

University and College Happenings

University of Oregon.

Eugene, Or., May 12.—Dr. R. H. Wheeler, professor of psychology, has undertaken a series of tests of the intelligence of the students in the state school for the blind at Salem. He made his first visit to Salem Friday of this week.

The faculty of the university has decided to retain for this year the senior examinations. Members of the class of 1917 have been agitating the discontinuance of this feature of the college system. It was decided, however, that the degree of disorganization of the college work, caused by the withdrawal of so many students for war service and the necessary inclusion in the curriculum of several military courses, makes it inadvisable to consider the discontinuance with its accompanying disturbance of the regular college routine.

Dr. Henry D. Sheldon, dean of the school of education, lectured Tuesday evening at a meeting of the Round Table in the Osburn hotel on "Mothers and Schoolmama's." The Round Table is a town-and-college organization made up of university faculty members and business and professional men of Eugene. Dr. Sheldon will lecture on "The Philosophy of Modern Education" before the elementary department of the National Education association at Portland in July.

Bishop Walter T. Sumner of the Episcopal diocese of Oregon, spent the early part of the week on the university campus. He made several addresses to the students, beginning with his sermon at the vesper services in Villard hall Sunday, and concluding with an address to the assembled military drill companies on Kincaid field Tuesday afternoon.

Among the faculty members who have already left the University for military service are Ben H. Williams, secretary of social welfare in the extension division, and Prof. Allan C. Hopkins of the school of commerce. Both Mr. Williams and Mr. Hopkins have gone to the reserve officers' training camp at the Presidio, Cal.

Request has just been received from the university of Minnesota extension division for the use of the course in bird life and habits, prepared by Prof. John F. Howard, head of the zoology department of the university of Oregon. Copies of Prof. Howard's 16 lectures and illustrating slides will be sent to Minnesota.

Members of the playground directing class conducted by Miss Mabel L. Cummings, director of the women's gymnasium, will cooperate with teachers in the public schools of Eugene in a children's field day, to be held on Kincaid field on the afternoon of May 23. The meet, which will include a Maypole dance, with nine Maypoles in use at once, as well as track sports, will be open to all the grade school pupils.

Jan Lewis and Maurice Whitehouse of Portland, members of the education committee of the Oregon chapter of the American Institute of Architects, will be judges of a contest among architectural students of the university. By the terms of the contest, the senior in the school of architecture who has done the most consistently good work during his course will receive \$25 worth of books on architectural subjects.

Oregon Normal School.

Monmouth, Or., May 12.—The normal was honored last Thursday by a visit from the teacher-training class of the McMinnville high school. They were accompanied by Mr. Hug, their city superintendent.

The Oak Point school has been secured by the Normal school as one of the schools to be used as a rural training school. This makes three that the normal school has secured for the ensuing year, the others being the Mountain View school in Benton county, and the Elkins school in Polk county.

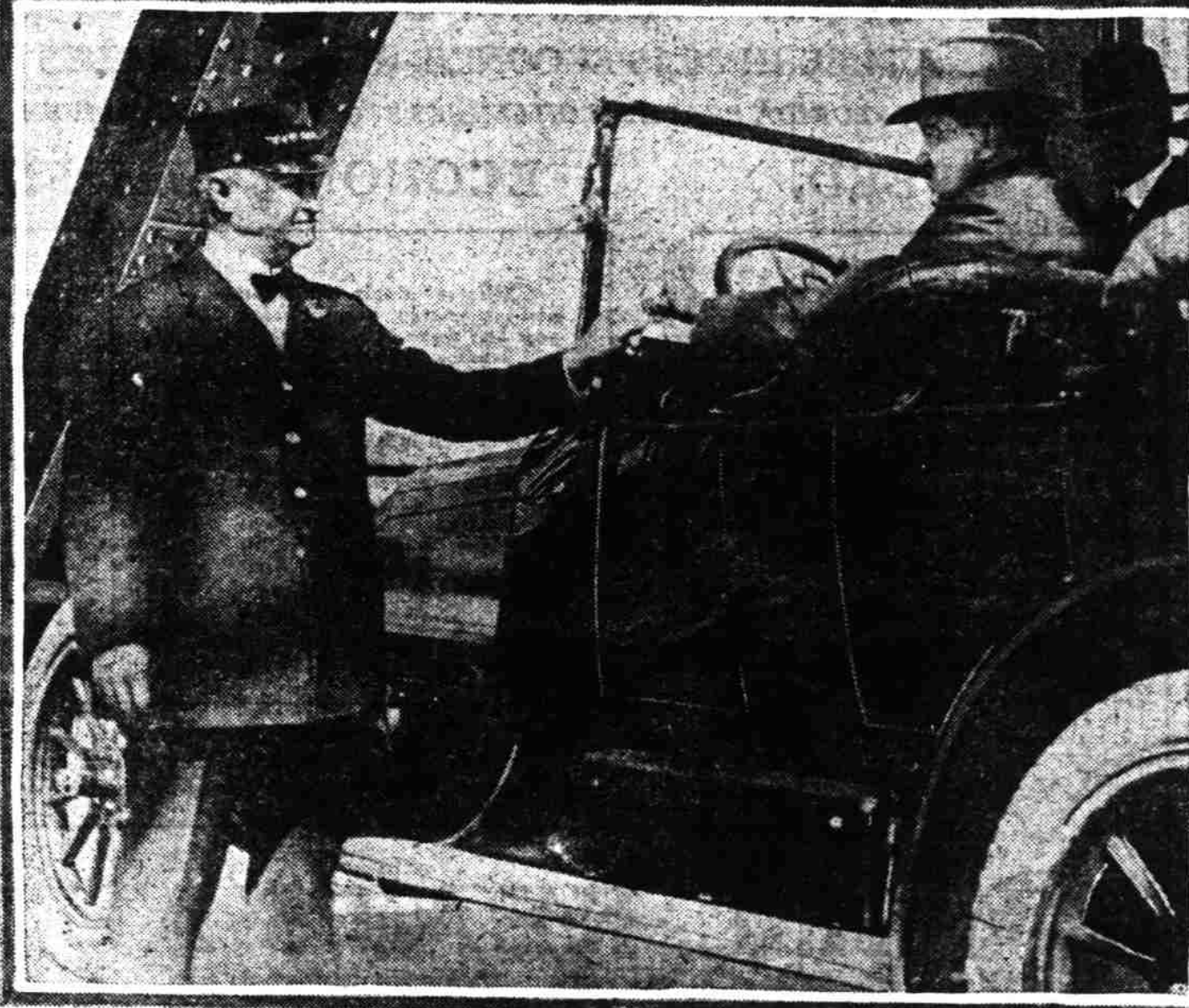
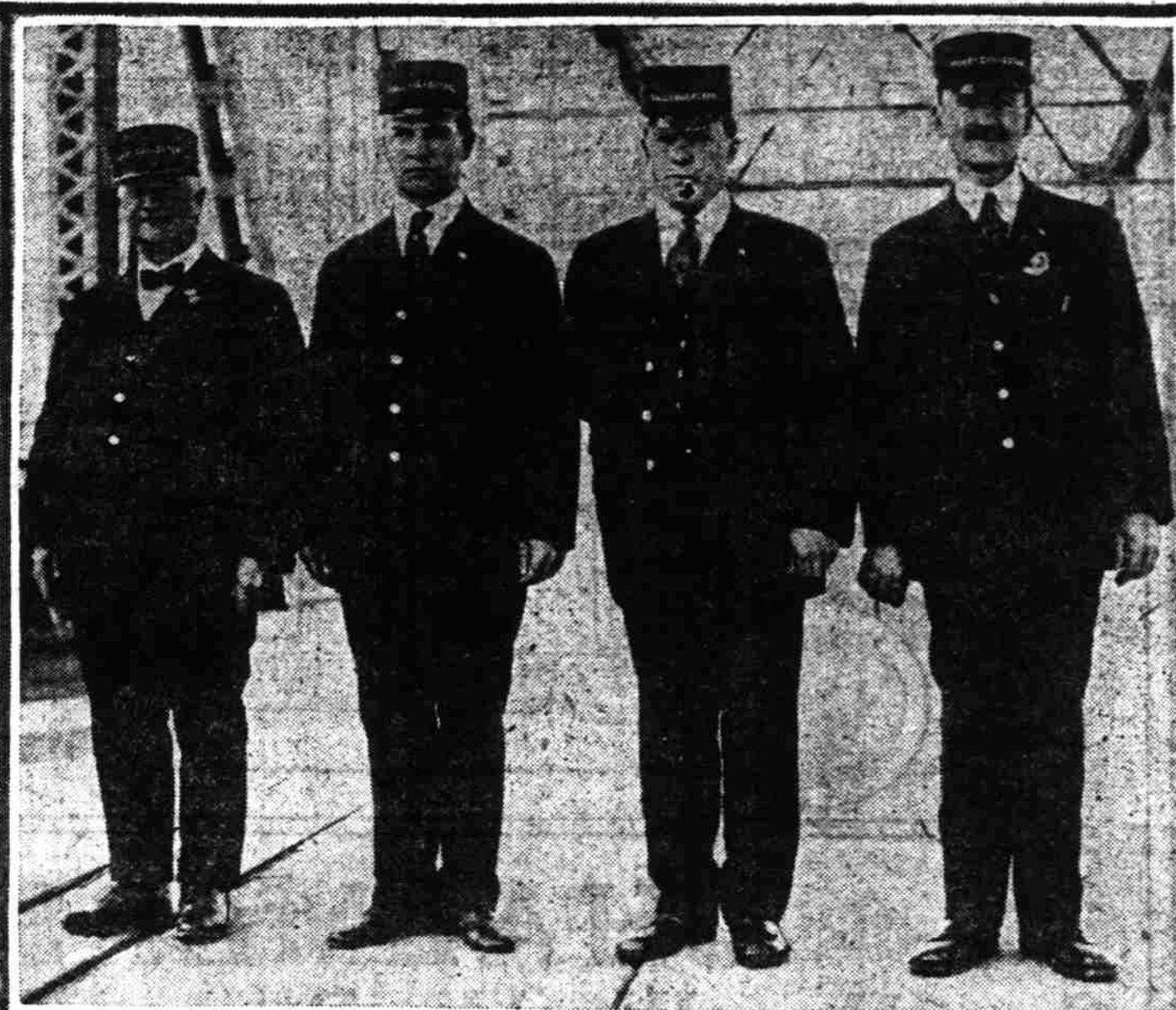
The several literary societies presented most excellent programs last Friday evening. A cantata featuring May day festivities was the principal number on the Delphinus program. Percy Mackaye's "Silver Thread" was one of the especially interesting numbers staged by the Vesperettes, and a debate by the young men of the normal society composed their program.

The preparations for the addition to the chapel and the senior cottage are progressing most satisfactorily. Plans have been invited, and the contracts will be let on June 1, after which the work will be rushed as rapidly as possible. These buildings will be of great service to the normal in that the activities of the school can be better taken care of.

Reed College.

Professor William F. Ogburn will leave Portland in about two weeks for

TOLL COLLECTORS APPEAR IN UNIFORMS



Above—One of the crews—from left to right—J. J. Winters, D. E. France, J. W. Studer and E. T. Hatch. Below—Rufus C. Holman, chairman of the Multnomah county commission and of the Interstate bridge commission, handing bridge tickets which bear his own signature to an attendant—for he has to pay as others do, whether traveling in private or public capacity. In the rear seat of the county automobile is seated County Commissioner Muck.

Arizona and New Mexico, where he will go on an anthropological expedition. He will go first to San Francisco to meet M. H. Rosenberg, a student of anthropology, and together they will take the trip by automobile. Their principal interest lies in the manner of living of the Indians, and they will visit the Hopi, Zuni, and Navajo tribes. This trip will last till about June 20, and is preliminary to a more extensive one which the two men will make later.

Dr. George H. Danton, who was

professor of Germanic languages at

the college during the absence of Dr.

Jasper J. Stahl last year, and who is

now professor of German at Tsing

Hua college, China, writes that the

college has adopted a scientific grad-

ing system patterned somewhat after

that in use at Reed college.

Independence Is Earned By Youths

By Woods Hutchinson, M. D.

The world's foremost writer on medical subjects, former Portland physician, whose popular writings command wide attention.

NOT the least interesting feature in the recently published annual report of Columbia university was the list, with details, of the students within its walls who are working their own way through college. If anyone has a doubt as to whether the college students of today are "serious," a glance at this section of the report ought to cheer him up greatly. It is really impressive, not to say surprising, to learn of the number of students who during the past year have earned their own way in whole or in part and whose average earnings were \$225 apiece.

This is the more noteworthy, because by early association and familiarity we have come to unconsciously regard earning your own way as a special if not exclusive feature of rustic fresh water colleges, state universities or small denominational schools on leafy campuses in country towns. Carrying the presidential horse, milking the professional cow, shaking down the local magnate's furnace are the images that rise in our minds. To find this whole regiment of eager-eyed youngsters working their own way through the largest universities in the world, in the heart of America's greatest metropolis, is as surprising as it is gratifying.

Our first reaction is one of pride and admiration for the pluck, the ambition, the cheerful sacrifice of these hundreds of young boys and girls, and we have a right to be proud of them. Moreover, this glow of pride is markedly for our soul's good, for all the baseless delusions of incipient dotage, the most unfounded is the wall which

we parents and middle-agers are prone to emit in moments of depression about over the frivolity, the lack of seriousness, the unwillingness to do anything they don't like, the lack of moral fibre and the sterner virtues, not to mention the disrespectfulness and disobedience, of the boys and girls of today.

The only basis for it is the shortness of our memory and the hugeness of our self-conceit, our genuine and irrepresible fear "Least existence, closing your account and mine, shall know the like no more." Never was youth so thoughtful and serious in the very few matters about which it is desirable that youth should be serious, never was its will to work so keen, so intelligent, so irrepresible as now. Never were its sports, its amusements, its fun as clean and whole hearted and wholesome, as free from taint of dissipation, of vulgarity, of cruelty as today.

Instead of worrying over the imagined degeneracy of the rising generation, the thought that ought really to keep us awake at night is what our sons and daughters and nephews and nieces will think of us and our precious moral standards when they are old enough to be taken into partnership and the ledgers are opened to them and all our trade secrets of money making, our tortuous and astounding codes of professional ethics, our shufflings and evasions in matters of taxation and our petty thievery, called customs of the trade, exposed.

Certain whole occupations and considerable parts of others now regarded as most lucrative and respectable, if on a large enough scale, such as real estate speculation, food cornering, liquor selling, gambling, whether Wall street or green table; the practice of criminal law, garbage picking, stock jobbing, etc., are in serious danger of falling into decay in the near future, because the boys who are now growing up are too clear eyed and decent and socially minded to be attracted by them and their tainted profits.

A long step has been taken in the

right direction by the establishment of our magnificent system of free education at public expense, from the "primary" bench of the country schoolhouse up to the most highly specialized department of the professional school in the state university. But this is not enough, because students must live while they are studying, and far the heaviest expense of a college course and the only one of a high school is the cost of plain, prosaic, but indispensable food and housing and clothing during the years of the course.

German Offers His Son to U. S. Navy

Yokum, Texas, May 12.—Naval recruiting officers here were forced to look for an interpreter when Lt. Holmes of Shiner personally brought in his 17-year-old son, Otto, for enlistment in the navy.

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