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REGULAR PORTLAND LETTER

Oregon Good Roads Day a Great Success

SUPPLY OF SEED CORN EXHAUSTED

Great Land Show Will Be Held In Portland Probably in October

PORTLAND, Ore., May 5.—Practically all over the state April 25 was observed by business men and others and a vast amount of effective work was done on the roads. Portland sent out a train of 11 cars loaded with men from practically every business line in the city. They were taken to Oneonta, on the Columbia River Highway and turned loose with picks and shovels to assist the regular graders in cutting down the side of the mountain. Strung along the highway for a distance of nearly a mile, the various "gangs" made the soil and gravel fly for several hours until fatigue, famine and blisters brought on a general strike.

Hood River did its road stunt on Friday and turned out with about 1,000 men. Redmond observed the same day with 75 workers. Klamath Falls had no roads of its own needing improvement, so the volunteers went to Fort Klamath and put in a lot of good work widening the road to Crater Lake. Farmers in the vicinity of McMinnville turned out with teams and hauled six carloads of gravel out to the Sheridan road where it was spread by toilers from the town. Eugene's good roads army was estimated at 2,500 strong and was employed in distributing crushed rock and gravel along the city and county roads. Roseburg turned out men, women and children and put in a good day's work on the Pacific Highway. Bend, in addition to turning out a numerous force of actual workers, contributed about \$1,000 in real money to pay for continuation of the work. Good Roads Day should be made an annual event.

A donation of \$4,000 by the Multnomah County Commissioners to the Pacific Northwest Land Products Show insures the holding of a great land show in Portland next fall. The date for the show has not yet been set, but will probably be during the latter part of October, as fruits and vegetables are then at their best. A much larger floor space will be provided this season, as many exhibits were cramped for room two years ago. Farmers all over the state, having an entire summer in which to prepare their exhibits, should take the fullest advantage of this opportunity to show their skill and the productive quality of their lands.

During the past week work was commenced on the jetty to be constructed at the entrance to Tillamook Bay and many of the citizens turned out to witness the driving of the first section of piling. With the channel across the bar properly protected and dredged, business on the bay

should grow at a tremendous rate.

So great has been the demand for seed corn in Oregon this Spring that the available supply has been exhausted and the O. W. R. & N. Co. has been obliged to pick up odd lots wherever they could find them in order to supply the great number of farmers applying for seed. Farmer Smith states that other sections of the Northwest are afflicted with the corn growing fever and that indications point to a record-breaking crop this year.

FOR CIRCUIT JUDGE

Glen O. Holman who is a candidate for circuit judge nomination is a graduate of Christian College and a lawyer of experience.

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REPUBLICAN VOTERS SHOULD BEWARE

Party Should Be Represented on National Committee By a Republican

The Republicans of Oregon are entitled to have a Republican named as the National Republican Committeeman from this State. C. W. Ackerson, who claims to be a Republican, is a candidate. He registered as a Progressive January 8, 1914. Then signed petition of H. W. Coe to be Progressive National Committeeman. Then cancelled his registration as a Progressive and registered as a Republican and immediately filed his candidacy for membership on Republican National Committee. Has been an intimate and convenient understudy of the Progressive National Committeeman and seems now to be in combination with him in an attempt to shanghai the Republican organization. His candidacy is being actively backed by parties hostile to the Republican party and having personal interests and private personal grudges to serve. His erratic and excitable temperament has frequently led him to flood the columns of the press with violent attacks upon the Republican party and vicious personal abuse of prominent Republicans and life-long residents of the State.

It is a grave abuse for parties who are not Republican to register as such. It is a graver abuse for outsiders to attempt the capture of a political party to gratify a personal grudge and to promote party discord. It is an abuse against which fair-minded men of all parties will rise in protest. We can never have a reunited party by pushing to the front political hotheads and men who are political reformers simply for the sake of office. Having been a Republican only twenty-four hours when he announced his candidacy for the highest honorary position in the gift of the party, is some indication of what Mr. Ackerson's motive was in registering as a Republican. As Hon. Ralph E. Williams is the only Republican who is a candidate for Republican National Committeeman, we feel warranted in urging all loyal Republicans in the state to give him their earnest and enthusiastic support.

CHAS. B. MOORES,

(Chairman of Republican State Central Committee.)

M. B. McFAUL,

(President Lincoln Republican Club.)

McKINLEY MITCHELL,

(President of Portland Republican Club.)

C. M. IDLEMAN,

(President Multnomah Republican Club.)

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STATE NORMAL SCHOOL NOTES

Portland Teachers To Visit School Saturday, May 16

MRS. J. H. ACKERMAN ENTERTAINED

Mr. Grant B. Dimick, a Former Student of the Normal, Spoke Wednesday

Seventy members of the senior class closed May Day with an excursion by auto to Salem in the evening. The excursion from every view point was a success. While at Salem they patronized the moving picture show, and afterwards the Spa for refreshments. Everyone reports one of the most enjoyable times the class has ever had. On Saturday evening nearly every member of the Junior class joined in a hay rack party to Rickreall, where the evening was spent in playing games, singing songs, and roasting wienies and other things so dear to the heart of a Junior. They too report a most enjoyable time. Thru such events as these do the students become tied together more closely, not only as class members, but also it makes everyone feel that attending the Oregon Normal School is worth while.

The President has been notified that the Portland teachers will visit the Oregon Normal School on Saturday, May 16, and a royal welcome is being prepared for them. This being the first time that an excursion from Portland has ever visited the Normal everyone feels that it is an event in the history of the school.

On Tuesday morning Mr. Mabrey of the Senior class gave a very practical and interesting talk on "Government via The School." In his talk he showed how even students in grammar schools could be trained to exercise the privileges of self government with great success. Special emphasis was laid upon student government as a means of training for citizenship.

Mr. Grant B. Dimick, who was a former student of the Oregon Normal school, spoke Wednesday morning, recalling student life in his day some twenty five years ago, and emphasizing the present opportunities of students who have the privilege of being here. Mr. Dimick spoke further of his special interests, good roads and good schools. Mr. Dimick was much interested in going over the new buildings and noting the splendid improvements made in the school.

Saturday afternoon Mrs. J. H. Ackerman was hostess to a number of faculty women and towns women in honor of Miss Grace Davis who is to be married next fall. The house was decorated attractively with red hearts and pink and white flowers. The entertainments of the afternoon were Hearts and a Shakespearean Love Story which interested all the guests. Mrs. Burton, of Salem, Mrs. Ackerman's daughter, assisted her in entertaining and Miss Cheney and Miss Hogue

in serving. After delicious refreshments had been served, little Alvin Burton brought in the gifts of the guests which were showered upon Miss Davis. Altogether the afternoon was a most charming affair and one of the first to be given in honor of Miss Davis.

April 24, Mrs. West, Miss West and Miss Kennon entertained the unmarried women of the faculty at a Lilac Tea at Mrs. West's home. The house was attractively decorated in lilacs for the occasion. The guests were seated at small tables in front of the fire where the tea was served.

On Friday morning promptly at ten-thirty the May Day festivities of the Oregon Normal School began. Mr. Ackerman's ideal weather was ordered and delivered and the enthusiasm of the three classes was intense. The brilliant pageant left the side entrance with the Seniors in the lead and the other classes following. At the head of the Senior procession marched a body guard of the Senior men, bearing in a white basket, Miss Constable, the class president, dressed like a big red sweet pea. The other members followed all dressed to represent blue, pink and lavender sweet peas and swinging garlands of ivy.

The Junior class had an elaborate pageant portraying an incident from the life of Joan of Arc. Miss Clarice Edwards, as Joan on a white horse, made a striking figure followed by armed warriors, stately priests and French peasants in gay dress.

The Sophomores and Freshmen together represented an English coach of blue and white with good effect and unity of movement. On top the coach was a miniature queen of May and behind two solemn footmen. This pageant moved over the campus through the stately firs toward the Queen's throne which was located under a large maple tree. From here each class in turn used the tennis court below for unique figures and processional marching. Finally each class withdrew to its respective place and the Queen's procession was heralded by the master of ceremonies. The Queen, Miss Edna Phillips, with her attendants, moved majestically over the lawn while her loyal subjects caroled "The Spring Song." As she ascended the throne, a beautiful joyous dance was performed by her attendants.

The Queen's heralds thereupon announced that the various classes would now enjoy the privilege of competing for the cup. The first contest to be held was the winding of the May Pole. The Senior participated then the Junior and Sophomores in turn vied for this honor. The master of ceremonies dismissed the interested spectators and students until the afternoon at one-thirty, when they would again meet and enter into the events.

At the appointed hour, a tennis tournament was in progress, after which the swinging of Indian clubs, a game of volley ball between the boys, folk dancing in costumes, relay races and

FUNSTON TO HAVE FREE HAND

Arsenal Kept Busy 24 Hours a Day Making Shells

VILLA GOES SOUTH TO CAPTURE CITIES

No Faith Put in Truce Supposed To Have Been Arranged At Tampico

TORREON, Mex., May 6.—A detachment of Villa's troops stationed here entrained today for Monterey which will be the base of operations in the constitutional campaign against San Luis Potosi and Saltillo. The troops which left today will detrain at Hipolito whence they must march overland to Monterey.

WASHINGTON, May 6.—Orders have gone from the War Department to General Funston, it was learned today, authorizing him to extend his lines from Vera Cruz as far as "in his judgment it is necessary."

This, it was explained, gives the American commander virtually a free hand in dealing with the situation at Vera Cruz.

Orders for 100,000 three-inch shrapnel shells were given last night at the Frankford arsenal, Philadelphia, by Secretary Garrison.

Colonel George Montgomery, in command of the arsenal, said this was one of the largest orders ever received, and that, while he had been given until June, 1915, to fill it, he expected to complete the order before that date. The plant will be run 24 hours a day, the men working in eight-hour shifts.

Rear-Admiral Badger reported to the Navy Department today that constitutional forces made a sharp attack yesterday on Mexican federal troops in the Northwestern portion of the Province of Vera Cruz and to the west of Tampico. There was no decisive result as far as he could learn, the report stated.

Admiral Badger's report said further that Admiral Mayo informed him of persistent rumors current at Tampico that General Villa was on his way with reinforcements for the constitutionalists and intended to "take and burn the city." Admiral Mayo stated that he did not put the slightest faith in the truce supposed to have been arranged between the constitutionalists and federals at Tampico. There had been no trouble recently in the oil well district, he added.

German bat ball were performed by the various contestants.

When it was time for the ribbons to be offered to the winners in the events and the Presidents' cup to the one class which had succeeded in obtaining the largest number of points, intense excitement prevailed through the assemblage gathered before the Queen's throne. The Sophomores won first in the parade, the Juniors first in tennis and May Pole winding, but the Seniors with 28 points carried off the cup when it came to the most points won in all the events. The Juniors were close seconds with 26 points. It is needless to say that this day was one which went down in the O. N. S. history as the very best day of this year. The day was perfect and the friendly rivalry was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The judges for the events were Mrs. Gerlinger of Dallas, Dr. Dunsmore of Independence, and Mr. Moores of Salem.