

Many Students Will Teach School

"What do you expect to do next year?" was the question put to the 42 seniors and post-graduates in the high school, during the course of the recently completed survey of the Ashland schools. Seven expected to do post-graduate work in the local high school, 12 to attend college, six to work, seven to teach, two to attend normal school, and eight were uncertain.

Teaching was the most popular preference for life work, 16 favoring this following, while business, which stood next in favor, had only five advocates. Preference expressed by the pupils in the eighth grade showed the same general trend.

Of the 42 high school students examined only eight had attended school in Ashland for less than four years. On being asked if they expected to make Ashland their future home 22 answered "No," 12 "Yes" and eight were doubtful.

In the bookkeeping course 31 pupils are enrolled, in shorthand 38, and in typewriting 78, while the committee found that there are probably not more than 25 positions for stenographers in Ashland and 15 positions for bookkeepers.

Twelve of the graduates of the high school normal training course in 1914 are now teaching at salaries ranging from \$55 to \$80 per month. Teachers' training is the chief vocational activity of the Ashland schools. While the state requirements for the teacher training courses have been modified in some particulars, the committee found that the spirit of these requirements is fully carried out in the Ashland course.

In the manual training course given in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades and for two years in the high school the committee declared that there seemed to be a lack of real vocational purpose. It was recommended that the boys be encouraged to master the elements of the carpenter's trade, cabinet-making, and the like. It was further recommended that where ever possible the boys taking manual training should make furniture and do repair work for the school.

Inasmuch as the United States government is not favoring either side in the war, there is a unanimous agreement in Europe that it is not observing neutrality.

If your watch does not give you satisfaction take it to Johnson the jeweler. 97-1f

You see mighty few pointed-toe footprints on the sands of time.

PRIMER ON EXPLOSIVES FOR METAL MINERS, ETC.

The United States Bureau of Mines several years ago issued a primer on explosives for coal miners which has been in considerable demand ever since.

Now the bureau has issued a primer on explosives for metal miners and quarrymen, by Charles E. Munroe and Clarence Hall. The bulletin, which has just come from the printing office, says in its introduction: "In accidents resulting from the use of explosives in metal mines and quarries in the United States more than 130 men were killed and 250 seriously injured during the calendar year 1913. Moreover, an unknown number of miners suffered from the effects of breathing the harmful fumes and gases given off by the burning or the incomplete explosion of some explosive. Consequently, the Federal Bureau of Mines, which is endeavoring to increase safety in mines and to abolish conditions that tend to impair the health of miners, is studying the kinds of explosives used in mining and the conditions under which these explosives can be used with least danger to the miner.

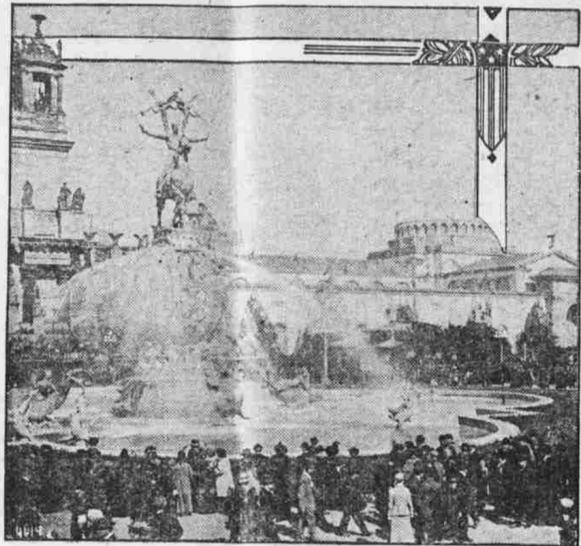
"Inflammable gas or dust is seldom, if ever, found in quarries or metal mines, and the danger from using explosives there is less than in coal mines; but, as the figures show, the number of men killed and injured yearly in accidents caused by explosives proves the need of both miners and mine officials striving to see that none but proper explosives are used and that these are used properly."

The bulletin contains chapters on combustion and explosion; blasting and mine explosives; fuse, detonators and electric detonators; firing blasts by electricity; the use of explosives in excavation work; the use of explosives in quarrying; the use of explosives in metal mining and tunneling; drilling and blasting methods on New York rapid-transit tunnel; magazines and thaw houses; permissible explosives, etc.

This publication is Bulletin 80 and it may be obtained free of charge by those interested writing to the Director of the Bureau of Mines, Washington, D. C.

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Fountain of Energy When President Wilson Opened the Panama-Pacific Exposition



THE Fountain of Energy when the water was released by President Wilson pressing a button at Washington on the opening day of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco. This fountain is the work of A. Stirling Calder and is between the Tower of Jewels and the main entrance at Scott street.

Financial Report of Springs Water Commission

Herewith is second monthly report as required by Section 8, Article 20, charter of the City of Ashland:

Date	Vr. No.	Name of Party Issued to and Items.	Amount.
3-31-15	17	Smith, Emery & Co., first estimate on auxiliary water system, covering surveys, blueprints and right-of-way maps	\$5,000.00
4-21-15	38	Nellie Dickey, typewriting contract with Smith, Emery & Co.	2.00
4-21-15	39	C. H. Metcalf, Five days' salary as bookkeeper and stenographer at \$75 per month	\$14.40
		Transportation to Medford and return on business for Springs Commission	.50
			\$14.90
4-24-15	40	Bert R. Greer, expense to San Francisco on trip in connection with auxiliary water system. Cash drawn for purpose, \$49.80 spent; \$50.20 in fund	100.00
5-1-15	41	C. B. Lamkin, Cash expended for rights-of-way for springs pipe line, as follows:	115.50
		Ellin I. Wells	1.00
		Ida M. Tucker	1.00
		C. B. Watson	1.00
		Sadie Walker	1.00
		Camille A. Owen	1.00
		Mary J. McAllister	1.00
		Wesley S. Howard	1.00
		Maude Rocho	1.00
		Maude M. Livingston	1.00
		Augusta S. Neil	1.00
		Jno. W. McDonough	50.00
		Sarah R. Jetter	1.00
		M. P. Bayless	1.00
		Marcus P. True	1.00
		Mollie Songer	1.00
		W. R. Kinkaid	50.00
		Chas. E. English	1.50
			\$115.50
5-4-15	42	Medford Book Store, one multi-column journal for books of Springs Commission	3.50
5-4-15	42	A. L. Lamb, sharpening four mattocks and eleven saws at 20c	3.00
5-4-15	44	C. V. Beeler, For auto hire as follows:	23.25
		3-9 Auto to depot for three	.75
		4-30 Auto 1 1/2 hours	3.00
		5-3 Auto, S. P. officials	15.50
		5-4 Auto, Dr. Lawrence	4.00
			\$23.25
5-6-15	45	McNair Bros., Three stenographer's notebooks	.30
		Carbon paper	.40
		One Hotchkiss fastener	2.00
		One eraser	.05
		4-19 One pint ink	.60
		Red ink	.10
		Pens	.05
		Penholder	.05
		Rubber penholder	.20
		Ledger	2.75
		Journal paper	.15
		Gum clips	.10
		Thumb tacks	.05
			\$6.80
5-6-15	46	Poley's Drug Store	1.10
		4-19 Inkwell	.10
		5-1 Victor double inkwell	1.00
			\$1.10
5-6-15	47	Hotel Oregon, room and meals for Mr. E. Lawrence of university at Eugene, on special work for Water Commission	2.90
5-6-15	48	Gowdy and Young, Fidelity bond, Bert R. Greer, \$10,000; Fidelity bond, Jno. P. Dodge, \$10,000, \$20,000 at \$2.50 per \$1,000	50.00
5-7-15	49	Geo. Siemantel, one-half interest in the property at the head of Mill street, known as the Planning Mill property	1,200.00
5-7-15	50	Carson-Fowler Lumber Co., one-half interest in the property at the head of Mill street, known as the Planning Mill property	1,200.00
5-8-15	51	M. C. Edgington, Drawing option papers and getting option, \$1.50 Cash paid for option, 1.00 Cash paid for telegram from W. W. Willis re price of lot	3.10
5-10-15	52	Ashland Tidings	\$3.10
		4-22 1,000 sheets legal T. W. paper	2.00
		5-3 Publishing first complete report of Springs Commission	1.00
			\$83.00
		Total	\$7,809.05

Respectfully submitted,
SPRINGS WATER COMMISSION,
By Bert R. Greer, Chairman.

Attest: J. P. DODGE, Secretary.

Portland—Western Sash & Door Company adding two-story frame 56 by 98 and one story 200 by 125.

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The People's Forum

Portland, Ore., May 2, 1915.

Editor Ashland Tidings: I notice in your valued paper of April 26 an item headed "Agitate Removal of Cemetery." Now I would not have been surprised at such agitation fifty years ago, from a sanitary point, for then Ashland and many other places of like importance used well water instead of the modern water system now in use, exclusively. Also perhaps longer ago than fifty years—say seventy-five or one hundred years ago—people talked of spooks and hobgoblins, etc., and told foolish stories to foolish children, and some children were foolish enough to believe some of the stories and became a little uneasy, even on entering a dark room, just after listening to a ghost story.

I am inclined to think that when the atmosphere of good, solid, healthy common sense predominates in grownup folks in a community, the atmosphere of uneasiness in children regarding cemeteries is not noticeable. Now the Ashland cemetery was located where it is long before the east side school was located, and if the atmosphere of uneasiness gets too pressing among the children of tender age, or with grownup people, in the cemetery environment, why, just agitate the removal of the east side school, for the school could be moved with much less expense and with practically no contention.

Ashland is a beautiful town and the Ashland cemetery is one of her most attractive beauty spots. Improve it, beautify it, keep it clean, and let it remain.

I can cite you to a town in Oregon of fully as much importance as Ashland, or at least will be some time, notwithstanding Ashland's lithia water (we still have something else to drink here), and that town is Portland, in which is located Lone Fir cemetery, right in the heart of the residential district, where nearly as many people reside within a stone's throw of this beautiful cemetery—actually live there, cook, eat and sleep there—as reside in Ashland, and you can't hear of any atmosphere of uneasiness incident to the cemetery environment, or talk or removal.

Now with all due respect to the Parent-Teacher Circle, I would suggest that they please not agitate the removal of our beautiful cemetery, but direct their activities in other directions, say to beautifying the cemetery by planting flowers there; take your children there, teach them not to fear but to love and respect the "City of the Dead," and thus save contention and, if need be, litigation.

Yours truly,
W. F. WOODEN,
1 East Sixty-third street.

Modern Cemeteries.
Editor Tidings: During our trip to the Panama exposition we visited our son in San Jose. We were very much impressed with the parks in that city. One, the famous Alum Rock park, leads up into a canyon very much like our canyon only more work has been done by man, but is not as beautiful as ours in a natural way.

The one I wish to speak of especially is Oak Park cemetery. The new part of the cemetery is just like a park, with few monuments in sight,

the grave markings being laid flat on the ground. There are no small lots, but all in large sections with driveways, making one beautiful lawn. On close inspection you can see white marble slabs, about nine by fourteen inches, laid even with the grass so they can be moved over, and on many are only the names of the deceased with no inscription and no dates. There is not a rose bush or growing plant in sight in this section, and the marble slabs are not visible from the driveways. For free use of all are green tin funnels for holding water and bouquets of flowers. These have a nail in the end so they can be stuck in the ground and can easily be removed when the flowers are dead or the lawn has to be moved. Every few feet in the driveways are benches under the palms and shade trees. Many people go there on Sundays.

A cemetery like this one makes the expense and work much lighter and adds a beautiful park to the city.

The older part of the cemetery still has some monuments standing, but all is remodeled on the lawn idea and is much prettier where there are no monuments at all.

On entering the main archways, which are surrounded by many shade trees and palms, is one large heart-shaped lot, in the center of which is a small hedge spelling in large letters the word "Rest."

My idea in describing this cemetery was to see if we couldn't have our cemetery by the East Side school remodeled, the grave railings and the white slabs or headstones removed, and make it into one large lawn with driveways and no paths or small lots. More trees planted and benches added. This would make it prettier and more pleasant for all, especially the school children.

MRS. S. PATTERSON.

Employment Agency By Government

The United States Department of Agriculture has inaugurated an employment bureau which is nation-wide in its scope and should be a monster factor in relieving the country of the non-employment question.

Blanks may now be obtained from the local postoffice and from any other postoffice in the United States either by employer or employee. These blanks upon being filled out and handed to the postmaster are mailed free of charge to the division headquarters, which in the case of Oregon is located at Portland, where the farmer or employer of labor is connected with the man who wants work. The blanks contain only a few of the most essential questions and no trouble should be experienced in filling them out. The great trouble in the past with the unemployed has been the matter of sectional and seasonal periods of labor. This bureau should relieve this to a great extent. Any one who wishes further information may secure same at the post-office.

Died.
James Cress passed away at the family residence on Liberty street last Wednesday at 8:10 p. m. The deceased was 60 years and 12 days of age and leaves a wife and family. He was buried Saturday in Hargadine cemetery.

Phone news items to the Tidings.

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