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School Notes.

The following is a summary of the report of the Athena school for the month ending December 31, 1914:

Number of days taught, 28; whole number of days' attendance, 2881 1/2; whole number of days' absence, 58 1/2; whole number of times late, 12; number of pupils remaining at date, 163; number of pupils perfect in attendance, 135; per cent of attendance, 98.1.

Miss Cutoff's room holds the record for the month with a per cent of attendance of 99.6; Mrs. McPherson's room is second with a per cent of attendance of 99.

Roll of Honor.

Seniors.—Louis Stewart, James Phillips, Wesley Tompkins.
Juniors.—Gladys McLeod, Lillian Tompkins.
Sophomores.—Arnold Koepke, Elmer Martin, Mamie Sheard, Estelle Smith.
Freshmen.—Lawson Hooper, Verne Dudley, Kathryn Froome, Zola Keen, Annabelle McLeod, Ellen Pambrun, Hazel Parker, Lawrence Sharp, Verne Grant.

Eighth Grade.—Cecil Phillips, Verne Russell, Lucille Taylor, Dolly White, Harold McIntyre, Lloyd McPherson, Ernest Danson, Orelle Bernham, Lowell Zerk, Raymond Geisler.
Seventh Grade.—Eldred Cartano, Ida Crabbill, Arata Littlejohn, Velva Mansfield, Hazel McFarland, Belle Pambrun, Helen Russell, Velma Schubert, Verdelia Watts, Martine, Hett, Sylvester Crabbill, Ellis Hopper.

Sixth Grade.—George Banister, Mabelle Donnan, Clara Henley, Virgil King, George Licalles, Elizabeth Mathers, Thelma McEwen, Frank Miller, Eugene Osborne, Edna Pinkerton, Mildred Winship.

Fifth Grade.—Helen Downing, Dorothy Mahar, Vera Mahar, Savannah Smith, Dollie Banister, Jeannette Miller, Leila Schubert, Eva Lundell, Dorwin Phillips, Gail Stone, John Starr, Everett Knight, Henry Knight, Ray Vanell, Willard Parker, Lloyd Mathers, Herman Geisler, Pearl Ramsey.

Fourth Grade.—Basil Van Cleave, Maurice Banister, Sadie Pambrun, Lee Banister, Mildred Stanton, Eva Garstens, Conrad Miller, John Pinkerton, Kohler Betts, Luocinda Dell, Velma McAlexander, Vera Gross, Edna Cartano, Augusta Ornduff, Andra Winship, Ethel Woodruff.

Third Grade.—Bonnie Banister, Richard Cartano, Thelma Crabbill, Myrtle Downing, Donald Johnson, Dorothy Koepke, Alton Licalles, Grace Mahar, Mildred Mathers, Vernon Miller, Charles Uim, Lorain Shink, Arata Payne, Regina Jones, Ethel Geisler, Thomas Kirk.

Second Grade.—Archie Bryan, Frank Garstens, Bertha Couch, Ruth Holt, Blanche Johnson, Marvel McAlexander, Margaret Ornduff, Fay Pambrun, Gail Piersol, Epps Piersol, Iota Schubert, Stella Sheppard, Roland Stone, Howard Ross.

First Grade.—Ray Alexander, Beva Betts, Robert Carstens, William Coppock, Ellen Henry, Vera Miller, Wilfred Miller, Dean Pinkerton, Leonard Geisler, Juanita Woodruff.

Christmas Program.

The following program, headed in too late for last week's issue of the paper, was given at the Baptist church Christmas eve:

Song, Doxology, by the Congregation.
Prayer. — Supt. of Sunday School.
"All Hail Christmas Day." — Chorus.
Welcome song. — Chorus.
Rec. "Ring Out the Chimes of Christmas." — Charles Uim.
Rec. "Little Christmas Tree." — Sadie Pambrun.
Rec. "If Santa Claus Was Pa." — Kohler Betts.
Solo, "So Do I, Don't You?" — Andra Winship.
"Christmas Night." — Wilfred Miller.
Rec. "Christmas Everywhere." — Edna Pinkerton.
Duet, "Merry Bells Ring Out." — Mrs. Plamondon and Helen Russell.
Rec. "Christmas." — Fay Pambrun.
Class exercise, "Christmas Snowflake." — eight girls.
Rec. "What I'd Like to Be." — Dean Pinkerton.
Rec. "Through the Telephone." — Henrietta Dell.
"Sing, O Sing." — Chorus.
Class exercise, "Here is the Chorus," — seven children.
Solo, "Who is He." — Mildred Winship.
Rec. "The Star and the Kiss." — Thelma McEwen.
Rec. "Happy Christmas." — Beva Betts.
Solo, "No Room." — Mrs. Plamondon.
Rec. "Joy to the World." — Belle Pambrun.
Rec. "An Impatient Waiter." — John Pinkerton.
Song, "The Beautiful Story." — Chorus.
Distribution of presents from tree. — Benediction.

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By Peter Radford.
Lecturer National Farmers' Union.

The church, the press and the school form a triple alliance of progress that guides the destiny of every community, state and nation. Without them civilization would wither and die and through them life may attain its greatest blessing, power and knowledge. The farmers of this nation are greatly indebted to this social triumvirate for their uplifting influence, and on behalf of the American plowman I want to thank those engaged in these high callings for their able and efficient service, and I shall offer to the press a series of articles on co-operation between the farmers in the hope of increasing the efficiency of all by mutual understanding and organized effort. We will take up first the rural church.

The Farmers Are Great Church Builders.

The American farmer is the greatest church builder the world has ever known. He is the custodian of the nation's morality; upon his shoulders rests the "ark of the covenant" and he is more responsive to religious influences than any other class of citizenship.

The farmers of this nation have built 120,000 churches at a cost of \$750,000,000, and the annual contribution of the nation toward all church institutions approximates \$200,000,000 per annum. The farmers of the United States build 22 churches per day. There are 20,000,000 rural church communicants on the farm, and 54 per cent of the total membership of all churches reside in the country.

The farm is the power-house of all progress and the birthplace of all that is noble. The Garden of Eden was in the country and the man who would get close to God must first get close to nature.

The Functions of a Rural Church.

If the rural churches today are going to render a service which this age demands, there must be co-operation between the religious, social and economic life of the community.

The church to attain its fullest measure of success must enrich the lives of the people in the community it serves; it must build character; develop thought and increase the efficiency of human life. It must serve the social, business and intellectual, as well as the spiritual and moral side of life. If religion does not make a man more capable, more useful and more just, what good is it? We want a practical religion, one we can live by and farm by, as well as die by.

Fewer and Better Churches.

Blessed is that rural community which has but one place of worship. While competition is the life of trade, it is death to the rural church and moral starvation to the community. Petty sectarianism is a scourge that blights the life, and church prejudice saps the vitality of many communities. An over-churching community is a crime against religion, a serious handicap to society and a useless tax upon agriculture.

While denominations are essential and church pride commendable, the high teaching of universal Christianity must prevail if the rural church is to fulfill its mission to agriculture.

We frequently have three or four churches in a community which is not able to adequately support one. Small congregations attend services once a month and all fail to perform the religious functions of the community. The division of religious forces and the breaking into fragments of moral effort is oftentimes little less than a calamity and defeats the very purpose they seek to promote.

The evils of too many churches can be minimized by co-operation. The social and economic life of a rural community are respective units and cannot be successfully divided by denominational lines, and the churches can only occupy this important field by co-operation and co-ordination.

The efficient country church will definitely serve its community by leading in all worthy efforts at community building, in uniting the people in all co-operative endeavors for the general welfare of the community and in arousing a real love for country life and loyalty to the country home and these results can only be successfully accomplished by the united effort of the press, the school, the church and organized farmers.

Human Devellets.

This is the invariable history of such cases. Let an unidentified body of a man or woman, young or old, be discovered, and from all directions will come inquiries disclosing the fact that many persons have disappeared from the knowledge of their friends. Tragedies and heartaches are thus uncovered, for the mere act of inquiry proves that some one in each case has suffered anxiety over the missing one and his feared evil happenings. Crime, shame, melancholy, discontent, unhappiness, desire for adventure, are among the causes that lead to the disappearances. — Indianapolis Star.

Jim's Advantage.

A prominent state official in a mountain region related in his horse one hot afternoon and inquired of a barefooted woman working in the field, "Madam, can you tell me how much farther it is to Johnson's Corners?"

The woman leaned on her hoe and pondered gravely. "No," she said finally. "I can't. My son, Jim, could tell you, though Jim's been around. He's got shoes." — Every body.

No man is wise at all times. — Pliny the Elder.

LOST IN THE DARK IN A MINE.

Thrilling Experience of a Workman Who Found Himself After an Explosion Alone and Without a Light in the Suffocating Coal Hole.

To be lost in the woods or on the plains is a fearful experience, but there the victim has the heavens above him and can at least see his way about. The terrors of a similar adventure in the utter blackness of a gas filled coal mine are thus described by a correspondent of the Youth's Companion:

I was working alone in a "room" on the second south entry of the mine. It was 5 o'clock, the time for firing the afternoon blast. The man who was "driving" the entry lighted his fuse and came back through the entry calling out "Fire!" One after another the other miners set off their blasts and came along the entry until they reached my room. I lighted my fuse, watched it sputter for a moment and went out into the entry to wait for the blast. Several seconds passed, and there was no explosion. My fellow miners passed out of the entry and left me alone. I went back into the room and found that the blast opening was clogged so that the fire could not reach the powder. I had to remove the tamping and recharge the drill hole. By this time the mine was filled with dense, gas laden powder smoke from the other blasts.

In the stifling smoke I recharged the hole, tamped it, inserted the fuse, lighted it from my head lamp and hurried to the mouth of the room. The work was hastily done. When the powder exploded the rush of air extinguished my lamp.

The darkness was absolute, and there is no darkness so dense as that of a mine. To my consternation I found the matches in my "jockey box" so damp that they would not ignite. Then I became really alarmed. I was two miles under ground without a light in an atmosphere so heavy with gas that it would not sustain life for any length of time.

I dashed into the entry, ran against a pillar and was knocked nearly senseless.

I staggered to my feet and groped down the tunnel. In a coal mine great oaken valves or doors close the entrances to the various tunnels. The air enters through the main entry and is sucked out of the mine by great fans at the opposite end of the mine after it has been distributed through the workings by means of these valves and crosscuts situated near them.

I reached a door, pulled it open and passed through. Beyond it two tunnels came together at a right angle. One led toward the open air, the other led to the depths of the mine. My sense of direction was entirely gone, and I could not tell which to take. It was all chance. I went ahead and after a time reached another valve.

If I only had a light! One glimpse of the number painted on the door would tell me where I was. I tried to feel the number with my fingers, but in vain. I pushed through the door and entered another tunnel, down which I walked for hours, as it seemed. My head was bursting with pain from the gas.

Then I heard the sound of running water. I knelt down, dipped in my hand and found that I was going up stream and consequently deeper and deeper into the mine. So I turned back, reached the valve and felt along the pillar until I found the other tunnel opening. The gas had by this time begun to affect my brain, and I reeled and staggered as I walked. I left the track and walked in the "sump" water up to my knees, keeping one hand on the wall to steady myself.

I passed through valve after valve and tried to keep count, but my brain refused to perform that simple task. At last I pushed through a valve and felt a blast of fresh, cold air. With that breath of oxygen my reason returned. With renewed courage I pushed forward. Many times in following that life giving current of air I plunged through narrow cross cuts, stumbled over masses of slate, fell into water holes and bruised myself by striking against the sharp corners of the coal vein, but I was steadily creeping nearer to the surface.

Suddenly I stumbled against a loaded coal car. That meant that I was in the main entry, but how far from the entrance I could not tell. I worked my way along the string of loaded cars and began to ascend an incline. The fresh air swept down the tunnel in a gale. I kept peering ahead, in the hope of seeing daylight, but none appeared. I wondered why. I broke into a run, and in another minute I had emerged from the mine and stood gazing at the stars. It was almost midnight, and I had left my room shortly after 5 o'clock.

WAY OF A TRAIN IN SPAIN.

Even the Expresses Creep Along as Though They Were Weary.

The train this morning is a correo (express), but everything is so slow that you feel no more hurried than the train and rather enjoy its ways. It creeps into the station quietly and carefully, as if in fear that some one might have laid one of those numerous fine Spanish eggs on the track and it might get broken in a too reckless approach. Sometimes—but this doesn't happen frequently—it slows up when near to one of the smallest of the multitudinous stations and sneaks by without stopping, as if ashamed or afraid.

When it does come to a standstill it listlessly slides back a bit and then slides forward a bit and then rights itself once more and then straightens up with a jerk, as if it were tired and its muscles not obedient to will. Then for a few moments every one cautiously waits to see what further it intends.

About the time it is thoroughly stopped some one pulls at the cord attached to the tongue of the station bell and gives three signals to let the passengers—and any one else who may be interested—know that the train has officially arrived, and a station employee calls out, "San Pablo, echo mator" meaning that there will be eight minutes of waiting — Grant Showman in Atlantic.

Citation.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In re: The Matter of the Estate of W. W. Jacobs, Deceased.

Chas. J. B. Jacobs, Fierco Jacobs, Mary E. Jacobs Grimes, Walter G. Harrore, Mrs. Bettie Nichols, J. Harrore Monroe, Mrs. Daisy Lacey, Mrs. Harry Sautmeyer, Madison Monroe, Mrs. Ruth Chamblin, Mrs. T. I. Marshall, Mrs. Katis Newton, Mrs. Marie Erwin, Miss Jennie Gallaher, Upton Gallaher, Mrs. Lillie Inge, Mrs. Fannie Elliott, Mrs. Susan Jacobs-Simpson, Mrs. Annie Jacobs-Costello, Eugene Dixon Howell, Mrs. Benj. F. Jenkins, Mrs. Madison Monroe Howell, Mrs. Annie Irene Howell-Massey, Joseph Paul Howell, Dorothy V. Downs, Austin Downs, Minor R. Jacobs, Tampon P. Jacobs, Samuel A. Jacobs, Harry L. Jacobs, Sallie A. Richards, John R. Jacobs, Lelia H. Schooley, Margaret K. Fields, S. Howard Jacobs, Minnie E. Weaver, Gordon Jacobs, Oscar E. Hawes, Eva Sanders, Guy M. Jacobs, and Elmer Jacobs:

You and each of you, are hereby cited, directed and required to appear to the County Court room in the County Court house at Pendleton, Umatilla County, Oregon, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. on the 9th day of January, 1915, and to show cause, if any you have, why an order should not be entered in the above entitled matter, directing B. B. Richards, administrator of the estate of W. W. Jacobs, deceased, to sell at private sale the following described realty, to-wit: Lot 8, Block 5, Railroad Addition to the City of Athena, Umatilla County, Oregon, as prayed for in the petition on file herein, which said realty belongs to the estate of W. W. Jacobs, deceased.

This citation is published pursuant to an order of the Honorable J. W. Maloney, Judge of the above entitled Court, made and entered on the 5th day of December, 1914, directing that service of said citations herein to be made by publication and that said publication be made once each week for four consecutive weeks, constituting five publications, in the Athena Press, a newspaper published at Athena, Umatilla County, Oregon. The date of the first publication being December 11th 1914.

Done and dated this 5th day of December, 1914 at Pendleton Oregon.

J. W. MALONEY,
County Judge of Umatilla County,
State of Oregon.

Attest: FRANK SALING,
Clerk of the County Court.

SUMMONS.

In the Justice Court for the District of Athena, Umatilla County, Oregon.

F. G. Lucas, Plaintiff,
vs.
Malcolm Stevens, Defendant.

To Malcolm Stevens, the above-named Defendant:

In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit within six weeks of the date of the first publication of this summons, on or before the 29th day of January, 1915. And you will take notice that if you fail to appear and answer or otherwise plead within said time, the plaintiff, for want thereof, will apply to the court for the relief prayed for and demanded in plaintiff's said complaint—to-wit: For \$36.00 with interest thereon at 8 per cent per annum from July 18 1914 until paid, and for \$15.00 attorneys fees thereon, for plaintiff's first cause of action; for \$93.13 upon plaintiff's second cause of action and for plaintiff's costs and disbursements of this action.

This summons is published pursuant to an order of Hon. B. B. Richards, Judge of the above entitled Court, duly made and filed on the 18th day of December, 1914, and the first publication of this summons will be made in the Athena Press newspaper published at Athena, Umatilla County, Oregon on Friday, the 18th day of December, 1914, and the last publication will be made on Friday, January 29th, 1915.

HOMER I. WATTS,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

Notice.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of The First National Bank of Athena, Oregon, for the election of directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may lawfully come before it, will be held in its office in Athena, Oregon, Tuesday, January 13th, 1915 at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m.

F. S. LeGrow, Cashier.
December 11th, 1914.

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