

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE YEAR 1905

Mattings better than ever. The Spring line now coming in and at a price always the lowest. We have just received 1,000 yards of Japanese Mattings that we will sell as a leader at 25c per yard. This grade always brings 35c in other stores. You will do well to anticipate your needs. The war has shortened the supply and when this is gone we cannot duplicate.

We will carry a fuller line of Carpets this spring than usual. Keep this in mind. We are in a situation to save you money. All Carpets sewed on our own machines. We can give you an Ingrain Carpet sewed in 20 minutes after order. This is a great benefit to farmers, and over others prices costs you nothing.

The Furniture line is to be better stocked than ever and a more varied line to select from. We pay freight anywhere in the county.

Lace Curtains during this spring will be sold at a sacrifice.

Our Inventory discloses we have an overstock. We solicit your continued patronage.

REAVIS & ABBEY FALLS CITY, NEBRASKA

Educational Department

Conducted by County Supt. Crocker

To the Teachers.

I have sent you a map of Richardson county. The cut is not quite up-to-date, but please read "corrections on the map" carefully. Many pupils, and sad to say, some teachers, while they know a great deal in detail about the geography of Europe, Asia and Africa, yet they know but very little about the county in which they live. I find pupils in the eastern part of the county who do not know that Humboldt and Dawson are in this county and I find pupils in the western part who do not know that Rulo, Fargo and Barada are in this county. In fact our teachers are not teaching enough about the geography and history of Richardson county. Let us teach the pupils to see, study, appreciate and love the things of home and the home county. I wish to urge each teacher to have a nice large map of Richardson county drawn, either on the blackboard or on paper and placed on the wall, then drill the pupils on the geography history, civil government and products of Richardson county.

The next meeting of the Richardson County Teachers associa-

tion will be held in Falls City, Friday evening and Saturday, March 10 and 11.

Our institute this year will begin Aug. 7 and continue one week.

Last week the county superintendent visited the Rulo City Schools and the schools in Districts 23 and 29.

There is a spelling prize at the county superintendent's office for Emma Lietzke, of Dist. No. 18 and one for Lucy Lemmon of Dist. No. 75.

Prof. J. W. Watson writes that the Verdon Reading Circle work is progressing nicely and that they will be able to finish their work in ample time.

We have just received Vol. 1 No. 1, of the Normal Journal, a monthly magazine devoted to the interests of educational work, published at Peru, Neb.

Unless the present legislature compels us to make a change, applicants for common school diplomas will not be required to take examination in either elements of agriculture, civil government or book-keeping. We hope to have the largest eighth grade graduat-

ing class this spring in the history of the county.

Dist. 30—E. T. Peck teacher. Last Friday closed another quarter of school work. Our total enrollment has been 37 and average daily attendance 22. The pupils passed the best examination for this or the preceding year. The results were gratifying and we feel somewhat elated over the work of the past quarter and hope to have at least two or three eight grade graduates.

I find many school stoves in poor condition. "Have your district look after this matter. Neither the children nor the teacher can afford to stay all day in a cold school room, neither can they afford to stay in an over heat school room. If your school has not a thermometer, secure one and keep the temperature at 70, if possible. The health of the children is of more importance than either wealth or education."—Supt. Arnot.

Dist. No. 80—Edna Lytle, teacher. Our school is getting along nicely. We had two week's vacation during holidays. Our teacher visited her parents in the Indian Territory. The pupils of the fifth grade wrote the county superintendent letters telling how they spent the holidays. They are interesting, would do credit

to much older pupils, and show that their teacher is giving them careful instruction.

Dist. No. 5—Cora Higgins, teacher. School is going nicely, but as quite a number of pupils are sick at present the attendance is small. We have taken up Raffia work since Christmas. The children are delighted with it. We use it in the first and second grades for busy work, and the higher grades work at it at recess and noon. I find it excellent work to keep them employed at intermissions when it is too cold to play outdoors.

Don't fail to read the report of the debate on the first page under the head of the Farmers Institute.

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