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NEW COLLEGE HEAD

INAUGURATION OF REV. HUGHES AT DE PAUW

A Young Man With a Remarkable Record as a Minister and Educator—Is Now Called to Direct the Greatest Methodist University. Located at Greencastle, Indiana.

Greencastle, Ind., Dec. 9.—The inauguration of the Rev. Edwin H. Hughes, formerly of Malden, Mass., as president of De Pauw university, was a great day for the well known Methodist institution of learning. Many alumni and friends were present from all parts of the country. A large party of alumni from Indianapolis arrived this morning. The inaugural exercises began in Meharry hall at 1 o'clock. William Newkirk, president of the board of trustees, presided.

Edwin Holt Hughes was born at Moundsville, W. Va., December 7, 1866, and is, therefore, 37 years of age. He is the son of the Rev. Thomas B. Hughes, until 1885 a member of the West Virginia conference and now a member of the Iowa conference. He attended the public schools and the preparatory department of the West Virginia university. Thence he went to the Ohio Wesleyan university.

Upon his father's transfer to Iowa he entered Iowa college at Grinnell. Between his sophomore and junior years he was pastor in Madison township, Poweshiek county. Afterward, returning to Ohio, he was graduated from the Ohio Wesleyan in 1889. In the spring of that year he won the interstate oratorical contest, participated in by winners of previous contests from ten of the Western states.

He was graduated from the Boston University School of Theology in 1892, being one of the two class speakers selected by the faculty. Afterward he did post graduate work in philosophy under Professor Borden P. Bowne. In 1892 he was transferred to the New England conference and was stationed at Newton Center, Mass. In 1894 he began his pastorate at Center church, Malden, where he remained until chosen as president of De Pauw. During the eight years of his pastorate Center church prospered constantly until it became the leading church of its denomination in the New England conferences.

SWINDLERS CAPTURED.

Jack Walters and Wife Wanted for Passing Bogus Checks.

Seattle, Dec. 9.—Jack Walters and his wife, May Walters, were arrested in this city Saturday night by Deputy Sheriff Crawley, from Ellensburg, on a charge of passing worthless checks. It is said that the man and his wife constitute the cleverest pair of check swindlers who have ever operated in this section of the country. The man, it is said, makes the

worthless checks and the woman passes them, working generally on Saturday nights. They are known to have operated in Tacoma and many sound cities. The woman works in many roles, but usually passes the checks as the wife of a laboring man and claims the check is for her husband's wages.

Walters is also wanted for forgery in this city, but will probably be allowed to remain in the custody of the Kittitas county officer.

MURDERER ATE RAW FOOD.

Repulsive Brute in Seattle Jail Will Hang for His Crime.

Seattle, Dec. 9.—Zenon Champoux, the young Frenchman who brutally murdered Lottie Bruce, a concert hall girl, by thrusting a knife into her brain, must hang, according to the decision of the supreme court, to which his case had been appealed. The case was argued during the October term of the higher court and was decided Saturday.

Champoux has been in the county jail since the murder, which occurred in November, 1902. He is a most repulsive looking fellow. At one time he would eat nothing but raw vegetables. His defense, or, rather, the defense which his attorney, A. J. Speckert, put up for him, was insanity. He himself has always said that he did not care whether he were hanged or not and was glad he killed the girl.

ILLINOIS HORTICULTURISTS.

They Are Holding Their Thirty-Seventh Annual Convention.

Rockford, Ill., Dec. 9.—The attendance upon the thirty-seventh annual meeting of the Northern Illinois Horticultural association is larger than for many years, and an unusual amount of interest is manifested in the proceedings. The presiding officer of the convention is Professor J. L. Hartwell, one of the best known horticulturists of the state. In connection with the meeting there is a large exhibit of fruits and vegetables, comprising more than 500 plates of the finest products of the orchard and garden.

The sessions are to continue through tomorrow. In addition to the usual program of papers and discussions on horticultural topics, the two days' program provides for addresses and lectures by eminent authorities of Illinois, Wisconsin and several other states.

BUSINESS MISSION.

They Flourish in North Carolina, as Well as the Church Generally.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 9.—The Baptist state convention which opened in this city today is well attended by delegates and visitors from every part of the state. The annual reports of officers and committees show the denomination in North Carolina to be in a flourishing condition. The total amount contributed to missions during the year reached the \$50,000 mark, which is a considerable increase over the donations of last year.

WORK IS POSTPONED.

Eureka Flat Farmers Have Discharged Their Crews and Will Not Seed Until Spring.

Joseph W. Harvey, one of the largest farmers on Eureka flat, was in the city today. He reports that the cold weather has put a stop to all work on the flat. "The fall wheat is up and is looking well," said Mr. Harvey this morning, "and there is no danger of a freeze out."

Owing to the late rains, however, many of the farmers did not sow any wheat during the fall, preferring to wait until spring. The rains left the ground too wet, and, fearing that the cold weather would probably begin early, a majority of the wheat raisers were afraid to risk putting in their grain. Nearly all the farmers have discharged their crews and have put off all work until spring.—Walla Walla Statesman.

Wheat Still Being Held.

The statement given publicly in a Seattle daily that nearly 80 per cent of the 1903 wheat crop of Washington had been sold is seriously doubted by Walla Walla dealers, one dealer venturing the opinion that not over 50 per cent, if that, had been sold. "Here in Walla Walla county I am certain that not over one-third of the entire crop has been sold and it may not run over 25 per cent," one dealer said this morning. "How much of the Palouse and up-country has been sold we have no means of determining, but I feel satisfied it will not run over 50 per cent."—Walla Walla Statesman.

Over 3,000,000 Trees.

Over three million fruit trees planted in Washington during 1903 is the estimate made by State Horticultural Commissioner Van Holderbeke, after carefully gathering data from nearly every county in the state. Of this number Yakima county led with 67,700 trees planted in November, while the showing made by several other counties was nearly as large.—Walla Walla Union.

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