

DEBATING BECOMES COLLEGE FEATURE

WHITMAN IS CHALLENGED BY PACIFIC UNIVERSITY—INTERACADEMIC DEBATING LEAGUE TO BE FORMED AMONG HIGH SCHOOLS AND ACADEMIES.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Walla Walla, Wash., May 2.—The debating season closed on Friday afternoon, when Whitman academy again went down to defeat before Kliehli academy on the Walla Walla platform.

Whitman college has received a challenge from Pacific university to a debate next year. These institutions have never met on the platform before. Pacific is champion of Oregon, having won the State university in six out of seven debates.

Another reported development growing out of the general interest in debating among the high school and academies of this part of the country, is the formation of an Interacademic Debating League.

The organization will be perfected at the interscholastic meet, to be held here this week under the auspices of Whitman college.

LANE WILL CONTEST UP IN WASHINGTON

(Journal Special Service.)

Washington, May 2.—The suit over the estate of Thomas F. Lane, who died here in October, 1900, was called for trial yesterday before Judge Wright in the district court.

Mr. Lane's wife was a daughter of Senator Blackburn of Kentucky, and the letter containing the foregoing disposition of Mr. Lane's property was found in Mr. Lane's effects and taken possession of by his widow after his death.

ARKANSAS MEDICAL SOCIETY.

(Journal Special Service.)

Texarkana, Ark., May 3.—Prominent physicians and surgeons from all parts of the state have gathered in Texarkana for the annual meeting of the Arkansas State Medical Society.

FREE METHODISTS TO MEET MAY 11

The ninth annual session of the Oregon conference of the Free Methodist church will convene in the First Free Methodist church, 333 East Ninth and Mill streets, Wednesday, May 11, at 3 p. m., with Bishop W. T. Hogue in the chair.

REV. W. T. HOGUE, PH. D.

lived in Chicago, from October, 1884, to June, 1902. He has been president of Greenville college, Greenville, Ill., for a number of years, and has given that institution high rank in educational circles in that state.

Bishop Hogue will preach at the Free Methodist church a few days preceding the conference, beginning Sunday, May 8, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

SEATTLE TUNNEL IS DANGEROUS

GREAT NORTHERN TUNNEL IS ENDANGERING FIRST BUILDINGS IN THE SOUND CITY—SEATTLE MADE AT YESTERDAY'S CONVENTION WILL GO THROUGH TODAY.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Seattle, May 2.—Fourth avenue, for half a dozen blocks, is sinking. The cause is the Great Northern tunnel, and it is endangering some of the finest buildings in the city.

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WELL KNOWN MEN BUY FRUIT FARMS

HOMER DAVENPORT, THE FAMOUS CARTOONIST; ED. ANDREWS, THE COMEDIAN; FRANKS OF PORTLAND, AND OTHERS, INVEST IN SOUTHERN OREGON LANDS.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Medford, Ore., May 2.—The month of April has closed with the addition to Oregon citizenship of two men more or less well known in lines of artistic endeavor in the east.

First came Homer Davenport, the famous cartoonist, and bought back the boyhood home that ties him to his native state. Then came Ed. Andrews, the comedian of the Andrews Opera company, so long popular in the middle west and east.

They did a covering of a beautiful plateau on Antelope creek, 10 miles east of Medford, where he will plant a summer home for himself and his talented wife, known as Catharine Lee in the Andrews company's operatic productions.

When it was decided to give up his old home at Lake Tetonka, in Minnesota, Andrews began looking about for a location where a more equable temperature prevailed, and as he is a "crank" on fruit growing, he has quite naturally landed on the Pacific coast.

His next venture will be a new operation comedy that will be the vehicle of his introduction to the theatregoers of the Pacific coast during the coming winter season.

Other newcomers. A notable deal has just been closed by Mr. Perkins, formerly of the Atkins Saw company of Portland, who has purchased for \$22,500 the 150-acre tract of apple land owned by William Stewart.

The Prawl farm, 196 acres of apple land, three miles north from Medford, has just passed from its former owner to Michael Hanley for \$8,000.

Every indication points to the steady advance in price of fruit land in southern Oregon. Hundreds of acres of apple trees are being planted, and five years hence revenues derived from this product will be enormous.

Postal receipts show increase. The monthly statement of the local postoffice, which was completed today, shows an increase in postal receipts of 12.25 per cent over the corresponding month of last year.

PLAN TO OPPOSE "HIGHER CRITICISM" New York, May 3.—Alarmed by the growing aggressiveness of the highest criticism movement, which is described as "assaults upon the Bible as the inspired Word of God," the recently formed American Bible league began a three days' conference in the Marble Collegiate church today.

CHARGES FRAUD BY NYE'S CREDITORS In a complaint filed in the circuit court Saturday afternoon, on which a restraining order was issued by Presiding Judge George J. Cameron charges Rothchild Bros. and J. B. Nye with conspiring to defraud creditors by a pretended chattel mortgage.

POSTOFFICE ROBBERS CAPTURED. La Grande, Ore., May 2.—The Innaha postoffice robbers were captured by Sheriff Shackelford and posse yesterday. During the fight proceeding the arrest one of the robbers was slightly wounded.

ADOPT OLD PLANS. Washington, May 2.—A joint commission of the senate and house at a meeting yesterday decided to adopt water plans of 1903 for the extension of the east front of the capitol.

World's Fair Excursions. For the world's greatest fair to be held at St. Louis from May to October the Northern Pacific Railway company will place on sale special round-trip excursion tickets.

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RAILWAY EMPLOYEES MEET NEXT WEEK. LOCAL MEMBERS OF THE UNITED BROTHERHOOD TAKING MUCH INTEREST IN SAN FRANCISCO CONVENTION—IMPORTANT MATTERS UP FOR CONSIDERATION.

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