

ACKERMAN IS FOR PENDLETON MEASURE

HEAD OF MONMOUTH NORMAL
SAYS ONE SCHOOL CANNOT
SUPPLY DEMAND FOR TEACHERS.

Monmouth, Ore.—“A careful analysis of the situation will convince any one that Oregon needs a Normal School in Eastern Oregon and also one in Southern Oregon,” said J. H. Ackerman, President of the State Normal School at Monmouth. “It is a well-established fact that a centrally located Normal School cannot supply the needs of the entire state. The need of a Normal School in Eastern Oregon is readily proved by the most cursory investigation of the list of our students and the list of our graduate teachers. The estimated population of our state in 1914 was 795,587. Take for example the eight Western Oregon counties, Clatsop, Clackamas, Benton, Lane, Linn, Marion, Polk and Yamhill Counties. Their population for 1914 was 214,608, or less than 27 per cent of the total population of the state, yet 50 per cent of the graduates from our Normal School for the past five years are teaching school in some one of these eight Western Oregon counties. There are 35 counties in the state, yet eight of these counties are getting half of the benefit of the teachers for which all of the counties pay the taxes.

Here is the list. During the past five years we have supplied the following graduates as teachers to these counties:

Clatsop, 18; Clackamas, 20; Benton, 25; Lane, 36; Linn, 28; Marion, 28; Polk, 25; and Yamhill, 20. In other words, 203 of our 407 teachers who have secured places in the public schools in Oregon during the past five years, have gone to these eight Willamette Valley counties.

Now take eight typical Eastern Oregon counties and see if they have secured their proper share of teachers with Normal training. During the past five years we have supplied Normal graduates as follows to these Eastern Oregon counties:

Baker, 9; Grant, 1; Harney, 4; Malheur, 2; Morrow, 4; Umatilla, 10; Wallowa, 7; and Wheeler, 2.

The eight Willamette Valley counties had 203 Normal teachers as against 39 Normal teachers for the eight Eastern Oregon counties. Eastern Oregon received less than 10 per cent as against Western Oregon's fifty per cent.

It All Depends.

“If Hughes wins an Oregon town will get a new shingle mill employing fifty men,” says the Olympia Recorder, “according to an announcement of the individual who took an option on timbered land. If Wilson wins the option will be allowed to lapse. That's the way with a thousand and one enterprises, all waiting to see which way the wind blows. The moment it is assured that Charles E. Hughes is elected, just watch the wheels of industry spin and listen to the hum of business.”

On the Contrary.

“Doesn't it require a great deal of courage for a person to go up in an aeroplane?”

“Not a bit. It's the coming down that really tests a man's nerve.”—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Expensive.

“Is golf an expensive game?”
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THERE SHOULD BE NO ACTION UNDER PRESSURE, UNDER DICTATION.

“We have one priceless treasure in this country, and that is the reign of good judgment after public discussion. In the long history of the people, victory after victory has been won over tyranny and force. We have a free press, we have a free form of public discussion, to the end that there may be a general understanding of our activities and a general appreciation of what is necessary to the improvement of our conditions. We may disagree about this measure or that, but we have confidence in the public judgment in the long run. Hence there is one thing which we must always maintain, and that is that there shall be no action on the part of our elected representatives, taken under pressure, under dictation. We must know what the facts are and what justice requires.”—Mr. Hughes in His Speech at Portland, Maine.

PUBLIC OFFICER SHOULD STAND LIKE A ROCK.

“Government under pressure is not American government. Whenever pressure is applied to any public officer he ought to stand like a rock and say: ‘Here I stand until we substitute reason for force. It is not an American doctrine to legislate first and investigate afterward.’” — Mr. Hughes in His Speech at Portland, Maine.

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