

FORMER SUPT. OF SCHOOLS DISPUTES BOARD'S STATEMENT

To the editor: I understand certain insinuations have been made in the local press signed by the entire board of education that my resignation took place two years ago because of antagonism existing between the Parent-Teachers association and myself. I wish to say if there was one body that co-operated with me and worked diligently for better schools it was the Parent-Teachers association. At no time during the period of three years I spent in Medford do I recall a single instance in which this organization failed to co-operate with me. It is true there were two or three individuals who tried to cause more or less trouble, and I presume they are just as active now as they were then, but at no time did they have the Parent-Teachers association behind them.

My attention has also been called to an article appearing in the local press, signed by the school board, a portion of which reads "Our schools were in an unsatisfactory condition, there was an entire lack of system and standards were low. There was a haphazard way of doing things and an entire lack of discipline in the high school." Now the author of the above quotation, who seems to claim so much interest in the schools at that time, on previous occasions has made similar public utterances. This seems to be his principal refuge when in a tight place. Evidently the writer of this article is trying desperately to cover up some of his underhanded dealings and public mistakes by simply "passing the buck." I do not see how the school board can publish such statements over their own signatures and get away with it. Every organization in Medford, as well as the parents, teachers, pupils, Mr. Palmer and former members of the board know this statement to be maliciously false. The author of this article is trying hard to justify himself as a public servant and resorts to false statements to clarify himself in the eyes of his constituency. Had the board's backbone been as stiff as it now apparently seems to be the present educational calamity would never have happened. Certainly the conditions of two years ago could hardly be compared with the conditions which now exist. The schools

of Medford can never be better than its school board, no matter what the scholastic standing and experience of its instructional staff may be.

The public certainly knows why I resigned, but for fear some have forgotten, I wish to say, it was brought about for two reasons: the inharmonious conditions existing in the board and the lack of support and sympathy from that body.

Now in my case, the insidious propaganda referred to in the article, which is laid wholly on the people, was propagated and nursed in the board itself. So far as other organizations are concerned, they had no hand in it to my knowledge.

The term "heartbroken" as applied is really amusing. Can you imagine a superintendent being heartbroken knowing he is no longer connected with such a mess of affairs?

Sincerely yours, M. V. HILLIS, World Book Co., Yonkers, N. Y.

To the Public: The Parent-Teacher association of Medford has been accused both openly and by insinuation of having caused trouble in school matters at various times for several years, and of having been largely responsible for the resignation of our former city superintendent. In simple justice to our organization we as presidents and ex-presidents of the Medford Parent-Teacher council feel that a public statement is appropriate at this time. We have never undertaken any plan of work without first consulting superintendent and principals, and when it has seemed best to appeal to the board of education for help, we have done so in the form of a request always working with the one aim in view, the upbuilding of our schools. We have never asked for, nor worked for the resignation of any superintendent, principal or teacher.

Our former superintendent, Mr. Hillis, was here three years and at no time did the Parent-Teacher council, which was organized at the beginning of his first year, or any individual circle, so far as we know, vote contrary to his ideas or policies. Our work with him was always harmonious and we were always certain of his co-operation and sympathy. He was seldom too busy to attend various meetings and did much work on various committees. As a superintendent he was courteous, progressive and untiring. As for his school work here we feel satisfied that his ideas and ideals of education were far in advance of his time showing a clear vision of urgent changes necessary in our educational system to meet the practical demands of the world today. The declaration of war caused upheaval in schools throughout the land, but the way in which he met these conditions plainly showed, not only his ability, but his patriotic desire to see the schools of our country do their full share in preparing the

coming men and women for the new problems to be met.

We wish to express our appreciation of the work done in our schools at that time.

MRS. J. O. GREY, ex-president Parent-Teacher council.
MRS. E. E. KELLY, ex-president Parent-Teacher council.
MRS. E. N. CAMPBELL, ex-president of council.
MRS. E. V. MADDON, president of council.

Two Headlines Liberty

Another knockout program, with two exceptional headlines opens today at the Liberty theatre for a three day engagement, "Salome vs. Shenandoah" is genuine burlesque and funny all the way, and it presents Mack Bennett at his best. And last, our old friend Chas. Ray is quite irresistible in "Red Hot Dollars," which is rich with real humor from start to finish with never a lagging moment.

BOLSHEVIKI SWWEPS GERMANY

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Another proclamation was addressed to the Berlin proletariat and exhorted workers to continue their strike.

Crowds in the streets eagerly drank in the usual output of rumors. The leaflets employed during the last transportation strike for conveying worried pedestrians were introduced today. One of these was a wagon having benches along its sides.

Many horse carts and taxis were in evidence; hotels and restaurants were serving the public; shops were reopening and there was a general resumption of activities.

BERLIN, Mar. 22.—(By the Associated Press)—An automobile trip made by the correspondent of the Associated Press this afternoon through the industrial district in the eastern outskirts of Berlin, which during Saturday night was the scene of several clashes between troops and Spartans, brought to light the extensive military preparations that had been made to cope with the activities of the reds there.

The suburb of Kopenick, just eastward of Johannisthal and Aldershof, had become a big military camp. The correspondent saw at least a dozen camouflaged field pieces and numerous machine guns and supplies of ammunition and stores of all kinds.

The principal fighting yesterday evening was precipitated by an attempt of the soldiers to seize a benzine plant near Aldershof. The district was quiet today, but further trouble was expected.

The automobile passed a long string of armored cars mounting machine guns and truck loads of soldiers, going to reinforce the encamped troops.

Personal

A new addition to the harmony featured by the Imperial orchestra is that of bells, which add greatly to the general effect. This feature is handled by Earl Roberts, who is already well known as a master of the marimba-banphone. The next appearance of the orchestra will be at the hat of a formal dancing party Wednesday night.

Don't fail to hear "Bardanello" of the new Gold Seal Emerson records. Plays on any machine. Hale's Piano House.

Walter Tooze of Salem, organizer of Wood clubs in the state is in the city coming here from Ashland where he states the sentiment for General Wood is overwhelming. Mr. Tooze is well known throughout the state and had three sons in the great war, one being killed in action in France.

Have you tried the Litina Mineral water from the Jackson County Creamery. It has great medicinal value.

R. A. M. No. 32
M. M. & P. M. Degree
Tuesday, March 23rd. All R. A. M. requested to be on hand.
R. WOODFORD, H. P. A. F. SOTH, Secy.

Notice
There will be a dance at the Knights of Pythias hall, Thursday evening, March 25. All Knights cordially invited and urged to attend.

RAWLES MOORE FILES AT SALEM

SALEM, Mar. 23.—Four justices of the Oregon supreme court, including Thomas A. McEride, Lawrence T. Harris, Henry L. Benson and Henry E. Bean, have filed with the secretary of state their declarations of candidacy for renomination at the republican primary election to be held in May.

Other candidates who have filed during the last two days include: Rawles Moore, democrat, of Medford, district attorney for Jackson county.

College Tuition Raised.
CHICAGO, Mar. 23.—Tuition at Northwestern university will be advanced from \$150 to \$200 a year, Dean Roy C. Fleckinger announced today.

SALVATION ARMY HOME SERVICE IN ASHLAND STARTED

ASHLAND, March 22.—In order to study at first hand certain phases of poverty, unemployment, juvenile delinquency and other unwholesome conditions prevalent more or less in any given community, the incentive which has caused the establishment of a home service department of the Salvation Army in this city, organized some time since under the specific direction of an advisory board. This plan is to have all professional and business followings represented on this board on the principle that the scope of its investigations may be wider and more comprehensive and its recommendations correspondingly timely to fit the needs of the deserving and unfortunate, instead of extending relief indiscriminately. Hence, the official directory of the board contains the names of representative professional and business followings.

A. C. Briggs, manager of the Fruit and Produce association, is chairman of the board, W. H. McNeil, district vice chairman, L. E. Ferguson, dry goods, secretary. The banks are represented by E. V. Carter and V. O. N. Smith of the First National and Citizens institutions, respectively; A. C. Nimzger, Henry Enders, Jr., Louis Dodge, local business firms; E. D. Briggs, attorney; C. H. Pierce, manager; Dan Amicgate, Wells Fargo express.

Leading in every phase of relief work and responding to all calls in behalf of the deserving through these channels, it is eminently fitting that the Elks should be represented also on the board, consequently the name of D. Peroni, exalted ruler of Ashland lodge No. 944 appears there also.

How the Salvation Army can work more effectively in this community and to better advantage the army's trained organization and institutional facilities, will be determined by the advisory board after patient investigation of conditions existing not only in Ashland, but also its vicinity. There are those who are interested and optimistic enough to note in the Salvation Army's home service program for 1920, an opportunity to obtain social service for this community closely approximating in extent of endeavor and success of accomplishment the measure of good work which stands to the credit of the army's achievements along these lines in the larger cities. The board, in certain instances, will report its findings to state headquarters, where the situation will be reviewed and action taken accordingly. Eventually, should the demand warrant, either experienced army workers, may be detailed for active service on the spot, or a corps may be established in Ashland, from which center will radiate an extent of "first aid" social service in every direction. With the clergy and churches, schools and fraternal organizations interested in this movement, the army's practical and systematic methods of dealing with these social problems, will be reinforced to such an extent that the campaign in behalf of betterment along all lines will assume the proportions of a drive exemplifying the beneficent application of good work in general.

Warren A. Chilcote, field representative of the Salvation Army, submitted this social service proposition to local citizens and it was upon recommendation as submitted by him that the organization of this advisory board was perfected. In this connection, an opportunity is also given for the Sunshine Society, heretofore and of the present time foremost in lending a helping hand to the needy and distressed to continue its kind offices on a more extended scale than ever.



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