

OBSURE LITTLE MISS RISES TO PROMINENCE BY SHEER FORCE OF
OWN WONDERFUL PERSONALITY.

Miss Opal Whiteley Prepares Herself for Teaching of God's
Lessons by Learning His Lessons Taught by Unfolding Flower,
in Other Growing Things or in Lifeless Rock.

Probably there is no one who is not familiar with the bible story of how the child Savior, reared in lowly surroundings, stood in the temple and imparted knowledge to the wise men.

In some ways the life of little 17-year-old Opal Whiteley reminds one of this incident in the life of the Savior. She too has risen from obscure surroundings and in those surroundings has developed most remarkable knowledge.

Her temple is the great outdoors. The lessons she teaches are of the wonderful things in the great outdoors which she has learned because of her love for the One who put them there and which she is imparting to others for the same reason.

The life work to which she has dedicated herself is the teaching of the young people and because of her success in this work she has been elected superintendent of the Junior and Intermediate Endeavor Societies of the state, where her talents will have full play. She has set a mark to be reached in her work and she has the enthusiasm and the energy necessary to reach this mark. With her other wisdom she has had the good judgment not to set the mark too high, probably preferring to shoot over rather than under.

While she has fitted herself for the teaching of the young people she recently surprised the professors of the State University with her wonderful knowledge of geology and botany for one of her years.

Miss Whiteley's knowledge has not become a burden to her. She is still almost a child and enjoys much of the same things that others of her age do. She enjoys being with children. Children enjoy being with her and she imparts knowledge to them in a way that makes it as much a pleasure to them as it is to her. She has a most remarkable face, not for its unusual beauty but for its innocence, its intelligence and its eagerness.

Miss Whiteley's life should prove an inspiration to the growing generation.

At the request of the Sentinel she has written a story of her life, of her accomplishments, her aims and her ambitions. Let her speak in her own remarkable English for one of her age and in her own buoyant way tell of how she is going about her Father's business: