

27 Graduate At Wallowa; School Term Is Closed

By Mrs. C. A. Hunter (Observer Correspondent)

WALLOWA (Special) — School affairs occupied the time and attention of Wallowa people last week. Beginning with the baccalaureate exercises on Sunday evening the entire week was filled with school programs. The sermon was preached in the Presbyterian church with the building filled to capacity. Rev. E. A. Pollock gave the main address, being assisted by Dr. W. H. Oliver and Rev. Fred Harrison. A vocal duet "Whispering Hope" was sung by Arthene Cray and Ethel Scott. Miss Cray also sang a solo "My Task," and Miss Ethel Cray played a piano solo. The closing number was "The Rosemary" sung by the girls' glee club.

Wild currant and syringa blossoms formed a beautiful background for the 27 seniors in their gray caps and gowns. Members of the Junior class held the many of the decorations. Following the church service, Miss Catherine Calouri entertained the members of the graduating class and the High school faculty at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hunter. A buffet luncheon was served and music enjoyed until a late hour. Beautiful wild flowers formed attractive decorations throughout the rooms. Miss Calouri was assisted during the evening by Misses Melba Hanks, Marion Elliott and Louise Kennedy.

The annual May day program was held on the school house lawn Wednesday afternoon. It was an ideal day for an out-of-doors entertainment and the several hundred people gathered to witness the program. Business houses in town were closed from two to four o'clock for the event. An operetta was given with both the high and grade school children singing in the choruses. There were May day frolics, crowning of the queen, Maypole dance, the stately minuet, an Indian dance and a southern plantation scene with solos by the negro mammy (Winona Johnson) and clog dancing by two little coons (Wilda McKinzie and Arthene Cray). Miss Ethel Cray and Miss Lenore McKinnis had charge of the music and Miss Marion Elliott designed the costumes. All of the grade teachers assisted in training the children.

The commencement exercises were held Thursday evening in the gymnasium with the building filled to capacity. The following program was given:

Girls' glee club, "The Old Refrain," Salutatory, Isabel Johnson, Valedictory, Muriel Strite, Piano duet, Mrs. Fred Furst, Miss Lenore McKinnis, Address, E. B. Ringo, La Grande, Vocal solo, Mrs. A. K. Parker, Entertainer.

Presentation of class, Supt. O. F. Campbell, Presentation of diplomas, P. G. Johnson, Vocal quartet, "Perfect Day."

The address by Mr. Ringo was greatly enjoyed and was thought by many to have been the best commencement address ever given in Wallowa.

The senior class of Wallowa High school presented the play "The Charm School" Friday evening in the gymnasium. The play itself is a good one with an unusually large cast. Sixteen members of the class took part and each did remarkably well, giving strong support to Jack Carpenter and Ethel Scott, who played the leading roles. The play was quite long but full of good clean comedy and thrills and from the generous applause it was evident that the audience was well entertained up to the rather sudden and unexpected ending.

The girls' quartet of the High school, Arthene Cray, Wilda McKinzie, Oleta Wray and Ethel Scott sang several numbers between acts which were well received. Miss Calouri, senior class advisor directed the play and much credit is given her for the success of the presentation. As the last curtain dropped, Howard Johnson, senior class president, stepped forward with the high school staff and with a few well-chosen words presented to Tom Willett, Junior class president, who received it with a hearty response. Two gifts were then presented from the class of 1932 by Howard Johnson, one to Supt. O. F. Campbell and the other to Miss Calouri, as a token of appreciation and remembrance. This was the closing program of commencement week.

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By Byron Price

(Chief of Bureau, The Associated Press, Washington)

The dramatic possibilities of the Chicago Democratic convention will be vastly increased if anything comes of current talk of an effort to cast overboard the bewhiskered two-thirds rule, and nominate the candidate by a simple majority.

Presumably, resort to such heroic medicine would be taken only if matters had reached a pitch of extreme bitterness. The resentments which would accompany decision of that question might make the Madison Square Garden tempest look like a spring zephyr.

The odds are all against any such thing ever happening. Abolition of the two-thirds requirement, and nomination by majority has been talked about for many years without tangible result.

For one thing, almost everyone agrees that if Governor Roosevelt or anyone else once attains an actual majority, it will be next to impossible to keep him from going on to two-thirds. Conversely, if any candidate got to the majority and then was blocked, it might easily mean that his lines were too shaky to risk a rule-changing vote.

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CHICAGO (AP)—You wouldn't drive your automobile off the roof of an eight-story building, would you?

Yet, says the Chicago Motor club, after a study of the speeds of falling bodies, the impact from such a dive would be no greater than a collision, "on the flat," with an immovable object while a car was traveling a mile-a-minute.

"Should two cars of approximately equal weight collide head-on at 60 miles an hour, the results would be about the same as though each had dropped from a height of 482 feet, or the distance from the roof of a 32-story skyscraper to the street," says Charles M. Hayes, president of the motor club.

SETS PACE AT BAT

AUBURN, Ala. (AP)—Jimmie Hitchcock, football star at Alabama Polytechnic institute, has set the pace for the batsmen at the Plains this season. In 43 times at the plate, the young shortstop has collected three homers, two doubles, one triple and 11 singles for an average of .395.

Sound Never Duplicated

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Political Headliners



He was 13 when his father died. His mother made umbrellas. He sold papers. Necessity forced him out of school when he was 15. He earned \$3 a week as a shipping clerk. \$12 a week bookkeeping in a fish market. He put on plays in his mother's attic. Was an active member of the Tammany political club in his district, gaining valuable political experience.

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On January 15, 1895, he received his first political appointment, a clerkship in the office of the commissioner of jails. He fought Tammany leadership to aid a friend with political dominance in the district. His sister married the policeman on the beat. On May 6, 1900, he married Katie Dunn. In 1901 Alfred Emanuel Smith Jr., was born.

In January, 1904, he went to the legislature. He was re-elected. In 1911 he became leader of his party in Albany. He was speaker of the house in 1912. Six years later he became governor of New York. Defeated for the next term, he was a successful candidate twice thereafter. He sponsored child welfare bills, made a record for progressive legislation.

In 1928 he was nominated Democratic candidate for president. To the tune of "The Sidewalks of New York" he toured the country, but was defeated. Became president of Empire State Building corporation and has offices in the world's highest building, from which he can see the Brooklyn bridge. Today he is a receptive candidate for the presidency.

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I STAND FOR:

- Lower taxes on farms and homes by increase in income tax on large incomes.
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- Economy in state government without interfering with efficiency.
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(Paid Adv.)

CORONER

JAMES J. D. HAUN
Physician and Surgeon

At the Primary, May 20 for
Coroner, Republican Ticket

"I will give my personal attention to the requirements of the office."
(Pd. Adv.)

NOMINATE AND RE-ELECT
W. W. STEVENS
for County Commissioner

From past experience he is familiar with the problems of Union county and therefore will be better able to solve them without added cost to the taxpayers.
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Window-Shopping
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Relax for a moment and turn the pages of your newspaper. Let the advertisements help you to make your shopping plans. Do you need a dress, or a coat, or a hat? Perhaps a new blanket for a guest-room, some curtain material, or even a few new pots and pans for the kitchen? Of course, there are many things you want and need... but you may be letting many of them wait until you see in a store or a window exactly what you have in mind, at an especially alluring price.

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