

VERY BUSY TIMES IN SCHOOLS THIS WEEK

The Spelling Contest Resulted in the Distribution of Prizes to Five Districts. The Eighth Graders Present Mr. Sutton With Token of Esteem. The High School Alumni Gathers

The past week has been a busy one in school matters with the closing of public schools, the spelling contest and the high school commencement.

The spelling contest which was open to all the schools of the county, was held in the assembly room of the public school building last Saturday evening and brought out a large crowd to witness the competition. In all ten districts were represented and the prizes were awarded to five different districts.

Preceding the contest two vocal solos were rendered, one by Mrs. Sutton, the other by Mrs. McHose, both of which were most generously received and the ladies did themselves proud. The Rotarian Quartet favored those present with a couple of selections following the contest.

In grade five the contestants were: Dist. No. 1, William McHose; No. 2, Chester Irving; 13, France Williams; 19, Ruth Barber; 32, Marguerite Fawcett; 55, Opal Downs, Chester Irving won the prize in this grade.

Grade 6: No. 1, Mabel Skiens; 2, Noble Curtis; 13, Edna Lee; 18, Ruth Johnson; 26, Ruth Saunders; 32, William Dunn, Mabel Skiens won the prize.

Grade 7: No. 1, Bernice Harkey; 18, Gladys Gray; 24, Lillian Vulgamore; 35, Annie Back, Gladys Gray won the prize.

Grade 8: No. 1, Violet Harkey; 13, Angie Beede; 18, Allen Sitz; 46, John Books. Angie Beede won the prize.

In the High School division there was but one contestant, Miss Elizabeth Beede of Drewsey.

Rev. Dr. Benson pronounced for the contest. Several of the contestants were good spellers but the immense crowd confused them and the test was not really indicative of what could have been done under different surroundings. However, all had

the same chance and the affair was most satisfactorily conducted. No doubt more interest will be given this contest next year. The prizes were dictionaries.

The result of the eighth grade examinations in this city has been announced and it was found that every eighth grade pupil of the Burns school passed with good averages. They were: Agnes Foley, Frances McGee, Taylor Houston, Ellsworth Egli, Pat Donegan, Frank Smith, Charley Cawfield, Violet Harkey, Neil Miller, Violet Terrill, Alex Sweet, Celia Byrd, Ralph McKinnon, Anna Brown, Willis Skiens, Rhea Rhine.

On Tuesday evening the class invited Principal Sutton to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Foley when they presented him with a handsome watch fob, appropriately engraved, as a token of their esteem. Mr. Sutton had their diplomas ready and distributed them at that time. It was a happy occasion and Mr. Sutton appreciates the tribute very much. Refreshments were served.

Another gratifying result of the final examinations in the public school was the advancement of three deserving pupils from the sixth to the eighth grade. They were Jo Cook, Llewellyn Hibbard and Harvey Marks.

The annual gathering of the high school at the school building Thursday evening was another pleasurable event of the week. There were a large number of the alumni present and the reception and banquet in honor of the graduating class was enjoyable. There was very little program of any fixed character, the affair being rather informal. The affair will be pleasantly remembered by the participants in after years.

Many former graduates of the institution came from long distances to be present and it was a happy gathering of young peo-

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Public School Yearly Report.

Report of Burns School Dist. No. 1, for the year ending May 14, 1915:

Pupils remaining last month	251
Registered new	9
Registered secondary	124
Pupils readmitted	124
Total	384
Pupils dropped	174
Pupils remaining at date	210
Pupils registered since beginning of year marked "R"	251
Pupils on register since beginning of year marked "E"	9
Pupils over 6 and under 9	95
Pupils over 9 and under 12	86
Pupils over 12 and under 14	40
Pupils over 14 and under 20	39
Total	260
Number of Pupils neither absent nor late	19
Per cent of attendance	97
Number visits by members of school board	25
Number visits by parents	500

Butter Makers Must Use Printed Wrappers

People manufacturing butter for sale must wrap the butter in printed wrappers, or they will be subject to a fine of \$25. If a storekeeper accepts butter wrapped in paper not properly printed they are also liable to a fine of \$25.

The above is what W. D. Duncan, deputy dairy and pure food commissioner, stated to storekeepers last Friday while here on an inspection trip. He said the law was very stringent on the question of properly wrapping butter in printed wrappers and he would have to see that the same was enforced. He said the butter manufacturer could not write, or use a stamp, but must have the wrappers printed at a printing office.

The Spokesman has not, nor will it in future print butter wrappers, hence this item is of more interest to the farmers in this community than to us.—Redmond Spokesman.

Here's a Business Man.

Under the above head the Prineville Journal of last week printed the following:

Sedan, Kansas, is just an ordinary country town with a population equaling that of Prineville. And it has one real business man. His name is J. H. Edwards. And now listen: Edwards spent \$2,000 last year with his local papers in advertising. And he does the same thing every year. Has it paid him? Well, he went to Sedan a few years ago with but little capital. He now owns a magnificent store, a nice home and a big farm.

"We value our advertising enough to make it a part of our assets," he says. "It is the live wire of any business and a person can tell pretty well the amount of advertising that the business is doing."

Sick Headache.

Mrs. A. L. Luckie, East Rochester, N. Y., was a victim of sick headache and dizziness, caused by a badly weakened and debilitated condition of her stomach, when she began taking Chamberlain's Tablets. She says "I found them pleasant to take, also mild and effective. In a few weeks' time I was restored to my former good health." For sale by all dealers.

At the convention of the Columbia and Snake River Waterways association at Astoria last week, W. W. Harragh, of Pendleton, said: "If the open river causes a reduction of but 2 cents per bushel on wheat, it will save Umatilla County alone \$120,000 per year, and if corresponding reductions are made on other commodities shipped from that county, it will mean the saving of more than half the county's annual taxes of \$400,000."

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Vegetation Held Back by Cool Nights And Lack of Sunshine but Putting Out Good Root System With Plenty of Moisture. Experiment Farm Crops Good. Plant More "Taters"

People are prone to complain of the weather regardless of whether it is warm or cold, dry or wet. Now, for instance, The Times-Herald happened to mention the fact that the weather of the past two weeks or so was not entirely to his liking as it prevented joy riding with comfort. The fact of the matter is that it is the best weather we can have from a successful crop view. We had fine weather early the present month and part of the last which brought the fruit buds out and the majority of them found things entirely too chilly for them a few weeks ago with a result that our fruit and berry crop is going to be somewhat shy.

By consulting with men of authority the writer finds this weather best for cereal crops and alfalfa for the present at least. Vegetation is not advancing very rapidly on account of the cool nights and lack of sunshine in day time, yet it is growing and putting out a good root system. Supt. Breithaupt of the Experiment Station announces the crops on the Station are coming along most satisfactorily and he considers prospects good. He has winter barley nearly ready to head out and the winter wheat is looking fine. Field peas are doing exceptionally well and the recent frost did not damage the alfalfa or any of the more tender stuff now up to speak of. Practically the entire station tract is under cultivation this season in some form and it will pay those interested to go out and look the field over. Supt. Breithaupt has extended such an invitation to the manager of this great religious weekly, and knowing his great knowledge of the farm game Mr. Breithaupt is looking forward to this visit with much pleasure, as he is sure to get some valuable pointers.

Since the railroads fail to follow the advice and routes mapped out at intervals in these columns the manager has about given up the railroad building and as he must have something to occupy his time he will probably devote considerable valuable space to farming until he can make President Farrell see that his ideas on railroad building are not idle newspaper wind but practical.

But, returning to the crops: Old time stockmen would like to recall the days of several years ago when they had many stock to feed upon the hills and pastures. The grass is the best it has been many years and with a less number of stock to graze the forage is ample. This applies to present prospects of grain and tame grass. While the flood water is short this season and the wild meadows along the river are not going to receive as much water as in the past it will nevertheless make a better crop in quality.

Regarding overproduction: The other day the writer paid 4 cents a pound for potatoes and believes they were a foreign product, brought in by parcel post. Each year there's a howl about there being no market for potatoes, yet the following spring there's a bigger howl when the consumer has to pay four prices. Under existing conditions it wouldn't be a bad plan for some of us to plant more potatoes this season and take a chance on not getting more than 5 cents a pound for them next spring. Of course 1 cent a pound this fall would be a good profit but if we find the market "glutted" we might borrow at the bank—potatoes ought to be gilt-edged security, if not considered legal tender—and in the spring find ourselves millionaires.

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Scrub Sires Wasteful.

"There is probably no more wasteful economy in the wide world than the raising of any kind of livestock from scrub sires," says Dr. Hector Macpherson, head of the Bureau of Organization and Markets at O. A. C. "The Danes found this out a quarter of a century ago and sought a remedy in cooperative breeders' associations. These associations are subsidized by the government and reach every branch of the Danish livestock industry. The United States Dairy Division has been trying for two years or more to establish similar organizations among our dairymen for the improvement of the dairy herds. The movement is yet in its infancy but anyone interested in its progress may secure information as to aims and methods, together with copies of constitution and by-laws by writing to the Dairy

Division of the Agriculture Department, Washington, D. C. The building up of Oregon's dairy herds demands that there be at least double the number of pure-bred dairy sires that are now in the state. The fact that the majority of calves from the dairy farm are sold as beef does not change the fact of this statement.

Frontier Days Announcement

Announcement is made that Frontier Days, the greatest spectacular show ever attempted, will again be produced this fall at Walla Walla. Frontier days is like turning back the pages of time and seeing this western country as it was in the days before the grain fields and orchards and towns and farms, displaced the fenceless hills and valleys with their endless carpet of bunch grass, their thousands of head of cattle and horses, the rappe riders, and cattle branding corals, the Indian Tepees and the picturesque savage; it is like living the life of the pioneer over again. There never was such a care-free, reckless, generous, wholesome life lived by another people as lived on the broad prairies and rugged hills of the western frontier by the cattlemen and pioneers; there never has been staged such a spectacular, realistic and thrilling show as the Walla Walla Frontier Days—It is a show that causes the red blood to flow faster in one's veins, and ones nerves to tingle with the thrill of it; and the wonder of it all is that it is real; it is a show without plot or fore-ordained situation—things just happen, and they happen fast and furious, keeping the spectator at high tensor every minute throughout the afternoon. One sits in the commodious and comfortable grandstand and witnesses the most astonishing show the world has ever seen; a show where the characters are real flesh and blood, sinew and muscle.

In an effort to stimulate the use of Oregon manufactured goods and Oregon labor, the Chamber of Commerce of Portland yesterday began a campaign through its bureau of industries and manufacturers to take advantage of the Bingham bill which becomes effective as a law this month, and which was passed at the last legislative session.

The Bingham bill gives a preferential of five per cent in favor of goods manufactured in Oregon, or in favor of Oregon labor, in the consideration of competitive bidding before county courts, boards of county commissioners, school boards, city councils, or other public officers authorized to purchase supplies or contract for labor.

Market Report.

Receipts for the week at the Portland Union Stockyards have been cattle 907, calves 24, hogs 2085, sheep 4242.

Cattle receipts light. Market strong, quality excellent. This week's market can be well characterized in these short sentences. The market has not at any time this season been in better shape. Demand and outlook excellent.

Top hogs at 8.15 makes another high market spot in the United States. Receipts are short and demand unexcelled.

While spring lambs are taking their usual course in point of prices, the market is considered as good as any. The strong prices at North Portland should appeal to Western shippers.

Those indebted to me must settle either by cash or negotiable note on or before May 15, 1915, otherwise the accounts will be placed in the hands of a collector. This action is made necessary on account of my recent loss by fire. G. W. Clevenger.

Have your picture taken at the Sayer Studio.

Wheat for sale—G. W. Clevenger.

Sumpter Valley Railway Co.

Arrival and Departure Of Trains

Departs	
No. 2, Prairie	10:15 A. M.
Sumpter	2:35 P. M.
Arrives Baker	4:00 P. M.
Departs	
No. 1, Baker	8:30 A. M.
Sumpter	10:05 A. M.
Arrives Prairie	2:10 P. M.

No. 1 Makes good connection with O.-W. R. & N. Co. No. 4 (Fast Mail) leaving Portland 6:30 P. M., arriving at Baker 7:55 A. M. and No. 17 from east arriving Baker 6:50 A. M.

No. 2 connects with No. 5 (Fast Mail) arriving at Baker 7:55 P. M., which picks up Pullman at Baker, arriving at Portland 7:00 A. M. Also with No. 18 at 10:45 P. M. for points East.

PROMOTING BIG ELECTRIC POWER PROJECT

Well Known Engineering Firm Again Takes up Malheur Project That is Destined to Bring Irrigation and Other Development Possibilities to Early Realization in Harney Valley

J. E. Johnson and his sons J. Edwin and Percy, spent a few days in this city during the week in the interest of the big electric power project on the Malheur above Drewsey. It will be remembered Edwin Johnson was in this section last year working on the proposition and succeeded in interesting several local people in the financing of this power project but later complications arose that prevented his further prosecuting the work until matters were adjusted.

Mr. Johnson has the way clear now to continue this work and has interested capitalists from the outside. He hopes to get matters in shape to incorporate in the immediate future and begin active operations on the dam and construction of power lines into this Valley.

This is one of the most feasible projects within the reach of this country and promises big things for those who take stock in it. The site has been investigated by several who have had such an undertaking in mind and all who have considered it found it a very attractive one. The one drawback in the past has been lack of transportation not only as a convenience in putting in the plant but also as an incentive to further development of the country. With cheap power and the shallow depth of the water table in this country, it is most attractive as a possible irrigation scheme that has appealed to all who have given the matter any thought.

This will likely be the most profitable asset to the concern for the time being as it is not far from a power line across into the valley and with such opportunities people will take advantage of the situation and put in pumping stations, as well as use electric power for other things on the farms and in the

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