

All Teachers Attend Institute

The Teacher's Annual Institute for Polk County which was held last week was pronounced by all teachers present to be one of the best if not the best ever held in the county, and many teachers from other states who are recent arrivals, stated that it was the best Institute they had ever attended. This speaks well for Oregon.

The loyalty of the Polk County teachers was in evidence, as every teacher excepting two in the county were in attendance the entire time and were always in the building on time.

The department work of the different instructors was above the average and the lectures before the general assembly by, L. R. Alderman, of Eugene and the next State Superintendent, Superintendent J. H. Ackerman, and H. A. Adrain of Santa Barbara, Cal., were the best ever and all teachers returned to their work with a greater interest in their work in the children of the county and much good will be accomplished this year in the schools of the county.

The primary work given by Miss Florence Akin, of the Salem schools, was just what the teachers needed and all were pleased with Miss Akin and her work for them. Sup't Powers gave the teachers some solid work in Language in all of the departments and many teachers will return to their schools better prepared to teach this subject as Sup't Powers always delivers the goods.

Assistant State Superintendent E. F. Carleton gave four lessons on History, Literature and the Classics which were much appreciated by those in the advanced department.

State Superintendent J. H. Ackerman's address before the general assembly of "The Public Schools, A Vision of the Future" was one of the best addresses ever given before an assembly of teachers and gave much encouragement to the teachers. All teachers expressed their appreciation for the excellent work Sup't Ackerman has given the schools of Oregon the past twelve years and also for the encouragement and assistance he has given them.

When Superintendent H. C. Seymour secured Mr. H. A. Adrain, of Cal., for this Institute he did some of his best work for the teachers of the county, as Mr. Adrain's work both in the departments and in the general assemblies was such that all teachers and many citizens who were present demanded of Sup't Seymour that he secure Mr. Adrain for next year if possible. Mr. Adrain is truly all that has been claimed for him and is doing much for the education of the children throughout the United States.

The lecture given by Mr. Adrain of "Luther Burbank and his Wonderful Work", at the Vaudeville Theater, with the pictures of Mr. Burbank's garden and plants was a treat that does not come to many more than once in a lifetime.

Superintendent Seymour outlined the work that he is trying to have worked out by the teachers of the county this year and many schools will be improved and bettered along the lines of sanitation, ventilation, spelling, attendance, and general interest in the school work.

The committee on resolutions gave the following report which was adopted:—To The Teacher's Association of Polk County; We, your committee on resolutions beg to submit the following:

Resolved: That we believe in the mission of the teacher as a paramount interest to the welfare of the State in that we begin the education of its future citizens in the Public Schools.

That we believe the State ought to furnish ample opportunity for the teachers to prepare themselves for this important work.

That we hereby express our appreciation of the most excellent instruction furnished us by Sup't J. H. Ackerman, Mr. H. A. Adrain, and the other instructors of the institute.

That we express our thanks hereby to the good citizens of Dallas for their kind hospitality.

That we commend the work of our Sup't Seymour for his untiring efforts to improve the schools of our county and we recommend that all the schools take part in the spelling contests to be held during the year, also that each teacher endeavor as far as possible to carry out the directions of Sup't. Seymour with regard to school sanitation.

That our thanks are extended to the Board of Directors of the Public Schools of Dallas for the use of their school building for this meeting.

MAN IS A FAILURE

When he has no confidence in himself nor in his fellow men.

When he values success more than character and self-respect.

When he does not try to make his work a little better each day.

When he becomes so absorbed in his work that he cannot see that life is greater than work.

When he lets a day go by without making someone happier and more comfortable.

When he tries to rule others by bullying instead of by example.

When he values wealth above health, self-respect and the good opinion of others.

When he is so burdened by his business that he finds no time for rest and recreation.

When he loves his own plans and interests more than humanity.

When his friends like him for what he has more than for what he is.

When he does not care what happens to his neighbors or to his friends so long as he is prosperous.

When he is so busy that he has no time for smiles and cheering words.—Louisville Times.

New Hospital Is Opened

The Dallas Hospital now occupies its new quarters in the large residence of R. L. Chapman on Mill Street. The furniture was moved last week and the hospital was opened again for patients Tuesday.

The new building is much more commodious than the old quarters in the Craven residence.

The entire building has been re-papered and the wood work has been given a coat of white paint, giving the rooms a cheery and comfortable appearance.

Miss Agnes O'Keefe has purchased the equipment of the old hospital and will have the management of the new institution.

She is a trained nurse of several years experience, and is thoroughly fitted for her work. Miss Elizabeth Schinners, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is the assistant nurse and Mrs. Kate Muscott the house-keeper.

The hospital is one of Dallas most valuable institutions and the business men and residents of the city should give Miss O'Keefe all possible aid and encouragement.—Observer.

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