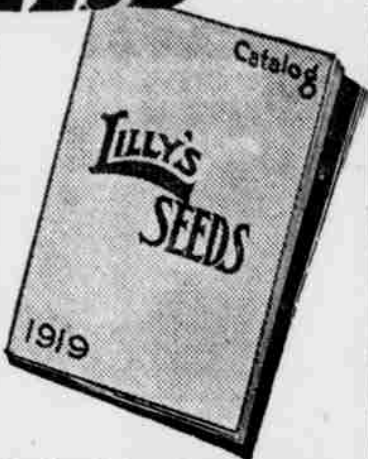


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The Only School In County to Enter
The Essay Contest During the
Fourth Liberty Loan.

The only school in Morrow county to take up the writing of essays in the Essay Contest for the Fourth Liberty Loan, was at Hardman. The presentation of silver medals, in which two pupils of that school were honored, took place there last week. The successful contestants were Ilo Merrill, aged 11, of the eighth grade, and Marion Hayden, 14, of the High School. These two pupils presented essays of splendid merit, and Mrs. Shurte is praising them both very highly for their excellent work. In order to be present for the meeting and receive his medal, Marion rode over a distance of 35 miles on horseback and through the storm from Spray. Miss Merrill is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Merrill, of Hardman, and Mr. Hayden is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Hayden of near Spray.

"The medals were not given so much for their intrinsic value," Mrs. Shurte states, "as for the patriotic honor bestowed upon them. Hardman was the only school in the county who took part in the Essay Contest for the Fourth Liberty Loan. Some schools were not in session at the time. Another chance will be given in April for the Fifth Liberty Loan. We hope every school will participate in this one. Ten silver medals will be awarded to the best essays in each county, and ten gold medals to the best ten in the state."

The meeting at Hardman on the 20th was attended by Mrs. Shurte, county school superintendent, Miss Irene J. Cowgill, of O. A. C., Miss Edith Thorley and F. R. Brown of this city. Concerning their part in the meeting, we have the following from one of our good friends out there:

Hardman, Oregon, Feb. 22, 1919. Our little village was tendered quite an interesting treat Thursday, Feb. 20, 1919, through the efficient arrangement of our County School Superintendent, who is never hindered by rain, mud or snow. Which fact is firmly established by her safely landing her forces here on the above date.

The entertainers consisted of Mrs. Lena Snell Shurte, County School Superintendent F. R. Brown, County Agent, Miss Helen J. Cowgill, Asst. State Club Leader from the Oregon Agricultural College and Miss Edith Thorley, Superintendent of the Art Division in the Morrow County Fair. If you peruse the personnel of this troupe you will see that our instruction and entertainment was to have a large scope.

The ball was set rolling by Mrs. Zera Hopkins rendering a solo, accompanied by Miss Thorley. After this Mrs. Shurte came forward and proceeded to outline her work. She was at her best, and her clear and enthusiastic explanation drove every

point in such a forcible manner that you could almost see these pupils resolve on a higher plane of education. The benefits of the club work was touched, the ready response to war work, as well as the County Fair was reckoned. These reports show substantial advancement. Every request receiving a prompt response.

Miss Daisy Barlow varied the program with a solo, accompanied by Mrs. Hopkins.

Mr. Brown was the next speaker. He launched out on the club work, insisting that all members should persevere and make their final report whether a success or a failure. He proved that a failure might be of more benefit than success by telling of a boy who worked diligently on his garden until it was well started and very promising. At this juncture a hail storm demolished everything but the weeds. Did he stop? No, he worked that garden, unceasingly and with partial success as he obtained some vegetables. The speaker claimed the preparation for the hard knocks of life, from this adverse experience greater than a garden grown without special effort.

The next topic was the COUNTY FAIR. The plan and outline was so enticingly given that the entire audience seemed to see itself enroute for the occasion with a large prize-winning exhibit. He illustrated the advantage of cooperation, both local and national, thoroughly exhausting the subject.

The struggle with inclement weather seemed to nerve Miss Thorley, for the solo she rendered was of an excellence rarely experienced by the inhabitants of our inland village.

Miss Cowgill then dealt with the obstacles, pleasures, and rewards of the different lines of club work. She showed that Uncle Sam was receiving \$22 return for every 17 cents spent in this kind of instruction. Ere her conclusion we were seized with a desire to erase the word "Assistant" from her title for she is certainly a leader.

Imagine our surprise when Mrs. Shurte announced that Mr. Brown would present medals to the winners in the essay contest on the Fourth Liberty Loan. He called Ilo Merrill, of the eighth grade and Marion Hayden of the Freshman class. This he tackled like a veteran, showing how the co-operation of our inhabitants had furnished the pep needed to conquer the Hun, thereby insuring democracy to the world.

In our after thought we realized that it was no wonder that our schools turned out graduates six years younger than in our day; that the same soil that brought \$250 per quarter section in our youth was now nearing the two acre mark; that Uncle Sam was realizing \$22 on a 17 cent investment. It is the material result from the Herculean efforts of this and similar bodies.

From another correspondent we have the following account of the visit of these people to that little city:

Thursday, February 20, Hardman was given a very pleasant and profitable program, devoted to the interests of club work. The meeting was under the able leadership of our County Superintendent of Schools, Mrs. Shurte, who also gave a most forceful appeal for the suffering people of Armenia.

Mr. Brown, of Heppner, outlined for the children and parents, the plans for next year's fair, including an explanation of the District Booth plan. He also gave many interesting and encouraging accounts of the individual work of club children of last year.

Miss Cowgill, Asst. State Club Leader of Boys' and Girls' club work, convinced us that club work was indeed profitable from a financial point of view. The cost of financing the proposition being exceedingly small in comparison with the financial returns. Next year the club work is to be better organized, as the members in a given locality will confine their efforts to one particular line, thus assuring one booster calf, pig or corn club, in place of three half-hearted clubs, each with a different aim. Efficient leadership will be much easier obtained by this new plan.

At the close of the program, the silver medals for the Morrow County Fourth Liberty Loan Essay Contest, "My Liberty Bond and I," were presented by Mr. Brown to Marion Hayden, grade nine, and Miss Ilo Merrill, grade eight, both of Hardman. Hardman is especially grateful to these young people for their efforts, and they may feel justly proud of their efforts.

Music for the afternoon was furnished by Mrs. Zera Hopkins and Miss Daisy Barlow of Hardman and Miss Edith Thorley of Heppner, to whom much credit is given for having made the afternoon enjoyable.

The people of Hardman wish to express their thanks to Mrs. Shurte and her associates for having given us so pleasant and so instructive an afternoon.

Charles McElligott, young farmer of Ione, was in Heppner short-time on Tuesday. Mr. McElligott gave this office a pleasant call, leaving with us his subscription for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sparks, of Condon, spent a few days in Heppner this week.

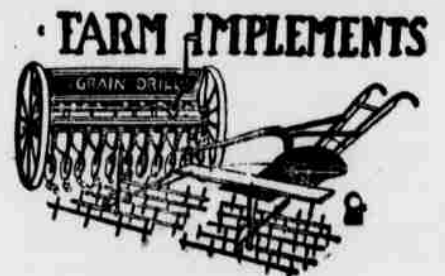
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