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ATHLETIC NOTES

The members of the four senior literary societies and the high school classes furnished the excitement and fun during the afternoons of our holiday season. On every occasion our big gym was packed to the brim with a happy crowd that bubbled over with the Christmas spirit. Employees and students alike, by their jovial spirit, kept the hotly contested games on a happy, friendly basis during the entire week. Everyone had fun and lots of it.

Such games as the basketball dribble, the Indian club relay, poison club relay, tug-o'-war and a basketball game for the girls; rope climbing, horse and rider relay, tug-o'-war and a basketball game for the boys were staged daily between the students of the organizations already mentioned. There was competition galore and every program was chuck full of action. The games of the ancient Romans had nothing on our holiday sports so far as fun and excitement went.

On Christmas day the literary societies started the festivities. The Reliance boys whitewashed the Excelsiors 20 to 0, and the Winona and Nonpareil girls battled to a 15 to 15 tie. On Wednesday the senior boys and girls defeated the junior boys and girls 32 to 15. Thursday the freshmen boys and girls cleaned up on the sophomore boys and girls 35 to 15. Friday the championship games were held between the seniors and the freshmen out of which the "green" little freshmen stepped up and bumped over their intellectual superiors 37 1-2 to 17 1-2.

Though some of the scores look a little one-sided the events were by no means that way. In fact, we cannot recall even one walk-away.

The girls took a man's size share in each program and they justly deserve a like share of the credit for such an enjoyable week. Their races and their tug-o'-wars as well as their basketball games were screams and screams they were. Almost from the beginning until the close of each event the big crowd cut loose with cheering and signs of interest that fairly shook the old gym. However, nothing can be said against the boys in this respect. Their tug-o'-wars, their rope climbing and horse and rider relays never failed to

bring the crowd to its feet with the excitement and thrills of each event. The horse and rider events were probably the shortest and maybe the best events of the week. The boys went at it like they loved the sport and put heart and soul into each race and in their attempt to win tripped, fell, piled up and did everything that could be imagined in such an event. Needless to say, all this added to the great merriment and joy of the occasion.

The championship of the holiday games was won by the "peppy" little freshmen. We congratulate them on a splendid victory over such a likely field of competition. They played hard and fast in every event and their classmen put on a demonstration of class loyalty and team spirit that excelled all others. They yelled, they sang from beginning to end, and their entries won in almost every instance. They deserved to win. Oh boy, what a week of real fun! Thanks to everyone for such school interest.

On Thursday evening a basketball game was staged here between a picked team of returned students and members of our squad against the Northwest Cannery team of Salem. The final score was 39 to 29 in favor of the visitors. The game was close to the final period when the Cannery team forged into the lead.

On the same evening our team met defeat at the hands of the Oregon City five at Oregon City. The score at the end of the three-minute overtime period was 29 to 27. With ten seconds to play our team was leading and a converted foul tied the score and necessitated the overtime play. Though beaten, our boys played a very good game except for the first few minutes they were slow breaking into the offense and a considerable lead was piled against them. Eldred George, forward, and Roy Peratrovich, guard, were the only members from last year's team in the line-up and they played a fine game. Isaac Brave Eagle, who came here from Dakota this fall, played opposite Eldred and as a forward looked liked a real prospect. Ronald Leaske, at center, also played his first game, and though somewhat slow getting rid of the ball and breaking into the offense, showed ability as a center. George Meachem rounded out the team at guard. George has a little trouble eluding defensive players just at present, but bids fair to give the best we have some real competition for a regular position on the team.

Practice will take up in earnest this week and with everybody in suits who are eager to win a place we will have some real action. There is plenty of good material for each position and no one has a place cinched and we should have a good team.

ESCORTS

Sunday Jan. 6, 1929—McBride - Miss Earlougher
Winona - - Mr. Carroll
Hawley - - Mr. Decorah