9,635; lessened merchandise stocks, \$19,970; loss on moneys, notes and accounts, \$11,910; loss on hotel and office furniture, \$3,240; horses, (number decreased by 269), \$36,000; cattle (number increased, 1,053), \$4,300; swine, (number increased, 346), \$5,335.

The valuation gains were: deed land (due to passing of title from improvements on land not deeded or patented in 1915 to deed lands in 1916), \$5,290; farming implements, \$5,489; sheep and goats (number loss, 7,656), \$1,020.

WILSON FLEXIBILITY.

We do not see why there should have been any stir in the senate over the discovery that President Wilson has completely reversed himself in the matter of the proposed child labor law. Senator Borah was able to show that Mr. Wilson described this legislation in his "Constitutional Government" as unconstitutional, an "obviously absurd extravagance," carrying the congressional power to regulate commerce beyond the "utmost boundaries of reasonable and honest inference" and making it possible, if sustained, for congress to legislate over "every particular of the industrial organization and action of the country."

ADEQUATE NATIONAL DEFENSE DEMANDED

We demand adequate national defense; adequate protection on both our western and eastern coasts. We demand thoroughness and efficiency in both arms of the service. It seems to be plain that our regular army is too small. We are too great a country to require of our citizens who are engaged in peaceful vocations the sort of military service to which they are now called.

WE SHOULD CONSIDER WHAT IS RIGHT, THEN DO IT.

"Our government is based on the idea that we have legislatures to investigate, to consider what is right and to do what is right. It is based on the idea that public opinion is formed from discussion of questions, and that we can come possibly to right solutions. It is not based on the idea that the Government must act without knowing the justice and merits of the cause in which it acts."

THE WORLD'S ALL RIGHT.

The world's all right; serene I sit, And cease to puzzle over it. There's much that's mighty strong, no doubt, But nature knows what she's about; And in a million years or so We'll know more than today we know Old evolution's under way—

Be glad! and do not blindly grope

For truth that lies beyond our scope. A sober plot informeth all Of life's uproarious carnival. Your day is such a little one, A goat that lives from sun to sun; Yet goat and you have parts to play—

NORMAL REGENTS FAVOR MEASURE

BOARD MEMBERS ASSERT ONE SCHOOL AT MONMOUTH CAN NOT SUPPLY NEEDS OF ENTIRE STATE.

Salem, Ore., Sep. 22.—The Board of Regents of the Oregon Normal School filed its final draft of a survey made of the Normal School condition to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction on Thursday. That the State of Oregon is in need of an additional Normal School as is provided by the initiative measure creating such a school at Pendleton is recognized by the Board of Regents in their final report made after an exhaustive survey of the condition of the one present school at Monmouth.

IN PREPAREDNESS THE ADMINISTRATION HAS FOLLOWED, NOT LED.

In the demand for reasonable preparedness the administration has followed, not led. Those who demanded more adequate forces were first described as "nervous and excited." Only about a year and a half ago we were told that the question of preparedness was not a pressing one; that the country had been misinformed. Later, under the pressure of other leadership, this attitude was changed.

Just set your best your little part. And be as happy as you can, And serve your kind, and die—a man. Just live the good that in you lies, And seek no guardian of the skies; And make your heaven here, today—

Remember, in creation's swing The race and not the man's the thing. There's battle, murder, sudden death, And pestilence with poisoned breath. Yet quick forgotten are such woes; On, one the time of being flows. Truth, beauty, love uphold their sway What ho! the world's all right, I say.

The world's all right; serene I sit, And joy I am a part of it; And put my trust in nature's plan, And try to aid her all I can, Content to pass, if in my place I've served the uplift of the race. Truth! Beauty! Love! O radiant day What ho! the world's all right, I say.

Could things be other than they are? All's in its place, from mote to star. The thistledown that fits and flies Could drift no hair's breadth otherwise. What is, must be; with rhythmic laws All nature enimes, effect and cause. The sand-grain and the sun obey—

Just try to get the cosmic touch: The sense that "you" don't matter much. A million stars are in the sky; A million planets plunge and die; A million million men are sped; A million million wait ahead. Each plays his part and has his day—

Just try to get the chemie view: A million million lives made "you." In lives a million you will be Immortal down eternity; Immortal on this earth to range, With never death, but always change. You always were, and will be; aye—

And though it's written from the start, Be glad! and do not blindly grope For truth that lies beyond our scope. A sober plot informeth all Of life's uproarious carnival. Your day is such a little one, A goat that lives from sun to sun; Yet goat and you have parts to play—

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