

Societies

Excelsior

The Excelsior Literary Society met in their usual place last Friday. The roll was called and some business of less importance was transacted. The boys who were on the program for that evening were absent, and so we proceeded with the debate. The question being "Resolved That Seattle is a greater city than Portland." The question was well handled on both sides, and the judges decided in favor of the Negative. The speakers on the Affirmative side were Grover Colby, Apis Goudy, Negative, Harry Queachpalm, Ben Wilson. The question was open to the house and most of the members took part, floor was never vacant.

Estelle Reel

The Estelle Reels met in their usual place. Annie Evans and Bessie Williams became members of the society.

The following program was rendered:

Song	Five girls
Jokes	Mattie Zimmerman.
Recitation	Mattie Zimmerman.
Song	Marial Billings.
Pen Picture	Stella Feister.
Song	Nellie Boswell, Nellie DeVaul
Nellie Barrett.	
Song	Sallie Boswell and Neva Sou-
vignar.	
Recitation	Nellie Barrett
Song	Stella Feister and Gussie Cameron.
Pen Picture	Gussie Cameron.
Riddles	Mattie Zimmerman.

Nompareil

The Nompareil Literary Society met in their usual place last Friday. The house was called to order by the president. Roll was called and there being no business to put before the house we proceeded with our program which was as follows.—Remarks, Bessie Chiloquin; Song, Violet Berner; Recitation, Sarah Pierce; Riddles, Anita McLaughlin; A most interesting debate followed. The subject was "Resolved: That the mental

capacity of women is greater than that of men." The speakers were—Affirmative, Sarah Pierce, Anita McLaughlin; Negative, Bessie Chiloquin, Lizzie Frazier. The subject was ably handled and many strong points were brought out on either side, it was hotly contested from start to finish, but the judges decided in favor of the negative.

Hiawatha

The Hiawatha Club members met in their usual place last Friday evening, and had an interesting meeting. Owing to the absence of President Peter Casey, Peter J. Seltice presided. After the roll was called and the minutes of the previous meeting were read, a hotly-contested debate followed. The question was "Resolved: That the Pen is Mightier than the Sword." The disputants on the Affirmative side were: James J. Sloane, principal; Robert Davis, first colleague; Eugene J. Williams, second colleague; Alfred Lane, third colleague; and Gordon B. Hobucket, fourth colleague. Those who defended the Negative were: Peter J. Seltice, principal; Louis John, first colleague; Thomas J. McCully, second colleague; Webster H. Hudson, third colleague, and Frank Booth, fourth colleague. The Negative won. The judges were: Leon Reinken, Philip Sorahan and Henry Nelson. Peter J. Seltice congratulated those who took part in the debate, and as he was seated, announcement was made that Philip Sorahan wished to be admitted to our roll, which was unanimously voted upon by the members. A Program Committee was appointed which is consisted of James J. Sloane, Chairman, and Philip Sorahan, assistant. Before adjournment a program for the preceding meeting was read.