

KERBY

The graduation exercises, held at the church on Friday night, closed the school work for the year.

Following is the program of the exercises:

Class march..... Mrs. Tufts
Invocation..... Dr. A. A. Witham
Violin solo, accompanied by Mrs. Tufts..... Dell Powell
Salutatory..... Anna Adams
"Sweet Bells"..... By the School
Oration..... Marie Powell
Selection by Orchestra.....
Violin, Dell Powell; Cornet, Leland Willits; Piano, J. Q. Willits.
Class prophecy..... Ed. Dessinger
Class song..... Eighth Grade Girls
Class will..... Ted Stith
Valedictory..... Hallie Willits
Selection by orchestra.....
Commencement Address: "A Bunch of Kers"..... Dr. Witham
Presentation of diplomas.....
"Star Spangled Banner,"..... Dr. Witham
By the entire audience

George and Will Young have gone for the summer.

Leland Willits and Dell Powell left on Saturday morning for Klamath county to find work in the hay fields during the summer.

Marie Powell is visiting friends in Grants Pass for the present.

Dr. Witham was accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Nease, Mrs. McCracken and daughter on his trip to deliver the class address.

To comment on Dr. Witham's address would be entirely useless as it is pronounced by all one of the finest heard in Kerby. The attention of the audience was evidence of the manner in which it was accepted. The doctor is assured of an audience should he make another visit to Kerby as a speaker. Kerby would be much the better if such talks as the doctor's and Rev. Melville T. Wire's of last week should come oftener.

Mrs. Roberts, wife of our garage man, returned this week after an absence of nearly a year. She has been visiting with her people at Seattle, Wash.

Quite a surprise was sprung upon our people when announcement cards were received on Wednesday that Miss Gertrude Hague and Tom Floyd were married in Grants Pass that morning. They will spend their honeymoon at or near Dunsmuir enjoying the natural scenery about Mt. Shasta.

We all wish them joy and prosperity and will give them a rousing welcome on their return.

MURPHY

Mrs. Clelland has arrived from Missouri to make an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. Sweeney.

The school was closed two weeks early on account of the measles.

A large delegation from Murphy attended the Applegate picnic.

Miss Bertha Coats who has been teaching at Galice arrived Saturday for a visit at the Hayes Bros. ranch. Lester Darnelle has left for the summer with a surveying gang.

Alva Gilmore is out after a siege with the measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Roat and children, Miss Winnie Osborne and Gene Hayes spent a day at Galice last week.

Mrs. A. H. Carson who had the misfortune to fall and break her wrist is getting along nicely and expects to be able to use her hand before very long.

Dr. Sweeney made a professional trip to Medford Monday, returning Tuesday.

Miss Edith Sweeney returns to Portland Saturday after a month's vacation.

E. E. Blanchard and wife were over-night guests at Fairview with Mr. and Mrs. W. G. White.

The road has been graded and with three big auto trucks hauling lime the fresh dirt is certainly stirred up. Not much danger but that we will get our peck of dirt if we make many trips to town.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Beagle drove over to Jacksonville Wednesday to attend Memorial services.

The ladies club was entertained Wednesday by Mrs. Sweeney and Mrs. Woodson at the Sweeney ranch, the guest of honor being Miss Winnie Osborne a bride-to-be who will leave soon for the east. The rooms were beautifully decorated, the color scheme being green and white. A large Japanese umbrella over the dining table was filled with many beautiful and useful gifts among them being a book, the cover designed by Miss Edith Sweeney, labeled, "How We Cook in Murphy" and filled with favorite recipes of the club members. The afternoon was devoted to giving the bride-to-be advice as to the best manner of

treating a husband and examining her qualifications as a bride. Delayed refreshments were served and all united in voting this one of the most enjoyable meetings of the club. Mrs. Geo. Riddle and Miss Clara Geisler came out from Grants Pass.

The nurses who were killed on the Mongolia off New York two weeks ago, by explosion of shells, were pupils of Mrs. R. K. Woodson in the Chicago training school for nurses.

Our genial mail carrier L. M. Mitchell is the possessor of a fine new Ford, thus insuring the patrons of the same efficient service as we have always had.

APPLEGATE

Miss Hazel Bebb, of Central Point, who has been here visiting at the home of her Uncle Warren Mee, returned home Monday. Miss Gertrude Mee accompanied her.

Zeb Hyde and Ed. Herriott were Medford visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. S. L. Benson left Tuesday for Kennett, Cal., to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Grieve. She was accompanied by her granddaughter, Edna Sutton, who has been attending school here.

Donald and Robert Herriott are visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Mary John, of Williams, and Jack Herriott is visiting his aunt, Mrs. M. E. Topping, of Laurel Grove.

Elmer Brown's family who have been quite sick with the measles are improving.

Mrs. Elsie Agee and two daughters, of Roseburg, are here on a visit. Mr. Agee expects to come later. Misses Gladys and Jessie Miller, of Joseph, are visiting their sister, Mrs. Chester Kubil.

Professor Nibert and family left for Kansas Saturday, where Mr. Nibert has accepted a position as teacher.

Miss Arline Bunch, of Grants Pass, is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Mary Griffin, of Grants Pass, who has been visiting at the Pernoll home for the last month, will return to her home the last of the week. Mrs. Abbott, of Ashland, is visiting her son Harley Mansfield.

FRUITDALE

Henry Breske has gone to Portland and Salem to spend the week.

Gail Hamilton, who has been attending dental college at Portland, returned home Monday for his summer's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Underwood were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Jones Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Allyn and Mr. and Mrs. Churchill spent Decoration day at the Churchill ranch.

Mrs. Roper, Mrs. Olum, Jaunita Burke and Estelle Oakes picnicked on Mount Baldy Monday.

Mr. Dover and family, who have resided for some time on the Haviland place, moved this week to a ranch on the Crescent City road.

Mr. and Mrs. Peters and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Slattery, Dr. and Mrs. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Underwood, Mr. and Mrs. Jones, Leota Jones, Estelle Oakes and Messrs. Carlson, Hefley, Bauer and Woodstock picnicked at Greens creek Sunday.

ILLINOIS VALLEY

Mrs. N. L. Babcock and Mrs. Ralph Fehely have the measles. Harold Shaffer also has them.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Blanchard were visiting in the valley Tuesday.

E. L. Coburn and George Lewis were business visitors on Tuesday.

Ralph Kitterman has purchased a new Ford.

The stockholders of the Illinois Valley Building association held their annual meeting on Saturday. On account of the busy season very few attended and the same officers were re-elected.

The indications are that this valley will have the largest amount of fruit produced for years on account of the extreme lateness of blossoming.

Are Composers Short Lived?

Many great musicians were afflicted with physical infirmities. Mozart, who lived to the age of only thirty-five, died of consumption. Schumann, who died at the age of forty-six, was for some years before his death confined in an asylum. Beethoven reached the age of fifty-seven, but for many years previous to his death was quite deaf. Mendelssohn died at the age of thirty-six. Schubert at thirty-one. Weber at forty. Chopin at forty. Purcell at thirty-seven and Bellini at thirty-three. There are, of course, a few exceptions. Bach, Haydn and Handel all outlived their threescore years and ten. The latter, however, was for some years totally blind.

GOVERNOR PROCLAIMS THIS PRISON SUNDAY

Salem, June 2.—Tomorrow will be observed throughout Oregon as "Prison Sunday," so designated by a proclamation issued by Governor Withycombe. The day was set apart at the request of individuals and organizations interested in the welfare of the penitentiary and the measure affecting the state prison which is on the ballot Monday.

The purpose and general plan of "Prison Sunday" is outlined in the governor's proclamation, which follows in part:

"I earnestly ask that ministers speaking from the pulpits of this state will acquaint themselves with the conditions existing in our state penitentiary and the needs thereof, and will on this prison Sunday tell something of these conditions and of these needs to their congregations, to the end that their hearers may exercise their franchise function intelligently on the proposal for prison improvement, a betterment which all who are acquainted with our penal institution realize is vitally desirable from both an economic and humanitarian standpoint."

FOOD VALUE OF CORN.

A Series of Comparisons That is a Study in Economy.

I have recently made an exhaustive investigation of the comparative food value of the products of white corn, and the results show these products to be so much more economical than many of the foods commonly used that I believe it would interest your readers to see the comparison.

The food value of one pound of corn meal, grits or hominy, costing 3 cents, is equal to the food value of any of the following commonly used foods:

1 pound of wheat flour, costing... 8 cents
1 pound of rice, costing... 9 cents
1 1/2 pounds of cheese, costing... 40 cents
2 1/2 pounds of round steak, costing 30 cents
2 dozen eggs, costing... 30 cents
1 peck of potatoes, costing... 45 cents
6 pints of milk, costing... 30 cents

National prosperity has made us prodigal of our resources and wasteful of our substance, particularly in the matter of food, for which we have been paying more than is commensurate with food values, and I believe it behooves Americans today to consider the real nutritive value of the food which they purchase and to know the merits of white corn products, which I believe to be the cheapest nourishing food which the housewife can buy on the market today.

The south knows and appreciates the value of white corn for table use. Why not the north, east and west?—A. W. Smith in New York Post.

LISPING AND STUTTERING.

Children Should Be Taught How to Use Their Speech Organs.

Lisping may be caused by a lack of practice in the organs of speech. Stutterers are recruited largely from the ranks of the lispers. Children imitate the slovenly and disagreeable language of their elders.

Among the causes of lisping, in addition to the wrong use of speech organs, are abnormal teeth, lips, tongue, jaw or palate. Some cases are apparently due to carelessness or haste in reproducing speech sounds.

Lisping is not to be considered abnormal unless it noticeably persists beyond the age of five or six years. Usually the tendency to slur over words disappears rapidly in the upper grades of school. Fully one-fourth of the children entering school suffer from this speech defect.

Many educators argue that the first months of school should be given over to exercises in oral language intended to form correct habits of speech. They claim that the anxious haste of the primary teacher to teach children to read is unjustified and maintain that if one-half of the time used for phonics drills were devoted to voice cultivation many cases of stuttering would be prevented.—Pittsburgh Press.

Golden Pots and Pans.

Should the slush of Florida desire to pledge his kitchen requisites, he might realize \$500,000. Every teaspoon of this monarch is gilded inside and the dishes which appear on the table are of solid gold, as well as the spoons, knives and forks. The handles of the latter, moreover, are ornamented with costly stones, and some are worth as much as \$100 each.

In preparing lunch for the slush note but silver spoons can be used, and an covering used for keeping cold meats must also be of silver.

His majesty has a staff of over thirty chefs, and altogether these employees in his kitchen number nearly 120. Their wages amount to \$50 a week. London Globe.

Letterheads that will please you, at the Courier.

Golden West Coffee
Is "Just Right"

Famous Band at Chautauqua

Royal Venetian Band to Tour the West Under Personal Direction of Joseph Lo Zito



THE Ellison-White Chautauqua System announce the first Western tour of the Royal Venetian Band. This is the band which during the past season was the feature musical attraction at Newport Beach, R. I., the most famous pleasure resort in America.

The Royal Venetian Band is under the personal direction of Signor Joseph Lo Zito, the noted Italian musician. Signor Lo Zito has brought this band to the highest point of efficiency and perfection in music. Besides being in constant demand by the exclusive watering places for pleasure seekers, at conventions, inaugurations and similar

national events, the Royal Venetians have appeared on a number of the larger Eastern Chautauques.

Special significance also attaches to the parallel Chautauqua announcement that one of America's greatest singers, Mary Adel Hays, coloratura soprano of New York, appears as soloist with the band.

PORTLAND FOLKS ENTERTAIN AN OLD TIME DIPLOMAT

Portland, June 2.—William Widgery Thomas, diplomat, colonizer and author, arrived here this afternoon from San Francisco, accompanied by his wife. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas will be guests of honor at a banquet tonight given by the Swedish-born Americans. Thomas was first appointed to a diplomatic post by Lincoln. He was minister to Sweden and Norway for 15 years.

Absent.
"My wife is undecided whether to buy me a birthday gift or spend the money on a trip to her sister's," said skippy little Mr. Meek.
"Confidentially, I would a good deal rather have the absent than the present."—Life

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When you burn COAL, WOOD, OIL or GAS, you have destroyed a product that cannot be replaced for hundreds of years, if ever.

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