

Agricultural College State University and Ore. Normal School

Classes are so overcrowded, rooms so overloaded, and teachers so few, that the three institutions will have to close the door on at least 1000 Oregon boys and girls, and perhaps upon twice that number next fall, unless the new millage support bill pass on May 21.

These three institutions have, when compared with the year when the present millage support bill was passed,

150 per cent More Students
but only

15 per cent More Classrooms
and less than

4 per cent More Income

The fact that higher education in Oregon is in a crisis cannot be said too strongly. You are urged to work for the Higher Educational relief measure, and to help it with your vote on May 21.

Paid advertisement inserted by Colin Dymond in behalf of the Joint Alumni Relief Committee for Higher Education in Oregon, 514 Pittcock Block, Portland.

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Our Bargain Column

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It's In The Air

Inspired by the poetic Muse, the pupils of the seventh grade class in English, have during a class period, composed a few poems about Spring. We submit the following, begging our readers to be charitable in their judgment as to the merits of the rime, sense or rhythm as expressed in these poems.

APRIL.
Spring is with us once again,
With golden suns and silver rain,
With fresh perfume in the air,
That dwells with all things fair.

And there's a look about the flowers,
As if they liked the April showers.
The violets stir; the pansy listens;
The dandelion through the meadows
glistens.

The breeze is whispering in our ear,
That summertime will soon be here.
Spring joy has come we know not
how,
But everything is happy now.

Ethel C.
SIGNS OF SPRINGTIME.
Robin Redbreast is here,
Do you know his glad cry
And the lark's song clear
As he soars in the sky?
What though nights be chilly
And there's a sprinkle of rain,
In the fields wet and hilly,
You may see sprouted grain.

Silas.
EARLY SPRINGTIME.
The birds twitter,
The dewdrops glitter
In the sunshine
This radiant spring.
The generous showers
Bring many flowers,
While busy bees
In the morning hours
Are ever on the wing.
Oh, merrily over rock and rill
The brook is rushing
To the old saw-mill
Where slowly turning
Its waters churning
The old wheel is never still.

Chester.
SPRING IS HERE.
The bluebird sings in apple trees,
Just bursting into bloom,
And he heralds the glad tidings,
That Spring is coming soon.
Spring beauties peep in the pasture,
Fair lilies bloom in the glen,
Telling the glad, glad story,
That springtime is here again.

Earl S.
SPRING
The daffodils are blooming,
The crocus nods its head,
A sweet perfume is rising
From out the violet bed.
The raindrops softly patter,
The sun shines out again,
Just like the joy and gladness
That follow grief and pain.
The fields are green and tender
The birds are on the wing,
Each sight and sound and odor,
Is saying, "This is Spring."

Bessie.
SPRING
When warm sunbeams pierce the
rain
And the birds sing once again,
When flowers shed their fragrance
all the day,
Then the breezes seem to say,
"It is Spring".
When little birds sing everywhere
And music fills the balmy air,
How their voices seem to tell,
You and me that all is well,
For 'tis Spring.

Katrina.
FISHING TIME.
Here's a boy who's been a fishing,
But soon he'll be a wishing
That to school he won't be late,
For if he is, 'twill seal his fate
With the schoolmaster, but Oh,
The joys of fishing.

Then when school is out,
(The rascal knows his dad has the
gout.)
Again he stealthily gets hook and
line,
And goes to the brook where fishing
is fine,
Forgets his cares and has a good
time
With all the joys of fishing.
And idly sitting upon a green bank,
He suddenly gives a tremendous
yank,
And draws to the surface a sucker,
'tis sad.
He curses his luck and is exceed-
ingly mad,

When lo and behold he sees his dad:
Oh the sorrows of fishing.
Hugh.

Local Brevities

Emil Braxling of near Lewiston, Idaho, who is visiting with a brother in Independence, was in Monmouth giving the town the once over Saturday. He thinks well of the Willamette valley.

Owing to the presence of the Jersey Breeder's Association in Monmouth on May 5, the regular meeting of the Social Hour Club will be deferred until a later date. Mrs. Gilmore, Mrs. Craven and Mrs. Maurice Butler will entertain the club May 12, at Mrs. Butler's home.

Miss Rosa Smith, teacher in the Vernon school of Portland, spent the week end with her parents here.

John Tate of Dallas was a week end visitor at C. C. Lee's.

Mark Scrafford of Simpson station and J. Hiltbrand and wife of Suver were visitors in town Wednesday.

Mrs. I. G. Singleton of Portland visited with her mother, Mrs. Dewitt, this week.

Earl Crosby of Portland, a former Christian College student, was here this past week renewing old acquaintanceships.

Mrs. W. W. Newman was a visitor in Portland and Newberg this past week.

J. P. Ross, a farmer of Nebraska is visiting with his friend, M. Bosley. He thinks well of this section and may move here.

Earl Babb had a bone in his wrist broken Wednesday afternoon in the course of a ball game at school. He was catching and tried to reach ahead of the batter and catch the ball before it crossed the plate but was hit by the bat.

G. W. Chesebro was a business visitor in Dallas Tuesday.

J. L. Murdock who sold his house to J. E. Larson this week plans to remain in our city. He will occupy his bungalow, now rented to the Misses Dunham and Schuette, as soon as school is out.

This has been children's week in the Sunday Schools of Oregon and Monmouth Sunday Schools are to celebrate on Saturday evening with a joint program in the Christian church. Everyone is urged to be present, and mothers with babies will be given special attention.

The Ladies Aid gave Mrs. Cornwell a farewell reception Thursday on her departure for their new home at Sherwood. The Aid regrets her loss but send best wishes with her and family.

J. McDonald and family were Salem visitors Saturday.

Denzel Moore is to clerk in the grocery department of the Miller store.

Harold Haley of Portland was a week end visitor with his parents in this city.

Mrs. A. Crabtree of Albany visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Hanson went to Portland Sunday to take up residence there.

W. R. Carroll of Buena Vista, aged 76 and Buelah Harelson, aged 36 were licensed to wed this week.

Bigger Wood Saw

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To Whom it May Concern

The real estate combination of Boothby & Chesebro has been dissolved. I am continuing in the business at an office in the Garage building where I will be glad to meet patrons who wish to buy or have real estate for sale. Thanking one and all for past courtesies, and trusting for a continuance of the same, I am,
G. T. Boothby.

Some Grocery Values of interest

Frequent visits to our grocery department will help to ease the H. C. of L.

Standard can Corn	18c	Arm & Hammer Soda	7c
Sardines in Olive Oil	11c	Pumice soap glycerite & pumice	5c
I & L Chili con Carne	9c	Pearl Oil, gal.	17c
Hazlewood milk	15c	Head Rice, lb.	18c
Libby's Milk	14c	Jap style rice, lb.	16c
Royal Baking Powder 8 oz.	25c	Small white beans, 3 lbs.	25c
Necko Tuna Fish	25c	Bayo Beans 3 lbs.	25c
Pimientos Del Monte	15c	Water Glasses, set	40c
Preferred Stock Soups	13c	Sunny Monday Soap 4 for	25c
Large Durkee's Salad Dr.	69c	Bob White Soap 4 for	25c
Knight's Chow, 6 oz.	15c	Cream Rolled Oats, lb.	9c
Dalles Diamond Flour	\$3.45	Stock Salt, 100 lbs.	\$1.10

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Monmouth Heights

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Roth and son Joe of Independence were Thursday and Friday guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Swearingen and family.

Miss Ina Fishback is trimming hops for Walker Brothers near Independence.

George Swearingen and daughter Jennie visited relatives at Independence one day last week.

P. L. Fishback visited his cousins Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sharke and family of Salem last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Johnson of Elkins were callers at the Fishback home on Friday afternoon.

A. J. Shipley has purchased a new disc harrow and a corrugated roller.

George Bennett of near Independence was on the Heights on business Friday.

Irvin Baun of Independence was seen in our midst Sunday.

V. A. Fishback was in Dallas Sunday.

Joe and Merle Swearingen are working in a logging camp near Pe-dee.

Herman Wunder was a trader in Monmouth Saturday.

Walter Heck was in Monmouth Monday afternoon.

J. P. Walker and Clare Egleston were working on our roads Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bookey and family of Nortons were over Sunday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Milt Bosley.

How Far Is Albany?

Not so far that the Statements of its Residents Cannot be Verified

Rather an interesting case has been developed in Albany. Being so near by, it is well worth publishing here. The statement is sincere—the proof convincing:

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