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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.

The lecture which was given in the chapel on Saturday, March 20, was certainly excellent and was truly appreciated. Dr. Thomas E. Green, of Chicago, entertained and instructed his audience in his "Key to the Twentieth Century." Nothing can be said of it, except that which is complimentary. It was very fortunate that his services could be secured, and it is to be hoped he will come again.

Arlie Hampton '02, who has been principal of the Pendleton High school for several years, has again been re-elected with a raise in salary. This assures us the quality of his work.

Chester G. Day '07, who is now the principal at Touchet, Wash., has accepted the same position for the ensuing year. Since he has been offered a larger salary as an inducement to remain, we feel sure his usual good work is in evidence.

Paul Johnson, '03, who has been employed in Waitsburg, Washington, as principal of the high school for some time, expects to attend the University of Oregon this winter.

Vance Butler, who was a student in the O. S. N. S. several years ago, accompanied by Mrs. Butler is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Orville Butler in this city. Mr. Butler is now a resident in Helena, Montana, where he is interested in mining. He and his partner own and operate three diamond drills. Mr. and Mrs. Butler expect to be here for a few weeks.

Mr. Ressler has gone to Portland to further the steps taken in behalf of our school. The great question now is the how of the Initiative. It is felt that this should be drawn in a perfectly fair way so that the people of the state may express their choice in the matter freely. That there is need for trained teachers no one will gainsay, and in the way proposed there can be no mistake made. This far we have reason to be hopeful and with Mr. Ressler's indefatigable efforts we have good cause to keep up the old opinion.

Miss Mona Nagle and Miss Ida Goyne, who are to be two of our debaters in the debate with McMinnville college, several weeks hence, have returned from Portland where they went last Friday. The object of their going was to visit the Portland Public Library where they might have access to material for their arguments. They report several very profitable days work.

Miss Flora Walker '06, is making preparations to spend her summer in Berkely, California,

visiting her sister. While there Miss Walker expects to take advantage of the excellent summer school in the University.

VESPERTINES.

The regular literary program of the Vespertine society was postponed on last Friday evening as the society accepted the invitation of the Normal society to be present at the "mock trial" which was held at regular society hours. The business meeting, however, was held; at this an initiation took place, it being that of Miss Lucas, who is the last member added to our ranks.

Appeal For Aid.

President's office, Mar. 24, '09. Editor The Herald: Will you kindly grant me space for a few lines in which to notify the good friends of the Monmouth Normal that a few more subscriptions are needed, in order to complete our guarantee fund.

Treasurer Ira C. Powell informs me that fifteen hundred and ninety-six (\$1596) dollars have been paid. The sum required is two thousand as the minimum amount. It is a remarkable tribute to pay the citizens of this community when it can be truthfully said that not a dollar of this money was solicited except in the general mass meeting, from the platform, and this, too, after six thousand dollars had already been raised for support of the school.

There are yet required about four hundred dollars, over a hundred of which will come from the students. I should like to say this newspaper appeal or rather notice of our need was all that was necessary. Personal solicitation is always distasteful work and sometimes embarrassing to both parties.

With the strongest faith in our people and heartiest thanks for their past splendid co-operation, I am,

Very truly yours,
E. D. Ressler.

A Fine Entertainment.

Last Wednesday evening Oregon City people found it quite unnecessary to seek high class entertainment in Portland, listening as they did to Charles Riley McCally in his James Whitcombe Riley readings. The old sweet melodies on the violin are the ones which reach our hearts today and in those Mr. McCally excels. He is surely an understandable violinist and his handling of that instrument together with the comely lines of the great poet Riley is unique and unsurpassed. He played to the largest audience ever in this City, and from the enthusiastic reception given him we conclude that standing room would be at a premium were he to repeat his performance tomorrow night. — Oregon City Courier.

C. J. Bruce, who has the Mumma farm leased, was in town Tuesday accompanied by his brothers-in-law, J. E. Allen and R. A. Raike, of Norden Nebraska. The latter gentlemen arrived here Sunday and will make their home here in the future.

INDEPENDENCE NEWS BUDGET

From Our Regular Correspondent.

DAILY HAPPENINGS IN OUR SISTER CITY.

Scan This Column For News of Importance From the Riverside.

W. A. Messner was in Salem last week.

Judge Scott of Salem, was in our city Monday.

Miss Erma Brown was a Salem visitor Monday.

T. E. Clanfield made a business trip here Monday.

Mr. Gillispe and family moved to Eugene last week.

Moss Walker, of Falls City, was in our city Wednesday.

W. R. South, of Lebanon, was in our city the first of the week.

Ralph Davidson, of Parker, spent Sunday with relatives here.

A. Huckesian, of Salem, was a business visitor in our town Tuesday.

Mrs. John Belt, of Portland, spent Sunday with friends in this city.

West Perry and Dick Mattison, of Salem, were in this city last week.

W. K. Shinn, of Eugene, formerly of this city, was here this week.

Mrs. Dee Taylor went to Salem Monday to visit friends for a few days.

Mrs. Oscar Allin of Salem, is the guest of Dr. Allin and family this week.

Mr. Shennelfield and wife have moved to the house formerly occupied by West Perry.

Sam Goldston, of Vancouver, Wash., visited relatives in this city the first of the week.

Mrs. Stiver of Salem, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. E. E. Paddock this week.

W. O. Wagoner of Forest Grove, was here on business the first of the week.

H. Clyde McDonald of Seattle, Wash., was visiting friends in this city over Sunday.

H. T. Koeber, of Hillsboro, was here the first of the week. He expects to locate here.

D. A. McRea and wife of Portland, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Merwin over Sunday.

Mrs. M. E. Davidson of Parker, was the guest of I. M. Butler and family Tuesday.

Mrs. Albert Jessup, of Boise, Idaho, is spending a few weeks with her father Tom Fennell.

Mrs. Sarah Young of Portland, is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. Claggett, this week.

F. L. Hooper has sold his residence and moved into the house recently occupied by Oren Wann.

Mrs. Ella Irvine, of Portland, came Saturday evening to spend a few days with friends in this city.

S. E. Bush and family have moved their boarding house to the residence recently occupied by Jess Whiteaker and wife.

Miss Maud Patterson, of Vancouver, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Patterson.

Tom Hart returned last week from Pendleton, where he has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Roscoe Staats.

Earnest Johnson and wife, of Vancouver, Wash., came last week to locate. They were formerly of this city.

C. C. Patrick, a former banker of our city, arrived last Friday. He made a trip to his home in Des Moines, Iowa.

Mrs. Joe Hubbard returned last Friday from Coburg where she has been attending the Lodge convention.

Miss Pearl Martin, of southern Oregon, has returned to her home. She has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Homer Hill for several months.

Mrs. W. Shellenbarger returned last week to her home in Portland. She has been visiting her sister Mrs. W. H. Craven for several weeks.

Miss Ella Robinson returned to McMinnville Sunday to resume her work. She has been ill at the home of her parents for several weeks.

Mrs. Helen Harford the Vice president of the State Union, W. C. T. U., came this week to make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Kirk, of this city.

Wm. Crowhurst has been in our city this week in interest of Lodges. He was one of the first charter members of the K. of P. Lodge west of the Rocky mountains. The other charter member is John Nelson, of Garden Green, Calif., the only two members living.

A Surprise.

On Tuesday evening, March 16 a number of young people planned a surprise for Miss Mary Murphy at her home on College street. She was invited out to supper and when she returned the crowd was waiting. After she had recovered somewhat from the shock, the amusements of the evening were started, among which were guessing games, question games, flinch, Sherlock Holmes and fortune telling. Partners were chosen for lunch by the young men drawing ribbons which were partially obscured in walnut shells, and in these shells were the names of the young ladies. After an enjoyable lunch, music was given by different ones present. At a late hour they adjourned to their respective homes.

Those present were, Luella Daniels, Jessie and Sara Hyde, Orace Hawley, Mary Whitney, Stella Warner, Adele La Londe, Hazel Worke, Josephine Morse, Loet Shore, Sadie Boughey, Alpha Wilson, Mrs. J. L. Murphy, Inez and Mary Murphy, Burton Arant, Ercel Hedrick, Glen Work, Artie and Ranie Burkhead, Russell Quisenbury, D. C. Henry, Mr. A. L. Briggs and Lester Lindsay.

Don't forget to look at the changed ads this week. Our progressive merchants always have something interesting to tell the people.

STUDENT BODY EXPLANATION

Refutes Gross Misstatements Of State Press.

MONMOUTH NORMAL DOES GOOD WORK

Has Received No State Aid For Over Two Years, Yet It Still Runs.

Monmouth, Or., March 25, '09. Editor The Herald:

The Student Body of the Oregon State Normal School at Monmouth requests the courtesy of a hearing, through your columns, in regard to the Normal School controversy. We feel that our school and its faculty and students have been grossly wronged, not only in the failure of the Legislature to provide support but in the unjust and untrue statements published in many papers.

The Monmouth school has been operated since January 1, 1907 without state funds. In addition great publicity was given the fact that the Board of Regents had closed the institution in July, 1897 for lack of funds and little notice taken of the fact that the same Board accepted large donations from friends of the Normal and re-opened it in August, 1907. These facts, coupled with the natural fear of students and their parents that the school might be unable to complete the year, combined to shake confidence and made a handicap almost insuperable.

In spite of all these adversities, the old "Monmouth Spirit" rose to the occasion and alumni and friends raised and paid into the state treasury six thousand dollars to enable the regents to carry on the school during the year 1907-8. The local school district doubled its special tax and added five thousand dollars. Tuition receipts amounted to more than three thousand dollars. The faculty donated in salary reductions five thousand dollars, making a total provision of nineteen thousand dollars for the year's budget, not one cent of which was supplied by the state.

A similar plan was followed for the present year, 1908-9, only of necessity the resources were more limited. The local school district paid the salaries of the Principal of the Training Department and of the four critics, and other expenses to the amount of five thousand dollars. Seven additional instructors were employed, five accepting the mere pittance of fifty dollars a month, and two, President Ressler and Mr. Butler, donating their services. The teachers' salary sacrifice this year amounts to nearly six thousand dollars. Tuition receipts will be above twenty-five hundred dollars. The cash donations will amount to over three thousand dollars, making a total for the year of about seventeen thousand dollars, with not a penny from the state.

Last year, Monmouth students paid twenty-five dollars tuition, double the charges made at the other State Normals and at the State University and Agricultural. Continued on page 4.