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In the minds of the young, as they are molded by learning, experience and the example of their elders, rest the fate and the welfare of the nation and the world.

One of the most important requirements which will face the rising generation, as they come into power, will be their ability to meet a problem before which the entire history of Man has generally failed to miserably degree. That problem is the simple one of getting along with international neighbors.

History, from the time Cain laid his broadaxe upon the skull of his brother Abel, has been a repetitious process of squabbles, disputes and wars. Tribes contested tribes. Cities challenged cities. Nations fought with nations. Now the area of dispute and disagreement has spread until two segments of the world are maneuvering resources against each other in apparent preparation to engulf every corner in a conflagration which will have awesome physical and spiritual effect upon all the peoples of the globe.

In the United States alone, the cost for military preparedness is soaring higher and higher as time goes on. Talent and energy is directed to the engendering of ill-will and fear. And the profession of turmoil and confusion has grown to the status of an exclusive career.

The world might note and pointedly remember the lessons that past wars have taught. We might tally up the cost in terms of wasted lives and resources that the full list of wars has meant. And to the claim that wars have spurred scientific research and industrial achievement, let the small voice of reality remind us of the full balance sheet.

The United States has inherited the mantle of world leadership. It is claimed. Vigorous America, the land of the free, the outstanding example of Democracy, gathers unto itself the responsibilities of directing international affairs. What are we doing about it?

In spite of our ideals, in spite of our professed belief in peace and prosperity, in spite of every hope in the hearts of American men and women, we, through our statesmen, are galloping along the same historical paths to war.

Diplomacy of power alliance through fear, military appropriations upon military appropriations and more terrifying weapons from scientific research. There is the pattern. That is the invitation to pending war.

But where is the patience, the understanding, the genius of American wit and intelligence that would lead the Old World into greener pastures of prosperity and brotherhood?

For the tomorrow which is so close, there should be some preparation for a better world-relation. Enlightenment is a powerful weapon.

Let us educate for Peace!

Readers Say

Boost In Census Heightens Strain On County Dists.

DEAR EDITOR:

So many families are moving into the county and the birth rate is increasing so substantially that the county school districts are being pressed to supply funds for capital outlay to provide adequate facilities. This tremendous increase in school population is common to all counties and all school districts in Oregon.

County Superintendent of Schools for Multnomah County, Mr. Roy E. Cannon states, "Unless some additional financial support is received from the State or some source other than property tax, some of the schools will not be able to meet state standardization requirements. Under the present law no district may incur a bonded indebtedness in excess of 10 per cent of the district's assessed valuation."

The teacher's situation continues to be critical. Mr. Cannon also points out that "The shortage of teachers can be attributed largely to the payment of lower salaries than those paid by business firms, insurance companies and professional groups. At present there is but little incentive for young people to enter the teaching profession and the future of our children is placed in jeopardy."

The rural school district board which was formed through legislation of two years ago, is functioning in a commendable manner.

The component districts under rural district board may impose a levy which is a blanket on all the district with the exception of a few cases where the individual districts need additional money for capital outlay, teachers salaries or some other expense not allowed by the rural school district board.

The vested authority of the rural school board to strike out amounts in the individual school district budget or add amounts, does not deprive an individual district of voting additional salaries for teachers, a kindergarten or anything else that the district is willing to provide by special levy other than a rural school district board levy.

This article was prepared in compliance with a suggestion by the Oregon Education Association to acquaint the people of this county with a situation that is prevalent in all county schools in the state.

JAMES H. FARMER
Vice Pres. of McKay PTA

Efforts During Strike Pleases Regular Readers

Beaverton Enterprise

Dear Folks,

Please let me thank you for the grand effort you made to give us as much of the news as was possible under the circumstances of the recent strike.

Your radio news and programs were especially appreciated by us.

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Best wishes from
Agnes and Fred Hart
909 S. E. Lombard
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Easter Seals to Aid Cripples on Sale This Week

Thursday, March 17 marks the opening of the annual Easter Seal sale of the Oregon Society for Crippled Children and Adults. Frank Miller of Forest Grove, Washington county chairman for the sale, reported that approximately 400,000 letters bearing Easter seals will be mailed to residents of the state this week.

In urging support of the society's Easter Seal sale, Miller reported that there are 4,636 cases of crippled children registered with the crippled children's division of the University of Oregon medical school, including an estimated 125 from Washington county.

Miller pointed out, however, that this number includes only those registered and covers only 22 types of handicaps while there actually are 250 kinds of handicaps.

It is estimated, Miller said, that there are 10,000 physically handicapped children in the state, only one-third of whom receive complete or partial care.

Funds derived from Easter Seals are used to assist those children and adults who cannot receive help from any other agency, public or private.

Hoosier Families Settled Here in 1850 Immigration

STOTT FAMILY LOCATED IN FUTURE BEAVERTON AFTER OREGON TERRITORY CAUGHT IMAGINATION

By Hervey S. Robinson

(Continued from last week)

When General Joseph Lane of Indiana, was appointed the first Governor of the Oregon Territory in 1848, it directed the attention of many Indiana people to the opportunities for settlers in the new territory. The immigration of 1849 brought the Denneys—Thomas H., Aaron and Robert, the Hicklins—Felix, John and James; The next three years saw the arrival of the Stotts—Samuel, James M. and Thomas A.—all from the same neighborhood in Southern Indiana and all related to each other. These Indians settled about the location of the future town of Beaverton and became the ancestors of a large proportion of Beaverton's old timers.

The esteem in which these settlers were held by their neighbors is shown in a letter from Joel Palmer, Superintendent of Indian Affairs in Oregon, to Gen. Joseph Lane, who was then territorial delegate to Congress. In December, 1853, Palmer wrote, "If it be determined that no other appointments shall be made from the citizens of the Territory, try and send us a few more Hoosiers, as that appears to be reliable stock."

Outstanding among these Hoosier immigrants was the family of Samuel Stott and his wife, Lucy Denney. The Samuel Stott family crossed the plains in 1851 and Mr. Stott took for his donation claim the land where the town of Beaverton now stands. He remained here for ten years.



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Traffic Deaths Beckon Children

More than one-third of all pedestrian casualties in Oregon traffic last year were children of school age or below, according to Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry, indicating a need for increased driver vigilance for children at play.

"Milder weather and lengthening days will keep more and more children out-of-doors after school from now on, with a consequent increase in danger," Newberry pointed out. He said drivers must be especially careful in residential areas, and that parents should be sure their children know where to play and where to walk.

He reports 21 children killed and 569 injured on foot last year, an increase of 10 percent over 1947. A majority of the mishaps occurred on city streets although rural highways with 151 of the casualties were not lacking in danger.

Going to and from school is not the most dangerous thing children do, according to accident records. Mishaps involving children increase after school is out, indicating that playing or running into the street is the number one hazard. In residential areas, drivers must be as alert in mid-block as at the corner, the secretary warned.

Recent checks in all sections of the state reveal an alarming number of cars with defective brakes, Newberry declared. He urged drivers to check brakes and have them brought up to par for spring and summer driving, reminding that seeing a child in time is no help if you can't stop in time.

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