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THEY DESERVE CREDIT—

The Morrow county fair board, along with a good number of local residents and nearby ranchers deserve a vote of thanks and some hearty congratulations for the work they are doing to replace the two fair buildings lost by fire less than two weeks ago.

Time left before the fair was short when the blaze came and before the ashes were even cold there were "curbstone conferences" already started among board members and interested parties about what to do. The discussion was short, but evidence shows they were to the point, for shortly after daybreak Monday following the fire, county trucks and road crews were cleaning up the debris and by Wednesday of that week reconstruction had already started.

Money and materials were immediately donated to replace the burned buildings and along with them came offers of volunteer labor — the

most needed of all help. This weekend will see the completion of the work. In less than two weeks two new buildings are to be ready for fair exhibitors. We think that is a record few other places can match.

True, the buildings will not be shiny aluminum like the former ones, nor will they be completely enclosed, but inasmuch as they are intended for stock showing, they will be entirely adequate and possibly better than the old ones.

With two new show buildings, a practically new fair pavilion, new restroom facilities, new rodeo field fencing and a good many other repairs and additions to the area, Morrow county Fair and Rodeo grounds will be in better shape to accommodate the crowds than ever before.

The Gazette Times offers its congratulations to everyone who aided in accomplishing such an excellent job in such a short time. We know Morrow county citizens join with us in saying "Thanks."



Strike Ridden Penitentiary

State penitentiary guards claim that the prison is in deplorable shape with convicts virtually running the institution.

At a meeting of 140 guards held just after the eight-day sit-down strike, when convicts went five days without food, a report was released and accusations made that:

There is no adequate plan of defense in event of a riot. The cons are in control. Prison rules have been relaxed to the point of danger.

Gambling is wide-open among the convicts.

The convicts use obscene and abusive language to and about the guards.

Convicts threaten the lives of guards frequently.

Beatings are going on all the

time among convicts to keep the power of ringleader intact.

Guards have discovered caches of gasoline inside the walls.

Discovery of quantities of an alcoholic drink made by the prisoners called "pruno" have been reported.

One guard said a convict told him that the prisoners had a regular arsenal of knives and other weapons "all set to go."

Newbury Checks on Payments

The practice of covering payment of split salaries by drawing checks payable to a department of state then endorsing them to an employe has drawn the criticism of Secretary of State Earl T. Newbury.

In an audit made by Newbury's office the Educational Surplus Property commission showed that \$1086 had been paid to an employe in San Francisco in the forms of warrants and checks made payable to the E. S. P. commission.

Other alleged practices of the commission uncovered by Newbury and called to the attention of Governor Douglas McKay included, forwarding of receipts of the commission to an employe; payment of salaries in excess of

that authorized by the state Civil Service commission; operating a service station without legal authority and purchasing and warehousing of tires and tubes in the amount of approximately \$50,000, without authority.

Newbury quoted the 1947 enactment law creating the commission and providing that "all money received under the provisions of this act shall be paid by the state educational agency for surplus property to the state treasury for credit to the said surplus property revolving fund".

Unusual Poker Play
An infrequently used law on gambling loss recovery is the basis of a suit brought this week in Marion county circuit court.

Jack Putnam is suing J. P. Schimberg to recover double the \$1,178 loss allegedly sustained in a Salem poker game. No money was used. Putnam wrote Schimberg a check, which the latter cashed.

Putnam wants recovery of \$2,356 on the basis of the Oregon statute that provides that "all persons losing money or any thing of value at or on any said games shall have a cause of action to recover from the deal-

CHURCHES

METHODIST CHURCH

J. PALMER SORLIEN, Minister

SUNDAY, SEPT. 2—

Morning Worship and Sermon at 11:00 a.m. Special Service. Special music by the Choir and Dedication of Choir Robes. Mr. Oliver Creswick, director.

Sunday Church School at 9:45 a.m. We have a class for every age. Youth Fellowship Class and Adult Bible Class at this same hours.

Thursday Choir practice at 7:30 p.m.

Womans Society of Christian Service meets the First Wednesday of each month at 8 p.m.

Suzanna Wesley Circle of the Womans Society of Christian Service meets the Third Wednesday of each month at 2:30 p.m.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

EARL L. SOWARD, Pastor

Phone 2222

9:45 a.m. Bible School.

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship.

Guest speaker, Lorna Mae Jones, a graduate student at Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas.

Soloist, Marie Soward, a senior at Northwest Christian college, Eugene, Oregon.

8:00 p.m. Evening services, message by the pastor. Special music.

Monday, Labor Day, several cars will go to Cove Christian Church camp grounds for work and fellowship.

Thursday, 6:30 p.m. Church Fellowship dinner, followed by choir practice and monthly board meeting.

ALL SAINTS MEMORIAL CHURCH (Episcopal)

Holy Communion 8:00 a.m. Church School, 9:45 a.m.

Morning Prayer and Sermon, 11:00 a.m.

Holy Communion on Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.

er or player winning same, or the proprietor, twice the amount of the money or double the value of the thing so lost." At least four cases have reached the state supreme court, which each time confirmed the plaintiff's right to recovery. In one instance the recovery was \$19,000.

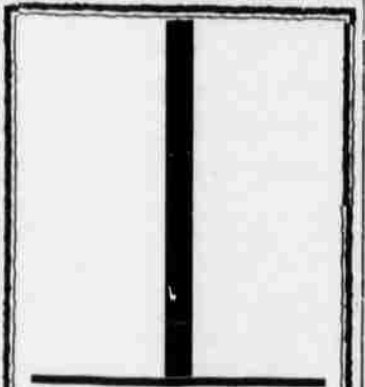
Work Permits for Children

During the rush of cropping and processing now in full swing in the state an important Oregon labor law frequently is overlooked, says Labor Commissioner W. E. Kimsey. The child labor law requires that each employer must get his own permit from the bureau of labor before he can put a minor under 18 years of age on a job. Those under 16 years of age have special restrictions on the kinds of work they are permitted to do and are allowed to work only between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Worthless Checks Climb

Worthless checks aggregating \$161,000 were presented to the state tax commission in payment for income taxes during the first six months of this year, said Ray Smith, state commissioner in charge of the income tax department. This is approximately \$100,000 more than the amount of the bad checks received during the corresponding period in 1950.

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Kindergarten In Third Year, Advangates Given

The Jay Cee-ette kindergarten starts its third year on September 10. Hepner is one of the few small Oregon communities to offer the advantages of kindergarten. It is within the reach of all parents because the Jay Cee-ettes subsidize the school to keep the fees low and offer mothers opportunities to work for their children's tuition. The school is held in a community building and uses public land (the future Hepner park) as a playground. It has had wide public support and acceptance throughout its existence.

The following article is the first of two concerning kindergarten education in general and the operation of Hepner's kindergarten in particular which have been prepared for the Gazette (Times by the Jay Cee-ettes.)

Why are kindergartens valuable? Because children learn in a group association desirable habits, skills and modes of behavior which will ready them for school. We send children to kindergarten for the same reason we don't try to teach them to read and write at home; school educates them in the three R's while helping them to learn to get along with other people.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

Miss Fay Young arrived in Hepner this Wednesday evening from her home in Newberg, for a short visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. Clive Huston.

Dr. A. D. McMurdo went to Portland Monday to be in attendance at a medical meeting in that city this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. J. Nys returned home the first of the week from a visit to the Hood River valley, where they enjoyed several days of an outing at Mt. Hood Lodge. Before returning to Hepner they took a run to Portland and down to Astoria on the boat, taking advantage of the cheap rates on the river route.

Since few of us become hermits, it is as important to be able to live happily among our fellow men as it is to be able to read and write.

But, you may say, my child has other children in our family and in the neighborhood for play-mates so he (or she) won't need kindergarten.

Your youngster may not need pre-school as much as the only child, but supervised play is as important to the five-year old as Sunday School is to the pre-schooler. We start children to Sunday School as soon as they are able to understand and enjoy its

experiences. But, you may say, my child already knows how to print his name—or count to ten. He (or she) is really quite ready for school anyway.

Kindergarten does very little teaching of printing or counting. Instead, it shows the child why such things will be taught in the first grade. It offers opportunities to each child to use his abilities and to prepare him in the way he needs for entering school.

Often the child who is large enough and mature enough to be in school, though required by

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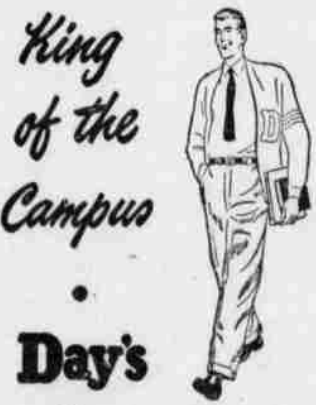
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