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Personal and Business Relations

During the past decade there has been a constantly growing realization among both parents and educators that our schools should do more than merely teach our young people the time-honored factual material of the past.

The depression of 1929, the ruthlessness of dictator nations as they attack weaker nations, the unemployment problem in this country; these, and an ever growing list of additional social problems, have brought the American people to know that our youth must learn not only the multiplication tables and history, but they must be taught those character traits which our pioneers found essential as they developed America, and which we now find essential if we are to preserve America.

The material presented, and the manner of teaching, in any class should always impress upon the student the value of good character. Examples of some specific goals that should be emphasized today are: prevention of selfishness, value of good manners, ideals of honesty and trustworthiness, respect for law and authority, and knowledge that will enable the individual student to know how to manage his or her personal business and financial problems.

In order that high school students should have instruction in the value of these character traits our state department of education several years ago recommended a course in personal and business relations for all freshmen.

The textbook for this course, "The Business of Life," is divided into two sections; emphasizing first, the personality and character traits good citizens should have; and second, the business information a good citizen should possess to properly handle his everyday financial transactions. In addition to the basic textbook material use is made of information from current magazines, and other sources, which will illustrate to the student the value of good character and proper conduct.

The section which is studied during the first half year is divided into eleven units. These are discussed and each student tries to find how he can better himself as he studies each topic. These units are:

1. Understanding ourselves.
2. Understanding others.
3. Keeping out of trouble.
4. Good manners.
5. Personality and character.
6. Success requirements.
7. Thrift and waste.
8. Getting the most out of spending.
9. The proper use of credit.
10. Lessons we can learn from others.
11. Traffic regulations and good driving.

The second section of the course is concerned with the basic business problems which the average citizen encounters in everyday life. The student works out a family budget, keeps his personal record of account, and learns thrifty methods of purchasing essential items.

A practical workbook accompanies this. In this is the elementary

information necessary to keep a set of books.

The student makes his own bank deposits, writes his checks, and is entirely responsible for the financial stability of his imaginary family group.

To make the course more practical information and problems are given in the commercial fields of communication, shipping, travel, and public service.

Because the textbook is written in his own language, the student is able to grasp the material and to see its importance to him as a useful citizen.

Perhaps the most important section in Part II is "Money Earning Services." The student is warned against obsolete occupations. He is given information and statistics concerning the various present vocations. Those which have the greatest possibilities are stressed.

When the student has completed this section, he has a good knowledge of vocational fields which are open. He realizes the variety of occupations from which he may choose his life work. Suggested training procedures help him to organize his high school course to his best advantage.

Although the students study this important section for only one semester, they gain basic facts upon which to build, and are able to plan for themselves the type of work in which they are most interested.

The entire course tends to develop independent thinking, and that is what we, as educators, are striving to do.

Postoffice Asks Bids on Quarters

With six months left of the present lease, the U. S. postal department is asking for bids on quarters for the Heppner post office. The present lease expires July 1, 1940.

The post office was moved from the old Masonic building to the present site in 1915. The Masons were preparing to erect their new building and quarters for the post office were not contemplated in the present structure. The north room of the Case building, known at that time as the Fair building, was leased and has remained the home of the post office the intervening 25 years.

Bids are asked for a 10-year period and this may be extended to 20 years, according to Chas. B. Cox, postmaster, who states that prospective bidders may receive more specific information by inquiring at the post office.

U. O. Expert Given Fund for Research

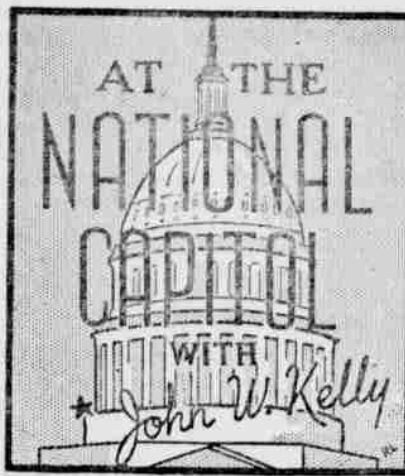
University of Oregon, Eugene, Jan. 4.—A research grant of \$500 to be used to study the Kicapoos Indians in northern Mexico, has been allotted to Dr. H. G. Barnett, instructor in anthropology at the University of Oregon, by the American Philosophical Society of Philadelphia, it was announced here by Dr. L. S. Crossman, head of the anthropology department.

The work, to be done during the season of 1940, will include study in the changes in the civilization of the group which migrated from Minnesota via Oklahoma more than 75 years ago. The project is regarded as one of the most interesting open to anthropologists in North America. Dr. Barnett will have headquarters about 200 miles south of the United States boundary.

LaVerne Van Marter Reported Improving

Word is brought from Portland where he is a patient at Emanuel hospital that La Verne Van Marter is showing slight improvement. Friends who have visited him at the hospital state that he is slowly recovering the use of one arm. The popular former Heppner high school athlete was stricken last summer with infantile paralysis while working in Pendleton. He was a sophomore at University of Oregon.

Relatives and friends are hoping that the partial recovery will lead to more complete restoration to health, permitting the patient to leave the hospital in due time.



Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—There was a scare in the agricultural areas of the Pacific northwest when Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace issued his new farm program. One rule is that loans will not be allowed for farmers with one cash crop, this restriction being intended to encourage diversification. This is the rule to apply to FSA loans and was so declared, but wheat growers, hop growers and others who specialize in one crop (farmers not connected with FSA at all) had the idea it affected them. Telegrams and letters were rushed to members of the Oregon and Washington delegations in protest.

Among other matters affecting the northwest in the present congressional session is Wallace's plan for a certified program to aid in parity payments. The plan has been meeting with objection from Secretary of Treasury Morgenthau, although it does not take a nickel out of the treasury. Farmers, says Wallace, are now getting only 75 percent of parity and the certificates plan will materially aid in bridging the gap.

That the consumer need have no fear, Wallace explains that even at parity prices the average cost of wheat in an eight or ten cent loaf of bread is only 1.8 cents. This would be 0.7 cent more per loaf of bread than in October, 1939, when the average farm price of wheat was 70.3 cents. The certificate plan is needed, asserts Wallace, to protect farm income, the soil, the consumer and national income.

Reconstruction Finance Corporation received a shock a few days ago. The board was in session and about to approve a loan of \$275,000 to PUD No. 2, Pacific county, Washington, when a wire was handed the members thanking the board for its consideration but explaining that PUD No. 2 had closed a deal to obtain its finances from Wall Street. This was the first public utility dis-

trict to reach the point of borrowing government money to function. Other districts may now make application.

Government officials have refused a request from religious groups that when the census is taken every person be asked if he or she believes in God. A second question, also rejected, was, "If you do not belong to a church, what church would you prefer if you joined any?" Statistics have been gathered by the census on the number belonging to the various denominations, but officials hold that it is not the government's business to inquire into whether an individual is a Christian or pagan.

PWA announces that it has aided education in Oregon and Washington substantially. In Oregon it has had 136 school projects, making loans of \$1,405,050 and giving grants of \$5,203,504. In Washington there were 166 projects, with loans of \$435,000 and grants of \$7,030,870.

"Use" taxes, such as Washington state collects from persons who buy outside the state to avoid the sales tax, will be cited as one of the barriers between states in the general investigation of this subject. Eighteen states have "use" taxes. Other barriers to be probed are the quarantine stations set up by California on all roads leading into that state; tobacco taxes (in 20 states) which are resulting in bootlegging tobacco; the preference given to local products for state institutions in 28 states; a preferential given to local bidders (Oregon), and state residents favored over out-state in the matter of public employment.

Wildlife division in the national park service (Crater lake, Rainier, Olympic) have been transferred to the biological survey, the organization known to every sportsman, farmer and stockman. Chief of the survey is Ira Gabrielson, formerly in the field in Oregon and Washington.

Offered for the Congressional Record shortly will be a list of scores of items which have been placed on the embargo list by Britain and France, although they are in the reciprocal trade agreements between the United States and those nations. Included will be such Pacific Northwest products as apples, pears, prunes, wool, salmon. A British buying commission is now in the national capital arranging for using American vessels (changing registry to British Columbia) to transport several million feet of lumber to England. The lumber is to be sup-

plied by British Columbia mills.

Latest discovery by the department of agriculture scientists is a spray which will prevent apples from dropping before harvest. They claim that the fruit acquires a finer flavor from the spray.

Traffic Death Rate Less in November

Oregon's traffic death rate for the month of November this year showed a decrease of 24.3 percent from the rate for the same month last year, it was revealed today by Earl Snell, secretary of state.

The rate this November was 14.9 persons killed per 100,000,000 miles traveled, while the rate last November was 19.7. The improvement, Snell said, was due to two things: first, the reduction in the actual number of persons killed this November compared to last November and secondly, the sharp increase in travel this year.

A total of 35 persons was the toll for traffic this November as against 39 for the corresponding month last year. While deaths were fewer, travel increased by 15.5 percent as shown by gasoline consumption figures. This increase was one of the greatest recorded for any one month during the history of the state, Snell declared.

Pomona Meets at Boardman, Jan. 6

Morrow county Pomona grange will meet at Boardman Saturday, Jan. 6, Boardman and Irrigon grangers acting as host. Business will occupy the morning session which opens at 10:30. Registration will close at 11 and grangers are urged to arrive promptly.

The afternoon session will include the lecturer's program, starting at 1:30 o'clock. This will include entertainment numbers by the various granges and talks by Senator Rex Ellis, County Agent C. D. Conrad and Mr. Sullivan. Claud Hanscom, Umatilla county Pomona master, assisted by others from that county will install the Morrow county Pomona officers immediately following the program.

An invitation has been extended the public to attend the program and installation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Clark had as their guests Friday, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Morgan of Hillsboro and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lewis of Portland. Mrs. Morgan is Mr. Clark's sister. The party was enroute to Ritter.

LOOKING FORWARD

W E MADE strides ahead in 1939, strides that carried our products into new markets and gained new fame for Morrow County . . . This expansion would not be noteworthy if our share alone were to receive consideration.

The fact that this is a Morrow County concern, buying, manufacturing and marketing Morrow County products, is noteworthy. It represents thousands of dollars distributed among producers; it means more thousands of dollars in payroll and operating expense—dollars that flow through channels of local commercial life.

Let's Make 1940 a Bigger and Better Year for Morrow County

Morrow County Creamery Company

W. Claude Cox, Proprietor