

PRIZE WINNERS SPELLING CONTESTS COUNTY SCHOOLS

Results of final county spelling contest, held May 6th, 1914.

Class A
(Employing five or more teachers)

Name of school	Percentage
Gold Hill	96.7
Rogue River	94.1
Central Point	93.7

Class B
(Employing from two to five teachers)

Name of school	Percentage
Wagner Creek	99.2
Oak Grove	95.7
Butte Falls	88.5

Class C
(Employing one teacher)

Name of school	Percentage
Pankey School	91.6
Anderson Creek	90
Hybee Springs	90

Pupils not missing any words:
Gold Hill
Marion Carson, Theo. Chisholm, Walter Kelsey, Anton Olson, Edna Sutton, Reta Tiffin, Ollie Williams.

Rogue River
Alvira Steers, Beulah Taylor, Lila Martin, Melvin Whipple, Lulu Holcomb, Lottie Owens, Dorothy Alexander, Mabel Brown, Leah Holcomb, Jessie Martin, Philip Merriam, Earl Owings, Thelma Robinson, Aileen Robinson, Mary White, Donald Holcomb, Eva Owens, Dorothy Starr, Gladys Sandry, Emma Woodcock, Laura Holcomb, Thelma Yocom, Harvey Woods, Marjorie Alexander, Rena Owings.

Central Point
Otto Bohner, Evan Hildreth, Doris Kindie, Meda Marshall, Clarence Pruett, Kendall Hall, Arlene Hay, Annette Heckman, Ollie Stallworth, Gertrude Wiley, Veri Hathaway, Billy Hopkins, Leslie Hawk, Myrtle McDowell, Helen Norcross, Beatie Price, Mollie Thornbrue, Elgie Altimus, June Dunlap, J. B. Holmes, Boralce Nichols, Hazel Tetherow, Beulah Wright, Lyle Gregory.

Wagner Creek
Elizabeth Bagley, Helen Bagley, Orin Barlow, Elfa Briner, Eula Fox, Thelma Kent, Mabel Kerby, Ora Smith, Mildred Ward, Onie Wimer.

Oak Grove
Virginia George, Alta Knips, Ula Norris, Wilbur Godlove, Tillie Knips, Carl Meier, Elizabeth Meier, Carlton Martin, Esther Martin, Ella Norris, Robert Wooden, Beverly Wooden, Harold Standley.

Butte Falls
Mable Payne.

Anderson Creek School
Violeta Burnett, George Gaches, Ruby Gaches, Chas. Petri, Lloyd Turner, Mattie Turner, Pearl Withrow, Naomi Wilson.

Hybee Springs
Jane Carter.

Correction of errors in former report:
The following pupils marked perfect in the series of regular contest were reported as belonging to the Wagner creek school, whereas they belong to the Anderson creek school: Violeta Burnett, Charles Petri, Mattie Turner, Lloyd Turner.
Ernestine Fredenberg of the Butte Falls school was reported perfect whereas it should have been Ted Fredenburg.

HEAVY DROP OF FRUIT, HOOD RIVER

The Rogue River Fruit & Produce association has received the following report, under date of May 8, relative to the condition of the crop at Hood River:

"We have finished a very heavy and even bloom on all our leading varieties. The actual frost damage was slight. Cold, rainy weather prevailed during the bloom. In my opinion there will be a very heavy drop and cut the crop down considerably. One million boxes is the maximum for Hood River this year. Cherries have dropped to a very large extent; early strawberries were damaged by frost, and nearly all the Bartlett pears were caught in the frosts. Pooley, who usually has 2000 boxes, reports that they have all dropped and Zwick, another earload grower, reports that all of his Bartlett pears have gone. De Anjou and other varieties seem to be heavy. Probably 50 per cent of the apple crop this year will be Spitzenburgs."

FROST PERIOD OVER: OBSERVER DRAKE LEAVES

The danger period for fruit in the valley has practically passed and it is no longer feared that frosts will return to Portland Thursday. Leland Beveridge will continue the work and will be in charge of the office until the arrival of a county pathologist.

NEWS FROM COUNTRY CORRESPONDENTS

EAGLE POINT EAGLETS

By A. C. Howlett

Mr. and Mrs. Swen Herquist who have a farm west of our town near the mouth of Butte creek, were in town last Thursday.

Elder Lindblad is conducting a meeting in the Reese creek school house.

Miss Winnifred Haak, little daughter of one of our leading orchardists was so unwell as to be unable to attend school last Friday and in telling me her reason for not being at school she expressed her regrets that she had to lose a day from school, remarked that she disliked to lose a day as she had a hard time with her arithmetic. Girls that appreciate school hours as she does will always succeed.

Mrs. R. Gardner and Mrs. Frank Coel of Lake creek were out here for dinner last Saturday and to do business with our merchants.

I omitted to state in my last that three of our elderly ladies, Mrs. F. M. Stewart, Mrs. A. J. Daley and Mrs. John Nichols each had the misfortune to fall, by one means or another and each was quite badly hurt. Mrs. Stewart in her hip, Mrs. Daley in her spine and Mrs. Nichols in her wrist, but at last accounts they were all getting along quite well.

Last Saturday John A. Honey and Charles A. Warner were here for supper. They are traveling in the interest of the Northwestern National Life Insurance company of Minneapolis.

A. W. Bradshaw who is superintending the Commercial orchard on Antelope creek was doing business last Saturday with one of our leading merchants, F. R. Heath.

The Ladies' Aid society will serve chicken dinner on election day May 15th in the Park.

Ralph Stanley of Lake creek was a pleasant caller last Saturday for dinner.

Walter Woods was with us for dinner Saturday and he brought Mrs. Howlett some nice mutton. Henry French also brought us in three sacks of fine spuds Saturday.

E. J. Lewis and wife, owner of the Frounce Rock ranch near Prospect came in Saturday night with six dozen hens and two full crates of eggs for the market. They disposed of them to our railroad agent and spent the night at the Sunny Side. Sunday morning they went on to Medford to spend a few days there attending to their interests there.

Mrs. Anna Hannah, nee Anna Pankey, formerly of Central Point, is here visiting her sister, Mrs. Thomas Cingade.

Grace B. Pierce of Forest creek and Harry Maury of Jacksonville were here visiting her brother, Floyd Pierce and family Sunday.

Mrs. Arglee Green arrived from Southern California Sunday. She expects to live in her house, formerly the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Fryer.

E. A. Bass who owns an orchard joining the T. J. Parton farm was here for dinner Sunday and so was J. V. McIntyre, the cashier of the First State Bank of Eagle Point and his wife.

Harris Gippert came out Sunday to the Sunny Side, spent the night and Monday joined the crowd that went to Medford Monday morning to see the show. I learned that there were 70 went on the P. & E. beside half that number in autos and rigs. Talk about hard times in Jackson county!

I understand that the movies were fine last Saturday night. They represented the U. S. navy as it appears off Vera Cruz. I did intend to go and see it but had been out riding for the Mail Tribune that day and was too tired to go out at night in the rain. Talk about rain, but it was simply fine. During my rambling I have to report that W. J. Winkle has paid up for another year's subscription to the Weekly Mail Tribune.

BUTTE FALLS BUBBLES.

Nellie Anderson, who has been having trouble with one of her knees, was taken to Medford Saturday to receive medical treatment.

Grandpa and Grandma Jones are visiting their son, Lew, at present.

Work began at the donkey engine Monday, May 4, after a winter's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Abbott visited recently with Mr. Abbott's folks near Derby.

Rev. Simmons of Eagle Point will hold services here Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

Mrs. Annie Corum and children went to Medford Saturday to attend the circus.

Mr. Finley made a business trip to Grants Pass Saturday.

Dr. Holt came up last week to see Mr. and Mrs. Train's small child.

Ray and Mrs. Hays are attending camp meeting in the valley.

WILLOW SPRINGS TWIGLETS

At the regular meeting of the Enterprise Grange last Saturday the following new members received the first and second degree: Mr. and Mrs. William Williams, Misses Verle Rigby and Eva Magerle, and Messrs. Chase and Peterson, school supervisors. The ladies served a fine dinner and everyone reports a good time.

Mayor W. Wetherell of Rogue River was a guest of Enterprise Grange last Saturday.

Mr. Lewis of southern California is a guest of E. P. Chandler and other friends in the valley.

Earl Oden and William Carter have gone to Dorris to work in the sawmills at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Galbarth gave one of their pleasant dances at the Hybee Springs last Friday. A large crowd of young folks from the Meadows was present.

Dan Neathamer, one of Evans Valley's successful farmers, took a load of hogs to Grants Pass Thursday.

E. R. Peterson visited the schools in this locality during last week.

Mr. Alder gave the scholars a surprise last Saturday by inviting them and their parents to the schoolhouse, which he had cleared of the benches and desks. Music, song and games were the order of the hour. Cake and fruit punch was served and all report one of the pleasantest times in many months.

George Jones has been busy resetting posts and generally repairing the telephone lines along the Evans creek road.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Godding have moved to Rogue River and taken charge of the telephone office there.

Charles Swinden and Mr. Jones of Grants Pass, experienced pocket hunters, are prospecting on Sykes creek.

Carlos Magerle was visiting at the homes of his sisters, Mesdames Beers, Dimmick and Williams, last week.

Art Myers, our rural mail carrier, is on summer schedule now. Mercury was not in it with Art at the wheel.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Findley motored from Table Rock to visit at the Pleasant Valley farm. While there he purchased of F. L. Orr six fine Duroc hogs. Mr. Orr is making a specialty of Duroc hogs.

The farmers of the valley are busy planting beans. One merchant in the Rogue River valley said the beans from Evans Valley equaled the best grown in Michigan.

S. H. Moore visited the dentist at Grants Pass Wednesday. Hiram is not running for office, but he has a pleasant smile for all his friends lately.

EVANS VALLEY BREEZES

William Louis, the well-known sheepman, took dinner at the McKay home Tuesday.

W. A. Thompson was a Medford guest Sunday.

G. N. Davis and wife passed this way Saturday, buying some farm produce.

Saturday evening marked the heaviest rainfall we have had in this locality for some time. Though more or less hay was down, the benefit will more than offset the damage.

Mr. Kirby, who is representing the Mutual Life Insurance company, has been making quite a successful canvass throughout this section.

Mr. and Mrs. Huntington of Los Angeles have been visiting Mr. Miles and family of this district.

Messrs. Tacklam, Stroube and McNasser were Medford guests Saturday.

A check in the pocket is worth more than two promoters' promises. Mr. Webber has been at Marion Young's place with his woodsaw.

Miss Cutler of Hood River is visiting her friend, Mrs. R. W. Elden.

The trouble with the business of physicians, parsons and politicians is that people are beginning to think.

A very successful Grange meeting was held Saturday evening. Many humorous as well as instructive articles on milk were given by the members. Frank McKee, by aid of the rotary Babcock milk tester, made an interesting analysis of the various grades of milk. Refreshments, consisting of ice cream and cake, were served at the close of the evening.

Mr. Dressler, of the Page-Dressler firm of Medford, was out last week looking over properties here.

Agents from the Quality store of Central Point have been around promoting the sale of certain stock and poultry toques.

To live in Willow Springs is ideal, from the fact, aside from the view of the valley below and the snowy-capped peaks to the east, it is only thirty minutes' ride to the city, fifteen minutes' drive to the finest fishing in the west, ten minutes to the hills, where deer can be seen roaming without molestation, and a local-

ity where any kind of fruit desired can be obtained in season. Here's a sage of wisdom.

From a politician's notebook torn: "The smallest politician Always has the loudest horn."

FLOUNCE ROCK FRILLS

John Grieve moved his road camp to T. B. Higginbotham's Monday, May 4. The crew will work on a section of the Crater Lake road, putting it above the irrigating ditch, thus eliminating some mud holes.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ditsworth went to Medford Tuesday. Mrs. Temple Brown went with them to stay with her sister, Kay Kincaid, who is spending a couple of weeks in town.

Charles Manning was out repairing the phone Tuesday. He took dinner with Peeler and Blanchards of Evergreen ranch.

Mr. Pardee of the power plant returned from Medford Tuesday, where he has been for the last two months. He spent a week in the hospital for an operation, which was successful, and now he is feeling quite well again.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Kincaid and H. D. Blanchard made a business trip to Prospect Wednesday.

The summer tourist to Prospect will find that a changed and beautiful spot this year. Mr. Aiken is tearing down the old Pioneer stable and is going to build a new one in a different locality. James Grieve has torn down the old store and built a large new one north of the hotel. The grounds surrounding the hotel have been leveled and sown to lawn grass, and two charming fountains have been installed, one conventional and one rustic, both of James Grieve's designing. There is running water wherever it can be used or is ornamental, and the whole town is lighted by electricity and several houses and the schoolhouse are heated in the same way.

Mrs. Manning is spending a week at Prospect visiting her daughter, Mrs. Boothby, and her sister, Mrs. Ed Hollenbeck.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Peyton spent Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Higginbotham.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Peeler and Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Blanchard made a trip to Prospect Thursday, combining business and pleasure. The two ladies had a very pleasant visit at the Prospect school and on their homeward journey they visited awhile with Granddaddy Nye and Mr. and Mrs. Phipps.

Harold Peyton was thrown from a horse Friday, and, falling on a snag, received a painful wound. He is confined to the house and to his bed.

Mr. Martin, on the Mansfield place, had a bad fall Friday and hurt his hip. He was taken to Medford in an automobile that afternoon.

Mr. Mansfield of Medford was up to his ranch this week for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Higginbotham are visiting their children near Derby this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ditsworth returned from Medford Sunday.

Memorial day services will be held at Laurelhurst schoolhouse. Everyone invited. Particulars later.

James Erskine took dinner Monday with Peeler and Blanchards.

SOUTHWEST AGATE

Sixteen of the citizens of Southwest Agate organized a telephone company this spring. Edmond Kelly is president and J. Frank Rothrock vice-president, with the necessary officers to complete the organization. They have the line well equipped with fir poles ranging from six to eight inches in diameter. The line is now in good working order and everybody along the line enjoying social talks.

C. C. Hull came to Southwest Agate some three years ago and bought of the ditch company 20 acres of land which he enclosed with a neat page wire fence and set the land to fruit trees mostly pear trees with a portion to apple trees. A few acres reserved for small fruits, strawberries, blackberries, grapes, etc., which grow luxuriantly and are prolific producers.

Mr. Hall built a \$5000 bungalow in the southwest corner of his land in a grove of stately pine trees intermingled with oak and madrone trees. Mr. Hall is in Arizona at present holding a lucrative position in the employment of the government.

Frank Rothrock, his father-in-law is looking after his interests during his absence. Everything looks good all around the ranch.

Professor Ockerman of California set several acres to fruit this spring. Frank Gregory, a nearby nurseryman, furnished the trees and superintended their setting out. Mr. Marshall came down from Washington two years ago and rented ten acres of brush land, cleared and raised a fine crop the first year. The work Mr. Marshall did in so short time would do credit to a man many years his junior.

There are many acres of unoccupied land in Southwest Agate. J. L. Hamilton of Medford owns 120 acres of brush land. Mimsie of Central

Point owns nearly 100 acres partly brush land. The ditch company owns many hundreds of acres ready for settlement. All these lands can be irrigated by the ditch company's water ditch. Perhaps this land some day will be cut up in 10, 15 and 20 acre lots and occupied by families. If this should take place, the country would become densely populated. Then a school district could be organized and maintain a flourishing school nine months in the year. Should this ever take place, land in Southwest Agate would rapidly increase in value.

It seems nature has been partial to southwest Agate in presenting her with beautiful landscapes. The two table rocks are just a few miles north, with the beautiful Rogue river crossing around their base, with a beautiful range of mountains in the distant north, known as the Umpqua divide. Mount Rosie Ann to the southeast and Mount McLoughlin some 40 miles east, a standing sentinel with its beautiful snow-clad peak towering heavenward. Many thousands of passengers going through the valley on the Southern Pacific have feasted their eyes on its majestic grandeur. Other points of interest might be mentioned. Suffice for the present.

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