

ACTIVITIES IN ROSEBURG PUBLIC SCHOOLS

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

HIGH SCHOOL GIRL WINS ESSAY CONTEST.

We are very proud of the fact that Helen Wyman, distinguished of the Roseburg high school by winning the second prize in an essay contest. There were three prizes given to the ones who could write the best essay on the subject, "Oregon, its Origin and Significance." Helen Wyman won the second prize of fifty dollars. The prizes were given by the Oregon Historical Society and the essay had to be in by March 31, 1921. No person over 18 nor under five could take part in the contest by the rules laid down by the Oregon Historical Society.

STREET CLEANUP WEDNESDAY.

Whitewash, crude oil, skidding cars and motorcycles and chief of police all had a part in the little street cleaning drama enacted at the high school, on the corner of Rose and Washington streets last Wednesday morning.

The whole thing came about as the result of the efforts of some of the enterprising members of the Junior class. It seems that last Tuesday night, after painting their numerical on Nobo, the escapading members had some material left over and it came to them to decorate the pavement with their number. This was all very well, but the affair did not end here. Seeing the Sophomore number on the street they decided to cover it with crude oil. Wednesday morning motorists who had skidded on the home-made pavement complained to Chief of Police Shambrook and he in turn to Mr. Taylor. A boys' meeting was called, with the result that the Juniors were advised to clean up, which advice they immediately followed. A fire hose was borrowed, and the whitewash was not long in disappearing. Sand, brought in boxes from the river, was spread over the oil to prevent any further possibility of skidding.

It is not thought that similar occurrences will be especially frequent considering the fact that it is no easy job to undo.

BOYS HAVE MEETING.

A meeting was called for the boys of the high school Friday afternoon, September 13. The main idea of the meeting was to talk over football. Mr. Hamm gave a short but up-to-the-point talk on the lack of support which the football team is receiving from the rest of the school. He told of the Eugene team and how they are given support, and how that two or three times as many boys come out to practice there as here. He expressed a strong desire to see more boys take an interest and turn out for practice. He also gave some good reasons why the team is so small.

Maurice Newland, student body president, gave a short talk on the standing of the different classes in the S. B. A. ticket sale as to standings of percentage. He also gave students a chance to sign up for tickets in order that they might make their respective classes a one hundred per cent class before 4 o'clock.

JUNIOR CLASS FROLIC.

The Junior class entertained themselves Friday evening, September 30, by roasting wieners and toasting buns around a large bon fire on the premises of Mr. Titus, near the bank of the river.

After the fire was built the students engaged themselves in fun-making before preparing the refreshments. Owing to the fact that the students were to meet at the high school at 6 o'clock, most of the class came without dinner, thus making the refreshments all the more enjoyable.

The students of the class of '23 made their way down the railroad track, although it was very dark, and managed to arrive safely at home without letting a train run over them. However, two trains did pass them, exciting some of the girls very much.

Mr. Titus, noticing the light from the fire and at intervals a blaze shooting up over the hill back of his barn, became very excited and rushed down to find the cause. When seeing a happy throng of funmakers he was greatly relieved and consented to join the party.

The students were chaperoned by the Junior class advisor, Miss Martens, and Miss E. Ueland.

THE SENIORS HOLD INTERESTING CLASS MEETING.

Nearly all the Seniors turned out Tuesday evening for one of the most interesting class meetings of this year. The subject under consideration was the reception to the Frosh. This is an annual custom for the Senior class to give the incoming Frosh a reception. The Seniors wish it to be "some grand affair," so the Frosh will have it in mind and remember it as the best of all their high school activities. Many were the plans discussed. Some of the Seniors wished to carry out a certain plan, while others were just as strong for another plan. But Seniors are Seniors the world over so they

hit upon a plan to which they all at last agreed.

ORCHESTRA.

Miss Calkins called an orchestra meeting Tuesday afternoon to select the students who are to play this year. There being so many saxophone players she has decided to have special music for them. The first rehearsal will be held next week and the personnel will then be decided definitely. Miss Calkins is looking forward to success with the orchestra this year as there are some good musicians in the group.

H. S. STAGE TO BE IMPROVED.

The teachers of the high school are encouraging the pupils to be more careful of the stage, to try to keep it looking better, and not look like a hole in the wall, with no purpose at all. A table has been placed on the stage. If a few flowers could be kept on the table the appearance would be still better. Suggestions have been made that each class take turn about caring for the stage a month at a time.

QUEER ARTICLES FOUND AROUND HIGH SCHOOL.

Everything from a tack to a jeweled ring has collected in the found articles that have congregated in Mr. Taylor's office. Among the widely different articles that have roamed from the persons who have a legal and rightful title to them are belts, jewelry, caps, tacks, keys, fountain pens, spectacles, paint brushes, the letter "R" which some gallant athlete won during a season at some athletic contest. It is easy to see how a person can lose fountain pens or keys, but when he loses his belt or cap or spectacles, or a girl loses her ring, it is time to start using padlocks. We advise some people to carry memorandums telling where they leave their personal belongings. It might be added that the writer of this article found a fountain pen that he had lost two years ago, among the above mentioned articles.

SENIORS AND SOPHS BATTLE.

The Seniors and Sophomores held a fistie battle Monday night on Mt. Nobo. Five Seniors went up Mt. Nobo with whitewash to change the number on the hill and had just let two of the boys down over the cliff when up came five Sophs. Beforehand the Seniors had put down most of the whitewash in one can, which the Sophs deliberately pushed over the cliff. Then followed a fight for supremacy, which was announced the next morning by a "22" with the last "2" shorter and less brilliant than was planned because most of the whitewash was spread out down the cliff.

THE SELECTION OF SUBJECTS.

Most people think unless their children take subjects which will directly fit them for some occupation that that subject is doing the pupil no good. This is not true, for the student can take no subject which will be a benefit to him. It has been said by many that history is of no material benefit and therefore should not be taken or studied by the average high school student.

They say, "Let it go, it's already happened; of what use is it to us?" They forget that history repeats itself. Another misused subject is English. Often are the remarks heard against the present system of teaching English. One of the main faults of some people is, "Why don't the teachers teach us to speak correctly and write correctly, and let all the rest go." "I don't see any sense in teaching all about literature and all the rest of the high school pupil has to take in English." These people seem to forget that the world's best literature only is studied. This literature has raised the ideals of our ancestors. Are we so far below them that we in turn cannot raise our ideals by a high standard of literature? Many other subjects which are elective and compulsory in the high school are attacked in like manner—Latin, other foreign languages, algebra, geometry for example. Most people are agreed that mathematics are necessary in everyday life. Yet they can see no special benefit from algebra and geometry. It is true that many students will never directly have use for the rules and problems which they have learned. Still, think of the will power the average student has attained in his study of geometry. While he is studying there comes the temptation to quit. Then honor comes and demands that he stick to it. Surely people say that the students should be devoting their time to studies which shall fit them for some occupation in life. Will power is the first essential of success on the ladder of success.

FIRE DRILL HELD AT H. S.

The first fire drill this year was held at the high school Thursday afternoon. The students vacated the building in three minutes, showing the advantage that systematic training would bring in case of fire. These drills will be held more frequently than before, for they virtually insure the life of the student who conscientiously does his part in each drill held.

MAGAZINES CHOSEN FOR THE LIBRARY.

With the \$27.50 which was received from the library fund, a committee under the direction of Miss Parrott has chosen the following temporary list of magazines for the high school library:

The Morning Oregonian, News-

Review, Atlantic Monthly, Century, Bookman, Outlook, Scientific American, the Elite, the National School Digest, Industrial Arts, Saturday Evening Post, the Youths' Companion, Colliers, English Journal, Scribners, Literary Digest, the Survey.

SALE OF NOTE BOOK COVERS.

A sale of note book covers has been conducted at the high school for the past few days. These note-books were left by students last year and have been unclaimed. Each cover was sold for the small sum of twenty-five cents. Three dollars was realized, and will be donated to some high school activity.

PLANS BEING FORMED FOR BETTER SPEECH WEEK.

The English department of the Roseburg high school, aided by the other branches of study, is planning to put on a program the first week in November for the purpose of impressing more strongly upon the students and the general public the importance of better speech, both written and spoken.

Better speech week will be announced by posters, made in the art department, by slogans which will be an aid to more perfect speech, and by slides in the motion picture houses if possible. It is also planned that the public library and different clubs and organizations of the city will be asked to help make it a success. The students of the high school who are taking the teachers' training course and who go to the grade schools to observe, will be asked to encourage the pupils there to use better English. It is thought to give the students a test at the beginning of the week and another one at the end to see how much they have improved in their speech and writing in that length of time. At the end of the week the English classes may put on a play for the purpose of emphasizing the importance of good speech.

This has not been definitely decided, however, as the plan is just being formulated now. We may be sure that Better Speech Week will be a success whatever the plans for R. H. S. means to stand behind it.

DONALD DICKSON ELECTED YELL LEADER FOR R. H. S.

The election of yell leader was held Wednesday, October 5. Of the two candidates nominated Donald Dickson received 83 votes and Burton Hutton received 17 votes. All members of the Student Body Association were allowed to vote before and after school and between periods during school hours. The Australian ballot system of voting was used.

GIRLS FORM MAJORITY OF THE VIRGIL CLASS.

Twice as many girls as boys are studying Virgil this year. Twenty years ago, as you may know, only boys attempted the study of Latin. Now girls have found it to be an interesting study, and in R. H. S. they get the highest grades.

I wonder if equal suffrage has anything to do with it?

GLEE CLUBS.

As the try-outs are over and a large part of the music has arrived, the Glee Clubs are now in full swing. The Girls' Glee Club, which consists of twenty-five girls, meets on Monday and Wednesday. The Boys' Glee Club of twenty-one members meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and both clubs met on Fridays. A girls' quartet, a boys' quartet, and a mixed quartet will be organized soon for special work. The two Glee Clubs combined will appear in public before the end of this semester, and next term will give an operetta, which is now being selected. Plans are being made to make the Glee Clubs a big thing this year.

MRS. CHURCH HAS MEND YOUR SPEECH CORNER.

Mrs. Church has reserved a corner of the blackboard in her room for a "Mend Your Speech Corner." Each week the words that are mispronounced by the pupils in her teachers' training class, and other words which are commonly mispronounced, are written on the board with the markings for the correct pronunciation.

As these students are to be future teachers, Mrs. Church thinks it is a good plan for them to acquire the habit of speaking correctly while they are students. She is using Abernethy's book on "Correct Pronunciation" as her basis.

The Bureau of Education at Washington, D. C., recommends this plan and it is being tried out in many of the schools of the United States.

FIRST GAME FRIDAY

By the time this article is in print the victory of the Cottage Grove game will be decided. As we look forward to the game, however, there are certain things which impress us. All the students are behind the team and will root for it until the last. When the ticket sale started Thursday morning in the roll rooms, the continual ringing of coins gave us the impression that many tickets were sold. The "big rally" the same day at 3:30 put more fighting spirit in the boys because they knew they had something behind them. But even with such rallies we need all the pep the students have as the boys will have a heavier team against them. Cottage Grove has had a football team for at least the last two years and they know the game. They are also planning on bringing many rooters to help their team.

As "Dad" King says the boys can't

expect to win every game because they are light and inexperienced but they can do some hard clean fighting. If the boys do win the victory it will be a big thing for Roseburg. If they don't win they will have the satisfaction of knowing the students are still behind them and will help them to play better in the near future.

JUNIOR CLASS PLAY

The Junior class play committee met Tuesday with Miss Parrott to decide on the class play, which is one of the main events of the school year. It is expected that trouts will be held next week, and work will begin soon. A Christmas play was decided upon, and will be given shortly before the Christmas vacation. Miss Parrott will direct both the Senior and Junior plays this year, as well as the Dramatic club.

JUNIORS AND SENIORS GET 100 PER CENT

The S. B. A. ticket sale closed Friday evening, with the Juniors and Seniors over the top, the Juniors reaching 100 per cent first. The final percents were as follows: Seniors, 100 percent; Juniors, 100 percent; Sophomores, 62 percent; Freshmen, 61 percent.

GENERAL H. S. ITEMS

The Student Body council together with a committee which has been appointed by the Student Body president are making rules and regulations for the Interclass rivalry contests. Last year these contests were a great success, and this year all students will be ready to do their part to make them a success again.

Mildred Starrett had the misfortune to cut a deep gash in her hand last week, while closing a window in the high school building.

Only the Literary Digest and Survey magazines may be read in the study hall. All other magazines must be read in the library.

SENIOR RINGS IN SIGHT

The Seniors have been looking over sample rings and are trying to select their class rings for this year. William Thomas, Arthur McGehee and Adolph Byers entered high school as Juniors last Monday.

The following students have contributed material for this page: Carmen Atterbury, Edna Perrin, Mildred Cochran, Nova Lough, Roland Schwartz, Clarence Searns, Mabel Kronke, Ethel Marks, Estella Woolfolk, Vivian Orcutt, Jennie Barker, Audrey White, Dale Smith, Leo Beckley.

GIRLS WORRIED OVER ABSENCE OF BOYS

Last Wednesday morning every girl of the Sophomore and Junior classes were called and not a boy in classes were called and not a boy in sight. What had become of the male population? It was not long, however, until that anxious look melted away into a smile, for, looking in the direction whence came the noise, they saw about fifteen boys washing off the pavement in front of the high school with the fire hose. About twice that many were vigorously scrubbing the pavement with brooms. We didn't know our boys could work so hard but, it is as they say, "Those who dance must pay the fiddler" and "those who whitewash must clean it up."

JUST IN FUN

Don't go up to a football player and hit him on the back, after a good hard scrimmage—he might resent it.

Sleeping sickness has come to stay. I see its victims every day. In class they utter not a peep. But sleep and sleep and sleep and sleep.

Iris—"He told me you told him, the secret I told you not to tell him." Fern—"The spiteful boy! I told him not to tell you I had told him." Iris—"Well, I promised that I wouldn't tell you he told me you told him, so don't you tell him I did."

"Dad" King—(to small Freshman)—"Are you lost, my little man?" Green Fresh—"No, the room just moved."

Mr. Richards—(in Biology)—Now, class, name some of the lower animals, starting with Adelbert Abraham.

Miss Lewis—(in English)—"Please rise when reciting." Myrtle C—"Oh, I don't know enough to get up."

Cesar sits dead and cur egresses himself. Pupil, translating—Cesar licked the cat on the dog and I guess he licked him.

As the Freshman sees it. Twinkle, twinkle little star. How I wonder what you are Up above the world so high Like a diamond in the sky.

As the Senior knows it. Scintillate, scintillate luminous constellation. Interrogatively and admiringly I question your constituent elements in your prodigious attitude above the terrestrial sphere.

Similar to a carbonaceous lamotis suspended in the celestial firmament.

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GRADE SCHOOL NEWS

FULLERTON SCHOOL

At a meeting of the Fullerton Parent-Teachers' Association held Friday evening, September 30, the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Foster Butler; vice president, Judge J. C. Fullerton; secretary, Mrs. J. D. Reese; treasurer, Mrs. H. Campbell.

Supt. Hamm gave a spelling test this week in all grades above the second.

Our regular teachers' meetings are held on the first and third Mondays of each school month.

George White of the seventh grade has recently contributed considerable time and labor to the work of repairing play-ground apparatus. His services are highly appreciated.

Several expectant boys and girls in each room are eagerly looking forward to the end of the first school month in anticipation of the reward offered for perfect attendance and punctuality.

A general fire drill and lessons in fire protection were scheduled for yesterday.

ROSE SCHOOL

Plan on Spelling to be Tried. A plan on spelling has been worked out by Mr. Miller for composition work, etc. In a study made by Dr. Jones, it was found that from 7,500 theses, there were one hundred words which were most often misspelled. These, Dr. Jones called the hundred spelling demons of the English language.

Mr. Miller and his teachers have decided to place a copy of these words in the hands of all children from the third to eighth grades in the Rose school, and make them the basis of all spelling contests between the classes, and give a certain per cent of the spelling grade for these words. At the end of the year it is expected that the pupils will not be missing any of these demons.

The Rose school football team has been doing some diligent practicing lately and the boys have several games in view for the season. The line-up is as follows: Center, George Weber; Fullback, Gene Phelps; Halfback, Orville McCulloch; Halfback, Joe Hiss; Quarterback, Maynard Bell; Guard, Kenneth Couch; Guard, Eldred Cobb; End, Leslie Hagerty; End, Paul De Rosa; Tackle, Wayne Cox; Tackle, Ellis Widby; Substitutes, Redmond Sharp and Ralph Smith.

Mona Porter and Thelma Olmstead under the direction of Miss Henderson have been selected librarians for the Rose school.

Miss Calkins was teaching the "Baker Song" to one of the primary grades the other day. They came to a line in which the baker tells the children to be very quiet while the cake is baking.

Miss Calkins asked the question, "Why are the children quiet while the cake is baking?"

One little boy answered, "Cause if they ain't they'll get a lickin'."

A large percentage of the pupils of the Rose school will enjoy a quarter holiday Friday afternoon. Any pupil having 100 per cent in attendance and punctuality for the month will be given a quarter holiday. Fifty percent of the pupils of the Rose school will enjoy this privilege. The following rooms have had no tardies for the month and thus the entire room will be excused for a quarter holiday.

Miss Scott, 4th grade; Miss Ford, 7-B class; Miss Henderson, 8-B class.

The pupils who are fortunate enough to enjoy this quarter holiday are greatly rejoicing over the fact that this will enable them to attend the football game.

Supt. Hamm spent Thursday and Friday in the building giving spelling and penmanship tests in the various rooms.

MICKIE SAYS—

WE ADMIT IT! THERE ARE BIGGER PAPERS THAN THIS, BUT SO ARE THERE LARGER TOWNS THAN OURN, AND WE AIN'T DOING SO DUMB. FER TH' SIZE OF TH' TOWN, ARE WE NOW?



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Wool Growers Urge Extension

The Oregon Wool and Mohair Growers Cooperative Association has, through its manager, R. A. Ward, wired Congressmen and Senators in Washington urging the extension of the Emergency Tariff, which expires on November 27th. It is pointed out by Mr. Ward that reports from eastern wool manufacturing centers are to the effect that efforts are to be made to have a period of free trade in raw wool again exist between the expiration of the Emergency Tariff and the passage of the permanent Fordney Bill.

The Association feels that there is little likelihood of this occurring, but feels that if it should occur the wool industry of the United States will be dealt a staggering blow from which it may never recover, as during the period under which wool could be bought in free millions of pounds of foreign wool would again be rushed into this country. In fact,

Information in the hands of the Association is to the effect that considerable wool has been bought in Australia and is being held in bond until the results of the tariff decision are known.

In communications to Senator McGowan and Congressman Sinnott Mr. Ward mentioned the fact that the wool industry is just beginning to recover from the effects of the deluge of foreign wool which was brought in by manufacturers while the Emergency Tariff was being debated in Congress.

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