

STUDY HALL; CLASS ROOM, TO BE BUILT

Gymnasium Balcony Space of High School to House Two New Rooms—Will Increase Present Capacity 75 or 80 Students.

At a meeting of the school board yesterday the construction of two additional school rooms in the high school gymnasium was ordered. One of the rooms is to be a study hall and the other a class room. The rooms will be built into the space now occupied by balcony seats in the east side of the gymnasium over the present cooking and sewing departments.

The new rooms will be of permanent structure and in keeping with those in the main unit of the building. Their addition will, it is figured, increase the present capacity of the building about 75 or 80 students.

Frank C. Clark, who was associate architect in building the new high school, was ordered to prepare plans and estimates which will be ready for contractors December 21, 1928. Bids will be in by January 3 and the construction is to be completed by January 26. The utilization of the east balcony space does not interfere with the gymnasium proper which is also used as the assembly hall. The gymnasium hall, together with the south and west balconies, will seat between 900 and 10000 people.

The new high school was built in 1925-1926. Bonds at that time for \$150,000 were voted and two units of a future three-unit building were constructed. The third unit, the construction of which may be recommended soon, is to be a study hall, auditorium and several additional class rooms. "I doubt if it is generally realized," said Superintendent Hedrick, "how crowded the situation is at the high school. We now have there an enrollment of 720 students, whereas our maximum capacity is 700. In addition to these, there are from 80 to 90 more who will enter the latter part of January.

Room Needed "If we are to house them it is necessary that we have more room. When the building was erected three years ago we had an enrollment in high school of 567. Since that time the increase has been about 40 per cent. The situation in the junior high school is also critical. We are handling it by pouring our overflow into the old Salvation Army church building.

"The population of Medford has more than doubled in the last eight years, so it is not surprising that our schools are crowded. No, I am not in a position to say that the board will recommend a building campaign in the near future. It has been our idea not to do this until it is absolutely necessary. We are paying off our indebtedness pretty rapidly to put the district in good shape, and when the time comes we can go no further, we shall say so and make our recommendations. "Personally, I do not believe it is necessary to start agitation in a community for a building campaign a year or so ahead of time with the idea of having the issue beaten once or twice before it is to be put over. When the time comes, new buildings are imperative, the people will know it the same as the board does and they can act accordingly. There is no reason why a school district can't use the same business sense that any other big corporation would in the handling of its affairs."

S. P. NOVEMBER INCOME INCREASE OVER 1927

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 27.—(AP)—The Southern Pacific company's net operating income for the month of November, 1928, shows an increase of \$66,728.10 as compared with the same month of 1927, said the company's report of earnings and expenses made public today. Earnings for the first 11 months of this year as compared with the same period last year show an increase of \$1,314,124.55.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 27.—(AP)—Appointment of J. H. McClure as general freight and passenger agent for the Southern Pacific company, with headquarters at Phoenix, Ariz., was announced today by J. T. Saunders, freight traffic manager, and F. S. McGinnis, passenger traffic manager, for the railroad. The appointment is effective January 1.

Colgate Humor. ORANGE, N. J., Dec. 27.—(AP)—Sidney M. Colgate, soap magnate, is in a hospital with a compound leg fracture and his sense of humor. He sent his friends cards bearing a picture of a rocking horse and rider and the words: "A horse is a safe thing for safety." Mr. Colgate was thrown from his mount two months ago.

Hot Dog? ST. LOUIS, Dec. 27.—(AP)—A customer, but \$2 on the bar just as prohibition agents entered a saloon. He liked sandwiches, a lot of them, he explained in answer to their questions. The bartender piled up a bunch. The customer ate. He stopped after 13. Then the agents searched and found liquor and arrested the bartender.

BOK CARILLON CHIMES IN FLORIDA



A carillon, medieval Europe's warning of flood or war, sounded a note of peace when the dream of Edward Bok became a reality and his memorial tower of chimes was played for the first time. Bok, a Philadelphia philanthropist, erected the tower as a memorial to his parents. It is at Mountain lake, near Lake Wales, Florida.

CRAWFORD TELLS COPCO FORUM OF CHICAGO JOURNEY

P. O. Crawford, vice-president and general business manager of the California Oregon Power company, was the principal speaker at the Copco Forum luncheon this week with blocks of special lighting being his trip to the Chicago offices of H. M. Byllesby & Co., telling many things of interest to his hearers regarding the affairs of the local company. Christmas outdoor lighting is very popular in the east, according to the speaker, who told of seeing many of the most beautiful displays in the world. Although the large cities are leading the country in this modern method of spreading Christmas cheer, smaller cities are also taking to the idea more each year. Cheyenne, Wyo., made a wonderful showing this year with blocks of special lighting effects in the business district as well as in the residence section. Beautifully lighted Christmas trees at the railroad depot flashed a "Merry Christmas" to travelers, creating a very favorable impression for this progressive community.

A report on the Forum Christmas party was made by E. C. Koppen, indicating that the subscriptions raised by the Copco employees would be sufficient to finance the affair without further contributions being necessary. Photographs of the happy group of kiddies gathered about old Santa were passed about the table for the inspection of those present.

Dale Guiley, chairman of the annual New Year's party of the Copco Forum, announced that arrangements had been made for a five holiday party on New Year's eve at St. Mark's Guild hall. A cabaret from former Copco employees who are now located in Rio de Janeiro, bearing holiday greetings from Messrs. Paul McKee, Ivanhoe, Le Bow, Hackett and Turner, was passed around during the meeting. A similar cable was sent to the above group from the Copco crowd on Christmas day. A large number of Copco employees attended today's luncheon at which H. S. Daniels officiated as chairman.

Drives Around United States in 28 Days in Ford

A tour around the United States in less than a month sounds like an ambitious accomplishment, yet it has just been done in a Ford Model A by E. J. Huby, commercial attaché in New York of the Czech-Slovakian republic. The circular trip covered 30,000 miles and was done in 28 days, the route being from New York to Toronto, Sault Ste. Marie, Helena, Montana; Seattle; San Francisco; Los Angeles; El Paso, Texas; Memphis, Tennessee; Columbus, Ohio; Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; and back.

Mr. Huby decided that his duties as commercial attaché necessitated finding out what America looked like—hence the trip. The Ford used was an open roadster with rumble seat. Mr. Huby says he got twenty-one miles to the gallon of ordinary gas, and that he used second gear but little on the trip.

ADAMS—Plans completed for erection of buildings on Umatilla county experiment station near this place.

CORVALLIS—2,400 acres of logged-off land donated to Oregon State college for use in reforestation experiments.

PORTLAND—Building occupied by Shank Bag company at 249 East Madison street will be entirely reconstructed.

THROUGH EAGER HEAR WESTERN CHILD VIOLINIST

Eleven-Year-Old Yehudi Menuhin to Appear As Soloist—To Play Ten Concerts—America and Europe Tour Planned.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Yehudi Menuhin, 11 years old, of San Francisco, will appear as soloist tonight with the New York Philharmonic orchestra, playing the Tchaikovsky Concerto for the violin. And somewhere in the back of Carnegie hall, Yehudi's father will be standing up with a lot of other music lovers who cannot get tickets. Every seat was sold weeks ago.

After 10 months' retirement—taken in order that Yehudi might get away from crowds and be "just a boy" for a while—he has again come out of the west with his fiddle under his arm, and New York has already paid down thousands of dollars to hear him. Yehudi cannot even get passes for his friends into the concert tonight.

When Yehudi made his debut here a year ago, he was given a ovation such as few musicians ever get. It recalled that of Jascha Heifetz 10 years ago. And even before that, he had made a sensational debut in Paris. He is now starting on an American and European tour, but he will play only about 10 times. His parents have set the limit.

After he has played his 10 concerts, Yehudi will go back to San Francisco and his algebra, and will not play again in public for at least seven months. Here in New York, Yehudi is a hero in New York, and New York loves to make a fuss over her heroes. But she cannot make a fuss over Yehudi. For instance, after the concert tonight, Yehudi and his father will go straight back to their hotel—without the boy's having met a single admirer. A few old friends, a very few, will accompany them, and everybody will have ice cream. That will be a real party for Yehudi.

After his debut in Paris, when he was 10, Yehudi spent a summer with his parents and his little sisters in Rumania, where one of his teachers lived. Queen Marie sent for him to go to the palace and play for her. On behalf of Yehudi his parents respectfully declined. They invited the queen to tea in their apartment, politely requesting that there be no pomp or glitter.

"She was wonderful about it," Yehudi's father said. "She came, and Yehudi played for her. Later, she sent him a book, in which she had written: "To Yehudi—hoping he will be nice to me in America than he was in Rumania."

The experiment showed that the tendency to resist turning white is about uniformly double in the creatures from parents both having the same hair color. Dr. Robert T. Hance, head of the department of zoology, who made the experiments, says: "What we are really striving for is more knowledge of the chemistry of living processes in order that we may be able the better to control them. The biologist is trying by every possible means to learn more of these complicated phenomena, and it is usually easier to understand the normal through observation of the abnormal. Hence he is continually trying to upset the usual activities by throwing experimental monkey wrenches in the way of ultra-violet rays, X-rays, chemicals and a variety of other things into the living works to see what happens.

"The effect of X-rays is attracting the most attention at present, and their value in demonstrating a very nice difference, doubtless chemical, between two characters of different hereditary constitution is obvious in the cases of the mice. "This is the first instance where an hereditary difference between two animals has been shown by other than natural breeding methods and it opens a very interesting field for experimentation and speculation. "X-ray therapy has some virtues and many faults. Greater knowledge of the biological action of X-rays may enable us to control or to duplicate in some simpler way the valuable effects and largely, if not completely, to eliminate the less desirable."

THOMSON LEAVES LAKE. LOS ANGELES, Dec. 27.—(AP)—The will of Fred Thomson, who made hundreds of thousands annually as a cowboy of the screen, leaves his widow, Frances Marion, scenario writer, only love and affection, by her request, because she is already provided with sufficient funds.

The holiday season party of the Masonic Dancing club will be held tonight in the Masonic hall, with an unusually enjoyable time promised by C. M. Houston, chairman of arrangements.

RAINIER—Site along river purchased for erection of new shingle mill.

KLAMATH FALLS.—Old high school building on Fifth street may be remodeled into armory.

ANCHORAGE, Alaska.—Carrier pigeons, for conveying messages of distress in case of accident, have been trained to operate this winter in Alaska with airplanes for their bases. All planes doing winter flying now are equipped with compartments in which the little messengers live while touring the north by air. The introduction of carrier pigeons was the result of several near-tragedies where aviators, operating freight and passenger service to all parts of the territory, were forced down in remote districts.

REEDSPORT—Umpqua Mills & Timber company recently sent shipment of lumber to Persia. KLAMATH FALLS.—Klamath County market road fund for 1929 will approximate \$24,000.

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