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OREGON STATE NORMAL NEWS

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INTERESTING STUDENT PERSONAL ITEMS

Weekly Reports From the Various College Fraternal Societies.

Miss Nora Sorensen '07 reports a very interesting time at Corvallis where she is employed as a third grade teacher.

Miss May Goode '07 is now teaching in Gresham, Oregon. She has a very pleasant position, and goes back and forth on the electric cars which pass through Lents where Miss Goode lives.

NORMAL SOCIETY NOTES

During last Friday evening's meeting there was nothing transpired beyond the ordinary. The Society receives a great deal of benefit from the Parliamentary practice as our president David Henry proves equal to all questions that arise.

The program given was: Extemporaneous Speech—George Grounds.

Recitation—Charles Cooke. Sobergrams—Percy Stroud. Dialogue—Archie McNeil and Lester Lindsay.

The question, "Resolved that a government like ours is better than a monarchy like England's" was ably debated and was decided in favor of the negative.

The speakers were: Affirmative Negative Erwin Springer Ray Chute Howard Morland Russell Quisenberry Braxton Powell Harold Herrin

DELPHIANS

The Delphians met last Friday evening in their hall, and the following program was rendered.

Song—Society. Current Events—Orace Hawley. Reading "The Celebrity"—Millie Addison.

Solo—Fay Strickler. Funnygrams—Hazel Dunahoo.

Recitation—Sara Ruggles. Debate: Resolved that class spirit is detrimental to school work.

Affirmative Negative Mabel Ellis Blanch Goodwin Olea Shore Grace Fugate Mary Murphy Jessie Hyde

The judge's decision stood two to one in favor of the negative.

Mr. Fargo, the Society critic then addressed the Society, giving good encouragement and at the same time urging the members to do something for the glory of the old Normal in the way of oratory and debate.

FOOT-BALL NOTES

Last Saturday the 14th, the Monmouth Normal foot-ball team met the Albany High School team on the College gridiron at Albany and played one of the most interesting and exciting games of the year. Six minutes after the game was called the Normal boys made a touch down by a steady and continued line buck. The Albany boys by a few pretty round end plays terminated the first half of

the game by a score of 10 to 6 in their favor but the second half resulted by neither side scoring. There were many pretty plays during the game, especially the punting done by Darrel Stump. Altho the Normal team suffered defeat it will have a chance to play even next Saturday when the Albany team will meet us on our own ground. The return game promises to be an interesting one.

VESPERTINE SOCIETY

The usual number of members were present and the following program was rendered.

Song—Society. Roll call—Quotations from Robert Burns.

Reading—Miss White. Character sketch of Robert Burns—Miss Rasmussen.

Solo—Miss Spencer.

Recitation—Miss Shore.

Reading—Miss Weston.

Funnyisms—Miss Hartzog.

Song—Society.

Debate: Resolved, that the policy of the government concerning the forest reserve is (not) justifiable.

Affirmative Negative

Miss Spencer Miss Robinson

Miss Scott Miss Galbreath

Miss Baker Miss McLay

Critics Report—Miss Shearer.

The debaters put forth some good arguments. The negative side won.

The society is going to take up the study of the drama, "She Stoops to Conquer."

Mr. Briggs gave a very instructive address.

The critics report was heartily appreciated by all the members.

Independence School Notes

Miss McReynolds visited friends in Eugene last Saturday and Sunday.

The tenth grade are wearing very neat little class pins, and the ninth grade have sent for theirs.

Our library books have arrived, and the boys and girls are very glad to see them. There have been many inquiries concerning them during the last few weeks.

This week closes the second month of school, and everything seems to be running very smoothly. About 325 are now enrolled and all the available space in the building has been used. It would be very difficult to accommodate even a very slight increase in numbers.

The teachers this year are Miss Mary Scollard, First Grade; Miss Edith Fugate, Second Grade; Mrs. Jessie Cromwell, Third Grade; Miss Myrtle McReynolds, Fourth Grade; Miss Lynda Epley, Fifth Grade; Miss Ivy Burton, Sixth Grade; Miss Emily Armstrong, Seventh Grade; Miss June Seeley, Eighth Grade; Miss Marie Church, High School assistant; R. W. Kirk, Principal.

The sum netted from the entertainment given by the Jubilee Singers on November 7th., was sufficient to buy a new flag for the school building and still have about \$10 for other things. A rope reaching from the top of the flagpole to the ground has been placed in position, the new flag has been sent for, and in a few days we expect to have it floating to the breeze in place of the old one.

INDEPENDENCE NEWS BUDGET

From Our Regular Correspondent.

DAILY HAPPENINGS IN OUR SISTER CITY.

Scan This Column For News of Importance From the Riverside.

Miss Mildred Owen visited friends in Portland over Sunday.

G. L. Hawkins, of Dallas, was in this city on business Tuesday.

Miss Myrtle McReynolds visited friends in Eugene over Sunday.

Mrs. Ellison visited friends in Corvallis the latter part of the week.

Miss Ida Richardson is visiting relatives in Portland and Canby this week.

Mrs. William Davies was taken to Salem Hospital last week to receive treatment.

Victor Reynolds of North Yamhill visited friends here the fore part of the week.

Pearl Montgomery, of Portland, visited over Sunday with her mother, Mrs. T. House.

Emroy McDevitt, of Dallas, is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. G. W. Conkey.

Chas. Hubbard, of Baker City, a former resident of this city is visiting relatives here.

Clarence Ireland, of Portland, was looking after business matters in this city Tuesday.

Mrs. W. T. Bohannon, of Astoria, visited relatives here the latter part of the week.

Miss Lorena Parker left Sunday for North Yamhill where she will teach school this winter.

Claud Hubbard, of Portland, is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hubbard, of this city.

Miss Geneva Wilcox visited several days with friends in Corvallis returning home Tuesday.

Miss Lucile Burt returned to Portland Saturday after several days visit with friends here and in Monmouth.

Willard Ireland and wife went to Corvallis Tuesday to visit relatives before returning to their home in Portland.

Mrs. Sarah Wood returned home Wednesday after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. J. Lawrence, of McMinnville.

Capt. George Skinner died at his home in this city, Wednesday, November 18, after a lingering illness. A wife and two sons survive him.

J. W. Richardson Sr. returned to Portland, Sunday. He came up Saturday to attend the funeral of his brother Claiborne Richardson, at Dallas.

Ed Wallace one of the star players on the O. A. C. and Grant McLaughlin an O. A. C. student visited here the latter part of the week.

Miss Dougherty returned Tuesday to her home in Portland after several months visit here. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. P. M. Kirkland, of this city.

The many friends of Dale Pom-

eroy will be sorry to hear of the injuries he received in the football game Saturday, between Columbia University and West Side High School at Portland.

Buena Vista.

Mrs. H. L. Wells is visiting relatives in Woodburn.

Willie Bevens was an Independence visitor last Sunday.

E. E. Elkin made a flying trip to Independence Wednesday.

Wm. Murphy drove to Independence on business Saturday.

A. J. Hall drove down to Independence Wednesday, on business.

Miss Clara Wells spent Sunday with Miss Eunice Elkin of this place.

Will Bevens made a flying trip to Monmouth and Dallas last Sunday.

A. K. Hall and family were in Marion county Sunday visiting his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Bevens made a business trip to Independence Thursday.

Edd Prather and his father-in-law, H. Cole, were Independence visitors Wednesday.

Buena Vista was visited by a drummer last Wednesday. He went from here to Corvallis.

J. M. Prather lost one of his cows last Sunday by getting into his grain and getting foundered.

Hazel and Ray Nixon are staying with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Davidson and attending school.

Rev. Dr. Blanchett came up with the pastor and preached to a large crowd in the M. E. Church last Sunday.

Miss Ada Belshe and Mrs. Tyler drove to Monmouth Sunday, where they visited Miss Belshe's parents.

We are glad to be able to report the steady improvement of Marion Wells, who has been on the sick list for some time.

Chas. Hall, who is traveling for a Portland firm, stopped off to visit his mother and brothers of this place last Wednesday.

Prof. Schutz, who is teaching across the river, accompanied by his wife, spent Sunday in town and also attended church.

Mr. Prather has built a new walk in front of his property, which is a good improvement and others could follow his example.

Mr. and Mrs. John Johnston, of Woodburn, Oregon, have been visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity and returned home Tuesday.

There will be no services in the Evangelical church next Sunday as the pastor, Rev. Launer, will fill an appointment at Suver. The presiding elder, Rev. Platt, will preach on Saturday evening.

Ralph Hall took his two brothers, Chas. and George, to Independence Thursday. Chas. will return to Portland and George will visit a few days in North Yamhill before returning to his home in Idaho.

The Buena Vista school will give an extensive program in the school house on the evening before Thanksgiving, consisting of instrumental and vocal music, dialogues, tableaux, charades, recitations, drills and character songs. After the program there will be a basket social, the proceeds from which will be used in purchasing books and pictures for the school. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

GROW ALFALFA FOR OREGON

Great Dairy Food and Milk Producer.

WOULD FILL IN DURING THE DRY SEASON

Bulletin of Oregon Agricultural College Gives Valuable Information.

There is a good deal of milk in the ground that was not spilled and cried over, but it is there nevertheless. At certain seasons of the year the Thousand-headed Kale pulls the milk out of Mother Earth and the cow pulls it out of the kale and puts it in the bucket. There is a period, however, during the summer when the cows go hungry and the milk languishes in the ground because there is no green thing to pull it out and coax the cow to fill the milk bucket.

Western Oregon is one of the best dairy sections of the union. With mild open winters in which kale flourishes and furnishes green succulent food, the dairy business thrives all the year around with the exception of a short period during the summer. During this period the land is out of commission, the cows barely subsist on the pasture fields and there is no profit to the farmer. Forty cent butter and a scarcity of good fresh milk is the evidence of a lack of green food.

What is needed in the valley is a forage crop that will utilize the soil and furnish green food and pasture during the dry season. Will alfalfa fill the bill? If alfalfa could be raised extensively and successfully it would change the face of nature and add immensely to the value of the farms in the Willamette valley. It would increase the dairy products and the poultry products it would cheapen the production of pork, beef and mutton. A good summer forage crop is the one thing needful.

Alfalfa has been grown for two thousand years in the Mediterranean region. It has been grown successfully in arid America for half a century. A gentleman traveling over what was then regarded as a land unfit for settlement in western Nebraska by reason of its aridity discovered a thrifty green alfalfa plant growing where no other green thing could be found for miles around. That was demonstration that satisfied the gentleman and he purchased a large tract of land for a trifle. On the same land he has since fed fifty thousand sheep in one season on alfalfa. Alfalfa goes down into the depths of the soil for moisture and through wireless communication with the atmosphere brings down from above food which feeds the plant and enriches the soil.

At the Oregon Agricultural College alfalfa has been growing successfully for several years, and tests are being made by the agronomists with different varieties to determine which will suit the conditions best in this state. The station men are glad

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