

PUBLIC SCHOOL OPENS WITH BIG ENROLLMENT

Principal Sutton to Inaugurate Departmental System of Teaching Which Places Burns in Foremost Rank of Educational Institutions. Home Credit System is Also Introduced

The schools of this city opened last Monday for the coming year under most promising conditions with an increased enrollment. The public school enrollment is materially increased and the number will be considerable larger within the next two weeks, as it is known that several families are not yet in town.

Enrollment by grades:

Boys	Girls
1st primary - 12	14
2nd primary - 8	11
2nd grade - 18	9
3rd grade - 14	20
4th grade - 18	14
5th grade - 15	8
6th grade - 12	12
7th grade - 9	12
8th grade - 9	16
Total - 115	116

The teaching force of the school is well organized, all the teachers having taught in the school last year and while some have been given different grades, the departmental scheme inaugurated by Principal Sutton will give each the particular branch to their liking and the results are sure to be of much benefit to the school.

This method was proposed by Mr. Sutton last year but the necessary equipment could not be arranged and after starting with each teacher in her particular grade the board decided it would be best to continue thus through the term. This year he placed the matter before the board at once and it has met with the approval of the directors therefore the change will be made at once. The teachers have all been assigned their branches: Miss Swearingen will have reading in all the grades (the departmental teaching will apply only to the upper grades beginning with the fourth and including the eighth, the first and second primary, second and third grade teachers will have charge of their respective

grades only). Miss Hodder will teach geography; Mrs. Clark, grammar; Miss Cawfield, history. Principal Sutton will take charge of the other studies not assigned, arithmetic, agriculture and civil government. Each teacher will also have physiology and spelling in their respective grades.

This is a new department in the public schools of this state, it being in practice in but few places outside the cities, and it is considered one of the best schemes ever undertaken and give Burns the distinction of being up to the very latest and in keeping with the progressive spirit of Mr. Sutton and his corps of able assistants.

Another department inaugurated by Mr. Sutton this year is the home credits system whereby the pupils are given credit for the home work. This list of credits covers a number of useful and healthful pursuits that will be of much benefit and give the home a place with the school work that will not only harmonize but also stimulate an interest and bring the parents more closely to the school by making them a part of the teaching force in a way. The credit list for home work covers many items, some of them not applicable to any great extent to the school but every child in the school may do something on the list and get credits. For instance, credits are given for such as building a fire in the morning; gathering eggs; feeding the chickens; making and baking bread of biscuits; getting an entire meal; setting the table; washing and drying the dishes; sweeping; dusting; scrubbing; making a bed; bathing; practicing the music; lesson; clean hands and face (the teacher to judge) splitting and carrying in wood; brushing the teeth; retiring before nine o'clock; sleeping with the window open; pumping and carrying in water,

etc. There are many useful things in the list that will bring credits to the pupil.

The following paragraphs are quoted from the pamphlet governing this system:

"1—No pupil is obliged to enroll for credit for this home work. All are asked to join with us but none are compelled to do so.

"2—Any pupil entering for this work is free to quit at any time, but if anyone quits without good cause, all credits she or he may have earned will be forfeited.

"3—On Monday of each week pupils will list with the teacher an itemized list of the work done and credits earned for the week before. This list must be signed by the parent or guardian, but should be made out by the pupil.

"4—At the close of each school month the teacher will enter on the pupil's report card under head "Home Work" the number of credits earned by the pupil for the past month. At the same time the teacher will send to this office a report of the number of credits earned by the pupils in the school.

"5—Credit may be given for work done on Saturday or Sunday, but no credits will be given a pupil after he or she has stopped school.

"6—A pupil who is absent and cannot present an excuse from his parent will lose 10 credits; an unexcused tardiness will count off 5 points; a grade in department less than 75 per cent for the month, 10 credits off.

"7—As soon as a pupil earns 500 credits he will receive a nicely engraved certificate from the County Superintendent. When he earns a total of 5,000 credits, he will receive a larger and nicer certificate. Pupils who continue to earn credits for the entire school year will be enrolled as members of the "Harney County Home and School Working Club" and will be given a button to be worn only by members of this club."

The Times-Herald is pleased to note the unanimous good feeling of patrons of the school and the interest shown in the success of the educational work during the coming year. Many parents and members of the board were present at the opening of the school and each took a personal interest in not only their own children but the entire school, asking questions as to comfort and sanitary conditions and entering into the spirit of things in general. The teaching force should have the undivided support of the parents and with such a spirit of things the school this year is sure to be successful in every particular. By active co-operation great things may be accomplished and the result most gratifying.

OUR PUBLIC FORUM



Otto Kahn
On Financial Farm Loans

Every citizen who desires to become enabled in business should study banking, and every farmer who wants to see the business of agriculture properly financed should study diligently the financial systems of other industries. All other lines of industry have developed financial facilities adapted to their needs. We have all sorts of financial syndicates authorized by law or custom to deal in a certain line of securities, but in none of these financial channels will farm securities travel without a bonus in the way of an excessive rate of interest or heavy discounts.

The most powerful financial institutions in America are private banks and they are the most important to the financial life of industry. In no line of business does honesty, efficiency and stability make more imperative demands than upon private bankers, whose greatest asset is the confidence of the public in his business judgment and integrity. Mr. Otto Kahn of Kahn, Loeb & Company, when asked to state the relation of the private banker to the business of the nation, said in part:

"One of the most important functions of the private banker is to be the instrument for providing the money needed for the development of railroads and other industries. He does this by buying securities in bulk from those needing capital, for which purpose he usually associates himself with a large number of other financial houses, great and small, thus forming what is called a syndicate. Having in this way concluded the buying transaction he offers to the public the securities purchased by means of advertising, circularizing and through the facilities of the retail houses included in the syndicate, many of whom employ traveling salesmen. Of course the banker and the syndicate count on a reasonable profit for their services; on the other hand they run the risk of the securities, which, they have definitely bought and paid for at a fixed price, remaining on their hands wholly, or in part, if the public, for one reason or another, should be unwilling to buy them. The selling of securities is a highly specialized trade, requiring much experience, organization, machinery and scrutiny. This is one of the reasons why corporations do better in offering securities to the public through bankers than if they offered them direct. The willingness of the public to buy depends upon their confidence in the integrity and the judgment of the banker who makes the offer, and a banker who attempts to mislead the public, or who is deficient in care or judgment, would very soon find himself without customers and, therefore, out of business. In many European countries, the functions of the private banker include the placing of bonds secured by farm mortgages. Bonds of this nature are issued in large quantities by mortgage banks who buy mortgages on farms and other real estate and deposit them as security for their own bonds, which in their turn are sold to bankers. It is to be hoped that similar institutions will, in course of time, be created in America, thus placing the farming industry on a par with other important industries in facilities to obtain capital."

Mothers and Teachers Want Less Infringement

The Oregon Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teachers Associations believe it to be their duty to do everything in their power to create a public sentiment in favor of the following proposition:

Parent-Teachers Associations so that the school and the home may be brought to have a sympathetic appreciation of the work of the teacher and in every way may help in the betterment of the school and of the whole community.

Industrial and vocational instruction in the public schools of the state. Such industries are basis of the life of all times. Too long has there been a separation between living and learning and learning to live—between participation in constructive activity and mere book knowledge.

The elimination of politics in election of members of school boards and superintendents and teachers. Public sentiment should demand that members of the school boards should be business men and women of education, interested in and informed concerning modern educational methods, and capable of managing large business interests and of selecting capable men and women, who shall be given unlimited power to handle the educational matters of the school district. Public sentiment should create a school spirit in each community which would maintain good teachers and school officers in their positions more securely than any law that could be drafted in their behalf.

The extension of suffrage on school questions to the registered voters of the district. Women are vitally interested

in all matters pertaining to education.

Women in Oregon, who today vote on all other questions should not be deprived of the privilege of voting on school questions. The school tax is only about one-fourth or one-fifth of the total taxes. If registered voters can vote to elect representatives who apportion four-fifths of the taxes why are they not qualified to vote for men who apportion one-fifth of the taxes?

Mother and Daughter Buried in Kankakee

Following short and simple services which were conducted by Rev. D. S. Phillips at 2 o'clock this afternoon, the bodies of Elizabeth Ellis, mother of Charles Ellis, formerly of this city, and his sister, Georgia, were laid to rest in Mound Grove cemetery. The bodies arrived in Kankakee Saturday night, having been brought from Burns, Oregon, where both died last October.

Mrs. Ellis was the wife of Dr. Ellis, also well known in this city. She is survived by the son Charles W. Ellis, a prominent attorney at Burns and well known in Kankakee. The bodies were brought to Kankakee for permanent burial, where other members of the family are interred.

Among those who are in the city to attend the services are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Babst of Evanston and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Smalley of Chicago. —Kankakee Gazette.

Dry cleaning and pressing at the Burns Steam Laundry. 4tf.

County Court Proceedings.

County Court took a recess last Saturday and met again on Thursday to award a contract for keep of the county poor. Five bids were entered for this contract and as they were received late during the week, the court thought best to consider the matter for a short time before making an award. Chas. King was given the contract.

The clerk's report on bounty paid for rabbits and predatory animals approved.

Treasurer ordered to pay the balance of \$500 to the county agriculturist fund.

All warrants issued seven years prior to this date and not claimed were ordered cancelled.

Road viewers instructed to proceed with viewing, lay out and survey the road around Wright's Point as petitioned for by N. Henney and others.

Clerk authorized to pay the salary of the janitors at high school and court house each month.

Treasurer ordered to transfer \$175 from the general fund to the institute fund.

Egli News Notes.

Carston Walter is making preparations for a trip to Bend where he will purchase a windmill pump and supplies for his new well.

Some of our industrious farmers are busy plowing and getting ready for the fall seeding.

At a special school meeting, held in our school house Aug. 31, for the purpose of determining whether or no the school house could be moved. After several hours of heated discussions and voting, because some wished it moved North and others West, the matter still remains unsettled and school will open next week at the present site.

Chas. Comegys and family have returned from their vacation spent at Portland.

Ben DeWitt of Lost Creek, brought in a load of choice lumber for A. Donovan, Thursday to complete their residence.

Link Hutton and wife are in Portland consulting a specialist in regard to Mr. Hutton's health.

Dr. Kydd was at Burns Monday where he made final proof before the U. S. Land Office.

Robert Fox and family of Dry Valley, have moved to Bend where they will send their daughter, Edna to school.

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RAILROAD CONSTRUCTION IS STIMULATING

Local Workmen and Producers Are Beginning to Realize Benefits of Additional Work and Market. It May Continue Beyond Proposed Thirty Miles From Indications

Encouraging reports come from Riverside respecting the railroad construction toward this big Valley. Several hundred men are now at work over there and the contractors are getting their equipment placed along the line for active work.

The effect of this work has already been felt by local people in the way of furnishing employment and also a market for home products. To what extent this will continue depends upon prices and conditions. The farmer must remember he now has to compete with outside markets and therefore his price must conform to the market of the world. The contractors will use a vast amount of feed during the coming months that should be furnished entirely by home growers and they should see what can be done in that respect.

It still remains unsettled as to the distance the road will be extended under the present contract, or rather to what point. The surveyors have been busy for several weeks and have been working west of Harriman we understand. It is also rumored that local men have been given to understand they may secure contracts this side of Harriman in the immediate future but whether this means any distance to speak of is yet unknown.

The actual construction of a railroad into the Harney Country has caused many outside people to investigate conditions in this section with a view of investment. Many inquiries are being received by business concerns in this city and it is about time that the people take steps toward an organization that can take care of this class of inquiry and give prospective home seekers and investors detailed information. They ask many questions and these inquiries are so numerous that the ordinary business concern cannot give them the attention their importance warrant.

Burns should be prepared to welcome these inquiries and give such assistance as possible with a view of getting men with capital to come to our country and assist in the development and preparation for the change that the railroad will make.

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

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