



This classroom, typical of those in many new rural schools, is flooded with glareless daylight—even in remote corners. Walls and furniture are in gay pastel colors, desks are light natural wood tones, and even chalkboards are eye-comforting green instead of somber black.

RURAL SCHOOLS

All-Purpose Rooms in New Rural Schools Win Community Favor

(This is the second of two articles on the rural school plant which is undergoing radical changes in many sections of the country. The first article appeared last week.)

In the Grand Junction, Colorado, school discussed in last week's article primary grades have their own toilet rooms and outside exits to play areas; the lunchroom and kitchen are linked to the large general-purpose room to provide better service for special parties and after-school functions; oversized classrooms are flooded with glareless daylight, gay and cheerful in colors which reflect light, not absorb it.

Although more complex, the two-story Moffat county high school at Craig resembles the other smaller "new look" schools in the area. But it's the chance to get college-accredited high school courses that really excites the students.

Previously these courses were offered in a number of small unaccredited schools sprinkled over the county where distances are great and population a little better than 5,000 sparse. Now school buses serve a 35-mile perimeter, other students living further out must be driven to school or board in town.

Fully equipped with up-to-date laboratories, home economics rooms, shops, library, gymnasium and auditorium with a full-fledged stage, this new high school is not only the pride of rural Moffat county but the envy of a number of city schoolmen who have gone to Craig to see it.

Multi-Purpose Rooms

Equally important, however, is the new community spirit that has sprung up as the result of these modern county schools.

Architects, mindful of the community use of the rural school, are equipping these new buildings with multi-purpose rooms—versatile units that can play more roles than a quick-change artist.

As a result, these schools, serving children by day and adults by night, are the busiest spots in the community.

The multi-purpose room, a comparatively new idea in school design, may serve as assembly hall in the morning, a lunchroom at noon, a basketball court in the afternoon and anything from a club room or banquet hall to dance pavilion or little theater after dark.

Storage space under a stage holds folding spectator chairs; sometimes even the stage folds out of the way. So do sports bleachers, telescoping wonders that move in or out of unobtrusive sidewall platforms.

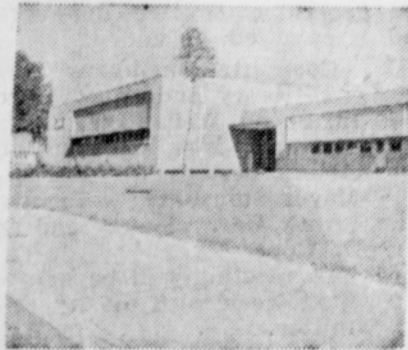
In many of these rooms, fully-equipped kitchens are concealed behind folding partitions; lunch tables and benches swing up flat against walls; and basketball backboards jackknife out of sight when the room converts from sports to social functions.

At Grand Junction, for instance, the usual school stage facilities have whetted interest in dramatics. A little theater group presents regular "Broadway" production—when the multi-purpose room isn't being used by parent-teacher groups, boy scouts, girl scouts, and other clubs and organizations.

Sport Area Provided

At Craig, the new Moffat county high school auditorium and gymnasium is pretty solidly booked. The auditorium with its fully-equipped stage offers the only community-owned place where an "artist" series—principally concert—may be conducted.

The sports equipment of these multi-purpose rooms also prove invaluable in Colorado for intramural basketball competition on the elementary school level as well as for other teams. This one feature alone plays an important part in promoting neighborliness between communities previously comparative strangers.



Here's the school that became a model for 15 new ones in rural Colorado. It's the Orchard Avenue school in Grand Junction, Mesa county, and was designed to include the best features of a famous experimental school in Austin, Texas.

The Washington Merry-Go-Round

DREW PEARSON

Wilson Dominates Cabinet

THE MAN WHO really dominates cabinet meetings these days is not the President but Defense Mobilizer Charles E. Wilson, Truman is so fond of Wilson personally, so determined to give him complete power, that the big square-jawed ex-head of General Electric carries far more weight than any member of the cabinet.

In fact, some cabinet meetings have featured none-too-friendly arguments in which Wilson always gets what he wants.

For example, Wilson will announce to the cabinet: "We need more timber for defense construction. The lumber people tell me we can get it from the national forests."

The national forests are under Secretary of the Interior Chapman, while the timber in them is under the forest service and Secretary of Agriculture Brannan. And if the latter argue about the need of saving timber for future generations and suggest using only half the proposed amount, Wilson's brusque reply is: "We need all of it."

Usually the president calls in the opposing cabinet member and says: "I think you'd better go along with Charlie. I had an awfully hard time getting him to take the job, and I don't want him to leave because he doesn't get cooperation."

Chie, inner-cabinet gripe against Wilson is that he listens chiefly to his advisers from industry and not to his colleagues in government. Generally speaking, Wilson is doing a good job, is especially trying to help place orders with little business—despite the fact that he comes from one of the biggest companies in the world.

NOTE—Wilson's chief need is a few men around him who can do more long-range planning.

People-to-People

In the summer of 1947, this writer had an interesting talk with Gen. George Marshall, then secretary of state, about the importance of penetrating the iron curtain in order to refute the Moscow radio and convince the Russian people of the basic friendliness of the American people.

Secretary Marshall seemed convinced at that time that much was to be gained from drawing a distinction between the Russian people and their government, and making it clear that the American people had no quarrel with the Russian people.

In a nation which has no free press, no churches, no parliament to exercise a check rein on the Kremlin, the only way to prevent a precipitous declaration of war is contact with the people of Russia.

This fact is, of course, the chief reason for the iron curtain. The Kremlin's greatest fear is that the Russian people will get too friendly with the outside world.

Secretary Marshall, at that time, favored making a speech in the assembly of the United Nations urging Moscow to remove the iron curtain and permit free intercourse between the people of Russia and the outside world. It was suggested that after such a speech was made, translations in the Russian language could be dropped behind the iron curtain—by weather balloons if necessary. The speech wasn't made.

Senator Wherry's Toast

Before French Premier Rene Plevin returned to Paris, he attended a stag dinner at the French embassy where he sat directly across the table from Sen. Ken Wherry of Nebraska, the arch foe of European aid.

Throughout the meal, the French premier and the Nebraskan isolationist chatted pleasantly about past experiences. Plevin told about visiting Nebraska as a youth, and spoke glowingly of Nebraska's beef cattle.

Wherry responded with a story on himself. He recalled that, as state GOP chairman, he had made a political barnstorming trip across the state. As he moved from town to town in southwest Nebraska, he came upon a small community that had received no advance word and wasn't expecting him. Nevertheless, he rounded up the local Republican leaders and arranged a pep rally that night. As he went into his spiel about the Nebraska GOP ticket, however, he got a cold reception. There was an exchange of whispers with the local leader, and the red-faced Wherry discovered he had wandered across the border and mistakenly arranged a rally in Colorado.

The French premier laughed heartily, and soon the two were talking back and forth as if Wherry were an ardent supporter of aid to Europe. When it came time for the traditional toasts, all drank to success of Franco-American relations and the French aid program.

Finally it came Wherry's turn to lift his glass and turning to Plevin, he declared:

"Mr. Premier, I may ask a lot of questions. But I want you to understand that I am in favor of helping the French."



TWINS GREET TWINS . . . Seven sets of twins, resident students of the "child city" at Mooseheart, Ill., turn out to greet twin calves born to the city's champion holstein herd. Left to right are: Darwyn Gray, 16, Hinton, W. Va.; Rose and Elizabeth Rodriguez, 12, Chicago; Henrietta and Harriet Rundell, 17, Norwich, N.Y.; holding Josephine and Anne Sustik, 15, Chicago; with Gilbert and William Maddux, 7, Indianapolis, in foreground; Donald and Donna Barnette, 8, Welch, W. Va., in front of Karl and Otto Neubauer, 14, Beloit, Wisc.; and Delwyn Gray. Herd supplies the kids each with a quart of milk daily.



ATTACK BY COMMUNIST SNIPERS . . . As tanks of a heavy tank battalion advance cautiously on the road to Inchon, Korea, through a rice paddy, they are suddenly attacked by Communist snipers from all sides. The troops take cover along roadside as the tanks execute a turnabout to attempt to locate the snipers hidden at vantage points around the U.N. soldiers. This is the kind of fighting in which the North Koreans and Chinese Communists excel, but American soldiers are becoming well indoctrinated with methods of defense against this kind of warfare. Tanks can blast the snipers once they locate them.



COMMUNICATIONS FOR U.N. FORCES . . . Here is a man with a load on his back as well as his mind. He is Fusilier Edward Hoskins, radio man with the Royal Northumberland Fusiliers, now fighting with U.N. forces against the Communists in Korea. With headphones and mike in place and with the antenna protruding from his chest-worn radio, he advances with his patrol up a ridge during the drive north by U.N. forces. Weymouth, Dorset, England, is his home.



PROTEST MEAT CUT . . . This delegation of women pickets in London, England, came from Teddington to the House of Commons by bus to let British members of Parliament know how they feel about the new cut in Britain's meat ration. Adorning the front of the bus are (left) a plump, happy housewife, holding a joint of beef in her lap, a la good old days. A skeleton (right) with a microscopic chop illustrates the housewife of today in England.

CONSTIPATION GONE—FEELS LIKE OLD SELF

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Don't Talk About Troubles; Correct Them Says Mother

When many folks get to feeling badly they just don't know what to do. They fret and stew around, tell their neighbors, their friends and their family how badly they feel—and they usually do feel miserable. But they don't help matters any by telling other folks how badly they feel all the time, because use most folks don't want to be around them when they act that way. Now, for example, take Mrs. Zina Lee Bowman, Route 6, Clees Ferry Road, Nashville, Tennessee. When she got to feeling badly, she began taking HADACOL and found that by taking HADACOL she gave her system Vitamins B1, B2, Nicotin and Iron in which she was deficient.

Here is Mrs. Bowman's own statement: "I was so weak I could hardly do my housework. I am 30 years old. I am the mother of 9 children. I was so nervous I hardly wanted the children to speak. I had to rest after I got breakfast and before I cleaned my house. I have taken almost 4 bottles of HADACOL, and I feel fine. The children can make all the noise they wish, and it doesn't bother me. In fact, I join them in their ball games and other games. We are a happy family, thanks to HADACOL."

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BACK TO BOOKS . . . Still wearing the uniform of a paratrooper, Ronald Wall, 15, Albany, N.Y., straps up textbooks as he leaves for eighth grade classes. He changed his birth certificate to enlist.