

**REPORT OF SCHOOLS**

**Report of the Schools of Polk County for the School Month Ending November 5th, 1909**

Number of schools reporting correctly and on time.....	60
Schools failing to report on time—Districts Nos. 31, 32, 39, and 40	
Number of pupils remaining at last report.....	1908
Number of pupils registered new during month.....	587
Number of pupils registered secondary during month.....	25
Number of pupils readmitted during month	152
Total number pupils on register during month.....	2675
Number of pupils dropped during month.....	296
Number of pupils remaining at time of report.....	2379
Number of days taught during month.....	19
Whole number of days attendance.....	43260
Whole number of days absence.....	2180
Whole number of times late.....	431
Number of pupils neither absent nor tardy.....	1467
Average number of pupils belonging.....	2390
Average daily attendance.....	2277
Per cent of attendance.....	95
Number of visits by parents.....	56
Number of visits by members of the school board.....	37

The following schools were placed on the Roll of Honor for the county for having made a percent of attendance of 95 or more;—Zena, Dallas, Smithfield, Pedee, Red Prairie, Bridgeport, No. 15, Airlie, Beth, Perrydale, Fairview, Gooseneck, Cochrane, Oak Point, Independence, Antioch, Buena Vista, Buell, Popcorn, Harmony, Upper Salt Creek, Lincoln, North Dallas, Enterprise, Etna, Greenwood, Concord, Oakdale, McCoy, Falls City, Black Rock, Pioneer, Mountain View.

The following were placed on the Roll of Honor for the county for having no tardies during the month;—Smithfield, Red Prairie, No. 15, Airlie, Bethel, Fairview, Oak Point, Elkins, Antioch, Harmony, Upper Salt Creek, Saver, Scroggin, Lincoln, Etna, Mc-Timmonds Valley, Greenwood, Sunny Slope, Concord, Oakdale, Black Rock, Pioneer, Highland.

The attendance this last month has been good and I hope that all parents, teachers, and children will do their best to see that it remains as good during the entire year, as teachers and children cannot do their best work when the attendance is not the best possible.

431 tardies are too many for this county, it ought to be reduced considerably and I wish that all would aid the teachers in keeping the tardies down.

At the beginning of the school year I sent a circular letter to all teachers asking that among other things we do this year, we have our grounds cleaned and that each child or at least each family have its individual drinking cup, now over half of the schools in the county have reported the grounds cleaned, out buildings repaired, and about two-thirds have reported the individual drinking cups.

These are all being asked for because of the benefit to the health of the children and if all parents, school officers and teachers would work together in these matters we would soon have the Blue Ribbon county in the state for health conditions of the children.

Yours respectfully,  
H. C. SEYMOUR,  
School Supt. Polk Co., Ore.

**We All Make Them**

Mistakes are easily made and last week we had a score or so staring us in the face after we got the Herald printed. However we may deplore our errors there are others in the same ship. The Albany Democrat is authority for the following:

"How easy it is to make mistakes in this world. No one realizes it more than the newspaper man, whose life is full of them; but does he make any more than others? Take the merchant, for instance, his errors are numerous, as the delivery men will tell, and the lawyer, as the records tell in

black and white, and the courts speak about, in fact every body makes plenty of them. Nevertheless how uncharitable some people are when it is the other fellow who does it. There is a difference in mistakes. Some are seen only by one or two while those of the newspaper stand out in the limelight for evrybody to notice. Always take a look in the glass before you criticise others."

An awful calamity happened Saturday at Cherry, Illinois. Someone threw a lighted match into some straw in the coal mine there; the straw set the mine on fire and cut off the retreat of some 450 miners, all of whom are supposed to be dead.

H. G. Campbell, the well known real estate man, arrived home yesterday from a short vacation trip to Eastern Oregon. He reports business lively east of the mountains and says there is a large rush of homesteaders to the country lying along the lines of the new railroads. Edward Bricker, who accompanied Mr. Campbell on the trip from Dallas, went on to the Christmas Lake country, where he will file on a desert claim.—Observer.

**SUGGESTIVE QUESTIONS**

On the Sunday School Lesson by Rev. Dr. Linscott for the International Newspaper Bible Study Club.

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Nov. 21st, 1909.

(Copyright, 1909, by Rev. T. S. Linscott, D.D.) Paul's Story of His Life. II Cor. xi:21 to xii:10.

Golden Text—He said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee; for my strength is made perfect in weakness. II Cor. xii:9.

Verse 21—Do you know any person in all history who had a better right to boldly tell of his sufferings than Paul?

Verses 22-23—Is there any lack of modesty, or good taste, in Paul, or any other true man, giving a full account of his qualifications and his sufferings for Christ's cause?

What advantage is it to be born of good stock?

What advantage was it to Paul that he was a Hebrew, an Israelite, and of the seed of Abraham?

Is there any higher privilege, or greater honor than to have labored and suffered, for the cause of Christ, which is the cause of humanity?

Does a true ministry, then and now, always imply much suffering and self denial?

Verses 24-27—What is the best word picture you can give, of the noble hero who, at the expense of life-long and unparalleled suffering, gave himself up to the service of others? (This question must be answered in writing by members of the club.)

Read until the story of this bitter and prolonged suffering is burned into your memory, and then read the story of Paul's great work and of the wonderful love and grace of God to him, and then think of the sumptuous lives of the chief priests who were, in great measure, responsible for Paul's suffering, and then say, after all, which got the more aggregate joy out of life, Paul or they?

How many of these cruel sufferings, to which Paul here refers, are mentioned elsewhere in the New Testament? Give chapter and verse. (See Acts ix:24-25; xiv:19; xvi:22 et seq.)

Verses 28-33—Is Paul an exception, or is it the duty of all of us to have a great care for all the churches, and to be in sympathy with everybody, weeping with those who weep, and rejoicing with those who rejoice?

Which is the greater man, the one who excels in education, in science, in oratory, in statesmanship; or the one who excels in his love for the churches, for the poor, for sinners and in a heart that sympathizes with all mankind?

Chapter xii:1-6—What is the logical or scientific value of Paul's experience of heaven?

What is the only real proof of God, of immortality and of the wisdom of the spiritual life?

Is it probable, or possible, that persons to-day may have similar experience of the unseen world as Paul?

Verses 7-10—What was Paul's "thorn in the flesh?"

What is the greatest "thorn in the flesh" that strong and healthy spiritual men have to-day?

Lesson for Sunday, Nov. 28th, 1909. Paul on Self Denial. (World's Temperance Lesson), Rom. xiv:10-21.

**Oregon Law on Prize Fighting**

Section 1934, Bellinger and Cotton's Code.—Prize Fighting.—Any person or persons arranging or attempting to arrange, or engaging or offering to engage in, a prize fight, to be fought within the limits of this state, or otherwise, in any manner, either as principal, second, assistant, stakeholder, trainer, referee, aider, abetter, solicitor, or agent, whether said fight shall take place or not, shall, upon conviction thereof, be imprisoned in the penitentiary not less than one year nor more than five years, or by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars nor more than five thousand dollars. It shall be the duty of every peace officer and justice of the peace to see that this act shall be enforced; and when any of said officers have reason to believe that this act is being violated it shall be their duty to institute proceedings against any party so suspected. It shall also be the duty of every Circuit Judge, on charging any grand jury, to read this act to said grand jury, and it shall be the duty of said grand jury to diligently inquire after any violations of the provisions of this act.

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**Church Directory.**

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Sunday School at 10:00 a. m.  
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Prayer Meeting Wednesday evening.

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W. A. WOOD, Pastor.

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Sunday School 9:45 a. m.  
Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30 p. m.  
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