

JACKSONVILLE SCHOOLS

Let every citizen of Jacksonville help make the local district the banner school in Jackson County

With the approach of fall, comes what we all used to dread, school and the new teacher. Do you remember, dear reader, just how you felt on your first day at school and on the first day of every term thereafter?

We wonder just how many of our readers attended the Jacksonville school twenty years ago, and how many later attended school in the building now occupied by this paper.

One thing we must remember is that the conditions existing in your school days and at present are entirely different. This is the day of push, pep and get-along. But sad to say, the condition of our school grounds is no better than ten or twenty years ago.

The site for the school house in Jacksonville is one of the best, if not actually the best in the county. Situated on a knoll and surrounded by a grove of oak and pine trees, we doubt if a better location could be found in the entire state.

But what we are driving at is why not keep the good work going and improve the appearance of the grounds, and in fact make our school a strictly modern, up-to-date school. Tap the city water, plant a few flowers and shrubs, sow a little grass seed, and the appearance is improved 1000 per cent. The pupils in their spare time would be very glad to plant and take care of the flowers, etc.

Several years ago the voters of the school district authorized the installation of modern toilets and drinking fountains of the bubbler type, but for some reason or other the school board failed to act. Now, nearly every one in Jacksonville has a relative in school and if you wish to safeguard the health of that relative, it is your duty to urge the installation of modern conveniences in our local school. Don't wait until another epidemic breaks out. You have proper sanitation in your home, why not in the school?

Now this coming term let everybody take an active interest in the work and activities of the local school,

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SUGAR RESTRICTIONS IN FORCE AGAIN.

Go Easy With Your Sugar is New Cry.

It begins to look as though we were not yet out of war, as regarding sale of sugar.

Local merchants have been advised to keep close tab on the amount of sugar used by different families and in no case to sell more than eight pounds to a customer at a time.

The reason for this action is not very clear, undoubtedly being one of the master moves of the corporation. Possibly preceding a big drop in the price or maybe to stimulate buying when the ban is lifted. Or possibly there is just cause for the action.

Ten Years Ago.

From The Jacksonville Post of August 28, 1909.

A fatal accident, resulting in the death of W. H. Leever, occurred at the Opp mine near this place, Tuesday afternoon.

With the arrival of Mr. Allen and the actual transfer of cash it is proven beyond a doubt that the new owner of the Pacific and Eastern means business.

Astronomers the world over are sweeping the heavens every night to gain first view of Halley's Comet which is due to appear after an absence of 75 years.

Lew Stone and family who went to Weed, Cal., to live, have returned to this place, more satisfied with Jacksonville than ever.

Rennis Combest has one of the best little teams on the creek. Rennis being an old cowboy, has them well under control.—Buncom Reports.

Billie Anderson and Laura Fattig spent Saturday in town, visiting friends.—Buncom Reports.

He Tied to the "Post"

Charles A. Smith of Ruch came into the office week, stating that he wished to tie to the "Post". Which goes to show that the people of the Applegate valley are beginning to realize the value of this publication.

Among other recent subscribers we are glad to announce the following: Miss Mary S. Hurst, Geo. F. Plymate, W. A. Cox, Shelton, Wash., Miss Kate Cronemiller, Mrs. Lizzie Coulter, Paul Luy, J. H. Huerters and Herman Walters, of Applegate.

INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Manufactures, Enterprises and Improvements, Providing Payrolls and Promoting Development of Oregon.

Aug. 25.—Klamath Falls—Many new buildings going up.

Silverton cannery running full capacity.

St. Helens—Work soon to begin on \$10,000 building.

Lakeview to have new hotel.

Work on Sutter Lake Irrigation project begins.

Bend to have new paved streets.

Oregon City—Banner-Carrier Publishing Co. to have model plant.

Newberg—Valley Canning Co. buys Springfield cannery.

Portland—Road contracts involving \$90,000 awarded.

Dayton—Contract let for paving Ferry St.

Bend to begin work on \$5000 fish ladders in Deschutes.

Jefferson to have new cannery.

Albany—24,000 lbs. milk delivered at Seio condensery daily.

Work to begin immediately on Marshfield armory.

\$97,920 contract let for road work in Yencolla section.

Sheridan to have packing plant in near future.

St. Helens Lumber Co. to have \$40,000 improvements.

Baker—Granite and Gre horn mines are big ore producers.

Sutherlin Fruit Products Co. will handle 150 tons pears this season.

Oakland—1896 acres land sold for consideration of \$17,400.

Prairie City—Work progressing on highway from here to John Day.

Oregon City—Work on new fish ladder over falls being started.

Reports show great industrial activity in Coos Bay region.

Portland—87 Idaho hogs bring \$3700 in local market, highest price every paid for pork in northwest.

Klamath Falls—Klamath Packing Co. to erect \$20,000 plant.

Reedsport will have phone exchange soon.

Klamath Falls—Boundless wealth in Klamath lands. \$100 crops per acre common. \$800 worth of vegetables on single acre.

Klamath Falls—New \$50,000 opera house assured here.

Albee having building boom as result of work started on Teel project.

Corvallis—2 story brick block to go up here, 50 x 100 feet.

Klamath Falls—Building operations here for year will aggregate \$1,000,000.

Canyon City—New school buildings planned.

Douglas county reports record loganberry crop. 3½ acres brings \$2370.

Portland—35 miles railroad to be built into Washington and Columbia counties to tap large tract timber. Involves expenditure of \$2,000,000.

Punish the Fire Starters.

August sees increasing forest fires in Oregon and Washington. Some of these fires are started by lightning which is beyond control of man.

But many of them are started by criminally negligent campers, tourists and home people who know the dangers.

Oregon has made a start in the right direction. Its fire wardens have secured the evidence and brought charges against numerous prominent persons for starting dangerous fires in the woods.

These parties, all of whom know the danger, set fires by dry logs, etc., endangering life and forests.

A man would be strictly dealt with who endangered lives and property in a city or town through wilful carelessness with fire. But this same man will go out camping and think nothing of setting a fire that may sweep hundreds and thousands of acres of land.

The public is beginning to realize that timber is our chief natural asset and a blow at our timber is a blow at the prosperity of the state.

Every man, woman and child should be taught to fight and prevent fires and report persons who are setting them carelessly. As our population grows, fires become more costly and dangerous and the man who starts them a greater menace to the community.

JACKSON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The following articles are taken from a letter recently issued by County School Superintendent

Teacher's Institute. Sept. 10, 11, 12.

The Annual Teachers' Institute will be held in the Senior High School Building at Ashland on September 10, 11 and 12. An unusual strong list of instructors has been secured and a program that should be of considerable interest to any teacher is being prepared.

Among the instructors from a distance might be mentioned State Supt. of Public Instruction J. A. Churchill; Prof. C. A. Gregory of the Dept. of Educational Research of our State University; Miss Mabel L. Cummings, Director of Woman's Gymnasium, of the same institution, will lecture on physical training and exercise; Mr. J. J. Brumbaugh, Head of the Department of Psychology of the O. A. C.; Miss Ida Mae Smith, Primary Critic of the Monmouth State Normal, will give among other things, a course on the Beacon Method of teaching reading; Mrs. Margaret Craig Curran of the State Normal, Institute Lecturer and Rural School Specialist will be with us, and a number of others with whom definite arrangements have not yet been made.

All teachers who expect to teach in the schools of Jackson County during the school year 1919-1920 should attend this institute for the entire three days. In order that a district may be entitled to the usual allowance for institute attendance, the teacher must attend for at least sixteen hours.

Where school will not be in session until after the time of the institute, it is recommended that teachers be paid for attendance just the same, for the benefit received from such an educational meeting will be just as valuable to the district as it would if school were in session.

The detailed programs will be distributed at the institute if they are not ready for distribution by mail at an earlier date.

Clean-Up Campaign Urged.

Supervisor R. E. Morris in a recent circular addressed to the school officers in our rural schools, calls attention to the necessity of cleaning up and getting everything in readiness for the first day of school, which in most cases will be the first to the fifteenth of September. This is very essential and such things are often neglected, especially where the school buildings are located some distance from the home of a director or is far from an abundant supply of good pure water. In addition to ventilating buildings, cutting weeds, repairing walks, windows, and other things needing repair, the walls and desks should be thoroughly cleaned; the floors, windows and casings should be thoroughly washed, the floors should be oiled and the water supply should be thoroughly inspected and made ready for use. Every precaution possible should be taken to prevent the spread of any contagion or the repetition of any epidemic like the one which cost us so many lives a year ago. The County Public Health Nurse will assist teachers and pupils in doing their part to keep down disease and her advice regarding matters pertaining to health conditions should be carefully and thoroughly followed.

State Fair Sept. 22 to 27.

Since no arrangements have been made for a county fair this fall, plans are being worked out to hold exhibits at about three convenient places in the county on September 12 to 15 inclusive. The best exhibits will be selected and entered for prizes at the State Fair on Sept. 22 to 27. The four grand prizes will be awarded at these local exhibits and the two girls and the two boys making the highest scores will be given free trips to the state fair.

We hope that the time will soon come when the Fair Association and the County Court will be able to decide upon suitable grounds for fair purposes so that the County Fair may be a permanent annual attraction in Jackson County.

Many of the requirements for a standard school will no doubt remain the same as they were last year.

Health Problems.

With the opening of the school year, I am going to ask that teachers, parents and boards will cooperate in doing some of the things for the children we are sure are indispensable in order to prevent epidemics or contagious diseases.

Where bubblers cannot be had, separate drinking cups should be obligatory. Dipper in bucket should only be used for lifting water from bucket to be poured into drinking cup.

I have been in schools where the dipper was used by a number of pupils and in that same school were children who showed symptoms of Tuberculosis, thus putting all the pupils in possible danger of being infected.

Provisions should be made for children to wash their hands during the day. One basin is inadequate for a school of ten to twenty-eight pupils. There should be more basins and plenty of soap, more than one bucket of water, also a receptacle for the waste water. Waste water should not be poured on ground around school house as has been evidenced. Then there should be either separate towels or paper toweling and receptacle for soiled paper toweling.

We teach the children in the home to wash their hands after each visit to the toilet and before each meal.

In few schools of Jackson County can this teaching be carried out. This ought not to be true in an educational institution.

More thought should be given to kinds of outside toilets that are being provided for children.

Not one outside toilet in the whole county is sanitary. Some do not even permit of privacy and what is more conducive to teaching morals improperly?

It is not necessary for a septic tank for every school toilet. That is not feasible always, but clean, odorless and fly proof ones could be provided at very little expense.

I shall be glad to see members of boards and help plan a suitable outside toilet as I make my rounds. Requests for such may go thru teachers.

Signed Rosetta McGrail, R. N. School nurse.

Compulsory Education.

Teachers and school officers should make themselves acquainted with all the provisions of the Compulsory Education Law as found upon pages 114 to 118 inclusive of the New 1919 School Law. This is quite important and every phase of the law should be observed. Teachers and school board members will note that heavy fines are provided where the provisions of the act are not carried out.

The head of each school in the county is provided with blanks to use in reporting truancy cases. Additional blanks will be sent whenever cases are reported. A synopsis of the law is given upon each notice of truancy.

The Teachers' Wages.

A School Board at a regular or special meeting may authorize the clerk to pay the teacher her wages at the end of each school month without requiring her to see each of the members individually. It is permissible and is a great convenience to all concerned for school boards to give their clerks permission at the beginning of the term so do this during the life of any contract.

Important Dates.

The School Year—June 16, 1919, to June 21, 1920.

Eight Grade Examinations—September 4 & 5, also May and June 1920.

County Teachers' Institute—Sept. 10, 11 and 12 at Ashland.

October 25, 1919.—Census report taken by District Clerk

Nov. 10, 1919.—Apportionment of County and State Funds.

Dec. 1, 1919. Final date tax levies may be received.

December 17, 18, 19 and 20—Teachers' Examinations.

We have our New Fall Suit Samples in the window this week.

Lewis Ulrich

General Merchandise

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