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SCHOOL NEWS

The last meeting of the Social club was held at the home of Miss Grace Cypert. The attendance was large and a very pleasant evening was spent by all. Miss Opal Briggs was a club visitor.

In a recent examination in Geography the following question was given: Name 12 animals of the Polar regions. One boy scratched his head, thought hard for a few minutes, and then wrote—"Six seals and six polar bears."

Miss Grace Cypert and Frank Tyler of the review class took the teachers examination, and both passed. They have both secured schools. Frank Tyler commenced school at Fine school house, on Butter Creek, last Monday, and Miss Cypert will commence her school a few miles north of town, in a short time.

In one of the lower grades, all the children were asked to bring to class a short original composition about some article they saw in daily use. Following is a sample: "The needle is a sewing tool. It is composed of two parts—the point and the eye. The eye is made of air, and is what we stick the thread through. The point is made of steel and is what you stick through the cloth."

The professor was giving a lecture on "Early Rome and the Romans" "These hardy men" he said "think nothing of swimming across the Tiber three times before breakfast." Suddenly a loud laugh came from the center of the class, and the Professor, amazed at this interruption, angrily asked the pupil what he meant by such conduct. "I was just thinking sir, that the poor Roman chaps would find themselves on the wrong side for their clothes when they landed."

The debaters are doing fine work. The High School team have undertaken a question that covers about 3000 years of history and at present they are summing up and sifting out, untill the main features of civilization for that time is either going to be accredited to the early Grecian nations,

or the later Roman Empire. It is a question that students, after years of study and investigation would find some difficulty in giving a clear argument on, so much credit must be given to the debaters, if they meet the question in any logical way at all. The debate takes place next Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Since the weather has become pleasant out door basket ball has become the chief source of amusement for the girls at school. The largest girls have organized two teams and the medium sized girls have two teams. A good ground with good protections on the ends has been fitted up so that the game can be played to a better advantage than before. We hold that next in importance to books, if not in some respects of first importance for pupils at school, is good healthful exercise. We believe that basket ball properly played is one of the nicest and best of games. The medium sized boys are

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organizing a team also.

The time of year has come when it is more pleasant to be out of doors than in the house, and many of the pupils begin to wish to stop school. The school board has decided to have nine months of school in order to better conditions, and give our boys and girls a fair show with the boys and girls of other towns. Now parents it is for you largely to decide whether this

change will be for the benefit of the school or not. If you allow your boy to quit without finishing his years work you have injured not only your boy but the school. In this day and age of close competition, success is only going to come to him who is thoroughly prepared. A good common school education is the first step in this preparation. The day of Abraham Lincoln is past, and yet if it were not, his case is only one of the exceptions that are always found scattered throughout history, while under like circumstances where he succeeded a million would have failed, while if that million had had the opportunity that is now offered

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so freely to every boy and girl, many thousand would have made a success of life. But all of us do not have the same idea of success. Some would have it that the person who gathers together much money has made a success in life, others that he who has attained high political honors is the one who has been successful, and many other ideas exist, but we hold that he has attained the highest success who lives his life in such a way as to enable others to live their lives better.

Those averaging 90 and above in the February examinations were:

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Miss Agnes Hammer, Teacher

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