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New Method Of School Classification

STANDARDIZATION OF ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS IS OBJECT OF NEW METHOD

By S. G. West, Correspondent

The Committee on Classification of Schools in a recent session at Austin, made some recommendations of definite significance and of interest to all who are concerned about the public schools. For a number of years, in order to secure the State Department's approval on courses taught in the local school, it has been necessary to submit a rather burdensome lot of materials, samples of work done, and evidences of the sort of course taught. It has always been a difficult matter, this giving to the state department an accurate evidence of the course taught.

The most far reaching decision of the Committee at its last meeting was the one affecting the method of accrediting the individual school. Hereafter the school will be accredited, if at all, as a whole and credit on individual courses will not be given. An inspection of the school will determine the general standard of work done and if this standard is satisfactory, the school will be accredited and all the work taught

at the school will be accepted. This will mean that a standard school with sixteen courses taught will be able to send its students to college or university without examinations.

The accrediting of the school will be based upon the quality of the building, the equipment, the materials, and preparation of teachers. It is expected that the new plan will make for uniformity of effective work rather than for emphatic work in the courses for which affiliation is being asked. It will be necessary for the local school to have a building meeting the state requirements, sufficient school furniture of the proper sort, improved sanitary conditions, sufficient equipment, aids and laboratory materials for the teaching of the various courses and teachers with preparation meeting the approval of the State Department. Special attention has been given to these factors during the last two years in the Benjamin school, and with a reasonable amount of additional equipment for the coming year the local school will be in line for accrediting.

GRAIN HARVEST

Considerable grain is being harvested now. Ralph Myers of Truscott is running a combine here and Theo Hertel has his threshing crew busy on his place west of town.

CENTRAL HEALTH COMMITTEE TO MEET

There will be a meeting of the Central Health Committee at the Court House in Benjamin June 30th at 3 P. M. It is requested that each school district of the county and each rural district have a representative at this meeting as it is an important one.

School Contracts To Be Let In July

The specifications for the repair of the Benjamin school building are ready and those interested may obtain them from Mr. J. A. McCanlies.

July 8 is the day set for letting the contract for the repair of the building. Three contracts will be let. One for the repair of the building; one for the repair of the roof; and one for plumbing.

OLD TIMERS ATTENDING STAMFORD RODEO

Many of the old timers are attending the Stamford Rodeo and Cowboy Reunion this week. Here one meets many of the men of the range that rode when everything was open from the Red River to the Rio Grande. Many of the old for the first time in 30 or 40 years meet each other here. The rodeo is strictly on an amateur basis, those competing for the prizes are the ranch hands that are engaged in the stock business and not professional rodeo men.

New Ruling On Scholastics

Mr. Marrs released the following information on High School Tuition June 8, 1931. This ruling is based on a decision of the Supreme Court.

The Court holds that no one can receive the benefits of free high school tuition unless he has been enumerated on the subject to be transferred. It will be necessary, therefore, to exclude from the benefits of this law the following students:

1. Scholastics who reside in the rural school district but who were omitted from the scholastic census in March.

2. Scholastics who are of High School grade who have become residents of a rural, non-high school district after the taking of the census, unless such pupils have been enumerated within the county or in an adjacent district of a contiguous county and have been transferred to the district of their new residence.

3. Pupils over 17 years of age. These pupils are not subject to transfer and are not allowed to attend school, even in their home district, without the payment of tuition.

4. Pupils enumerated in one county who desire to attend high school in another county, unless the high school student resides in a county line district and desires to be transferred to a contiguous high school district in the adjoining county.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Ashcroft of Knox City were visitors in Benjamin one day this week.

Walter Tandy of Abilene, son of A. H. Tandy old timer of Haskell County who runs the BZ ranch in years past, was here one day this week.

Pete Wiley, former citizen of Munday but now of Lubbock was in town this week.

IMMUNIZATION WORK COMPLETED HERE

This week finishes the work begun for Diphtheria Immunization. We have administered 1800 doses Diphtheria Toxoid, 400 doses Typhoid vaccine and inoculated approximately 300 person against Smallpox since the work began May 25th. The work has been hampered by not being able to secure enough vaccines of the different kinds. The demand for inoculation and the interest shown by the people as a rule, has is a new thing for Texas, and no idea as to its reception by the people was had by the State Department of Health, and so the supply of vaccines was rapidly exhausted. It might be worth while to state right here that Knox County is second in amount of work done in the entire State, and would have readily been first if the materials could have been secured. We are promised that after July 1 that there will be plenty of materials for all uses.

Since our work started we have held 13 clinics in six different communities. We have had assistance from five Doctors outside the Health Department. Dr. Peterson of the Health Department assisted in three clinics. We have had assistance from two registered nurses outside of those supplied by the Health department. The several women's clubs of the county have done a wonderful work in organizing and assisting in clinic work. We still have several communities in which there has been no clinics held on account of lack of vaccines. The majority of the different communities are very anxious to have this work done, and are waiting patiently until we may be able to secure a further supply of material for their use.

We have reported cases of Typhoid Fever in two places in the county, and there are probably other cases that have not been reported. I wish to ask all doctors in the county to please report all cases to me as soon as diagnosed. The Health Department will probably then be able to assist in locating and doing away with the cause of infection. Heads of households, where there is any contagious disease need not wait for their doctor to report, but may report by letter the disease and its location. We wish to help you keep your health as well as to provide means of your getting well when you are sick.

We wish to thank all persons who have cooperated so faithfully in helping make the movement a success, to thank the doctors of the different communities for their help in conducting the clinics we have held so far. We wish to assure the people of the county that we have been promised enough vaccines of all kinds to supply all who want it. That is all free. We urge all of you to avail yourselves of the opportunity to help free our county of preventable contagious diseases. We wish also to thank the newspapers of the county for the assistance they have given us in printing from time to time the notices of the work being done. Let's all get together in July and put Knox County the first on the list.

J. E. Stover, Co. Health Officer

Rhineland Men Become Naturalized Citizens

August Sshumacher and Martin Schumacker of Rhineland and John Sakora of Rhineland received naturalization papers this week in the District Court here. Both of the Schumackers have been residents of this county for 34 years and had thought that they were bonifide citizens of the United States but owing to the red tape that one has to go through with dealing with the Federal Government, they recently found that they were still citizens of Germany. It may be said to their credit that although technically they were not citizens of this country, in spirit and principal one would have to go far to find a studrier, more loyal citizens anywhere. Mr. Sakora has been in the United States for 28 years and until his naturalization was a citizen of Czecho Slyvokia.

From the Clint McDade Co. we received a book entitled "Runt", which is as rich and racy a story as has ever been our privilege to read. While some of the poetry in the prologue reads as though it might have been copied off the wall of one of the buildings made famous by Chick Sales, it is never-the-less an entertaining piece of humorous work. We can truthfully state the Author evidently knows his dogs.

Judge Bruce Oliver and Senator Oliver Cunningham of the firm Cunningham, Oliver and Cunningham of Abilene were here on legal business this week.

EQUILIZATION BOARD HOLDS MEETING

The City Board of Equilization met Monday evening to make a few adjustments in the city Tax Renditions.

HIGHWAY DEPT. TAKES TRAFFIC COUNT

The State Highway Department had men stationed on the highways on each side of town for four days and nights beginning last Saturday taking a count of the traffic that passed over the roads.

Benjamin - Gilliland To Get School Bus Aid

Mrs. P'Pool has been notified that any district of 50 sq. mi. or more that furnishes transportation and is not consolidated may receive a reimbursement of half the transportation provided that the amount asked for does not exceed \$400.00.

This is very gratifying news to the Benjamin and Gilliland school districts as they used the school bus but could not obtain aid as the consolidated districts did.

Mrs. P'Pool was pleased over the report as she has written a number of letters to the State Department of Education as well as senators and representatives in the interest of this measure.

District Court Finishes Work Of This Term

The Grand Jury came back the first of the week and turned in three more bills of which were felonies. This makes a total of 21 indictments turned in by the Grand Jury for this term of court. There were two civil cases tried in the District Court this week and one felony, a liquor case in which the defendant was given one year in the state penitentiary. Court adjourned until the fall term. The Court goes to Paducah the 2nd. week in August.

Pellagra Not Unknown In Texas

Statistics in the State Department of Health reveal that over one thousand persons died in Texas of pellagra in 1930. Pellagra is responsible for many cases of insanity. The United States Department of Agriculture recommends that you protect yourself from pellagra by eating milk, lean meat, tomatoes and other fresh vegetables. The American Red Cross is distributing yeast through the State Health Department to communities petitioning for it. Since yeast is high in Vitimine D it is essential in the treatment of pellagra. Goldberger who devoted years to the study of pellagra, urged everyone to keep a cow and to partake freely of those foods that are high in Vitimine D.

In order to stimulate milk consumption in Texas a "Milk for Health Week" was designated the early part of April. Such educational programs may well be staged in any community at any time. Milk is one of the most valuable protective foods. Combined with lean meat and fresh leafy vegetables, a milk diet will protect the body from the inroads of the disease. While there is at present a surplus of milk in many Texas communities, quality milk is still in demand. Contrary to some opinions that it takes expensive barns and equipment to produce a high quality milk, the chief requisites are healthy cows, clean methods of milking and distributing milk. Most barns may be made sanitary by remodeling at a small cost. Every farmer can follow a few simple rules in milking and in the disinfection of milking utensils. The county health officer, Dr. J. E. Stover and Sanitary Inspector, Willis E. Collins assigned to your district will be glad to assist all dairy farmers in meeting the sanitary requirements. Call upon them for their expert advise as to cheap sterilization, economic cooling, time saving arrangement of the barn, and sanitation of the entire establishment. Plans for accomodating various sized herds will be furnished by Mr. Collins and instructions given in building these barns. Increased consumption of milk is the true farm relief measure and is in addition a big step in protecting the people against disease. Mr. Collins may be reached thru Dr. Stover, Judge Melton, or the City Secretary at Seymour.

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The above paragraph was taken from the Texas Weekly and was adopted by the Texas Press Association at their San Angelo meeting as a policy of better serving the Lone Star State. There is a need of a change in the economic order of things in the State and if we the citizens of the grandest State in the Union will bend every effort toward a plan of progress such as the above adopted plan, we shall, before many years have passed, realize a wonderful improvement in the placing of the State on a high economic plane.

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—Pointers, Kansas City

Andrew Johnson, old timer in the Munday country was here on business this week.

B. J. Glover of Gilliland was here this week.

Mrs. A. H. Sams suffered a broken collar bone and bruises from a fall Thursday.

Mrs. Frank Patton and Miss Kathleen Sams are spending a few days in Stamford.

Mrs. K. M. Holderman, lawyer from Kansas City and Judge C. B. Joiner of Plainview were here on legal business this week.

M. F. Billingsley of Munday was in the city this week.

W. F. Hickman of Truscott was in Benjamin Friday.

Tom Masterson and Glenn Burnett of Truscott were here on business this week.

W. H. Murchison and Walter Murchison, lawyers of Haskell, were here on legal business this week.

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Alfred Rufford, 14 years old, of Wichita Falls, Texas, won the first prize in the Grand American Handicap trapshooting contest in competition with over 1,000 men.

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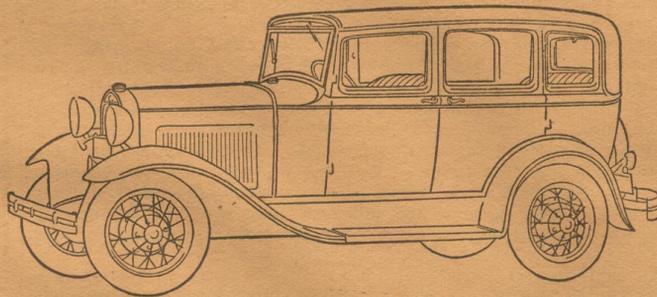
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Vera News

Cecu Shipman happened to a painful accident Monday when a span of mules ran away, turning the wagon over with him. His shoulder and collar bones were broken but he is doing nicely at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Feemster were in Ft. Worth Sunday attending the bedside of Mrs. Feemster's sister who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Sypes were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gray Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. West and family of Wichita Falls were visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Roberson, one day the past week.

Mrs. Lillian Luther and son, Fred, are spending the summer with her daughter, Mrs. Ennis Jernigen.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Roberts of Munday were visiting here last Saturday.

Ted Russell is in Holiday working in the oil fields.

Leroy Roberts is in Spearman this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Williams were visiting in Hamlin last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Russel and Byron Hughes have gone to Clovis, N. M.

Mrs. Audrey Cooley of Oxnard, California has been visiting in the home of her grandfather, Uncle William Shipman the past week.

Finger Waves, 15c. See Miss Lulu Hurd.

Reporter

Bits of News

Harry Williams of Munday was a visitor in the city the first of the week.

Tom Arnett of Guthrie was a business visitor in Benjamin this week.

J. T. Nunley of Throckmorton was visiting friends in the city this week.

Bennie Morgan of Toyah is here this week visiting friends and relatives.

Miss Lillian McGlothlin of Munday is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl McGlothlin this week.

Mrs. Lewis Williams was back from Tech at Lubbock for the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Sams and Miss Kathleen were in Ft. Worth last week attending the funeral of Merl Morrison who was drowned in Lake Worth last week.

Jack Spikes of Snyder was visiting friends here this week.

A. S. Taylor and wife of Ft. Worth are visiting in the home of J. C. Patterson this week.

Witt Parks and family of Corpus Christa are visiting in the home of I. T. Wright this week.

C. H. Burnett has been working his cattle at his ranch this week.

Dr. Hughes of Truscott was over on business the first of the week.

Dr. Peterson, Willis Collins, Mr. Mail and Misses Sussie Durden and Moore were in the city this week attending a health meeting.

Dr. A. A. Smith of Munday was in the city this week attending court.

John Ed Jones of Munday has been in Benjamin on business this week.

Mrs. P'Pool has gone to Hereford, Texas for a two weeks vacation.

Chas. Moorhouse has been in Westover this week buying wheat.

Artt Sams was a visitor in Knox City Thursday.

Paul Russell was in town the first of the week.

W. S. Dickerson of Munday was over the first of the week.

W. A. Brown of Truscott has been in Benjamin this week.

Shilo Gorman of Seymour was here the first of the week.

Jo Brown Highway Engineer, is driving a new Chevrolet Coach this week.

Chas. Combs of Stamford was in Benjamin this week attending court.

Elbridge Coffman of Goree was in Benjamin this week.

When the Editor Tells the Truth

Only a short time ago the editor of a paper in Indiana grew tired of being called a liar and announced that he would tell the truth in the future and his next issue contained the following items:

"John Benin, the laziest merchant in town, made a trip to Beeville on Monday."

"John Coyle, our grocerman, is doing poor business. His store is dirty and musty. How can he expect to do much?"

"Dave Conkey died at his home here Tuesday. The doctor gave it out as heart failure. Whiskey killed him."

"Married-Miss Sylvia Rhoades and James Collins, last Saturday at the Baptist parsonage, by the Rev. Gordon. The bride is a very ordinary girl who doesn't know any more about cooking than a jack-rabbit and never helped her mother three days in her life. She is not a beauty by any means and has a gait like a duck. The groom is an up to date loafer. He has been living off the old folks at home all his life and is not worth shucks. It will be a hard life."—Exchange.

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Raven Poisoning Proves Successful

The past year the Bureau of Biological Survey has received urgent requests from County Agents and others for raven control measures. In a few experimental tests by poisoning carried on in Jones, Taylor and Runnels Counties it was demonstrated that raven poisoning is practical around the roosts in the winter when feed is scarce. Unfortunately, whole sale poisoning cannot be done successfully when young poultry, truck and other crops are providing an abundance of feed. However, at this season each individual farmer or rancher can help himself, his neighborhood, and his county by destroying the raven eggs and young birds on his own place.

Since the raven generally nest in mesquite trees within ten feet of the ground, one or two men on horseback or in cars can destroy several dozen eggs and young birds in a few hours. This has been a common practice on some ranches for years but you can readily see that much more will be accomplished if everyone cooperates in the matter. If the ravens are doing damage in your part of the county, destroy the eggs and young birds now and thereby help in the general movement in twenty or more counties where the ravens cause the greatest damage.

The Biological Survey desire information as to the location of the raven roosts and if the local people will report this data, it will be valuable in planning winter control meas-

ures for the entire area in which these birds are pests.

The following are some of the more common cases of the damage reported: Last fall the ravens picked up the grain almost as fast as the farmers could sow it. The ravens ate the maize before it was ripe enough to harvest. In the spring they sit in a nearby tree to wait until a turkey hen leaves her nest so they can steal her eggs. They will come within a hundred feet of the house to pick up young chicks. In one truck-growing section a farmer reported that the ravens took his entire peanut crop.

L. C. Whitehead, Leader of Rodent Control.

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