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OREGON STATE NORMAL NEWS

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INTERESTING STUDENT PERSONAL ITEMS

Weekly Reports From the Various College Fraternal Societies.

Principal Traver attended an institute in Corvallis on the 17. He delivered several lectures.

Miss Margaret Hodge, of Independence, was the guest of Miss Emma Henkle last Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Mary Meador '98, who has been teaching in the Eugene public schools for the past two years, is spending a few days visiting her mother in this city. Mrs. Meador is now having the usual spring vacation, enjoyed by the Eugene schools.

Harry Stine, '06, who is attending the State University, is in Monmouth this week spending the spring vacation. Mr. Stine reports a very profitable year's work. He is suffering now, however, from a fractured knee, which sustained an injury during a game of base ball recently.

Tomorrow evening the Athletic Association will give an entertainment consisting of a farce and two short plays. The name and cast of characters follow.

"Girls Football," by the girls of the association. "A Rough Diamond," Lord Plato, Erwin Springer; Sir William Evergreen, Marion Phelps; Captain August Blenheim, Ray Chute; Cousin Joe, George Ground; Lady Plato, Lillian Anderson; Margery, Clara Tinnerstet; Lucy, Esther Spillman. "Who's Who, or All in a Fog," Mr. Simonides Swanhopper, A. B. Sacre; Lawrence Lavender, E. J. Sacre; Mr. Bloomfield Brambleton, Lester Lindsay; Cicily, Hilda Tooze; Matilda Jane, Ethel Eakin.

The concert given on April 15, by the Whitman College Glee Club proved a very enjoyable affair, for a large audience. There were twenty well trained voices under the direction of Prof. A. C. Jackson, the accomplished soloist. The reader, Miss Hugh Monteith Thomson, was very clever in her rendering and having won her audience in her first selection, kept its attention throughout. Of course the instrumental music, by David Campbell, was truly delightful. Mr. Campbell plays with the self same interpretation his Monmouth acquaintances are wont to hear, and his presence in his native town was very pleasing to his many friends.

A VICTORY

On last Friday evening one preliminary of the second annual debate held by the Ladies' Debating League of Oregon, took place in McMinnville. Those who represented the O. S. N. S. were Mona Nagle, Ida Goynes and Sarah Ruggles and they carried off the victory. The question was: Resolved, that the Chinese exclusion act should be extended to all Asiatics. Our representatives

supported the negative. Since, in the other preliminary debate Albany college defeated Oregon Agricultural College at Albany, our representatives will make an effort to defeat these winners on the 30 inst. This final debate will determine the winning team of the league.

The debaters who went to McMinnville report a very delightful time. The student body was very courteous and showed their good will in a befitting manner. A reception was tendered the Misses Nagle, Goynes and Ruggles after the debate. Mr. Briggs represented the faculty.

VESPERTINES

The Vespertines met as usual Friday evening. On account of the lecture, the program was postponed, but a business meeting was held in which the following officers were elected. President, Mona Nagle; Vice Pres., Iney Baker; Sec., Bessie Weston; Treas., Edna Scott; Sergeant at Arms, Gertrude Shepard; Organist, Ethel Lucas; Chorister, Clara Tinnerstet; Critic, Miss Shearer. After the election, a candidate was initiated into the mysteries of the society. The meeting was one of great enthusiasm.

Directors and Teachers Institute

The first session of the Directors' and Teachers' Institute was opened on Friday evening at the Chapel, by an interesting address by State Supt. J. A. Ackerman. The meeting was well attended by students, citizens of Monmouth and visiting teachers. Supt. Ackerman referred to the Normal school problem and expressed himself heartily in sympathy with the support of Normal schools. He said that ten years ago there were but four high schools in Oregon, while at the present there are over one hundred high schools having four year courses.

In his address four things were mentioned which the public schools should do for the boys and girls as follows: 1. Teach them to earn a living. 2. Develop intelligence. 3. Teach self restraint. 4. Honesty.

The meeting was continued on Saturday by the discussion of several subjects which are of special interest to patrons of the schools. Supt. Seymour has worked hard to make these local meetings a success and the results of the Monmouth meeting gives evidence that he has managed all the institutes in an able manner. This meeting is the last of the year, nine others having been held in different parts of the county and have been well attended.

In the afternoon, two reading exercises were given by classes from the first and second grades and conducted by Miss Ruby Shearer. The work of the pupils gave evidence of great strength on the part of the pupils and splendid training by the teacher.

Among the visitors were, Supt. Kirk, of Independence; Supt. Crowley, of Falls City; Supt. Dutton, of Ballston and over thirty teachers from different schools. Supt. Hill and his teachers drove over from Dallas Saturday to attend the institute.

The visiting teachers were very generously entertained by the citizens of Monmouth.

INDEPENDENCE NEWS BUDGET

From Our Regular Correspondent.

DAILY HAPPENINGS IN OUR SISTER CITY.

Scan This Column For News of Importance From the Riverside.

Carl Percival went to Portland Sunday to spend a few days.

Fred Chambers and wife of Eugene, spent Sunday with relatives in this city.

Mrs. Lottie Dorris and Mrs. Pearl Hedges were Salem visitors last Thursday.

T. W. Richardson, Sr., of Portland, spent Sunday with his family in this city.

J. D. Whiteaker and R. Dickinson went to Corvallis Thursday and returned Monday.

Claud Swann and wife, of Corvallis, visited Charles Shennelfield and wife over Sunday.

Mrs. Ellison went to Portland Sunday to see her son, who is dangerously ill in that city.

Dr. Eaton, little Joe Eaton's father, who lives in Portland, spent Sunday in Independence.

Mrs. Lillian Daniels, of Albany, visited at the home of Dave Hedges a few days of last week.

Mrs. E. B. Kirpatrick, of Portland, visited over Sunday with her nephew, S. A. Stansberry, of this city.

Mrs. Tim Hillard went to Portland Tuesday for a few days visit with Mrs. Ben Dice, formerly of this city.

Kersey Eldredge returned from Portland Monday where he has been spending a few days with his little brother.

Mrs. W. R. Allin and little son went to Portland Thursday to visit a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wagoner.

F. A. Doughty, of Portland, came Saturday in his big touring car, also visited in Dallas returning to his home Monday.

Mrs. Oscar Allen, who has been spending several weeks at the home of her brother, W. R. Allen, went to Salem Thursday.

E. C. Davis, traveling salesman for Butler, Stutze & Co., of Portland, visited his cousin, Mrs. M. Merwin a few days this week.

Mrs. K. L. Eldredge took her little son Lawrence to Portland last week for a slight operation, at the Good Samaritan hospital in that city.

Mrs. Dell Livengood, formerly Clara Bently, of McMinnville, came up Saturday evening and spent Sunday with her father and sister of this city.

W. L. Russel and wife, of Gaston, Oregon, came Saturday to spend a few days with Joseph Craven and family, of Monmouth, also visited relatives in this city.

C. W. Leonard, of Monmouth, returned Saturday from Kansas City where he has been spending several months visiting relatives and also taking medical treatment and is much improved in health.

Mrs. Sarah Young, who has been spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. Claggett, left Saturday for Siletz, where she expects to spend six months on her claim near that place.

George W. Whiteaker, an Oregon pioneer of 1848, and a prominent citizen of this city, died Monday, April 19, at the Salem hospital. He was born in Illinois, July 21, 1842. George W. Whiteaker was six years old when he crossed the plains to Oregon. He remained on his father's farm until he was twenty seven years of age, when he was married. After his marriage he settled two and one-half miles north of Monmouth, on the donation claim of his brother, W. H. Whiteaker, which contained 320 acres. This he purchased and farmed for 12 years, his efforts being very successful in the farming line. He came to Independence in 1883. He was a stockholder in both the Independence banks, and has been a director of the First National Bank since its organization. In addition to his original farm, he had two others on one of which he raised hops. Mr. Whiteaker was married in Dallas in 1870, to Miss Ann Osborn. He leaves a widow and seven children, namely, George L., David J., Frank L., Roy R., Ethel A., John Olan and Vivian. Mr. Whiteaker was highly respected throughout the county. The funeral was preached Wednesday, April 21, at 1 p. m. by T. R. N. Beel at the Presbyterian church. Interment in I. O. O. F. cemetery.

I. O. O. F. Anniversary.

The Ninetieth Anniversary of the I. O. O. F. will be observed by Normal Lodge No. 204, assisted by Valley Lodge No. 42, Agate Rebekah Lodge No. 177 and Clover Leaf Lodge No. 56, Sunday, April 25, at 3 o'clock p. m. at the Normal Chapel.

The program will be as follows: Song, Opening Ode of I. O. O. F.; Invocation, Rev. L. C. Hoover; Anthem, Valley Lodge; Song, Clover Leaf Rebekah Lodge, Quartet, O. S. N. S.; Address Judge George H. Burnett; Song, America; Benediction, Rev. W. Wood.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend these exercises.

COMMITTEE.

Special City Election.

The special election on Monday May 3 is not for the purpose of levying a tax as some seem to suppose, but merely for the purpose of changing the charter so that the people can levy a tax in the future should they so desire and for the purpose of giving us the road tax that has heretofore been used to build roads for Dallas and other places. We want this money to spend on our streets and make them firstclass. Every one who is at all interested in the welfare of the city should vote yes on both these propositions as it means a bigger and better Monmouth, which will make taxes lower and property values higher, so that if you want to sell you can get a good price for your property.

COMPLIMENTS HARVEY SCOTT

Clark Wood In The Portland Journal.

GIVES GENEALOGY OF THE GREAT MAN

His Enmity to the Normals Is A Result of Heredity And Environment.

Doubtless the grandmother of Harvey Scott, editor of the Oregonian, wove and stitched, cut and basted homespun garments for the members of her family. Doubtless his grandfather followed a primitive "footburner" through the fields, cut his grain with a scythe and threshed it with a flail. Perchance Harvey himself absorbed his knowledge at the "little red schoolhouse" on the hill, and gingerly favored his "stone bruise" as he trudged barefoot to his studies. After doing the chores at night he may have pored over his books by the light of a tallow candle, although Harvey perhaps was just an average boy, with no more appetite for books than the rest of his kind.

Harking back to periods more remote, we can imagine Harvey's ancestors jabbering and wrangling among the "tree people" whom Jack London writes about. These singular folk made huts for themselves in the trees of woven twigs and grass, and with their powerful arms and legs and prehensile fingers and toes, swung from branch to branch through the forest with the agility of apes. They were opposed to progress, and would not affiliate with the "cave people," one degree advanced, who inhabited caverns in the cliffs. They were despised and preyed upon by the "fire people," who had discovered and used one of the greatest servants of mankind, and yet one of its greatest foes when left unbound. The Scott clan scorned the caves and were frightened by the fire. The trees were good enough for them.

These musings are inspired by the following paragraph in the Oregonian, whose editor, remembering the leafy home of his ancestors, and suspicious of the fire, is now and then moved to blurt out his real sentiments.

"If the state had none of these higher educational institutions, and every young fellow had to rustle and bustle and hustle and tussle for his education, as it was in the earlier time when men and women were the product of their own effort, then: First there would be no time for hazing and bath-tubbing; and, second, everything would be on such basis that there would be no disposition or inclination that way. There would be orderly and regular lives, no overfeeding nor foolery, but all would be compelled to work hard and to study in the intervals of labor, and then be tired enough to go to bed. State institutions of higher education are nurseries of luxury, indolence and folly, and never can be anything else. The Bristol case is easily accounted for."

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