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INTERESTING STUDENT PERSONAL ITEMS

Weekly Reports From the Various College Fraternal Societies.

The sermon to the graduation class was preached by the Rev. W. A. Wood of the Christian Church of our city. In his sermon were many helpful suggestions and much good advice. The order of services was as follows: Piano Prelude, Mrs. May Bowden-Babbitt; Invocation, Rev. L. C. Hoover; Hymn No. 66, "Come Thou Almighty King," Choir and audience. Scripture Lesson, Mr. H. B. Buckham; Violoncello Solo, Miss Florence Bowden; Prayer, Rev. L. C. Hoover; Response "Father, O Hear Us;" Anthem, Normal Girls Choir; Sermon, Rev. W. A. Wood; Hymn No. 76, choir and audience; Benediction, Rev. W. A. Wood; Postlude.

On Saturday, Jan. 30th, the Junior-Sophomore reception was given; there was a goodly number present. The decorations were quite unusual, for evergreens were not the prevailing attraction in the decorating scheme as is many times the case, but beautiful mossy boughs were very much in evidence. From moss covered boughs three very low screens had been made; behind them, the faculty and class presidents were grouped, where they received the guests who were presented by the reception committee. Another very unique feature of the decorations was "The Old Oaken Bucket that hung in the well." This "well" was reached by a "moss covered lane" and was presided over by the Misses Hawley, Scott and Powell,—for, from the "old bucket" was served a very delicious punch. The electric display also was very pleasing, for class colors were represented by the several colored globes shedding a mellow light over the hall. The program was especially interesting and very creditably rendered. It was as follows:

Song of Welcome, Girls Chorus. Piano Duett, Grace Whitehouse, Leila Spencer. Scene from "School for Scandal," Sir Peter—Erwin Montague Lady Teazle—Jean Kuykendall Orchestra. Girls Chorus. Male Quartette.

Upon the closing of the program, followed the grand march, class presidents' ladies' choice and alumni marches.

At a late hour the guests departed having spent a very pleasant evening and feeling the enterprising Juniors and Sophomores should be complimented upon the results of their successful efforts.

The Annual Oratorical Contest was held on Friday, Jan. 29, at 8:30 p. m. The following was

the program:

Music, "Hail Us Ye Free," Normal Male Chorus. Oration, The Spirit of the Time, D. C. Henry; Oration, The Spirit of the Present Time, Mabel Robinson.

Music, Piano Duett, "Tancred," Misses Florence Bowden and Grace Whitehouse.

Judges of Contest: L. R. Traver, J. B. V. Butler, P. O. Powell. The judges decided in favor of Mr. Henry. As a reward Mr. Henry has earned the medal given by President Ressler and will represent O. S. N. S. in the state contest in March.

VESPERTINES.

Last Friday night occurred the quarterly business meeting of the Vespertine society. Though no set program had been prepared the meeting proved, nevertheless very enjoyable. "Old Maids" are proverbially frightened at the sight of "mice", and we cannot deny that a scream might be heard—provided we were not as deaf as Mrs. Partington's "Hemlock Post"—when the small side door flew open and two mice ran into the room. Order was soon restored, and by the presence of mind of one very "brave" member, both mice were trapped. Miss Olson was appointed Sergeant at arms to keep the mice in order during the evening.

The organist being absent a very pleasing solo was played by "Miss" George Ground. "She" was heartily applauded and responded very graciously with a second number.

The society then proceeded to the business of the evening. The following officers for the ensuing quarter were elected: President, Mona Nagle; Vice President Alice Rasmussen; Secretary, Vieve Walker; Treasurer, Edna Scott; Organist, Effie Shore; Chorister, Mrs. Stroud; Sergeant at Arms, Miss Olsen.

The remaining half hour was made pleasant by visitors from the Normal society. Scene one Act II of Goldsmith's comedy, She Stoops to Conquer, was rendered by members appointed at a previous meeting.

We were greatly pleased by the call from the Normals, and extend a hearty invitation for future calls.

Airlie

The Musicales at the Airlie hall was well attended.

D. J. Grant, the Dallas butcher, was in town Tuesday night.

A. A. Tetherow visited at the home of A. R. Lewis last week.

A. C. Staats sold four fat hogs to Lewis and West, of Falls City.

A. R. Lewis sold a horse to J. C. Turner, the rural delivery man.

J. W. Brown and D. N. Turner passed through here Tuesday on their way to Corvallis.

F. M. Lewis, of Lewisville, walked over Saturday night to attend the musicale here.

Emmett Turner killed a large gray eagle that has been using around his place for some time.

ORGANIZE FRUIT ASSOCIATION

For Bettering Conditions In Polk County.

FRUIT GROWERS MUST STAND TOGETHER

No Use For Some to Comply With Law Unless All Do the Same.

Peter Kurre and T. J. Pettit were callers at the Herald office Monday. Mr. Kurre is one of the foremost fruit growers in this county and is of the opinion that it is imperative that an organization be effected among the fruit growers in order to successfully combat the pests and to bring the fruit business to a more perfect basis.

There is no doubt but such an organization would work wonders along the line of eradicating the scale or at least to render it harmless. One does not have to go outside the city limits of Monmouth to find enough scale to inoculate all the fruit trees in Polk county and as long as such trees are allowed to remain a menace to the whole community, there is but little use in individuals fighting for better fruit. What is needed is a fruit inspector that will impartially enforce the law and until such a one is placed in office the fruit business must suffer. Very few apples are offered for sale in this county, so far as we are aware, but would be condemned if they were placed under rigid inspection and this is not on account of climate or soil.

M. O. Lownsdale has done more for the fruit industry of western Oregon than any other one man in it, or any dozen of them as far as that is concerned, and yet he has been, and is yet, condemned by many for his rigid enforcement of the law. The results of his work can be seen in the exhibits made by Yamhill county fruit growers.

If some of the leading fruit growers will take the initiative in this matter they will find the Herald ever ready to aid them in every way possible. Start the organization and it will not be hard to get men interested in it who now are indifferent. Not only will an organization aid in getting rid of pests, but it will aid in getting better prices for the fruit that is shipped to other markets. We have seen this tested in southern Oregon where the growers were at one time at the mercy of the dealers, but now the dealers accept the dictation of prices by the growers organization.

There are growers here as well as elsewhere that ship the best of their fruit to outside points and keep the culls for the home market. Of course this is a practice indulged in all too frequently in all lines of business, but it is not right, nor is it just to our neighbors. This article is not intended as a moral code, but we hope that some good may come of it and that in the near future we may hear of an organ-

ization being effected to look after the interests of the fruit growers of this county. Concerted action along the line of spraying and pruning would practically destroy the scale and codling moth in a years time, but have a few old scrubby trees left in the neighborhood and all the work done one season will have to be repeated the next, without any perceptible gain on the spread of the pests from one year to another.

Monmouth Heights.

Miss Ida Duignan spent Sunday with her folks at Perrydale. Jay Clark and Jesse Johnson were at the capital city Saturday.

Herman Wunder is moving to his ranch at Antioch this week.

William Bingham and wife, of the Herald city, were guests at the Wunder home Friday.

Jasper Thompson, a young business man of Falls City, passed through these parts Sunday.

W. M. Bingham, lately from Idaho, but now of Monmouth, has rented the George Heck farm.

Mrs. Reuben Simpson was out from the O. S. N. S. city Tuesday to see her sick mother, Mrs. Herren.

Noah W. Heffley, of Pleasant Valley Fruit Farm, visited his brother Grant at Talmage Sunday last.

Roy Whiteaker, of Independence, is busy here converting oak grubs into cord wood for David Dove.

Misses Elda and Millie Clark spent Saturday and Sunday with their sister, Mrs. Bell Sullivan, of East Monmouth.

Jesse Beezely, a prominent young man of Falls City, passed through this vicinity Monday enroute to to his home at that place.

R. M. Smith is having the timber and underbrush grubbed and cleaned out between the two grain fields and cut into heating fuel.

The many friends of Mrs. Hester Herren will be pleased to know that she is slowly improving and hopes are entertained for her complete recovery.

Noah Heffley purchased a new plow Monday, which he will use in getting his twelve acres of sod in proper condition for the fruit trees that he intends to set out this spring.

Crowley.

Farmers are all plowing.

Farmer and Reese are again buying hogs at McCoy.

Frank Jones passed through this vicinity with a load of oats.

Mr. Mathoon has been visiting old friends in this neighborhood.

George Pewtherer is plowing sod for his brother, D. M. Pewtherer.

Mr. Farmer bought 68 head of nice sheep of Frank Myers, of Smithville.

Uncle Joe Craven spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Crowley, of Oak Grove.

Manson Crowley has returned home after spending a few days with relatives and friends here.

NORMAL GRADUATING EXERCISE

Baccalaureate Sermon Is By Rev. W. A. Wood.

FIFTY-THIRD COMMENCEMENT IS HISTORY

Enthusiasm is Up to the Average and All the Classes Participate.

The fifty-third commencement of our Normal School has just passed into history. For the benefit of those unable to attend, it may be said that the usual enthusiasm has not been lacking since the very beginning of mid-year festivities—enthusiasm on the part of both student and friends of our institution being quite up to the standard.

Promptly at 8:30 on Feb. 1st the speakers of honor and the faculty marched upon the platform. Immediately J. B. V. Butler who was "master of ceremonies" ushered in the Freshmen, Sophomore, Junior, Senior Classes and the Alumni, each of whom gave a yell and a song for his respective organization. There was an array of beautiful pennants—each class being headed by a large banner and each member of each class carrying its fac simile of a smaller size. To reunite school spirit after this class demonstration, "Kemo Kimo" and "Wa Who" were very enthusiastically supported by all. The class speaker was Hon. L. E. Bean, of Eugene; his address was well timed in its entirety and impressed his hearers as being very able throughout. Sec. C. L. Starr, of the Board of Regents, was present and in a few well chosen remarks, made some very valuable suggestions to the class. Representative C. L. Hawley was also present and favored the class with a pleasing and profitable talk. The contents of the folder which is self explanatory, is given below.

Invocation, Rev. L. C. Hoover; Music, "Waltz Song" Normal Male Chorus; Sketch of February '09 class, Pearl Simmons; Symposium—The Oregon State Normal School, "I Origin and growth" Ora Williams; II "Course of study" Isla Laughlin; III "Management and support" Daisy Thomas; Piano Solo, Mrs. May Bowden-Babbitt; Address to class Hon. L. E. Bean; Summer Fancies, Normal Girls' Glee Club, Presentation of Diplomas, Pres. E. D. Ressler; Negro Lullaby, Normal Male Chorus. Class Roll; Shirley Dorsey, Portland; Effie Galbreath, Tualatin; Isla Laughlin, Yamhill; Pearl Simmons, Portland; Daisy Thomas, Mt. Hood; Ora Williams, Burns.

L. J. Corl, city treasurer of Forest Grove, Ore., and an old-time friend of Robert Schultz, the successor to Hollenberg & Sons, is here this week directing the business for Mr. Schultz, the latter having gone back East after his family. Mr. Corl induced Mr. Schultz to locate in Corvallis and is much pleased with the favorable outlook here.—Corvallis Gazette.