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## LITERARY SOCIETIES

### Nonpareil

The Nonpareil Literary Society held their regular meeting in room 10, Jan. 30. After a very interesting program was rendered, we had the election of new officers, who were as follows:

President, Grace Peterson; vice-president, Flora Dexter; treasurer, Cecilia Smith; secretary, Mary Matt; corresponding secretary, Theresa Williams; cheer leader, Maybelle Desautel; sergeant-at-arms, Lydia Davis; reporter, Edna Crofoot; critic, Ida Escholt; editors, Agatha Crouch and Lavina Montgomery; chairman of debating committee, Emily Johnson.

After a few snappy songs we heard from our advisor, who gave us a very interesting and helpful talk. We then adjourned to meet in the near future.

### Excelsior

The Excelsiors met in room 9 on Jan. 30. Vice-President Louis Dupuis conducted the meeting. The new secretary called roll and read the minutes of the previous meeting. It was decided that the initiation be held in the Gym two weeks from Friday. A discussion was held about the joint meeting with the Nonpareil society.

A short interesting program was given. Our visitors, Miss Stanley and Miss Hauk, gave interesting talks. Mr. Iliff gave his report. After a few snappy songs and yells the society adjourned.

### Reliance

The Reliance Literary Society met at the school building last Friday evening. The election of officers took place and was as follows: President, William McMaster; vice president, Royal Holst; secretary, Richard O'Brien; sergeant-at-arms, Ernest Brunoe; yell leader, Reno Booth; treasurer, Jake Atkins. The new president then took the chair and presided over the rest of the meeting.

Mr. Turney, the visitor, gave a very fine talk. Mr. John G. Eminoff, former student of Chemawa in 1919 and then a member of the Reliance society, was also a visitor, and says that he is glad the society is up and doing and to note that so many members are supporting the dear old "Reliance." After a few words from our critic, Mrs. Whelan, we adjourned to meet again soon.

We wish to announce that next Friday evening is our annual open session. You are all welcome, come and see it.

## ACADEMIC NOTES

A number of our Junior and senior girls are getting valuable experience in teaching during the absence of the regular teachers. Mary Matt, Evelyn Whitebear and Williamette Blakeslee taught in the primary and prevocational departments while the teachers were visiting the Salem schools.

Better be thinking about those class yells and songs, also the Chemawa poem. If you delay the muse may fail you at the last moment. If the early bird gets the worm, then it naturally follows that the early poet gets the cake; and Chemawa celebrates her 45th anniversary February 25 in the school auditorium at 8:30 a. m. and at 1:00 p. m.

With the beginning of the new semester the letter men and girls who have earned letters in athletics will be assigned front seats in the school assembly. This is a little honor that we are pleased to bestow upon those who so bravely fight for the supremacy of our school. Also, seniors and juniors will be seated by classes in the front instead of the rear of the room.

Five new girls have been admitted to the Junior vocational division recently: Edna Dean and Thelma Miller entered the eighth grade, thereby bringing the number enrolled in the girls' class to fifty; Geraldine and Vivian Toulou and Eva Jackson entered the seventh grade. Miss Gunn's class now has an enrollment of forty-seven girls in one division and forty-eight boys in the other.

While the mid-year industrial examinations were being held arrangements were made to relieve the academic teachers from duty for one-half day to visit the city schools in Salem. Mrs. Leavenworth, Miss Gunn and Miss David visited the new Parrish Jr. high school; Mrs. Satterlee, Miss Thornhill, Miss Houk, and Miss Stanley visited the Garfield school; Miss Lepel and Mrs. Palmer visited at Yew Park; Miss Judd at Richmond. Each teacher returned with new inspiration for her work. Only two regrets were expressed: One was that we cannot have two visiting days during the school year; the other, that our pupils in each grade cannot be given the opportunity to observe the pupils in other schools perform the same tasks that are required of our boys and girls. It would be a strong incentive to greater effort.

Miss Uinta Kirk is attending the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis. We understand that she is taking a course in journalism, and that she likes it very much.