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Grade News

Nellie Clark of the first grade will not be in school the remaining part of the term.

The first grade pupils are making picture study booklets in which they will keep their picture study lessons. The favorite pictures of the class are "The Cat Family" and "Can't You Talk?" These two pictures are among the large pictures of the room and this fact makes their study more interesting.

The second grade is studying the germination of seeds. The children are showing a great deal of interest in the growth of some beans which they have planted. Along with this study they have been reading the poem entitled "The Little Plant," by Kate Louise Brown.

The B class of the second grade have been dramatizing the story of "Belling the Cat."

Donald Fredericksen and Clyde Erwin have been absent from the first grade because of colds.

John Watkins of the third grade is leaving at the end of the week. He is planning to attend school in Pendleton.

Next week the third grade is going to make daffodils which they will use as a border to decorate their room.

The officers of the fourth grade which were elected this week are as follows: President, William McRoberts; secretary, Ruby Northness; door tender, Marshall Fell; board cleaners, Lola May Coxen and Genevieve Hanna; flower tender, Billy McCaleb; nurses and doctors, whose duty it is to inspect the face, hands, teeth and clothes of every pupil each day—the last one in each row, and leaders, Viola Kirk and Lloyd Burkenbine.

In geography the A class of the fourth grade has completed maps of the South Atlantic States. The B class is studying the various forms of water, including oceans, lakes, seas, rivers and tributaries.

Charles Cox, a fourth grade pupil, has been absent for four days with the flu.

Ruth Cowins, Beth Vance, Marjory Parker and Olivia Baldwin have been absent on account of colds.

Both classes of the fourth grade have begun work on poetry for the declamatory contest and are working very hard.

For their art work the fourth grade has been making triangles, squares and circles with crayons. They have also finished a crayon landscape sketch. They are beginning to study water colors, water washes and the primary colors.

In Curtis Tests in the fourth A, Marie Barlow and Marshall Fell are ahead being tied on test number 27. Rosanna Farley on number 23 is next highest. In the B class Olivia Baldwin and Beth Vance, tied on number 20, are in the lead.

The eighth grade is going to present the program for the next P. T. A. meeting, April 10. The girls are going to sing two songs and Louise Mayer, Irene Hiatt and Gene Mikesell are going to take individual parts.

The grade school boys have baseball practice every night after school. The coach has not yet selected the main team.

In a spelling match which was held in the fifth grade Friday, Mary Eleanor Adkins spelled the room down.

James Driscoll has been absent

Ali-Din, the Magician, Here Next Thursday

Ali-Din, magician, the man who drives a car when securely blindfolded, will be here next Thursday, Friday and Saturday and will appear at the Star theater in performance each evening and at a matinee Saturday afternoon. In addition to his appearances at the theater, Ali-Din will give free exhibitions Thursday and Saturday of his sensational car-driving stunt. In this exhibition he is blindfolded by a committee of local citizens after which he drives a car through the streets, starting and stopping, slowing up and speeding in accordance with the demands of traffic. He observes all local traffic rules, and the manner in which he pilots the car about the streets is past the understanding of his audience.



The drive on Thursday will start on Thursday at 4:15 p. m. on Saturday at 2:00 p. m. on Saturday. Ali-Din will use a Pontiac Six sedan, furnished for the occasion by Ferguson Motor company of this city.

of the past week on account of a bad cold.

In the fifth grade there was a total of 19½ absences during the week.

The Misses Thorpe, Bennhoff and Blenkman spent the week end with Miss Helen Fredrecksen at Stanfield.

Senior Program

The senior program held Friday, March 23, was an interesting and laughable event. Mrs. Smith, senior advisor and announcer, first staged Professor John Conder, pianist, and Ellis Thomson with his uke singing "Shoo Fly, Don't Bother Me" and "Silver Threads Among the Gold."

Next, "Aunt Bessie and the Oil Stock" was acted by Mildred Green as Aunt Bessie and John Conder as an oil stock salesman. Aunt Bessie, a very deaf old lady, was entertaining with her peculiar ways.

The third part of the program was "Opal's Three Lovers." Eva Hiatt represented Opal and Marvin Gammell, Stephen Thompson and Kenneth Oviatt her three lovers. The three lovers, each visiting Opal, happen to arrive on the same day and a confused scene results.

Last but not least was "Auld Lang Syne," sung and acted out by the senior English class, consisting of the following: Kenneth Oviatt, Margaret Smith, Stephen Thompson, Hazel McDaid, Bobby Turner, Rosella Doherty, Marvin Gammell, Florence Bergstrom, Marvin Brannon, Edna Vaughn, James Hager, Eva Hiatt, Onex Parker, Letha Hiatt, Joe Brosnan, Ellis Thomson, Mildred Green and Miss Ede, music instructor.

Personals

Miss Pearson, the commercial instructor, spent the week end in Portland. She attended the opera, "Il Trovatore" on Saturday night. On Sunday, she was entertained at the home of Miss Esther Wright.

She was detained on business but reached home Monday evening.

Heppner high school was well represented at the Elks dance which was held on Saturday in Arlington. At the meeting of the musical club on Monday evening several of the students and one of the faculty were on the program. A song composed by Schubert was sung by Frances White, Alyce Cason, Mary White and Virginia Dix. Miss Ede sang "Who is Sylvia?" by the same composer, the words of which are by Shakespeare.

Office News

Dr. Beattie, head of the department of visual education of the University of Oregon, and at present a member of the extension service staff of that college, visited the local high school on Tuesday and gave a very interesting talk before the student body assembly on the subject of higher education.

The senior civics class period was also devoted to a speech by Dr. Beattie, advising and discussing with the seniors on the various questions of higher education. Several of the seniors who desired individual information and guidance in college problems had the privilege of discussing these with Dr. Beattie personally.

Dr. Beattie has been at the University of Oregon for many years and answered the many questions of the senior class with a great deal

of capability and interest. The main theme of Dr. Beattie's speech was based upon scholarship, credentials, character, and purpose of vocation of the modern-day student, wishing to enter college.

Humor

Mr. Johnson (meeting Mr. Driscoll while going on a biology field trip): "Can you tell me if this plant belongs to the arbutus family?"
Mr. Driscoll: "No, sir, it doesn't. It belongs to the public school ground."

Mr. Von Lubken (in the lunch room): "Say, what do you call this soup?"
Dorothy H.: "That is bean soup, sir."

Von Lubken: "Yes, I know it's bean soup, but what is it now?"

Paul H.: "But you said she sang beautifully."
Marvin G.: "No, I didn't."

Paul: "What did you say?"
Marvin: "I said she was a beautiful singer."

\$6,500 PRIZES TO BE GIVEN PUPILS, TUTORS IN CONTEST

School Officials Cooperate With Highway Education Board to Sponsor Essays on Safety.

Washington, D. C., March 28.—Offering \$6,500 in prizes for the best essays and lessons on street and highway safety, the Highway Education board is announcing to schools the annual safety contest open to elementary school pupils and elementary school teachers of the nation. The competition is conducted each year with the active cooperation of the school authorities.

Based on past experience, officials of the board say they expect to receive essays, not only from each state in the Union and virtually every city of size, but from the territories and outlying possessions as well, such as Alaska, the Philippines, Hawaii, Porto Rico and the Canal Zone.

The \$6,500 in prizes is given by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, and this year includes 442 state prizes for elementary school pupils, three national prizes for teachers, the latter totalling \$1,000 in cash. In addition, the pupil and the teacher whose essay and lesson respectively are chosen as the best in the nation are given a trip to Washington with all expenses paid, no matter from what section of the country they may come.

This year, according to the rules, pupils are to write essays of 500 words in length on the subject "Why We Have Practice Traffic Rules." Teachers are given the subject "Objectives and Methods of Education in Street and Highway Safety," on which they are asked to prepare practical lessons for use, not alone in their own classrooms, but by other teachers in the classrooms of the nation as well. Pupils of the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades may compete, while all teachers in the eighth and lower grades are eligible participants.

In the past six years it is estimated

that more than 2,500,000 elementary school pupils and perhaps half a million teachers, have written essays and lessons on the various subjects assigned in connection with these contests, which have proved not only to be the most sustained national competitions open to the schools, but among the most popular as well. An average in excess of 400,000 pupils write essays each year, it is said, while approximately from 60,000 to 80,000 teachers write and teach safety lessons to their pupils.

The amount of \$6,500 in prizes is divided into three groups, of which more than half goes to pupils as state prizes. Altogether, 442 cash prizes and the same number of gold, silver and bronze medals are offered pupils who find their names on this safety honor roll of the nation.

Each state and territory is entitled to one first prize and one second prize. The first prize is a gold medal and a check for fifteen dollars; the second award is a silver medal and a check for ten dollars. The number of third prizes, bronze medals and checks for five dollars, varies in proportion to the elementary school enrollment, New York, with its dense population being entitled to twenty-five, Indiana, to eleven, Florida to four and Nevada to one, to cite certain examples.

These prizes are distributed through the state departments of education. Finally, the essays which are chosen as best from the states are entered in competition with each other. The best of these papers

earns for the writer a gold watch and a trip to Washington with all expenses paid, while the second and third national awards are handsome gold watches of suitable value and design.

Teachers are not given state prizes, but the three lessons chosen as best of all those written throughout the nation earn for their writers checks in the amount of \$500, \$300 and \$200 respectively, and the teacher whose lesson is ranked first also is invited to come to Washington as the board's guest.

The third division of the prize money is set aside for the travel expenses and entertainment of the pupil and teacher whose essay and lesson earn national honors.

RHEA CREEK.

Last Sunday was the birthday anniversary of R. E. Allstott. A large number of relatives gathered to wish him many happy returns of the day. A new Star sedan recently bought by Mr. Allstott added to the pleasure of those present.

John McDonald bought a Chevrolet coach last week. He will use it on his trips through a nearby county where he has the agency for the sale of carbide light plants. In spite of the disagreeable weather a good sized crowd attended the Grange dance last Saturday night, though a number of the usual attendants went to a school entertainment at Rocky Bluff given by the pupils of Miss Alice Kethley. The home economics committee

of the Grange met last Saturday and changed the hall of the old school house into a kitchen. Several other improvements were made to put the building into shape for serving meals to members of Pomoona Grange, which meets at Rhea creek on April 7.

Myles Mulligan and wife will leave this week to take charge of Clyde Wright's mountain ranch.

John Gilbert in TWELVE MILES OUT, Star Theater, Sun. and Mon.

NOTICE TO CITY WATER USERS
The offices of the City Water Department will be found at the Council rooms, next door to the office of J. J. Nys, beginning on April 1st. Come to this office to pay your water bills hereafter. All bills become delinquent on the 10th of the month.

W. E. PRUYN, Watermaster.
Ed Clark, local Maytag salesman, motored to Portland Friday and took in the grand opera performance there on Saturday afternoon.

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