

STUDENTS ARE GOOD SCRIBES

LOCAL SCHOOLS HAVE MANY EXCELLENT PENMEN.

Critic Praises Tendencies Among the Present-Day Students.

Written by one who has given the subject special attention.

For many years it was thought that accuracy was the true ideal to seek in writing, and in consequence pupils labored over copy books hoping to learn to write a good hand. They learned frequently to draw

script letters but they rarely ever learned to write freely.

During the past year in our schools here a special effort has been made to improve the standard of writing. The teachers have worked faithfully to bring about better results and the pupils are finding that it is not enough to try to do good writing during the writing period only, they write with carelessness the remainder of the day; but on the other hand, they have found that in order to get the best results they must write with care and freedom at all times.

It is quite gratifying to see many pupils applying the movement to their work and as a result their writing is improving in legibility and gracefulness.

Among those pupils deserving honorable mention are the following:

- Central Building.**
- Mrs. Ingles' room—Sheldon Brown-ton, Helen Wilson, Elizabeth Payton, Francis Robinson.
- Miss White—Carmelita GSBanks, Clark Simonson, Leroy Allen, Ella Kederer, Gelfe Cotner.
- Miss McHugh—Emerson Schrock, Barnard Bennett.
- Miss Adler—Raymond Payton, Genevieve Hanna, Ruth Sanborn.
- Miss Ghorzley—Ira, Clare Love, Lucian Robinson.
- Miss Hastings—Showalter Lynch.
- Miss Beinhell—Leloris Pearsons.
- Marcella Berry, Fay Wilcock, Harry Hafney, Florence Briggs, Evelyn Un-

- derwood, Virna Lewis, Frances Cummings.
- Miss Jorje—Winnie Kennedy, Blanche Allen, Haris Horben, Albert Stoddard.
- Miss Snider—Nellie Fossey.
- Miss Fisher—Clarence Ford, Anna Keller, Gladys Moore.
- Mr. Hadaller—Bernard Briggs.
- Miss Bork—Clara Starr, Charles Nibley, Minnie Johnson, Gertrude Courtney.
- Miss Meyer—John Stewart, Mar-jorie Kline, Ben Barham.
- Miss Jones—Jack Herr, Eunice Bolton, Stephen Moore, Galy Donovan.
- Mrs. Bullard—May Erickson, Eye Godes, Alfred Johnson, Frieda Schiller.
- North Side, Fir street.

- Miss Kame—Erma Stoddard, Ruby Landrum.
- Miss Wilson—Marie Good, Ada Aant, Beryl Brown, Milton Price.
- North Side, Greenwood ave.**
- Mrs. Nell—Richard May, Clark Willis, Lester Vermilye, Vern Strong.
- Miss Van Eiten—Esther Miller, Edwice Downs, Winnie Beaumont, Alice Smith, Myrtle Stein.
- Miss Biever—Owen Price, George Keller.
- Miss Young—Laurence Trill, Herbert Lovely.
- Miss Meyer—Kenneth Atkinson.
- Miss Woodruff—Robert Williamson, Irwin Johnson.
- Miss Huff—Peter van der Sterre, Clara Courtney, Mae Rogers, Andrew Johnson.
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Is the Universe Double?

In 1904 Professor J. C. Kapteyn of Groningen announced his belief that the visible universe is not single, but double—that what we behold is not a system of stars, but two systems.

Since this announcement A. S. Ed-dington of Greenwich, A. W. Bickerton and H. G. Plummer of Oxford and T. J. See of the Lick observatory have given their concurrence to it. Mr. Ed-dington, for example, has analyzed the motion of six different groups of stars, and he has shown the existence in every case of two sets of curves indicating two paths along which dual star systems are streaming. One stream travels at the rate of seventeen miles a second and the other at the rate of thirty miles.

The movement of our sun is thirteen miles a second toward the region in the heavens now marked by the great star Arcturus, though he is hastening to meet us. The two pointers of the Great Bear are going along with the earth, other stars of the Great Bear away from the earth. Sirius is in our stream; so are the brightest stars of the Northern Crown—one in the Lion, one in Eridanus, and one in Auriga—William Bayard Hale in World's Work.

Got Her a Seat.

A young woman entered a subway train at Seventy-second street and, seeing that she would have to stand, meekly grasped a strap near one on which a stout, well built man was hanging. Hardly had the train pulled out from the station when she heard a voice saying, "There's a seat, madam," and turning around she beheld her neighbor pointing to a little space between two men. She stepped forward, but as neither of them seemed inclined to make room for her she smilingly declined to sit where she was so evidently not wanted. Whereupon the big man decided to occupy the space himself. He sat down, and after a few seconds began to work himself backward and forward, to right and to left, until presently his neighbors, yielding to his bulk, moved up, and he was in possession of a comfortable seat. Then he arose, politely doffed his hat, bowed to the woman and said: "Now, madam, I think you will find room! Won't you sit down?"—New York Tribune.

How Old is the Earth?

Sir George Darwin's statement at Cambridge that the late Lord Kelvin's estimate of the earth's age has been seriously vitiated by the discovery of radium since the calculation was made will meet with the entire approval of geologists. For many years physicists and geologists have been disputing on this matter, and the latter have utterly failed to make the facts of geology fit in with what they termed Lord Kelvin's "miserable allowance" of time. Now, however, that it is established that the earth has a large store of heat producing radium and other radioactive substances, mathematics is able greatly to extend the "miserable allowance" a trifle of 20,000,000 years, and the 800,000,000 years necessary to account for the geologists' phenomena is no longer considered too big a draft on the bank of time. The Hon. Mr. Strutt has assigned a minimum age of 711,000,000 years for some archaic rocks from Canada he has examined.—Dundee Advertiser.

WALLA WALLANS STILL HANG ON

RESIST IN DESIRE TO DUPLICATE PENDLETON ROUND-UP

Conference at Pendleton to Discuss the Situation.

With two representatives each from the Walla Walla and Pendleton Commercial clubs, the Roundup and Walla Walla associations present a meeting was held this morning in the local Commercial club rooms to discuss the advisability of Walla Walla staging a wild west show in connection with her annual fair, says the Pendleton East Oregonian of yesterday. The Pendleton members of the joint committee presented their arguments against such a plan but the Walla Wallans neither said definitely that they would or would not abandon their intentions. At any rate it is felt that the conference accomplished some good.

The Pendleton men contended that the Roundup is the original frontier show of the northwest and that a neighboring city should not strive to deprive Pendleton of what is hers by right of development. Also they attempted to show the visitors where in a competitive show in Walla Walla would mean much additional expense to both institutions.

Walla Walla's response was that there is a considerable sentiment in their city that some means should be devised of keeping their people and their money at the home festival. However, they declared the fair association had taken no formal action at this time, and so far the plan had been nothing but speculative.

The Walla Walla Commercial club was represented by E. C. Burlingame and Oscar Drumbeller and the fair association by H. H. Johnson and J. P. Kent. W. L. Thompson and E. J. Murphy represented the local commercial association and T. D. Taylor and R. W. Wittner the Roundup. After luncheon the visitors were taken on a brief visit to the branch hospital after which they left for home on the afternoon train.

Broke Up the Game.

Willie finally persuaded his aunt to play train with him. The chairs were arranged in line, and then he said: "Now, you, be the engineer and I'll be the conductor. Lend me your watch and get up into your cab." He then hurried down the platform, thencepiece by hand.

"Pull out there, you red headed, pie faced jay!" he shouted to the astonishment of the young woman.

"Why, Willie?" she exclaimed in amazement.

"That's right, chew the rag," he rejoined. "Pull out, we're big minutes late already."

They have had to forbid his playing down by the tracks. Illinois, Central Employees' Magazine.

The Paradise Fish.

There flourishes in Chinese rivers and lakes a small fish remarkable for its brilliant coloring of crimson and blue. It is called the paradise fish. In the sunlight it shows in rainbow hues. The most interesting thing about this little fish is the nest made by the male of glutinous bubbles below the surface of the water and measuring up to six inches across. Here it places the eggs, some 200 in number, and mounts guard over them during incubation.

Sly Management.

"Haven't you a handsome chafin dish than that?" asked the customer.

"You want something even more numerous than this?"

"Yes, I want one so beautiful and expensive that my wife wouldn't think of trying to cook anything in it."—Exchange.

Herself Alone.

"Harold, do you love me for myself alone?"

"For yourself alone. And that's why I object to leaving your father home, and standing for your little brother's post-feminism."—Kansas City Journal.

Doesn't Mean It.

"Isn't it queer that when a man addresses you by saying 'Say,' he wants you to keep still so that he can say something himself?"—New Orleans Picayune.

So It Does.

"Always hit the line hard, my boy." "Oh, I don't know, dad. Sometimes it pays to try to run around the end."—Detroit Free Press.

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Diluted sulphuric acid, lemon juice, solutions of nitrate and chloride of cobalt or of chloride of copper write colorless, but on being heated the characters written with the first two become black or brown and the latter green. When the paper becomes cool the writing disappears and leaves the paper blank again. Sulphur dissolved in water and equal parts of sulphate of copper form an ammoniac solution in water and give good invisible ink.

There are also some inks which are invisible when dry, but visible when moistened with another liquid. Thus a solution of muriate of antimony washed with the juice of walls becomes yellow, green vegetable ink washed with the same solution turns black, nitrate of cobalt washed with oxalic acid turns blue, arsenate of potash with nitrate of copper green, solution of gold with muriate of tin purple.

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