

The Teachers Institute.

The annual teachers institute for Jackson county convened Wednesday morning in the Jacksonville High School assembly room. The exercises were opened by singing under the direction of Prof. N. L. Narregan, principal of the Medford school. Pres. B. F. Mulkey of the Ashland Normal then took up the question of civics and in his talk gave a most comprehensive outline of the various branches and duties of our national, state, county and municipal government. He gave some excellent points on how to teach civil government. State Superintendent J. H. Ackerman spoke on some rural school problems that are now to be met. He advocated that every effort should be made to raise the standard of the rural school to that of the town school. Consolidating districts where possible and making the course of study the more fully follow the trend of the times and make it more industrial, for the Twentieth century is to be the industrial age. Prof. E. E. Washburn, principal of the Jacksonville High School gave some practical ideas on methods of teaching arithmetic that were well received by the teachers.

The afternoon program opened by Prof. N. L. Narregan, principal of the Medford High School, giving a practical outline on how physiology should be taught and the needs of its being made more prominent in school work. The health of the child is essential that it may grow into a healthy adult and a strong body and mind are the foundations for a success in life. Supt. Ackerman gave a talk that was of special interest to the teachers in charge of the country school on how to best arrange their daily class programs. Dr. Woods Hutchinson, secretary of the Oregon State Board of Health, spoke on the need of better care being exercised by teachers and school boards in looking to the preservation of the health of the scholars. Light, ventilation, and heat should be carefully adjusted that no ill effects on the children may be produced. Pupils each term should have their sight, and hearing tested and if faulty be reported to their parents that they may have medical treatment. Teachers should watch the habits of their pupils and check anything that might bring ill effects.

Wednesday evening a public meeting was held in the circuit court room in the court house that was well attended, so many being present that standing room was taken. The opening part of the program was given by the scholars of the Jacksonville school, which was as follows:

Chorus, "There's a Lonely Cottage by the Seaside" Jacksonville High School
Instrumental Duet—Mary and Ruth Peter.

Concert Recitation—Eight little girls from Mrs. Peter's room.

Instrumental Solo—Frances Kenney.

Concert Recitation—Thirty pupils from Miss Donegan's room.

Instrumental Solo—Maude Newbury.

Instrumental Solo—Marion Neil.

Chorus, "Sailing" Jacksonville High School

The scholars acquitted themselves with credit and their selections were well received by the audience. A short and well worded address of welcome to the visiting teachers by Prof. Washburn on behalf of Jacksonville, was responded to by Prof. A. J. Hanby, principal of the Central Point school, who spoke of the courteous welcome that Jacksonville had ever extended to the teachers of Jackson county whenever they had had occasion to hold their institute at the county seat. The chief feature of the evening was the lecture of Dr. Woods Hutchinson, of Portland, whose topic, "The Development of the Child," made a decided hit with the audience. The Doctor's talk was along original lines and it contained many helpful hints to both parent and teacher.

The program for Thursday morning opened by Pres. B. F. Mulkey who outlined the points in United States history that should have a leading place in that study. And while teaching history Pres. Mulkey advocated that the teacher should make the most of the opportunity to teach patriotism and political honesty that the voters of the future may have a high conception of their duties as citizens and of the honor and preservation of the nation. A general discussion on "How to Improve the Teaching Profession" closed the forenoon session. First on the afternoon program was an address on the value of kindergarten work by Pres. P. L. Campbell of the State University, Eugene. Pres. Campbell urged the extension of the kindergarten to all the schools and especially to the towns where classes separate from the higher grades could be maintained. Prof. Narregan gave an instructive talk in which

he set forth the gain to be had in teaching vocal music in the schools. Pres. Mulkey gave a short talk on "Vocal Culture" that contained many helpful hints. Language study was taken up by Pres. Campbell who impressed on the teachers the need of making that one of the strong recitations of the day.

Thursday evening another public meeting was held at the court house that was quite as well attended as the one of the previous evening. The first part of the evening was taken up by a concert, it being given by the Medford High School Band under the direction of Prof. Narregan. The selections were of a high order of music and the boys played with a finish and tone that was a credit to them and to their teacher. Pres. B. F. Mulkey delivered an address on the invention and achievements of the ancients that was highly interesting and which greatly pleased the audience.

Friday forenoon was made interesting by several new features. Prof. Narregan gave his method of teaching arithmetic. Pres. Campbell spoke on reading and literature for the school room. Miss Case, teacher of elocution in the Ashland Normal, gave a reading that won a hearty encore from the teachers. Miss Kaiser, of the Normal gave some helpful hints as how best to carry out nature study. The afternoon program was shortened and only embraced a talk on arithmetic by Prof. Washburn, a talk by Pres. Campbell on school and colleges and a short address by Pres. W. H. Demster of the Central Oregon State Normal at Drain on teaching as a profession. Resolutions of thanks were passed for the excellent instructions had from the professors and the hospitality of Jacksonville.

The following teachers were enrolled: Bertha Peachey, A. H. Peachey, G. H. Samuels, Mrs. G. H. Samuels, Anna Beeson, Chas. H. King, Frances Donegan, Josephine Donegan, Mrs. S. P. Robbins, Myrtle E. Johnson, M. E. Griffiths, Edith Dungev, Mae Curry, Martina Thiele, Bernice Cameron, Dora Hurley, Julia Nash, Kate Broad, Tillie Hooks, Nettie Thompson, P. H. Daily, Co. Supt., S. P. Robbins, Ambrozie Murphy, Effie Weiss, Corta Masterson, Bertha Corum, J. A. Bish, J. C. Barnard, C. F. Tarrash, Zuda Owens, Mary Poshay, Gertrude Engle, Julia Fielder, Marie E. Gray, Clara Poley, Dollie Badger, Dorothy Day, Mary Childers, Ella Dodge, Harriet Ganiere, Eva Siorev, Mrs. M. Peter, Mary B. Underwood, Minnie Hockenyoos, David Mathews, Jasper N. Miller, Mrs. A. J. Hanby, A. J. Hanby, Fannie Hewes, Viola Pheister, Lillie Hewes, T. A. Fleck, G. R. Carlock, E. E. Washburn, Armetta Burch, N. L. Narregan, Lela Stinson, Ha M. Myers, Hattie Gleason, Agnes Moore, Anna Jeffrey, Lizzie Ferguson, A. Adelaide Beebe, G. W. Melam, W. T. Cameron, Grace Barrett, Docia Willetts, Maymie McWilliams, H. Beach, Elma W. Boltman, Ethelyn Hurley, Lida Lottidge, C. K. Bentley, Jno. R. Tyrrell, Mae Muliitt.

Chas. Crump was in Jacksonville the fore part of last week from Cinnabar buying a large number of traps of various sizes and laying in a winter's supply of grub for himself and Alex Hubbard of Medford, who with him will spend the winter in the Siskiyou mountains near Cinnabar Springs trapping for bear, and other wild animals. They hauled their supplies to Little Applegate and from there packed them on horses on trail over the mountains.

The death took place last Sunday of Miss Ada Cook at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cook, at the Bybee farm on Rogue river. By her request her remains were laid at rest in the Jacksonville cemetery where the funeral services were held Monday afternoon. There were present a large number of the friends of the family to show their respect to the memory of the young woman whom all counted as their friend. The burial service was most touchingly conducted by Rev. T. M. Jones of Central Point. The floral offerings were many and beautiful in design and coloring. Miss Cook was 23 years of age at the time of her death and she was known as a most exemplary, industrious young woman, who had the friendship of all who had her acquaintance. She was a strong, healthy girl until a couple of years ago when she took a very severe cold which developed into consumption, which was the cause of her death. The family circle consisted of the father and mother and ten children and this is the first death and the loss of their daughter is a severe blow to Mr. and Mrs. Cook and her death brings a keen sorrow to her sisters and brothers. The brothers are young and yet at home, but the four sisters are grown and married they being Mrs. Lee Edmondson of Big Butte, and Mrs. Lee Grigsby, Magnus Hall,

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