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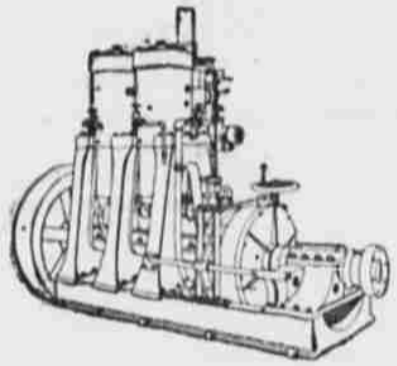
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OREGON'S NORMAL SCHOOL WORK

Seventy Are in This Year's Class --Largest Since School Organized.

STUDENTS TO BE EXAMINED

Before They Enter the School--Interesting Account of Affairs At Monmouth By the Hon. Ben Young, of the Board.

The Hon. Ben Young yesterday, in speaking of his recent trip to Monmouth to attend the meeting of the board of regents of the normal school, said to an Astorian representative:

"I arrived this morning from the State Normal School at Monmouth, where I attended a special meeting of the board. It was the first opportunity I had to get acquainted with some of the Board of Regents since I was appointed. The members present were Schofield, of Washington, White and Butler, of Polk, Finn, of Multnomah, and Young, of Clatsop. The most of them are early pioneers from different counties, and are very intelligent and well fitted for the position.

The meeting was called for the purpose of ascertaining what could be done in regard to maintaining the school for the future, as the funds are now nearly all exhausted. It was unanimously agreed by the board that said school be continued; and at the beginning of the next term the board are confident of finding some way to dispose of the warrants for the next two years to come, unless a special session of the legislature should be called this fall.

"On the morning of the 26th the board were invited to take their seats on the platform with the faculty. So I, being one of the new members, naturally was called upon to make a few remarks in behalf of the school, which I did to the best of my ability. While speaking I had a good opportunity to look over the audience and see who were there, and to my surprise I found nine young ladies from Clatsop county, nearly all from Astoria, most of whom I have known since they first entered the primary of our city school. I simply congratulated them on their good common sense for entering a school of this kind, where they have such a fine opportunity of elevating and fitting themselves for the profession they have chosen.

After the exercises were over, the Astoria young ladies all surrounded me, and were glad to meet me. Some of them said they were rather lonesome, and after I had advised them to brace up, one of them remarked: "Ah, there is no place like home, sweet home."

"In the afternoon we went through the training department, which is located about 400 yards from the college--a neat little graded building containing eight rooms, with Professor Allen in charge. He appeared to have a good deal of snap about him. Under the present ruling of the school, the above named department is where the final test is made, whether or not the student will make a success in life as a teacher. I found, during our visit, two of our Astoria young ladies in full blast, explaining to the children different subjects; and my opinion was formed right there that those two would be successful teachers. I also listened to others who would not make a success in twenty years. Something transpired in one room--I think the fifth grade--which was very amusing. The teacher asked the class if any could tell what could make more noise than one pig being caught under a wire fence. The class all hesitated. Finally a little red-headed boy by the name of Peter held up his hand. "Yes," said the teacher, "you may tell." "Two pigs," answered the boy, which the visitors thought was a very good reply.

"In speaking of the Normal School in general, in all its departments, it shows good results; and the faculty, with President Campbell at its head, have been there for a number of years, and are well liked by all the students. This year there are 70 in the graduating class, the largest one since the school was organized; yet, of course, they do not all expect to teach school. Instead, they fit themselves for other positions.

"The board made some slight changes in the time of the course of study. In one instance, it was made a rule that, by the next term of school all students having graduated from any high school will have to stand an examination before they can enter said Normal School. So, under this rule it behooves every student of a high school to pass a good examination, provided the student intends to fit himself for a higher education.

"I enjoyed my trip up the valley. Everything looks beautiful; and indications are that we are going to have a large crop of wheat, and the farmers are all rejoicing and all expect to get on their feet once more."

A GREAT RACE. San Francisco, May 1--The great four-mile race, Ingleside stake, with a

guaranteed value of \$1,000, was decided at Ingleside this afternoon, Little Bob winning by two lengths, with the rest of the field bunched behind him. The winner was eight to one in the betting. The distance was covered in the fast time of 7.24 1/2, which is ten seconds better than the track record. Marcel was second and Lucretia Borgia third.

IT SEEMS TO BE A LOST CAUSE

Greeks in Epirus Retreat In Order and Await Reinforcements.

NEW MINISTER STILL FOR WAR

But An Empty Purse Is Discouraging to the Troops and People--Will Probably Have to Call On the Powers.

CHILI WANTS FACTORIES

London, May 1--Official news has reached London from Valparaiso to the effect that, in accordance with a resolution recently adopted by the Chilean congress, a decree is about to be issued offering a state bounty of \$15,000 to any foreign company or firm which will undertake to establish an iron foundry in the country on a sufficiently large scale. The action of the Chilean government in this matter has been dictated, it is held, by the increasing evidences of the existence in the country of iron ore in large quantities.

NOT FAIR TO GREECE

London, May 1--While the Turkish government is experiencing no difficulty whatsoever in obtaining all the small arms and ammunition that it requires from Germany, 200,000 Mauser rifles having just been dispatched thence to Constantinople, an entirely different policy is being observed by the powers toward Greece, for the Austrian authorities have just prevented a cargo of 7,000,000 cartridges, addressed to the Greek war department at Athens, from leaving Greece.

CUBANS USE DYNAMITE

Havana, May 1--Spanish forces escorting a convoy of supplies to Guamo lost a dozen men by the explosion of dynamite bombs placed in the road by the insurgents. Ten of the soldiers were horribly mutilated, fragments of some of them being found a long distance from the scene of the explosion. Portions of the clothing and equipment were found hanging from trees in the neighborhood. Of two soldiers no trace could be found. The men of the garrison who remained at Guamo were found, when relieved, to be in a pitiable state. Nearly all were sick from drinking foul water.

PORTLAND'S GRAND JURY

Makes a Sensational Report--Gambling Trust Protected.

Portland, May 1--The grand jury tonight made a sensational report. It is said that the grand jury had evidence that there was a gambling and prostitution trust in the city, and that the trust was connived at by the city and county officials. It is further said that Prosecuting Attorney Lord and Police Commissioner Napoleon Davis had guilty knowledge of the workings of the trust. Constable Connor is charged with having a half interest in one of the games. The trust exacted twenty-five per cent of the winnings from its members. R. C. Smith was collector. If a game refused to come into the trust it was raided by the officials. One game for a long time refused to pay the blackmail, and it was repeatedly raided. After a while it yielded and the raids stopped. Report also says that when some gamblers in the trust had been indicted the prosecuting attorney refused to prosecute and had the indictments quashed. Those outside the trust when indicted had no legal protection.

EMPTY PURSE

Paris, May 1--Telegrams received from Athens state that the new minister acknowledges that it will be military and financial extremities, and with an empty purse and with discouraged troops.

ANOTHER ATTACK

Athens, May 1--1.25 a. m.--A dispatch from Arta says that 10,000 Greeks, under Col. Balmataris, are again attacking Pentagoga. The German cruiser Augusta Victoria has arrived at Phaleron.

GREEKS RETREAT

London, May 1--A special dispatch from Athens announces that the Greek army in Epirus has retreated in thorough order to Arta, where it is awaiting reinforcements.

STILL WANT WAR

London, May 1--A dispatch from Athens says that the reports of Turkish assaults on Phalaros are officially confirmed. Continuing, the dispatch says that M. Rall, the new premier, continues to advocate war, though he is not adverse to an honorable peace.

GERMAN OVERTURES

London, May 1--The Times correspondent at Paris has been informed that the object of Prince Hohenzollern's visit to M. Hanotaux, the French foreign minister, was to discuss the situation in the Transvaal and to persuade France, and through her Russia, to support Germany in resisting Great Britain's imperious attitude toward the Boers in exchange for German support of France in the Egyptian question.

ENGLISH GREED

London, May 1--Much indignation has

SENATOR JONES GETS INTO LINE

Says He Is Still a Protectionist But Asks For Certain Concessions.

TO BE REPORTED PROMPTLY

Tariff Bill Will Not Be Delayed in the Committee--Committee Places Held in Aboycance.

Washington, May 1--Senator Jones, of Nevada, independent member of the senate committee on finance, spent several hours with Senators Allison and Aldrich, representing the republican sub-committee on the tariff, today. He went over the bill with them and suggested changes where he was not satisfied with the existing provisions.

No statement of the Nevada senator's position was authorized, but it is understood that the republican members feel more certain of his co-operation since today's interview than heretofore. He assured them that he is still a protectionist and is anxious to support the bill, but told them he would have to insist upon certain concessions. He submitted a number of amendments providing for slightly advanced rates on third-class wools, on citrus fruits, borax, etc., and was assured that these matters should have the committee's best consideration. The committee now believes that besides his support of the bill, Senator Jones will assist in getting the bill promptly reported.

The democratic committee on committees was in session today, but reached no definite conclusion. It has been definitely settled that Senator Turpie, of Indiana, will have the preference on the tariff, but they are held in abeyance until the list agreed upon by the republicans is submitted.

Senator Jones presented demands, not of his own state alone, but of most of the Rocky Mountains and Pacific coast states. He asked for an increase of duty on third-class wools, beginning at five cents per pound for the poorer qualities and adding half a cent per pound for each additional cent of the selling value, but agreed to a slight reduction on first and second-class wools.

There is good reason to believe that the changes will be made in accordance with these suggestions. If carried into effect they would result in putting a duty of 7 or 7 1/2 cents per pound on the more valuable of the third-class wools. He also asked the committee to stand by its decision for a duty of one and one-half cents per pound on hides, and for one and one-half cents on lead ore. He suggests, at the instance of the sugar beet growers, a duty of one cent per pound on sugar testing 70 degrees by polariscope, and adding a sufficient amount for each additional degree to bring the rate up to one and one-half cents for sugar testing 80 degrees, with one-eighth of a cent off on sugars imported from the countries having a reciprocity agreement with the United States.

WOLCOTT OFF TO EUROPE

Washington, May 1--Senator Wolcott is making arrangements to leave for Europe a week from Monday. He desires to have the tariff bill returned from the finance committee before he leaves and expects that this will be done. Mr. Wolcott goes as one of the special commissioners of the United States to bring about an international agreement for bimetallism.

THE MARKETS

San Francisco, May 1--Hops--8c and 12c. New York, May 1--Hops--6c and 11 1/2c. Liverpool, May 1--Wheat--Firm; No. 1 red northern spring, 64 3/4d. Portland, May 1--Wheat--Valley, 75 and 76c; Walla Walla, 75 and 74c.

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