

ABOUT SCHOOL MATTERS

Furnished By the Faculty and Students of the Coquille City Schools

Introduce Vocational Guidance.
Believing in the importance of assisting students in determining their life work, a preliminary study leading to vocational guidance will be made during the coming year. The industrial opportunities of the community and the state will be brought out, vocations listed, and the requirements and rewards of each explained. An effort will be made to find out what each student can best do, and then to give him all the encouragement and help possible in preparation for his life work. The first step towards the realization of the purpose will be taken next week when high school students will be asked to answer a series of questions pertaining to their vocational preferences.

The action is in accord with a nation-wide program of industrial guidance of youth which has had a profound effect on courses of study during the last five years. At present all the larger high schools have a vocational guide and many of the smaller ones have availed themselves of his services. Higher educational institutions regularly offer courses in vocational guidance, and many travelling guides have been sent out by Extension Departments.

Enroll for Bible Study.
Four students have enrolled to date in the Bible study course outlined by the State Superintendent of Schools. One credit is given for the completion of the course. It is divided into two semesters of work, the first comprising a study of the Old Testament, the second of the New. Two examinations which are given by the state are required. Final plans for the work have not as yet been completed, but the work will either be conducted by the various ministers as last year, through the Sunday Schools, independently, or by one of the teachers after the regular school hours. The decision will be left very largely to the wishes of the members of the class. Those enrolled at present are Mildred Norton, Susie Abel, Jeffie Beckham, and Beryl Woodruff.

Professors Not Blackers.
Unable to get a carpenter to put in the new windows in the high school assembly room the masculine members of the high school faculty have decided to take off their coats and do the work themselves. Next Saturday is set as the date for the beginning of the task—its finish will be reported later. Plans and specifications for the work have been already worked out, and the material required for the job was ordered last week from the E. E. Johnson mill.

Parents' Day Program Complete.
Parents of high school students and all interested in high school work are invited to a meeting with the teachers in the high school assembly room on the afternoon of October 26th—time two thirty o'clock. After some musical selections Mr. Noblet will speak on "By-Products of Education," and Mr. Almack on "The Function of the School." Refreshments will be served. All are invited to visit the regular recitations in the forenoon of the same day.

Medical Inspection Begins.
Medical inspection commenced in the high school Monday afternoon when the teachers commenced the collection of data from the students in regard to family history, health record, etc., as much work of this kind is being done before the coming of the physician as possible so as to shorten his work.

Much emphasis has been placed upon medical supervision in the public schools of recent years with a result that many deaths and much sickness has been prevented. In an investigation a few years ago of the deaths of 23,000 high school pupils the statement was made that medical inspection might have prevented 14,000 or fifty per cent of them.

Teachers Take Trip.
Mr. and Mrs. Almack and family, Miss Bay, and Miss Newell, and Barbara Richmond accompanied Dr. Richmond Friday night on an auto trip to the Alford ranch in the Brewster Valley country, twenty-four miles east of Coquille. The party left Coquille at 4 p. m. and returned at 10:30. On the return trip a fine four-legged buck deer sauntered across the road in front of the car and after looking the crowd over at his leisure disappeared in the woods. As no member of the party was armed, the deer had no difficulty in making his escape, though since, some of the ladies have been heard to tell what they would have done if they had only had a gun along.

Patriotic Song Wanted.
After calling attention to Mr. Noblet's offer of a handsome prize for the

best high school song to be written by any of the students, Mr. Almack urged all to enter the competition for the best patriotic song, and stated that he would present a cash prize to the one adjudged the winner. In addition to this method of creating and stimulating patriotism in the high school, plans have been made for participation in the contest conducted by the Sons of the American Revolution. That society is offering a prize of \$25 for the best essay on the subject of "France's Aid to the American Colonies." The competition is open to seventh and eighth grade and high school students.

Superintendent Writes Bulletin.
The University of Oregon News Letter of October 15th announces that the September number of the Extension Monitor will contain the result of a study of the reading interests of high school students written by J. C. Almack of the Coquille schools. In the article, according to the News Letter, the verdict of 218 girls and 167 boys from the schools of Ashland, McMinnville, Springfield, and Eugene is given, and these speak in no uncertain terms of the books for which they have no use.

"I do not like the books that give descriptions or dates or silly books about real good children," said one boy. "Five Little Peppers is too silly," "Don Quixote is too idiotic," and "Alice in Wonderland is too much of a fairy tale." Five girls agreed that Elsie Dinmore cried too much and was so good they did not like her.

Other books condemned were "The Old Curiosity Shop," "Pilgrim's Progress," "The Gold Bug," Tom Brown's School Days, "Scottish Chiefs," "Twice Told Tales," "The Last of the Mohicans," "Lorna Doone," "David Copperfield," "Ivanhoe," "Arabian Nights." Indications throughout were that the tastes of the girls were more warlike, patriotic, bloodthirsty, and savage than those of the boys of the same age, thus "offering additional evidence of the truth of Kipling's assertion in regard to the deadliness of the female of the species."

The boys alone expressed preference for "Bob, Son of Battle," "Rover Boys," and "Tom Sawyer," while the girls supported without masculine approval "Pollyanna," and "The Harvester," because "it shows what a model man should be like."

Work Lures Eighth Grade Graduates.
The percentage of graduates from the eighth grade entering high school this year in Coquille is considerably less than usual. In the May and June examination of 1916 there were 13 graduates from the eighth grade in Coquille, all of whom entered the high school the following fall and with one exception are still in high school. In January 1917, at the mid-year eighth grade examination there were 10 graduates, 9 of these entered high school immediately. Then in the May and June examinations of this year there were 17 who passed the eighth grade examinations and only 13 of that number have entered the high school. Three of these students have decided to take jobs of work rather than go to high school, or rather the jobs have lured them away from high school. It seems that it would be better for these students to continue in high school rather than take some job, even though it should be a good paying one financially. There has never been a time in the history of our country when we needed more educated men and women. Our country needs all the educated men and women that can be developed at this time. There is no doubt, too, that there will be plenty of jobs waiting for these boys and girls as soon as they have finished high school, and certainly they will be better equipped to hold good positions after they have completed a high school course than they are now.

Dr. Hamilton Addresses High School.
On Friday, Oct. 12, Dr. V. L. Hamilton addressed the Coquille high school on the prevention of disease. He stated that the work of the medical world today was for the prevention rather than the cure of disease. He enumerated a number of ways in which we could prevent disease. He told in detail of the injurious effects of bacteria and their connection with disease, each disease being caused by one of these small organisms. Great stress was laid upon the refraining from dissipation, and the exercise of proper hygienic means. The use of antiseptics, he further stated, was not to destroy these organisms, but for cleansing purposes, the best antiseptic being soap and water.

Modern Language Club Meets.
On the evening of October 16, the German Club of the Coquille high school met at the home of Miss New-

ell. A new name for the club has been adopted, "Modern Language Club," which it will be called hereafter. The reason for the change is that German is to be dropped eventually as a high school subject.

The evening was spent mostly in reading, Miss Newell reading some of Service's poems from "The Spell of the Yukon," also starting a short German story, "Der Zwerg Nase." A German spelling match was given, a prize being awarded to the best speller, which was won by Leanna Curry. The prize, which was selected by Miss Newell, was a small German Axel.

Rev. Mr. Rogers of the Methodist church visited the high school on Tuesday afternoon of this week.

On Tuesday, October 16, a number of questions, to be answered by the pupils, were passed around to high school students and eighth-graders. The purpose of this was to find out their present preferences for vocations and line of work in which they were most interested. From the ninety high school students it was found that eleven wished to become stenographers, ten school teachers, two music teachers, five farmers, two doctors, five nurses, four engineers and three lawyers. Many were as yet undecided while the miscellaneous collection ranged from bookkeeper to missionary and actors.

City School Notes.

It was found that among the majority of high school students, English was liked best, history least. The inclination of the general high school student seems to be toward music or reading.

A new lantern for high school has just been received. The first week in November glimpses of Europe will be shown in the high school room at the assembly period. In the afternoon and evening these slides will be free for grade students.

Mildred Norton's birthday, Tuesday, October 16, was celebrated by a big cake at the noon hour; members of the faculty and the Senior class being invited to share it.

A new flag is being displayed on the north wall of the high school room.

Patriotic Day Celebrated by H. S.
October 24 has been set aside by the President as Patriotic Day. It will be observed in our own high school by patriotic songs, poems and stories.

Preparations for a Hallowe'en party are being made by the Senior class. A number of novel features are being planned. It is believed that it will prove to be the best party ever given by any seniors for the occasion.

Visitors in Mrs. Fitzgerald's room this week were Mrs. Minard and Mrs. Johnson. Mrs. Minard also visited the fifth grade, and Mrs. Johnson the 8th. Other visitors to the fifth grade room this week were Mrs. Claude Randleman and Mrs. E. G. Brewer.

The sixth and eighth grades enjoyed an impromptu program given by the seventh grade last Friday.

Ellen Green, of Roseburg, is a new pupil in Mrs. Mulkey's room.

The fourth and fifth grades are planning to combine in a patriotic program next Wednesday and are busy painting flags for decorations.

In spelling contest Thursday morning, the eighth grade won a victory over the seventh. In the fifth grade the pennant for the best spelling remains in the possession of the A division.

Mr. E. Kilpatrick, director of the Extension bureau at the University of Oregon, addressed the high school Thursday morning on the subject of Liberty Loan Bonds. Mr. Kilpatrick compared the present conflict with the previous wars of the United States showing the importance and seriousness of this war. He advised that all high school students make a study of Government Bonds in order to understand the safety and advantages in buying them. Altogether it was a very interesting address.

Supt. Almack is in receipt of a letter from Bert Prescott, Director of Debates, for the schools of Oregon, advising that the debate committee is to consider the changing of the subject for 1917 to one more suited to high school purposes.

The Senior picnic which was planned for Saturday has been postponed indefinitely.

Irene Kime was absent Wednesday on account of sickness.

Miss Audrey Staninger was absent several days this week harvesting her potato crop. She has four city lots near the north end of Henry street, and reports an excellent crop.

John Oeding was on the sick list Wednesday.

Mr. Hooton spoke at the regular assembly period Friday on "Crops for the Coming Year."

The students of the high school are making subscriptions for magazines for the coming year. The following magazines will be subscribed for: Saturday Evening Post, American, Youths Companion, and the National Geographic Magazine.

served each week for high school singing, and special efforts are being made to secure suitable books.

The Sophomore class has presented the high school with a Cassia plant which has been placed in the upper hall.

Coquille High is to have a Football team. Fifteen men turned out for regular practice Tuesday, and we feel safe in predicting a strong team. Mr. Earl Kilpatrick, of the State University, was a guest of Mr. Almack's while in Coquille this week on Liberty Loan business.

Marjorie Fredrick is a new pupil in the first B class this week.

The class of 1929 (otherwise the beginners of this year) had their picture taken by Supt. Almack the early part of this week. Today was "Dollies' Day" and all brought their dollies to school. Miss Kennedy's pupils are going to have a "Dollies' Day" also.

The girls are leading in the boys' and girls' spelling contest in one of Miss Kennedy's classes.

In Art the second A is making various Hallowe'en novelties.

In Miss Allen's room there were three pupils who were perfect in spelling last month: Delores Lamson, Esther Margreiter, and Kathryn Wilson.

The visitors at the Primary building this week were Mrs. Fredrick, Beryl Woodruff, Mrs. Baxter and Pauline Chase.

Liberty Loan Answers.

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L. O. O. F. Tribute to L. Harlocker.

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom has sent His silent messenger of Death and taken from us our much esteemed and beloved brother, L. Harlocker, therefore be it;

Resolved, that in the death of Brother Harlocker our Order has lost one of its faithful members;

Resolved, that we tender to his bereaved family the heartfelt sympathy and fraternal love of this lodge, in their time of sorrow, and may God's blessings be bountifully bestowed upon them, and give them strength and courage to bear their loss and sorrow bravely;

Resolved, that the charter of this lodge be draped in mourning for thirty days; that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this lodge; a copy sent to the bereaved widow and her family, and a copy sent to the Coquille Valley Sentinel for publication.

O. C. Sanford, J. S. Lawrence, James Watson, Committee. Coquille Lodge No. 53, I. O. O. F., Coquille, Oregon.

A Coos County Martyr.

Alden V. Mercer, son of A. R. Mercer, postmaster at Cooston, died of pneumonia in France last week. He was a member of Co. F, Reserve Engineers, of which Kenneth Hauser is captain. The young man was 31 years of age and a graduate of the University of Illinois.

Buy a Liberty Bond and boost for the Corn and Potato Show.

Sour Stomach.

Eat slowly, masticate your food thoroughly, abstain from meat for a few days and in most cases the sour stomach will disappear. If it does not, take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper. Red meats are most likely to cause sour stomachs and you may find it best to cut them out.

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In preparing potatoes for the show, pick out specimens of the size which are most typical of the variety or varieties which you may be growing and have them all uniform in that size. Do not wash them before putting them on exhibit as that injures the skin. Just let them dry and dust them with a soft brush or cloth. Wrap them separately in old paper so they won't get bruised on their way to the show.

Making New Citizens.

The following applicants for citizenship were naturalized in the Circuit court here last Tuesday:

Charles Lasselle, of Lakeside, from Russia; John Wicklund, of Empire, from Sweden; Charles Caribom, of Bridge, Sweden; Rudolph Shorych, of Marshfield, Austria; Robert Myren, of Marshfield, Norway; Charles Bailey, of Marshfield, England; Edward Martinis Erickson, Norway.

Subscribe for a Liberty Loan bond and help our soldiers fight our battles.

NOTICE AGAINST STOCK RUNNING AT LARGE IN PRECINCT NO. 28, BURTON, COOS COUNTY, OREGON.

Notice is hereby given that at a Special Election held October 16th, 1917, in Precinct No. 28, Burton, Coos County, Oregon, that at said time a vote was taken on the question for and against stock running at large in said Precinct No. 28, Burton, Coos County, Oregon, which vote resulted in the majority of all votes cast at

said election being cast against stock running at large.

I hereby give notice that in sixty (60) days from the date of said notice it shall be unlawful for stock to run at large, under penalty of ten (10) dollars for the first offense and twenty (20) dollars for each and every subsequent offense, to be recovered from the owner of the stock in a civil action in the name of the State of Oregon before a Justice of the Peace in the District in which such owner or keeper or either of them may reside, and if there be no Justice of the Peace in such district, then before any Justice of the Peace in the County, and it shall be the duty of such constable in any Justice of the Peace district, and of each road supervisor in any road district to enforce the provisions of this section; and such penalty shall be for the benefit of, and when collected, paid into the common school fund of the County in which such action is brought, within sixty (60) days after such animal is proved to be at large.

Witness my hand and seal of the County Court, affixed the 19th day of October, A. D. 1917.

(Seal) L.W. Oddy,
County Clerk.
By N. Osmondson,
48th Deputy.

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