

# Educational Department

Conducted by County Superintendent Crocker

Nellie Dunn began teaching in No. 80 Monday morning.

The high schools of the county are beginning to plan for the next field day meet.

Prof. Geo. E. Martin, principal of the Nebraska City high school has been called to Falls City several times during the past two weeks on account of the sickness of his mother.

The following pupils of Dist. No. 83 were awarded common school diplomas this week, Geo. Brecht, Carl Brecht, Elmo McCann, Chester McCann, Maude McCann and Lester Prater.

Dist. No. 100—Georgia Gandy, teacher.—We will have one pupil to take the 8th grade examination. Our school is small now as Mr. Schmelzel's have moved away and taken five of our pupils.

The Barada schools have been closed the past two weeks on account of the serious illness of the teacher, Eva D. Scott. She is improving nicely and it is hoped that she will soon be able to resume her work.

Z. O. Dean, whom most of our teachers know, has accepted a position in the United States service as teacher and will go to the Phillipine Islands to teach. He expects to take the steamer about the 23rd of this month.

The following school men have announced themselves as candidates for nomination for state superintendent, Deputy State Supt. J. L. McBrien, Supt. W. H. Gardner of Auburn, Supt. James E. Delzell, Lexington and Supt. A. L. Caviness, Fairbury.

Wednesday, March 16th, Katie Cunningham, who recently resigned her school in No. 80 where she has taught successfully for several years, became Mrs. James Davies. The teachers of Richardson county join in extending congratulations.

Dist. No. 15—Minnie Hudson, teacher.—We are delighted to know that we won attendance prizes in December and January. This encourages us to make our attendance better. We hope to have our pupils take the eighth grade examination this spring.

Our battalion of the University cadets has signified its desire to hold its regular encampment at Falls City this year. The cadets spend a week each spring usually in May, in camping near some town in the state. It is thought that Falls City business men will take this up at once and secure the encampment.

Dist. No. 18—Miss Ora Draper taught our school during the first two months of the years term and gave splendid satisfaction. But she resigned and is now Mrs. Lee R. Swisgood. Camma Hall succeeded her and closed a successful term last Friday. Miss Hall will attend the State Normal during the remainder of the school year.

Sunny Valley School—Dist. No. 50—H. L. Kloeppel, teacher. School is progressing nicely. We now have 51 enrolled but some of the larger boys will quit soon. We have quite a number of beginners there are fifteen in the first grade. Three of our pupils expect to take the county examination next week. They have finished arithmetic and are doing good work in algebra.

The pupils in Dist. No. 90 intend to give the public an entertainment in the near future. The funds thus raised will be used for the purpose of installing a library and buying pictures for the school room. We learn from the teacher, Miss Violet Hauser, that this is a very interesting school, and that the program for this event and the date will soon be made public.—Enterprise.

## VERDON SCHOOL NOTES.

The tenth grade is working the review problems of book three in geometry.

The ninth grade algebra class is working linear equations of two unknown quantities.

Quite a number of pupils entered the primary room last week.

The sixth grade is reviewing in United States history.

Quarterly examinations were held in all the grades below the ninth last week.

The percentage of attendance in the different rooms for the month just closed are: high school 90; grammar, 93; intermediate 78 and primary 71.

## PRESTON SCHOOL NOTES.

Preston was not on the winning side at the debate but we are proud of our representative and also of the delegation that represented Preston.

It was with very much regret on our part that Mary Watteyne had to resign her position as primary teacher on account of ill health. Miss Watteyne was very popular with her pupils and also with the entire school.

Laura Pribbeno is teaching the primary room until Julia Cronin can come and relieve her.

On Friday night, March 25th, the Preston Literary Club will de-

bate the question, "Resolved that America is growing worse." The following will affirm.—Kenneth Heacock, Elmer Pribbeno, Howard Pribbeno and June McMillen; those on the side of the negative are Alma Daeschner, Laura Pribbeno, Ida Pribbeno and Sadie Meyers.

We are glad to report that the interest is growing in our school and that a marked improvement is noticeable in every class.

The following pupils have been promoted to the Principal's room,—Harry Meyers, Herbert Boeiler, Willie Pribbeno, Leo Morris, Wilber Seebring, Willard Sinclair, Willie McCumber and Cecil McCumber. These are bright little boys and they are good pupils.

Our school board have all been greatly interested in building up a good school in Preston and while true economy has been their good motto, they have been very in furnishing all things necessary for the pupils' use and in keeping the school grounds in excellent condition.

The eleventh annual meeting of the Southeastern Nebraska Educational association will be held in Beatrice March 30, 31 and April 1st.

The executive committee have endeavored to prepare for this meeting a program which, in its entertaining features, its breadth helpfulness and inspiration, shall meet the expectation of those who are anticipating an educational treat. Every number on the program is, in reality, a special feature. There is promise of a large attendance. It is hoped that Richardson county will be well represented.

Exhibit of School Work—This exhibit will consist of specimens of work in drawing, manual training, sewing and basketry from the Beatrice schools.

Miss Minnie Davis, supervisor of drawing in the Beatrice schools will give free lessons in water color to members of the association. This is a rare opportunity for the teachers.

Hotel Rates—The Paddock, steam heat, European plan, 50 cents and up per day. Where two occupy the same room the rate will be one-half the price stated above.

The Beatrice—Steam heat, \$1 to \$1.50 per day.

The Randall—80 cents per day and up.

Railroad Rates—One and one-third rate on the certificate plan, 100 having certificates will be granted by all railroads in the territory of S. E. N. E. A. Those attending will pay full fare one way and take a certificate for ticket purchased over each road

provided they cannot get a through ticket. The certificate when properly signed and stamped, will entitle the holder to a return rate of one-third fare.

The following is only a synopsis of the program:

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MARCH 30.  
Address—State Supt. W. W. Stetson of Maine.

THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 8:45 A. M.  
Address—State Supt. Stetson of Maine  
Address—"Twentieth Century Farm Life," Deputy State Supt. J. L. McBrien.

Address—"The Value of Facts," State Inspector of High Schools J. W. Crabtree.

Address—"Single Teachers of Twenty vs. Married Teachers of Forty," State Supt. W. L. Fowler.

AT 1:30 P. M.  
Normal Work in the High School—Dr. H. K. Wolfe, Prin. Lincoln High School.

Pupil Self Government; To What Extent is the Plan Advisable; Dangers in Laying Aside the Rod—Supt. H. Jennings, Wilber.

Present Tendencies in Mathematical Teaching—Supt. R. L. Hoff Humboldt  
Co-operation of City and Rural Teachers in Institute and Association Work—J. C. Waddell, Pawnee City  
AT 8:00 P. M.

Mandolin and Guitar Duet—David and Ida DeHaven.

Vocal Solo—John Appleget.

Symposium, Topic, "Save the Boys; How Can We Keep Them in School?" General Discussion.

Quartet—F. E. Lenhart, W. E. Lenhart, W. K. Goble, J. T. Harden.

Address, Closing the Symposium—Dr. Fletcher Wharton, Lincoln.

FRIDAY, APRIL 1, A. M.  
The Splice Between the Grades and the High School; should there be a splice or a complete "Change of Cars?"—W. L. Stephens, Lincoln.

Some Aids from the Masters (Picture Study)—Geo. E. Martin, Nebraska City  
Discussion: Sarah E. Webster, Lincoln; Cora Botts, Falls City, Lou E. Hosmer, Peru.

Value of the Classic Myth in Elementary Grades—Grace Miner, Falls City  
Ten minutes for business.

The Mutual Relations of the Superintendent, Principal and Teacher—A. L. Caviness, Fairbury.

AFTERNOON.

Some Suggestions for Creating Interest.—E. L. Weaver, Blue Springs.

Busy Work for Primary Pupils in the Country Schools—Amy Armstrong, Beatrice.

Nature Study (Agriculture), to what extent should it be introduced into grades; some suggested methods.—C. A. Fulmer, Beatrice.

What the school board has a right to expect of the teacher, and what the teacher has a right to expect of the school board.—A. H. Kidd, Beatrice.

Thursday evening the inter-high school debate. Question: "Resolved, That the United States is Justified in its Action Toward the Panama Republic." Affirmative—Beatrice, Pawnee City, Falls City and Humboldt. Negative—Wymore, Wilber, Nebraska City and Fairbury.

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