

PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES

Primary Grades

The Fitza Number cards have furnished lots of amusement for the youngsters during the week.

On Tuesday afternoon the first and second grades dramatized "The Three Bears."

The first grade is illustrating the old nursery rhyme, "Old Woman Who Lived In a Shoe," as their sand table work.

Our physical culture lesson on Wednesday was in the form of a march. We learned to keep in step and give prompt response to commands.

The third grade language class studied the picture "Paper and Nutcracker" by Landisær. Some very interesting stories were told about this picture.

High School Notes

On Friday evening, the 28th the upper classmen held their annual initiation on the Freshmen. After the party the Freshmen were treated to lunch of ice cream and cake.

The high school has begun physical training exercises which are held regularly in forty minute periods twice a week. This year they will be held during the school day and have a place in the program.

(Too late for last week)

This week the Freshmen have been compelled by the upper classmen to wear green bonnets as a symbol of their entrance to the Freshman class of high school. They have been permitted to mingle with the upper classmen thus far. Failure to comply with the demands resulted in putting a Freshman, thru the gauntlet. This proved to be successful for when he had survived this ordeal, he was only too glad to wear the little 'green' mark. Woe to the Freshmen, the worst is yet to come.

The enrollment by classes this year is very large, the majority of them ranging between 22 and 30. The two science classes will use reference books and other material only and not rely upon any single text. The reason for this is that the North Dakota syllabi are based on material found in various texts. The students are handicapped to some extent for they are not accustomed to this method of topic assignment.

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Class Enrollment—	Girls	Boys
Primary grades	12	24
Intermediate grades	21	14
Grammar grades	13	5
High school	20	16

Summary of Attendance Laws:—

All children of or between the seventh and seventeenth birthdays must attend school for the entire session unless they have a legal excuse.

The following are legal excuses for nonattendance recognized by law:

- Section 1342, 1915 General School Law (amended 1917):
1. That such child is taught for the length of time in a parochial or private school approved by the county superintendent.
 2. That such child has completed the eighth grade.
 3. That such child is actually necessary to the support of the family, as determined by the state's attorney, subject to appeal.
 4. That such child is in such physical or mental condition (as declared by a licensed physician if required by the board) as to render such attendance inexpedient or impossible.
 5. That such child is attending public school elsewhere.