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## OREGON STATE NORMAL NEWS

### Gathered By Our Corps Of College Reporters

### INTERESTING STUDENT PERSONAL ITEMS

### Weekly Reports From the Various College Fraternal Societies.

Misses Clara Tinnerstett, Carrie Hathaway and Ida Goynes, who went to their homes in Tillamook to spend their Christmas vacations are now at Dolph—a stage station in the Coast Range. On account of the heavy fall of snow in the mountains they are unable to get further and send the unpleasant news that their stay is indefinite. The girls surely have the sympathy of their classmates.

A. F. Campbell, a member of our faculty for a number of years, but who is now practicing law in Eugene, made a professional visit to our little village the last of last week. Needless to say both he and his friends took much pleasure in the old time "hand shake." Mr. Campbell reports Eugene as still prospering and enjoys being one of its citizens. He also says his daughter Irma is greatly enjoying her work as teacher in the third grade.

Mr. Briggs went to Newberg on Friday of last week in the official capacity of judge in the Newberg debate. He reports very carefully prepared well presented arguments on both sides but the negative, which was supported by Newberg, came out victorious. After the debate a reception was given to the visitors by the Commercial Club of the City. All were delightfully entertained by that hospitable organization and the guests did not reach home until the "wee sma' hours."

The "Yamhill County Educator" is the name of a periodical which has recently come to the O. S. N. S. library. We are especially interested in this edition for it is Vol. I No. 1, and has as its promoters three of our Alumni. H. H. Belt, W. W. Wiley and M. F. Hanville. These men have us as their well wishers who sympathize with their efforts and congratulate them upon the success of their initial step for it is truly worthy of the name it bears, since its interests are devoted to the betterment of the common schools and its arguments well supported.

### VESPERTINE RECEPTION.

On Saturday evening, January 9, the Vespertine society entertained the Delphian society and the Normal society in the chapel. Very daintily written invitations were sent out the first part of the week. These contained a quotation from Shakespeare bidding all come and make merry, and were decorated with hand painted "Vespertine crescents" in blue and gold—society colors.

Upon arriving the guests were entertained by a short but interesting program which was as follows:

Instrumental solo—Leila Spencer  
Reading—Effie Shore  
Reading—Effie Galbreath

After the program clever charade furnished a great deal of amusement. These were heartily indulged in by all and many correct answers were given. A few however baffled the entire audience and were required to be told by the committee in charge.

Following the charades two "guessing contests" were participated in. One was a bean guessing contest the other was a smelling contest. The former explaining itself; the latter consisting of a number of bottles graduated in size, each containing just enough of a certain liquid to be distinguished upon examination, for the sense of smell was made to perform its duty. The bottles contained such essences as peppermint, cinnamon, carnation, gasoline, ammonia and others with varied degrees of strength.

One of the most unique features of the evening, however, was the Irish Art Gallery which was a very carefully prepared amusement and reflects especial credit upon the committee in charge.

Upon entering the "gallery," each visitor was given a catalogue containing the names and number of the picture shown. Imagine our surprise on looking for the famous masterpiece "The Horse Fair" as listed to find nothing more than a generous handful of oats! Again "Maid of Orleans" was represented by molasses taffy! Other famous paintings were cleverly represented in a manner befitting their titles.

At the close of the evenings entertainments, after all had been served to light refreshment, the winners of the guessing contests were announced. They were: Bean contest—Miss Larson In the smelling contest, the results of Miss Sadie Ellis' and Erwin Montague's efforts were equally meritorious, and upon drawing for the prize Mr. Montague was successful.

At eleven o'clock the guests departed after having spent a very pleasant evening.

### DELPHIANS.

The society met last Friday evening with a good attendance. The program consisted of a number of songs, extemporaneous speeches, and the opening chapters of a new book, which the society is to take up for regular reading. At the business meeting which followed, two new members were given the Delphian degree.

The Pilot Knob Milling and Mining Co., met Saturday to elect officers, but owing to the inclement weather only a few stockholders were present, so an adjournment was taken until February 15. It is expected that the annual election will be held at that time.

W. M. Jones and wife returned Saturday from an extended visit with relatives near Airlie. They arrived in time to get the benefit of the snow storm and as the phone line was down they could not phone for a team, so had to go out on the train.

## ODD FELLOWS BIG BANQUET

### Address Is Delivered By Rev. Joseph Hoberg.

### A MEMBER OF THE ORDER FIFTY YEARS

### Over 100 Guests Sit Down To An Elegant Spread Prepared By Brothers

Last Saturday night at eight o'clock the members of Normal Lodge and the Rebekahs met in Woodman Hall with a number of invited guests to hear a talk on Odd Fellowship from Rev. Joseph Hoberg, of McMinnville. Mr. Hoberg is 81 years of age and has been a member of the order for 50 years. A short address of welcome was delivered by Noble Grand, C. H. Newman who then introduced the speaker.

Mr. Hoberg is an outspoken man and calls things by their right names. He began at the first meeting of the Odd Fellows in America and traced the rise of the order until it now numbers, with its auxiliary, about one and three quarters millions. He told of the fear he had of secret societies at the time he joined the order, but of how it was dispelled on his being admitted. He also told of how the name originated; that the members were called odd fellows because they would quit their work to nurse a sick member or to bury their dead and to assist each other when in trouble. His talk was an eloquent plea for the upbuilding of the lodge. He made a strong point on selecting material for membership; that quality should be the aim rather than quantity. The downfall of many societies has been in trying to gain a large membership with little or no regard for the standing of those taken in.

He explained the meaning of the three links and told the story of David and Jonathan and other Bible stories as exemplified in the ritualistic work. His talk lasted about an hour and no one seemed to tire of it, unless it was the speaker himself and he is a remarkably good one for a man 81 years of age. He is a jolly, young, old man and we venture the assertion that there is not another on the coast like him.

There were about 150 present at the meeting, but some went home before the banquet, on account of the cold night.

After the talk was over and during the time the banquet hall was being arranged, an informal reception was held to give all present a chance to meet Mr. Hoberg.

In a short time it was announced that all was in readiness and the guests repaired to the banquet hall downstairs where the brothers had prepared something to appease the cravings of the inner man. Here was found a spread that would have stirred the appetite of a graven image if such a thing were possible. A whole hog had been roasted at the bakery and it was carved up in pieces suitable to handle, these

were flanked by pickles, sauer kraut, celery and numerous other delicacies. After these had been attended to in proper style, some of the finest cakes were passed down the line that it has ever been the Herald man's good luck to sample, and he has sampled a lot of them.

It was a sight to see Brother Pettit and Brother Marshal Johnson dish out the splendid hot coffee and then there was fine rich cream to go with it too.

Taken altogether it was a time to be remembered by all who attended and they will long cherish the memory of Normal Lodge and its banquet.

### Falls City

Clarence Powell and wife arrived home Saturday.

J. French, who has been visiting friends in Washington, returned home Monday.

Frank Murphy and bride returned Monday after spending their honeymoon in Portland.

Mr. Gilliam, of Salem, is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. M. E. Miller, of this city.

Miss Bertha Frink after spending the holidays here with her parents has returned to Portland to resume her studies at the Business College.

Dr. Parrish and wife, of Monmouth, came over to Falls City Saturday and remained until Monday, visiting at the home of Elder E. A. LaDow.

W. L. Tooze's tabernacle that has withstood the rains and storms of the past few weeks, weakened under its burden of snow and last Wednesday night it fell to the ground.

The beautiful, beautiful snow has wrapped our city in about 12 inches of spotless white and the boys and girls are having their share of the joy it brings to all lovers of the beautiful snow.

### Crowley.

Pewtherer Brothers and Clay Taylor are building "bob sleds."

Pierce Rigg has left for Illinois to spend the winter with relatives there.

Linn Gay, Carey Pewtherer and Clay Taylor were out on a jack rabbit chase Saturday.

Seth Smith and Henry White are kind enough to bring out our daily papers as they bring their own.

Our thermometer registered 12 degrees below zero last Monday night. Quite chilly for "web footers."

Mail carrier F. Edgar has a hard time of it this cold weather, he has such a long route, the end being about nine miles from his home. He has about 40 miles to travel each day.

A move is on foot to create a new county out of portions of Douglas and Lane, and very naturally each county objects to going onto the operating table to have its vermiform appendix or words to that effect, removed.

## UNION HIGH SCHOOL MATTER

### Two Sites Are Being Considered Now.

### OF PECULIAR INTEREST TO MONMOUTH

### Would Be Potent Factor In Upbuilding Of Contiguous Territory.

The question of the Union High School has not yet reached a final solution, according to Chairman J. H. Hawley of the joint committee. The two sites are both conceded to be ideal and the committee finds it difficult to choose. It is probable, however, that by the time the Herald has gone to press, the choice will have been made. The preparation and circulation of the petition will be a small matter and within ten days, the entire affair can be in the hands of the County Board, prepared for a vote at the next election.

The erection of a handsome, union high school building between these two towns, Monmouth and Independence, will do more to attract the attention of home seekers than any other enterprise that could be inaugurated. It is the new idea in education and the definite announcement that such a step is to be taken will bring this locality to favorable notice all over the state.

Monmouth has a peculiar interest in the success of this movement. Entirely apart from all the advantages of the high school to her own boys and girls is the effect upon the State Normal School. The argument has been made against the location or maintenance of a state institution where there is no high school. To be sure, it is a specious argument but nevertheless has its weight with many people. It would be well worth the cost and effort to Monmouth in the settlement of this issue alone.

The present Normal Board of Regents has had the question under consideration and several of the most friendly members regard it as unfortunate that Monmouth does not maintain a full high school course. The prompt filing of this petition will strengthen their hands in their presentation of their recommendation to the Legislature. Should the old objection be raised in the discussion of the Normal school question, we want the Legislature to understand that our petition for the vote is on file with the County Board and that a strong public sentiment throughout the entire proposed union high school district will carry the measure next June.

A mean man back in Illinois has an electric light in his hen house. Along about midnight, he turns the light on and the hens, thinking it is daylight, come off the roost and lay an egg. Then the light is turned off and the overworked birds go back to roost. In this way the hens are made to lay two eggs a day, and the owner will soon start a bank.