

SCHOOL'S PLACE IN CIVILIZATION

The public school is one of the most important of the four pillars of our civilization. The perpetuity of a free government depends upon the education of its citizens. Democracy fosters the best development of its youth in the public schools. The earliest schools were religious, as were also the earliest books. The training for citizenship rests on the schools of the country. Teachers are accompanists; they will continue to educate the youth for democracy, if encouraged. The aim of an education should be good citizenship. The greatest teacher was Jesus Christ. The best educated man of all times was St. Paul.

Speaking on the subject, The school as one of the Pillars of Civilization, Principal Elmer F. Goodwin at the Methodist church Sunday night expressed thoughts which may be condensed into the above paragraphs. "The home, the school, the church, the state—these four," said he, "have made our country the greatest in the world." "But it takes something more than a building," said Mr. Goodwin, "to make a school, just as it takes more than a house to make a home."

Perhaps the most fundamental truth expressed by Mr. Goodwin in the course of his address was that self-government depends upon the education of its people and that self-government encourages education. Thomas Jefferson was quoted as saying: "If a nation expects to be ignorant and free in a state of civilization, it expects what never was and never will be." Democracy fosters education, invention, patriotism; education safeguards democracy and encourages good citizenship.

Mr. Goodwin turned aside slightly from his subject to exalt the teaching profession and point out some of the difficulties now confronting the public school system. He presented facts gathered by the United States Bureau of Education to show that there is a great shortage of teachers. It is estimated there are 650,000 teaching positions in the public schools in this country and there are said to be 25,000 vacancies and 65,000 teachers below standard. Also the attendance in normal and teacher training schools is said to be 20 per cent below normal. It is shown that the finished product of these training schools has decreased over 30 per cent in four years.

Mr. Goodwin suggested that many are leaving the teaching profession because of the low salaries. He thinks teachers must be better paid and the general conditions of their work made more attractive in order to hold the best teachers and bring recruits into the ranks.

"The teacher will continue to keep the country safe for democracy," says Mr. Goodwin. "Give the right kind of a teacher your boy for seven years and he will not go wrong."

STATE FIRE MARSHAL CONGRATULATES SCHOOL

Again Union high school takes the lead and shows its up-to-dateness. Recently the school was organized into three fire teams, each assigned to parts of the main building and adjoining buildings. These are being drilled in the use of fire apparatus and prepared for any emergency. The practice itself is good and the preparedness is commendable.

The state fire marshal, A. C. Barber of Salem, also is pleased for he writes Mr. Goodwin:

Dear Sir:—In glancing over newspaper clippings this morning I notice one from "The Outlook," describing the fire teams which you have organized in your high school. We are very much interested in this movement in the high schools of the state, and have already taken steps to bring about the organization of as many such teams as possible. Outside of Jefferson High school in Portland, yours is the first high school to organize, and we wish to congratulate you.

"We hope that in the near future teams will be organized in all of the principle high schools of the state, and are working to that end."

At Teddy's Tomb



Two young men which someday will very likely be central figures in world affairs were brought together in New York when the Prince of Wales with Theodore Roosevelt Jr. visited the tomb of the latter's father, the great T. R.

PICKLED PORK ALONE REMAINS OF ARCHIBALD

Archibald is no more. At least he squeals and grunts no more nor greets his master with vociferous noise. Herb Eling is now trying to compute the value of the golden hams and bacon, the pickled pig's feet and head cheese, the lard and sausage and pickled pork to put over against the cost of raising Archibald from a wee piggie to a prize-taking porker.

Herb's father, H. H. Eling did the deed with the consent and approval of Herb, and the assistance of Lewis Shattuck of Vancouver, Washington, Lain H. Gregson, automobile editor of the Oregonian, Raleigh Peterson and several other Portland automobile enthusiasts. Mrs. Shattuck and Mrs. Peterson and other women were present to enjoy the spread cooked by Mr. Eling and served by him with the assistance of the men of the party.

GRESHAM TO HAVE BIG GROUP RALLY

A group rally will be held at the Methodist Episcopal church next Thursday afternoon and evening, December 5, beginning at 2:30 and continuing throughout the evening, with an intermission for lunch, which will be served in the League room of the church at 6:30.

Other churches in the group are Estacada, Sandy, Boring, Pleasant Home, Troutdale, Iliff, Fairview and Rockwood, and representatives from these churches are expected to be present. Dr. T. B. Ford, district superintendent, will preside.

At 7:30, sharp, the quarterly conference of the Gresham church will be held, and at 8 o'clock Dr. Ford will speak. All members and friends are invited to be present and official members are especially urged to take part in the quarterly conference. A big time is expected.

Think It Over.

Oregon initiators of freak laws are out to take the prize with a measure to be put on the ballot at the coming election to amend the constitution so as to limit the rate of interest on open accounts to 4 per cent and contract rate to 5 per cent.

A eastern Oregon stockman recently said to his banker, "We will fix you fellows at the next election so we will get money cheaper."

"You owe some \$20,000 at this bank do you not," said the banker.

"Yes, I do," said the stockraiser.

Well said the banker, "If by any balance such a fool law as this should pass, you would get notice in the next mail to pay up your loan. The money which you are using is loaned to you by our bank for eastern clients as you know very well a small bank like ours could not loan you \$20,000. If this bill passes no person would loan money in Oregon any more than you would sell cattle here if a law were passed limiting the price you could sell for in this state to one-half or two-thirds what you could get outside the state. It would be the same with all industry. Nobody would loan money at 4 and 5 per cent in Oregon. The borrower is the man who would suffer for the man loaning money could lend elsewhere while the borrower in Oregon would be without funds."

"Think it over."

President Wilson has endorsed the 1919 sale of Christmas seals, having written Charles J. Hatfield, managing director of the National Tuberculosis association, the following letter: "Allow me to express again my deep interest in the work of the National Tuberculosis association. I am very much interested to learn of the effort of the association to raise the sum of six and one half million dollars that the state budgets may be financed for the coming year, and write to wish the very best success to the effort."

Tailoring

For men and women—cleaning, pressing and repairing done well. Peter Lenard, Powell street.

NEW BOARD DIRECTORS ELECTED; STOCKHOLDERS FAVOR THE COUNTY OWNING GROUNDS, MANAGING FAIR

Newly Elected Fair Directors.

- Theo. Brugger
- F. H. Crane
- Rufus Holman
- A. A. Muck
- Ralph Hoyt
- H. A. Lewis
- C. M. Lake
- David McKeown
- A. F. Miller
- C. D. Minton
- G. H. Richey
- E. L. Thorpe
- John Sleret
- J. W. Townsend
- Edith Weathered

Stockholders to the number of about 25, including eight of the present directors and officers, met in Metzger's hall yesterday afternoon and listened to the annual reports, adopted an important resolution and elected directors for the ensuing year. In the absence of President H. A. Lewis, who is in the east, H. W. Snashall was selected chairman. Though the attendance was rather small a canvass of the shares represented in person or by proxy showed there were 929 present out of a possible 1419 shares. This lacked only 17 votes of being two-thirds of the total which precluded the adoption of a resolution authorizing the directors to make a sale and transfer of the fair property to the county in case the county commissioners authorized its purchase and maintenance by the county.

The resolution which had been introduced was so worded that it expressed the sentiment of those present at the meeting favorable to the transfer of the property and management of the fair and it was unanimously carried.

For some time there has been a growing opinion among the stockholders in general that this change could be and ought to be made. The matter has been freely discussed with the county commissioners. They have been on the board of directors and have had an opportunity to study the situation in all its bearings. While not committing themselves on the subject, it is said they have expressed opinions favorable to the plan and a report of the fair association's resources and liabilities has been submitted to the county commissioners.

If the change is decided upon it is believed it will be made this month. The fine financial showing, following the recent very successful fair, and the unanimous vote of such a large representation of stock at yesterday's meeting, it is believed, will be strong factors in leading the commissioners to adopt the new plan of management.

The resolution was as follows:
Resolutions
Whereas, the best interests of the public, in our judgment, demand that the county of Multnomah own, manage and control the grounds and buildings now owned by the "Multnomah County Fair," and that said "fair" be hereafter held, run and managed by said county; and
Whereas, we are informed that

several of the counties of this state, and of the state of Washington, are now owning the grounds and holding their "county fairs."

Now, therefore, Be it resolved, by the stockholders of the Multnomah County Fair, in their regular annual meeting held at Gresham, Oregon, on Monday, December 1, 1919, that it is the sense of this meeting that we ask the county commissioners to take over the fair grounds and buildings and to pay its indebtedness and stock and assume the management of future fairs.

If the county authorities should act favorably on this proposition it will be necessary to take a vote of the stock of the association, and a two-thirds vote can authorize the directors to consummate the deal.

The secretary, A. F. Miller, made the following report of receipts and expenditures for the past year:

Receipts	
Tickets	\$ 7,860.17
Concessions	6,459.99
Entry fees	1,881.80
Premium list	1,027.50
School building fund	416.32
County fair fund	8,000.00
	\$25,645.78
Disbursements	
Premiums	\$ 8,978.37
Building material	4,558.34
Advertising	727.22
Printing	177.95
Insurance	76.65
Stenographer	155.00
Rent	15.00
Minton's expenses	200.62
Miscellaneous expense	1,546.31
Races	6,921.50
Phone	18.65
Labor	2,208.55
	\$25,583.27

If from the above expenditures the items which went toward permanent improvements be deducted it shows the recent fair cleared over \$6,000 above expenses. This has been applied on indebtedness carried forward from former years.

The fair association owns a valuable tract of ten acres which with the buildings is said to be worth about \$28,000. The liabilities of the association, including the stock amount to a little over \$20,000.

The regular meeting of the directors will be held the first Monday in January next.

THREE PIONEER WOMEN COMBINE 256 YEARS

To have three guests at the Thanksgiving day banquet whose combined ages equalled 256 years and whose combined years of residence in Oregon amounted to more than 200 years was the unique experience of Dr. and Mrs. A. Thompson last week. The guests were Mrs. Elizabeth Linnemann, Mrs. Hannan (S. B.) Johnson and Mrs. Mary Preston, whose ages are, respectively, 92, 84 and 80. Strangely enough, all were pioneers of '52 in this vicinity, who saw the development of this place from a wilderness to a favored spot filled with modern homes and a thriving community.

1920 Maxwell, extra tire run 3000 miles—like new—a bargain. Gresham Overland Co., Phone 544.

It pays to advertise.

LEADS FRENCH LABOR



Leo Jouhaux is the "Sam Gompers" of France. He is the national labor leader there. He is now in Washington at the International Labor conference. He was voted down when he attempted to exclude the newspaper folks from the convention.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY VOTES ROAD BONDS

All anxiety regarding the inauguration of a progressive road improvement program in our neighboring county was dispelled by the announcement that the road bonding plan carried by a safe majority in last week's special election. Some precincts were strongly opposed but the Oregon City vote, it is claimed, put the measure over.

The \$1,700,000 thus provided for means 144 miles of good roads. This will put Clackamas county away to the front among the counties of the state and help in the rapid development of this country's almost matchless agricultural resources.

Hardsurfacing, such as Multnomah county has, will probably not be undertaken to any great extent but what is done will be the foundation work for this if it is desired later. Anyway, with the best macadam roads, Clackamas county will no longer be called the county of poor roads.

This is a noteworthy achievement in view of the fact the Clackamas county has the reputation of voting down everything in the way of improvement bonds, which has greatly limited the development of the county.

Dyking to Start.

The dirt is soon to begin to move in the construction of the dyke of Multnomah Drainage District No. 1. This will be good news especially to the property owners within that district and to all who are interested in the developing of the resources of our county.

When this district was organized in 1916 and 1917 it was fully expected that within the course of a year the dyking would be completed and the 800 acres of land be reclaimed and be available to help to increase crop production during the war period. However complications arose which have required the strenuous persistent efforts of the Board of Supervisors to straighten out.

Now everything is in readiness to proceed with construction. At a meeting of the land owners held in Swiss hall, Monday night, October 27th, the land owners of the district voted unanimously instructing the Board of Supervisors to proceed with the construction work immediately and to let the bid for the building of the dyke to the Warren Construction company who had presented the best bid. The contract for construction calls for the completion of the dyke along the Columbia River by the 15th of May, 1920. An agreement between the district and the city of Portland also calls for the completion of the canal and dyking across the west end of the district by the 15th of May 1920. The contract for the building and installing of the pumping plant has not as yet been let but the supervisors expect that the pumping plant will be ready by the same date. This will enable many of the farmers within the district to put under cultivation a part of their land for crops for 1920.

At present the estimated cost for reclamation of this land which includes the dyking and interior drainage is about \$50 per acre based on present construction prices. When this is completed all the land from the Sandy river at Troutdale along the Columbia river as far west as the railroad fill where the North Bank railroad crosses the Columbia river will be under dyke, this being the fourth project to be completed. The others are the Sundial project at Troutdale, the Peninsula project No. 1 at Kenton and the Peninsula project No. 2 which takes in the land on either side of the Union avenue approach to the Interstate bridge.—Farm Bureau News.

Want Ads 1c a word first time.

GRESHAM YOUTH ON WRECKED SHIP

Ivan Mason, a Gresham boy, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Masor, live near Division street, arrived home Sunday coming from New York where he was landed November 22 along with others of the ill fated ship Braeburn.

The young man has had a thrilling experience. He thinks he has had enough of adventure and seen enough of danger on sea to satisfy him for a while, hence he expects to remain on land.

The Braeburn, a wooden ship, was built during 1918 at the Peninsula shipbuilding plant in Portland. She received at Portland and St. Helens a cargo of railroad ties for England and made her maiden voyage to Southampton. She was loaded for the return at Fowey with china clay, and started for New York.

Twenty-three days of gale were experienced and the supply of fuel, water and food became low. In response to an S. O. S. call the New Britain appeared and rendered assistance. The Braeburn was towed to the Bermuda Islands and left in a heavy sea to roll and toss till morning. All the time she was drifting toward the rocks. At St. George's tugs came to her assistance but on account of breaking of hawsers and other difficulties abandoned the effort.

Finally the Braeburn struck the rocks and her hold began to leak. The ship had a crew of about 40, mostly from Portland and Seattle, all of whom were rescued and all but three taken to St. George's and then to Hamilton, and later arrived on the steamer Charydis at New York. Three men were left with the ship and efforts are being made to save it. There is said to be small hope of saving either ship or cargo.

Berries Make It Possible.

The berry industry has already started the wheels turning in the matter of using logged off lands. Organizations are already being formed to enable growers to get on this cheap land.

It will soon be a common sight to see a settler on ten acres of stump land with his loganberries and strawberries planted among the evergreen blackberries while in a corner of the stump land he can have a chicken yard.

This is no dream picture, it is actually happening in numerous localities and berries have made it possible for the man of small means to actually get a start and make himself independent by his own labor.

Crook county will build a \$5000 soldiers memorial.

Motorcars will pay \$3,000,000 tax towards highways next year.

Mrs. Elsie Smith underwent an operation for the removal of tonsils last week and is recovering nicely.

All-Night Dance.

Every Saturday night, at Clackamas, Oregon, Six-piece Jazz orchestra. Supper at midnight.—Adv.

The census bureau prints a special supplement for each state in the Union containing all the census figures relating to the state in question.

Congress extended the scope of the approaching 1920 census by providing that a census of forestry and forest products should be taken. These subjects were never specifically covered by any past census act.

The statistics of the first census of the United States were published in one small volume consisting of 56 pages. The statistics of the 1910 census required 12 volumes having an aggregate of more than 40,000 pages.

CHRISTMAS OUTLOOK BIG FEATURE NUMBER

Plans are under way for the big Christmas number of the Gresham Outlook which will be dated about December 16.

This will be a feature number with beautiful Holiday illustrations and special articles on the leading activities of the eastern Multnomah and northern Clackamas territory. There will be many articles that will interest our wide range of readers, making it a splendid number to send to friends and relatives at a distance.

It will give business men an excellent opportunity to extend holiday greetings to their patrons and announce their holiday specialties.

Correspondence is invited from all localities. Request is made that all articles reach us by the 10th or 12th if possible.

Watch for it! Speak for extra copies early. Speak for ad space before it is too late.

HIS NEW JOB



The Veteran—"Having made the World Safe for Democracy, it looks like I would have to help make the U. S. a safe place to live in."