

Educational Department

Conducted by County Superintendent Crocker

Dist. No. 18, Camma Hall, the most important duties of the teacher—We are getting along nicely. Our school will close March 18th.

Anna Martin has resigned her position as grammar grade teacher in the Dawson schools on account of the sickness of her mother.

Dist. No. 44, Mamie Riley, teacher—During the past two months our average has been lowered on account of sickness, but in spite of all this the interest is good.

The County Superintendent's office has been complimented with a copy of the proceedings of the Department of Child Study in annual convention at Boston, Mass., July, 1903. Teachers wishing to receive a copy should write to Dr. G. W. A. Luckey, Lincoln, Neb., and enclose ten cents.

If we expect our children to live the beautiful, and love the beautiful, we must surround them with beautiful influences in the home and school. A child is educated by every influence with which he comes in contact, is being changed for better or for worse every moment of his life. I pity the man who has no pleasant recollections of his school days, but how can he have such happy memories if his school life is associated in his mind with a tumble down building, a barren school room and constant contention to preserve the school playgrounds from the encroachments of animals and tramps.—Supt. C. R. Skinner.

Last spring on a number of school grounds, trees were planted and efforts made to beautify the grounds in many respects. School boards should require teachers to exercise special care in protecting these trees and shrubs. Let the teacher appeal to the pride of the pupils and ask their assistance in protecting these. This same rule should be applied to the care of the text books and all school property. The boy or the girl who wilfully injures or destroys school books or other school property should be made to pay for the same. The members of the school board, together with the teacher are the proper parties to make and enforce this rule. Pupils must not learn destructive and wasteful habits. Inspection of school property should be made from time to time, and pupils made to feel their personal responsibility for the property intrusted to them. We consider this one of

Remember that the next meeting of the Richardson County Teachers' association will be held in Falls City Friday evening and Saturday, March 11 and 12. All teachers, school officers and all other friends of education are invited to be present. It is hoped that school boards will be willing to permit their teachers to dismiss school Friday afternoon, March 11, if necessary, in order to attend. In fact, these meetings are held in the interest of the children and the schools will be given the benefit of what the teachers gain during the meeting.

A special number will be the Second Annual Richardson County Inter-High School debate. This movement commends itself to all. It will be one of the most interesting discussions ever given in Richardson county. All parts of the county will be represented. You cannot afford to miss it. Each high school will be represented by a strong delegation with banners and colors flying, with up-to-date yells to encourage their contestants, proclaim loyalty to their respective schools and raise and strengthen the high school spirit in Richardson county.

The following is the question selected by the schools, themselves: "Resolved, That the United States is Justified in Its Action Toward the Panama Republic."

Affirmative, Verdon, Shubert, Preston and Falls City.

Negative, Dawson, Stella, Salem and Humboldt.

Saturday forenoon the following subjects will be discussed: "The Value and Disadvantage of School Entertainments," Mrs. V. E. Emerson; second, "How to Reach the Heart of a Boy," Mrs. Ora G. Funk; third, "Decoration, Buildings, Grounds, Rooms, the Effect," Zelia M. Cornell; fourth, "The Value of School Athletics," Prof. J. W. Watson.

Saturday afternoon, "Duty of Teacher to Child as Regards the Kind of Discipline," Prof. R. L. Hoff; second, "Value of the Myth in Education," Grace Miner; third, "Responsibility of the School in Moral Training of the Children," Cora Botts.

Teachers have been assigned to discuss each of these subjects, after which the subjects will be open for general discussion.

Preston School Notes.

On Friday evening, February 12, we held Lincoln's birthday exercises at the school house following the suggestive program

given in special program exercises, and adding a few selections. All pupils took part and a splendid program was carried out. The pupils took great interest in the program and all did their parts well. A splendid audience was present and the order was perfect. The exercises were under the auspices of the Preston Literary club and much enthusiasm prevailed.

Our school is getting over the measles and we are glad to report the school again hard at work and progressing quite well.

The little folks in Miss Watteyne's room are showing marked improvement and are quite enthusiastic.

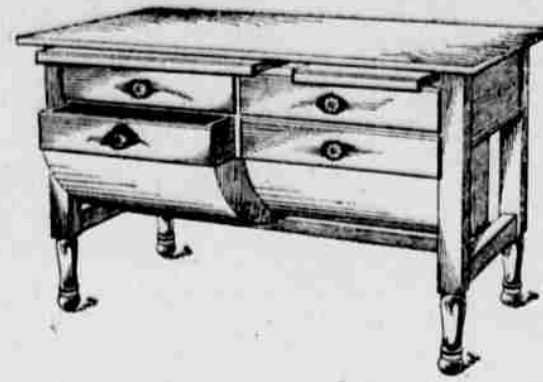
We expect to attend the meeting of the County Teachers association March 11 and 12 at Falls City and also our District association at Beatrice March 30 and 31 and April 1st. We hope good meetings at both places. "Nebraska to the Front" should be our motto.

The Concert Tonight.

The Beatrice Daily Sun February 15, says:

"The concert given in the Presbyterian church last evening by the celebrated De Moss Lyric Bards was in every sense worthy the fine and critical audience which came out to hear it.

The company is certainly a



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powerful factor in the musical world, each individual member, of which there are seven, being an artist in his or her special line.

Its repertoire of instruments seems to be almost limitless, forty-five different ones being brought into action during last evening's program.

Each number on the program was a fine one of its kind, but space forbids further mention of them.

Those who missed the entertainment missed a rare treat."

This celebrated company will appear at the M. E. church in this city tonight.

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