

County Health Department

ACTIVITIES

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NEWS

Health Officer

During the year 1929 there were 256 cases of Scarlet Fever, 19 cases of Smallpox, 8 cases of Typhoid fever, 235 cases of Measles and 36 cases of Chickenpox reported in Jackson county. This was entirely too many cases for a healthy county such as we have and the reason of it all was carelessness on the part of many people, while another large group in the county did not think about it or realize the consequences

resulting from their lack of observance of all principles of preventive medicine and public health. I found that we can expect a certain small number of cases of communicable diseases but in this last epidemic of Scarlet Fever, 2-3 of our cases were due to the following reasons: first, that some mothers forgot or neglected to take the precautions that any good old American citizen should have taken in the face

of a Scarlet fever epidemic. Scarlet Fever was raging all around and yet parents were sending their children to school with sore throats, rashes on their bodies which in their ignorance they attributed to "stomach upsets" etc. and when the children complained of feeling poorly, wouldn't eat etc. Many of these signs or symptoms were those of the prodromal stage of Scarlet Fever and all during this stage the child was running around scattering the germs. I believe you will agree with me that if this wasn't criminal negligence, then it was certainly exhibiting a lack of good judgment. People, for your own sakes if not for the good of your fellow man, be particular about things such as this, especially if your child has any of the symptoms of a communicable disease, whether there be an epidemic of the disease in question or not.

The next thing I found to be responsible was that some people didn't take quarantine seriously and I have heard from various sources that some people broke quarantine, thereby deliberately chanced the spread of the diseases for which

they were quarantined. This department will not tolerate such violations as this, not because we are officers of the law, but because some of your taxes are being spent to keep this department up and your good money is being paid out for one good reason and that is to protect you and your children from disease and to keep epidemics from sweeping over our great county. We regret very much that during the last epidemic we failed to catch first handed any violating quarantine. If we had, I can assure you that something would have happened. There is a most strict law dealing with the deliberate spread of a disease or the breaking of quarantine which applies a heavy penalty for these offenses, and as long as we maintain the health department these laws are going to be enforced to the best of our ability and we must have your cooperation for the best and healthiest results.

Next week I will give the findings of the medical examination of the Gold Hill school children and explain why this is such an important function of the Health Department and such a necessary item for parents.

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GRADE NEWS

June Robbins is still absent from school.

The 3rd and 4th grades are starting a model store so they can learn how to make change.

Donald Skeleton is now back to school after a prolonged absence.

The honor roll for the 2nd grade, this six weeks includes Fred Herrin, Tommy Henderson, Dorothy Ham, and Lucille Smith. Tommy Henderson has not missed a day of school so far this year.

Neither absent nor tardy for six weeks period in Mrs. Shorb's room were: Fifth grade—Marjorie Cameron, Helen Dorman, Jack Martin, Roberta Mullin, Maurine Rommel, Irene Shoemaker, Sylvia Shoemaker, Teddy Wharton, Ethel Henderson, Leo Walker, Clarence Stone. Sixth grade—Lois Cameron, Francis Davis, Evelyn Hammer, Dorothy Smith, Arthur Bates.

Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Angstead, Mrs. Shorb, and Mr. Meisinger took the grade Basketball team to Rogue River last Friday afternoon for a game.

The Sixth grade received letters from New Jersey this week telling of their school activities there.

The third and fourth, and the seventh and eighth grades had 100% banking this week.

WHO'S WHO? FACULTY

Name Mildred Jane Orr.
Age—She claims she is twenty but we have our doubts.

Description—She has black, wavy hair, four eyes and that "school girl complexion" (Palmolive Soap.)

Ambition—to go south.

Favorite Pastime—Teaching Johnny to drive a new Ford.

Favorite Expression—I'm disgusted.

TRUTH IS STRANGER THAN FICTION

Answer to last weeks. A feather will drop at the same rate of speed as a piece of iron. This is possible by placing a feather and a piece of iron in a vacuum. A vacuum is a sphere devoid of air). Experiments prove that light bodies fall

exactly at the same speed as heavy bodies. Place a feather and a nail in a vacuum and drop them from the same height at the same time and they will both strike the bottom at the same time.

SCHOLASTIC
GENERAL SCIENCE

We have just began a new chapter in General Science on magnetism. We have found in the first lesson that a compass is a magnet that swings on a horizontal plane. The dipping needle, which locates the exact position of the North Pole swings on a vertical plane. Heating destroys magnetism! therefore, we must take care of our compasses and be sure they are not to near a blaze. The magnetic pole to

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