

NEVER TOO LATE TO GET VOTES

Blanche Belshaw of Eugene Accomplishes Object in Brief Period.

PROMISING WORKER ONLY 14 YEARS OLD

Glenn Walker and His Father of Albany Grateful for What The Journal and Friends Are Doing in Their Behalf.

In proof that it is not too late for a new contestant to enter the race for scholarships and go right into the winning class, Blanche Belshaw of Eugene began soliciting for subscriptions on Wednesday and by Saturday noon had more than 10,000 votes. This puts her up in the winning class among contestants of District No. 2.

This new and promising contestant is 14 years old. She is a very pretty child, in fact a beautiful girl with large brown eyes and an abundance of curly hair of the same color. She has an attractive and expressive face that wins friends for her wherever she goes. She is popular in Eugene.

Native of Eugene. Blanche is a native of Eugene. So, also, is her older brother, Lewis, and her younger sister, Edna. The mother of these young people, Mrs. N. K. Belshaw, was born three miles from Eugene, and their father, Lewis Belshaw, was born and grew up in Eugene and lived there until his death four years ago. At their father's death, Mrs. Belshaw was left with three children to support and educate.

The mother, although not a Catholic, so far has educated all three children in Catholic schools. The boy has attended Mt. Angel college and the girls have been in the Academy of Victory at Eugene as day scholars. Blanche is fond of her studies and will complete her course in the Catholic school next June. Then she wishes to take a course in the Eugene Business college, so that she may become a stenographer, whereby she may assist her mother to provide for the family.

Blanche Belshaw will receive the hearty support of all the people of Eugene. Born and raised among them, competing for a scholarship in one of their schools and belonging to a worthy family, endeavored them by years of usefulness, Blanche Belshaw will be a strong vote getter among the residents.

Among citizens of Eugene who already have interested themselves in Blanche Belshaw are Superintendent W. B. Dillard, county school superintendent of Lane county; F. W. Chambers, president of one of the leading banks; Fred Fiske, sheriff of Lane county; M. L. Farrington, chief of police; and W. J. Hooker, president of the Eugene Business college.

Mother Is Helping. Blanche will be ably assisted in her canvassing by her mother who has had practice along that line for seven years. Mrs. Belshaw is supreme officer in the Home-protecting Order of Reindeers of Eugene and was formerly supreme officer in the Lane County Chapter of the Order. Mrs. Belshaw has held the chairs of secretary in the Order of Washington of Eugene, of the Rebeccas and also, of the Pyramid Builders of Albany.

Blanche plays nicely on the piano and sings sweetly and well. Glenn Walker and his father, Cyrus H. Walker, of Albany, are grateful for what The Journal and for what their friends are doing for young Glenn in the Educational Contest. Their gratitude is expressed in a letter to the contest editor. The letter is written by the father, Cyrus H. Walker, and a portion of it follows:

"We certainly feel very thankful to the managers of The Journal contest for the interest shown in us and the very kind words given out in our behalf. I would be exceedingly glad to take the Alaska trip if it does not seem best that I should do so."

Home Is Motherless. "Our home is not only a motherless home, but for nearly a year the household duties have mainly devolved upon me and added to these is the care of orchard work and help hard to get, so I cannot well leave home at this season. To show you the spirit of my boy, Glenn E., he says he would not deprive Alice Grant of her leadership in this contest if he could. I am helping all I can and have been to Lebanon, Salem and Brownsville with Glenn. In some respects I would like to have him go to Whitman college if he wins a scholarship. I was born at Whitman's December 7, 1888, and attended school there, winters of 1844-46."

Endorsing Adam Murray. "Chitwood, Or., Aug. 9.—The Journal Publishing Company, Portland, Or.—It is with pleasure that I learn of Adam Murray's success in the contest, but I wish I had known of it sooner, that I might have more time to help him out. Enclosed find P. O. money order for one full year's subscription. I have not deducted commission, as I do not know just now what you allow. Now, to whatever short length subscription the commission may allow for, please to credit Adam Murray with every vote possible on same."

"Other subscriptions shall follow if it lay in my power to get them. This is my own, so give full credit as new, being named by A. Murray as the one of his choice to go to Alaska. Now, I sincerely hope Adam will be successful in going to win a scholarship, even though he fall to win a cash-prize or appoint me to go to Alaska, because he is a very good boy, or young man—he is growing to be—and bears some characteristics which we do not see often enough these days in boys and young men of being a very kind and considerate of his mother."

"Wishing that we all will be successful, A Murray with his part in adding subscriptions to The Journal and myself to take the trip to Alaska, which I have often longed for, I remain, yours in favor of education,"

"MRS. ELLA BAXTER."

WILLIAM M. RASMUS AND DRAMATIC ART

History of His Western Academy of Music and Elocution—Free Scholarship in Same.

William M. Rasmus is one of the most widely known teachers of elocution and dramatic art in the northwest, and his reputation as a reader and public speaker extends over a much broader field. His professional duties brought him to Portland some eight years ago and he was impressed at once with the natural advantages of this city and the wonderful growth it must soon enjoy. For a time his private studio was ample for the accommodation of those who desired training along histrionic lines. But with the growth of the community came the demand for an academy of music and dramatic art. Seeing this necessity, Mr. Rasmus associated himself with J. Adrian Epping, the well-known vocalist and the Western Academy of Music, Elocution, Oratory and Dramatic Art was founded. This institution opened its doors seven years ago, and



William M. Rasmus, Founder of the Western Academy of Music.

under the management of Mr. Rasmus it has grown with the municipal growth. It has passed the tentative stage and has now become a permanent educational institution, employing 12 teachers, closing the last school year with 306 pupils. The attendance of the academy had grown to such proportions four years ago that it was found necessary to add a number of teachers to the faculty. G. Lester Paul, an experienced actor and teacher of dramatic art came from San Francisco to occupy a chair in the department of acting and elocution. Mr. Paul has long had an enviable reputation as a reader and actor, but wishing to fit himself as an instructor, he has made a thorough study of every branch of his art, being a graduate of the leading school of acting and oratory of San Francisco. Since coming to Portland his readings have been enjoyed by some of the most exclusive social organizations and his appearance is always welcomed on public programs. His success as a teacher has been no less marked and many of his pupils

now hold responsible position on the professional stage. Miss Minnie M. Hode, another member of the faculty, is a graduate of the academy. She has had the advantage of Mr. Rasmus' personal instruction and is therefore thoroughly familiar with his methods, making her work especially valuable. Miss Hode has not only won deserved success as a reader and teacher, but she has exceptional literary talent. Her readings and monologues have been accepted by one of the largest dramatic publishing houses in the east, and a play which she has recently completed, will be presented during the present season.

Mrs. Rose Dunford, principal of the vocal department, recently of New York in Chicago, is well known throughout the eastern states in concert work. Mrs. Dunford is a conscientious, thorough instructor and the possessor of a beautiful voice.

Miss Datesman is one of the best known piano teachers in the city, having lived here for a number of years and the result of her work is shown in the thoroughness of her pupils. She is not only a teacher of marked ability, but is much sought after for solo work. Miss Datesman's talents have been much appreciated by the churches and endeavor societies of this city, for which she has done much.

Senor Palacios, principal of the national reputation, having been leader of the Spanish students, a musical organization, which made a most enviable reputation while touring this country for a number of years.

Mr. John Everest is too well known as a band and orchestra leader, as well as teacher, to need an introduction to the Portland public, having been for years one of the leading musicians of the city.

Each of the above mentioned departments have assistant teachers who have been selected from the graduates of the school on account of their peculiar fitness.

The coming year promises to be the most successful, not only on account of the wonderful growth of the city but from the fact that out of the 300 pupils enrolled at the close of the school year over one-half have already signed for the coming year. The graduates of this school have been sought after for concert and platform work, as well as by local theatrical managers, who appreciate perhaps better than any one else can, the practical work and thorough training given. The Western Academy of Music, Elocution, Oratory and Dramatic Art is closely allied with the different theatres of this city and the theatrical interests in the adjacent cities and is thus in a position to do

much in the matter of helping its pupils in securing admission to the professional ranks. The Journal offers a scholarship in any department of this school to the value of \$200, as one of the awards of its educational contest. There remain three weeks in which to gather votes and anyone might yet enter the contest, and, by dint of application, win this valuable scholarship. Applications for entrance to The Journal scholarship-subscription contest should be addressed to The Journal, or the applicant may call on the contest manager, at his study, at 515 Alisky building.

PURSES FOR RACES AT IDAHO STATE FAIRS

Interesting Program for Meets in Southeastern Part of State Offered.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal) Boise, Ida., Aug. 15.—A meeting of the secretaries of the several fair associations in the southeastern part of the state was held here in the office of the Inter-Mountain Fair association. The following were present: J. B. Gowen, Caldwell; J. H. Garrett, Mountain Home; W. H. Stubbs, Blackfoot; C. C. Moore, St. Anthony; W. F. Dolan, Boise.

The meeting was for the purpose of making up a schedule of attractions for the circuit of district fairs and making a program for state races, and the following is the result:

Stake race, free for all, purse \$400, best two in three, five to enter and three to start.

Stake race, 2:38 trot or pace, purse \$300, best two in three, five to enter and three to start.

Stake race, three minute trot, purse \$200, best two in three, five to enter and three to start.

The conditions for entry are 5 per cent of the purse and 5 per cent is deducted from money winners.

Entries close as follows: St. Anthony, September 3; Blackfoot, September 10; Mountain Home, September 17; Caldwell, September 24; Boise, October 20. Purses for these races are to be divided into 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent.

While here these gentlemen organized the Southeastern Fair association and elected the following officers: President, J. H. Garrett of Mountain Home; secretary, W. F. Dolan of Boise.

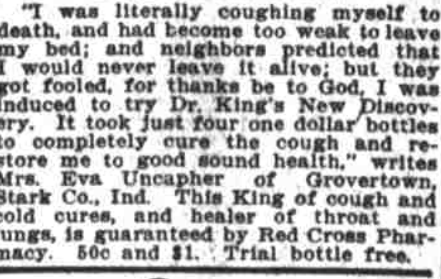
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Savage Dogs Chew Boy's Arm. Walla Walla, Wash., Aug. 15.—Curly Ebbart, a 13-year-old boy, was savagely attacked by a vicious dog on South Third street yesterday and severely bitten on the arm. H. H. Hunsate and W. P. Reser, two well known farmers, who were standing close by, beat the dog off the boy. Young Ebbart's arm was badly lacerated.

Neighbors Got Fooled. "I was literally coughing myself to death, and had become too weak to leave my bed; and neighbors predicted that I would never leave it alive; but they got fooled, for thanks be to God, I was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery. It took just four one dollar bottles to completely cure the cough and restore me to good sound health," writes Mrs. Eva Uncapher of Grovertown, Stark Co., Ind. This King of cough and cold cures, and healer of throat and lungs, is guaranteed by Red Cross Pharmacy. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.



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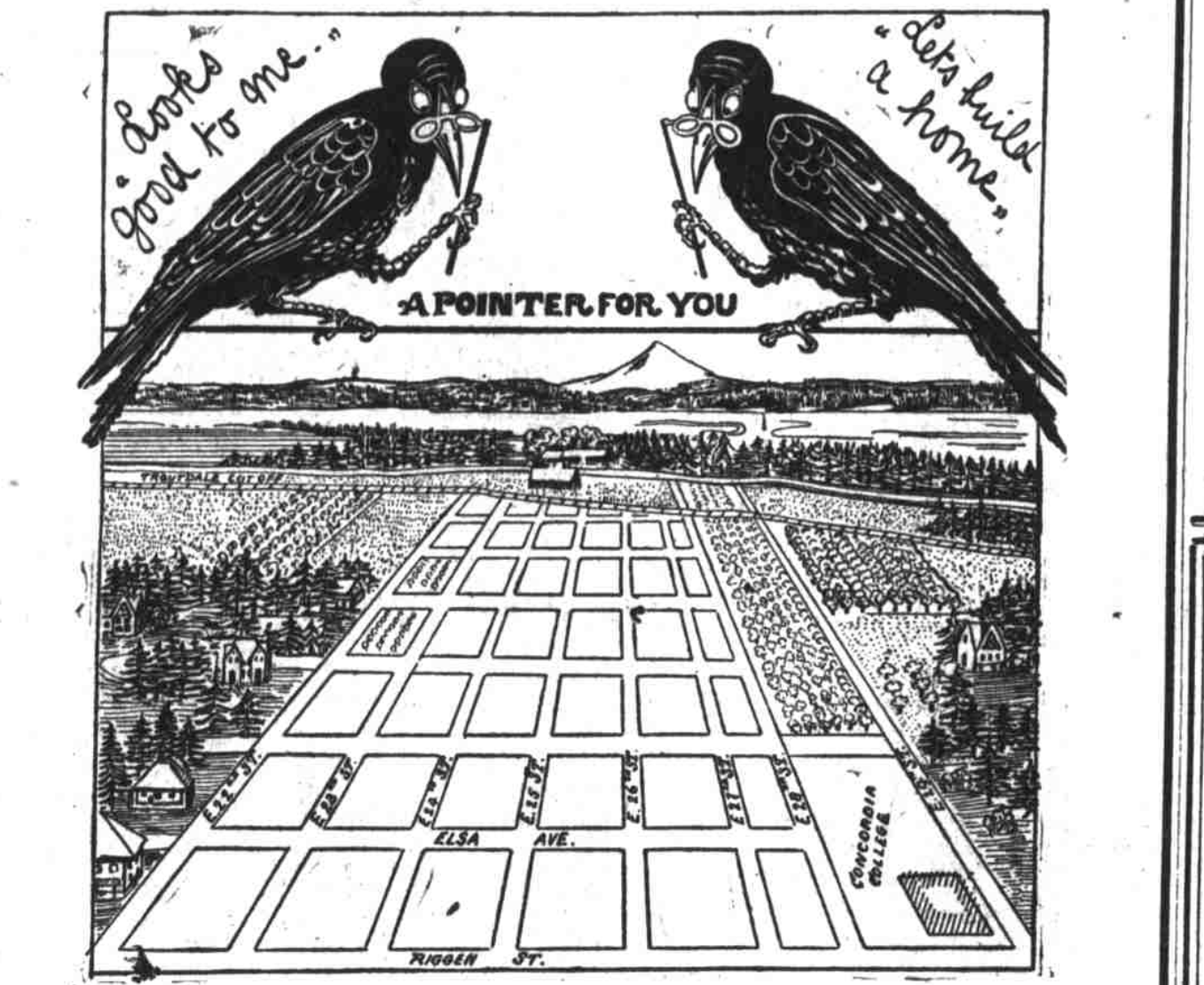
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