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## LAKEVIEW PUBLIC SCHOOL REPORT.

Good Showing for First Part of School Term.

ROLL OF HONOR IS VERY LARGE.

Christmas Tree and Exercises in School was a Decided Success in Every Particular.

The banner for attendance during the last month of school went to Miss Snelling's room, with an average of 97.4 percent. The following pupils were neither absent nor tardy during the month.

High School, Mr. Leavitt, teacher: Margie Bernard, Dorothy Bieber, Kate Dutton, Walter Dykeman, Aileen McCulley, Hazel McKee, Thomas McCulllev, Mildred Rehart, Emily Ayers, Nora Charlton, Eva Chandler, Gazella George, Maud Ross, Bertie Snyder, Earl Wilshire, Joseph Bennett, Sadie Heryford, George Ross, Frank Hamersley, Mabel Hotchkiss, Lucila Dowell, Sam McKee.

Sixth and Seventh grades, Miss Masterson, teacher: Lucile Jaquish, Eolus Lofftus, Ross Rehart, Alsey Studley, Lurah Snyder, Anna Tonningsen, Susie Watson, Ruth Bernard, Mayfield Boone, Opal Chandler, Edith Chandler, Eva Clark, Kelton Gunther.

Fifth and Sixth grades, Miss Snelling, teacher: Marie McShane, Hazel McCulley, Lena McKee, Katie Rehart, Wm. Arzner, Louise Arzner, Lucile Bailey, Ellen Bernard, Belle Chesley, Eva Chandler, Clarence Green, Lee Heryford, Lloyd Henderson, Maggie Harvey, Bessie Lofftus, Bertha Lofftus, Hobart Miller, Mamie McCulley, Leland Proctor, Elsie Post, Lillie Smith, Carl Pendleton, Mary Berry, Myrtle Hahn, Evan Hartin.

Third and Fourth grades, Mrs. Cloud, teacher:

Oliver Bailey, Vale Lofftus, Merle Jaquish, Dola Garret, Ida Smith, Helen Wallis, Veva Whorton, Chester Arthur, Virgil Striplin, Willard Mulkey, Nellie Green, Ben Rehart, Charlie Arzner, Willard Heryford, Newton Stanley, Dyne Lynch, Zona Watson, Lora Baydston, Laura Wright, Nora McCulley, Floyd Bernard, Emma Arzner, Veva Stanley, May Armstrong,

Floyd Smith, Ross Bernard, Floyd Arthur, Stephen Shellhammer, Clarence Hahn.

Primary Room, Miss Hall, teacher: Donald Bailey, Everett Lynch, Joe Harvey, Paul Lofftus, Marvin Barnes, George Rehart, Willie Green, Herman Arzner, Willie McCulley, Freddie Bunting, Rodney Bernard, Max Nelson, Lester Benefiel, Hal Curry, Amy Eccleston, Ha Tonningsen, Clara Spangenberg, Florence Arthur, Pearl Harvey, Ruby Rehart, Lena Azner, Virgie Reynolds, Mildred Heryford, Ella Laird, Ethel Eccleston, Bessie Spencer, Rosa Mulkey, Ruth Rehart, Hannah Barrey, Mattie McCulley, Minta Tatro, Muriel Watson, Mabel Watson, Vernita Smith, Doris Spangenberg.

### PROGRAM.

The following program was given at the Christmas exercises held Friday afternoon at the school house. All five rooms joined together for the occasion and a large tree was loaded with presents. The two upper rooms were beautifully decorated and thrown together.

Song by School America.  
Opening address George Ross.  
Song, Santa Claus Five Girls.  
My Dolly, Elizabeth May.

Mildred Heryford, Ella Laird.  
Graziola's Mistake The Internal Machine.  
Dialogue: What Motter Goose's Children Want for Christmas Primary Room.  
Solo Helen Wallace.  
Recitation, The mack in School. Eben Tatro.

How we Got the Christmas Tree Four Girls.  
Solo Lora Chandler.  
Recitation Willie Green.  
Instrumental Duet Bertha Reynolds and Dorothy Bieber.

A Christmas Story Lucile Jaquish.  
Duet Nellie Harvey and Mary Highy.  
Waiting for Santa Two children.  
Cornet Solo George Ross.  
Cheyenne Eight Boys.  
Dialogue: Christmas in Naughty Land Christmas Car.

Fay Barnes Eva Clark.  
Edna Tatro, Edna Penland.  
After the holidays the High School will begin preparations for a drama, the proceeds to be used for the purchase of things needed in the room. A good standard play will be presented.

T. A. Crum and wife came over from Warner last Saturday. Mr. Crum has been busy all fall working out his assessment on his mining claims in the Windy Hollow district. He brought over some fine specimens of ore from his claims, and as the rock came from his claims within a few feet of the top of the ground, and gets better as depth is attained, he has great confidence in the future of his mines.

## LAKE'S STATE TAXES OUT OF PROPORTION.

Commission Recommend a Still Higher Levy Instead of Just and Equal Reduction.

The Examiner called attention last week to the unjust state tax imposed upon Lake county, which is entirely out of proportion to what other counties pay, according to their wealth. We do not mean to convey the erroneous impression that state taxes are levied on a property valuation, which, however, is the only just basis of taxation. The state tax levy has for its basis the local expenditure of counties, and the amount to be paid by each county is computed from the proportion such expenditure bears to the expense of the state government. This levy is made every five years.

We have said before that Lake's levy should have been reduced in 1905, not because our property valuation had decreased, but because there is but one just and lawful method of taxation. That being upon property values, and under the present system Lake was paying an unreasonable proportion of the state expense. To show that no effort is being made to relieve this unjust condition of affairs, and that instead of a reduction, we are to pay more, the state tax commission, in making its report, recommended that Lake's proportion of state taxes be increased fifty per cent.

### Wore Black Eyes.

Dr. Dewy, as every one knows, is a very peaceful and law-abiding citizen. Therefore, we believe it is safe to assume that it was through no fault or hasty action of his that he exhibited, last Sunday morning, the most elegant pair of black-eyes that it has been our pleasure or misfortune to behold for many a day. And it seems the Doctor is not overly blessed with the "forgiving spirit" for he seemed determined to wreak dire vengeance upon the cause of his misfortune. The last seen of him that morning he was going down the street with a Winchester in hand and a long butcher-knife in his boot-leg swearing that, by the eternal, if he came upon the object of his search, he would slay him with great slaughter. The Doctor returned in the evening, however, greatly cast down in spirit—for the pursued had escaped. And every one agrees with "Doc" that he (the pursued) is the greatest coward that walks on four legs—for bless you, gentle reader, it was not a man for whom the Doctor was in search, but the sly cougar, and the black eyes were caused from an application of charcoal, the use of which is a common thing among hunters when there is snow on and the sun is bright, for it is a protection to the eye.—Silver Lake Oregonian.

### Herman's Trial.

Justice Stafford in the Criminal Court today named Monday, February 4, as the date for beginning the trial of Representative Binger Hermann, of Oregon, charged with the destruction of certain letter-press copy-books when he retires from the office of Commissioner of the General Land Office. Frederick S. Hyde, John A. Benson, Henry P. Dimond and J. H. Schneider indicted for conspiracy to defraud the United States in connection with the acquisitions of public lands in Oregon and California, will be called for trial before Justice Stanford Monday, February 11.

The Operetta given by Miss Hall and Miss Snelling and their pupils was entirely in accord with the expectations of the large audience gathered in the I. O. O. F. Hall last Saturday evening. The stage was beautifully decorated in Christmas colors, pretty bells and, when graced by the little ones taking part in the Operetta was a pleasing scene. To mention each character and part and do them justice, would fill a page. They were well trained, and the play—which lasted over an hour—seemed all too short to the well pleased audience. The ladies are to be congratulated upon the splendid success of the affair. The amount cleared was about fifty dollars, which will help some toward the bookcase and other articles needed in their rooms.

The Cantata presented by Miss Mae Miller's Choral class Christmas eve, was very beautiful, and highly enjoyed by those present. Miss Miller and the children may feel well paid for their hard work, in the complete success in the presentation. The songs gave evidence of careful training, and the entire play was listened to with pleasure by the audience. The stage was dressed to represent a Fairy Land scene with a Christmas tree in the center, aglow with tinsel ornaments and lighted candles. The children were "right at home" in their parts, both in singing and speaking. Miss Miller is thinking some of taking the Cantata to New Pine Creek.

### Washington News.

All of the changes in the cabinet that have been projected have now been confirmed by the Senate without opposition. It is true that there was one speech made in executive session by Senator Scott, of West Virginia, who opposed the confirmation of Mr. Strauss, on the ground that while a merchant in New York he had dodged the tariff law by undervaluing a great many of his imported goods, this violation enabling him to undersell his competitors. The matter, however, was not brought to a vote, and all the nominations were confirmed without a division being taken.

There has been one slight hitch in the departure of Secretary Shaw whose successor at the Treasury is to be Postmaster General Cortelyou. The President had intended to make this switch on the first of the year, and Secretary Shaw was agreeable. But after some little hesitation and correspondence, the Senate made all the nominations effective on the 4th of next March.

Speaking of the 4th of March, a good deal of pressure has been brought to bear on the President to induce him to call an extra session after that date to consider the subject of tariff revision. He has practically decided, however, that he will not do so. Delegations have visited him from Massachusetts manufacturing districts and from various points of the West. He has given them all the same answer, that he is in favor of tariff revision and intends to take the matter up at the proper time, but he has not yet determined when that will be. The President will be open to argument on the subject and his decision is not yet irrevocable either for or against the extra session but it may confidently be said that the chances are against it.

### Did Not Get The Money.

In speaking of the statement made by M. Marks to a Portland Journal reporter in Ashland last week, regarding the mining situation in the Windy Hollow district, V. L. Stelling, who was said to have sold his mining claim to the Lakeview Mining and Milling Co. for \$35,000, said the statement was untrue. The Examiner published the interview without comment because we believed the statement untrue, but did not know who may have been responsible for the error, whether the reporter or the typesetters in the Journal office or Mr. Marks.

Such reports do not help the country, as they are sure to be discredited some time or other, and the bad results from the reaction more than offset the benefits derived during the life of the sensation.

There are good prospects in the Windy Hollow district, and the ore on top of the ground will show for itself, and the rock cannot be made richer by misstatements not mine more valuable.

### Meat Trust in Klamath.

The following from the Portland Journal tends to throw light on the beef situation in Klamath Falls:

Klamath Falls, Or., Dec. 18.—There is considerable grumbling about the price of meats in this metropolis of one of the best stock counties on the globe, and very often the high price might be overlooked if the meats were of the best quality, which is seldom the case. When the Mason-Davis company began work on their contract on the Government Irrigation Project Mr. Mason, the manager, was desirous of securing the very

best for his men and contracted with one of the city butchers to furnish carcasses at 7 cents a pound. He made frequent complaint about the quality of beef being furnished and when this availed nothing employed a butcher, bought and slaughtered his own meat which is always the best. He is now furnishing the government camps with the same quality of meat at 7 cents a pound, delivering it to the various camps as needed, and has been offered money as an inducement to discontinue, which would put the government at the mercy of the local dealers.

Ranchers can slaughter good beef and sell the front quarter for 5 cents and the hind quarter at 7 cents a pound, and Mr. Mason can pay his butcher and keep his slaughter and delivery outfit and furnish all round meat of the best quality at 7 cents. The writer wanted to buy from 25 to 40 pounds of hind quarter at one of the local shops today, and was told he would not sell in bulk, as he could get 15 cents for every pound of it. To the question, "Does the same party furnish both shops with meat?" he replied in the affirmative, and there seems to be an agreement between them as there is no competition.

Efforts have been made to have the city council require any one else selling meat in the city to take out a license, but so far the effort has failed.

There is a good opening here for a butcher who will buy the culls rejected by stockmen, and be satisfied to double his money, as he could greatly undersell the present shops and on an average furnish as good meats as they supply. At prevailing prices the quality should be of the very best, and this would be an effective advertisement to transients and newcomers of what the country produces, whereas it is a matter of common fact, the tussle such have with steaks at hotels and restaurants. The country is prosperous, and the old timers seldom stop to consider prices, but with newcomers it is different. They have been at a great expense getting in here, and they cannot understand why, for local products, such as meat, there should be so little or no difference between retail prices here and Portland and San Francisco, while it is the very best that reaches those markets.

Wanted—Somebody to bust the local meat trust.

A letter from C. J. Turner, who left here with a band of sheep last fall states that they arrived at Amedee, where the sheep were dipped on the 6th of this month, and started for the Pyramid Lake county, where they will be wintered. Mr. Turner's address will be Chilcoot, Plumas county, Calif.

## WOULD AMEND THE CAREY ACT.

State Land Board Will Offer Nearly New Law.

LAND BOARD TO HAVE MORE SAY.

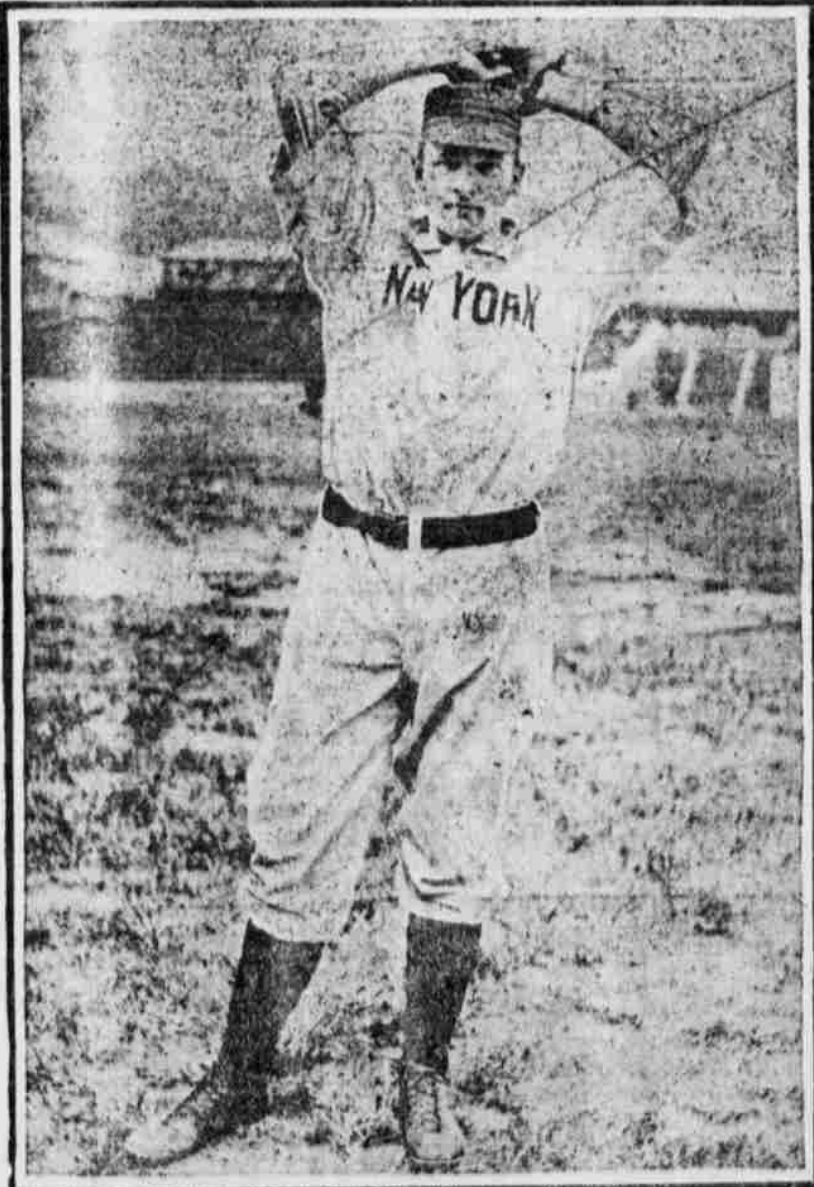
Irrigation of Semi-arid Oregon at A Halt Unless Some Change Is Made in Law.

The State Land Board will ask for new legislation pertaining to irrigation. Following is part of a law framed by the board, which practically repeals the Carey Act:

"First—Amend present law, or repeal it and enact a new one so it will provide that when contracting companies have received from settlers the amount of their lien, the irrigation works will become the property of the settlers and be turned over to them, and providing that contracting companies, when making application for contracts, shall pay to the state 25 cents per acre on the land on which they desire contract, to constitute a reclamation fund from which the state shall pay all expense of engineering examination and inspection and such other expense as shall be necessary to see that the law and contracts are carried out according to specifications for construction of the entire etc. and further providing a form of contract which shall contain complete plans and specifications for construction of the entire irrigation system, with estimated cost, etc., and that no land shall be sold by the construction company until the land has been reclaimed and patent applied for, and that rules for the distribution of water shall be submitted and adopted by the board before the contract is entered into.

Inasmuch as three have been but three irrigations projects approved since the board's last bi-ennial report, that body believes that the reclamation of Oregon's semi-arid lands by irrigation will have to wait an indefinite time, unless some radical changes are made in the laws regulating irrigation and water rights.

W. P. Henry, of Bly was in Lakeview several days during the past week on business.



PITCHER CHRISTY MATHEWSON.

amiable twirler, who recently struck out fourteen men in a game at New York and Brooklyn, is one of the greatest baseball pitchers living. Graduate of Bucknell university and was a very clever college pitcher player before he joined the New York Giants.



LADY POLE-CAREW, MOST BEAUTIFUL WOMAN IN BRITAIN.

Lady Beatrice Pole-Carew is, according to his majesty Edward VII., the most beautiful woman in Ireland. Other admirers have called her the most beautiful woman in the British empire. Before her marriage she was Lady Beatrice Butler, daughter of the Marquis of Ormonde of County Kilkenny. The families of both her father and her mother, who was a daughter of the Duke of Westminster, are noted for their beauty. Her husband, Major General Reginald Pole-Carew, one of the heroes of the Boer war, is called the handsomest man in the British army. He recently retired.