



THE HIGHEST COMMENDATION

O. A. C. Cadet Corps Giver Just Praise.

DUE TO COLLEGE TRAINING

Reputation of Corvallis Maintained by the Manly Attitude of its Self-Respecting Student Body.

To the Editor:

The students of OAC should receive the highest commendation for their excellent conduct last Saturday. The cadet corps is a body of young men of which any state might justly feel proud. No other state can present a corps of better trained, disciplined, self-respecting and manly young men.

This goes to the credit of the instruction given in the college as well as to the cheerful, intelligent response made thereto by the students. These are the basic elements of all educational processes productive of any desirable and beneficial results. Right-thinking young men, and young women as well, quickly become imbued with the true college spirit, which always and everywhere precludes them from any speech or conduct that might bring humiliation, shame and disgrace upon their college.

The military training given at the Agricultural College produces an "esprit de corps" which is of incalculable benefit to the student, the college and the state. Governed by this spirit every manly cadet has constantly in mind that he should choose to die rather than disgrace his uniform. That all young people do not respond to this spirit is true, but the exceptions are few, and are probably due to a lack of self-respect on the part of a few individuals. Saturday we noticed but three or four students who "disgraced their uniforms." The conduct of these suggested proceedings before a "drumhead court martial and an enforced marching out of camp to the tune of the Rogue's March."

It is suggested that the students might rid themselves of misapprehension and possible reproach if they would incontinently kick all worthless camp-followers and hangers-on clear out of sight. Such fellows are more worthless than mere "coffee coolers," and of no value whatever in any campaign, whether military or educational.

The reputation of both Corvallis and Eugene was borne high in Saturday's demonstration and should cause the wise men of the metropolis and of the state to glow with pride for two beneficent state institutions.

J. K. PHILLIPS.

"Too Proud To Beg" Tonight.

Lincoln J. Carter's latest masterpiece, "Too Proud To Beg," will be presented at the opera house tonight. This is the most effective and interesting of any of the plays sent out on the road this season. The story is consistent, full of emotional action, with bright lines of comedy, keen wit and satire. There are no mechanical effects to mar the interest of the play, the usual hold-ups and railroad wrecks are left out entirely. A special car of beautiful scenery is carried to stage the piece. Seats now selling.

Walker Whiteside's greatest success, "We Are King," a romantic comedy in three acts, will be given at the opera house on December 3rd. "We Are King" is a strictly high class production and one of the best to be given here this season.

TEACHERS' CLUB MEETS

Friday Evening and Enjoys a Most Profitable Time.

The Corvallis Teachers' Club, which was organized recently among the teachers of the public schools for the purpose of developing sociability and encouraging greater interest in the school work, met Friday evening at the home of Miss Dora Jackson, Miss Lillian McVicker assisting in entertaining.

Quotations from Shakespeare were given by the guests, and Prof. A. N. Fulkerson, president of the club, followed with an entertaining address on the club work, speaking words of encouragement to the teachers on the work of the coming year, and emphasizing the need and helpfulness of sociability among the instructors. A beautiful piano duet was rendered by the Misses Margaret Fowells and Lura Keiser and was greatly enjoyed by all. Rev. J. R. N. Bell, a member of the board of directors, talked to the guests, making several good points on the spirit of improvement, the teachers' interest in their work, and gave them a few ideas of what is expected of them by the board. Miss Mary Jones pleased those present with a vocal selection.

Rev. Mr. Bell was then called upon for a musical number and responded very heartily with an Indian song which he sings everywhere he goes, playing his own accompaniment in a very "classical" manner. The selection elicited great praise from the audience.

Dainty refreshments were served by the hostesses and the guests report a delightful and profitable evening.

The event is the first of the series of club meetings which will be held each month during the school year and promise to become very popular among the instructors of the Corvallis public schools. The membership of the club numbers eighteen and includes all of the teachers.

Wins Missouri by 1206.

W. H. Taft carried Missouri by a plurality of 1206, according to the tabulation of the official returns made by Governor Folk Friday. The tabulation was made only on the first elector. The vote for the first elector follows:

Taft, 346,915; Bryan, 345,889; Debs, 15,398; Chafin, 4222; Hisgen, 397; Watson, 1165; Preston, Socialist-Labor, 670.

In the face of official returns, including precinct corrections, Jacob F. Gmelich, Republican, was elected Lieutenant-Governor by 30 votes, and the other minor Republican candidates were defeated.

This vote does not include amended relations, which give Painter a net gain of 63, which, if counted for him by the Legislature, will elect him by 33 votes.

The corrected vote on Governor follows: Hadley, Republican, 355,932; Cowherd, Democrat, 340,053; Hadley's majority, 15,879.

W. D. DeVarney Promoted.

We are pleased to announce that W. D. DeVarney has been promoted to Division Superintendent of the Home Telephone Company with headquarters at Portland. Mr. DeVarney has held the position of superintendent of construction ever since the plant was started. To him is due the organization of the company and he has shown fine ability in his management of the company's affairs. He has a host of friends in Corvallis who will rejoice with him in the well earned promotion.

Subscribe for the GAZETTE.

INTER-COLLEGIATE GAME WON BY OREGON 8 TO 0

O. A. C. ACKNOWLEDGES ITS DEFEAT.

Saturday's Game on Multnomah Field Was a surprise and Disappointment to Every Friend of Corvallis Team.

The trains leaving Corvallis for Portland Saturday morning were loaded with the most enthusiastic crowd of people that ever passed out of the city. There were 1260 tickets sold for the excursion trains and vast numbers of people had gone to Portland in advance; some to look after matters of business before the game and others to secure every possible advantage to witness the most exciting contest ever pulled off on an athletic field in the Northwest.

Upon the result of this game depended the Northwest championship. All others pale into insignificance as compared to it and every citizen of the town, whether able to attend the game or not, watched the outcome with deepest interest.

The college spirit among the students of OAC was most exemplary, not only in point of attendance at the game, but it did our very souls good to look upon the finest looking and the most manly set of young men ever turned out of a school in the "Wild and Woolly West." Uniformed cadets, megaphones, pennants, badges, football ads, two bands, streamers on the sides of the cars and thirty coaches with a rousing demonstration from the Corvallis Commercial Club, will give the school and the city of Corvallis the best advertisement ever sent out. When they landed in Portland they convinced the outside world that the sleepy old town had thrown off the swaddling-clothes and donned a spirit of activity little dreamed of.

The result of the game was a great surprise, not only to the student body, but every citizen of Corvallis was touched with deep sympathy for the boys when the first bulletin was posted, and it fell like a mud ball against a brand new \$10.00 silk hat. With the splendid record made by the boys in laying the goose-egg at the feet of all comers for the past two years it was a hard dose to have, both eyes blacked inside of 30 minutes. But the boys know how to take their medicine and have the sweet consolation of knowing that they did the same thing to Eugene a year ago. Here's our hand to U. O. and we hope she will lick Multnomah on Thursday worse than she did us.

We take great pleasure in printing the following complimentary notice from the Oregonian:

Indian School Growing.

Chemawa, Or., Nov. 21.—The Chemawa Indian School is making many improvements which will complete the efficiency of the institution.

A \$16,000 addition to the engineering department is nearly completed. There are over 40 Indian young men taking the course at the school of electrical and steam engineering. The institution has sent many young Indians out who have taken this course and are holding their own with their white brothers. Several graduates hold chief engineer licenses on vessels plying in Puget Sound and Alaskan waters.

"The people of Portland have always entertained a most kindly feeling for the Oregon Agricultural College as an educational institution, but it is safe to say that few realized what a splendid student body was attending the college until the showing made by the cadets, as they marched through Portland streets. Led by a band of over 30 pieces, over 500 young men, all clean of limb and bright of eye, marched through the business district and then disbanded in front of The Oregonian building.

It was a heart-thrilling sight to see these young men, soldierly in their bearing and dressed in the brown regulation Army uniform keeping step with the precision of the well-drilled soldiers. No wonder there were exclamations of admiration and surprise by those who crowded the sidewalks along the line of march, for the showing made by the cadet students was well worthy of the praise that was so openly expressed. It was as fine a body of young men as could be gathered together anywhere, and so closely did they resemble the regular soldiers in their bearing that at first many thought the lads were regular troops until told differently.

Another fine showing was made by the Corvallis Commercial Club. They marched in a body behind the cadets. As with all good things, the best was saved for the last, and bringing up the extreme rear was a four-horse tally-ho containing the wives and sweethearts of the marchers.

The Corvallis rooters were equipped with varicolored sheets of cardboard with which they improvised megaphones, and at a given signal these megaphones would be reversed from a pale pink and rose color to a bright orange, making a most striking impression upon the spectators.

Before the game started the Corvallis cadets gave a drill on the field that earned the applause of all who saw it. Under the command of Captain U. G. McAlexander, U. S. A. the cadets marched on the field, and formed in three sections, each representing a letter, O. A. C. These sections counter-marched in such a clever manner that the formation of the letter stood out at all times, and just before leaving the field, the cadets, by dropping gilt paper, left the letters imprinted on the sawdust-strewn gridiron."

Authority has also been received to expend between \$6000 and \$7000 in the remodeling of the girls' building and the old hospital building. The latter will be converted into a domestic science hall where the Indian maiden will be instructed in cooking, dress-making and general housekeeping. This has always been one of the most important departments of the school but the institution has been somewhat handicapped in the past on account of lack of facilities.

Tonight at the opera house—Lincoln J. Carter's latest melodramatic treat, "Too Proud to Beg."

FREE MAIL DELIVERY

People are Urged to Cooperate in the Postoffice Force.

With the inauguration of free delivery of mail in Corvallis the troubles of the postoffice force have been increased many fold. Although repeated requests have been made that persons desiring their mail delivered by carrier have it addressed to street and number, when the service commenced last week only about five per cent of the mail was found to be properly addressed for delivery. Failure to have the mail addressed to street and number will cause a delay in its delivery because it will have to be worked out by the postoffice force from lists made up by the carriers. The local postoffice receives from 4000 to 8000 pieces of mail daily and to work this out a piece at a time from lists of names is going to take a long while and will cause delay in its delivery.

It will be impossible to deliver all of the mail for some time yet. Monday the mail was delivered on First and Second streets and to the court house and the college. Gradually the carriers will be able to cover a little more territory and by the first of January, if patrons have their mail properly addressed, it is altogether probable that the entire town can be covered. Many errors and delays will occur while the service is being installed, but these can be reduced to a minimum by the active cooperation of the public in having mail addressed to street and number and by the erection of mail boxes at residences.

ALBANY RAISES \$10,000

For Endowment Fund for the Albany College.

An Albany special to the Oregonian says the citizens of Albany subscribed more than \$10,000 as a nucleus for an endowment fund for Albany College. It means an endowment of \$50,000 for the college, and the victory was celebrated Friday night in a monster rally at the court house.

Friday was college day in Albany, and Albany made good. Presbyterians in other parts of Oregon agreed to raise \$15,000 if Albany would subscribe \$10,000, and the national college board of the Presbyterian church has promised \$25,000 for the college, conditioned upon an equal amount being raised in this state. The citizens of Albany have raised their share and the \$50,000 endowment is thus virtually assured. It is the first endowment Albany College has ever secured and doubtless inaugurates the greatest era of progress and prosperity in the history of the institution.

All day long committees of leading men worked hard for subscriptions, and at 7:30 Friday night when the committee had checked up it was found that \$10,475 had been promised. Subscriptions were still coming, but with the goal reached the committee adjourned to celebrate its success.

The Elks band played on First street and a big crowd gathered at the court house to attend one of the most enthusiastic rallies ever held in that city. A. C. Schmitt, of the board of trustees, presided, and addresses were made by President H. M. Crooks, Dr. Holt, of Portland, who assisted materially in the day's work, J. S. Van Winkle, Rev. F. H. Geselbracht, H. H. Hewitt, J. C. Irvine, C. E. Sox and others who had assisted in the day's achievements.

The students of the college subscribed \$416.50 of the total amount.

PLAN PROPOSED FOR PRIMARIES

Object Is to Prevent Dishonest Legislation

PARTY PRINCIPLES UPHELD

Representation in Legislature Would Be Assured in Proportion to Strength of Vote.

A. W. Prescott of Salem writes to the Oregonian that a plan has been suggested which, if found practical in other respects, would solve the problem of preventing members of one party from registering as members of another party, and at the same time furnish a basis for distributing representation on a proportional principle. The plan is that each party shall be assured representation in the Legislature in proportion to its registration. This would induce every voter to register honestly his party affiliation and at the same time determine fairly and equitably what representation each party shall have. Under such a system, if any Democrat registered falsely as a Republican, his party associates would censure him, instead of encouraging him, as has been done in the past.

In practice the plan would work something like this: If a legislative district had five Representatives to elect, and the party strength as shown by the registration should be three to two, the Republicans would be entitled to three Representatives and the Democrats two. Nominations would be made in the usual manner, and the election conducted as now, but after the votes had been counted, the three highest Republican candidates and the two highest Democratic candidates would be declared elected.

Any plan of proportional representation would require the formation of districts large enough to entitle them to about three Representatives at least. A proportional representation would be impossible in districts with only one Representative, and in most cases, a fair distribution could not be made in districts with as few as two Representatives. Exact proportion would be impossible in almost every instance, for the odd Representative would always be allotted to the party having the larger fraction of the number of voters taken as a basis of apportionment. Thus, if a district had 7000 voters and five Representatives with the party strength divided thus, Republicans 4100, Democrats 2000, Prohibitionists 500, Socialists 400, each party would be entitled to one Representative for each 1400 voters. The Republicans would be entitled to two Representatives, with 1300 votes to spare; the Democrats would be entitled to one Representative, with 600 votes to spare. Neither of the minor parties would have a major portion of the number of voters required. This would give the Republicans three and the Democrats two Representatives.

The plan of basing proportional representation upon registration has been discussed by men who have given some thought to the subject, and though it is open to some objections, its advantages are thought to be as many and as strong as those of any other plan of dividing representation among the parties.