

# News From City and Valley Schools

## Junior High

**Spelling Report**  
The spelling average for the building last week was 87.9 per cent. The 7's made 100 per cent, the 11's 99.9 per cent, the 11's 89.1 per cent.

**Banking Report**  
The banking average for the building this week was 95.5 per cent. All rooms banked 100 per cent except rooms five and eight. Room five had 82 per cent and room eight had 88 per cent. Let's all try and make our final week 100 per cent.

**Music**  
The harmonica band played at the state convention of the E. O. O. F. and Rebekahs. The band also played at the Pear festival.

**Library News**  
On Friday all the grade school books were returned to the junior high library to be checked and mended. In the fall many new books will be added to the old ones when all will be returned to the grade schools.

**Girls' League**  
The program for the Girls' League was given by room ten. Mrs. Brown gave a most entertaining reading called "Entertaining Sister's Bean." Gracie Lou Ivanhoe played a piano solo. Naomi Frost and Ruby Phelan put on a clever little play called "The Gumps."

**Student Body**  
The following candidates are up for officers of the student body: President—Dick Sleeter, Evelyn Herman, Marjorie McNair.  
Girls' vice president—Deah Higdon, Barbara Schmidt, Dorothy Gore.  
Boys' vice president—Noel Benson, Russell Brown, Tommy White, Phil Gutschery.  
Secretary—Bill Prentice, Harold Flynn, Alma Edler.  
Song leader—Agnetha Buchanan.

**Writing**  
The following pupils have recently received writing certificates from the Rice people: Tom Fuson, Alva Merritt, Alma Inlow, Peter Winne, Ansel Knox, Clifton Shannon, Dorothy Clark, Ethel Stagle, Edward Bennett, Evelyn Robinson, Frances Walker, Harold McCullum, Ileno Gale, Kenneth Anderson, Norbert Dickinson, Patsy Vann.

**Physical Education**  
All of the physical education classes have been going to the Natatorium for swimming lessons instead of having class work on the school grounds.

**School Exhibit**  
The annual school exhibit will be held Friday, May 31, at the school building. The exhibit will be open to visitors during the entire afternoon. The manual training and domestic science departments have done some very interesting work during the year, and this will be on exhibit. Every department of the school will be represented. Parents are urged to come.

**Pear Festival**  
The junior high school enjoyed taking part in the spring festival. The 7B girls under the direction of Miss Carver put on a very fine flag drill that was greatly enjoyed. We are especially proud of King Hove, portrayed by Max Rice, and Queen Comice, by Ruth Ramstrom.

turned to the Junior high school. The pupils of the Roosevelt school hated to see them go.

**Candy Sale**  
At 12:30 on Friday the Girl Scouts had a candy sale. The money earned is for their camp fund. They took in \$3.50.

**Examination Near**  
Exams are near at hand. Probably many pupils will be excited because they have A's and B's on their cards. All the exams will be mimeographed this time. These exams will probably be given the 5th and 6th of June.

**Pupils Entering**  
The only pupil who has come to Roosevelt school since May 17, 1929, is Evelyn George, 3A. She came from California. We want her to enjoy her work as much as she did in California.  
Barbara Holt.

**Banking**  
The 6A's were afraid they would not get 100 per cent last Tuesday in banking, but they did. The percentages for the different rooms were as follows: 6A, 119; 5A, 109.5; 1A, 104; 1B, 1A, 100; 2A, 100; 5B-6B, 100. The building average was 95.5 per cent, which was not so good as the week before, but 100 per cent is hard to beat.  
C. B. E.

**Student Body**  
Roosevelt had an interesting assembly Friday. The program was as follows: Piano solo by Margaret Mann; a playlet, "The Oysters and Its Chairmen," given by the fourth grade; piano solo by Barbara Holt; reading by Dolph James; harmonica solo by Martha Shrutluff. The assembly was enjoyed by all.  
Kathy B. B.

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Etwood's Auto Shop is the local dealer for Medford, and they would be pleased to demonstrate this truck.

## Auto Row Gossip

Fishing continues to be more than an idle pastime among the local automobile dealers.

Harold Grey, of the Graham Paige agency, and Ralph Spencer spent several hours Thursday afternoon angling in Big Butte creek and came home with the limit—whatever that means.

W. W. Allen, of the Pierce-Allen Motor company left here last night for Portland and Hood River on a several days' business trip.

M. H. Mayne, representing the American Chain company of San Francisco, accompanied by Mrs. Mayne, were business visitors in Medford Friday.

Three new Buicks, two of which were delivered to the State of Oregon to be used by traffic officers, were brought to Medford this week by Gerald Scherer, of the Scherer Motor company, East Hazelton, Charles Buehler, of Wisconsin, who is a guest at the Scherer home, and Virgil Coggins.

Several models of Marquettes will be received at the Scherer show rooms this week. These new cars being put on the market for the first time are attractive Buick products and should meet with public approval, according to Mr. Scherer.

Lloyd Dicks, sales manager for the Pierce-Allen Motor company, accompanied by his family, are among the local people who motored to Crescent City today.

A dozen employees of the Service and Sales departments of the Pierce-Allen company were entertained by the management Wednesday evening with a dinner at the Hotel Medford. William O'Neil, traveling service representative for the Chevrolet company with headquarters at Portland, was a special guest at the meeting.

A large shipment of standard De Soto sedans will be received at the local agency the first of the week.

F. W. Kirtson, office manager for the Eakin Motor company, returned to Medford Thursday after a four days' vacation trip to Bend, Marshfield and North Bend.

O. V. Myers and M. W. McVay, of the O. V. Myers Motor company, are spending several days transacting business in Portland.

## GENERAL MOTORS CHANGES OFFICIALS

Announcement was made last week by E. W. Fuhr, Pacific Regional manager of the Chevrolet Motor company, of the appointment of William H. Packer as zone sales manager for the Southern California territory, effective immediately.

Packer succeeds George H. Wallace, who because of the outstanding record made by himself in the Los Angeles district, has been appointed assistant general sales manager of the Buick Motor company at Flint, Mich. Wallace is a nationally known figure in the industry and becomes, through his new position, one of the outstanding executives in the automobile business. His association with General Motors units extends over a period of some years.

Packer is succeeded in the position of city sales manager for Los Angeles by William C. Herring who has been regional sales promotion manager with offices at the Chevrolet Motor factory at Oakland for the entire Pacific region.

## BERLIN MUSICIANS DISDAIN JAZZING OF MASTERPIECES

BERLIN (AP)—All attempts to modernize traditional art products in Germany have invariably met with the same result. Jazzing up Wagner or other classical composers, or giving "Hamlet" or the time honored plays of Schiller up-to-date settings, first evoked a widespread interest, which soon turned into disdainful criticism and frequently terminated in vindictive resentment.

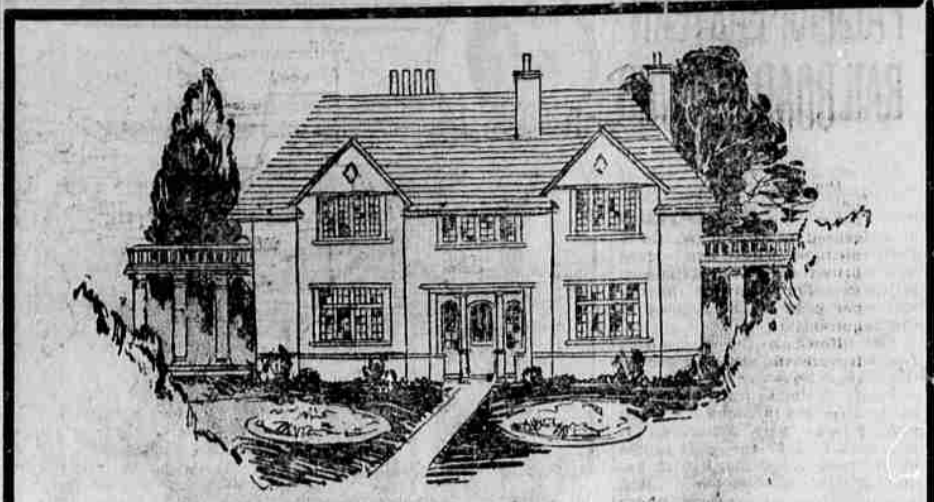
This typification of the latter instance were violent attacks on Otto Klemperer, one of the conductors of the state opera, who was threatened with gas bombs for bringing out Wagner's "Flying Dutchman" in a glaringly realistic setting, in which romance, according to the tenets of the Wagnerites, played but an indifferent role. He had a red haired Senta, sailors dressed as longshoremen, and spinning maidens wearing woolen jumpers.

This was too much for the Wagnerian societies, who promptly petitioned the Minister of Fine Arts and Public Worship to prohibit these performances as a "desecration of a German cultural product, a defamation of Wagner's works and a disrespect to the standing of the national stage."

By letter and telephone Klemperer was threatened with a theatrical demonstration and the employment of mustard gas if he dared continue his "contamination of a Wagner opera."

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of a large force of police through the performance possible, some bring what will happen next season, as Klemperer is known to have his modern eye on "Lohengrin."



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## Roosevelt School

**Reporters**  
The A's really enjoy writing news items. This will be their last year to write Roosevelt items, because they will be in Junior high next year. These are the people who are reporting: Clarabeth Powell, Catherine Brandt, Stanley Kunzman, Barbara Holt, Russell Ulrich, Billy Shepherd and Mollie Brown.

**Candy Sale**  
The Girl Scouts had a candy sale Friday noon. The money was to put in the camp fund. This is the first and last chance to earn their ten dollars which they are supposed to earn. They took in about \$3.50.

**Spelling**  
The spelling for the Roosevelt school is as follows: The 5B was the highest with 99.2 per cent. The building average was 95.1 per cent. We fell down, as last week's average was 96.4 per cent, which is 1.3 better than this week. The 6A's are almost through with their spellers. We will probably have a mixed up spelling lesson next week. The coming week we hope to do better.  
L. R. U.

**Ball Games**  
Two more baseball games are to be played by the fifth and sixth grade boys' team, and as they have lost their chance for the championship, they are going to fight their hardest to at least win the last two games of the season. The scores of the first four games are as follows: Jackson 9, Roosevelt 7, and Jackson is now in the lead for the championship; Lincoln 22, Roosevelt 15, and Lincoln is now in second place; Washington 13, Roosevelt 9, and Roosevelt is the champion with Jackson; Jackson 1, Roosevelt 9. We have never been beaten very bad and have a good chance to win the next game with Washington.

**Health**  
The health was not so good. The building was 76.3. The banner room was the 4B with 96.9. We all hope to do better next time.  
Kathy.

**May Festival**  
The annual May festival was held at the Vancoyco field at 3 p. m. on Wednesday. Children that were not in the program were excused at 2 p. m. Some stages called between 2 and 3 o'clock and collected the children taking part in the festival. The program only lasted one hour. We hope you want and had a good time.

**Books Returned**  
We have been very busy gathering books to return to the Junior high school. The books were all tied up on Friday and were re-

## Mt. Pitt School

The Mt. Pitt school was surprised to have visitors Wednesday, May 23rd. They were Pete Loventzen, Mrs. O. B. Jones and her mother, Mrs. H. L. Nottling, and Mrs. L. P. Cross. Mr. Loventzen played several selections on his accordion for the children, which they enjoyed very much. When Mr. Loventzen finished playing Mrs. Stanley and Irene Anderson played a duet on the piano. Other children did a folk dance, then Mrs. Cross played a few numbers on the piano. We appreciated their coming and thank Mrs. Jones for bringing them.

The Mt. Pitt school closed Friday. Everyone will be glad of a vacation for a couple of months.

This week was spent in taking examinations.

A picnic was given by the school Friday, May 24th, near the Willow Creek bridge. Parents and friends of the children attended. The board furnished five gallons of ice cream. The children brought sandwiches, salad, cake, coffee and cream. The primary children sang and several folk dances were given by all of the children. The boys played a game of baseball with the girls and the ladies won by a few points. Everyone enjoyed themselves.

## ASK POSTPONEMENT WAR DEBT DUE DATE

WASHINGTON, May 25.—(AP)—Postponement of the maturity date of the French war supplies debt of \$100,000,000 pending ratification of the Mellon-Berengier debt agreement by the French and American governments, was asked in a resolution introduced today by Chairman Smoot of the senate finance committee.

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## WESTERN OIL TO CONSTRUCT PLANT

Construction of a mammoth oil cracking plant to produce a new type of gasoline, said to be revolutionary, both in nature and efficiency, will be started at Wilmington, California, within the next few days, according to word received in Medford by A. E. Pederson, local representative of the Western Oil and Refining Co.

The plant, with tank facilities, is to cost about \$3,000,000, and will be located on the Western Oil company's property on San Pedro boulevard, adjacent to the Union Oil refinery at Wilmington.

R. R. Rakostraw vice-president and chief engineer of the Western Oil and Refining company, who made the announcement of the expansion, guardedly revealed that the plant will operate under a new and revolutionary process recently obtained by the Petroleum Conversion Corporation of New York.

Likewise, he announced, his company has purchased rights to manufacture this new type of gasoline. Richard Florian, president and general manager of Western Oil, closed the negotiations for this privilege in New York a few days ago.

Mr. Rakostraw explained yesterday that the new gasoline may have a far-reaching effect on the entire motor industry.

To date, he explained, the highest compression ratio built into gasoline motors has been five and a half to one.

But with the use of this new gas, he declared, a far more efficient ratio is possible. A ratio of seven to one can be obtained, he stated.

C. H. Shattuck, vice-president of the Braun corporation, said the new process is known as the true vapor phase cracking process. It differs from the ordinary process in that vapor is cracked instead of liquid.

The Western Oil and Refining company are anticipating entering the southern Oregon territory, according to Mr. Pederson.

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