

Alumni Section

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 Material for this week's alumni page was gotten up by Miss Jean Bell, of the department of journalism.

THEY WANT THE EMERALD

"I am very much interested in the alumni page of the Emerald. It is certainly a nice feature of the paper, giving the alumni an opportunity to keep in touch with each other, and at the same time binding them to their alma mater through a common interest. If there is one fault with this alumni page it would be due to the fact that most of the alumni—possibly through modesty—fail to keep the paper informed about their activities. It seems to me that we, as alumni, like to read about where other members are and what they are doing but fail to keep the paper informed about ourselves. It would be a good, as well as interesting thing, if each graduate would send some notice, in one form or another, to the one in charge of that section of the Emerald—thereby keeping alumni members informed about the activities of the different members. To me it is always an inspiration to hear from other members and possibly the same may be true of others."—H. C. Tschanz.

"I don't want to miss a single issue," Lee Hendricks, '15, city editor of the Statesman, Salem.

"I find special interest in the alumni notes."—Joel Richardson, '10, lawyer, La Grande.

BIRTH OF LIBRARY TOLD BY ASSOCIATION SECRETARY OF '78'

Radical Pamphlet Causes a Breach and Results in Giving Collection to Societies.

A library with something like 150 volumes and worth about \$1000, which was the beginning of the present University library, was given to the Eutaxian and Laurean societies by the Eugene Library association in 1878, according to William T. Campbell, of 444 Ninth avenue east, who was secretary and librarian of the Library association at that time.

"Some of the prominent members of the Laurean society then were: Charles Whitaker, '78, and George Washburn, '78, both died in 1880; R. S. Bean, '78, a judge in Portland now; Claiborne Hill, '81, now a Baptist minister in Berkeley, California; Claiborne Woody, '81, also a Baptist minister, living in Portland now, and John A. McQuinn, '79, at present a civil engineer in Portland," said Mr. Campbell, a few days ago, in speaking of the beginning of the University library.

"Why did we give the library to the Laurean and Eutaxian societies?" repeated Mr. Campbell. "Well it was this way: There were only about 50 members or stockholders in the association. And some of them were churchgoers and some of them were not. An infidel newspaper called 'The Free Thinker' came to the library free. And, the churchgoers kicked and said, 'If the library keeps on getting this paper and does not throw it out, we leave the association.'

"The non-churchgoers said, 'If this paper keeps on coming and is thrown out, we leave the association.'

"Well, the directors concluded they would keep the paper. The church people withdrew from the association. There being only a few stockholders to begin with, this cut down the association considerably and as time went on more members left. So it ended that as I was secretary and librarian of the association, the library remained in my hands. As there was no money in

BUT 3 MEMBERS OF '78' CLASS LIVING

Reminiscences of the Early Days of Oregon Are Related By Alumna.

Only three members of the class of '78, the first graduating class of the University, are now living. They are: (Mrs.) Ellen Condon McCornack, a daughter of Professor Condon, one of the first teachers in the University and founder of the Condon museum now in Johnson hall, who lives a short distance west of Eugene; Robert Sharpe Bean of Portland, United States district judge and president of the board of regents, and Matthew S. Wallis, a retired accountant, who lives at 1117 Eleventh avenue west, Eugene. The other two members of the class, George S. Washburne and John C. Whiteaker, son of the first governor of Oregon, died in 1880.

"In those days the only building on the campus was Deady hall, and even it was not finished until after the close of the first year," said Mrs. McCornack last week in speaking of the "old days" at Oregon. "It is around this old building that we, the University pioneers, have gathered all our cherished memories.

"President Johnson, the man to whom Johnson hall was dedicated, taught Latin and Greek in the northern room of the first floor in Deady. Professor Mary Spiller, from whom Mary Spiller hall gets its name, was principal of the preparatory school. She, with her assistant, Miss Mary Stone, occupied the south side of the long building. Professor Bailey, teacher of mathematics and astronomy, and Professor Condon, teacher of geology and natural history, had a room on the second floor of the building; while Mr. Dudley, our janitor, made his home in the basement.

"There were no intercollegiate football contests then, no inter-collegiate debates, no gymnasium and no college dances.

"Dances were not allowed. The sentiment against dancing was quite strong among the faculty members. However, I remember that as soon as commencement exercises were over and the University closed for the summer, there was always a dance down town, and many the students attended.

"Then, as now, one of the chief attractions of the students was the millrace. Although we did not have dances, football teams and other frolics which the students enjoy now, the years we spent in college were just as full of the joys and tragedies of school life as those of the students of today. We were a bright, happy, but rather mature set of students, fully appreciating our advantages and earnestly enthusiastic for the future of the college. In later years I have investigated and compared the University's scholastic standing then with that of other eastern colleges at that time and found that it was similar to that of large eastern schools, such as Harvard.

"The Laurean and Eutaxian societies were already organized and doing earnest work. It was these societies which secured a library for the University."

the treasury to pay rent, periodicals, books and other expenses, and as I did not want to buy the library myself, I decided to get rid of it. So a meeting of the directors was held and we decided to give it to the Eutaxian and Laurean societies, of the University. They in turn gave the library to the University."

Thus, the present library really had its foundation from the old Eugene library, which was located on the present site of McMoran & Washburne building, at Eighth and Willamette streets, and some of the books which the students use today belonged to this organization.

"The money for this old Eugene library was raised by a course of lectures given by prominent state people," continued Mr. Campbell, "I remember that one of the first speakers was Professor Condon, then teaching at Forest Grove, who gave a lecture on fossils every night for a week. Other speakers were John Whiteaker, the first governor of Oregon; Sam Simpson, a prominent Oregon poet of his day, and Addie Bolau, a writer. "Some of the members of the Eu-

gene Library association were: John H. McClung, a merchant, from whom we rented the library room, and to whom we paid the rent if we had the money, and if we didn't he let us have the room free of charge; T. G. Hendricks, banker; Ben F. Dorris, the late J. J. Waldo; and the late S. H. Friendly, and F. H. Grubbs, then head of the Eugene public school."

A Song of '99

This is what the Oregon boys of '99 sang when they came home from a successful track meet at Salem, in the spring of '99:
 Lickety, wollopy scollopy, whoopy,
 We chucked Willamette in the soup;
 We hit Corvallis with a bat,
 And the final score was 50 flat.
 Field day cup, field day cup,
 We're the lads that gobbled her up.
 Rah! Rah! Rah!

St. Helens Alumni Organize

An Oregon Alumni club was organized at St. Helens last week to boost for the University school. A large delegation from this district is expected to attend next year. Both regular and summer school alumni are eligible for this organization. The club has about nine members. Mr. Jesse McCord, superintendent of the schools of Clatskanie, was chairman of the meeting.

PERSONALS

W. Grout, '11, is head of the mathematics department of Hood River high school.

Agnes Steveson, '08, and Emma Waterman, '12, are supervisors in the physical education department of the San Francisco public schools. Each has 22 schools and 15,000 pupils under her charge. The girls room together at 796 Pine street, San Francisco.

Carlyle D. Geisler, '15; Carl A. McClan, '06, Charles Roy Reid, '06, Thornton Howard, '15, and Harlen Peffley, ex-'15, have entered Cornell University, at Ithaca, New York, for advanced degrees in engineering. Vere Windnagle, ex-'16, has re-entered Cornell this year.

Herman C. Tschanz, '13, is attending the University of Chicago. His address is 6037 Ellis avenue, Chicago.

Edward Jasper, '06, is farming and raising hogs on the Sawdridge, near Alcega, Oregon.

Howard K. Zimmerman, '13, is completing his law course at Stanford University law school. Besides attending school Mr. Zimmerman as-

sists in the law department, does stenographic work in a law office in Palo Alto, and is office assistant at the Y. M. C. A.

Other Oregon men at Stanford are: C. C. Baker, '14, and Waldo Miller, '14, who are registered in the law department. Charles Betts, Hugh and Neal Ford are taking mechanical engineering.

Hazel Ralston, '15, is teaching in Sweet Home high school.

Joseph L. Barber, '07, is attending the North Pacific College of Dentistry, in Portland.

Alexander Martin, III, '13, is attending Boston Technical school.

Leland Hendricks, '15, is city editor of the Daily Oregon Statesman.

Melissa Martin, '12, is instructor in the Romance language department of Oregon Agricultural college.

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