

PARENTS TAKE DEEP INTEREST

RIVERS SCHOOL ASSOCIATION
HAS ACTIVE WORK.

Shrubbery Planted by Parents at
School Grounds on North Second.

The parent-teachers meeting at the Rivers school Friday was well attended. Mrs. Vincent Palmer addressed the meeting in the interest of the social hygiene meeting that is to be held in that school on April 3. Mr. Carter delivered a short address on books and made a plea for more substantial reading. This was followed by a two-part song entitled "I've a message" by the pupils of the grade under the direction of Miss Henriette Woodell. Mrs. Shaw read a paper on the child's preparatory training for

the home and the school, laying particular stress on the home training, and respect to the teacher.

Mrs. T. A. Robins rendered a beautiful solo "The Shoozy Shoo" Dr. Dora Underwood made the principal address of the afternoon and spoke on social hygiene, and the great necessity for this work at the present day. Mrs. Metcalf again delighted the audience with one of her choice readings. The following committees were then appointed:

Program committee; Miss Gannoway, C. E. Ball, Mrs. Bess Scriber, and Mrs. Metcalf. Membership committee; Mrs. Joe Snodgrass. Mrs. Stafford, Mrs. W. Wallace. The association decided to join the national and state congress of mothers. Virginia creepers were then planted at the entrance of the school building under the direction of Mr. C. E. Ball.

The association is growing and likewise the enthusiasms for the work which it has undertaken. Members of this association are beginning to realize the benefits that will accrue to themselves, the child and the teacher,

and for this reason everybody is willing to lend a helping hand.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by the Commission of the City of La Grande, Oregon, for the placing on grade and the construction of 7925 square feet of Cement Sidewalk, on the South side of N. Avenue from the west curb line of Fourth Street to the East curb line of Oak Street, in accordance with the plans and specification, which are on file in the office of the City Recorder, bids to be in not later than 7:30 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, April 8, 1914, and accompanied by check of 5 percent of amount bid, the Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By Order of Commission March 25th, 1914.

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CHILDHOOD'S PRAYER.

The fire upon the hearth is low,
And there is stillness every-
where:
Like troubled spirits, here and
there
The firelight shadows fluttering
go.
And as the shadows round me
creep,
A childish treble breaks the
gloom
And softly from a further
room
Comes, "Now I lay me down to
sleep."

And, somehow, with that little
prayer
And that sweet treble in my
ears,
My thought goes back to distant
years
And fingers with a dear one
there.
And as I hear the child's amen,
My mother's faith comes back
to me—
Crouched at her side I seem
to be,
And mother holds my hands
again.

Oh, for an hour in that dear
place!
Oh, for the peace of that dear
time!
Oh, for that childish trust sub-
lime!
Oh, for a glimpse of mother's
face!
Yet, as the shadows round me
creep
I do not seem to be alone—
Magic of that treble tone—
And "Now I lay me down to
sleep."
—Eugene Field.

SPANISH PROVERBS.

After praising the wine they
sell us vinegar.
The wearer best knows where
the shoe pinches.
From poor cloth you cannot
make a good coat.
The wise hand doeth not all
the foolish tongue speaketh.
A handful of common sense is
worth more than a bushel of
learning.
Never sign a paper you have
not read nor drink water you
have not examined.
When ill luck falls asleep let
nobody wake her.
Suffer that you may be wise
and labor that you may have.

NAVAL POWER.

God has decided that the peo-
ple of this country should be a
commercial people. . . . Young
as we are, our tonnage and com-
merce surpass those of every na-
tion upon the globe but one, and
if not wasted by the depriva-
tions to which they were exposed
by their defenseless situation
and the more ruinous restric-
tions to which this government
subjected them, it would require
not many more years to have
made them the greatest in the
world. Is this immense wealth
always to be exposed as a prey
to the rapacity of freebooters?
Why will you protect your citi-
zens and their property upon
land and leave them defense-
less upon the ocean? As your
mercantile property increases
the prize becomes more tempt-
ing to the cupidity of foreign na-
tions. In the course of things
the ruins and aggressions which
you have experienced will mul-
tiply, nor will they be restrained
while we have no appearance
of a naval force.—James A. Bay-
ard in United States Senate,
1810.

ODE TO MYRTILLA.

A pure, sweet saint! At church
I see you pray
As if a worldly thought would
make you faint,
Serenely walking on your heav-
enly way pure, sweet saint!
And yet—although I would make
no complaint—
You quickly doff the grave to
don the gay,
Your cheeks aren't wholly inno-
cent of paint!
You flirt outrageously the live-
long day.
And—to use slang, dear Myrt—
In fact you ain't,
I am thoroughly rejoiced to
say,
A pure, sweet saint.
—Ted Robinson in Cleveland
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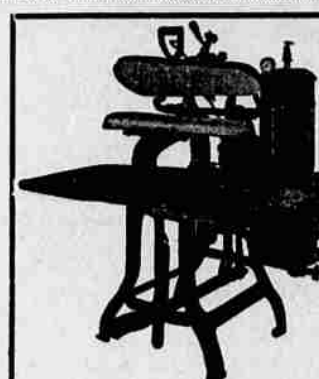
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