

## SCHOOL DEBATE COMES TONIGHT

Tonight at 8 p. m. the Independence High School debaters will meet the team from Perrydale school in the first of a series of three debates for the county.

The debating work of the league last year was of the highest order and every thing promises to be up to the standard for this year. Much interest is shown in the work in all parts of the county by both children and parents, and all teams of the league have been doing hard work for these debates which will be held in all parts of the county tonight.

The league is this year composed of twelve teams, an affirmative and a negative from each school with the following six schools in the league: Independence, Ballston and Perrydale forming the first triangle, and Dallas, Monmouth and Falls City forming the second triangle.

All the negative teams will travel to some other place while the affirmative teams will remain at home and meet the negative teams of the other schools. Independence negative team will go to Ballston tonight and there meet the affirmative team of that school, while the negative team of Ballston will meet the affirmative team of Perrydale at Perrydale, and the Perrydale negative will meet Independence affirmative team here and the same plan in the Dallas, Monmouth, Falls City triangle.

Each home team will choose two judges and the visiting team one. Nearly all visiting teams are choosing the third judge from the town where the debate will be held, thus showing a friendly feeling in the work between the young people who form the league.

All points that the two teams of a school win will be counted for that school. At the end of the three debates the school having the most points will be declared winner of the league.

All ought to be interested in the work of these young people and every one who can attend ought to do so and thus encourage the young people by their presence and interest in their work.

The names of the members of the debating team which will try out against Perrydale were given in our issue of last week.

The high school of this city will banquet the contesting teams, judges and teachers following the debate tonight.

### SHOULD DESIGNATE STREETS

Statistics of the wave of enthusiasm in towns and cities throughout the United States looking toward the revision of house numbering systems furnish interesting points of comparison with the plan recently put into effect in Chicago. The American Society of Municipal Improvements, which is organized as a sort of clearing house for ideas on municipal government, has made an investigation of what is being done in different parts of the United States.

Replies were received from 136 cities to the following questions:

"Who assigns street numbers to or otherwise has charge of the numbering of the buildings in your city?"

"What form of application must be made and what charge paid by property owners to learn their respective house numbers?"

"Does city furnish the figures to be used? At what cost?"

"Does it place them? Is the size and style of figures specified in any way?"

"Is there any standard for assigning numbers, such as distance from assigned axes or length of frontage to each number?"

The replies show that in the great majority of cases the city engineer or the department of engineering has charge of this work, this being the case in 104 cases out of the total 136. The building inspector has charge of it in eight cases. In five cases it is in charge of the board of public affairs, of public works or of commissioners, as they are variously entitled. In four cases the city clerk looks after this work. In three cases the assessor, in two cases the superintendent of streets, and a special committee, the inspector of the highway division, the board of aldermen, the mayor and council, the mayor alone, a local contractor and the city marshal, each are entrusted with this work in one city of those reporting. Printed forms are used in Dubuque, Ia.; Phillipsburg, N. J.; Cleveland, O.; Salt Lake City, Winnipeg, Man., and others. In Everett and Taunton, Mass., petition is made to the board of aldermen; in Schenectady, N. Y., and Duluth, Minn., to the com-

mon council. In Kansas City, Mo., and Lincoln, Neb., the number of the building is given with the building permit.

In 124 cases no charge is made for informing the owner or tenant of his house number. In Macon, Ga., there is a charge of 15 cents for this; in Springfield, Mass., the cost of looking up the information; in Ogden, Utah, 75 cents; in Lincoln, Neb., this is included in the cost of the building permit. Figures are furnished and placed without cost to the owner in Boston, Everett, Lowell, New Bedford and Somerville, Mass.; in Cleveland and Woonsocket, R. I., and in Winnipeg, Ottawa, Toronto and Calgary, Canada. Figures are furnished free of charge, but not placed in Concord, N. H., Reading, Pa., and Hamilton, Ont. Macon, Ga., charges 15 cents for furnishing and 10 cents additional for placing. San Antonio, Tex., charges 15 cents per figure and does not place them. Montreal, Canada, charges 20¢ cents for furnishing and placing. St. John's, N. F., charges 3 cents per figure for furnishing and placing. A number of cities furnish and place figures if the owner fails to do so after notification and charges the same to the owner. In Grand Rapids, Mich., this charge is 20 cents per figure in place.

In most towns and cities the frontage allotted to each number is twenty to twenty-five feet. In several, however, ten feet is used in the business sections, this being the case in New Britain, Conn.; Lowell, Mass., and Somerville, Mass.

In some cities there appears to be no general ordinance concerning the matter of house numbering, while in others quite complete ordinances have been established. An illustration of a brief ordinance is that of Everett, Mass., which is as follows:

"The owner of any building or part of a building who shall neglect or refuse to affix to the same the numbers designated by the board of aldermen or by some person by said board duly authorized or who shall affix or retain for more than three days any number contrary to such direction shall be liable to fine of not more than \$20."

In Rochester if owners do not place numbers on their houses the common council passes a local improvement ordinance, and the numbers are placed by the city, and the cost thereof, with the cost of placing, is charged against the property.

In a number of cities there appears to be no particular form of procedure by which the householder obtains information as to the legal number of his house nor by which the city compels the proper numbering of houses. In others, however, forms more or less elaborate are employed.

The style of figure to be used is specified in forty-five cities. In the majority of cases it is stated that the figure must be at least as large as designated minimum, which varies from two to three inches. In a number of cities the color and material also are specified. In Charlotte, N. C., the house numbers are placed in the cement walks as these are laid, the figures being red, costing 8 cents apiece and being paid for by the city.

### Combatants Are Re-Instated.

On account of trouble which arose during the recess intermission at the school over a football scrimmage on the school grounds, two of the older pupils of the eighth grade were suspended from school Monday. It appears from reports that they were determined to have it out and knowing that Principal McIntosh would not consent to allow a fight to go on on the grounds they repaired to the city park followed by their seconds and a number of interested spectators after school hours where they proceeded with the settlement of their difficulties. Marshall Byers was summoned by telephone to the scene of combat and the boys were brought before the city recorder who released them pending their good behavior. At a meeting of the board on Wednesday the boys were re-instated on condition of their apology to Principal McIntosh and the promise of good behavior.

### PERSONAL MENTION

Dr. Allin, Dentist, Cooper Bldg. of H. M. Edgar visited Salem last Saturday.

Mrs. Lottie Hedges Dorris was a Salem visitor last Saturday.

Miss Grace Wallace is home from Corvallis on the sick list.

Wm. Addison has been quite ill with la grippe the past week.

Dr. Duganne, Dentist, over Independence National Bank. Bell phone 121; Independent, 4410. tf

Moss Walker visited friends and relatives at Dallas the first of the week.

Joe Loomis and Sam Marshall of Forest Grove were in Independence recently, guests of J. W. Bullard and family. While here they purchased a tract of land.

Miss Lena Ferguson of Falls City is visiting at the home of Prof. J. G. McIntosh.

C. H. Ebbe of Monmouth was in Independence last Saturday morning while on his way to Salem to spend the day.

Mrs. S. B. Walker returned Tuesday from a visit of several days with friends and relatives at Eugene.

R. H. Campbell, a farmer out south of Independence, was in town Wednesday. He was a pleasant caller on the Enterprise while in town.

Clyde Hill is preparing to remove from Buena Vista to the farm, one mile south of town, which he bought last week from Fred Hooper.

Mrs. Carrie Hubbard, president of the Rebekah Assembly of Oregon, was in Brownsville last night where she met with the local Rebekah lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Henkle, who have been at San Jose, California, spending the winter, have returned to Corvallis, so they state in a letter received at this office this week.

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Benton Bowers of Ashland arrived in Independence today to look after a shipment of 3100 fruit trees which he has to deliver to different parties here. Mr. Bowers intends setting out about 100 acres on his place south of town and Ernest Zielesch of Parker is going to set out about twenty acres and Addison & Carter about twenty acres.

### Death of Larkin Price.

Larkin Price, an aged and respected resident of King's Valley, died at the home of his son, Willard, last week at the age of eighty-seven.

years. He had been a member of the Odd Fellows fraternity for many years and the funeral services were conducted by that order.

### Fever Sores.

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