

The Public Schools

Report of the schools of Polk County for the school month ending Oct. 8, 1915.

Number of schools reporting correctly and on time	66
Number of schools not reporting on time	2
Number of pupils remaining at last report	25
Number of pupils registered new during month	3040
Number of pupils registered secondary during month	6
Number of pupils readmitted during month	30
Total number pupils on register during month	3091
Number of pupils dropped during month	87
Total number on register at this report	3094
Number of days taught during month	9.34
Whole number of days attendance	33963.50
Whole number of days absence	952
Whole number of times late	177
Number of pupils neither absent or late	2334
Average number of pupils belonging	3706
Average daily attendance	3604
Per cent of attendance	97.2
Number of visits by parents	94
Number of visits by members of school board	49

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, Lewisville, Ballston, Salt Creek, Parker, Monmouth High School, Monmouth Public School, Orchards, Airlie, Bethel, Polk Station, Oakgrove, Perrydale, Fairview, Gooseneck, Rickreall, Oakpoint, Elkins, Independence, Antioch, Brush College, West Salem, Buena Vista, Buell, North Dallas, Spring Valley, Harmony, Montgomery, Lincoln, Enterprise, Suver, McTimmonds Valley, Greenwood, Fir Grove, Sunny Slope, Concord, Oakdale, Lone Star, McCoy, Falls City, Pioneer, Cherry Grove, Oakhurst, Rock Creek, Mountaintop, Highland, Rogue River, Mistletoe, Wildwood, Valley Junction, Broadmead, Fern, Orchards View, Rose Garden.

The following schools have been placed on the roll of honor for having made no tardies during the month: Zena, Eola, Pedee, Salt Creek, Parker, Oakgrove, Perrydale, Fairview, Gooseneck, Butlea, Oakpoint, Brush College, West Salem, Spring Valley, Harmony, Montgomery, Lincoln, North Dallas, Crowley, McTimmonds Valley, Fir Grove, Sunny Slope, Concord, Oakdale, Lone Star, McCoy, Liberty, Pioneer, Cherry Grove, Oakhurst, Highland, Mistletoe, Wildwood, Valley Junction, Fern, Orchardview and Rose Garden.

The following schools have become standard: Airlie and Fern. We are in hopes that every school in the county will become standard this year. At the County Superintendent's Convention, when standardization came up, no change was made in the form from last year, therefore it is going to be an easy matter for Polk county schools to work out, and we are asking that all of those who were standard last year will become standard by January 1st and the others just as rapidly as possible.

Ashland's Opportunity

A letter received from Ashland has the following to say: Many cities have some one thing that, if properly developed and exploited, would make them famous. Our city is going to become famous, so we believe, on account of its wonderful mineral springs. We have lithia, soda and sulphur springs that have a most remarkable flow of healthful and palatable waters, equal to the most noted in the world. The city of Ashland has acquired control of some of the best of these and is going to utilize them as the basis on which to build a watering resort. We are spending \$175,000 this year in this development and the construction of a very beautiful park system. We hope and plan to make our city very attractive to tourists.

Former Polk Resident Passes

Richard Franklin Cox died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. L. Foster, at Bandon, Oregon, September 30, of paralysis, aged over 73 years. He was born in Platt county, Missouri, and while but a child his parents moved to Polk county where he was married to Lucy Lynch in 1863 and two years later moved to Curry county.

James Atwater Dead

James Atwater, about 67 years of age, and an old time resident of the Luckiamute country, died in the Dallas hospital Tuesday morning from injuries sustained when his team ran away at Airlie Saturday of last week, he being thrown from the wagon with the result of a dislocated shoulder and other injuries.

Report on Borax

The United States Geological Survey has now available for distribution its annual statement on the production of borax in 1914. The production of crude borate materials in the United States during the year was 62,400 short tons, valued at \$1,464,400, an increase of 7.49 per cent in quantity over the production in 1913.

First Steam Battleship.

In comparison with the Dreadnoughts of the present day the Demologos, the first steam war vessel ever built, furnishes some interesting contrasts. This ship was 167 feet long. It made its first speed trial on July 4, 1814, and developed a speed of a little more than six miles an hour, which was thought to be very good at that time. The Demologos never engaged in battle.

On June 4, 1829, the ship was destroyed in the New York navy yard by an explosion of its boilers, which killed twenty-nine persons. Some of the naval launches of the present time have a greater horsepower than that of the Demologos.

Branding the Innocent.

When a witness under cross examination is admonished to answer "Yes" or "No" to all questions and is then asked, "Have you stopped beating your wife?" he feels that something is wrong with a system of court procedure that puts him in that position. Either "yes" or "no" convicts him of beating his wife at some time or other. Such trick questions are heard in court every day and the witness gets little satisfaction out of the assurance that he can explain on re-examination if the lawyer on his side of the case thinks it worth while to give him a chance and does not forget to do so. —Exchange.

Why One Feels "Mean."

The average adult man sustains on every pleasant day an atmospheric pressure of about fourteen tons at sea level when the barometer is at 30, and a drop of an inch or more to 29 and below practically takes off half a ton or more of his load to which he is accustomed. Paradoxically, instead of feeling lighter and freer, man feels its disturbing, depressing effect on his tissues. He has to become adjusted to this alteration from normal tension to one of unusual relaxation. The relaxed condition of unpleasant weather extending over a number of days makes us feel "out of sorts." —Health Service Bulletin.

A Marvel of Training.

Rose had called on her afternoon out to see her friend, Arabella. Arabella's mistress had just purchased a parrot, and Rose was much interested in the bird.

"Birds is shore sensible," she observed. "You kin learn them anything. I uster work for a lady that had a bird in a clock, an' when it was time to tell de time ob day it uster come out an' say 'cuckoo' jest as many times as de time was." "Go along. Yo' don't say so," said Arabella incredulously. "Shore thing," replied Rose, "and de mos' wonderful part was dat it was only a wooden bird too." —Harper's Magazine.

LOCAL TIME CARD OF THE INDEPENDENCE AND MONMOUTH RAILWAY

TRAIN NO.	LEAVES INDEPENDENCE	ARRIVES MONMOUTH	CONNECTIONS
1	7:00 a. m.	7:10 a. m.	Connects with train for Airlie
3	7:35 a. m. after connecting with S. P. train No. 354 from Corvallis	7:45 a. m.	
5	8:45 a. m.	8:55 a. m.	Connects with train for Dallas
7	11:00 a. m. after connecting with S. P. train No. 101 from Portland	11:10 a. m.	
9	1:10 p. m.	1:20 p. m.	
11	2:20 p. m. after connecting with S. P. train No. 102 from Corvallis	2:30 p. m.	
15	3:00 p. m.	3:10 p. m.	Connects with No. 351 for Airlie
17	4:15 p. m. 4:50 after connecting with Motor Car from Salem	4:25 p. m.	Connects with No. 352 for Dallas
19	7:20 p. m. after connecting with S. P. train No. 353 from Portland	7:30 p. m.	

TRAIN NO.	LEAVES MONMOUTH	ARRIVES INDEPENDENCE	CONNECTIONS
2	7:15 a. m.	7:25 a. m.	Connects with S. P. train No. 354 for Portland
4	8:15 a. m.	8:25 a. m.	Connects with train from Dallas arriving Monmouth at 7:25
6	9:05 a. m.	9:15 a. m.	Connects with train from Airlie
8	11:15 a. m.	11:25 a. m.	Connects with train No. 351 from Dallas
10	1:30 p. m.	1:40 p. m.	Connects with S. P. train No. 352 from Airlie, also S. P. train No. 102 for Portland
12	2:35 p. m.	2:45 p. m.	
14	3:20 p. m.	3:30 p. m.	
16	4:35 p. m.	4:45 p. m.	Connects with Motor Car for Salem and Dallas
18	5:05 p. m.	5:15 p. m.	
20	7:35 p. m.	7:45 p. m.	

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Preaching Service, - 800 p. m.
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Sunday School, - - 1600 a. m.
Preaching Service, - 1100 a. m.
Y. P. S. C. E. Meeting, 7 00 p. m.
Preaching Service, - 8 00 p. m.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday, 7 30 p. m.

BAPTIST CHURCH

G. A. POLLARD, PASTOR

Sunday School, - - 10 00 a. m.
Preaching Service, - 11 00 a. m.
C. U. E. Meeting, - 7 00 p. m.
Preaching Service, - 8 00 p. m.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday, 8 00 p. m.

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