

SCHOOLS OF CITY WILL OPEN DOORS MONDAY MORNING

Teachers In Medford Busy
With Final Details As Vac-
ation Wanes — Few
Changes Made In Staff.

School will open in Medford next Monday, September 18, marking the close of vacation for hundreds of boys and girls in the grades and in junior and senior high school.

Preparations have been underway for the past week and many of the teachers are already back in the city, working out last minute details under the leadership of Superintendent E. H. Hedrick. Teachers were hired last spring for just four and a half months of school and no new statement has been forthcoming regarding a continuation of the year to the normal period of time.

It is all up to the taxpayers, has been the constant reply of the board of directors to persons, asking "how much school will Medford have this year?"

Taxes Mean Schools

The last investigation of the tax rolls revealed a long list of delinquencies still on the books. While great anxiety has been expressed by parents regarding the situation, taxpayers still appear reluctant and the period of school is still undetermined.

Superintendent Hedrick, however, in discussing the situation yesterday, stated that the board is still hopeful and the members feel that Medford taxpayers will not permit the schools to close at the end of the four and a half months period. If the money is forthcoming at that time contracts will be signed with the teachers for another four and a half months. The short period contracts signed to protect the district, will in no way interfere with a continuation of school at the expiration of that time.

A few changes in the teaching staff have been made following elections last spring. The list of teachers will be published in the Friday Mail Tribune.

Register at High Friday

Glen Smith, principal of the high school, is already in the city and

Superintendent



E. H. HEDRICK, superintendent of Medford schools for over seven years, one of the state's outstanding educators.

will register new students at the high school Friday afternoon and Saturday after 10 o'clock. Coach Darwin K. Burgher is also back on duty. Football practice for the new season started yesterday and townspeople were rejoicing over the return of the Medford coach to the local field, where new football men are going to be made this year.

Attendance Problematical

No prediction regarding enrollment was made yesterday by Superintendent Hedrick, who stated it was a difficult thing to judge. He added, however, that the number would probably be fully up to last year's figure.

Economies have been effected in all grades from the fourth to the twelfth and as a result the students in these grades will have longer daily schedules in order to enable fewer instructors to carry on the work. These schedules will be announced Friday.

Major Biddle Hunts Moose

SEATTLE (UP)—Seeking large specimens of bull moose, Major Nicholas Biddle of Philadelphia and Harold T. Green, curator of the Academy of Natural Sciences Museum of Philadelphia, were en route to the Kenai Peninsula, near Seward, Alaska. The hunters said the moose did not necessarily have to be the largest in the world, but they must be big.

P.-T. A. CONGRESS TO MAP DEFENSE NATION'S SCHOOLS

WASHINGTON (UP) — Parent-Teacher association leaders from all parts of the country will gather here for the semi-annual meeting of the board of managers of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, Sept. 18 through Sept. 21.

Presidents of state congresses of parents and teachers, national committee chairmen, and national officers, who comprise the board of managers, will discuss plans and policies affecting approximately 30,000 parent-teacher associations during the coming school year.

Much of the time probably will be spent in discussion of the part which the national organization can play in defense of the country's educational system against the trend to cut down school costs because of decreased receipts in communities and states.

"Faced with shortening school terms, closed schools, overcrowded class rooms, and thousands of school children being deprived of school opportunities," a statement from the association's headquarters says, "education's lay leaders in the parent-teacher movement are urging vigorous action to maintain school standards."

18 Forests Get 8 Million

SAN FRANCISCO (UP)—More than \$8,500,000 will be spent during the next two years for maintenance of 18 national forests in California and southwestern Nevada, according to S. B. Snow, chief of the Federal Regional Forest bureau here. Used to purchase equipment and to pay wages, these funds will provide 1,500,000 "man days" of labor, or the employment of 10,000 men at a substantial wage for 150 days each, Snow said.

1028 AT OPENING ASHLAND SCHOOLS

ASHLAND—(Spl.)—Ashland's public schools opened Labor day, with an enrollment that compared favorably with that of last year, according to Supt. George A. Briscoe, who reported the enrollment as follows:

Senior high, 230.
Junior high, 290.
Washington, 225.
Lincoln, 283.

This makes a total of 1028 today. The enrollment last year was slightly higher, but this is probably explained by the fact that some students are still on vacation trips with their parents. Eventually the enrollment will no doubt equal that of last year as in the Senior and Junior high schools the enrollment was more than on the second day last year, while in the Washington and Lincoln schools the enrollment was less.

PET PARROT RECEIVES TRUST FUND FOR KEEP

BOSTON (UP)—The aristocrat of Boston parrots is one which formerly was owned by Frederick D. Allen.

At his death a few years ago, Allen established a \$5,000 trust fund, the income to be paid to his widow, Nina, for caring for the bird.

During the past year Mrs. Allen received \$270.77 for administering to the needs of the bird, a Mexican parrot that is remarkably democratic despite its wealth.

Deer Congestion Reported

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. (UP)—One of those reports you very seldom hear any more is being investigated by Paul Reddington, chief of the U. S. Biological survey. A congestion of

deer is reported on the Shelton range in the Sacramento mountains. Reddington left Albuquerque with John Gatlin, state biological survey leader, and M. E. Musgrave, regional forest and game expert.

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