

SQUINTS AND GLANCES

A look back on news from Grant County over the past 100 years this week, pulled from past issues

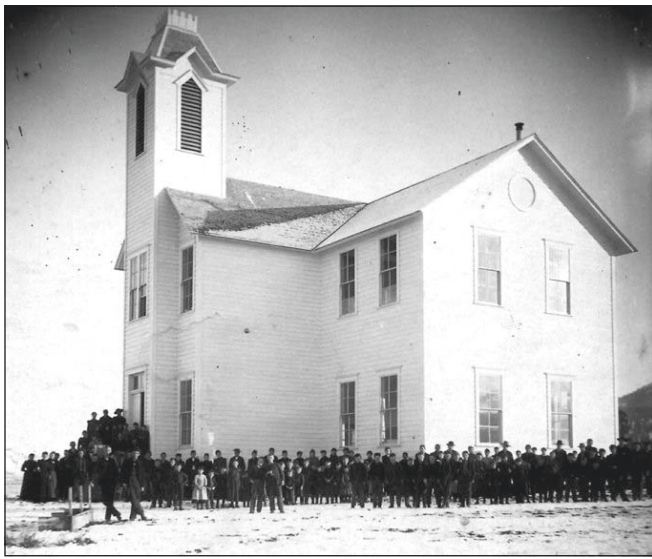
The Blue Mountain Eagle

Sep. 30, 1915
Grant County Journal
Booster Here

Mr. J.W. Brewer, of the Farm Lands Department of the Portland Chamber of Commerce and Oregon Development League, passed through Prairie last Tuesday on his way to the county fair at John Day, where he expected to spend two or three days looking at what is raised in this section and gathering information in regard to the possibilities of the John Day Valley.

The organization back of Mr. Brewer is one of the strongest of its kind in the United States, both in point of membership and finances and is taking a great interest in the development of the whole state. Recognizing the fact that Portland draws its wealth from all of Oregon, and very largely from Eastern Oregon, they are taking an interest in settling this country

LONG CREEK SCHOOL, 1890



Contributed photo/Grant County Historical Museum
Long Creek School, circa 1890.

and are asking local people to co-operate with them in their efforts.

Mr. Brewer is very favorably impressed with the John Day, having been here before, and hopes to see a lot of good accomplished here

in the near future. He states that next year he will make his trips in a machine, and expects to spend the biggest part of the summer in Harney, Grant, Malheur, and Wallowa counties. If he calls on you, give him all of the accurate

information that you possibly can, for the residents of this section owe it to the people who are anxious to promote the improvement of Eastern Oregon.

Sep. 27, 1940
Blue Mountain Eagle
Pointers for Alien Registration

Alien registration in Grant County seems to be going along well as may be expected but some doubt seems to exist in the minds of aliens as to what to do before applying for registration says postmaster Ed Hoare.

The first thing to do, and this is very important, is to go to the local post office and get the first form, to be filled out at home. Certain information called for on this form can not be furnished except from records and these records must be consulted before any registration can take place.

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STATE OF OREGON QUESTIONS FOR EIGHTH GRADE DIPLOMAS IN 1931

TO THE APPLICANT: Select any ten of the following questions.
TO THE EXAMINER: Grade the first ten answers only.

ARITHMETIC

1. Write a 90-day negotiable promissory note for \$300, interest at 5%, in favor of James Row and signed by Henry Jackson.
 2. Mention five methods of sending money to distant places.
 3. At the age of 30 the annual premium on an ordinary life insurance policy was \$23.31. How much did a man's state gain if he died after making 36 yearly payments on a policy of \$5,000?
 4. A classroom containing 38 pupils is 28 ft. long and 22 ft. wide. How many square feet of floor space has each person, including the teacher?
 5. What measurements would you take to find the area of a garden in the form of a rectangle?
 6. A loan for \$3,420 was made May 4, and was paid September 9. What was the interest at 6%?
 7. The value of the real estate in a certain city is \$14,500,000, and that of the personal property \$7,100,000. All of the property is assessed at 50 percent of its real value, and the tax rate is \$.45 per \$100. What is the amount of tax levied?
 8. A girl made a school pennant in the shape of a triangle. The base of the pennant was 30 in., and the altitude was 64 in. What was the area?
 9. How many square yards of plastering are required for the walls and ceiling of a schoolroom 32 ft. long, 24 ft. wide and 12 ft. high, making an allowance of 33-1/3% for openings, blackboard and baseboard?
 10. The floor in a store is made of 1-inch boards. How many board feet are used if the room is 75 ft. long and 32 ft. wide? Allow 33-1/3% additional for waste in matching. What will be the cost of the flooring at \$96 per M?
 11. How long is the diagonal of a room which is 32 ft. long and 24 ft. wide?
 12. A circular smoke stack 60 ft. high has an outside diameter of 8 ft. What is its lateral area?
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