

CULTIVATING CHEERFULNESS

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heart and good will. It is really the small change in life. Give it out freely. The more you give the richer you will grow. No matter what else you may accomplish in your career, if you do not keep sweet your disposition, if you allow yourself to become pessimistic, your life will be largely unproductive and you will be a comparative failure.

Everywhere we see doleful people going through the world—people who have ruined their capacity for enjoyment because they have allowed their sorrows, their fears, their failures, to take all the sweetness out of their lives. Our greatest men and women in all history were notable successes in nobility and balance of character, cleanliness of life, mental stability of purpose and sweetness of disposition.

So we ask all of you, our readers, to resolve right now that whatever comes or does not come to you, whether you succeed in any undertaking or fail, you will keep sweet, cheerful, hopeful, helpful, optimistic, for every day you travel a new road. Distribute your encouragement, your good cheer, your good will, your smiles, as you go. You will never go over the same road twice. You cannot afford to leave stumbling blocks and discouragement to hinder the progress of others.

ACADEMIC NOTES

The seventh grade girls went walking on the evening of April 30, with Miss McDowell. The next morning, May Day, a number of the employees received baskets, made by the girls, containing many kinds of dainty wild flowers.

Several copies of the announcements covering the work offered in the summer sessions of the University of Oregon, the Oregon Normal, and the Oregon Agricultural College have been received by the Principal. These bulletins are for the use of the employees; if you need one make application.

The third grade gave a pleasing entertainment in which, by means of songs and dramatized selections, they formulated rules of health that should guide each little student to a venerable old age. We are quite sure no germ will ever molest a third-grader so long as he adheres to his rules. However, it will take a brave will to keep from "breaking over" when Thanksgiving and Christmas bring tables laden with the delicious pies and cakes which our health rules rule out.

Recently an auto stopped at Chemawa. Three ladies and a gentleman who is an instructor in an eastern college, crossed over to the school building. They were just in time to catch a glimpse of a few classrooms

on the lower floor, and then watch the lines form for dismissal. The expression that was heard most frequently from the visitors was, "Isn't it wonderful? Aren't you proud of them?" And when we stopped to consider that our students are doing in a-half day the work that is done in the the public schools in a full day, we did feel a little proud.

The third division of the seventh grade have been developing stories from plot suggestions during their English period; actors are selected and the stories dramatized. After working out several plots, they tackled this one: "A thrifty widow had two servants. She required them to get up in the morning as soon as the cock crew. They thought that if it were not for the cock crowing, they could sleep longer, so they killed it." Ruth Holterman proved to be a thrifty but hard-hearted widow, Gerald Williams managed a very acceptable crow, and Grant Mitchell and Walter Eagle were the thriftless servants who killed the cock. The drama developed smoothly enough until the dead cock "came to" and walked to his desk. As the bell rang there was not time for a second killing.

SENIOR NOTES

The operetta is coming along nicely although we have practice but three times a week, after supper.

The senior girls have discovered that they can make a hat within a day when all the materials are on hand.

If you want to see an animated cartoon come in to Room 9 and see the world's greatest production, "Rip Van Winkle."

The senior boys are quite anxious to see their graduation suits. It won't be long before you'll see us wearing them.

Why are the senior girls happy? The reason is we have finished our construction work and have started on our graduation dresses.

The seniors turned over a new leaf last week. Yes, they wanted to see what was on the other side of the calendar and found out it was May already.

Do you know that there are about two more weeks of school before commencement starts? Time is surely flying and the seniors are taking advantage of every little minute.

Our herbariums are coming along nicely. Some of us have about 30 specimens mounted already. There are only 40 specimens required, so you must know we take a little interest in our botany class.

The seniors took Tuesday afternoon off last week to go to Salem and have their pictures taken. And just imagine, the camera didn't even have a break after the deed was done! So we must have a fair looking class.