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FIRST CONCERT IN NEW CHAPEL

Miss Hoham's Annual Event Given Enthusiastic Greeting

The annual concert of the Music Department under the direction of Miss Mary Hoham was the center of all interest on Tuesday night., February 5. The program was an excellently arranged one, displaying the splendid types of work directed by the department: the Training School Orchestra, the Normal School Orchestra, and the Glee Club ensemble singing.

The first part of the evening was given to selections by the Training and Normal School orchestras, which were well interpreted and directed skillfully, and to a most delightful group of songs by Mrs. Jane Burns Albert, of Portland, soloist, whose lovely voice and charming manner quite won the favor of the audience. The second part of the program was a most exquisitely sung version of "King Rene's Daughter" featuring the glee club choruses, quartettes and Mrs. Albert's wonderfully sympathetic singing of the solo parts. The ensemble effects were perfect, the diction and clearness of tone in the singing of the choruses most pleasing. The charming story was more charmingly given with the added beauty of lovely, fresh toned singing and delightfully intelligent directing. The piano accompaniments were an added source of enjoyment. The auditorium was crowded with both Monmouth and Independence people who look forward always to this annual concert which this year seems to have achieved even higher praise than have former concerts. Miss Hoham is certainly talented in her program planning as well as in her program directing.

Miss Cornelia Marvin one of the Normal School Regents, was present for the concert as were also Mr. J. A. Churchill and Miss Marie Churchill of Salem.

The program of the concert may be found on page three.

Mr. H. G. Starkweather and Mr. C. L. Starr, both of Portland, Oregon, and members of the Building Committee of the Normal School were in town February 6 inspecting the Normal School Building.

Monday was Thrift Day at the Normal as well as elsewhere. Special significance was given the day by having as the speaker for chapel Mr. Ira C. Powell, president of the First National Bank of Monmouth. Mr. Powell gave a fine business like talk on the present and future necessity and value of saving and outlined the advantages of war saving stamps as a means of promoting thrift and showing patriotism in concrete fashion. A number of Monmouth citizens were present to hear Mr. Powell.

Grange Program

A change has been made in the Grange program for Saturday afternoon. Instead of Prof. Hislop of the O. A. C. C. S. Brewster of the same institution will talk on Poultry. The first poultry program which the Grange has had and no one interested in the topic should fail to attend. Any one who has an

excess supply of garden seeds included in the premium list of the county fair should bring the same to the meeting and exchange for other seed this being the annual garden exchange meeting. In the afternoon program to which all are invited there will be a violin solo by Helen Cornelius, a humorous reading by E. A. Ostrom, a vocal solo by Bruce Rogers and other attractions.

Liberty Bonds Here

The First National Bank announces that it has received the 2nd issue of Liberty Bonds and is ready to make distribution to all subscribers. These are the coupon or bearer bonds. The registered bonds have not yet arrived.

Service Flag is Presented

The presentation of a service flag was the central point of interest in the chapel exercises for Tuesday. This service flag was presented by the faculty members to the student body as a tribute to the young men who have enlisted from the school. The features of the very simple program were spirited singing of patriotic songs by the assembly and a very fitting and thought provoking talk by President Ackerman who at the close of his fine speech formally presented the service flag to Miss Helen Strauser, the president of the student body, who replied with a gracious speech of thanks. Several fathers and mothers of sons whose stars are on the flag were present as were interested friends in Monmouth. The flag bears stars for these young men who are either graduates or ex-students of the school.

Following is the list of the Normal soldier boys:

Nelson Rogers	Paul Loucks
Ivan Wood	Harold Benjamin
Cyril Richardson	Douglas Parks
H. D. Stevens	Chadwick Newhouse
Carlton Shanks	Ranie Burkhead
Ray Bower	Marion Butler
R. W. Dobell	Harold Tallman
Joe Bell	Jack Wood
Roy Bowman	Stanley Evans
Edwin Brown	Clarence Soderstrom
Ray Baker	Raymond Steinback
W. J. Mulkey	Birchard Van Loan
Harry Brookhart	Arthur Burkhead
Marvin Richardson	

Ernest A. Morgan, senior emerged a winner in the annual Normal Oratorical try out Thursday afternoon. Second place was awarded to May Lund and third to W. E. Buell. Delegates elected were Seniors Alice Grant, Helen Judge; Junior Elsie Krieg and Myriel Paul.

The contest this year is to be held at Willamette college in Salem, March 8th.

Annual Event at High School

The National Week of Song is to be fittingly observed by the High School in their annual concert.

The chorus under the direction of Miss Lyrel Morris is working enthusiastically to make this event an unparalleled success.

The concert will be held in the High School Assembly Hall Feb. 19, at 8 P. M. Look for the program in next weeks issue of the Herald.

D. M. Hampton was a visitor in Dallas, Saturday.

EDUCATIONAL DEMOCRACY

Prof. Gentle Outlines Trend of Progress for P. T. Ass'n

War times and patriotism were the central ideas of the program given by the Parent Teacher Association in the high school auditorium Wednesday night.

Prof. Gentle in his address dealt with the topic in his usual energetic and common sense fashion, explaining the worth and meaning of democracy as applied to public school policies. He termed the usual school policies, especially those predominant in the past as imperialistic, saying that the aim always was to make the graduate of institutions of higher learning unfit for useful work. He made a strong plea for practicalness in education, re-enforcing his ideas with flashes of wit and sarcasm. He congratulated the high school upon its successful operation as shown in the results and expressed the wish that training and applied sciences might be added to its course of study.

At the conclusion of Mr. Gentle's address, the parents present went on record as favoring manual training in the high school.

The preliminary program was patriotic in its nature and was exceedingly good.

Miss Morris, musical instructor of the high school led in congregational singing with Miss Read at the piano.

Miss Ethelva Elkins rendered a piano solo very nicely. The small children of Miss Rieker's room in the first and second grades sang two patriotic songs under the direction of their student teacher and were roundly applauded.

Miss Radabaugh's pupils of the fifth and sixth grades presented a dramatization of "How the Star Spangled Banner Came to be Written" illustrating the visit of Francis Scott Key to the British man of war on the night when Ft. McHenry was bombarded. Three girls of the high school appeared in a vocal trio, a splendid effort.

Under the direction of Mr. Tavenner, Glen Turner posed as a youthful war hero, a recruit, veteran, wounded and returned home, with the aid of Zeta Smith as mother and Clara Wade as the Red Cross nurse, which were very effectively posed and made a series of fine pictures.

Rumor was current on the street Monday that the city paving suit had been tried which rumor proved upon investigation to be wholly without foundation. Judge Belt is not in Dallas at present, but in McMinville. It is quite likely that the suit will receive a hearing next week when the judge returns to Polk county.

"The Man Who Took a Chance" will be the attraction at the Norm theater on Saturday, Feb. 9. A "Bluebird" film with Franklyn Farnum appearing in the star part, Agnes Vernon supplying his chief support in her pleasing personality and dramatic efficiency. This is a drama of excitement; a speedy passage through scores of gripping episodes that finish with a surprise to cap the climax.

A number of towns people attended the Thrift Day exercises at the Normal Monday morning which were held at the regular Chapel period. Ira C. Powell of the First National Bank was the speaker of the occasion and in the course of his remarks presented the matter of individual and public thrift as a duty at all times but more especially now in the period of national stress.

He said the privilege of the teacher in being able to talk thrift to children was an important one for the habits of children continue with them through life. He cautioned that thrift did not mean miserliness but the making the most of the world's opportunities without waste.

He described the government project of selling baby bonds or thrift stamps and said these were especially useful for the purpose of starting young people in the saving habit.

Normal Seniors Larrup Juniors

Camouflaging an indoor riot under the name of "basketball game" the men of the normal aided and abetted by two members of the faculty entertained the students and townspeople in the gymnasium last Friday evening.

The occasion was the annual contest for supremacy between the Junior and Senior classes but due to the shortage of men this year, the Juniors were reinforced by the brain and brawn of Professor Gilmore and the Seniors had the assistance of Mr. Burton.

The Juniors who were doped as the winners started with a rush scoring the first basket in the first minute of play. The Seniors tied the score almost immediately and thereafter were never headed tho the score was close up to the final which was 14 to 11 for the Seniors.

Tho the game was rough and furious the best of spirit prevailed and many flashes of good playing were shown, but team work was lacking due to few practices. Probably the most consistent work was done by Chatburn and Brown forwards for the Juniors who were in the game fighting every minute. The Junior offense was handicapped by an injury to Buell during the week. Sayre and Gilmore as guards kicked in like colts and showed everyone that the old ones do "come back." For the Seniors, Webber, Gilbreath and Wood handled the offense in rather admirable style considering they had not played together before, Gilbreath in particular starring at center and in basket shooting. Burton shot the first basket for the Seniors from near the middle of the floor, greatly to his own—and every one's else surprise. Morgan played a scrappy game at guard and managed to shoot a basket in between times.

As soon as the participants are out of the hospital a return engagement may be looked for.

When Mr. and Mrs. John Howell were living in Marion county and their children were getting old enough to go to school, the first teacher they had was E. J. Frazier, of whose exploits in Corvallis and Eugene the daily papers have recently related.

A LETTER FROM STANLEY EVANS

Monmouth Youth with Overseas Forces Sends Letter

Editor of Monmouth Herald

Dear Sir and People of Monmouth,

How can one imagine being thousands of miles from home in such a seemingly moment of time is nearly beyond one's thought. Yesterday we were in the grand United States but today it seems we are foreigners in a foreign land, amidst strange peoples and tongue; yet it is a part of our cheerful duty to break the cords of autocratic bondage. One can't help but feel a throb of pride when he thinks of being a part and participator in the cause of Democracy. Let us hope victory will be our reward and Democracy shall rule supremely over autocracy.

Our trip across the broad [waters of the Atlantic was pleasant indeed, the sea was calm as a quiet river. Many parts of England and France seem much like Oregon, rain, sunshine and snow, valleys and wooded hills where life seems abundant. Rivers and harbors seem the work of many ages. Interesting indeed are the magnificent works of art accomplished by engineers of the past.

Our quarters are very comfortable and every effort is made for our welfare. Our opportunity for acquiring the French language is ideal, yet one seems to care for only enough of a vocabulary to transact purchases.

American progressiveness and American folk cannot be beaten, so our ambition is to win and come back to you victors in the fight.

Sending our sincerest wishes to all, we are your boys,

Corp. E. S. Evans,
Co. L. 162 Infantry.

The congregational singing of America at the concert Tuesday night was very weak until about the last verse, but everybody was admiring the handsome new curtain and also the pretty picture it disclosed as it gracefully looped back.

Dr. J. O. Matthis left during the early part of the week for Willamina where he plans to locate as a physician. The local physician of that town, because of infirmities had to retire recently and a successor had been called for. Dr. Matthis answered the call: At Willamina he expects to be the only physician between Sheridan and the coast. There are a number of saw mills in the neighborhood of Willamina and also a large brick and tile concern. The town is flourishing and the doctor thought the opportunity to secure a location was too good to pass over. He has been practicing in Monmouth nine years having bought out the practice of Dr. Crowley when he had completed his medical education. He has enjoyed a good business and had the confidence of the public. He has been public spirited and always ready to boost a worthy cause. But the field here is well supplied and limited and he feels his present opportunity too good to be neglected. The doctor and his family will be missed in Monmouth.

John Faulkenberry of Airlie visited at Geo. Sullivan's.