

GRADED SCHOOL STATISTICS.

List of Pupils Who Were Not Absent or Tardy.

Grade, First; Teacher, Miss M. Grace Randle.
 Not tardy: Mary Barwick, Vivian Cox, Alice Ragin (entered in January), Caroline White, Eljnor Markey, Bieka Cherry, Roberta Johnson, Catherine Walker, Ruth McKain, Hilda Thorne.
 Grade, First; Teacher, Miss Mary S. McCauley.
 Not tardy: Wilkes Bobbitt, William Baldwin, Otis Blackwell, J. T. Green, Charles Ledingham (entered December 17), William McCollum, Robert Palmer, David Ramsey, Connor Stouemire, Rembert Truluck, Robert Welsh.
 Not absent: Robert Palmer, S. R. Smoak, (entered December 13).
 Neither absent nor tardy: Robert Palmer.
 Grade, First; Teacher, Miss Ida W. Penney.
 Not tardy: George Baker, James Barnes (entered in January), Azilee Lupo (entered in January), Dorothy Uppur, Louise Chuning, Leagon Hampton, Clio Heckel, Hazel Heckel, Wilbur Stubbs, Claude Hurst, LeRoy Jennings, Hilda Bingham, Julia Cherry, Hyatt Cherry, Minnie Lee Barringer, Wallace Hicks.
 Grade, Second; Teacher, Miss Abbie D. Bryan.
 Not tardy: Blanding DuRant, Lorain Hicks, Furman Turner, Luther Weeks, Earl Wheeler, Frank Strange, Althe DuRant, Selma Wheeler, Shirley Miller, Gertrude Sanders.
 Grade, second; Teacher, Mrs. M. B. Warren.
 Not tardy: Louise Barksdale, Virginia Haynsworth, T. L. Moye, Herbert Braziel, Malcolm Davenport, Virginia Warren, Annie Green, Charlie Gilreath, Jack Morse, Edward Hollingsworth.
 Not absent: Louise Barksdale.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Louise Barksdale.
 Grade, Second; Teacher, Miss Edmondia Garrett.
 Not tardy: Mildred Bowie, Lora Barwick, Evelyn Cherry, May Clarke, Christine DuBose, Odessa Hunter, Thelma Simpson, Edna Smith, Isabel Truluck, Lillian Wells, Lucile Cuttino, Mary Lynch (entered late), Dorothy Allen, Clara Bell Shirer, Thomasia Guthrie.
 Not absent: May Clarke, Thelma Simpson.
 Neither absent nor tardy: May Clarke, Thelma Simpson.
 Grade, second; Teacher Miss F. Obenschain.
 Not tardy: William Eldridge, Anderson Mills, Julius Eldridge, Robert Wilder, Robert Shelor, Preston Mood, Roy McCoy.
 Not absent: William Eldridge, Anderson Mills.
 Neither absent nor tardy: William Eldridge, Anderson Mills.
 Grade, Third; Teacher, Miss M. Robinson.
 Not tardy: Helen Clark, Mertie Dennis, Elizabeth DeLorme, Blanche DeLorme, Frances Ingram, Frances McCoy, Jessie Myers, Lajia May Shaw, Eloise Wells, Nell Commander.
 Grade, Third; Teacher, Miss Olive Williams.
 Not tardy: Bland DuBose, J. T. Brightwell, Mildred Middleton, Ruby Miller, Irene Yates, Leonora McKagen, Maxy Alpert, Vernon Wilder.
 Not absent: Maxy Alpert.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Maxy Alpert.
 Grade, Third; Teacher, Miss Michaux.
 Not tardy: Sammie Harris, Reginald Hicks, Philip Finn, Joseph Palmer, Earle Weatherly, Alston Stubbs, Leslie McNeal, Herbert Haynsworth, Herbert Eldridge, Glenn Rowell, Robert Heckham, (entered October 15).
 Not absent: Joseph Palmer, Philip Finn.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Joseph Palmer, Philip Finn.
 Grade, Fourth; Teacher, Miss Sophia Brunson.
 Not tardy: Mary Boyle, Beatrice Barksdale, Iva Belle Folsom, Augusta Jennings, Katherine McKain, Frances McLaurin, Mabel Moye, Beulah May Seal, Nannie Sue Simpson, Mary Ellen Suber, Mary Olivia Till, Elizabeth Rose.
 Not absent: Beatrice Barksdale, Lois Hudson, Mary Ellen Suber, Genie White.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Beatrice Barksdale, Mary Ellen Suber.
 Grade, Fourth; Teacher, Miss Louise Carson.
 Not tardy: Frances Holman, Sam Harby, Horace Harby, Ethel Lawrence.
 Grade, Fourth; Teacher, Miss Celeste Huxson.
 Not tardy: Jim Cherry, LeRoy Dickson, Claude Epps, F. H. Suber, William Sanders, Charles Tucker, Guy Warren, James Warren, Bartow Shaw.
 Not absent: William Sanders, F. H. Suber.
 Neither absent nor tardy: William Sanders, F. H. Suber.
 Grade, Fifth; Teacher, Miss Beulah Wilson.

Not tardy: Fannie Alpert, Erma Bultman, Emma Hurst, Bertha Lawrence, Margaret Nettles, Thelma Rowell, Frances Seale, Lillian Smith, Edna May Tisdale, Ruby Welch, Josephien Wachtel, (entered in January), Emma Burrows.
 Not absent: Ida Robosson, Ruth Rollins, Annie May Wells, Emma Burrows.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Emma Burrows.
 Grade, Fifth; Teacher, Miss Lydia Richardson.
 Not tardy: Harriet Chandler, Lucy Clark, Lucile Cox, Lenore Gaston, Mary Holman.
 Not absent: Sarah Belser, Hannah Cross, Carolin Harby, Eddie White.
 Grade, Fifth; Teacher, Miss Clara H. Jordan.
 Not tardy: Willie Brogdon, Johnny Blackwell, Alfred Gregg, Algie Holland, Charles McKagen, Kenneth Miller.
 Not absent: Charles McKagen, Samuel Pierson.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Charles McKagen.
 Grade, Sixth; Teacher, Miss L. E. Robinson.
 Not tardy: Ruth Blanding, Margaret Cherry, Margaret Dick, Nell Folsom, Bessie Gopfert, Marguerite Harby, Mabel Hurst, Helen Ingram, Esther Osteen, Anna Phelps, Mary Walker, Annie Woggonan, Marian Yates.
 Not absent: Esther Osteen.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Esther Osteen.
 Grade, Sixth; Teacher, Miss Adele Pitts.
 Not tardy: Willie Beckman, Lafon Crawford, David Calhoun, Edna Mae McDonald, (entered in March), Dolly Scurry, Mattie Truluck, Charles Wray.
 Not absent: David Cunningham, Marie White.
 Grade, Sixth; Teacher, Miss I. H. McNally.
 Not tardy: Morris Averbuck, Joseph Darr, Laurie Dennis, Carl Dixon, R. S. Griffin, Hugh McLaurin, Philip McNeal, Perry Moses, Shelton Wachter.
 Not absent: Philip McNeal.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Philip McNeal.
 Grade, Seventh; Teacher, Miss Ruth Harrington.
 Not tardy: Cecile Lide, Susie Gregg, Audrey Schwerin, Lois Shirer, Margaret Edmunds, Lila Mae Reynolds, Nell Ard, Mildred DeLorme, Goldie Gaston, Lindsey Hargrave, Florence Hurst, Edna Boney, Emmie Osteen.
 Not absent: Cecile Lide, Susie Gregg, Bessie Morris, Lucile Smoak.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Cecile Lide, Susie Gregg.
 Grade, Seventh; Teacher, Miss Cora Anderson.
 Not tardy: Helen Allen, Hannah White, Lizzie Brogdon, Armida Brunson, Lucile Turner, Uleta Jennings, Lily Mae Strange, Mildred Wactor, Elizabeth Crowson, Kate Campbell, Elizabeth Cuttino, Jaunita Lawrence.
 Not absent: Katie Borrows, Hannah White, Helen Allen.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Helen Allen, Hannah White.
 Grade, Seventh; Teacher, Miss Bessie Meares.
 Not tardy: Donald Auld, Carlton Whilden, Henry Ligon. Donald Auld has never been tardy since he started to school.
 Not absent: Donald Auld, George Nofal, Darby White.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Donald Auld, Sam Wells, who entered this grade during the past month, has not been tardy or absent for the past four years, from the school which he attended.
 Grade, Seventh; Teacher, Miss Frances Miller.
 Not tardy: James Burns, Marion Foxworth, Guignard Wilder, Jack Wright.
 Grade, First High School; Teacher, Miss Sue Stoll.
 Not tardy: Thelma Gaston, Margaret Sanders, Genevieve Smith, Sarah Brogdon, Katherine McKagen, Ethel Bynum, Doris Moses, Elizabeth Owens, Marion Phelps, Nannie Vaughn, Thelma Thorne.
 Not absent: Genevieve Smith, Sarah Till.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Genevieve Smith.
 First High School; Teacher, E. D. Wilson.
 Not tardy: George McKagen, William Moran, Herral Whilden, Randolph Guthrie, George Wray, DeSaussure Edmunds, Stanley Weinberg, Frank Sholar, Edward Buck, E. G. Shuler, Frank Clark, Robert Bland, Marion Phelps.
 Not absent: George McKagen, Robert Bland, Herral Whilden, Randolph Guthrie, George Wray, DeSaussure Edmunds, Stanley Weinberg.
 Second High School. Teacher, Miss L. C. McLaurin.
 Not tardy: Irene Dick, Irene Dixon, Anna Fishburn (entered Decem-

ber 15), Isabelle Jennings, Wilbur Nettles, Bessie Parham, Fannie Richardson, Jessie Lynn Smith.
 Not absent: Augusta Cuttino, Irene Dick, Irene Dixon.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Irene Dick, Irene Dixon, Jessie Lynn Smith.
 Second Year High School. Teacher, Miss Genevieve Randle.
 Not tardy: Bennie Alpert, Marion Ard, Dyer Barnum, Blanding Nettles, Clinton McGrew, Julius Pitts, DuPre Rhame, Charlton Walsh.
 Not absent: Bennie Alpert, Charlton Walsh, Earl Witherspoon.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Bennie Alpert, Charlton Walsh.
 Third Year High School. Teacher, Miss Katherine Moses.
 Not tardy: Marie Brogdon, Coline Campbell, Adria DuRant, Carrie Harper, Lillie Folsom, Loulie Folsom, Ruth Lyon, Eugenia Miller, Katie Reardon, Eleanor Wallace.
 Not absent: Carrie Harper.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Carrie Harper.
 Third Year High School. Teacher, Miss Elizabeth Hepburn.
 Not tardy: Douglas Cheyne, Henry Edmunds, Robert Edmunds, Leslie Schwartz, John Shaw, Claude Smith, Jennings Till, Edward Booth, James Raffield, Archie Phelps.
 Not absent: Robert Edmunds, Jenunings Till, Alexander Tisdale.
 Neither absent nor tardy: Jennings Till, Robert Edmunds.
 Graduating Class—Honor Roll of Attendance.
 Not tardy the past year: Lila Brown, Lillian Blackwell, Elizabeth China, Mary Bland, Sue Blackwell.
 Not tardy for two years: Maggie Seymour.
 Not tardy for a period of between eleven and twelve years: Constance Bultman, Leland Edmunds, Aaron Green.
 Neither tardy nor absent for three years: Jeannette White.
DROUGHT IN WEST TEXAS.
Broken by Three Good Rains in May.
 Dallas, Texas, June 8.—The long drought which has prevailed in West Texas for two or more years, causing little less than disaster to the cattle raising industry of Texas, has been partly if not wholly broken. Three good, soaking rains fell in that district within the first seventeen days of May. Grass is now coming out, water holes have been partly filled and a general spirit of optimism prevails with the cattlemen, many of whom staked fortunes on the effort to hold out.
 Ranchmen, who had waited from month to month for the rains shipped thousands of heads of cattle out of this district to other ranges. Many dollars were spent by the stockmen on feed to keep alive those few cattle that remained on the ranges. They declare that had the rain been delayed another six weeks, the plains of Texas would have been practically deserted of cattle.
 All of Texas west of a line drawn north and south through San Antonio constituted the drought district, practically all of which is devoted to the cattle raising industry. Part of the district, however, contains some agricultural land, devoted mostly to truck farming. Little cotton or corn is grown.
 The drought began in some sections late in the summer of 1914, and almost ever since the cattlemen have had a fight on their hands to save the herds with which the ranches were populated at that time. In 1915 the situation grew more serious and the rainfall was far below normal. Early in 1916 a large part of the district had fair rains, but there were many large areas which had none and others where the rain fell so rapidly that it did little good. Throughout the summer of 1916, all through 1917 and well into 1918 conditions grew steadily worse.
 Pioneers of West Texas declare it was the worst dry spell that has fallen over that section in a century. Dust storms which swept the section a few weeks prior to the rains were the worst and most severe experienced in a generation. In San Angelo the dust storm was so severe that all outside work had to be suspended and the sky was so dark that it was necessary to use electric lights for indoor work.
 A general influx of cattle which had been shipped out of West Texas, is expected to begin soon. Cattlemen however, point out that it will require years to stock the ranches as before the drought hit the ranges.
COLD WAVE OVER GERMANY.
Grain, Fruit and Potato Crops Reported Damaged.
 Amsterdam, June 7.—A sudden cold wave has struck Central Europe, including Germany, and spread over Holland and Scandinavia, according to reports from points. There have been local snowfalls, hail storms and severe night frosts. Widespread damage to the grain, fruit and potato crops is reported.

SUCCESS FOR ALLIES.
American, French and British Troops Gain Ground and Capture Prisoners.
 Paris, June 7.—The American troops fighting on the main battle front gained ground on the line of Torcy-Boileau and Bouches, west of Chateau-Thierry, it is officially announced. West of Noyon and north of Montdidier in Picardy are local operations by the French were successful and prisoners were taken. North of Aisne the French captured the village of Lepont, on the Marne front northwest of Chateau-Thierry. The French captured the village of Lively. The French recaptured Hill Two hundred four also the British regained a footing in the village of Bligny, inflicting large losses on the enemy.
INVESTIGATION ORDERED.
Classification to Be Revised—Many Men in Class Four to Be Put in Class One or Two.
 Washington, June 7.—A general revision of classifications under the selective draft act was instituted today by Gen. Crowder when he telegraphed the governors of all the States ordering an investigation to determine the reason for the small number of registrants in Class One in some local boards. Thousands of men now in Class Four should be put in Class One or Two, he said.
 It is expected that the rearrangement will bring into class one more than five hundred thousand men. It is announced that the class of 1918 registrants will not be allowed to enlist in the navy or marine corps. No voluntary inductions will be granted until the order of serial numbers has been assigned.
DEFENDS COTTON PLANTER.
 Washington, June 7.—Speaking in the house today Representative Stevenson, of South Carolina, denounced as untrue statements that cotton producers of the South are escaping taxation "because of influence in congress."
 Mr. Stevenson took a recent editorial in a Washington newspaper, which charged that cotton growers are not paying their just proportion of taxes, as his text, and told the house that Wall Street speculators would be pleased to see an overabundance of cotton on the market, which would reduce the price of the raw material and add to the profits of manufacturers of materials from raw cotton.
 "The embargo on shipments of cotton on railroads was followed by the calling of all loans on cotton by the banks," Mr. Stevenson said. "The cotton is becoming more valuable and the only reason for a desire to call the loans is to force a sufficient amount on the market to depress the price, which can only add to the 300 per cent profit already being made by the manufacturers."
 "The statement that cotton farmers escape taxation because of their influence in congress is not true, if it means that they are not burdened with war taxes. If the Wall Street gentry desire that a specific tax be levied on each pound of cotton, on each bushel of wheat and on each yard of cloth, they would put these people in a different class and tax them specially. That would be a poor return for the patriotism which they show in endeavoring to produce the things which the government says are necessary to win the war."
 Mr. Stevenson called attention to figures showing that the cotton growers produced from August 1 to April 30 last, cotton seed meal to the extent of 1,912,605 tons and refined oil to the extent of 1,007,877,195 pounds.


GREAT WHEAT CROP EXPECTED.
May Reach Billion Bushels, Says Government Forecast.
 Washington, June 7.—A bumper wheat crop this year, which before harvest may develop into a production of a billion bushels, was forecast today by the department of agriculture in its June crop report, giving the first indication of the size of this year's spring wheat output.
 Basing its estimate on June 1 condition, the department forecast a total wheat production of 931,000,000 bushels, which would place this year's harvest as the second largest in the history of the country. Experts of the government, aiming for a billion-bushel crop to help in feeding the armies and civilian populations of the Allies, pointed to the development of the record crop of 1915 to substantiate their hopes for a crop equal to that.
 The acreage sown to spring wheat this year is larger by 2,900,000 acres than ever sown before. The condition of the crop on June 1 was 95.2 per cent of a normal, or 1.9 per cent better than the ten-year average. A production of 344,000,000 bushels were forecast. That is 111,000,000 bushels more than harvested last year and only about 7,000,000 bushels less than the record spring's wheat harvest of 1915.
 Winter wheat growing on the second largest acreage ever planted, showed a condition 3 per cent better than the ten-year average, with 83.6 per cent of normal. A production of 587,000,000 bushels was forecast, which is 15,000,000 bushels more than forecast from conditions existing May 1.
 The oat crop also promises to be of record proportions. On an acreage 2.1 per cent larger than last year, when the record crop—1,587,000,000 bushels—was grown, June 1 conditions warrant a forecast of 1,500,000,000 bushels. Only last year's and the crop of 1915 exceeded that quantity. Eye production will be a record, the forecast being 81,000,000 bushels, which is slightly less than was forecast in May.
 Washington, June 7.—The casualty list contains forty-eight names. Killed in action, 17; died of wounds, 12; died of accident, 6; died of disease, 7; wounded severely, 6.

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