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LITERARY PROGRAMS

Events of the Week at the Oregon Normal School

Townpeople who are on the social list at the Normal and who received invitations to the last social function given by the student body are invited to attend the dance and party to be held Saturday evening, March 17.

At a meeting of the Building Committee of the Board of Regents last Monday Mr. John V. Bennes was selected as the architect for the construction of the addition to the main building. Plans and specifications will be prepared at once.

City Superintendent Tooze of Oregon City was the speaker at Friday's chapel exercises. Mr. Tooze's subject, "Some Phases of Education," was handled in an absorbing fashion which revealed to his intensely interested audience his wide acquaintance with educational history and his splendid interest in the teaching profession. Beginning with a comprehensive view of pioneer education. Mr. Tooze came on down to practical problems of the present day teacher whose characteristics he enumerated. The Oregon Normal School enjoyed Mr. Tooze's speech and was delighted to have him as a guest. It is hoped he will return often.

The Hungarian orchestra program which was the lyceum number for Monday night gave an enjoyable popular program which pleased a large audience. The Hungarian cymbolum and the flute solos were the prominent features of the program, which was a generous offering of popular and classical music.

Miss Minnie Allen was the Senior speaker Wednesday morning. Her subject, "The Teacher's Cottage," was developed in a clear, logical way and was greeted with enthusiastic response by the students.

The regular meeting of the Vespertine Society of the Oregon Normal School was held Saturday evening, March tenth. A joint program with the Delphian and Normal societies occupied the early part of the evening. The Vespertine numbers were a piano trio by the Misses Barlow, Tomkins, Strausser, and a vocal duet by the Misses Wolfer and Madson. A feature of the joint program was an interesting account of the excursion to the oratorical contest at Corvallis, told by Mr. Pittman in his usual clever style. The societies then adjourned to their respective meeting places, the Vespertines remaining in the chapel.

The evening's entertainment consisted of a "fairy" program, every number of which was entertaining and novel.

A fairy play, "The Frog Fairy" directed by Elizabeth Griffin, was the first on the program. The characters were: The Youngest Princess—Helen Hall; The Second Princess—Ruth Hallgarth; The Eldest Princess—Alice Tomkins; Their Father, the King—Stella Redford; The Herald—Eva Beekman; King's Attendants—Nellie Cole and Daisy Crocker; The Soldier—Dorothy Foster; The

Executioner—Doris Harding; The Frog Fairy—Irene Keefe.

A fairy hoop drill, directed by Grace Archer, followed. Those taking part were Alice Ekstrom, Nina Dunton, Nellie Barton, Gertrude Schwank, Mable Noyes, Olive Merrill, Ruth Jamieson and Jessie De Carrie.

Especially interesting were the folk stories, which were heralded by Anna Jerzyek. Amy Whipple told a charming German story, "Mother Holle," to four little German girls, Blanche Herman, Edna Fittz, Laura Duerner and Edna Martin.

Bertha Karcher told an amusing English story, "Tom Tit Tat." This was appropriately followed by a story from the Irish, "The Goat Skin Boy," cleverly told by an Irish boy, Margaret Sullivan, to an Irish girl, Elizabeth Duver. Anna Thompson told two quaint Russian stories, "Fox and Hedgehog" and "The Disappointed Bear," to a Russian boy, Nellie Cole.

The last of the series was an American tale, Harris' "Tar Baby," cleverly told by Lillian McFarland to Lucile Bonebrake. In the intermissions between the stories, Henrietta Wolfer and Ellen Madsen sang fairy songs.

A dainty fairy dance, directed by Meda Angell, was thoroughly enjoyed. The dancers were Elvira Anderson, Grace Ayers, Meda Angell, Beryl Cox and Betty Howitt.

Lura Morgan directed the last number, which was a Flower Fairy Drill. Those taking part were M. Cooley, E. Sloop, W. Taylor, M. Viegas, D. Sexton, T. Roberts, O. Jameson, E. Hufford, J. Walker, C. Thompson, E. Fitts, C. Irvine, E. Benson, S. Arnold, H. Johnston, E. Gard and A. Krusson.

Miss Kennon, the critic of the society, gave a favorable report, after which the meeting adjourned.

The joint meeting of the literary societies was held in the chapel on Saturday, March the tenth. Miss Elinor Anderson, Mrs. Tooley and Miss Casteel represented the Delphians. The former entertained with a piano and violin duet and the latter with a vocal solo.

The Delphians then adjourned to the Assembly room where their regular meeting was held. After a short business meeting the program was rendered. The first number was the roll call which was responded to by toasts, exploiting the various departments of the Oregon Normal. Miss Parrott acted as toastmistress and those who responded were Miss Cowgill, McMurry; Miss Zeigler, Domestic Science and Art; Miss Tousey, Science; Miss Kherli, Physical Education; Miss McCourt, Psychology; Miss Perkins, Rural Department; Miss Cupp, Music; Miss Deggendorfer, English; Miss Gilman, Mathematics; Miss Flora Bushnell, History; Miss Bayley, the Training School. Some very illuminating information was made public concerning these departments which was greatly appreciated by the audience.

The reading given by Miss Medler which followed was most opportune as it portrayed patriotism in its highest sense.

Then came the dramatization of the popular old folk tale, "Snow White and Rose Red," directed by Miss Esther Halvorsen. Those taking part were the Misses Laufman, Wileska Roberts, Hill, Kirkwood, Bollier, McAllister, and several attendants. Miss McAllister, as the dwarf, deserves special mention for her faithful interpretation of the character. The processional, which concluded the dramatization, was most spectacular.

Miss Olga Wickberg then gave an

ENDORSED PRESIDENT

Commercial Club Also Helps With Road Organization

At a meeting of the Commercial club last Saturday night the club went squarely on record in expressing confidence in the president in our national situation and adopted the following as a resolution to be forwarded to the president.

President Wilson, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:- Where as the Monmouth Commercial Club feel it the duty of all patriotic citizens to stand by the Pres. of the United States in this present national crisis. Therefore be it resolved that we hereby endorse your stand for Armed Neutrality and deem it the immediate duty of congress to afford you all necessary equipment and means for the protection of the commerce, life and property rights of the American people.

Respectfully, Monmouth Commercial Club, A. B. Morlan, President; E. B. Hamilton, Secretary.

The club also went on record as expressing gratitude to the representatives and senator from Polk county for their telling work in the legislature in behalf of the city and especially in behalf of the Normal. An appropriate resolution was drafted and sent to Representatives Staffrin and Fuller and Senator Hawley.

The highway bond issue also came before the club for discussion and an invitation was presented by the Dallas Commercial club to meet with them and other citizens of the county, interested in this measure in Dallas on Tuesday evening.

As a result of the efforts of the club Monmouth sent over a large delegation to Dallas where representatives were present from all sections of the county and much interest was manifested. Senator Vinton, of McMinnville was present and was the principal speaker although short and effective talks were made by Judge Kirkpatrick, Ed Himes and President Ackerman.

Senator Vinton was one of the originators of the bond idea and his talk explained many things on which there had previously been considerable darkness. It was brought out that there was a one fourth mill tax raised which can be diverted to this work and that this in addition to the auto tax would create a fund sufficient to pay the interest on the bonds and refund them in 28 years.

Judge Kirkpatrick brought out a number of things of great interest bearing on the county part of the work. The county, under the terms of the act, is to prepare the sub-grade for the hard finish which the state is to

impromptu speech on "The Teacher's Home," which was most informational and especially interesting to an audience of embryonic teachers.

This was followed by one of Miss Fiske's "Monologues," which was given most entertainingly by Miss Moench.

The program was concluded by Miss Parrott's critic report. She explained the details of the Animal Story-Telling Contest, which is to be held on April twentieth.

put down. Judge Kirkpatrick estimated that with the comparatively level stretches over which the road is to be built in Polk the cost will be under \$500 a mile. The Judge also stated that the county was in better financial condition than most people imagine and that the county could, in his judgment, pay its share in the inter-county bridge and still have enough remaining to prepare the subgrade from Dallas through Monmouth to Independence, which would be all that could be expected done this year. It was also stated that when the through route was complete, its upkeep would be guaranteed for ten years and during this interval the money which would have normally been spent on the main thoroughfare would be diverted to laterals and thus the whole county would get good roads.

The meeting was organized into a Polk county Good Roads Association with Dallas as headquarters and branches in the different towns of the county. H. Hirschberg of Independence was elected president and Mrs. Winnie Braden of Dallas, secretary. The president is to appoint vicepresidents, to be announced at a future date.

The following were present at the meeting from Monmouth: Messrs. Ackerman, Powell, Parker, Winegar, Lightfoot, Morlan, Boothby, Butler, Jones, Walker, Hamilton and Johnson.

C. P. Cornwall was down from Portland for a Sunday with his wife and brought along a child which they may adopt.

Farnk Sayer and wife of Moro were recent guests of C. C. Lee.

Rumors of various kinds are traveling about stating that Ray Thomas, son of E. L. Thomas of this city has met with disaster on the battle fields of Europe. The truth appears in a telegram received by Mr. Thomas from the Canadian authorities stating that the boy had recieved a gun shot wound in a thumb. Ray Thomas enlisted in the Canadian infantry while working in Canada and is among the soldiers in France.

Attractions at the Norm

Sat., Mar. 17—"For the Defence."
Tues., Mar. 20—"Iron Claw."
Thurs., Mar. 22—"Poor Little Pippina."
Sat., Mar. 24—"The Code of Marcia Gray."

the same to be published in the Herald.

The recorder was also instructed to request Mr. Dashiell to make certain changes in regard to the barn on his premises.

A. L. Tallman was present and offered to do the city's part of the Main street parking space work at 8 1-2 cts. per square foot and the street committee was empowered to deal with him should they see fit.

The following bills were presented and paid:

Water Fund	
National Meter Co.....	\$105.50
Monmouth Herald, postals & printing.....	12.00
Oregon Power Co.....	59.00
Road Fund	
Monmouth Lumber Co, tile.....	4.00
R. O. Mason, tiling.....	23.75
C. H. Guin, tiling.....	23.75
General Fund	
Oregon Power Co., lights	67.83

A MILE OF SIDEWALKS

Three Fourths of That Distance Ordered to be Laid

Sidewalks was the principal topic of business at the meeting of the Common council last Tuesday night although a number of important items came up for consideration. All members of the council were present as were also the recorder and marshal and Mayor Ostien presided.

The sidewalk resolution as passed comprehends the improvement of several streets by the laying of concrete walks. Following are the names of streets and property owners affected by the owners: College street—Mrs. A. Shore, H. B. & Minnie Wilson, S. F. Wattenberger, Mrs. V. F. Daniel, Orpha Dashiell, Sara J. and Luther Ground, G. T. and M. L. Boothby.

On Clay street—Samuel Strickler, Dora A. Chase, David Bullis. On Whitman street—S. P. Wattenberger.

On Knox street—Martha L. Chapman, E. W. Strong, J. H. Moran, trustee; C. G. Griffa.

On Monmouth avenue—Samuel Strickler, S. D. Coats Estate, Ira Powell.

On Main street—P. J. Mulkey, P. H. Johnson, E. E. Rake, A. N. Poole, Jas. Goodman, Elizabeth Clark, J. H. Moran, Mrs. Anna Dawson, Maggie and Allie Butler, H. A. and Rachel Newman, C. H. Newman, Ben F. Butler, Mrs. Edith A. Riggs, J. L. Phillipi and R. M. Smith.

This includes 37 parcels of walk and amounts to something like thirty nine hundred feet or three fourths of a mile and is perhaps as large a stretch of walk as the city ever ordered in at one time. This has been made necessary by the decay of many of the old board walks and the street committee in inspecting decided these board walks had been allowed to stand about as long as their usefulness permitted.

The resolution ordering in these walks was regularly passed and the recorder ordered to post proper notices.

The lumber yard lease also came up at this time and the proposal was placed before the council by the Willamette Valley Lumber Co. through their representatives, E. B. Hamilton for a two year lease, at \$125 per annum and check for \$62.50 was presented as payment for the first six month's rent. On due motion the proposal of the lumber company was accepted, the lease to extend from the date of the expiration of the old lease.

The septic tank ordinance was discussed but not adopted, the council waiting for further information.

A resolution was also presented and adopted widening the sidewalks on Main street between Warren and Broad to extend from the property line to the curb line and the recorder was ordered to post notices.

The recorder presented proof of posting Ordinances 189 and 190 and the same was regularly accepted.

The recorder was also instructed to obtain from Attorney Swope an explanation of the proposed charter amendments,