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INCREASE OF FIFTY PER CENT

OVER LAST YEAR'S ENROLLMENT IN HIGH SCHOOL FIRST WEEK SHOWING

SHOWING PLEASES SUPT. BAKER

Large Class for Domestic Science and Sewing—Large Number Register From Outside Districts.

Monday morning the hinges were broken, the doors swung open and school was on for another nine months in District No. 2, but not under the same conditions. Almost a new roster of instructors welcomed the students, an exceptionally efficient corps of teachers for every department, several new rooms awaited the smaller children and various other improvements and additions before the day had passed fifty per cent more students had enrolled in the High School than during the whole term last year. A remarkable showing and one to be considered.

Monday and Tuesday was given over to the registration and classification of pupils according to their grades.

According to the records of last year, forty students enrolled in the High School, eighty-six in the Houlton school, two hundred and eight in the John Gumm school grades, a total of three hundred and thirty-four pupils. Monday evening sixty-five students had enrolled in the High School, seventy-six in the Houlton school, two hundred and twenty-three in the John Gumm school grades, a total of three hundred and sixty-four as a starter for the term, an increase of thirty over last year.

In the John Gumm school thirty-seven pupils enrolled in the first grade, thirty-seven in the second, twenty-nine in the third, thirty-eight in the fourth, twenty-three in the fifth, twenty-six in the sixth, thirty-three in the seventh and eighth. In the Houlton school in the first and second grades, twenty-six; third, fourth and fifth grades, twenty-eight; in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades, twenty-two.

Eighteen students have enrolled from outside districts as follows: Carl Muhr, Laurie Lind, Myrtle Larson, Fannie Cooper, Florence Larson, Helma Marten, Warren; Clovis Clark, Edith Clark, Houlton; Harold Decker, Rainier; Evelyn Boals, Mayer; Marion Anders, Marie Walker, George Walker, Arta Morrell, Deer Island; Adelle Link, Goble; Mary Griffiths, Yankton.

One of the best showings is in the domestic science and sewing departments, eighteen students having been enrolled, as many as can be handled.

Other schools starting this week are Rainier, with J. B. Wilkerson as superintendent of High School, assisted by Miss Myrtle Groshong and Levi P. Austin and H. E. Beck, Mrs. J. B. Wilkerson and Misses Bertha Harrison, Ethel Allen, Isabelle Mann, Jane Barnette, Stella Ingraham, Marie Holmes, Ruth Dibble, in the grades. At Warren, with W. L. Dunton, Misses Hilda Muhr, Mary Thomas and Mary Dahlgren as teachers. At Aplary, with Mrs. Grace Edmonds as teacher. At Trenholm, with Miss Agnes Brown as teacher. The remaining fifty-one schools of the county commence next Monday, and fifty out of the fifty-six schools have nine months terms, the remaining six, seven months. Those starting next Monday are as follows:

- District No. 1, Scappoose, High School—John R. Purcell, Mr. Fowler.
- Grades—Mrs. M. W. Hatfield, Mrs. Jessie McDonald, Miss Lillian Manny, Miss Elsie Philip, Miss Gertrude Weed.
- No. 3, Deer Island—Miss Helen Hamill.
- No. 4, Hudson, Rainier P. O.—Miss Alice M. Stennick.
- No. 5, Clatskanie High School—

COW SWIMS COLUMBIA AND GOES TO GOBLE

John Hoggatt's Old Bossy Breaks Swimming Record.

Swimming the Columbia river from Kalama to Goble, Oregon, on Tuesday morning was a feat accomplished by a cow belonging to John Hoggatt.

While her conduct has enveloped her in suspicion, yet there is no direct evidence that she is a booze-fighter, or that she even "takes a glass of beer occasionally."

Homeliness, rather than thirst, will probably account for her journey to the "open town," as she had been brought from Martins Island but a couple of days before. She was puffing like a steam engine when she reached the other shore, but she succeeded in making the entire distance without having to stop and rest.

Col. Thomas Cooper, superintendent of irrigation at Goble, says that while he has "received all sorts of thirsty delegations of human beings from Kalama, this is the first cow that has come over from Kalama for a drink."—Bulletin.

BAND CONCERT.

Manager Watkins has arranged for an open air band concert next Monday evening, to be given on the strand, commencing at 8 o'clock. Prof. Olsen will be present and lead the band.

St. Helens has one of the best musical organizations in the state, but without the moral support of the citizenship, no organization can prosper. If you want to aid one of the best boosters for your city that can be had, come out and hear them. It will cost you nothing.

The members have been rehearsing for several weeks and are very enthusiastic since Mr. Olsen has been with them and they deserve the support of the city.

Jesse McCord, Miss Alma Payton, Miss Merle I. McKelvie; Grades, Mrs. Elizabeth Irwin, Mrs. Minnie Trafer, Mrs. Edna McCord, Miss Bertha Lewison, Miss Nan Snow, Mrs. Tillie Peterson Conyers.

No. 6, Sauvies Island—Miss Ruth W. Russell.

No. 8, Sunnyside, Mist P. O.—Miss Lora M. Cook.

No. 9, Red Town, Goble P. O.—Miss Mary McGregor, Miss Manzella Fullmer.

No. 11, Columbia City—Miss Mary McClay.

No. 12, Beaver Flat, Rainier—Miss Athline D. Tolly.

No. 14, Hillside, Vernonia—Miss Madgo Thomas.

No. 15, Hazel Grove, Clatskanie—Miss Kate Rond.

No. 16, Stelman, Rainier—Miss Helen Dangerfield.

No. 17, McLeod, Rainier—Miss Lucille Hobbs.

No. 18, Keasle—Willard Hurley.

No. 20, Goble—Miss Anna Ketel.

Mrs. E. E. Mallaber.

No. 21, Spitzenberg, Scappoose—A. B. Lake.

No. 23, Mayger—Miss Bertha Stovall, Miss Sarah Havelly.

No. 24, Pringle, Mist—A. M. Winn.

No. 25, Quincy—A. B. Owen, Lyle B. Chappell, Miss Lillian Merritt, Miss Anna Jackson.

No. 29, Pelto, Mayger—Miss Emma Howard.

No. 30, Yankton—Mrs. B. B. Clark, Miss Kate M. Moore, Miss May Novak.

No. 33, Lost Creek—Miss Gussto Staddin.

No. 34, Caanan—Miss Anna Weis onborn.

No. 37, Shallow Basin, Goble—Miss Lillian Cooper.

No. 40, Anderson, Clatskanie—Mrs. Mae Anderson.

SEASON JUST CLOSED IS ONE MOST PROFITABLE IN SALMON INDUSTRY

This Year's Pack Exceeds That of Last Year by More Than 110,000 Cases. Twenty-three Million Pounds of Raw Fish.

ASTORIA, Aug. 31.—(Special).—"The best in years," is the way all connected with the salmon fisheries of the Columbia river describe the season closed August 25. It was not a record-breaker by any means, for the time was when the canneries on the Columbia river packed 600,000 full cases of salmon, almost double the amount put up this year, but that is another story.

The season, however, has been most profitable, except for the cold storage men and the gillnetters who operate at the mouth of the river close to the bar. The upriver wheelmen are also a little disappointed, the low water of the last few weeks materially curtailing the catch there.

Taken as a whole the pack of Spring salmon is approximately 35 per cent ahead of the amount put up last year, the canned pack being considerably better and the pickled or cold storage dragging somewhat.

Total Pack Estimate 389,000.

The total canned pack for the season is slightly more than 389,000 full cases of 48 pounds each and is about 110,000 cases in excess of last year.

The cold storage output for the season approximates 2160 tierces, or about 1200 tierces less than a year ago. The steelhead run was light and practically none of them has been frozen.

The war, however, has so disrupted the market for the pickled or cold-storage product by shutting off the principal market, Germany, that the greater portion of these large salmon went into cans. Two of the cold-storage plants have not been in operation this year, their fish going direct to the canneries and only one plant on the river has frozen a notable quantity of steelheads.

Beginning in July, the salmon entering the river averaged smaller until the proportion between large and small fish was about half and half, and that is the way they have continued since.

War Causes Slump in Market.

As a direct result of the continuation of the war in Europe, the cold-storage men are having considerable difficulty in disposing of their packs and the market is slow. On the other hand the demand for the canned product is good and bids fair to be

GOOD, COME AGAIN.

Mist, Ore., Aug. 28, 1915.

Editor of the Mist:—Not having seen a communication from Lower Nehalem for so long, it seems as though we had been erased from the map.

We arise to say that we are still here and fully alive to the situation.

The Nehalem branch of the Pacific Highway is now passable clear through to Seaside via Mist, Jewell, Olney, Astoria, thence by the main highway.

There are already many of the local citizens in possession of the indispensable smoke wagon. Including Mist and Vesper alone, there are no less than 13 now in use, while it is a very familiar occurrence to see dozens of the swift-gliding tourist cars from all parts of the country traversing the new thoroughfare each day, and night as well.

We are pleased to note that the Kerry railroad is progressing favorably, the steel is laid as far as the Nehalem river, and there is a crew of men now at work on the big bridge to cross the Nehalem. The grade is now ready for the ties several miles in advance of the finished road and as soon as the bridge is completed the steel will be rapidly placed to the present terminus, which is probably nine or ten miles beyond the river.

There are at this time two logging camps sending out timber over the new road.

We are informed that the Kerry camp has shipped 80,000 feet per day.

It is safe to predict that the Kerry

much stronger in the immediate future.

To obtain accurate figures on the pack is practically impossible for the double reason that packers are adverse to giving out statistics, and so great a portion of the pack is put up in half cases of 24 pounds each. A conservative estimate places the canned pack at 576,500 cases as they run, or approximately 389,140 full cases.

As 30 tons of raw fish are required for each 1000 cases, this pack represents 23,340,000 pounds of raw salmon. The cold-storage or pickled output comprises 3160 tierces, each containing 800 pounds of cured fish, or 1100 pounds of raw salmon, a total of 3,476,000 pounds. At the ruling prices paid, this means that the sum of \$1,743,000 has been paid to the gillnetters, trappers and others for raw fish this season.

Figuring the wholesale prices at \$6 a full case for canned salmon and 16 cents a pound for pickled fish, the cured product from the Columbia river fisheries during the season now closed, is worth in the markets of the world the enormous sum of \$3,517,576.

The number of cases of canned salmon, "as they run," about 65 per cent of which are half cases, packed by each of the individual plants, is estimated as follows:

Columbia River Packers' association (Elmore, Eureka and Rooster Rock), 160,000; Union Fishermen's Co-operative Packing company, 62,000; Booth Fisheries company, 40,000; Altoona Packing company, 40,000; Warren Packing company (two canneries), 60,000; Pillar Rock Packing company, 32,000; J. G. Megler, 32,000; Tallant-Grant Packing company, 35,000; Sanborn-Cutting Packing company, 42,000; McGowan & Sons (McGowan and Cascades), 55,000; Soufert, 10,000; Hanson, 8500; total, 576,500.

The estimated individual pack of pickled fish in tierces is about as follows:

Columbia River Packers' association, 850; Union Fishermen's Co-operative Packing company, 500; Tallant-Grant Packing company, 210; Sanborn-Cutting Packing company, 310; Vendsyssel Packing company, 340; Klevenhusen Packing company, 400; S. Schmidt & Co., 550; total, 3160.

enterprise will prove to be one of the most successful means of developing a hitherto wilderness country, as well as a financial success to the builders.

We are not neglectful of the great Pacific Highway, which has opened up and made accessible large tracts of the most fertile lands of the county and state, which up to recent date was completely isolated from the outer world.

It is now practicable to operate an auto truck of unlimited capacity from any point in the valley to Portland or Astoria, this being the case, the Nehalem farmers and dairymen are coming into their own heretofore, the writer has indulged in the prophecy that whenever there was a means of conveyance to market, the Nehalem valley would surely develop into the garden spot of Oregon, and we now expect soon to realize our fondest hopes and our most sanguine expectations.

What is most needed at the present time is brawn and brain, with some capital to help to develop the dormant natural resources of an immensely fertile country.

Will come again.

MEETINGS.

A. F. Bennett, Evangelist, of Eugene, Oregon, will hold a series of meetings at the Bachelor Flat school house, beginning on the evening of September 5th, and will continue each evening. All are urged to attend. Services begin at 8 p. m.

DELEGATES ARE SELECTED

By County Commissioners to Represent County at Conference.

Accepting an invitation by Governor Withycombe for Columbia county to be represented at the conference of the Oregon-California Land Grant to be held at Salem, in the hall of representatives, commencing on the morning of Thursday, September 16, the county commissioners chose the following persons to represent the county:

Judge A. L. Clark of the County Court; W. A. Hall, Clatskanie Commercial Club; Carlton Lewis of Rainier, and W. A. Harris of St. Helens.

The State Federation of Labor, the State Grange and the Farmers' Union have each been invited to appoint delegates to be selected from counties embracing O.-C. lands.

The Oregon Development League, the State Banking association and the State Press association have each been asked to appoint three delegates to be chosen from counties embracing O.-C. lands. Any other state-wide accredited organization having direct interest in the questions involved may be eligible for representation, at the discretion of the committee on procedure.

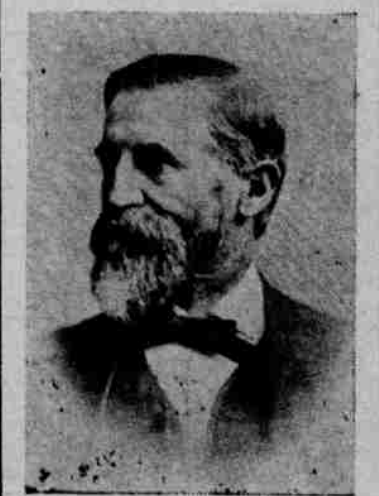
The Southern Pacific Railroad company has been asked to be represented to state its case as it sees fit and to offer such suggestions as seem desirable.

All details for the conference, such as preparing preliminary program, will be in the hands of a committee on procedure, consisting of nine members, who shall be chosen by the governor from (1st) the legislature; (2nd) the Portland Chamber of Commerce; (3rd) the state Grange; (4th) the State Federation of Labor; (5th) the Oregon Conservation commission; and four representatives selected from the counties containing O.-C. lands.

PIONEER RESIDENT VISITS COUNTY SEAT

Former County Judge, Aged, Yet Very Active.

Judge Dean Blanchard of Rainier, was in St. Helens Tuesday on a business mission. Although having passed the four score year mark, the judge is quite active and takes a keen interest in all public matters. He is



DEAN BLANCHARD.

the "Father of Rainier," and always evinces a pardonable pride in the growth and progress of his home community. His public career in this county, as well as his private life, has brought him in close touch with welfare matters, and he takes pleasure in keeping a weather eye out for the public weal.

OPENING PORT OF ASTORIA DOCK

We are the recipients of an invitation from a member of the Port of Astoria commissioners to participate in the formal opening of the Port of Astoria dock, to be held in connection with the twentieth Astoria annual regatta, at 7 o'clock this evening at Astoria.

The admiral and queen's ball of the twentieth Astoria annual regatta will be held in section six of the municipal dock, following the formal opening.

COUNTY TEACHERS' ANNUAL INSTITUTE

TO BE HELD AT ST. HELENS, OCTOBER 6, 7, AND 8.—TEACHERS FROM ENTIRE COUNTY.

PREPARE FOR ENTERTAINMENT

Noted Instructors and Educators Will Be Present—Program, Banquet and Lectures.

The Columbia County Annual Institute for the teachers of the fifty-three school districts of the county, will be held at St. Helens October 6, 7 and 8, at the High School building, and promises to be one of the most interesting and successful ever held in the county.

The program starts with a banquet to be given at the City Hall on the evening of the 6th, and a lecture by a prominent educator on the evening of the 7th, in the High School auditorium.

Notwithstanding the fact that the law states that every teacher is requested to attend these institutes, many from the various schools of the county have already made known to County School Superintendent Allen that they will be present with bag and baggage.

These institutes prove to be one of the greatest educators of modern times to the teacher, and cover the entire scope of their duties. The program being prepared by Superintendent Allen will even excel the one given in the city last year. He is securing many noted educators and instructors. Among those who have already promised to be present are the following:

J. A. Churchill, State Superintendent; M. S. Pitman of the Oregon Normal; A. P. Armstrong, School Superintendent of Multnomah county; Mrs. Mamie M. Fulkerson, one of the leading institute instructors in the West; Prof. E. D. Reesler of the O. A. C.; C. J. Bushnell, President of Pacific University; Dr. H. D. Sheldon of the University of Oregon; S. S. Duniway, County Superintendent of Yamhill county.

OREGON STATE FAIR.

Salem, O.e., Aug. 30, 1915.

Editor Mist:—Will you tent on the old camp ground? Whether you are a regular camper or a new one, we cordially invite you to be one of us this fall at the best fair ever held in the history of Oregon. From many counties are requests for space. Children's industrial exhibits from every part of Oregon. Bams will be full of stock. New and splendid attractions enroute to or from the Panama-Pacific exposition; the best of free entertainment for old and young. Over two thousand camp each year in the beautiful grove, electric lights through the trees give a pleasing sight, pure water at convenient distances, dry wood and straw at reasonable prices, and good restaurants for those who do not care to cook.

Tents are pitched along avenues named and numbered as the houses in a city. At the superintendent's office a directory will quickly locate friends. A large social center tent gives pleasure to both old and young. And with "fiddles," an orchestra or songs make evenings a round of pleasure. Should it rain, the big tent with a floor and seats extends its hospitality day and night. Those intending to camp should write in advance to the superintendent. Should you wish to camp near friends, please so state, and such concession will be granted, if possible; that is one of the pleasures of coming. The 1915 Oregon State Fair promises to be the best from every point of view of any previous fair. From locations engaged camping space looks as if it would be limited, therefore write early.

ALBERT TOZIER, Supt. Camp Grounds.