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WILLAMINA SCHOOLS CLOSE AFTER A MOST SUCCESSFUL YEAR

With class night last Thursday evening and commencement exercises on Friday evening, activities of the Willamina high school were closed for the year.

At the class night program each member of the graduating class had a part. Each paper was prepared by the students themselves and were well prepared and well presented. It is a custom that the student having the highest rank in scholarship gives the valedictorian's address, and the second highest the salutatorian's address, and this year these honors fell to two girls who have been very close friends throughout their high school days, Naoma Shipley and Maxine Shetterly.

The program had an unique opening—a burlesque on a club choosing its motto, and the musical numbers were of the usual high quality. The program was in charge of Miss Elizabeth Graham.

The commencement exercises Friday evening were very impressive, and the graduating class of twenty-eight, the boys in black suits, white shirts and black bow ties and the girls with beautiful costumes in pastel shades, made a very pretty picture as they sat upon the stage.

The commencement address was given by Professor Thomas H. Gentle of Monmouth, and he held the undivided attention of the audience, as his subject was very timely and contained a real lesson. He spoke on the evolution of machinery, taking as his main illustration the advancement that has been made in farm machinery during the past fifty years, and how, as each improvement was made, more men were thrown out of employment and at the same time the size of fields and farms increased. And, in the same way, machinery has increased production and reduced the number of employees required in every line of manufacture.

The point of the address was that the past generation has centered on mass production without making any effort toward mass consumption, to furnish a balance. He told the young people of the graduating class that it will be their job to remedy this condition and work to the end that there will be a more equitable distribution of the abundance produced, so that every citizen of our great nation may enjoy the benefits of this great production, sharing

in the enjoyment of better homes and other good things of life.

Following Mr. Gentle's address Professor Horton presented the class to the Board of Education and Chairman H. N. Shipley, after a few well chosen remarks, presented the diplomas.

The closing exercises of the grade school were held on Friday morning, at which time sixteen pupils received eighth grade diplomas. Of the entire class there was not one who failed to complete the course, and all are now eligible to enter high school.

Those receiving grade school diplomas were: Meredith Flanery, Helen Barber, Margaret Lewis, Irene Green, Waneta Blanchard, Twila Severns, Arlene Gillespie, Oscar Benefiel, Wayne Rickert, Jim Shipley, Charles Colburn Jr., Dale Snow, Ray Barber, Newland Neely, John Buswell and Upton Pearson.

The out-of-town teachers all left Saturday for their homes to spend a well earned vacation: Miss Mary Stevenson to Medford, Miss Elizabeth Graham to Portland, Miss Ruth Stillings to Yakima, Wn., D. Hiatt to Grand Junction, Col., Miss Nathiel Zyssett to Cascadia and Miss Altha Chandler to Sheridan. All have been tendered contracts for next year, and are expected to be with us again in September.

Home for Vacation

Kenneth Stuart of Fern district, who has many friends in Willamina and vicinity, was a caller at the Times office Tuesday evening. He is home for the summer vacation from the State Normal school at Monmouth. All who have seen him in local amateur dramatics will not be surprised to learn that he "made" the Normal dramatic club the first term. Later he was sports writer on the school paper. He is a member of the Theta Phi, and was elected president of that fraternity for next year. He is also a member of Phi Beta Sigma, a teachers fraternity for both men and women.

Oak Grove Ladies Visit

Mrs. Frank Fawk today entertained a group of ladies from Oak Grove community Ladies' Aid. Several ladies from Willamina attended. A picnic luncheon was served on the lawn and a most enjoyable time had.

BOND ELECTION CARRIES

With an exceedingly light vote cast, owing to the fact that the city charter fixes the time from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m., and many workers were unable to get to the polls, the measure carried with a surprisingly large majority. There were only 70 votes cast and 68 of them were in favor of the charter amendment which authorizes the issuance of \$15,000 of city bonds to finance, with government aid, improvements to the city waterworks system.

DEATH CALLS MRS. MACPHERSON

Mrs. Edith Macpherson, wife of Charles Macpherson of Grand Ronde passed away at her home, Sunday, June 9, at the age of 48 years, 6 months and 18 days. Funeral services were held at the Chapel of the Sheridan Funeral Home on Wednesday afternoon, Rev. W. S. Burgoyne, pastor of the Sheridan Methodist church, officiating. Interment was at Evergreen Park, McMinnville.

Mrs. E. Macpherson was born November 21, 1886, at Rockford, Iowa and was a graduate from the Waterloo Business College. She was also county auditor for four years at Waterloo, Iowa.

Besides her husband she is survived by her aged mother, Mrs. Henry Otto, and two brothers, Lee and Ralph Otto of Working, Alberta, Canada, and six sisters, Mesdames Geo. Miller, Waterloo, Iowa, Brent Quigley, Palo Alto, Cal., S. O. Dahl and Ted Brown, Moberge, S. Dak., H. Klien, Chicago, and R. R. Hart, Working, Alberta, Canada.

Although Mrs. Macpherson has suffered at times from heart attacks, her death came as a complete shock to the family Sunday morning, as she seemed in good health shortly before.

Birthday Party

On Sunday Mrs. Fox's mother, sisters, brothers and family drove out from Portland and surprised her with a bounteous dinner, the occasion being her birthday. The day was spent in visiting and having a good time in general. Those present beside the Fox family were: Messrs. and Mesdames Birdie Pattee, Riedle and two children, Clemett Pattee and child, Hartle and daughter, Alfred Pattee, Wavel Pattee, and Oscar Benefiel and three sons.

Annual School Meeting

The annual school meeting for Joint District 30-44 will be held at the school house next Monday evening. The principle business will be the election of a director to fill the place of H. N. Shipley, whose term expires, and a clerk. The latter office has been filled by W. Beck since the resignation of W. R. Neely when he moved to Portland. We have heard of no candidates having announced themselves for either vacancy.

Leases Sawmill

R. Y. Neely, owner of Neely Mills, with a sawmill, planer and retail lumber yard at Sheridan and a planer at Willamina, reports that he has leased the Sheridan sawmill and planer to a Mr. Verd, an experienced sawmill man of Seattle, who has already taken possession and will start operations as soon as a few alterations are completed. Mr. Neely retains the Willamina plant and the retail yard at Sheridan.

Closed for Repairs

The plant of the Willamina Clay Products company closed down last Friday night to make necessary repairs, and it is reported that the plant will probably be down until after the Fourth of July.

A LEAF FROM THE LIBRARY

The Library board met on Tuesday evening in the Library with ten members present. It was voted to have the different members assist in the Library on Saturdays for the summer instead of hiring a librarian. Mrs. Parker donated fifty books to the Library which were gratefully received. A letter was read from Mrs. Cheadle at Monroe, inviting the board and the Civic Club to picnic at her home on Wednesday, June 19. All members are asked to please register at The Times office not later than Monday, June 17, so all necessary plans can be made. All members who can furnish cars please leave word there also.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

J. B. Churchman, wife and children, Maxine and Bill, and Mrs. Esther Churchman and daughter, Mrs. Pearl Wood, were in Dallas Sunday to attend the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Branson. It was also Mrs. Branson's birthday.

The celebration was held in the Dallas city park, and at 1:30 o'clock 160 relatives and friends sat down to a sumptuous dinner, which was enjoyed by all.

After spending the afternoon visiting, the crowd dispersed, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Branson many happy returns of the day.

Mrs. Branson is a niece of Mrs. Esther Churchman.

In Hospital

Mrs. Frank Matocha was taken to the McMinnville hospital on Sunday suffering from what was thought to be appendicitis, upon arriving there the doctors decided to keep her under observation and Monday she was much better and they said she could be brought home. When her husband arrived to get her she had taken a turn for the worse and an operation was deemed necessary and was performed Wednesday morning and they found she was suffering from gall bladder trouble as well. At this writing she is doing as well as can be expected.

MEASURING FIELD FOR AAA

Crews have been selected to measure wheat fields and contracted acres for wheat compliance for the 1935 crops.

Farm operators are urged to cooperate as much as possible with these men by giving them what information is required to be submitted to Washington. These men may be able to answer some questions in regard to compliance, but all major questions should be submitted to the County Allotment Committee.

WILLAMINA TOWNSEND CLUB

The Townsend Club met at the church Wednesday evening, with a splendid crowd in attendance.

There was a committee appointed to have charge of the Willamina Club at the Western States Rally and "Pow-wow" which will be held in honor of Dr. Townsend at Jantzen Beach, Portland, August 2-3-4. Among the speakers will be Dr. Townsend, Senator Borah, Huey Long, Will Rogers and others. The public is invited to attend each and every day.

We are still asking all members who have not received their cards and booklets to call on the secretary for same.

A new program is coming over KWJJ at 9 a. m. each day except Sunday. Send a card of thanks to KWJJ.

All are urged to attend the next regular meeting at the M. E. church, June 19th.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE.

NATIVE OF INDIA TO SPEAK HERE

Mohan V. Raj, of Bombay, India, will be in Willamina Friday, June 21, and in Grand Ronde Thursday, June 20, at 8:00 p. m., to present an address on present-day India. The lecture will be given in the Methodist church in both communities.

Pictures revealing industrial, religious and social aspects of "Mother India" will be presented on the screen in connection with the lecture.

This lecture will afford the Willamina and Grand Ronde people an unusual opportunity to hear first-hand the story of present-day India.

Mr. Raj is a graduate of the University of Minnesota. Born in a Hindu family, he embraced Christianity. He served as a lieutenant under the British flag during the Egypt and Palestine expeditions led by General Allenby. He has traveled among the people of all classes in India, is familiar with all the religions, has had conferences with Mahatma Gandhi, has worked among the untouchables, has visited much of the mission work and has come in contact intimately with many little-known phases of India life. Mr. Raj speaks six Indian languages, and English fluently.

In his lecture, Mr. Raj will tell of the agricultural methods used in India, the work of the missionaries, of India's struggle for independence, of Mahatma Gandhi's influence, of the industrial and political needs of India and other topics, including a variety of personal experiences. A display of India art goods and textiles will be on exhibit at the church.

The lecture is open to the public without charge. There will be a free-will offering to help defray expenses.

JOLSON AND KEELER IN MUSICAL

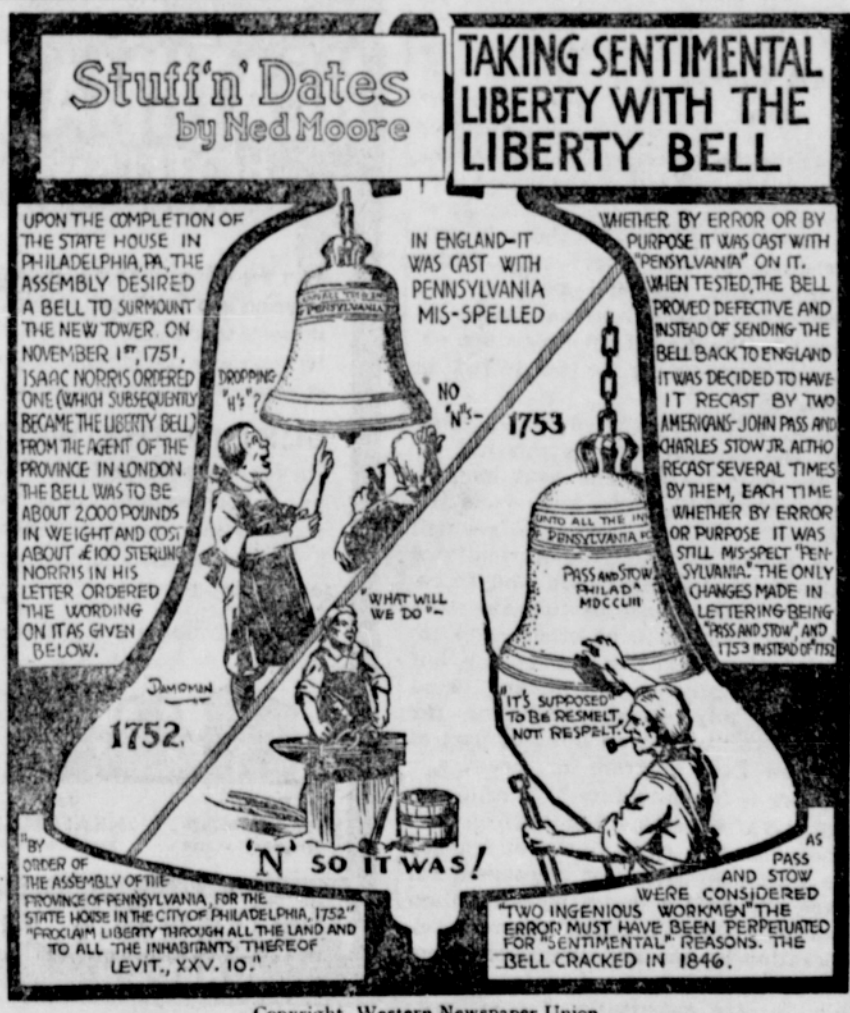
The sensation of the year in the film world is the teaming of Al Jolson, famous mammy singer who first introduced the talking pictures, and Ruby Keeler, his wife, former Broadway musical comedy star who leaped to fame in the movies in two years, in First National's latest and said to be its greatest, musical spectacle, "Go Into Your Dance," scheduled as the feature attraction at the Majestic theatre in Dallas next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

While the picture is a mammoth musical spectacle, it carries a well-defined plot and a fascinating romance with tense emotional scenes, interspersed with hilarious comedy relief. The story is by Bradford Ropes, the author of "42nd Street."

Celebrates 84th Birthday

Wednesday was Mrs. Olive Hussey's 84th birthday and five of her Willamina friends motored to her home in Portland, taking pot-luck dinner with them beside several bouquets and birthday remembrances. Needless to say she was surprised and happy to welcome them and though she is still in the wheel chair she was feeling good and in very good spirits. She is able to stand on her feet and get around some but most of the time uses the wheelchair. The ladies all spent an enjoyable day and had a delicious luncheon. Those attending were: Mesdames Lucy Huddleston and little Carol, Freida Madison, Guy Smelser, Paul Mullen, J. L. Farnham of Willamina and Mrs. Clark and daughter, former Willamina residents, and another lady friend whose name we were unable to learn.

The Times is endeavoring to build up Willamina. What are you doing?



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