

School Notes From the City and Valley

Junior High

Banking
All the rooms banked 100 per cent last week except room 4 with 50 percent, room 7 with 84.7 per cent and room 5 with 82.2 per cent. We are very sorry to have our percentage go down in this manner and hope next week it will come up to its former record.

Spelling
In spelling the 11.9's had 95.3 per cent, the 11.7's 92.8 per cent and the 11.1's, 92.3 percent.

Boys' League
The boys have organized a Boys' league and hope to have a live organization that will back all school activities. They have elected Elmer Zumbusch, president. As soon as the basketball season is over the boys under the direction of Mr. Henderson will begin baseball.

Washington and Lincoln Assembly
On Friday we held an assembly in memory of both Washington and Lincoln.

The first number on the program was a salute to the flag by the entire student body. This was followed by a tribute to Lincoln by Dorothy Gore, Evelyn Herman then gave a tribute to Washington. Bugle calls were then given by Robert Sherwood and Jack Barrett. A very lovely number followed which was a play by Betty Stennett who played the harp, Suzette Stennett, violin and Doris Crawford who played the flute. Rev. Lawrence gave a very interesting talk on Lincoln and Washington. This was followed by the student body singing America accompanied by the harmonica band, and the glee club.

Pupils Debate for Kiwanis Club
On Tuesday noon the affirmative and the negative debate teams from Junior high school debated for the members of the Kiwanis club. The judges decided in favor of the negative team, which consisted of Marjorie McNair, Lois Snyder and Anne Purnell. The affirmative team consisted of Virginia Dunlavey, Adra Edwards and June Davis.

Lincoln School

Some of the Indian relics unearthed near Gold Hill recently were displayed before the upper grade history classes during the past week.

The building was visited Thursday afternoon by our superintendent, Mr. Hedrick. The first A's gave a play before the department. All the children took part in costume. The story was of a flag, which the birds, raindrops, snowdrops, children and soldiers all loved.

Donald Johnson, a small boy from Everett, Wash., made all the houses connected with Mt. Vernon for the sand table of his first A room. The department assembled in Miss Turner's room in honor of George Washington. Boyd Bellamy gave a reading, "If Washington Were Here." Some fourth grade boys gave an exercise about Washington. Miss Turner read a story and the first A's gave a play. Washington booklets were made by the fourth grade. Three were chosen from the room as the best. First place, Leona Gilman; second place, Norma Beck; third place, Pauline Vroman.

Miss Cox, as Martha Washington and Marguerite Luman as Jane Mendenhall visited each of the rooms Friday.

Helen Gentry, who has been so ill with pneumonia, is improving. A number of 6th graders are out because of illness. Those absent are John Thomas Watts, Windal Page, Mildred Ansell, Hubert Beer, Roberta Warnett, Hubert Gaff.

Mrs. Kershaw's first B's won the health contest for the week with 92.3 per cent.

The 4 B's made 98.7 per cent in spelling. The building made 92.3 per cent.

Banking per cent for Lincoln was 100 per cent. Seven rooms were banner rooms.

Mrs. Shangle's room gave a play called "A Lesson About George Washington." Jeannette White was the teacher. The pupils were Gen. Kohler, Mrs. White, L. O. N. Brown, J. D. McCabe, Hilda Kamikawa.

The 3 A's gave a dramatization showing the origin of the American flag.

Roosevelt School

The following sixth grade pupils wrote these news items: Betty Dyan, Dolph Gnyer, Stanley Kunzman, Mollie Browne, Catherine Brandt, Dolph James, Dorothy Tye.

Assembly
There was an assembly held in honor of Washington's and Lincoln's birthdays on Friday, Feb. 22, 1929. There were two programs, one for the 1,2,3 grades and one for the 4, 5, 6 grades. The lower grades assembly was as follows:

Song—Miss Basford's class.
Poem—"Our Flag," Mrs. Maxwell's class.
Hatchet drill—Mrs. Russell's class.
Story—"The Little Cook," Mrs. Carter's class.
Playlet—"Making the Flag," by Mrs. Webb's class.
Salute to the flag by all.
The department assembly was as follows:
Poem—"Washington," Robert Dyan, 4B.
Bugle calls—Edward Carter, James Horner, Robert Purucker, Richard Thierolf.
Playlet—"Making the Flag"—Frankie Hinsabarger and Edward Carter.
Lincoln Stories—Betty Dyan.

Piano solo—Dor Barrett.
Washington Story—Jefferson Peters.
Harmonica solo—"America," Martha Shurtleff.
Poem—"The Flag Goes By," Catherine Brandt and Marjory Stewart.
Flag Salute by all.

4th Grade Baseball
The 4th grade boys are having lots of fun getting their places on the ball team. Miss Morrison reported that this is only temporary, but these boys have a good chance. They are as follows: Captain, Sam Elberstein; Jack Henderson, Jack Fitzgerald, Earl Goss, Wendell Goble, Boyd Clifton, Edward Carter, Richard Thierolf, Charles Hise, Seth Putnam, Wayne White and Wayne Curry. We all hope they will be on the Roosevelt team.

Harmonica Band
The Roosevelt harmonica band, under the direction of Miss Allen, had a good start this week. We have started to learn "America," and are getting along pretty well.

Home Reading
The upper grade boys and girls of the Roosevelt school have been reading quite a few books this semester. They are given so much credit for outside reading during the semester.

Everybody seems to enjoy reading story books and we feel that it is improving our reading.

Coming Posture Test
The fifth week of this semester the Roosevelt school is going to have another posture test. We hope to get the posture cup again. If practice makes perfect we surely will win.

Speedball
Roosevelt school speedball team still has a small chance for the championship although our team was quite weakened when Bob Littrell, a little 5th grade "whiz," was taken off the team because of appendicitis. We are very sorry to lose him. The boys are up to a fighting pitch now and hope to win their game with Washington school.

Writing
The upper grades of Roosevelt school have test papers posted in the writing room each Monday morning. There are many A's and very few failures. Last Friday we didn't have our test as it was Washington's birthday. Next Friday we hope all will have good grades.

Health
Roosevelt pupils' health is being looked after. The building average for last week was 81.9 percent. The highest record was made by the 2B-2A children with an average of 94.8 percent.

Banking
We are sure proud of the Roosevelt school's 100 percent in banking this week. The honor rooms were 5A, 11.5 percent; 1A, 11.1 percent; 6A, 106.7; 2A, 102.2; 3B-6B, 109; 4B, 100; 1B-3A, 100. The building average was 100 percent. All were surprised and happy to hear the good news.

New Pupils and Pupils Leaving
There were two pupils that entered the Roosevelt school the past week. They were: Leatha Butterfield entered 2T from Gold Hill and Margie Butterfield entered 1A from Gold Hill. We were sorry to have these people leave. Lois Smith, 2A, went to Howard school, Paul Laberrie, 1B, went to Klamath Falls and Dale Johnson, 1B, went to Idaho.

Spelling
Roosevelt's average in spelling this week was 5 percent lower than that for last week. We're going to try to raise our average in spelling as we did in banking this week. The 2A's still have the highest average. They had 97.2 percent.

Jackson School

Banking 96 percent. 100 per cent rooms: Mrs. Henderson's, Miss MacNevin's, Miss Briggs', Miss Hansen's, Mrs. Taylor's and Mrs. Laidley's.

Spelling 98 percent. Highest grades 8A's, 99.6 percent.

Health inspection fair. 100 per cent rooms: Miss Hansen's, Mrs. Laidley's.

Best Writers
From the comparative writing class composed of the children of the 5th and 6th grades, Juanita Wilson was the best writer in the Jackson school. Thelma Evans was No. two, Albert Wall No. 3, Bruch Henselman No. 4, Coyline No. 5.

Visit to Library
Thursday afternoon the 5th's went to the library where they spent an hour becoming intimately acquainted with the books on the shelves by going among them and looking them over. As Washington school was busy with a program and couldn't present our small class of 12B's enjoyed the revision of the library which they thought was quite a privilege.

Reading Interests
The reading classes of the fifth and sixth grades have enjoyed a review of their teacher's visit to Mt. Vernon, illustrated by postcards. This shrine is of much interest to the children as evinced by the unusual questions they ask concerning it.

The department has been loaned thirty-five new books by the Junior high, among which the children are taking keen delight.

Classroom News
The first A and the second B celebrated Washington's Birthday with a program in Mrs. Gifford's room.

The 5A class believes in being the presenters—one in health and another in banking.

The 4B class has been studying Indian life. They have made some interesting panels of free-hand cutting showing the way the Indians in different parts of the country lived. We're also making a collection of Indian things.

Next week at this time we hope to be able to tell you more about our health club. We will initiate

the officers next Friday. Some of the classics elected their representatives today. The other classes will do this on Monday. The 6th's chose Verne Campbell to serve on the Safety committee, Helen Hooper on the Health committee and Juanita Wilson on the Sanitation committee. The 5A's elected John Dickinson for Safety, Jack Thompson for Sanitation and Marlon Brigham for Health. We are all anxious to get started with our new work and plan some good times in doing it.

The Jackson school department, composed of the 4th, 5th and 6th grades, enjoyed the following program, commemorating Washington's birthday anniversary, Friday morning.

Song, "America," department.
Group recitation "George Washington," five boys of 6B.
"Minuet" in costume: Barbara and Natilie Shelby.
Song, "The First in Peace," 4th grade boys.
Recitation, "George Washington," Betty Purdin.
Song, "Minute," 6th grade.
"A Washington Acrostic," 4A boys.
Song, "A Song of Washington," 4th grade girls.
Speech, Rev. W. H. Eaton.
Song, "Patriot Song," 5th grade.

Washington School

Washington's birthday was celebrated by the pupils, teachers and patrons of the Washington school on Thursday afternoon by a program, after which tea was served. The program consisted of the following numbers:

An Original Story of Washington, by a group of First graders.
The Making of the Flag, by Wayne Boyd and Charlotte Beeson, 1A.

Potomac Orchestra, 19 boys of the 2B grade.

Folk dance (Kinderpokka)—Viola Cleven, Louise Keese, Bob Walker, Bruce Leverette, Jean Penac, Betty Evans, Teddy Marshall and Junior Martin.

A song, "Xankee Doodle"—John Prentice, 2B.

A dance—Rae LeFevre, 3A.
Piano reading—Jean Coffeen, 3A.

Violin and piano selections—Dorothy Burgess and Clifford Ayres, 6A.
A Gypsy dance—Helen Patton, 6A.

Piano solo—Pauline Rogers, 6B.
A reading, "George Washington and the Cherry Tree"—Dick Woodcock.

Piano solo—Jean Leverette, 6E.
Groups sang, by the sixth grade, "An American School Boy's View of Washington" (an original essay) by Earle Sweetland, 6E.

A solo—Miss Melba Williams.
Harmonica band from the Junior high school.

A group of readings by Mona Letstner of the Lincoln school.
A play, "The First Flag"—Characters: Betty Ross—Mildred Drury, 6B; her daughter—Carol Scheffel, 6B; George Washington—Louis Campbell, 6A; Robert Morris—Wallace Lowry, 6B; two men—Bob Rindt, Normany May, 6B; squad of soldiers—some fifth grade boys.

Banking
Our banking was not so good last week. Instead of 100 per cent we only had 95.5. The sixth A held the record with an average of 129 per cent.

Spelling
The spelling average for the building was 92.2 per cent. The 3B class had the highest with 95.6 per cent.

Health Inspection
The school average was only 77.4 per cent. The 2A class was highest with an average of 94.1.

Athletics
The speedball game this week was won by the Washington boys, 11-6, from the Roosevelt boys.

Mt. Pitt School

Our attendance for last month was very good, as there were only five absences. There were 17 children neither absent nor late. The percent of attendance was 87.9 per cent. Five of the parents have visited our school. We hope can continue as good attendance this month.—Beulah Herford.

We celebrated Washington's and Lincoln's birthdays with the following program:

America—School.
Washington's Birthday—Hazel McCabe.

Washington's Life in Relay—Beulah Herford and Irene Anderson.

Flag Off—Primary.
Hats Off—Charles McCabe.

Rules of Conduct—Various pupils.
Why Washington Wasn't a Sailor—Primary.

Washington's Birthday at Valley Forge—James Turgate.

Gettysburg Address, Captain My Captain—Dessie Anderson.
Lincoln and the Bird—Mantford Hochman.

Lincoln and the Dog—Floyd McCabe.

Xankee Doodle—School.
The school children of Mt. Pitt have entered the record contest for June. We have learned five songs which consist of Wings of Song, by Mendelssohn, and four from William Tell Overture by Rossini, which are: The Dawn, The Storm, The Calm, and The Finale. We hope to get the rest of the records soon, as we wish to win the musical prize at Ashland.—Irene Anderson, 7B grade.

Basketball
Last Thursday the Mt. Pitt and Butte Falls basketball teams played in the Butte Falls gymnasium. The score was 22 to 24 in favor of Mt. Pitt. The Mt. Pitt children were all delighted. We hope we can play again in the future.—Avel Conley, 5th grade.

Contracts
The fourth grade received their

arithmetic contracts about a week ago. In the contract we are applying the work we had in our books. We like our contracts very much. —By Cleo Eichenman, fourth grade.
Last Wednesday, Feb. 19, Billy Perry, our road supervisor came up and appointed some men to work on the road as it was in bad condition. The roads are improving now and the school bus makes better time.—James Turgate, 7th grade.

VALLEY SCHOOL NOTES

Because Judge Sparrow gave us an interesting account of the American occupation of the Philippines, we wanted to hear more about the islands. So, for the following assembly, yesterday, we were very fortunate in securing Mrs. Barker who is staying with Mrs. Porter Neff. Mrs. Barker lived in Hawaii five years and knows her subject thoroughly. Taking us on an imaginary voyage to the Hawaiian Islands, Mrs. Barker made the talk most vivid. She illustrated with pictures, including some of her own on the blackboard, and articles, such as gay paper leis, the necklaces that Hawaiians make of flowers. We could almost taste the "poi" and other food she described.

Also, she used songs written by her sister-in-law, Miss Fisher of Hawaii. Anne Dean sang, "Oceania, Palms Against the Sky at Waikiki," and Helene Salade sang "Bamboo Fairies" accompanied by the younger children's humming. Decorations provided by Yvonne Shepard and Nancy Clark added to the realistic effect.

When the trip was ended, with the singing of "Aloha," we felt as if we had been in Hawaii and wanted to go again to visit that territory of the United States whose first president's birthday we celebrated.

It was Billy Vavter's birthday as well. And after assembly, Mrs. Wm. Vavter treated us to a beautiful bake with eight candles. Yvonne Shepard and Nancy Clark had planned more decorations for the birthday party. Mrs. Brown gave a wholesome dessert in place of the usual hot dish. Enthusiasm was at its peak when Billy was blowing out his candles, and the children all went home with much to remember.

Parent-Teachers' Associations

High School Manual Training
The courses offered to the boys in high school along the line of shop work include elementary shop practice, care, use and operation of woodworking machinery, architectural drawing and carpentry. This is a four semester course.

The elementary cabinet making course, a requirement for all beginners, includes six weeks of shop practice, six weeks of elementary tool work, and six weeks of individual project work.

The aims of this course are to teach the correct methods of making and reading the simple shop drawings; to give a practical knowledge of and to develop skill in the care and use of the elementary hand tools. Also to develop an appreciation of good design, good construction and finished work with relation to simple cabinet work. This encourages good personal traits such as patience, perseverance, industry, responsibility, and honesty and develops good habits of accuracy, thoroughness, and neatness. This provides a means for creative instinct and encourages originality of design.

During the second semester of the first year the student has a chance to use the simple woodworking machines, safety first methods and accident prevention around machinery are given a prominent place in the work of this course.

Cooperation is another of the chief aims of this work, for many of the projects built necessitate the work of many boys and often four or five boys get out the materials and build a project together.

The architectural drawing course offered in the sophomore year teaches the boys the proper care and use of drawing instruments, but primarily this course is intended to create an interest in home planning, showing the importance of much thinking before starting to build a home. One of the requirements of this course is a complete set of plans with blueprints for a five-room house.

The carpentry work as far as possible is of a practical nature. The aim of this course is not to make carpenters but to give training in the care and upkeep of the tools, to teach the student what the figures on the steel square stand for and how to make use of them in framing a building. Quite an important feature of this course is the comparison of the "ret" by method with the "correct method" of framing a building. This work is of great value to a student in later life.

In these various courses carpentry most likely offers the most practical individual work.

WOODWARD ARCHER JOINS ORDER OF 'O'

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—Woodward Archer, stellar end on the University football team during the past season and former Medford high school star, was initiated into the order of the "O" Monday night when, in company with other initiates, he partook in a bookee game on roller skates between halves of the Oregon-Idaho basketball game. The costumes for this contest consisted of delicate pastel colored "busties" or pajamas.

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ENGLISH VILLAGE HAS SCHOOL HEAD AT AGE OF NINE

SHEFFIELD, England (AP)—This old steel town now boasts a nine-year old schoolmaster. He is Austin Eley, who conducts an open air academy during the summer months known as "Austin School." He is getting ready now for the next term. Thirty children, pupils in this "academy" in which the young schoolmaster gives educational instruction out of ordinary school hours, have been entertained by the lord mayor of Sheffield.

Teachers at the council school in Sheffield where Austin is a pupil declare that the children have benefited by his teaching.

Austin is a curly-headed boy, with twinkling brown eyes and a merry face. His schoolmistress says that he possesses a marvelous brain.

It was about three years ago that he conceived the idea of forming a school of his own. He first assembled his younger brother and two sisters, teaching them after school in the yard at the back of his house at Dun Fields, Shalesmoor, a poor part of Sheffield.

Methodical from the beginning, he kept a register of his pupils, giving their names, addresses and ages. Gradually his school grew. The boy used the wall in the back yard as a blackboard. On one occasion he thought it was time that his school was presented a certificate, and he asked to see a certificate which had been presented to the school which he attends.

At the foot of this was the signature of Percival Sharp, local director of education, but Austin said that he did not know him and would substitute his own name at the foot of the certificate for his own school.

Now his pupils compete for their own school certificate. Austin confessed to a reporter that he could only hold his school during the summer months, as it was held out of doors. At present he is compiling a new register in readiness for the summer term.

Strangely enough, Austin has no inclination to follow a scholastic career. His ambition is to become a railroad engineer.

BIBLICAL STREAM TO FURNISH HOLY LAND WITH POWER

(Associated Press Correspondent.)
TIBERIAS, Palestine, 49.—On the river Jordan, half an hour's journey south of the Sea of Galilee, steady progress is being made in the construction of a great hydro-electric power station which will usher in a new economic era for the Holy Land.

Under the supervising genius of a former Russian revolutionary leader, Pinhas Rutenberg, head of the Odessa police during the Kerensky regime, the storied stream of Bible times is to be made to produce 300,000 horsepower of energy for new Palestine's farms, homes and factories.

Palestine has no coal of its own, at all events as far as can be judged from superficial geological investigations. Nor can it boast of petroleum deposits worth exploiting.

It is economically exploitable reserves of energy are concentrated in its water resources. Whoever has the control of these resources can monopolize the driving force of industry and of agriculture, and can influence decisively the development of the country from an economic point of view. Rutenberg is in that position. Backed by the Zionist Organization, he secured the concession for the whole exploitation of these resources and for the supply of electricity for the whole of Palestine, with the exception of Jerusalem, the government having reserved to itself control of the prices for electrical current over and above a certain minimum, and a share in the profits.

The scheme which Rutenberg is trying to realize, is to use the differences of level to be found along the course of the Jordan from the Lake of Merom to the Dead Sea, starting with the steep descent from the Sea of Galilee and Djar. Along this stretch of about 10 miles there is a drop of 150 feet. A little later, in Djar, in the Rutenberg domain proper, down in a rocky hollow, the river comes into view again.

Across the Yarmuk, which coming from an easterly direction here flows into the Jordan, the scaffolding of a dam 25 feet high may be seen. This dam, now almost completed, is to force up the waters of the river to the level of Djar, 100 feet above the level of the sea of Galilee into a giant reservoir naturally formed by the hilly character of the region.

Opposite, across the Jordan, a second dam is being built. This, when completed, is also to force back the waters of the Jordan and to collect them in a reservoir. The picturesque valley bed will then be drained, the Jordan diverted for a short distance from its natural course, and from its reservoir conducted through a canal, already partly dug, into the Yarmuk reservoir.

the turbines of the power station. The foundations of the later are already laid and the first layer of concrete put down. Gradually machinery from England is arriving. To begin with, three water turbines of 2,000 horsepower each are to be installed.

Industry and agriculture in Palestine are at present both suffering under the exceptionally high price of electric current and impatiently await the moment when the Jordan will supply them with cheap motive power. The work is to be completed by the end of 1929. Rutenberg assumes that the 24,000 horsepower will readily find consumers and that before long he will be able to start building the second power station near Abadije, which is to generate the same amount of electricity as the first. Rutenberg's schemes go beyond the provision of electric power. He has elaborated a project for the utilization of all the water resources of Palestine, for the exploitation of which he has secured the concession. If his plans succeed despite certain obstacles still to be overcome, it may safely be assumed that a new era will in very truth ere long dawn for the Holy Land.

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KNX SPENDS \$40 DAY ANSWERING LETTERS

LOS ANGELES, Cal. 49.—Operating cost of a large broadcasting station runs into the thousands. This figure includes the money spent for approximately 2,000 stamps a day for replies to fan letters.

Officials of KNX say that it pays more than \$6,000 per week to its lists for their services before microphone. "ASIF" (AS in answer) has shown a big increase in station went to 2,000 stamps a day. An average of 2,000 letters are received, and as each letter amounts to approximately 40 cents.

The vicinity of Donsgal, Italy, is trying to encroach on the fish domain of the rough sea and knitted trade.

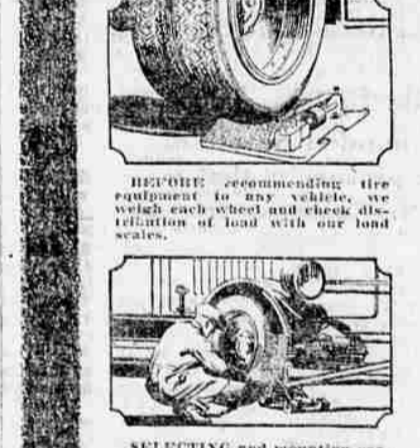
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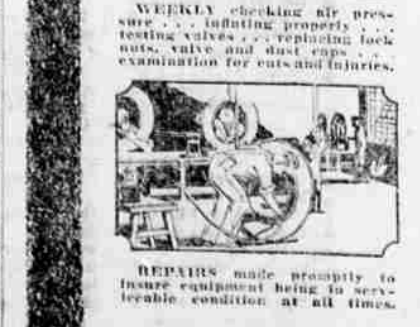
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