

Educational Department

"The hope of democracy lies in education"

As the name implies, this department is devoted to educational work in the public schools, high schools and colleges.

The young people of any part of the country are welcome to contribute to this department. Write the editor a letter, a story or essay, and send it in. If space allows, it will be published.

Anyone is welcome to write to this department, be he a first grade pupil or a senior in college.

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Dates of Importance To Be Remembered

May 3—The Annual Field Day, at Eagle Point.

May 4—Friday. The Southern Oregon Field and Track Meet at Talent. A separate list of events is being offered for rural schools. Rogue River, Gold Hill, Central Point, Jacksonville and Talent will compete in athletic events for the Olympic trophy.

May 24—Thursday. Applegate will have another rally this year. The various schools of Jackson and Josephine counties in the Applegate Valley will join in an all-day celebration. The Valley Pride Creamery Association is back of the movement and will aid the schools in putting the event through.

Sugar Beet Prizes

We desire to offer prizes to school girls and boys for the best one-half acre or larger tract of beets. There must be at least ten contestants in each district.

The following prizes will be paid in addition to the established price for beets:

1st Prize—\$15.00.

2nd Prize—\$10.00.

3rd Prize—\$5.00.

For further information write to the Utah-Idaho Sugar Co., Grants Pass, Oregon.

Very truly yours,

Paul E. Kuker,

Cashier Utah-Idaho Sugar Co.

Oregon Normal School May Day

Changed to Patriotic Day

Thursday, May 17, was set aside for the Annual May Day Exercises, but owing to the condition of the times, and the fact that eleven O. N. S. men had joined the nation's colors, it was decided that the day be given up to patriotic exercises.

The morning was taken up with songs, readings, Home Guard drills and a speech by Attorney General Brown.

The afternoon exercises were held in the O. N. S. chapel, due to the stormy weather. Mayor Ostein presided. Patriotic band music and drills were given. Attorney General Brown was the speaker of the day, and delivered a splendid patriotic address.

The programs were grand successes, and were well attended. After the exercises, tea was served in the gymnasium by the Girls' Home Guard. The day closed with the organization of a home guard. Forty-one of those present joined that afternoon.

U. of O. Students Enlisting

University of Oregon, Eugene. The University has dropped all athletics for this spring and all gymnasium classes have been changed into classes for military drill. The call of a number of the track and field men to the front has so crippled all the branches of athletics that all had to be dropped. At the present time there are five companies of cadets drilling regularly every day in preparation for military service. This drill has been made compulsory by the University.

The 2nd. Company Coast Artillery, which is stationed at this city is composed mostly of college students and in the event that the Coast Artillery is called into Federal service it will take about one hundred of the foremost men of the college into the field.

The University has been designated by the war department as a reserve training station for officers and in the near future an officer will be sent to take charge of the work on the campus. This training school for officers will be separate and distinct from the regular infantry drill.

The call of the naval reserves by the government Monday took eleven more men from the university. They were taken at once to the Puget Sound navy yard at Bremerton.

Central Point School Notes

I am pleased to see the interest the boys and girls are taking in this department since I visited the Central Point schools. Edward Martin was one of the first boys to contribute to this department. We are glad to give him space again in this issue.

We are glad, also, to say that Edward suggested that he would be willing to try to answer any questions that any of the other pupils care to ask him through this department. So if you want to try to ask him any reasonable question that is in any way connected with your work in geography, physiology, history or any other subjects, send same to me at The Herald office. —THE EDITOR.

Question: Where does the money tree grow?

Answer: It grows in the land of dreams and in the next world.

Question: Who is Wee Willie Winkie?

Answer: Wee Willie Winkie is a character in the Mother Goose book.

Question: What is gold composed of?

Answer: Gold is a mineral by itself.

Question: Has the moon a gravity of its own?

Answer: Yes.

Question: Does the North Pole draw the compass needle?

Answer: No; the magnetic lakes in northern Canada draw the needle northward.

Question: Has the Plymouth Rock been moved?

Answer: No; it has been made into a monument.

EDWARD G. MARTIN,

Sixth Grade, Central Point, Ore.

High School Notes

The trophy won by the girls' basketball team by their championship of the county league has arrived and been put

on the wall of the assembly this week. It is a four-cornered black felt background with orange letters, entirely different than any of the school pennants, and is quite an addition to the collection and pleasantly reminds us of our champion girls' team.

A great many of the pupils left school Friday to attend the rally and field meet at the West Side School.

The High School Glee Club contributed several selections at the entertainment for the benefit of the Red Cross Monday evening.

That vaulting pole finally got here, but it seems to have become slightly overgrown as a result of its delay.

What's become of Charlie Gilmore?

The Seniors were honorably entertained by the Juniors at a farewell party at the Lyons home last Saturday evening. Games were played and much sport was made over a sewing contest for the boys. Each of the boys had to sew a hem in the ladies' aprons for a prize, which at first seemed worthless, but turned out good for all there, for it was candy. Ice cream and cake were generously served, and the guests departed at a late—or rather an early—hour, expressing their enjoyment and thanks to the Juniors.

GRADES

The third and fourth grades cleaned the school-yard Tuesday afternoon.

Verna Norris has entered the fourth grade.

Ernest Marshall is absent from school this week.

Frances Green is absent from the third grade.

Mr. Smith reports no absence or tardy marks this month.

Virgil Kinney returned to school Tuesday after an absence of six weeks.

Carol Norris entered the second grade this week.

County School Notes

Quite a large number of contracts employing teachers for next year have been received at the Superintendent's office recently for registering. All so far have been for full terms of nine months.

Miss Thelma Blair is finishing out a term of school in Fern Valley, where Mrs. Furry resigned.

School District 24, Miss Alice Cromar, teacher, was recently added to the list of standard schools of Jackson county. The occasion was celebrated in a very appropriate manner by the Community Club. After the entire neighborhood of about sixty had satisfied their appetites at dinner, served by Mr. and Mrs. Sheets, all proceeded to the school house, where a standard school certificate was presented the school by the County School Superintendent. An interesting program followed, consisting of music, stereopticon talk and a short business session, at which time it was decided to purchase a phonograph of Mr. Rose of Ashland, who demonstrated the use of same in the rural school.

As a result of a recent letter sent out by County School Superintendent Ager, calling attention of our board members to that class of progressive teachers who earn Professional Teachers' certificates, several applications have been sent in for teachers of that class. Teachers of this class, however, seldom need to make application for a school.

Six boys have denoted their desire to enter the Jackson County Corn Acre project. Others may enter this week.

Over 1000 letters are being sent by school children in this county to teachers in the East, especially in Massachusetts, calling their attention to the National Educational Association in Portland, July 7 to 14, and incidentally extending an invitation to them to stop off in Jackson county to visit Crater Lake and other places of interest.

Boy Scouts Organized

A local company of Boy Scouts was organized Wednesday afternoon at the High School. Twenty-two boys joined, mostly High School students, who form the charter members of the new organization. The officers of the company will be announced next week.

GETHSEMANE

By John Clair Minot

The others slept; He went apart
Beneath the garden trees;
The heavy burden on His heart
Had crushed Him to His knees.

The mantle of the night was laid,
And silence fell around,
Save where the brook of Cedron made
A little murmuring sound.

The Son of God had traveled long
Upon a weary road;
The spirit that had been so strong
Was faint beneath its load.

His strength was ebbing fast away;
The light that led was dim;
He knew that those who would betray
Were coming there for Him.

And thus He prayed: "O Father, let
The power that is Thine
Remove this bitter cup—and yet,
Thy will be done, not Mine!"

And lo! in answer to His cry,
As with a rush of flame
From out the vaulted midnight sky
A radiant angel came.

The angel touched and made him strong;
No more were loss and pain;
The way was right that had seem'd wrong
And peace was His again.

What could it matter to Him then
That they should seek Him there—
A press of cruel, taunting men,
With a cross for Him to bear?

It may be soon, it may be late—
That fateful hour when we
Shall pass within the garden gate
Of our Gethsemane.

And when we kneel to offer up
The anguish'd spirit's cry,
"O Father, take away the cup,
And let this hour pass by!"

Then may we humbly add, "Thy will
Ane not my will, be done!"
Thus shall Thy peace the spirit fill,
And victory be won.

Good Roads Convention

The Association's convention to be held at Medford on May 16 and 17 will probably be the large event of the campaign for the \$6,000,000 bond measure. It will lay a solid foundation for the remaining twenty days of the campaign. Its sub-organizations and advisory boards will be equipped with substantial data for a whirlwind campaign in closing the contest on behalf of the people of the State.

Governor Withycombe of Oregon and Governor Lister of Washington will address the convention on May 16th and 17th. Legislators and other prominent men will participate in the work of that body at that time. The Association will be grateful for every encouragement extended.