

Normal School Notes

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ber was a group of Delphian girls who, dressed as Hawaiians, sang native songs de-light-fully. Following this were a number of excellently posed statues illustrating various famous pieces of sculpture. These were put on by the Delphians also. The Normals contributed two splendid glee club numbers which were well received. "The Sleeping Car" farce was the Vespertine part of the program. The characters in this were well taken and the lines produced much mirth among the audience. A farce entitled "How Girls Study" was a Delphian number full of references to Normal life and well done. The final number for which the Normals were sponsors was a take off on the faculty in which each member, represented by some student, was shown where he or she might be improved by means of helpfulness cards. Some incidental music was also a source of pleasure. A number of townspeople were present to enjoy the program.

Tuesday morning Miss Julia Huss of the Senior class represented the senior class in the first senior chapel talk of the year. Her subject was "Who can say 'I have fought a good fight.'" Miss Huss handled her subject in an earnest, sincere way which held the perfect attention of the student body.

Saturday night the Senior I Class had a very delightful party at the home of Mr. Butler. Games and various interesting forms of entertainment furnished amusement for the evening. This was a kind of informal get to gether occasion which cements the bonds of school friendship so strongly.

Miss Rosa B. Parrott was hostess Saturday at two o'clock at a most charmingly appointed luncheon. Mrs. Casey of Dallas, Miss Parrott's sister, assisted in receiving the guests in the living room of the Dormitory which was aglow with wonderful yellow chrysanthemums. Seated about the luncheon tables which were lavishly decorated with violets, exquisite roses and carnations and lighted by soft shaded candles, were some fifty guests, out of town people, Monmouth women and faculty members. During the progress of the attractively served luncheon, Mrs. Rose Coursen Reed sang some delightful groups of songs which were much appreciated by the guests. Altogether the affair was one of the most delightful of the season.

The people of the three churches will join with the Normal at 7:30 P. M., on November 26, in services appropriate to Thanksgiving. A cordial invitation is extended the citizens of Monmouth to attend.

Monmouth has seen May Festivals! She has sat at elaborate banquets! She has reeled beneath the sway of thundering oratory! Her young men in forensic arena have settled the great questions of civilization! In her classic halls her maidens have vied in contest of ode and melody! On her national holidays her childred have strewn the pathway of her citizen soldiery with wreaths and garlands of flowers! Of all these and other events the citizens of Monmouth and vicinity have been interested spectators. At each and every one they have asked the question, "Is a greater possible?" Yes, friends and patrons, a better is possible. Where? At the Normal Hall. When? Tuesday,

November 24, at 10:30 A. M. What? Over 100 children in Monmouth in gorgeous and glowing festival scenes—100 beautiful costumes—a dozen bewitching maidens in a graceful harvest dance. How much? One dollar? Oh no! just fifteen cents!

DELPHIAN SOCIETY

The Delphian society met last Friday evening with the other two societies for the first joint meeting of the year. The program was one of the best that the societies have given. The Delphian contributions consisted of an Hawaiian trio, dressed in native costume, accompanied by the Hawaiian instrument, the ukalalie, sang "Alla-hoe," which was greatly enjoyed by the audience. This was followed by a series of statues by Grecian and American sculptors. Those represented were "Parting Admonitions," "The Water Carrier," "Apollo and Daphne," "The Alice Freman Palmer Memorial" and "The Spirit of the Lakes," all of which were most faithfully and realistically portrayed. A farce "How Girls Study" was a feature of the program that was much appreciated by the audience. The evening's entertainment closed with an original "stunt," which included members of all the societies, and which held "the mirror up to nature," as it were, and gave the Faculty an opportunity "to see themselves as others see them."

Basketball Tonight

The basketball season is here and tonight the Normal School team will try conclusions with a team of the town boys in the Normal gymnasium. This is the first game of the season here and as both sides are confident of victory, it should be a good game. There will be no admission fee charged, and each side will want to see a full house there to share the joy of their victory. The game will start at 8 o'clock.

Racing for Thanksgiving

Independence will have four good running races on Thanksgiving day which will start promptly at two o'clock, rain or shine. A small admittance fee will be charged. First there will be a race for three-year-olds and over, four and a half furlongs, open to Polk, Marion, Linn, Benton and Lincoln county horses. The purse will be \$50. Then a half mile dash for a \$40 purse, three-eighths dash for saddle horses for a \$30 purse and pony race for a distance satisfactory to the entries. All purses divided 60, 30 and 10. No entrance fee. All races weight for age except the first one which is a handicap. Entries close at eight o'clock the night before.—Monitor.

E. T. Henkle Won

The early report to the effect that J. D. Winn had been elected Justice of the Peace of this district has proved incorrect as E. T. Henkle defeated him for the position. Monmouth gave Henkle four majority and Independence gave him 131, which overcame the adverse vote at Buena Vista and Suver.

OUR OFFER

In another column will be found an advertisement "Free, Memoirs of Napoleon," which we are offering to Subscribers to the HERALD together with Collier's Weekly. Anyone desiring to investigate the offer can see the three volumes of "Memoirs of Napoleon" at the HERALD office.

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RAILROADS WILL HELP THE FARMER

Common Carriers Will Co-operate in Marketing Farm Products—Middle Men Charge Higher Rates for Handling Farm Than Factory Products.

By Peter Radford.

Lecturer National Farmers' Union.

The leading railroad systems of the nation will establish market bureaus to assist the farmers along their lines in marketing their products. Many roads have acceded to the request of the Farmers' Union and announced their willingness to enter into active co-operation with the farmers in marketing their products.

The express companies have surveyed the field and the Federal Government, through the parcel post, has demonstrated the possibilities of the common carrier as a useful agency in marketing farm commodities.

I consider the action of these giant business concerns in determining to co-operate with the farmers in marketing their crops, to be the greatest product of human thought on the Western hemisphere during the past year, and it demonstrates that the educational work of the Farmers' Union has brought the nation to a clearer understanding of the real problem of the farmer.

To give information on marketing is far more valuable than to give advice on production. There is a mutual interest between the railroads and the farmer which cannot exist between any other lines of industry. The railroads are the teamsters of agriculture, and they are employed only when there is something to haul. Good prices will do more to increase tonnage than any other factor, and railroads want tonnage.

Agriculture has many inherent disadvantages which require combined effort to overcome in marketing. There are millions of producing units working independently and selling without knowledge of market conditions. The harvest is once a year, while consumption is pretty evenly distributed throughout the entire year, and most of the farmers, through custom and necessity, dump their entire crop on the market as soon as it is gathered. The problem of organizing and systematizing the markets is one in which the farmers invite assistance of all lines of industry friendly to their interests.

Farmers Bear the Burden.

The business of the manufacturer lends itself more readily to organization and the facilities for studying the markets are more easily available. The result is that the merchants are compelled to handle most staple manufactured articles at very little profit, and as a consequence the merchant must look to products which he buys direct from the farm for his profits.

The reports of the Federal Department of Agriculture show some very interesting information and enable a comparison between the cost of marketing products of the farm and those of the factory. A few items will serve to illustrate the general run. The cost of getting sugar from the refinery to the consumer is 9 cents on the dollar; the cost of getting tobacco from factory to consumer is 14 cents on the dollar. In selling a dollar's worth of eggs the middleman gets a profit of 50 cents on the dollar. In selling a dollar's worth of potatoes, the middleman makes 70 cents on the dollar; in selling a dollar's worth of fruit, the middleman gets 84 cents on the dollar, and on cantaloupes 82 cents.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 570, published by the United States Department of Agriculture, in discussing this subject, said:

"The high price paid by consumers ranging from 5 to 500 per cent, in some cases, more than the farmer receives, indicates that there is plenty of room for lowering the cost of farm products to consumers and at the same time largely increasing the cash income per farm, without increasing farm production. This condition is undoubtedly a marketing problem which will have to be solved by better organization of farmers and improved methods of marketing."

Large Shippers Influence Rates. In railroad rates the inequalities are equally as glaring. Rate making in its primitive stages was largely influenced by demands and arguments of large shippers, but the farmers were unorganized and seldom appeared before rate-making bodies, and the burden of expense in transportation lies largely against the raw products of the farm.

In banking, our securities are discriminated against, as compared with the products of the factories and mines. The farmer is entitled to a square deal. The farmer is more interested in good prices and efficient service than he is in rates.

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