

LITERARY SOCIETIES

Excelsior

The Excelsiors met at the usual time and place. As the officers were absent on duty, the sergeant-at-arms, Archie Freestone, took the chair and called the meeting to order. The routine business was quickly disposed of. New business was scarce and soon made way for the literary program. The members participating rendered their parts with credit. The opening address by Warren Smith was followed in quick succession by a reading by Fred Wilder; a recitation by Dewey Talbot; an original paper by Edwin Rouselle; an Italian harp solo by Sherman Leonel; a sketch by William Lewis and a recitation by George Lekanoff. The mention of the members who have responded to the call to the colors was met by a display of patriotic fervor.

Reliance

The Reliance Literary Society was called to order by Frank Johnson. After the routine business had been transacted, the following program was rendered: Saxophone solo, "Boquet of Melodies," Clyde Fields; recitation, "The Cataract of Ladore," Irving Gray; mandolin solo, Athen Simmons; reading, "Lessons from Nature," Frank Johnson; cornet duet, "Summer Night," William Sandaine, Dewey Conway; jokes, Joe Bettles. The society yells and songs were practiced with great enthusiasm.

Winona

The Winona Society met in room nine as usual. The program of the evening was well rendered. The members on the program showed evidence of preparation which indicated they take an interest in improving their work. The following is the program: Address, President; recitation, Bessie McGuire; song, Ruby LaPointe, Rose Deschamp; recitation, Sophia Anderson; solo, Agnes Swanson; reading, Rose Simmons; recitation, Mary Damon.

Nonpareil

The Nonpareil Literary Society held their meeting in the usual place Thursday night. The President called the room to order. The roll call followed with each member responding with their favorite quotation. After the discussion of business, a motion was made to proceed with the program, which was given in a most careful manner. The members showed their appreciation by giving special attention. The pantomime, "Annie Laure," which was given by Marguerite Chamberlain, was exceptionally good and was performed in a very graceful and dainty manner. Leona John, Elizabeth Murray and Elsie Spokane sang a song. The recitation given by Harriet Luton is worthy of special mention. The rest of the evening was devoted to singing the society songs.

PUPILS' ITEMS

Mr. Westley is expecting a large crop of onions this year.

An eight-foot step-ladder has been completed for use in the commissary.

The gardeners are very busy these days planting between the rainy spells.

The carpenters are now busy drawing plans and estimating for a two-story house.

The ground around Mr. Hammond's cottage is nicely spaded and the violets there look very nice.

George Berry is making rose leaves and roses out of iron. It will be a fine piece of work when it is completed.

The second year domestic science girls are reviewing and having tests in all subjects given throughout the year.

Miss Florence Lindell left for her home. We were sorry to see her leave for she was always kind and courteous.

Henderson Tatshama and Roy Nuckolls are doing very good work in discing so as to have the ground in good shape.

The eighth grade has three representatives in the U. S. Navy. The boys are, Lawrence Taylor, Robert Alphus and Blake Cuthbert.

The meeting held last night in the Nonpareil Society was very interesting to all, especially the pantomime, "Annie Laurie," by Marguerite Chamberlin.

The dairy boys were kept busy during last week, when it did not rain, in ploughing, discing, harrowing and leveling the vacant lot in front of the dairy barn.

The tailor boys are glad to have had their fellow workers respond to the call of the colors. Alphus and Jackson are very popular in the shop and elsewhere.

Mr. Everett has started a new tool-room back of the plumbing shop with Athen Simmons as custodian. This enables a close check to be kept on all tools and is a good thing.

A spirited debate between the members of the eighth grade "B" division was won by the affirmative side. The question was, "Resolved, That the Jury System Should be Abolished."

Mr. Henry Lange, former assistant engineer here, is now enrolled at Carlisle, Pennsylvania. He is waiting for a vacancy at the Ford factory. He states he will not be able to enter until 1918.

It is time that pupils should wake up and begin preparing and practicing for the oratorical contest to be held during reunion week, as it is drawing near to the end of school. Win that gold watch.