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## REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

### Nurserymen to Hold Annual Convention in Portland

### STATE BOARD'S PLANS CARRIED THROUGH

### College Training Shows Good Results in Production of Hen Fruit

PORTLAND, Or., June 17.—Present conditions and future prospects of the business of growing fruits in the Pacific Northwest will be fully discussed at the convention of the American Association of Nurserymen in Portland, June 17-21. Between 300 and 400 delegates will assemble for this meeting, nearly half of them coming from the states East of the Rocky Mountains. A program has been arranged to include visits to some of the larger nurseries in this vicinity, excursion on the Columbia River and other features concluded to make the convention an enjoyable occasion for the visit-delegates.

If plans made by the State Fair Board are carried out, a notable exhibition of livestock and agricultural products will be held at Salem September 29—October 4 inclusive. In addition to the usual fair exhibits, there will be races, horse breaking, shooting contests etc., and in addition to these events, the Manufacturers' Association will have a place on the program and will make an elaborate display of the products of home industries.

The Western Forestry and Conservation Association has recently issued a bulletin predicting a dry Summer and urging the utmost care and vigilance in preventing forest fires. Already about 800 men are in the fields patrolling the various public and private timber holdings and more men will be employed from time to time as the need occurs. It is estimated that nearly \$1,500,000 will be expended in patrolling the forests of Oregon, Washington, Montana and Idaho.

The result of a college training is shown in the egg production of a hen owned by the Oregon Agricultural College, which laid 99 eggs in 108 consecutive days. This animated egg machine is three-quarter White Leghorn and one-quarter Barred Plymouth Rock and is a descendent of a long line of heavy layers bred at the college experiment station. It is expected that the results of the season's experiments in breeding poultry for egg production will be embodied in a report which will be of much value to practical poultrymen.

That the dairy business in Oregon is growing at a tremendous rate and that in value it far exceeds the state's next largest crop—livestock—is the statement of State Dairy and Food Commissioner Mickel in a recently issued bulletin. The value of dairy products for 1912 was \$19,000,000 while that of livestock was \$12,000,000. Prospects for a material increase this year are good.

According to a statement by

State Game Warden Finley, about 3,000 Chinese pheasants will be liberated this season in the various counties of the state, about 1500 of them going to Eastern Oregon. In addition to this increase of the game resources of Oregon, about 12,000,000 young trout will be liberated by the state fish hatcheries.

### Catching Gophers and Moles

Some of our good citizens are making war on gophers and moles, and old Long Tooth, the rat, is also having some attention.

I. H. Fream and others have been trapping gophers and moles with good success and have rid their premises from these pests. They use the "Scinch" trap and usually get Mr. mole or gopher in a short time after setting the trap for him.

Moles, rats and gophers are a nuisance and if the citizens of Monmouth, generally, will make war upon them at the same time, they can be exterminated, if the work is persistent and intelligently carried forward.

### DERR-McCULLOCH

Philadelphia, June 11.—Her many friends in far off Oregon will be interested to know of the marriage of Miss Cecil McCulloch, formerly of Salem, to Claude A. Derr, in this city yesterday. The ceremony, performed in the presence of a few relatives, was conducted by Rev. C. P. Wiles of the Lutheran church. Mr. and Mrs. Derr will spend a few days in New York City and then proceed to Schenectady, N. Y., where they will make their home. The bride is quite widely known in Oregon, having been a former student at Monmouth normal and resided in Salem for a number of years. The groom is manager of a shoe have in Schenectady.

### Will Keep Up Prices

When the price of strawberries decline to less than \$1.00 per crate, the public will not find fruit from the Illihee tracts on the market hereafter, according to the declarations of the growers. While in Portland last week, W. V. Fuller purchased a small canning plant which has arrived and is being made ready for service. The capacity is something like 1,000 to 1,500 cans daily and a special effort will be made to put up fruit of excellent quality that will find a ready market.—Observer.

### Pulling Oil Well Casing

After finding it impossible to remove the damaged six-inch casing from the bottom of the Whiteaker oil well prospect by ordinary means, a number of sticks of dynamite were exploded at the bottom of the hole and the casing shattered; the work of pulling the balance is now under way. As soon as this labor is accomplished, the hole will be cleaned, a new casing installed and the well freed from water after which drilling will be resumed.—Observer.

Zook, the paper hanger, will do your painting for you.

## STATE NORMAL SCHOOL NOTES

### Graduates of Forty Years Ago Were Present

### ALL ENTERTAINMENTS WERE A SUCCESS

### Last Chapel Was One Of The Most Successful of The Year

Commencement week has come and gone, with the feeling that it has been one of the most successful commencement weeks the Oregon Normal has ever had. Perhaps one of the most interesting and pleasant events was the reunion of the class of 1873. The members of the class that returned were, Judge Robert Bean, Judge George H. Burnett, Dr. James M. Powell and Attorney Glenn Holman. They spent the day hunting up old landmarks, and at noon time took part in the alumni picnic dinner on Cupid's Knoll. In the afternoon they were in the receiving line at the reception, and in the evening a sumptuous banquet was served to them on the upper sleeping porch of the dormitory, they having the honor of eating the first meal ever served in that building. The guests of honor at the banquet were, Miss Cassie Stump, Miss Maggie Butler, Prof. Butler and President Ackerman. It was perhaps one of the most happy and inspiring reunions ever held upon the Normal campus. They felt like boys, and acted like boys, and it would have been pretty hard to tell what they would have done if the President hadn't threatened to call them in the office and treat them as the President sometimes treats boys. It is hoped that the class of 1873 may have many such happy reunions.

The operetta, "The Japanese Girl," given by the Normalian Glee Club last Saturday night, was a decided success. The audience was a large and appreciative one, and a most enjoyable evening was spent. Misses Harlan, Todd, Fridd and Davis had charge of the operetta, and much credit is not only due to them but all concerned.

The Baccalaureate sermon by Dr. Youngson was a masterpiece and therefore thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated by the congregation. The churches of the town suspended their church services for the morning, in order to attend the Baccalaureate sermon, which suspension was appreciated by the school.

Last chapel, which was held last Monday morning, was made one of the most enjoyable ones of the year. After a short introduction by the President the several classes were represented by a member from each class, and each acquitted himself or herself splendidly. The exercises closed with the Senior class, in which many amusing, interesting and pleasing hits were made. The presents given to different members of the faculty and students, were especially appropriate, and doubtless appreciated by the recipients. The class, in conjunction with the February class, pre-

sented a beautiful picture entitled, "The Oath of Knighthood." The spirit throughout was of the best, making it an enjoyable chapel.

The Junior Prom Monday evening was perhaps the most enjoyable dancing party of the year, and the Juniors are to be congratulated upon carrying it through so successfully. The decorations were beautiful and appropriate, and in all probability the gymnasium was never more beautifully decorated.

The faculty reception Tuesday afternoon was much appreciated, its special characteristics being the ease and friendliness with which the visitors and faculty met. It is such events as this that tend to cement still closer the loyal feeling toward the school on the part of both faculty, alumni and friends.

The Senior class play entitled, "A Comedy of Errors," given last Tuesday evening, made a decided hit. Perhaps no play ever given in the Normal was more appreciated. Every member was well staged for their part, and the characters were well sustained throughout. Much credit is due Misses Fridd, Todd and Parrott for the excellent drill work which made the play such a success.

The program of commencement proper was carried out in every detail as programmed. Pres. Kerr, of the Oregon Agricultural College, gave a masterful address during which he expressed the hope that the time might speedily come when every teacher will have had special training for her work. Pres. Ackerman, with a few well chosen remarks, presented the diplomas to the class. The music, under the direction of Miss Harlan, was appreciated and well rendered.

The Board of Regents had its annual meeting in the President's office Wednesday afternoon and transacted much important business, among which was the purchase of the so-called Butler tract lying between the Normal and the training school. It has also authorized the Executive Committee to take steps looking toward the erection of a new gymnasium. It also authorized the Executive Committee to purchase a new piano for the chapel.

The Board expressed itself as highly pleased with the administration, and the spirit of the school. The members present were, Governor West, Secretary of State Ben W. Olcott, Supt. of Public Instruction, L. R. Alderman, Judge Jewell, Mr. Bryant and Mr. Maier. The resignation of Mr. Beaumont as head of the department of Science was accepted, said resignation to take effect at the close of the summer school. Mr. Beaumont's resignation was caused from the fact that he wishes to take post-graduate work in Agriculture and School Gardening, at Cornell. The Board expressed regret on receiving the resignation, as Mr. Beaumont's work has been very satisfactory. The vacancy was filled by the selection of Mr. L. P. Gilmore, now of Salem high school. Mr. Gilmore comes to the school with splendid acad-

## TO-NIGHT

### AT THE Star Theater

"The Air Man,"  
"Legion of the Chrysanthemum," and  
"The Woman in White,"  
a dandy two reel feature all for 5 and 10 cents.

## SCHOOL GARDEN CONTEST

The School Garden Exhibit and contest was held last Wednesday. A number of entries were made, and a lot of interest was manifested by the boys. Supt. W. R. Rutherford, of McMinnville, Mr. J. C. Muerman, of Salem, representing the Bureau of Education of Washington, D. C., and Mr. H. E. Guthrie, of this city, acted as judges of the contest. The prizes were awarded as follows:

- Best individual garden at home; Joe Staats.
- Best individual garden at school; Denzel Moore.
- Best individual garden 3rd grade; Edward Daniel.
- Best individual garden 4th grade; Floyd McClellan.
- Best individual garden 5th grade; Robert Hinkle.
- Best individual garden 6th grade; Denzel Moore.
- Best individual garden 7th grade; Hjalmar Gentle.
- Best head of lettuce; Floyd McClellan.
- Best bunch of lettuce; Russell McClellan.
- Best bunch of radishes; Robert Hinkle.
- Best bunch of onions; Neal Edwards.
- Best vine garden peas; Neal Edwards.
- Best vine garden beans; Joe Staats.
- Best row of vetch plants; Hugh Bell.

The prizes for the remaining articles will be awarded later. Those who have won should see Mr. Beaumont, and get a certificate which will enable them to get their respective prizes from the donors.

## PORCH MUSICAL TO-NIGHT

The Porch Musical and Ice Cream Social to be held at Independence, Friday evening, June 20th, as announced last week, will be held at the residence of B. C. Rockwell, corner 4th and Monmouth streets. General admission, 20 cents.

ic equipment and years of very successful teaching.

Miss Todd was selected as matron of the dormitory, and she therefore tendered her resignation as critic teacher of the 5th and 6th grades. No recommendation was made to fill the vacancy.

The alumni program and banquet on Wednesday evening was a decided success. There was a goodly attendance of members, and a most co-operative and friendly spirit existed, and every one expressed the opinion that a very enjoyable time was had.

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