

# STAR Theatre

B. J. Sigsbee, Mgr.

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY MAR. 23 & 24

## ALICE BRADY

IN

### "The New York Idea"

Marty for Whim and Leave the Rest to Fate

FRIDAY, MARCH 25



Samuel Goldwyn  
**MADGE KENNEDY**  
IN  
**THE GIRL WITH THE JAZZ HEART**

Robert Shannon  
Directed by  
Lawrence C. Windom

MISS KENNEDY PLAYS A Dual role in this story of a sweet little Menomonee maid and a dizzy blonde.  
YOU KNOW MADGE

SATURDAY, MAR. 26th



Frank Mayo  
in "HITCHIN' POSTS"  
UNIVERSAL

A GREAT ROMANCE OF OLD DAYS ON THE MISSISSIPPI

SUNDAY, MAR. 27

### THE LUCK OF THE IRISH

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YOU WANT TO SEE THIS

#### OREGON'S NEW SCHOOL DISTRICT LAW

(By M. E. Siggs)  
Oregon's new school district law, authorized by the passage of House bill No. 215, is characterized by prominent educators and editors as the best school district law in the United States.

There was a time, many years ago, when the little old red school house served the purpose of the day. District communities were few and there were only a few pupils in the school.

The demand for secondary education was for many years supplied by religious and private academies. These were in the main for the wealthy and did not serve all the people. When came the first war, the first public high school. For a while these were mostly located in towns and cities. But the consolidation that has been developing, and there are many rural high schools, and as with all our schemes but a small percentage of the children of the land, especially those in rural communities, have been served. The condition being due principally to their location, and secondly, to their small population, and thirdly, to their small number of pupils. They could not have an equal chance, under equal conditions, to obtain an education that will make them a first class citizen, able to participate in the ordinary political duties of their state, with the educational background that will support them, and so train him that he will have the means to lead a better life, profitable without interfering with others.

The first lack of the new law is to supply these educational conditions, and to make the standard of school education, and to make it a part of the supervision of the state.

The law, applied to the new county, would put all the schools of the county under the jurisdiction of the County Board of five members, since there is no district in the county, unless it would be Heppner, that would have 166 pupils on the census. If they have, they would be a town district and retain their present organization. All the other schools would be under the county board. The theory is that it is far easier to secure from the county five very able men than 150 or more as at present required. The county board assumes control of all school property and all indebtedness against the same, within the district. The first county board will be made up of five chairmen of existing boards, and at the next annual election a new board would be elected. There would be a regular meeting place for the board provided by the county court in the court house.

The duties of the new board would be:  
To employ a superintendent of schools, fix the term of office and compensation, including necessary traveling expenses. (Present superintendents would serve out the remainder of their term.)  
To employ a school clerk, fix his compensation, bonds, etc.  
To employ all necessary assistant superintendents, supervisors, teachers, janitors, and assistants and fix their compensation.

To lease and build school houses, buy and lease lands for school purposes, furnish all supplies, etc.  
To prepare an annual budget, levy taxes, make annual reports to the voters, consolidate schools and arrange for transportation of pupils, fix tuition and determine the boundaries of the district to be served by each school, etc.

It will be seen that provision is made for efficient supervision of all schools, that consolidation will be encouraged, that economy in management and in the purchase and distribution of supplies will be secured, and that the blanket tax covering the whole county will lessen the tax for seventy-five per cent of the districts, which are now paying 10 to 20 mills or more. Umatilla county has figured that a six mill blanket tax will supply all the money now required to run the schools. Even the increased supervision charge would not raise the tax more than two mills.

Other features of the bill allow for the election of a local school committee to take care of the new (present boards are not the new annual election). This committee serves for the school property, determines the use for other purposes, whether the school (lease or buy), reports to the superintendent the progress and needs of the school and makes of the people, convenient and improvements improvements in school property. By unanimous vote they may not less than thirty days previous to the opening of school, reject any teacher assigned by the board, notice of rejection to be delivered in writing and to specify the reason. They may also establish high schools under the present regulations.

There are still other features of the bill covering duties of officials, etc., that are unnecessary to outline as they are the usual duties of such officials.

To our mind, the weak point in the law is that it is optional with the counties. It should have been made mandatory. Experts state that it will take three generations to overcome the individual and community selfishness that has always handicapped educational reform. Hope in former times has been placed in local district boards, but they have not understood fundamental rural or educational needs. The state should exercise its inherent right and demand constructive reforms and create the system above outlined under which school business can be transacted in a modern manner, and under which rapid progress along modern lines will be possible.

It is to be hoped that Oregon will not drag along and wait for the mandatory authority of the state to effect this reorganization, but that within the year each and every county in the state will have taken the great forward step that means efficiency and progress, under the option granted by the present law.

# SALES

Persons desiring to purchase live-stock and farm equipment, will do well to attend the following sales, which I will sell as stated.

On March 25, 1921  
at 2 p. m. in Livery Stable  
in Lexington, Oregon  
**W. H. Gould**

W. H. Gould will offer for sale, 16 head of horses, four wagons, header box-s, combine harvester, several sets of harness and a large amount of miscellaneous farm property. This sale is held by virtue of an order of the Hon. A. M. Cannon, referee in bankruptcy, and the terms of the sale will be announced on the day of the sale.

On Wednesday  
March 23, 1921  
AT HIS RANCH ONE MILE  
SOUTH OF EIGHT MILE  
SCHOOL HOUSE, IN MORROW COUNTY OREGON.

Ora Adkins will sell 14 head of horses, three cows and a complete set of farm tools and implements.

TERMS OF SALE AS FOLLOWS:  
\$10.00 and under, cash.  
Over \$10.00, approved notes due December 1st, 1921, bearing 8 per cent interest.  
Five per cent discount for cash.  
SALE BEGINS AT 10 A. M.  
FREE LUNCH AT NOON

On Saturday  
March 26, 1921  
AT HIS RANCH ONE AND ONE-HALF MILES NORTHEAST OF EIGHT MILE SCHOOL HOUSE,  
**Alfred E. Anderson**

will offer for sale, 13 head of horses, 3 mules, 2 milk cows, 2 heifers and 2 ewes. Also a complete set of farm tools and Holt, combine threshing machine, plows, drills, header, harness and many other articles.

TERMS OF SALE:  
All sums of \$10 or under, cash.  
Over \$10, approved bankable notes accepted, due November 1st, 1921, and bearing 8 per cent interest per annum.  
Five per cent discount for cash.  
SALE BEGINS AT 11:30 A. M.  
FREE LUNCH AT NOON

On Saturday, April 2  
AT HIS RANCH SIX MILES  
SOUTHEAST OF HEPPNER  
**Arthur W. Dykstra**

will sell two colts, ten head of milk cows, five head of heifers, and ten head of shorthorn yearlings; also several wagons, cock house, three plows, grain drill, disc, several sets of harness, a new Ford truck, large cream separator, one good J. I. Case thresher and 20-40 Case tractor, and many other articles.

TERMS OF SALE  
Sums of \$10 and under, cash.  
Sums over \$10, six months' time on approved notes bearing 8 per cent interest per annum.  
Six per cent discount for cash.  
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### CECIL

Miss Charlin Middleberry of Hills was the week and guest of Miss Nellie Kelly at the Last Camp.  
Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Strasser and family spent Sunday at the home of J. W. Oatman.  
Homer Nash arrived from the Dalles on Friday and will work for J. J. McEneaney of Killarney.  
Miss Esther Logan of Fourmile and her friend, Miss Kaye Winter of Shady Dell, were visiting in Cecil on Sunday.  
Ralph Winter, who has been visiting friends in Melrose, returned to his home at Fourmile on Saturday.  
Lon Merrill left Cecil on Saturday with a large haul of eggs and birds for Menemine. This is the first haul belonging to Miner & Thompson to leave Cecil.

Mr. M. H. Blair of Astoria, Oregon, Canada, accompanied by his wife and daughter, and Mrs. W. A. Brown, and friends, Messrs. Ross B. Harvey of Douglas, Saskatchewan, arrived in Cecil on Sunday and visited for several days with Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Lowe and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hensel who were former residents of Astoria. The latter and his wife, Mrs. Jack Hensel, took the train to Head River, which is in Sand Hollow, where a pleasant time was spent with the old time friends. Mr. Blair accompanied to the county seat and stayed at the Cecil Hotel. (Author will have a chat of days soon by bus on to the Egg City where Mr. Blair can see his old friend Ed. Bluff, one of Iowa's prominent persons. Mr. Blair and party finished up at Cecil, all declaring they had seen nothing to beat Morrow county for hospitality and big heartedness in spite of hard times. The party left on their return journey to their respective homes on Saturday, delighted with their trip.

Don't forget the big dance in Cecil hall, March 26. Irigon music, and supper served by Mrs. T. H. Lowe. Everybody welcome. Come and have a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Knipfel and family of Tentville, spent the week in Hermiston.

Mr. F. Younger, of Salem, accompanied by his son, M. Younger, of Oswego, arrived in Cecil on Saturday and were looking over some land they have recently bought a few miles out of Cecil.

Gordon Hall, of Eightmile, was calling on his Cecil friends Monday.  
Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Duncan, of Busy Bee ranch, and Miss Josie McEntire of Killarney, were Cecil visitors on Friday.  
Melville Logan, from his ranch near The Willows, spent the week end among his Cecil friends.  
Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Phelps, of Arlington, are assisting Mrs. Oral Henriksen at Willow creek ranch.  
Wilfred Cecil of Heppner, is working at Butterby Flats during the

improving season.

J. D. Kroy and sons have arrived in Cecil from Portland during the week with two large trunks. They were taken the contract to haul gravel for the Oregon Hanson Paying company, and as soon as the road opens begin work.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Davis, all of The Willows, were callers at the home of Leon Logan at Fourmile, on Wednesday, and also made a short stay in Cecil on their way home.

Mr. J. Wilkinson, of Portland, superintendent of the Oregon Hanson Paying company, arrived in Cecil on Monday and is supervising the erection of the crusher, etc., ready to begin paying as early as possible.

Louis Montague and party, of Arlington, were busy men around Cecil vicinity on Wednesday.

J. H. Franklin, of Heppner, took dinner with the mayor at Butterby Flats on Friday.

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WANTED  
FOR SALE—Two extra good Holstein stallions, one three years old, the other two years old, both registered and home bred. Also several short-horn bull and register ed. Call on phone or write W. J. Elbert, Council, Oregon.

FOUND—Saddlery harness, call at this office. 42it.

FOUND—Oregon automobile license plate for 1921, between Lexington and Heppner. Owner call at this office, pay for this notice and recover. 46it.

For Rent—House in rear of Herald office. Inquire this office or of Dr. D. A. McMurdo. 46it.

WANTED—Man with team or outfit to sell McConnon's products direct to consumer in this county. McConnon & Co., Winona, Minn. Mention this paper. 47-48.

NOTICE  
Sealed bids will be received by Morrow County Court, at Heppner, Oregon, until April 6th, at 10 o'clock a. m., for 89 cords of heavy 4-ft. slash wood for use of Court House. Bids may be submitted F. O. B. cars, Heppner, or delivered at Court House yard only accepted. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or to accept the bid deemed best for Morrow county. Wm. T. CAMPBELL, Judge. 47-48.

Shutt has several very bargains in alfalfa ranches; easy terms. 47it.

Wanted—Cash paid for clean cotton rags at the Herald office. Bring them in.