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## ELKS RECEPTION.

Pleasurable Evening of Fun and Feasting.

There being no lodge of Elks in this city many of our men have joined the order in Albany and during past years have attended the goat kept in our sister city. Many have been the courtesies Corvallis Elks have enjoyed at the hands of their brothers in Albany and in order to show their appreciation of these kindnesses and evidence good will the Corvallis contingent kept open house Friday evening and proved themselves the best of hosts.

Just how many came over from Albany is hard to say, report having it 100 while Supt. Denman made the public statement that he counted 1000. It is safe to say that there were between the two numbers. There was a special train for them anyway and to their credit they were quite well accompanied by ladies. The contingent was met at the depot by a local committee of Elks, the college band, and numerous citizens and escorted up town and to the opera house where a splendid program was given.

Fred Dawson, of Albany, acted as chairman and first introduced the male quartette composed of Prof. Fulton, A. Bradley, John F. Allen and B. W. Johnson. The quartette was recalled vociferously and gave a second number. Next was introduced Supt. G. W. Denman, who made the address of welcome. It was certainly happy in vein from the ovation given our school superintendent there remains no doubt of his having ably fulfilled his mission.

Arthur Boquet sang a number and was recalled, but bowed his thanks. Hon. J. K. Weatherford of Albany made an address in behalf of the Albany people. Mr. Weatherford gave quite a bit of history of the order in the course of his remarks and spoke to a purpose. He certainly splendidly represented the Albany Elks.

"A Strange Catastrophe" by Miss Mary Danneman and Collie Cathey occasioned much laughter. Collie plays cat, accidentally eats (or thinks he has eaten) some cat meat with rat poison in it and concludes to die on short notice. Miss Danneman cracks numerous eggs on Collie's brow and drops the contents down his throat as an antidote. Finally an over-ripe egg brings about the discovery that he is not poisoned.

George Rolf, of Albany, was on the program for a song, but he sang so well that the audience forced him to sing three and then wanted more. This gives an idea of his vocal ability. He was followed by the male quartette in a splendid number which was well received. Kangaroo court was then convened in special session and the victims of the court were fined for the most unlearned of offenses. They were fined if they "did," or if they "din,"—the judge got their money going and coming.

Collie Cathey played a trombone solo, "Evening Star" from Tannhauser, and did it well, too. Miss Sheehy was next on the program for an "a" and "b" number. The lady's singing certainly pleased the audience, for she was well applauded, but did not respond.

The college sextette, composed of the following young ladies, completed the unusually fine program: Misses Bess Danneman, Mary Danneman, Edna Allen, Gertie McBee, Myrtle Harrington and Essie Adams. They sang a potpourri of national songs of a patriotic character to which they gave action. At an opportune moment the "Star and Stripes" were dropped from above and as they unfurled the audience showed its pleasure and patriotism in a burst of applause.

The sextette was recalled and responded. Then came the adjournment to the Taylor hall where the banquet was held.

The hall was beautifully decorated with festoons of purple and white crepe paper and elk horns and in the front of the room a large elk head was surmounted by an illuminated purple and white placard on which appeared in large letters "B. P. O. E."

Three tables extended the full length of the hall, laden with many delicacies and presenting a very tempting appearance. The menu included oysters, salad, pickles, olives, bread and butter, celery, turkey and other meats, ice cream, cake, coffee and fruit.

Hon. J. K. Weatherford was toastmaster, and toasts were responded to by Prof. J. B. Horner, James VanWinkle, Carl Stebinger, Fred Dawson and W. H. Burgraff. Prof. Falton also sang a solo that was much appreciated.

The banquet was served by J. B. Marvin of the Commercial restaurant and was certainly a credit to his skill.

## CLOVER AND HOGS.

Money in Raising Them—L. L. Brooks' Letter Concluded.

I believe this is one of the best countries in which to make money out of clover and hogs. Pigs can come any time of the year, and no trouble at all. Grow them on clover and alfalfa pasture and artichokes and then finish out with ground vetch screening or wheat, the last four weeks before putting them into the market.

In Iowa they claimed the younger a hog could be put on the market the more money was made, as it was a shorter time to feed. I know of several bands that were sold last year weighing 300 to 350 pounds at nine months old.

I believe here they should be grown on the clover and alfalfa pasture till they have a large frame, then keep them still on green pasture and have a dry, clean place for them to go in and eat ground feed, at the last end of the feed, which will harden the pork and make it solid. I find these black Russian oats when ground, fatten nearly equal with wheat. To make that more plain, after the hull has been taken off the oats it is nearly as large as a grain of wheat and twice as long. In fielding out your hogs plan to put them on the market at the time same are the highest, just ahead of the stubble hogs, or late in the winter when prices are high like the present and prospects bright for more.

I still advocate feeding everything grown on the farm. The farm will grow better every year. I have purchased a manure spreader, and expect to feed nearly 200 tons of hay on my farm this winter and use the straw stack in a way so the cattle will have it in manure to spread on the farm this spring.

Raise more cattle, sheep, hogs and horses; they are all profitable. This farm six years ago would only raise from 10 to 17 bushels of wheat an acre and summer fallow at that. Now the best patches of red clover go four tons per acre, and I do not summer fallow either.

One thing more, in sowing clover I would advise sowing rape with it, as it does not injure the clover and it makes so much better sheep and hog pasture the first year.

I am often asked why I went into the seed business, and the reason is that when I used to advocate more paying ways of farming than raising wheat, I found that it was nearly impossible to purchase pure seed. Some of the seed companies shipped in cheap eastern seed which as

## WEATHERFORD WON.

In Local Tryout at OAC Friday Evening—Prizes and Orators.

At the college armory last Friday evening occurred an event which will be long remembered by those who availed themselves of the opportunity of attending

The event was the local oratorical contest, held each year for the purpose of choosing two orators to represent OAC in the interstate oratorical contest and the state oratorical contest respectively.

Ten contestants entered the "try-out" and adjectives of the superlative degree only will express how well they did credit to themselves, to their societies, and the student body. It is a rare occurrence, indeed, that one can listen to ten orations partaking of higher literary excellence, depth of thought, or originality of theme. Should the orations of next year pass the standard established by those in the late contest, William Jennings Bryan could, with good reason, doubt his right to the title of "Boy Orator."

The persons who judged the contest are Dr. A. C. Schmitt, President H. M. Crooks of Albany College, and James Van Winkle of Albany, and Mrs. B. F. Irvine, R. J. Nichols, and Professor L. B. Baldwin of this city. Their decisions were well received by all concerned, and speak well of their abilities in judging such contests.

First prize was given to Mark V. Weatherford, representing the Jeffersonian society, his oration being, "Patriotism par Excellence." Besides a gold medal valued at \$10 and a cash prize of \$15, Mr. Weatherford will have the honor of representing OAC in the Interstate Oratorical Contest to be held in this city next April 26.

Second prize was given to John G. Schroeder, who represented the student body, his oration being, "The Twentieth Century Spirit." In payment for his efforts, Mr. Schroeder received a cash prize of \$9 and a silver medal valued at \$6 besides the honor of representing OAC in the state oratorical contest to be held in McMinnville next March 8th. Mr. Schroeder's final average was 1.71 less than that of Mr. Weatherford.

Third place was won by Miss Belle Bonney who represented the Sorosis society. The contest between Mr. Schroeder and Miss Bonney was very close, she being only .09 of a point behind him in the final average. Her subject was "A Self Sacrificing Woman."

The other contestants who took part and who certainly deserve honorable mention were Forrest Ivanhoe, Floyd Rowland, Letha Richard, Helen Gilkey, Bertha King, A. Rex Barnett, and Harold Bell.

Carl Stebinger.  
Pres. D and O Ass'n.

Jonathan L. Williams.

Sol King went to Portland Friday to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law, Jonathan L. Williams, a former resident of Corvallis. Concerning Mr. Williams' death the Oregonian Friday said:

After an almost continuous residence in Oregon for more than 60 years, Jonathan Lafayette Williams died early Thursday morning at the North Pacific Sanatorium. He was 80 years of age and well known through-

out the state, in several portions of which he had resided.

Mr. Williams was born in East Tennessee in 1826, where he lived until 1844, when he moved, with his parents, to Missouri. He remained in Missouri only one year, when he came to Oregon, settling in Polk County. In 1852 he went to Salem, where he lived, with the exception of a few years spent in Tacoma, until 10 years ago, when he removed to Portland.

Mr. Williams was married in 1847 to Miss Lydia King, a member of one of the best known pioneer families in the state. Kin's Valley, in Benton County, was named after her father, and A. N. King, founder of Kings Addition to Portland, was her brother. Mrs. Williams is still living, as are also a son and a daughter, Lafayette Williams of Lewiston, Idaho, and Mrs. Lena W. McCoy of Seattle. Mr. Williams made his home in Portland at 669 Hoyt street.

The funeral will be held at Finley's chapel this afternoon at 3 o'clock. The remains will be sent to Salem for interment.

## WHAT HE THINKS.

Of OAC—Salem Bank Cashier Gives Opinions.

Joseph H. Albert has returned from Corvallis where he attended the farmers' short course of the Agricultural College and is bubbling over with enthusiasm and praise of the splendid work being done there both in the regular college and the "short course." He says the two weeks' training in up-to-date methods of making money on the farm is worth 1500 of any farmer's money and it is surprising that there were not 400 instead of 40 farmers in attendance. One great point upon which the people of Oregon are to be congratulated is that Dr. Withycombe remained at the Agricultural College instead of becoming governor of Oregon, as anyone can do governor, but few could do such grand work as he is doing there, and few positions offer such opportunities for doing good as that of director of experiment station at Corvallis, says the Oregon Statesman of Salem.

The short course proper lasted two weeks, but the course in dairying covers six weeks, and about half of those in attendance will remain until the close of the long course. Mr. Albert reports a splendid time and regrets that he did not go prepared to remain for the entire course. He is no longer interested in creameries in Salem, but has similar interests in Idaho and besides is himself considerable of a farmer at heart, and would not be opposed to taking up that vocation, should occasion arise.

While in Corvallis he stopped at Cauthors hall, the boys' club house, where splendid board and rooms with electric light and heat are furnished for \$3 per week. He says it is simply immense and that where a little money will buy so much and there are such opportunities for earning money, there is no excuse for any boy not securing the best education in the land, as there can be nothing to excel that offered by the OAC, and a boy who would not make a success of life after a four years' course at Corvallis, has no possible hope of success in life. Mr. Albert joined in the college life of the boys at the hall even so far that an attempt was made to put him in the bath tub on the eve of his departure. However, he was saved an extra bath by disappearing sooner than was expected. It might be said in explanation that a sousing in the dormitory bath tub is a popular method of showing their friendship for fellow students. It is impossible to converse with the popular bank cashier without regretting having failed to take ad-

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