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County Teachers Hold Institute

The last local county institute of the present school year was held at Grass Valley March 17th. Judging from the number of teachers in attendance and the interest shown by all present, it was one of the most successful of the institutes held by the teachers in Sherman county during the current school year.

State Representative W. F. Jackson was present by invitation and gave an instructive address on recent legislation enacted by the last state legislature. L. E. Webb, principal of the Grass Valley school, was in charge of the topic "High School Departments," offered a very lively program. Other interesting topics discussed were in charge of teachers employed in the county. A very attractive musical program was presented by Miss Mariam White of Grass Valley. The domestic science class of Grass Valley school served a most excellent and appetizing noon lunch.

Following adjournment of the institute, a meeting of the County Teachers' Association was held at 3:30. Following the teacher's association meeting, a short session of the executive committee of the Sherman County Athletic Association was held.

Herbert Nunn, state highway engineer, who has resigned, will open an office in Portland.

Between 5000 and 6000 acres of grain in the Echo region of Umatilla county was damaged by last week's wind-storm.

As the result of a bond election held recently, a \$15,000 high school building will be erected in Mosier this summer.

Ashland business men and fruit growers in a two-day campaign raised \$12,500 to start the Ashland Preserving company.

Prisoners in the Lane county jail are to be worked this spring and summer on the roads, according to an order signed by the county court.

Sherman Highway Construction Begins
A. D. Emory, superintendent of construction for Bauers & Bauers, called at the Observer office Thursday. Mr. Emory stated that the Sherman highway unit between Grass Valley and Kent has been sub-let to the Newport Construction Co. and that the unit between Kent and the county line had been sub-let to Davis and Daly. These two firms have each sub-let part of their units. Bauers & Bauers have reserved the surfacing contract for both units.

Camp has been established near Bourbon by both Bauers & Bauers and the Newport Construction Co., from which point construction will first begin in the Grass Valley direction. This work will start this week. The main camp for the second unit has been established about three miles south of Kent. Active work on this unit began Tuesday morning.

Mr. Emory also stated that it was the intention to close all roads that conflict with the new grade and keep them closed until completely graded and surfaced.

Bauers & Bauers will operate their crusher plants with two Holt 75-h. p. tractors, operating on the main drive shaft. Change from steam to distillate power will eliminate the large operating cost for coal and water.

Four car loads of material for the crusher plant are now enroute and work of erecting the plant is steadily progressing. Mr. Emory stated that it was his earnest endeavor to keep the surfacing close up to the finished grade and, if possible, to complete the entire job by fall.

The general relief committee of 10 at Astoria has decided to close its relief work on April 15. That is, it will cease purchasing groceries and supplies for sufferers from the fire, the committee holding that the needy should be cared for by Clatsop county and the funds at its command should be used entirely for reconstruction work.

Portland consumed more gas in 1920 than did the entire state of Washington and almost twice as many cubic feet of gas as was consumed in Seattle. This was shown in statistics covering gas consumption in Oregon, Washington and Idaho during 1920 and 1921. During 1921 Oregon consumed 2,335,137,800 cubic feet, of which 2,167,311,000 were used in Portland.

Dedication of the new \$40,000 building of the school of journalism, presentation to the school of a new copy desk by the State Editorial association, election of officers of the trade and class journalism section, and group conferences and discussions marked the fifth annual convention of the Oregon newspaper conference held under the auspices of the University of Oregon school of journalism at Eugene.

There were four fatalities due to industrial accidents in Oregon during the week ending March 22, according to a report prepared by the state industrial accident commission. The victims were: George Hart, choker setter, Portland; Russel McCullough, off-bearer, Silverton; F. L. Williams, pipe fitter, Portland; and L. F. Bellenger, faller, Portland. A total of 568 accidents were reported during the week.

Agreement was reached between the Oregon state livestock sanitary board and the United States biological survey to co-operate in the eradication of all predatory animals that menace livestock, at a joint meeting at Pendleton, at which the United States bureau of animal industry also was represented. Plans call for the employment of 12 trained hunters and trappers by the state to assist the same number by the biological survey.

News Letter From Kent
Wm. Young has moved his family out to the farm.
W. C. Patterson was seen on our streets Monday.
A. A. Dunlap and family motored to Antelope for their Sunday dinner.
C. E. Decker has returned from California, where he has been spending the winter months.

Some of our young people took advantage of the nice weather Sunday and went to Buck Hollow.
Monday was a fine spring day. We hope that day by day, in every way, the weather will be better and better.

From reports received, Mrs. Carl Schadewitz is recovering nicely from the effects of an operation undergone last week.

Mrs. Henry Schadewitz of The Dalles, is visiting with her son Carl and assisting with the house work during the absence of her daughter-in-law.

The highway men are here ready for work. These are the contractors and constructors of modern roads and not the old fashioned sort like Dick Turpin and Robin Hood.

Editor Ireland of the Observer at Moro was in Kent Sunday. He was interested in the location of a railway crossing which the company has ordered built on his farm south of Kent.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson, Betty Kelly, and Mrs. W. R. Adams were visitors at Madras last week-end. While at Madras the party were the guests of Mrs. Essie Wilson and Miss Ruth Adams.

Walter Byers was in such a hurry to get home Sunday evening and get his cows milked that he ran a front wheel off his Ford. The report is that no damage was done, except to Walt's feelings.

While industriously splitting kindling Monday evening, Henry Mores had the misfortune to cut his left hand. Max Pleumke took him to the doctor at Grass Valley "in a hurry." First time we had heard of that car.

A number of friends of the family, residing in Kent and vicinity, attended the funeral service held Sunday at Grass Valley in honor of Mrs. W. B. Wilcox. Mrs. Wilcox was the mother of George Wilcox, proprietor of the drug store in that city.

There will be an Easter program Sunday morning at the church. Following the program Cradle Roll will be called and twenty babies will be presented with certificate. The superintendent of the Cradle Roll has suggested that all mothers and babies be present to receive their certificates.

The steady boarders at Hotel Kent had high hopes Sunday noon of a duck dinner, but the ducks out-ducked Max. Some eighteen wild mallard ducks lit in the pond back of the hotel just as dinner was announced last Sunday. Max got his trusty gun and boldly stalked them in the shiny sunlight, but the ungrateful birds became alarmed and took the air before Max had secured a satisfactory shot. As matters stand he is credited with one cripple.

Chris Pjston, Ed Justesen and Miss Naomi Young motored to Grass Valley last Saturday evening to attend the presentation of the comedy drama "Deacon Dubbs" by members of the Eastern Star lodge of Grass Valley. Included among the party on the return was George Witter, returning from Portland, Chris valiantly navigated the car on the home journey for a distance of three miles then the "au-to-go" stopped by the roadside. The hour was after midnight and the wind was cold. Members had an enjoyable time gathering thistle and tumble weed with which to lighten the labors of the chief investigator who found a burned timer wire. This repaired, the party proceeded joyously.

Approximately 107,000 persons die of tuberculosis in this country each year. The one bright spot in this sorry state of things is that the rate is steadily growing smaller. The war against tuberculosis must be kept up. The white-seal stamps supply ammunition for that war.

Perhaps the world seems to be growing more wicked because there are more people in it to be wicked than there used to be.

When you get down to brass tacks, you will have to admit that humanity owes much more to its bull-tongue plows than to its silver-tongue orators.

TURN ME OVER

But one I got the other day believe me, wuzz a bird!

I like my eggs any old way, but like em best when stirred.

CHURCH NEWS
Notes of Interest to All Local Denominations

The special program prepared for "Every Member Present Sunday" rendered at the Methodist Sunday School last Sunday was a very popular, interesting and successful event in church affairs of Moro. Long before the usual Sunday School hour people began to arrive from every direction; men with their families; mothers with young babies; scores of children; young men, and young women; all anxious to be on time to present their ticket at the door and receive a gift which was waiting them. One pleasing feature of the occasion was the number of adults present, 67 adults were present in the two older classes. The total number present numbered 142. The offering amounted to \$19.92.

The last in the series of potluck suppers at the Presbyterian church in connection with the School of Missions took place last Tuesday evening. About fifty people partook of the sumptuous meal, of whom about forty attended the study classes on The Negro Problem. A fine social spirit as well as a zeal for inquiry have been manifested through the series, which have made for better acquaintanceship inside the church and also a broader instruction in Christian education and enlightened citizenship. In all probability a similar course will be put on next winter.

The Sunday School of the Presbyterian church will have an inverted program next Sunday. At ten-thirty they will assemble for the Easter exercises, which will last about half an hour. The morning church service will be merged with the Sunday School program, beginning half an hour earlier than usual. The pastor will speak on the theme, "It is Finished." The choir will close the service with an Easter hymn of the same title. The Sunday School offering will go to the Board of Foreign Missions.

The annual congregational meeting of the Presbyterian church will be held next Tuesday evening, April 3d, in connection with supper at six-thirty o'clock. Reports will be read from all the organizations of the church; the budget for the coming year will be acted upon; the usual officers will be elected, and plans for future activities of the church will be considered. As this is the most important meeting of its kind during the year, a large attendance is expected.

The Christian Endeavorers, instead of their usual Sunday evening meeting, will hold an Easter sunrise service at 7:30 in connection with an Easter breakfast to be given in the basement of the Presbyterian church. The theme is the "Easter Psalm" (Psalm 16). The service will also be the monthly consecration meeting of the society. The last period of the service will be in charge of Rev. H. G. Hanson.

The cantata known as "Easter Angels," will be sung by a chorus of about twenty voices at the union Easter service in the Methodist church next Sunday evening, beginning at seven-thirty o'clock. The cantata is given under the direction of Miss Iola McCain with Mrs. R. L. Kunsman at the piano. Rev. H. G. Hanson will give the Easter message on the theme, "The Meaning of the Resurrection."

The subject for the morning service at the Christian Science church next Sunday is "Reality." The golden text is taken from Isaiah 26:4. Trust ye in the Lord forever: for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength. Responsive reading is from Psalm 118:14-17, 19-24.

The contest at the Methodist Sunday School between the Reds and Blues on their trip to Palestine ended last Sunday by the Red team reaching Palestine. The time for the big social "to be" planned by the Methodist Sunday School will be announced later.

The Methodist and Christian churches of Wasco will join in a union Easter service at the Wasco Methodist church next Sunday evening at seven-thirty o'clock. Rev. Young, pastor of the Methodist church, will deliver the message.

Those in charge of the Easter program to be given at the Methodist church next Sunday have been meeting every afternoon this week in preparation for the event. The program is announced to begin at eleven o'clock.

The theme for the Easter morning service next Sunday at the Christian church in Wasco will be "The Risen Christ." Rev. B. L. Hicks, the pastor, will deliver the message.

Tom Fraser sang a beautiful selection at the morning service at the Methodist church last Sunday. It was exceptionally well rendered.

According to many signs and rumors there is a reviving interest in formal etiquette. There is no harm to be done, and much good, by laying a little more emphasis than we have had in recent years on the outward signs of good breeding. Still, if the outward signs were the whole story there would be little hope for those seeking perfection in the art of etiquette. One might memorize a thousand rules governing the little details of daily life and yet come up against a situation requiring knowledge of a thousand-and-first rule, not yet learned. To cheer the despairing, let it be known that there is one simple rule which applies to all most of the polite formalities of life. That is the old, familiar rule of doing to others as you'd want them to do to you.

Neighbors Secure Rock Surfaced Road

Al Kirtly was in town Wednesday from his farm home north of Wasco. He reports that the county road crew have finished their work in his neighborhood and that they have moved to their new camp location on the Hay Canyon road.

Mr. Kirtly also stated that the road past his place is now rock surfaced from his corner to a connection with the Sherman highway in Biggs canyon. He stated that this improvement will result in at least two cents more a bushel for his wheat and faster delivery to the warehouses at Biggs in place of hauling to Wasco.

The county had planned to rock surface only a part of the distance, but the neighbors and land owners in that vicinity raised enough cash to pay the county the cost of doing the extra work, with the result as stated. Those contributing to the fund were Fred Blau, Al Kirtly, Clyde Herring, Leonard Marus, Roy and Wm. Birks.

In an effort to cut down the length of his jail sentence, James Landerdahl, convicted in city court at Bond of wife-beating, is on a hunger strike.

A heavy loss of sheep and goats has been sustained this season by ranchers at the head of Smith river in Lane county. Cougars are blamed for the killing.

Eight hundred tons of loganberries, a part of the Woodburn pool, were recently sold at a price of 5 cents a pound, according to information received.

The state highway commission met in Portland Tuesday, when bids on road improvement contracts aggregating approximately \$500,000 were considered.

Orchardists throughout the Rogue River valley have placed out their smudge pots in anticipation of a visit shortly from Jack Frost, and are ready for action.

Members of the Willamette Valley Grain Dealers' association met in Albany and discussed problems of the mill and feed business in the Willamette valley.

The tenth annual state conference of the Daughters of the American Revolution was held in McMinnville with delegates from 18 out of the 19 chapters in the state in attendance.

The Banks post of the American Legion is planning to build a home and intends to solicit every household in the vicinity to set a hen and to donate it and its chickens next fall to the post.

More than 100 leading apple and pear growers from every section of western and southern Oregon attended a two-days' meeting in Salem, called by the Oregon Growers' Co-operative association.

Abstracts
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