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## READING CIRCLE NOW OPEN TO ALL

U. S. Bureau of Education to  
Cooperate with State Bureau  
and University of Oregon

Washington—(special) — Citizens of Oregon who have enrolled in the national reading circle of the bureau of education, or those who contemplate the reading of one or more of the sixteen courses issued by the home education division of the bureau will be interested to know that a plan of co-operation has been perfected and adopted by the bureau of education, the Oregon state department of education, and the Oregon state university in connection with the home reading course.

The extension division of the Oregon state university has now entered into co-operation with the bureau of education, and with the approval of the state superintendent of education the work in Oregon will be carried on by John C. Almack, assistant director of the extension division at the university, Eugene, Oregon.

In the future, certificates awarded to readers completing any of the courses of the home education division will be signed by the U. S. commissioner of education, the State superintendent of public instruction, and representative of the extension department.

Readers living in Oregon are requested to send all papers and letters to John C. Almack, assistant director, extension division, University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon, who will keep the bureau of education informed of the progress of the various readers.

Members of the national reading circle of the bureau of education include men and women of all professions, boys and girls, and ambitious workers who agree that "Books are tools, and we should use them to do the world's work in a better way." The first national program of the home education to be adopted in the United States was formulated by the present commissioner of education in 1913, and today the national reading circle includes members in every state in the Union, Hawaii, Alaska, Canal Zone, Porto Rico, Philippine Islands, India, China, and other countries in which Americans have installed temporarily their lares and penates.

The national reading circle was formed to answer the needs of old and young who had long desired some guide in their reading, and who needed some inspiration to continue a course after having commenced it. Such inspiration is provided in the awarding of a certificate signed by the commissioner of education, which is given to each person who offers satisfactory evidences of having read the required books in any course. The courses already issued by the bureau include courses in literature, history and biography, home-making, and child care, and such vocational courses as machine shop work, shipbuilding, iron and steel, navigation. Co-operating committees of specialists in literature and history as well as individual specialists were appointed to assist the bureau of education in the preparation of home reading course. Four vocational reading courses were prepared with the co-operation of the publishing board of the American library association, assisted by specialists in vocational subjects.

The home reading courses published by the bureau of education all of which are available upon request, include:

1. The World's Great Literary Bibles.
2. Great Literature — Ancient, Medieval, and Modern.
3. Reading Courses for Parents.
4. Miscellaneous Courses for Boys.
5. Miscellaneous Courses for Girls.
6. Thirty Books of Great Fiction.
7. Thirty World Heroes.
8. American Literature.
9. Thirty American Heroes.
10. American History.
11. France and Her History.

## ADAMS TO BE STANFIELD'S SECRETARY

When United States Senator-elect Stanfield leaves for Washington within the next fortnight he will be accompanied by E. J. Adams, of Eugene, who has accepted the appointment, as secretary to Oregon's new member of the upper house. Announcement of this choice, made by Senator-elect Stanfield yesterday, sets at rest all rumors as to the probable identity of his secretary—none of which ever discussed Mr. Adams.

"I have been looking," said Mr. Stanfield, "ever since election for someone thoroughly familiar with conditions in Oregon to whom the post of secretary could be offered. When I learned that Mr. Adams had sold his interests in Eugene and was moving to Portland, I offered him the appointment, indicating the ways in which he could be of service to Oregon and myself. I believe that his previous experience in public life will prove to be of considerable value."

—Register

## INCOME TAX FACTS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Frequent inquiries are received by collectors of internal revenue from storekeepers and other business men as to whether the taxpayer in business for himself may deduct from his gross earnings an amount of salary paid to himself. Wages or salary drawn by a taxpayer from his own business are more in the nature of a charge out of profits than a charge against profits. If deductible they would merely be added to his income and the effect would be to take money out of one pocket and put it in another. Therefore, claims for such deductions are not allowable.

Salaries paid to minor children employed in the conduct of a taxpayer's business are not allowable deductions. If, however, a son or daughter has attained majority, or is allowed free use of their earnings without restriction, a reasonable amount paid as compensation for their services may be claimed.

A farmer who employs a man to assist in the operation of his farm may deduct from gross income the amount paid for such services. Likewise if he employs a woman whose entire time is occupied in taking care of the milk, cream, butter, and churns, or if her services are devoted entirely to the preparation and serving of meals furnished farm laborers and in caring for their rooms, the compensation paid her is an allowable deduction. If, however, she is employed solely in caring for the farmer's own household no deduction can be made.

In arriving at net income upon which the tax is assessed, deductions may be made for ordinary and necessary business expenses. The revenue act specifically prohibits the deduction of personal, family, or living expenses. Such expenses include rent for a home, wages of servants, cost of food and clothing for the family, education of children, "and all items connected with the maintenance, well-being and pleasure of the taxpayer and his family."

## NOTI FARMER KILLS WIFE AND COMMITS SUICIDE

N.P. Wheat, aged 60 years, shot and killed his wife, aged 56, and then turned the revolver on himself, committing suicide, about five o'clock Sunday morning at their ranch home near Noti. Mr. Wheat is the father of 13 children, six of whom reside at home, but none of them were awakened by the shots and the bodies were not found until later in the morning.

Frank Fisher of this city has gone to Fall Creek, where he will be employed at the sawmill of that place.

12. Heroes of American Democracy
- Vocational Courses**
13. The Call of Blue Waters—Seamanship and Marine Engineering
  14. Iron and Steel.
  15. Shipbuilding.
  16. Machine-shop Work.
- Books listed in the various courses may be purchased from publishers or borrowed from libraries. The bureau of education does not furnish or lend books.

## NOTICE TO ALL DOG OWNERS

All owners of dogs are hereby notified that under no circumstance will their dog be allowed to run loose within the city limits, regardless of license. Owners will be arrested and fined not to exceed \$10.

W. M. Donaldson,  
Chief of Police.

## INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Astoria.—28 ships loaded 28,703,000 feet lumber here in January.

Astoria.—All logging camps getting ready to put crews to work.

Portland streetcar company plans to aid the unemployed with work.

Eugene Bible university will erect \$6,000 gymnasium.

Oregon City is prosperous with \$250,000 monthly payrolls.

Architects, contractors and labor leaders met at Portland to consider embargo on building.

Chemawa Indian school to get \$180,000 improvements.

Sawmills are gradually resuming operations. Lumber will move more rapidly on a falling market. Logging camps will resume this month.

Eugene is to have an open-air gymnasium.

Pendleton city bonds went begging at 82 cents on the dollar.

Everett lumber firm planning to build mills at Sheridan and Willamina. Prineville sent out 960 full cars of products in 1920.

Corvallis will spend \$100,000 on new 12-inch water pipe line.

Portland.—One addition building 30 new houses, average cost, \$7,000.

Congress provides \$400,000 to start Des Clutes project.

Product Eugene fruit growers plant last year \$1,250,000.

Cottage Grove to have modern ice plant.

Tidewater to have two miles of government road.

Manufacturing lead pencil slats of Juniper wood, one of Oregon's infant industries, is growing to large proportions.

Oregon National Guard annual payroll at Portland \$114,852.

Clackamas County taxes 1921 \$1,512, 127—Increase \$300,000.

Portland.—10,000 unemployed demand removal of married women holding jobs.

The Dalles acquires site for \$125,000 auditorium.

Alpine to have new \$15,000 high school.

The Dalles.—Wasco County has 9,387 acres under irrigation.

Salem.—Eggs sell at 25 cents per dozen, lowest in seven years.

New \$37,864 bridge to be built across Umpqua river at Myrtle Creek and \$13,159 bridge across Canyon Creek.

Graves Canning Company to establish fruit cannery at Tillamook.

Hood River.—Association of Upper Valley orchardists and ranchers have formed to purchase electric energy from Pacific Power & Light Co.

Devitt.—Big mill which burned last fall is being rebuilt. Will employ 100 men and cut 100,000 feet of lumber.

Astoria.—New highway inn opens.

The Dalles.—Corner lot costing \$11,000 has been purchased as site for new auditorium costing \$125,000.

Milton.—Plans being drawn for new union high school.

Pendleton.—Construction starts immediately on \$200,000 annex to St. Anthony's hospital.

## G. J. LOFFER BUYS BLACK- SMITH SHOP OF DOMPIER

G. J. Loffer of Myrtle Creek bought the blacksmith shop on Second street, belonging to Ed Dompier last Saturday.

Mr. Loffer will continue with general blacksmithing and repair work and is adding to his equipment an acetelene welding machine.

Mr. and Mrs. Loffer are celebrating their coming to Springfield with the arrival of an eight pound boy, born Monday, February 14, at the Willamette hospital in Eugene. They are making their home at the corner of Fifth and K streets. W. J. Loffer, father of Mr. Loffer is making his home with his son and is assisting him at the shop.

## VEGETABLE VARIETY IS BIG FACTOR IN SUCCESS

List of Some Well Suited to Oregon  
Conditions is Given by Station  
Specialist.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Feb. 17.—Since the variety of garden vegetables is a big factor in the success of the garden, a list of some of the most popular and widely grown varieties of leading garden crops is offered by A. G. Boquet, head of vegetable gardening at the college station. Some of the sorts such as sweet corn, beets, carrots, peas, spinach, onions, parsnips, squash, pumpkins, cabbage, broccoli and lettuce do better from strains grown in the northwest.

In the following list the varieties connected by "or" represent a choice of either, while those not so connected are all to be included:

Beans—dwarf green snap—refugee or Burpees stringless pod; dwarf wax snap—Kidney wax, Black wax; pole green snap—Kentucky wonder; pole mottled snap—Dickersons Yount; shell pole—Oregon pole lima; shell dwarf—Lady Washington, Red Mexican.

Beets—early—Early mondol. Dark Detroit Red.

Broccoli—Saint Valentine, Late Queen.

Brussels Sprouts—Odense market of Long Island dwarf.

Cabbage—early—Early Jersey Wakefield; medium—Copenhagen market, Glory of Enkhuisen; late—All Seasons, Danish ballhead, Drumhead savory.

Carrots—Chantenay of Danvers half long.

Cauliflower—early—Snowball, Dry Weatherford; fall—Autumn Giant.

Cerriac—Large prague.

Celery—Golden self blanching or White plume.

Chard—Swiss—Lucullus.

Corn—early—Portland market, Golden bantam; medium early—Hollowing mob; late—Planting above varieties successively.

Cucumbers—Davis perfect, Boston pickling.

Eggplant—Black beauty.

Endive—Large green curled.

Horse Radish—Mallner kren.

Kale—Tall green scotch curled, Dwarf green curled.

Kohl—rabi—Early white Vienna.

Leek—Carentan or American flag.

Lettuce—head—New York, Big Boston, Hanson, Iceburg; leaf—Grand Rapids.

Muskmelons—Emerald gem, Pine-apple, Burrell gen.

Onions—Oregon yellow Danvers, Australian brown or red Weathersfield.

Parsnips—Hollow crown.

Peas—tall early—Early morn; dwarf early—Alaska, American wonder or Little marvel; mid-season—Laxtonian, Telephone.

Peppers—Ruby giant or Chinese giant.

Pumpkins—Winter luxury, Connecticut field.

Radishes—White icicle, Early scarlet Turnip white tip.

Dehydration Saves Large Onion Crop

Dehydration has a new meaning for the onion growers of the Willamette Valley, and offers a new hope for the future in the cultivation of that succulent vegetable.

It develops that owing to the extremely low prices offered for onions last fall, that onion growers in the Lake Labish region had determined not to harvest their crop. The situation was one of the most desperate ever experienced in the district. A thousand tons of onions were wasting in the fields. Two weeks more of exposure to the rain would have rendered the crop beyond redemption.

The manager of the great dehydration plant at Salem heard of the plight of the onion growers, visited the district and after a careful examination determined to experiment on the onions, trying dehydration as the method for saving the crop. Several tons of Yellow Danvers onions were ordered shipped to the dehydration plant where they were processed under the King's method of dehydration. The result was so splendid that an order was immediately placed with the Lake Labish onion growers

## E. C. COLCORD DIES AT HOME MONDAY

Death Caused by Consumption  
of the Throat—Age 33  
Years, Six Months

Edgar Charles Colcord, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Colcord, died at the home of his parents on East Main street, Monday evening, February 14, at the age of 33 years and 6 months. Death was caused by consumption of the throat which Mr. Colcord had been suffering with for several months.

Deceased leaves besides his parents one brother, George, and one sister Mrs. Alfred Neel.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church, Wednesday, February 16, at 2:30. Rev. Yarnes officiating. There was a large attendance of friends and members of the W. O. W., of which the deceased was a member.

Services at the grave, in Laurel Hill cemetery were conducted by the Woodmen, members of the lodge acting as pall bearers.

**Christian Church**  
Rev. Earl Childers, pastor  
Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; our classes are all live wires. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Do you want something instructive that you can enjoy? If you do, attend these services Christian endeavor at 6:30 p. m. where our courses of lessons on the bible are proving very interesting. All mid week meetings as usual. Our religious census of the town will take place next Sunday afternoon, February 20. You are always welcome.

**Methodist Church**  
Thos. D. Yarnes, Pastor  
Next Sunday the choir will render special music at the morning service. The Pastor will preach on "The Stewardship or Life." In the evening the Epworth League will hold their regular service at 6:30. There will be special music at the evening preaching service also. Everybody cordially invited.

**Baptist Church**  
Geo. R. Varney, pastor  
Sunday school 10 a. m. Preaching, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject: "Education". Evening subject: "The Way to Hell".

Considerable interest is being manifested in the matter of Chinese relief of late, and the churches of the country are responding in a gratifying manner. The churches of Springfield are alert to the situation and are taking their share of the burden in this time of China's need. Last Sunday morning the Methodist church took an offering of \$80 for this cause.

Robin Levee of Hayden bridge was a Springfield visitor Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Mulligan, on 4th between E and F streets, Wednesday, February 16, a 9 pound girl.

Mrs. Z. F. Thorpe of Astoria is visiting at the home of Dr. W. H. Pollard. Mrs. Thorpe was an old friend of Dr. and Mrs. Pollard at Camp Lewis.

For one thousand tons of the Yellow Danvers variety, with the result that \$25,000 which otherwise would have been lost, was saved to the farmers of that region.

Dehydration has been a wonderful boon to the fruit and vegetable growers of Oregon during the past few years. Two large dehydration plants are in operation, one at Salem and the other at The Dalles. Both are controlled by one company, which purposes to enlarge its operations this year by increasing its manufacturing and cold-storage facilities.

The capitalization of the King's Food Products Company has been increased to \$10,000,000, making the company one of the largest and best financed fruit and vegetable preservation companies in the United States.