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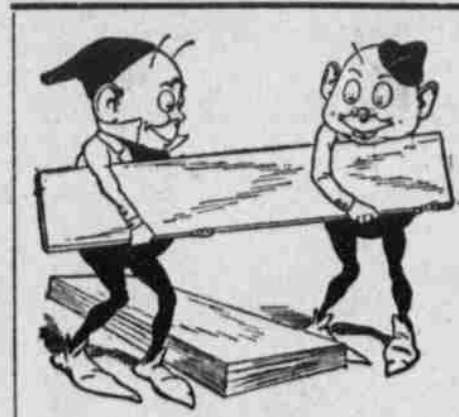
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## Educational Department

### Our Educational Department

It affords us much pleasure to reopen an Educational Department in The Herald. This feature of the paper was appreciated last year, and we believe helped to give impetus to interest in educational matters in Box Butte and adjoining counties. Acknowledgement of valuable assistance in conducting this department last year is due Ex-County Supt. Phillips.

This year we are better supplied with office help for this work than we were last year. Mrs. J. W. Thomas, once a Nebraska school ma'am and still interested in public school work, will render valuable assistance. Miss Della Reed, the present county superintendent, has promised data for the department that will aid much in making it interesting and helpful. We have reasons to expect the active co-operation of a larger number of teachers and school officers than ever before. Taking everything into consideration, we think we can safely promise that this department of The Herald will be superior to anything of the kind heretofore appearing in a western Nebraska newspaper.

### County Superintendent's Visitations

Last week the county superintendent visited the schools in Districts Nos. 1, 45 and —.

A very interesting program was given by the pupils of Dist. No. 1, Feb. 11. Miss McCoy's students have been doing some splendid work in writing and water colors.

East Pond school is doing good work under the direction of Asbury Whitaker.

Pupils in Dist. No. 45 have been very regular in attendance this school year. Miss Burkholder has a fine library to help her in keeping up interest in school work.

### Reno Notes

(Too late for last week)

Mrs. H. Hier visited with Mrs. Litztritz last Wednesday.

The Reno school celebrated Lincoln's birthday with appropriate pieces and songs.

The weather is fine again and the hills are almost bare. The ranchmen are all looking happy once more in consequence thereof.

Miss Gladys Hier has been having quite a time with blood poison on her cheek, but we understand that she is getting along nicely now.

Miss Manchie Berry was quite sick last week. She was threatened with appendicitis but is getting along nicely and is able to be up again, we are glad to say.

Mrs. Fanny Switzer accompanied her sister, Mrs. Nellie Moulton to her home in Anselmo last Saturday but returned home Monday on account of sickness.

J. C. Berry received another car of coal and one of corn. It all goes like hot cakes. The ranchers always unload it for him and there are always some that get left.

Henry Hier made a trip to Alliance Thursday with a team, the first time he has been able to drive down on account of the roads. He brought back a load of oats, which he bought of Chris Boness.

The stork visited at the home of L. D. Blair, January 30th, and not only left one baby but two, a boy and a girl. We understand that the twins look like their papa and he is proud and happy in consequence, especially as this is the first boy. They have five girls and one boy now.

### CURLY

Clifford Whitaker is one of us again. The snow is about gone in this vicinity.

Roy Hindman was a Mitchell visitor last week.

Mr. Kelley and family called at the Wood home Thursday.

Mesdames Katon and Hann called on Mrs. Hindman last Thursday.

A few of the young people have been indulging in the delightful sport of skating.

J. A. Wood, who has been working for Mr. Alcott the past two months, returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Phillips entertained a number of their friends Friday night. All enjoyed the dance and the fine oyster supper.

### County Eighth Grade Examinations

As a number of teachers have written the county superintendent asking about the eighth grade examinations, we give below an article from the pen of Assistant State Supt. F. S. Perdue, published in the February number of The Nebraska Teacher. Definite information as to dates, places of examinations, etc., will be given later.

Following is Mr. Perdue's article:

Under the workings of the free high school law the county eighth grade examinations are state wide in application. A student holding a certificate from the county superintendent is legally entitled to enter any approved high school in the state. It is evident that when the examination is not properly safeguarded, some students who do not have the necessary preliminary training to do effective high school work may receive these certificates. Where such is the case, discouragement comes to the student in his attempt to carry the regular high school work and he is either forced to drop out of school or to remain doing inefficient work and repeating the same, which places an unjust financial burden on the home district which is paying for free high school tuition.

With a view to gathering information for the purpose of establishing a uniform system for these examinations, a questionnaire consisting of thirty-two questions was sent to all outgoing and incoming county superintendents on December 17th, 1909. Reports were received from 106 superintendents representing 88 counties. Seventeen counties sent reports from both the incoming and retiring superintendents.

The results of this questionnaire would show that in order to accommodate all parts of the state there should be three examinations, held in the months of March, April and May; that these examinations shall not be held at the time of the regular teachers' examinations but upon some other date. The reason for this being that few of the county superintendents have the necessary office force and facilities to accommodate both teachers and pupils for the combined examination. The date of the eighth grade examinations shall be uniform throughout the state. There shall be two days given for the examinations, namely; Thursday and Friday, the program to be as follows: Thursday a. m., grammar, history; Thursday p. m., orthography, physiology; Friday a. m., arithmetic, reading; Friday p. m., mental arithmetic, writing, geography, including agriculture.

The examination papers shall be marked by the county superintendent or by a committee appointed by him, and under no circumstance shall the papers be marked by the pupil's own teacher. Twenty-four county superintendents report that the expenses of the eighth grade examination are paid by the county, reporting sums ranging from \$10.00 to \$50.00 appropriated for this purpose. One hundred and twelve report that bills are allowed as needed. The report shows that the average passing grade should be 75 per cent, with a minimum passing grade of 65 per cent. The examination shall be held at the county seat and other central places in the county and not at the various school houses where there may be candidates for the eighth grade diploma. In the larger counties, such as Cherry, Holt, Custer, Lincoln and Gage, it would seem advisable to arrange for central examinations at convenient points at some school houses. These may be located for the convenience of the candidates for the eighth grade examinations.

Several county superintendents recommend that when examinations are completed in the 7th grade, these grades, which are passing grades, be retained when the examination is completed. It is the opinion of the majority of the county superintendents reporting that the eighth grade pupils should have the same rights in retaining grades as are accorded to the teachers in the uniform state examination, that is, that the grades be retained to the credit of the pupil until he finishes the examination, or so long as he remains in school.

This report of the questionnaire is published at this time so that superintendents and teachers generally over the state may have a knowledge of what the superintendents of the state think in these matters. It is suggested that superintendents and others interested, write in additional suggestions that they may have in this matter to the state superintendent so that he may have the fullest knowledge possible of all the conditions in the state before making the final recommendations for these examinations.

### Teachers' Examination

The regular monthly examination of candidates for teachers' certificates will be held in the office of the county superintendent on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 18 and 19.

### Tell Us About It.

This paper can give all the local news only as our friends lend us their co-operation. If anyone visits you, if you contemplate leaving town, if you see or hear or do anything out of the ordinary day's routine, tell us about it, that we may tell the public.

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### NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANTS

Eugene Rucker and Lizzie B. Rucker, his wife, and L. A. Merritt, defendant, will take notice that on the 10th day of February, 1910, Lycurgus F. McCarthy, plaintiff herein, filed his petition in the District Court of Box Butte County, Nebraska, against said defendants the object and prayer of which are to have satisfied and cancelled of record a mortgage in the sum of \$500, dated June 29, 1889 and upon the Southeast Quarter of Section 27 in Township 25 North Range 49 West in Box Butte County, Nebraska, executed by Eugene Rucker and Lizzie B. Rucker to L. A. Merritt and recorded in book 11 of mortgages at page 8 of the Mortgage Records of said County; to have the title to said premises quieted in the plaintiff, and to exclude all, and each and any one of said defendants from any right, title or interest therein as owners of said property or otherwise and for a decree quieting and confirming the title to said premises in the plaintiff.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 21st day of March, 1910.  
Dated February 10, 1910.  
LYCURGUS F. MCCARTHY, Plaintiff,  
By R. F. GILMAN,  
His attorney.

### NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANTS

Peter N. Serboussek, Fannie Serboussek his wife, and A. N. Schuster & Co., defendants, will take notice that on the 10th day of January, 1910, Cora May Triplett, plaintiff herein, filed her petition in the District Court of Box Butte County, Nebraska, against said defendants the object and prayer of which are to have satisfied and cancelled of record a certain mortgage of \$510.25 given by Peter N. Serboussek and Fannie Serboussek to said A. N. Schuster & Co. upon the South West Quarter (S.W. 1/4) of Section 27 in Township 25 North Range 49 West in Box Butte County, Nebraska, dated Aug. 21, 1890, recorded in Book 11, page 410, Mortgage Records of said County; to quiet the title of said premises in the plaintiff, and to exclude all, and each and any one of said defendants from any right, title or interest therein as owners of said property or otherwise and for a decree so satisfying and cancelling said mortgage and quieting said title.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 21st day of March, 1910.  
Dated Feb. 10, 1910.  
CORA MAY TRIPLETT, Plaintiff,  
By R. F. GILMAN,  
Her attorney.

### NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANTS

Elizabeth J. Danner and John Danner her husband, William Hale and Mrs. Hale first real name unknown, his wife; George E. Hale and Nellie Hale his wife; John F. Hale and Willie Hale his wife; Maggie Ritter and Charles Ritter her husband, heirs of Elijah Hale, deceased, defendants, will take notice that on the 10th day of February, 1910, William A. Springer, plaintiff herein, filed his petition in the District Court of Box Butte County, Nebraska, against said defendants the object and prayer of which are to quiet the title in the plaintiff of the southeast Quarter (S.E. 1/4) of section 23 in township 26 north range 49 west in Box Butte County, Nebraska, and to exclude all, and each and any one of said defendants from any right, title or interest therein as owners of said property or otherwise and for a decree quieting and confirming the title to said premises in the plaintiff.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 21st day of March, 1910.  
Dated February 10, 1910.  
WILLIAM A. SPRINGER,  
Plaintiff.

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### County Commissioners' Estimate of Expenses

The Board of Box Butte County Commissioners being in session at their regular meeting in January, to-wit, January 11th, 1910, made the following estimate of expenses, for the year 1910, on which to base their levy for the year 1910:

|                          |            |              |
|--------------------------|------------|--------------|
| County officers          | 5000.00    | General Fund |
| Prec' and Dist. officers | 4500.00    |              |
| Fuel                     | 800.00     |              |
| Books and stationery     | 1000.00    |              |
| Elections                | 1300.00    |              |
| Incidentals              | 1700.00    |              |
|                          | \$14300.00 |              |
| Road and bridge fund     | 7000.00    |              |
| Pauper fund              | 1500.00    |              |
| Institute fund           | 200.00     |              |
|                          | \$23000.00 |              |

W. C. MOUNTS, Co. Clerk.