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By DEB ADDISON
This column has just been to school. Taking part in the second phase of Business-Education Day, about three hours of the middle of the day were spent at school.

We first were called in to the principal's office; progress, backwards, was to the first grade. The only quick reaction was to light up a stogie on return to the office and the typewriter.

Business-Education Day started last August when many school teachers visited Klamath Falls business firms. This was the return visit, to the schools.

Our group visited Fremont school as guests of Principals Lowell Kaup. Our group of "businessmen" included two housewives, a retail merchant, a service business operator, a public utility man, a minister and a newspaperman.

School started with the newspaper man being tardy; and the sky pilot really being late.

Here's some miscellaneous information that came out of the session with the principal. (He was very lenient with those tardy.)

Teaching standards are being raised. An instructor must bring eight term hours college work every three years in order to advance.

In addition to the regular teaching standards, there are specialists for music, art, manual training, home economics and the like. There are special teachers to deal with individual pupil problems.

The key to the teachers' philosophy is "we take 'em as we find 'em and do what we can for 'em." (The quotes and wording are ours. The "em" refers to students.)

Fremont school meets state standards, conditionally, to participate in basic school support funds. (Remember last election?)

It's "conditional" because the school plant, built some years ago, is on too small a site and the rooms are too small to meet full standards. They secure fees for pupil in the new standard for school buildings.

Important recent improvements:

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Washington (AP) — If you're turning 65 and thinking of retiring, you may save yourself money the rest of your life by first talking over your case at the nearest Social Security office.

That goes for two kinds of workers: People who are employed and the self-employed. Some of the self-employed may see near the end of this story have a special problem of their own.

Here are a few points to keep in mind.

No one retiring before July 1 will ever get a Social Security pension larger than \$68.50. Since a wife's pension is half that of her husband, the maximum for a couple retiring before July 1 will always be \$107.25.

You retire after July, and are entitled to the maximum, you can get as much as \$80. Since your wife at 65 will get half that much, or \$40, a couple retiring after July 1 could draw as much as \$120 a month for life.

RANGE
By law, Social Security pensions until July 1 will range from a minimum of \$20 to a maximum of \$68.50. After that, while the minimum remains, any retiring worker, of course, gets only the pension to which he's entitled. And that depends on several things: The number of quarters—a quarter is a three-month period—he's worked in a job covered by Social Security; his earnings; and so on.

So, although the present maximum pension is \$68.50, the average worker—simply because he's average—won't get that much if he retires now. The average pension now is running around \$42 a month. And the average worker retiring after July 1 won't be entitled to that future maximum of \$80. The average pension for those retiring after July 1 will run much less than \$80, perhaps a \$50 or so a month.

Many workers now around 65—because they already have enough covered quarters to their credit since the Social Security Law went into effect Jan. 1, 1937—could retire today and get a pension. Will I benefit by waiting until after July 1?

SELF-EMPLOYED
And for the self-employed people the problem is a little more complicated.

Until Jan. 1, 1951, only employees were covered by Social Security. Since that date about four or five million self-employed people have come under the coverage.

But some of those who have been self-employed since Jan. 1, 1951, were, for many years before then, employees of others. As such as they worked in covered jobs for many quarters since Social Security went on the books Jan. 1, 1937.

For that reason many people presently self-employed could retire now at 65 and draw a pension based on the credits they acquired in those years when they worked as employees.

But a number of those now self-employed never were under Social Security until Jan. 1, 1951. They can't retire and get a pension until they've built up enough Social Security credits.

The period between Jan. 1, 1951—when the self-employed first came under Social Security—and

at Fremont, which make it a better school plant and which meet state standards, are an entirely new lighting system and a new pastel color decoration plan which in itself makes lighter rooms.

Basic school support funds (which we pay to the state and then get back in part at least) amount to \$193,000 out of a budget of about \$789,000 for district No. 1.

This amount is arrived at through TDM, school bus transportation, number of teachers, and so on. The important TDM means total days membership.

After a pupil is absent nine consecutive days, for any reason, his name is dropped from the rolls and so doesn't count in TDM towards next year's basic school support.

A question directed at our principal was: "What's your opinion on the high school student's statement on the Build the Basin forum that junior high students do all the things high schoolers do and so get into trouble looking for something new when they get to high school?"

Kaup's reply was that this had been subject for a debate in the Fremont JH Activities Club. The consensus was that if this is true it comes from activities of junior high students outside of school—at private parties, fraternal club activities and in the homes.

The only dancing, for instance, at Fremont Junior High is limited to folk dancing a few days in the year. This is for the purpose of teaching students how to conduct themselves in social groups and to add a variety to indoor, bad weather activities.

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They'll Do It Every Time



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JACOBY on Canasta

"What is the expert view on this situation?" asks a Dallas correspondent.

"The opponents get the discard pile time after time and have their hands full of cards, our side has very little chance to win the pile. Would you be wise to meld out as soon as you can before the opponents can meld their maximum?"

"My sister claims this is poor sportsmanship, and she gets mad if I do it. I can see no sense in sitting there just drawing and discarding while Gaspard piles up points, while you could get all the cards out of my hand early in the deal and come out ahead."

"Who is right?"

"My correspondent is completely right. It isn't good sportsmanship to stand around and act as a human punching bag; it's just plain foolishness. There is such a thing as defense, after all, and the best defense against opponents who have control of the discard pile is to meld out as quickly as possible. It's perfectly true that your opponents get annoyed when they seem to have a fine game going, and you suddenly foil them by melding out. You are playing the game to win, however, and not to spare your opponents that sort of annoyance.

It goes almost without saying, of course, that your opponents have the same right when the shoe is on the other foot.

Must two players in a game of three-hand Canasta always gang up against the third player? For example, suppose Player A takes up a small discard pile. Is it absolutely essential now for Player B to discard generously to Player C in order to give Player C a 1-1-1 or two and thus enable Player C to discard safely to Player A?

A—No, not at all. In the game of three-hand Canasta you cooperate with an opponent when you wish to do so. There is no rule on the subject.

In the situation you describe, for example, you would discard liberally to Player C, but he were equally liberal to you, you would be a poor player, or if Player A happened to be far ahead in the score and therefore had to be held back.

Contrariwise, you would discard tightly to Player C if he happened to be leading on the score.

Lincoln One Candidate Who Refused Speeches

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Abraham Lincoln proved nearly a century ago that a man could win the Presidency without making campaign speeches.

An Illinois historian says the man who was to become the Great Emancipator refused to speak on the day's issues because he was afraid his word would be twisted. Those who pressed him were referred to his previous speeches and letters.

Dr. Harry E. Pratt, Illinois state historian, said in an interview Tuesday that Lincoln was unbig-

Court Changes Ballot Title

SALEM (AP) — The Oregon Supreme Court Monday changed Attorney General George Neuner's ballot title for the initiative measure that would prevent the sale or manufacture of alcoholic liquor, including wine and beer.

The title fixed by the high court is "Prohibition Amendment to Oregon Constitution."

Neuner's title was "Constitutional Amendment Relating to Alcoholic Liquor."

Blitz-Weinhard Brewery, Portland, brought the suit, contending that Neuner's title did not indicate that the initiative would result in prohibition.

The initiative is being circulated by the Anti-Liquor League of Oregon.

Timber Suit Settled

HOOD RIVER (AP) — A suit over sale of timber land by a Lyle, Wash., Indian has been settled out of court, Circuit Judge Malcolm W. Wilkinson said Monday.

The suit, brought by James Slim Jim, a Yakima agency Indian, charged "fraud and misrepresentation" in the transaction last May for 76 acres of timber land south of here.

Deed to the land, purchased for \$1,000, was returned by Marah, Hood River County assessor's records valued timber on the land at \$6,000.

Another Arrest For Horseburger

BEAVERTON (AP) — A butcher, the third to be arrested on similar charges, pleaded guilty Monday to selling horsemeat in hamburger.

He is Henry Roy Holden who was fined \$100 after pleading guilty in Justice Court.

APPROPRIATE NAME

PORTLAND (AP) — A man, arrested here Monday and accused of drunkenness and burglary, told police his name was Ernest Vice.

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HIGH AND DRY — The meandering Missouri River played a trick on the engineers and made this \$1,970,000 bridge an object of controversy. The river wandered away from the channel that was to have been crossed by the bridge between Decatur and Onawa, Ia., rendering it useless. Now, Army engineers say they have no money to steer the river back to its normal course and residents of the area are awaiting impatiently for some action toward getting the river back under the bridge.

Heavy Snows Hurt Skiers

Skilling enthusiasm in the Klamath area took a dip this winter. Probably the main reason, ironically enough, was the weather; too much snow.

Crater Lake National Park, for many years the most popular ski spot for Klamath slat enthusiasts, has been closed since last season's conditions—primarily record snowfall—forced its operation to be discontinued. The trails, however, have remained open.

That forced a transfer of "attention" for last resort towline skiers here. They found a good substitute for their old standby location in the Warner Canyon ski area, nine miles northeast of Lakeview.

A little farther than Crater Lake, perhaps, but still a good spot to ski. Good enough, in fact, that it attracts regular parties all the way from Medford.

Here's what it has to offer:

A 1500-foot ski tow, with a downhill run of about the same length.

A warming hut serving hot dogs, hamburgers, chili, coffee and hot chocolate.

Night skiing under 100,000 candlepower flood lights for 32 automobiles.

A parking area for 32 automobiles.

According to Warner Dist. Ranger Don Peters, the area has been getting about 75 to 100 skiers each Saturday and Sunday, with Lakeview townpeople making good use of the run on Thursday afternoons.

Pres. Clait Smith, Fremont Highlanders ski club, has been leading a movement for further development of the area and its facilities.

INJURIES

Peters said the University of Oregon ski team would be guests at the area later this month under a program sponsored by the Lake County Chamber of Commerce.

He said there had been but few accidents so far this season. Two broken legs, a dislocated shoulder and a slightly turned ankle. Oddly enough, the turned ankle was the only accident occurring during the night-skiing periods, the ranger reported.

Highways Said Wearing Fast

SALEM (AP) — Oregon Highway Engineer R. J. Baldock told congressional highway committees last week that federal-aid highways are wearing out twice as fast as they are being replaced.

Baldock, representing the American Association of State Highway Officials, said \$2 billion dollars needs to be spent on the federal road system.

He said this job could be done in 20 years if the federal government provided \$60 million a year, and if the state appropriated an equal amount.

The administration road bill, now before Congress, would cut federal road funds 20 per cent. Other bills would slightly increase the \$60 million now spent by the federal government for roads.

Baldock told the committee that the federal government collects \$50 million a year from gas taxes, and that this amount should be spent on roads, instead of for non-highway purposes.

Freak Accident Strangles Boy

FRETCH GROVE — Johnny Mitchell Danner, 12, strangled to death in a freak accident here, Graham Young, corner said Monday.

The boy's sister found him hanging by a clothesline Saturday. He apparently ran into the line which looped around his neck and strangled him, Young said.

He was pronounced dead at a hospital where his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Van W. Danner, had taken him.

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