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THE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL PROPOSITION

The voters of Harding county will have before them in the near future the question of settling the location for the Harding County High School, and while the matter was permanently settled by the legislature, the supreme court thru a decision a few weeks ago decided the County High School Debentures were illegal and this leaves the matter as to a permanent location doubtful. Hence a petition was circulated last Monday a week ago and over 500 names were secured on that date asking the County Commissioners to call an election and settle the matter so far as Roy was concerned. A petition was circulated by the people of Mills and community asking for an election to vote on Mills also as to location for a County High School.

The petition from Roy was filed a number of days before the petition from Mills was filed and will have to be acted upon by the commissioners first and the law says plainly that one place can be voted upon at one time.

In as much as the County High School was given to Roy by the legislature in the county bill and Roy being the largest town in the county and having by far the largest school enrollment and the district paying one fourth of the taxes of the whole county it appears to us that the school should rightfully be located at Roy and we believe the people of the county will by their vote locate it where it rightfully belongs in the county metropolis. While the S. A. has felt all the time that the legislature had no right to name the location of the permanent county seat and high school, yet we feel if one part of the bill is null and void and illegal then the actions of the same bill are illegal. However if it is illegal to have the legislature name the location of the County High School, then Roy is perfectly willing to go before the people and let them decide where they want it located for we do not want anything that does not rightfully belong to the town.

The Roy school being more centrally located than any other school in the county has a number of advantages over the other schools as for the location of the County High School. First of all is the large enrollment of nearly 400 students which naturally requires a high school and it will be absolutely necessary for a high school at this place whether it be a county high school or not. With probably 50 or 60 pupils ready for school work next year distributed between the four years of high school work one can readily see that a high school will be an absolute necessity and as we are under the County Unit System the whole county paying for the schools naturally the county will have to pay proportionately for this high school. However, even at this, Roy's assessment of nearly \$2,000,000 will probably more than pay for the school but the taxes goes into one fund and is likewise dis-

LEGION AUXILIARY TO HOLD SERVICES ON MOTHERS' DAY

Mothers' day, which falls this year on Sunday, May 14, will be observed nationally as well as locally by every one of the 3,500 units of the American Legion auxiliary. Assistance will be given the women's organization by the 11,000 posts of the American Legion.

The national effort at observance will be symbolized by an impressive ceremony over the body of the Unknown Soldier, in the national cemetery at Arlington, Va. Tribute will be paid to the unknown mothers of this soldier, who was buried with distinctive honors last Armistic day. Ceremonies will be held over the graves of war dead in other parts of the country.

It is planned to have legion and auxiliary members unite in community church services, to be held in towns on the afternoon of Mother's day. Auxiliary units will arrange concerts in hospitals in which there are veterans of the late war and programs of entertainment also will be given in orphan asylums in which there are children of men of the World war.

The Auxiliary also will promote the observance of established features of the day, such as church attendance, in the morning, preaching of appropriate sermons and the urging of everyone to write or wire his mother on that day or send her flowers.

Mother's day was organized by Miss Anna Jarvis, of Philadelphia. The American Legion auxiliary is composed of the mothers, wives, sisters and daughters of Legion men.

Jimmie Turner, brother-in-law of Nels Benson was in town a few days the first of the week showing the fine work done by the Dawson Vulcanizing firm. We have to admit that it is fine work and the new firm will no doubt receive a good business from this town.

tributed, it naturally goes back to the county school fund.

There is no doubt in our minds but Mills, Solano and Mosquero should have high school work and they will probably have two years work this year and as soon as their enrollment warrants it their high school work should be increased, but with their present enrollment it would be almost impossible to give these places a complete four year course. The law requires at least one high school teacher for each year taught and it is easy to see that it would be a waste of money to have three or four high school teachers for 6 to 10 pupils.

The County Commissioners will probably act on the petition at their June meeting and then the matter will be left up to the people of the county to decide. Roy is only asking for what she feels rightfully belongs to her and we believe the voters of the county will settle the matter permanently for the county high school and locate same at Roy.

HARDING COUNTY FIFTH SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION HELD AT MILLS LAST SUNDAY

The morning was fine and warm and it brought people from Solano, Roy and also people from our various Sunday Schools scattered over the country together at an early hour some in time for Sunday School which was held at 10 o'clock.

The convention was opened by the president, b. D. Wade, of Roy, reading the Shepherd's Psalm in a very impressive manner which was followed by prayer by Rev. Wellingham of Roy.

Rev. Fletcher of Mills gave welcome address in a few well chosen words. Rev. Wellingham delivered the convention sermon, taking for his text "Bring up a Child in the way it should go and when it is old it will not depart therefrom." It was one of the best sermons which we have heard for years.

Then came dinner—one of those basket dinners—and it was sumptuous indeed. If you think we are prevaricating on the subject just ask Mr. Wade. He was a long time betting to the table but at last he overcame his bashfulness and "waded" in. We encouraged him by giving him a fair size plate and saw that it was kept full, but at the same time warning him on the dangers of too much rich food. We readily saw that our breath was wasted when he said, "The more I eat the better I feel." Everyone present seemed to enjoy themselves and added to the mirth of the moment.

After a song and prayer came the business session during which it was decided to hold the next convention at Solano on the fifth Sunday in July. P. L. Gunn, of Roy, was elected to fill the unexpired term as that of vice president T. S. Hoiland, formerly of Mosquero, but who has moved away and left that office vacant. We feel assured that Mr. Gunn will be a valuable member to the convention because he boosts for Sunday Schools every day in the week and on Sunday too.

A committee was appointed to prepare the program and have same published in the paper three weeks before time for the next convention. So watch for it and make your arrangements to be there.

The Sunshine Class of the Mills Sunday School, which is composed of little girls in the third and fourth grades at school, sang a song, "We are the Rainy Day Brigade," and with their umbrellas they showed us how we could depend on them being at Sunday School every Sunday morning.

Mrs. Geo. Lucas, of the Liberty Sunday School, gave a reading on "Conscience" which was enjoyed by all present and which revealed deep thinking on the part of the writer.

After a solo by Pearl Newman of Solano, Rev. Fletcher talked on "A child's life from 6 to 8 years of age." W. Fred Ogder read a paper on the "History and Progress of the Sunday School Work." He took us back many years and produced facts that people had met together for the purpose of studying God's word many years before Robert Rakes began to teach his little bond of poor street boys in England.

A tenor and soprano duet was given by Miss Mable Smith and Mr. Wade which was well rendered and the audience showed their appreciation by much applause.

A quartett from the Roy Methodist Sunday School sang beautifully and farther impressed upon our minds that they have some good singers at Roy as well as elsewhere.

When we say that Prof. Hendricks, of Roy, gave a splendid talk on "What kind of soil are we furnishing for our young people," we are expressing it mildly, and we sincerely wish we had time to go into details and tell all about it, but as we have not, and our report is growing long we must content ourselves with these few remarks.

The convention was dismissed about four o'clock and all departed for their numerous homes declaring that the day was well spent.

METHODIST LADIES HOME MISSIONARY ENTERTAIN

The Methodist Ladies Home Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. C. L. Justice on the 19, and spent a pleasant day with the hostess.

The ladies began arriving at 10. A.M. and 26 were present and assisted in the tacking of three comforts for Mrs. Ellis Abernathy. At noon a cafeteria dinner was served by the hostess. In the afternoon the Society had a group picture taken and in the evening ice cream and cake were served to those present.

The Justice home was beautifully decorated for the occasion and the members spent one of a most pleasant day and evening at this fine home.

Late in the evening several of the ladies returned also a number of young folks and another pleasant hour was spent with the hostess.

The Society met at the home of Mrs. Jerald Dodds, Wednesday afternoon of this week.

Mr. Allen, of the Springer Sales and Auto Co., of Springer, delivered a brand new Ford to Law Peifer the first of the week.

LANDS BIG JOB

The Publishers Auxiliary, issue of April 29th, contains an interesting article concerning W. F. Walkowiak, a former business man of Roy, who has just recently been appointed general manager of the Polish Catholic Union, a daily and weekly newspaper published in Chicago. Mr. Walkowiak, it will be remembered was editor of a paper at Springer after leaving Roy, and he now publishes the Argo News at Argo, Illinois, a suburb of Chicago. He stated that he will continue the management of the News in addition to his new duties as general manager of the large Chicago paper.

NEW VILLAGE BOARD TAKES OVER REINS OF CITY GOVERNMENT

The newly elected Village Board took over the reins of the city government last Monday evening and it is now Mayor Gibbs your honor. The old board passed on several unpaid bills and wound up all unfinished business and then vacated the chairs to the newly elected board composed of M. D. Gibbs, Mayor P. C. Haines, W. W. Gilstrap, Alberto Branch and Sam Strong Trustees, and Frank L. Schultz, Clerk.

The new board after listening to a number of recommendations by ex-mayor Floersheim and a strong address by Mayor Gibbs, decided to let the present treasurer and marshal serve for a few weeks until the next regular meeting of the Board when the new appointments will be made for these offices. It is probable that the offices of marshal and street commissioner will be made into one office and under one head. There are several applicants for the treasurer job but this matter will not be settled for at least a week or two.

The Board has a number of knotty problems before it and will have some hard work ahead of them to solve them all but we believe they are equal to the task. The Board will continue to meet in the S. A. office for the present at least and probably thruout their term.

The next meeting will be held on Monday evening May 8th. The Board invites the public to be present at all meetings.

May 14th is mother's day. Everyone should remember their mother on this day with a letter telegram or at least wear a flower in her honor. Mother is the greatest friend you ever had, or will have. So don't forget mother.

ST. GEORGE'S SCHOOL TO HOLD GRADUATING EXERCISES MONDAY EVENING

The Graduating Class of the St. George's School will hold their graduating exercises at the Parochial School Building next Monday evening May 8th, at 8 o'clock P. M., and the public is invited to the exercises.

The graduates this year are: Arthur McGrath, Thomas Bauler and Gertrude Swoyer. The Class Motto is "Onward and Upward" while the class flower is the "Lily of the Valley" and the Class colors, "Blue and Gold."

The following program will be given on the eve of graduation.

Chorus "O Fair New Mexico." By the School.
Recitation "How I tended the Baby." Celeste Brashears.
Playet "Dollies Dreams" By Girls.
Recitation "Fatty." Henry Romero.
Song "Farm Yard" Frances Daegen.
Recitation "Son You Washed." Virgil Scheier.
Song "Lullaby Land" David Branch and Frances Brashears.
Presentation of Diplomas by Rev. Fr. F. Vachon, O. M. I.
Farewell Address Gertrude Swoyer.
Address to Graduates by Rev. Fr. E. Chaput, O. M. I., of Dawson.
Distribution of Medals and Prizes.
Song "America" Everybody.

The County Commissioners were in session last Monday and Tuesday. They met as a board of equalization, also acted on the incorporation of Mosquero as a village. Several matters were brought before the commissioners but they were left over until the June meeting.



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