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PRES. H. M. CROOKS LECTURES

At Assembly Wednesday Morning on
Morality and Literature—An
Able Address

Pres. Crooks, of Albany college, delivered a splendid address at Assembly Wednesday morning, upon "Morality and Literature." The talk was begun by a definition of literature. "Literature is the collective body of writings from all men of all ages. Also, literature is art. Good writing tends to good thinking and feeling. Art is the representative of artistic view of world. Literature brings sunshine into our hearts and drives moonshine out of our head. Books are to help enjoy or endure life. Books must be substantially true to life before making great impression on readers. Poetry is the record of the best and happiest moments of happiest and best minds. Literature is the representative of life. To know literature is to live vicariously—generally life is not seen except on the seamy side. But this is a mistake as people may "see life" during the day time as well as the night. Morality in literature is treated under two heads—first, moral treatment, and secondly, as to immoral material. Under the first head, we consider falsehood or the deliberate lie; the description of one man's life as the description of the universal life—the description of abnormal as if it were normal—omittance of enough of a man's life as to make the remaining part appear immoral—the title may make a book immoral, i. e., "The Way of the World," etc., the author often makes the hero or heroine get our sympathy in their wrong doing—also he gives undue reward to moderately virtuous and moderate reward to the very virtuous."

A short discussion of various well known books and their morality, was then given by Pres. Crooks, who ended his address by stating that the novel is one of the greatest influences in the

world—literature must help us solve the question of morality.

Too Long Yet.

Last week we did not publish a letter from C. N. McArthur in reply to a recent editorial for the reason that it was too long. We requested him to re-write it and condense it, which he did; but still it will take three columns of space. Mr. McArthur requested that if we could not publish the entire article that we do not publish any of it. This is what we have done this week. There are so many other things of more importance to insert in our columns, that we have been compelled to omit the article. It is, however, all set up in type and will appear next week. We are sorry that we are unable to print it this week, but cannot devote so large a portion of the paper to the article.

Another Game with O. A. C.

O. A. C. and Oregon will play basket ball at Corvallis next Saturday. A hard game is certain. Coach Murphy has done wonders in training and perfection of team work since the last game with O. A. C., yet the Oregon players are far from over-confident. Practise this week is to be grueling for competition, has begun in earnest for the team which is to make the trip into Washington between semesters.

The J. W. Kays Furniture company has presented Dr. Leonard with two dozen new rulers for use in his classroom work. It is needless to say that the kindness is heartily appreciated by both Dr. Leonard and his students.

All Juniors who have not yet paid the tax of \$2.50 per capita will confer a favor by handing that sum to Harold Merryman, B. W. Grout or D. L. Lewis. "They need the money."

There was no meeting of the Y. M. C. A. last week.

GRADUATES ENTER POLITICS

Henry McKinney and Andrew Anderson are Candidates for the Legislature.

The press of the state announces the probable candidacy for the Oregon legislature of Henry M. McKinney, '07, of Baker County, and "Andy" Anderson, of Multnomah County. Although neither of these gentlemen has ever been actively engaged in politics, both are well known and widely respected at home and throughout the state. Both had exceptionally good records while in the University. McKinney, during his senior year, carried twenty-one hours of college work, edited the Oregon Weekly, was president of the Philologist Society, and won honors for Oregon in oratory, in football and on the track. Since graduation, he has been managing a large stock ranch near Baker City. He is soon to organize a "Young Men's Republican Club" at Baker City.

Anderson's record as a student has seldom been equalled. He never received a lower grade than "A," and did not cut a class during his four years in college. He is now successfully carrying on the professor of law in Portland.

All in all, two more thoroughly representative graduates of the University could not easily be found.

President P. L. Campbell is in receipt of an announcement of the commencement exercises of the Pamanga Normal Institute of the Philippine Islands. The announcement was forwarded by G. A. Anderson, principal of the institute and a former student in the University. Mr. Anderson attended college here during the years of 1902-1904, when he took the examination for instructors in the Philippines in which place he has since been teaching. In his field of work there is great opportunities for accomplishment and he is to be congratulated upon the success which is crowning his efforts.

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