

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT SURVEY REPORT

With a view to determining social and civic needs of the community, individuals and organizations interested in advancement of public welfare, some ten months ago began a survey of local conditions with a view to community betterment. The final report was filed this week with the chamber of commerce.

The Community Betterment committee consisted of the following persons: E. R. Reames, chairman; O. D. Hurke, vice-president; Mrs. G. A. Krause, secretary; R. C. Groesbeck, Father H. J. Marshall, Mrs. Bert Hawkins, Geo. J. Walton, Dr. A. A. Soule, J. P. Wells, Rev. S. J. Chaney, C. F. Parker, M. S. West, G. A. Krause, W. B. Parker, Miss Twyla Head, W. H. Robertson and Mrs. Carrie Ganong.

The report of the committee is as follows:

The purposes of the community survey were:

1. To make a thorough investigation of all matters affecting health, sanitation, recreation, dependency, delinquency, industry, and housing within the city of Klamath Falls. In the case of dependency the county was taken as a unit.

2. To make recommendations to the public in general, city officials, and public organizations based on the findings of the survey.

3. To place at the disposal of all organizations the material gathered in the survey.

The facts obtained in this survey were gathered in a house to house canvass, personal interviews with officials and others in authority and public records.

Information gathered covered the following points: Health, sanitation, recreation, housing, industry, dependency, delinquency.

No report given by the committee on housing and industry.

General Facts

Number of houses covered 734; houses rented 260; definitely interested in buying own homes 90; persons living in these 734 houses 2,999, 365 of which were roomers; children under 16 years 812, and of these 509 attending school.

These figures bring out a number of interesting facts. The average number of persons to each house is four. About 37 per cent of children under 16 years of age are either too young to attend school or do not attend. Three hundred eighty families have no children under 16. Of the 354 that have children, 141 have only one child each. Two families have 7, and two have 6.

Health and Sanitation

Tabulations
Sewer in street but not connected 7; poor drainage 110; no city water 41; barns 49; outdoor toilet 206; garbage disposal, burned 352, hauled 178, fed to chickens 66, dumped in yard 25, dumped in river 1; milk supply, private sources 190, dairy 269, canned 148.

One of the most serious health problems of this city is that of proper disposal of garbage. Proper collection and disposal of city garbage is as much the function of the city government as sewage disposal. Private disposal of garbage results in unsightly heaps both within the city and on the highways leading to the city, and in a serious health menace. All garbage cannot be disposed of by burning in household stoves and furnaces. The survey results show that a very small per cent of households have their garbage hauled away, and when this is done the public has no guarantee that proper disposition will be made. A study of modern methods of garbage disposal reveals that there are two approved methods, incineration and sanitary fills. The latter is less costly and often results in making the undertaking self-supporting. The instances of unhealthful disposal of garbage in this city are too numerous to include in this report.

The survey has shown that the sewage and water systems of this city are not adequate for its needs. Mills' Addition is the chief sufferer in these two respects. Two hundred six outdoor toilets were found in this

THOUSAND DEMOCRATS TO SUBSCRIBE WITH WILSON

NEW YORK, Sept. 23.—A thousand Democrats will be asked to follow President Wilson's example and subscribe \$500 each to the Democratic campaign fund, according to National Chairman White. The "Match-the-President" plan would raise half a million dollars for the Democratic war chest, said White. All friends of the league of nations will be asked to subscribe.

The outdoor toilet, unless specially constructed according to U. S. health department plans is a serious menace to the health of the community. No sanitary outdoor toilets were found. The menace of outdoor toilets and unsanitary barns is increased in many instances by improper drainage.

This committee seriously doubts that the present disposal of sewage is entirely safe. The committee did not succeed in determining definitely whether or not the sewer pipes which empty into Lake Ewanna extend a sufficient distance into the lake. This sewer exit should be led far enough into the lake so that the sewage may be carried away by the current of the river. This is an entirely safe and approved method of disposing of sewage, but some complications may result in this case owing to the fact that this is an interstate stream. If the law will not permit this method of sewage disposal, a new, up to date septic tank should be used. The present septic tank is often open, exposing its contents to the open air and is in a doubtful sanitary condition.

The committee found that there is no adequate inspection of milk, meat, vegetables, or fruit, in this city. This is the function of the health department, but owing to lack of funds it is now impossible for vigorous inspection to be made. The health is that much doubtful meat, milk and vegetables find their way to Klamath Falls tables.

Recommendations
As the result of a careful study of health and sanitary conditions in this city, and a comparison with neighboring cities such as Medford, Grants Pass, Roseburg and Corning, this committee makes the following recommendations:

That the city government take over the collection and disposal of garbage.

That the city provide a fund of at least \$5000 to be used by the city health officer for necessary clean-up campaigns, for the employment of a special sanitary police officer to enforce ordinances and make inspections.

That the office of street commissioner be established whose duties it shall be to see to the inspection of streets, sewers, water, etc.

That the chamber of commerce, business men's association, labor unions and all other organizations, support the city health officer in all campaigns for cleanliness and sanitation.

That the public may buy pasteurized milk whenever possible. That they safeguard themselves by investigating the source of their milk supply.

That dairy owners install pasteurization machinery and personally investigate the sources of their milk supply.

That butchers, grocers, and others dealing in perishable foods be extremely careful in the inspection of all products that leave their establishments, sacrificing, if necessary some of their profits rather than the health of their customers.

Delinquency

The work of this committee covered only juvenile delinquents. It has been practically impossible to secure any definite figures on the kind and amount of juvenile offenses, owing to the fact that we have no regularly constituted juvenile court or juvenile probation officer in the city. Cases coming to the attention of county officials are settled as much as possible outside of court. Although there is no special juvenile judge or probation officer, juvenile offenders brought before the court are often placed on probation, reporting to the judge periodically. So far as the committee could learn there is no regular plan of investigating home conditions or any other far

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FORD DEALERS IN NEW HOME

The Danner-Patty Motor company is now in their new garage at the corner of Klamath avenue and Eighth streets and doing business. Some little details are still missing. For instance last night's rain caught them with skylights still unfinished and precipitated some moisture into cars directly below, but barring a few trifles of the sort their new home is complete.

The firm is getting an average of 20 Ford cars a month and disposing of them. They're getting their share of Ford trucks and Ford tractors. They're well satisfied with the progress made since they came to town a year ago and took over the Ford agency from George Biehn.

The new garage has a floor space of 80 by 120 feet, containing ample room for the business and sales office, stock room, shop and ladies' rest rooms, all in separate rooms, and leaving garage space sufficient for the storage of more than 50 cars.

The building is steam heated and equipped with every modern garage convenience and Messrs. Danner and Patty want all their old friends to take advantage of it—expecting also to make many new friends who will appreciate the service they are now in a position to give.

SAYS CONGRESS TOO LARGE TO BE EFFICIENT

Remedial suggestions which he said would increase the legislative efficiency of congress and speed up transaction of government business were offered at the noon-day luncheon of the chamber of commerce by Congressman C. N. McArthur.

Reduction of the membership from its present size of more than 400, and prospective size of more than 500 on the new census basis, was advocated. The large membership makes the body unwieldy and cumbersome, he said, and offers opportunity for shirking individual responsibility. The result is that less than a dozen men are active law-makers and the aim of representative government is defeated.

Shortening the time between a member's election and the time that he takes his seat—now sometimes a year—was another remedy suggested. The present plan works evil in several directions, he said. In a year the newly elected member has time to forget his pre-election promises. The man that he succeeds uses the time at Washington to feather his political nest—in too many instances—and the peoples' interest suffer.

Congressman McArthur's talk was non-political. At the city hall this evening at 8 o'clock he will deliver a public address on political issues. The luncheon today was held at the Rex cafe and was largely attended.

Mrs. Jean Morris Ellis, vocational expert, made an interesting talk on her work among ex-service men. Dr. S. J. Reed, who is conducting special religious meetings here, made a plea for Christianity in business.

JAPAN FIRM FOR RACIAL EQUALITY

TOKIO, Sept. 23.—The Japanese government, as a result of the meeting of the cabinet, will vigorously pursue negotiations concerning any American anti-Japanese legislation, and will push firmly the question of racial equality in the League of Nations conference, according to the Hocho Shimbun.

JOY IN VENICE

VENICE, Cal., Sept. 22.—Men may smoke, and go coastless while reading at the Venice public library. The library board recently leased the building formerly occupied by the Venice Country Club, and after moving the books there decreed that tobacco and shirtleaves would be permitted on the verandas.

JACKSON BANK LOSS IS HEAVY

MEDFORD, Sept. 23.—After working on the books of the defunct Jacksonville bank six weeks State Bank Superintendent Bennett reported to the circuit court assets of \$217,527; liabilities, \$319,000.

It is estimated the bank will pay 25 cents on the dollar.

The report shows President W. H. Johnson, now in jail, kept two sets of books and falsified a sworn statement of the bank's condition, June 30, 1920.

REPORT FROM SCHOOL SHOWS MUCH ACTIVITY

The following report was prepared by pupils of the Central school, showing progress from the beginning of the term to date:

At the close of the first report month, today, 356 pupils are enrolled in the various grades. In comparison with the enrollment at this time last year, this is an increase of 43 pupils. The largest enrollment occurs in the first, second and third grades.

On account of the county fair Friday and Saturday at the grounds four miles south of the city, the board of education declared Friday a holiday for teachers and pupils that they may see the exhibits. The school considers this movement a worthy one, and wishes to co-operate with any action furthering the best interest of the county.

Rapid Fire Drill

At 2:14 p. m. Wednesday a fire drill was given, and the building was cleared of all teachers and pupils in 52 seconds. Much better time was made in this drill than in the drill given last week. The orderly way in which everyone passed from the building deserves comment.

Classes Organized

During the first month of school the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades have organized their classes and have elected their officers. Of the fifth grade: Howard Taylor was elected president; Hera Wainio, vice president; Helen Chaney, secretary; Virginia Peyton, librarian, Harold McCollum, assistant librarian; of the sixth, Harry Metzger, president; Basil Brown, vice president; Zepha Rogers, secretary; Elvira Call, treasurer; Burge Mason, librarian, and Garold Fitzpatrick, assistant librarian; of the seventh, Gordon Smith, president; Florence Robin, secretary and Erwin Padgett, treasurer; of the eighth, Beth Wright, president; Vale Lindsey, vice president; Inez Jenkins, secretary-treasurer; Harold Bateman, librarian, and Claude Redfield, assistant librarian. Any business matter pertaining to the class organization is taken up by the class according to order. Allen Johnson, Gerald Fitzpatrick, Tom Watt and Ione Windham have been selected as leaders in marching for these grades. The boys and girls are taking marked interest in their work, and already are in splendid working order.

The fifth grade was delightfully entertained with an Indian pow wow given by Mrs. Evans at her home one afternoon this week. Mrs. Evans has a very extensive and varied collection of Indian relics, including baskets, pipes, tom-toms, beaded moccasins, blankets, etc. An interesting story was told about each article, and the party ended with a real Indian dance.

The pupils of grade six wish to say that they are started nicely in their work, and hope to study and learn a great deal. Joan Thompson is class editor and Leon Thomas is assistant editor.

Good Americans

All the boys and girls of the Central school are good Americans and expect to become good American citizens. This week they are memorizing "The American's Creed," which is as follows:

"I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from

TENANT'S CLAIM AGAINST OWNER IS ON TRIAL TODAY

Trial of the suit of C. F. Garber against Clement Bradbury, an action for accounting, begun today before a jury in the circuit court. Plaintiff farmed defendant's land on shares and claims that in the division of the crop he did not receive all that was due. The amount involved is about \$3,500.

BOOSTER SECRETARIES ARE IN CONVENTION

T. L. Stanley, secretary of the chamber of commerce, is away for a week on a tour with other secretaries of different community organizations. The boosters will visit the state university at Eugene, the agricultural college at Salem and will have a meeting and banquet in Portland Saturday before attending the state fair at Salem next week.

MILLERAND CHOSEN PRESIDENT OF FRANCE

VERSAILLES, Sept. 23.—Alexander Millerand was today elected president of France by the French national assembly.

MARKET REPORT

PORTLAND, Sept. 23.—Hogs, \$18.50 and \$19.25; cattle and sheep steady; eggs and butter firm.

the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign nation of many sovereign states; a perfect union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their (their) lives and fortunes.

"I therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it, to support its constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag and to defend it against all enemies."

Practical Subjects

The fifth grade is manifesting much interest in their new subjects, manual training and domestic science. The girls asked us to say that they will gladly do any dress-making the ladies in town need and the boys feel that they can overcome the housing situation.

The fourth grade has been doing much to beautify their room. During the last few days, the pupils have placed clean curtains at their windows, and have brought several very pretty potted plants.

All days are busy days in the little white domestic science building. This being the canning season, all lessons are based upon that work. An unusually fine display of canned fruit and vegetables is the result of the many hours of hard earnest work on the part of the little home makers.

Canning Contest

Three canning teams are being trained for the contest which is to be held at the county fair, Friday afternoon, September 24. The winning team will be sent to Salem, where it will enter into contest with the winning teams of other county fairs.

The manufacture of stationary and mechanical toys is receiving due attention in the manual training department of the city schools. Special emphasis is placed on the originality of design and finish, and the work is graded accordingly. Numerous models and ideas were collected by the instructor during the summer from some of the best school-shops on the coast, where toy-making, especially in the lower grades five to seven, is an interesting and popular course.

American school toys have largely supplanted the pre-war German product, and our own department is aiming to keep pace with other schools in this line of work.

The work in the music department began with great enthusiasm on the part of both pupils and teachers. Pupils of the upper grades are working for a place in the "Boys' and Girls' Glee" and in the orchestra. The growth of the individual pupil is very marked. Boys and girls sing alone for the class as naturally as they read.

The fund from the entertainment given last spring has purchased two of the school Victrolas. This makes four machines bought by the music department besides a collection of good records.

ALL IN SHAPE FOR BIG TWO DAY PROGRAM

Tomorrow, the opening day, is Klamath County day at the county fair and all stores and business establishments in the city will close at noon. A lively program of racing and sports will entertain visitors at the fair grounds after they tire of looking the exhibits over.

All local people know that the fair will be held this year at the county farm and know how to get there. For strangers it may be necessary to state that the fair grounds are easy of access for machines, the county farm being about four miles south of town on the Merrill road.

The fair lasts two days, closing Saturday. Good sports and racing are promised for both days. The admission price for adults is 50 cents. School children will be admitted free. Saturday forenoon there will be a breeders' sale of purebred stock, which should attract every breeder in the county who is looking for an opportunity to pick up some good stock. Swine and sheep, as well as cattle, will be disposed of at the sale.

The fair board wants every Klamath county resident and every visitor to feel that this is their fair, a community project and to show their interest by attendance. There will be plenty to instruct and amuse. Some of the best livestock in Oregon will be in the display pens. Agricultural exhibits are on hand in great quantities. Poultry, rabbits, cut and potted flowers, canned food, embroidery and textiles—and much besides will be on display.

The boys' and girls' clubs exhibit of purebred calves, of sewing and canning and other practical demonstrations of the interest the young folks are taking in club work will be a feature work going miles to see. If you saw the same demonstration on a similar scale at Sacramento, Salem, San Francisco or Portland you'd talk about it for weeks. It's worth seeing. Seventy head of purebred cattle are entered for this fair—and this is the first time that registered stock has ever been entered at a Klamath county fair. It shows that livestock production is entering a new era and it is a development that all should want to get in touch with from the start.

For those who crave excitement there are the horse races, a dozen entries, including "Slats," the Merrill speedball. When Slats won the feature race Fourth of July at Bly his backers' bank accounts swelled visibly. They have not lost a bit of confidence and there'll be action aplenty at the track both Friday and Saturday afternoons. That "Slats" will not have it all his own way was revealed today when it became known that a fast horse from Reno arrived last night. The name of horse and owner is something of a mystery. Chloquin also has a fast entry at the track and there are a couple of Lakeview entries. Slats lost a race at Lakeview during round-up week, which makes this news especially interesting. Two other horses arrived last night, part of the Holbrook string, and all in all the derby promises exciting developments.

The other fair features, popcorn, peanuts, ice cream and lemonade, will all be there. Nothing that goes to make a fair is missing but the crowd and they'll all be there tomorrow.

The Red Cross will maintain a booth and rest room at the fair and invites the public to make free use of it during both days.

CHICAGO WINS FIRST GAME

FROM CLEVELAND, 10 TO 3

CLEVELAND, Sept. 23.—Chicago won the first game of the Cleveland-Chicago series to decide the American league championship today by a score of 10 to 3. Twenty thousand fans filled the ball park. Bids for grandstand seats ranged from \$10 to \$12.

WEATHER REPORT

OREGON—Tonight and Friday, rain.