

HONOR ROLL GROWING

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT COMPILES MONTHLY REPORTS.

Percentage of Attendance Reaches High Figure—Schools Reporting on Time, Sixty-Nine.

The superintendent's office has prepared the following report of the schools of Polk county for the month ending November 15, 1915.

Number of schools reporting correctly and on time, 69; schools not reporting correctly and on time, Greenwood and Fir Grove; number of pupils remaining at time of last report, 2997; number of pupils registered new during the month, 222; number of pupils registered secondary, 71; number of pupils readmitted, 149; total number of pupils on register during the month, 3439; number of pupils dropped during the month, 292; total number on register at time of this report, 3147; number of days taught during the month, 16.8; whole number of days attendance, 52,178.5; whole number of times late, 359; number of pupils neither absent nor late, 2245; average number of pupils belonging, 3105; per cent of attendance, 97.3; number of visits by parents, 154; number of visits by members of school board, 78.

The following schools have been placed on the roll of honor for having made 95 per cent in attendance or over: Zena, Dallas, Smithfield, Eola, Pedee, Red Prairie, Bridgeport, Lewisville, Ballston, Salt Creek, Parker, Monmouth high school, Monmouth public school, Orchards, Bethel, Polk Station, Oakgrove, Perrydale, Fairview, Gooeneck, Butler, Riekreall, Oakpoint, Elkins, Independence, Antioch Brush College, West Salem, Buena Vista, Buell, Spring Valley, Popcorn, Harmony, Upper Salt Creek, Montgomery, Lincoln, North Dallas, Enterprise, Suver, Crowley, McTimmonds Valley, Sunnyslope, Concord, Oakdale, Lone Star, McCoy, Black Rock, Liberty, Falls City, Pioneer, Cherry Grove, Oakhurst, Mountainview, Hopville, Highland, Rogue River, Mistletoe, Wildwood, Valley Junction, Broadmead, Fern, Orchardsview, Rose Garden.

The following schools have been placed on the roll of honor for having made no tardies during the month: Pedee, Red Prairie, Lewisville, Ballston, Parker, Fairview, Cochran, Oakpoint, Brush College, Spring Valley, Upper Salt Creek, Montgomery, Lincoln, Crowley, McTimmonds Valley, Liberty, Pioneer, Oakhurst, Mountainview, Highland, Fern, Orchardsview, Rose Garden.

Standard Schools. The following schools have become standard: Fern, Airlie, Perrydale, Buena Vista, Pedee, Elkins, Oakpoint, Gooeneck, and we are expecting many more very soon, as several of them have all points with the exception of one or two and are working very hard for those.

The state superintendent has declared the following schools standard four year high schools: Dallas, Independence, Monmouth, Falls City, Bethel, Ballston and Airlie. We have other high schools in the county which we expect to be standardized soon.

Workers in Polk. The following speakers have taken part in different meetings in Polk county this month: Mr. O. M. Plummer, director of Portland schools, at three meetings; Mr. Freeman of the Hill lines at three meetings; Col. Miller of the School of Commerce in connection with the University of Oregon, at two meetings; Mr. W. A. Barr of the Oregon Agricultural college, at fifteen meetings; Mr. L. P. Harrington, state field worker, at nine meetings; Mr. N. C. Maris, state field worker, at eight meetings; Mr. E. F. Carleton, assistant state superintendent, at one meeting; Mr. F. L. Griffin of the Oregon Agricultural college, at one meeting; and Mr. J. B. Horner, Oregon Agricultural college, at one meeting.

General Educational Notes. The school work throughout the county is progressing in excellent shape. All of the teachers, children and parents are getting into the work with a vim. All of the Parent-Teacher associations are working vigorously and have an aim for which to work and we are expecting great work from all of these associations this year.

The Principals' club has elected new officers as follows: President, Mr. E. L. Kezel, Monmouth; vice-president, Mr. H. H. Dunkelberger, Dallas; secretary and treasurer, Mr. B. A. Teats, Independence. Over forty teachers of the county are now signed up as members of the Principals' club for this year and we expect a number of most excellent meetings during the year. The next meeting will be held on the night of Saturday, December 4th at Dallas. A good attendance is asked for.

Superintendent H. C. Seymour and City Superintendent W. I. Ford of Dallas, were elected delegates from the Teachers' institute to the State Teachers' association at Medford on December 28.

The teachers of the county mourn the loss of one of their number, Miss Orrie Steinberg, who died at her home in Monmouth a week ago. She was

the intermediate teacher at Airlie and was making good in every sense of the word. The Airlie boys and girls have lost an excellent instructor and one of their best friends.

Improvements. Following are some of the items of improvements, etc., that have been reported to this office:

Zena—The Zena school patrons gathered at their school house and have graded their grounds and placed them in excellent shape. This is a spirit that every district should pattern after. The Zena people are there with the goods all the time.

Smithfield—The Smithfield people have organized their Industrial club and are going after things with a determination that will count. There were some prize winners in this school last year and there will be more this year.

Eola—The Eola school has been improved not only on the outside but also on the inside and Miss Clark has placed the room in the best condition that it has been in for years. She is getting a hold of the situation there in good shape and we only wish that every teacher in the county could step into her room and see what a beautiful room it is.

Red Prairie—The Red Prairie school board has placed the play apparatus, etc., on the grounds and the school is now ready for standardization. They have a good live Parent-Teachers association at Red Prairie and we feel sure that they will do something this year.

HOODLUMS HELD IN JAIL.

Disturb Religious Worship and the Sheriff Gets Them.

A sextett of village hoodlums pleaded not guilty before Justice Holman on Wednesday morning to a charge of disturbing a religious meeting last Sunday at a Buena Vista church. The malefactors who are held for trial at 1 o'clock tomorrow afternoon are William Wilson, Harold Gano, Charles Seymour, John Taylor, William Cassidy and Andrew Mode, and they are said to be old offenders at disrupting the peace and harmony of worship with their noise, loud talk and cursing. The complainants are C. P. Wells, M. W. McGowan, W. G. Grant and W. H. Stonehocker. The young men are in jail, having failed to secure individual bails of \$50 each, and they have prepared a list of witnesses who will appear in their behalf at the trial tomorrow afternoon.

PUBLIC SALES DAY SATURDAY.

Many Articles Already at Headquarters, and Others Coming Later.

Although it is several days before the regular monthly Sales day will be held, a considerable number of articles which the owners wish to dispose of have arrived at the market place for disposal at that time. Others will arrive during the week, and on Saturday the largest display of second-hand vehicles, farming implements, etc., ever seen in Polk county, will be on exhibit, and ready for barter or for sale from the block. Among the articles now on hand are: A steel-tooth harrow; rolling cutter, riding bridge; grey mare, seven years old; top buggy; set single harness; garden seeder; disc; road cart; cultivator; feed cutter; an incubator; besides many smaller and less important things.

WANTS ELECTRICITY.

Enterprising Residents Ask Power Company For Service.

A number of Riekreall people assembled at a meeting on Monday night to discuss plans for the betterment of the community. One of the important objects of the meeting was the matter of bringing electricity to the neighborhood and H. C. Eakin was appointed to take the question up with the Oregon Power company here. Manager A. L. Martin will go over the ground and if enough customers can be listed to justify the extension of service, electricity will be found in Riekreall soon.

Mrs. Braden's Work Appreciated.

In appreciation of her work on behalf of Polk county at the state and county fairs and at the land show, C. D. Nairn of McCoy has presented Mrs. Winnie Braden with a fine Collie puppy. Mr. Nairn is noted for the Collie dogs and Duroc hogs that are produced on his Shadeland farms. If Polk county had more farmers that took the pride in their places and their business that C. D. Nairn does the county would have little competition at fairs and exhibitions. His Shadeland farms are not alone known for their splendid livestock and pets, but for the field and garden crops that get such careful and capable attention.

Anglers Increase in Number.

Up to October 1, there had been sold in Oregon 47,433 fishing licenses, of which a proportionate share went to Polk county anglers, and 30,584 hunters' licenses were sold in a corresponding period. These figures show more than any other thing, the large increase in fishing licenses. This is due to the constant restocking of the streams of the state, thus making a fair catch reasonably certain to those who love to spend a day now and then, on the stream.

Schools Not in Session Today.

There will be no classes in the grade or high schools of the city today as a result of the petition circulated by the students and presented to the board. It had been the plan to assemble as usual this morning after one holiday for Thanksgiving, but the present plan will relieve the situation that would exist by having a single school day between two holidays.

COUNTY RATIO IS LOW

BASIS FOR ASSESSING PUBLIC UTILITIES ANNOUNCED.

State Tax Commission Considers Assessments of a County in Arriving at Its Conclusion.

Ratios to be used as a basis in apportioning the assessment of public utilities by the state tax commission were finally agreed upon Friday. Polk county's ratio, in comparison with most of the other counties, is low, being only .53. Several days ago the tentative ratios were announced and since then several hearings were held by the commission, many counties desiring to have their ratios changed.

In arriving at the tax ratios, the state tax commission considers the assessment of a county as fixed by an assessor. If the percentage of value as fixed by the county assessor is low, the ratio of that county to be used as a basis in the apportionment of the public utilities assessment will be low.

Following are the ratios as fixed by the commission today: Baker, .76; Benton, .65; Clackamas, .58; Clatsop, .58; Columbia, .77; Coos, .67; Crook, .53; Curry, .86; Douglas, .74; Gilliam, .76; Grant, .64; Harney, .65; Hood River, .68; Jackson, .65; Jefferson, .72; Josephine, .72; Klamath, .69; Lake, .73; Lane, .65; Lincoln, .93; Linn, .68; Malheur, .63; Marion, .68; Morrow, .88; Multnomah, .62; Polk, .53; Sherman, .68; Tillamook, .90; Umatilla, .80; Union, .71; Wallowa, .73; Wasco, .75; Washington, .53; Wheeler, .72; Yamhill, .52.



A SCHOOL COAT.

This child has a warm coat of green and white checked tweed cut on Russian lines. The wide belt buttons in a novel way, and a skunk fur bands the cuffs and gives a deep collar. Three novelty buttons are the only other trimming. The coat is lined with wool and takes a saucy little hat.

Mourners Are Incensed.

About the crudest and crueciest cuss that the Rev. G. H. Bennett, and a good many others ever saw, was that particular one who preceeded a recent funeral on the road to the cemetery. There was more than one who wished that the man in the light spring buggy ahead was consigned to a hole in the ground, but that did not take him from the road to allow the saddened procession to pass. The trouble was that the man ahead kept in the center of the road and ambled along at an unusually easy speed. It is the opinion of those who tried in vain to get the man to allow the funeral procession to pass that he was somewhat jealous of the automobiles that made the mourners' carriages. Honking of horns and personal pleas were of no avail, the road hog refused to budge and the entire procession finally had to pass round his spring wagon. The woman beside him must have thought a deal of here companionship for his actions. If there isn't a law against hogging the road there should be, say those who suffered from one person's obstinacy, and there should also be a law against men with so little principle as to hold up a funeral procession.

Children's Singing Class.

Pupils invited to join children's classes in singing; singing games and interesting songs taught; special attention given to use of voice; lessons weekly; prices reasonable. Miss Gertrude Irwin, 321 Washington street. Phone 1533. 77-71.

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NOTICE. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned taxpayers of Road District Number 3, in the County of Polk, State of Oregon, who are more than ten per cent. of the taxpayers of said District, that a meeting of the resident taxpayers of said Road District will be held on Saturday, the 27th day of November, in the year 1915, at the hour of 2 o'clock, p. m. of said day, at the Auditorium in the School House in School District No. 21, in said Road District, for the purpose of voting on the question of whether or not an additional tax shall be levied by the resident taxpayers of said district on all the taxable property in said district for road purposes, under the provisions of Section 6321 of Lord's Oregon Laws as amended by Chapter 316, General Laws of Oregon, 1913. At said meeting the resident taxpayers of said district will by a majority vote of such taxpayers levy such additional tax (if any) as they may deem advisable to improve the roads of said district. Witness our hands this 4th day of November, 1915. C. H. GILLIAM LEANDER CONNER CHAS. REES J. FUDGE JOHN ZYLSTRA G. A. McCULLOCH FELIX COMEGYS J. T. FRIAR J. J. ROBERTS G. H. RUSSELL I. J. WHITE W. H. M'KEE G. H. WOHLFORD G. G. REMPLE F. E. LYNN Date of first publication, November 5, 1915. 71-4t.

present them, duly verified, with the proper vouchers, within six months from the date of this notice, to the said administrator at his law offices in the Dallas City Bank Building, in said County of Polk. Dated and first published, November 23, 1915. OSCAR HAYTER, Administrator of the estate of Thaddeus Clark Shaffer, deceased. Nov.23-Dec.21. NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, S. S. Duncan, has been by an order of the County Court of Polk County, State of Oregon, duly appointed as the administrator of the estate of Irvin Dunn, deceased, and he has duly qualified as such administrator. Therefore all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified and required to present the same properly verified, to the undersigned administrator at his office in the Court house at McMinnville, in Yamhill County, State of Oregon, or to said administrator at the residence of H. L. Fenton, at Dallas, in Polk County, State of Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice. Dated this the 25th day of October, 1915. S. S. DUNCAN, Administrator of said estate. FRANK W. FENTON, Attorney for said estate. Date of first publication of this notice is October 26, 1915. Date of last publication of this notice is November 23, 1915.

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