

## County Rural School Notes

It is encouraging to report that the per cent of attendance in most of the schools is gradually nearing the 100 goal. Miss Regner has issued Certificates for three months' perfect and punctual attendance to thirty-nine pupils.

With this record of better attendance the pupils are raising their standard of work—because, without regular attendance, efficient results cannot be obtained. Children become careless, indifferent and discouraged when kept out of school a few days every week. It is unfair to other members of the school as time must be taken from the general classes to explain back work to absentees after they re-enter school. Let us continue to work for better attendance, better work, better schools.

### Broadview School District No. 1.

School No. 3: Elinore Fenton was absent last week because of sickness. Her sister, Emma Fenton had the misfortune to break her arm and consequently will be unable to attend school for some time.

School No. 4. Arthur Hendrickson broke his arm while playing about the school house last Friday and has not been able to attend school for a few days. Ruth and Lawrence Vigesaa have been neither absent nor tardy since school commenced. Willie Thompson entered school last Wednesday. Mildred Vigesaa has an average of 100 per cent in Spelling during the week.

### Helena District No. 3.

Schools No. 1, 2 and 3, are planning a Christmas program to be given in the school at Revere on Friday evening, Dec. 21. They urge all patrons and others interested to attend.

School No. 1. Miss Stabnow reports that the pupils of the Steinborn school are working on their part of the Christmas program to be given at Revere and are making Christmas decorations for the tree. The sixth grade have greatly improved in Reading during the month. The Third grade have had perfect Spelling all week. The Fourth grade have a Spelling class alone now and had an average of 80 per cent last week. A great deal of interest was aroused last week when the pupils examined pieces of the lignite coal which they are using as fuel in their school. They found that it contained bits of wood and mica.

School No. 2. The pupils of Miss Sinclair's school are working on their part of the program. 100 per cent attendance was reported for the week.

School No. 3. The pupils of the Revere School are making Santa Claus Spelling booklets with art paper and water colors. Miss Perrin has begun their hot noon lunch. They have been serving hot cocoa during the past week. They have an oil stove, and each child brings his dishes from home and they in turn furnish the milk for the cocoa.

School No. 4. Miss Jacobson reports the following pupils who have had perfect and punctual attendance since school started: Edward, Earl,

Elsie, Lewis and Violet Feske. Those who had perfect but not punctual attendance every day are: Helga Dahl, Clifford Dahl, Thelma Pittenger, Carl Palmer. Mrs. Palmer was a visitor during the month. Margaret Palmer who recently had operation for appendicitis has returned to school. A great deal of interest is taken in our bulletin board which is supplied with news by the pupils during the week. News items and pictures are cut out of newspapers and magazines and mounted on this bulletin board. Friday afternoon we answer questions put in a question box concerning the news items which have had on the board that week.

A Christmas program and puppet will be given by Miss Jacobson and her pupils on Thursday evening Dec. 20. Everyone interested is invited to attend.

### Dover District No. 4.

School No. 2. Miss Hanson reports perfect attendance for the following pupils in her school: Lillian and Bernice Pederson and Steffen Miklethun. Mrs. J. S. Miklethun visited school during the month. The pupils are working on their Christmas program.

School No. 3. Miss Sad reports the following pupils who had perfect attendance: Earl Buck, Clifford and Leola Busch, Eliza, Nannie and Nellie Chilson, Jennie Kamhuis, Edna and Leon Kruse, Elizabeth, Hazel and William Richardson, Walter Ross, Fern and Harold Wellman, Emil Kruse. Misses Leola Busch and Laura Hanson were visitors during the week.

School No. 4. Miss Anderson reports four pupils with perfect attendance to report: Agnes and Melvin Kromkom, Clemence and Arthur Leppa. A new flag pole has been put up on the building. Gerhardt Mortenson has entered school and the total enrollment is now fifteen. Miss Gertrud Mortenson visited school last week.

### Ball Hill District No. 17.

School No. 1. Laura Vatne sees the following report from her school. There have been only two absences during the last month. The following have been neither absent nor tardy during the month: Elwin and Irvin Johnson, Clarence Josephson, Adelaide, Lillian and Robert Lee, Ira H. Sharpe, Ingvald, Lisa and Torger Soma. Elwin Johnson, Ingvald, Lisa and Torger Soma and Robert Lee have had perfect attendance for three months. Myrtle Lee was a visitor last week. Miss Regner visited the school Thursday morning. She gave an interesting talk on attendance and the necessity of playing in the open air recess.

School No. 2. Albertine Steinborn has had perfect attendance in her school during the past two weeks. Thelma Watne, Roy Ashland, Jennie Watne had 100 per cent in spelling last month. Miss Hendrickson reports the following pupils from the Sinclair school who are planning for a Christmas program with Miss Steinborn's pupils in the latter's school. Mr. John Watson called last week and brought a bag which he is loaning to the school.