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MAY DAY PLANS NOW COMPLETED

Judge McCamant to be Commencement Orator at Normal

The annual May Day Exercises of the Normal will be held on Friday, May 9th, beginning at 9:30 o'clock with the processional, in which will be represented the Senior and Junior classes of the Normal, the Monmouth and Independence Training Schools, the Mountain View, Oak Point and Elkins Rural Centers. Other events in which the Seniors and Juniors will contest in order to decide the winner of the cup offered by President Ackerman to the class securing the most points are: the May Pole Winding, the Folk Dancing, an Original Drill, Tennis and Volley Ball. In addition to these events, there will be a relay race among the boys from the Training Schools and the Rural Centers, four to be selected from each school. The winner will deliver the decision of the Judges to the Queen and the school will be awarded an Oregon Normal School Pennant. The day's activities will close with a base ball game. The Judges of the events are: Mr. H. G. Starkweather of Portland, a member of the Board of Regents of the Normal; Miss Cummings, Head of the Physical Education Department, U. of O.; and Assistant State Superintendent E. F. Carleton. Every one is invited.

All of the details for the opening of the Summer Term of the Oregon Normal on June 23rd have been completed. Provisions have been made for all of the regular courses and for additional courses in methods in all of the elementary subjects. A special course in Physical Education will be offered to prepare teachers to comply with the law passed by the last legislature which requires that a definite time each day be devoted to this subject. In addition to the regular courses special lecturers will be heard, musical programs will be given and an especially splendid list of motion pictures will be shown. The correspondence indicates a large attendance during the Summer Session.

Superintendent Goetz, of North Bend, was at the Normal last week selecting teachers for the coming year. Superintendent Goetz has a standard for teachers that would make it a liberal education to work with him. The Seniors evidenced their appreciation of his ideals by rising en masse when asked, after his brief talk, how many of them would like to go to North Bend.

Miss Joyce, Assistant State Club Organizer, O. A. C., gave a most informational and inspirational talk on the Club Work in the State at last Thursday's Chapel. She re-enforced her lecture by pictures which were most attractive and suggestive. This work is meritorious and Miss Joyce's address will, no doubt, be potent a factor in inspiring the students to organize like clubs in their schools. Miss Joyce was accompanied by Mr. Wills, '17, Rural Supervisor of Polk County.

John Webber, '18, who has just received his discharge, related some of his experiences at Friday's Chapel. His special work was making carbon for the masks. As he outlined the work done and the risks encountered one realized that those at the front were not the only ones who jeopardized their lives to defeat the Hun.

Miss Hazlitt, Student Volunteer Worker of the Y. W. C. A., was on the Campus on Friday and talked to the Y. W. C. A. girls in the Association room in the evening.

Superintendent Calavan, of Clackamas County, was at the Normal last Friday interviewing teachers for his county. Mr. Calavan gave a very interesting talk in chapel and, among many other worth while things, mirrored the citizen of the future. He said, "The citizen of the future must love liberty, must have his hands and muscles trained, must be able to use the English language, must love his country and must give service."

Miss Esther Harris, '17, who has the primary work in the Oregon City Schools, took advantage of the annual visiting day allotted to the teachers of Oregon City to return

to the campus. She spent the day in the class rooms at the Normal.

The officers of the Alumni were called together on Saturday by the President, Miss Emily DeVore, Critic of the First and Second Grades of the Independence Schools, to plan for the Alumni reunion at Commencement. Plans were formulated which it is hoped will bring back to the Normal for the 1919 Commencement the largest gathering of the Alumni ever seen on the campus.

Judge McCamant, ex-member of the Supreme Court and one of the best known lawyers of Portland, has been secured for the Commencement Address. Judge McCamant is recognized as one of Oregon's finest speakers and the 1919 Class is to be congratulated on securing him.

Miss Taylor, Head of the Physical Education Department, was in Salem Monday in attendance at a conference of Physical Directors of the State. Superintendent Churchill after conferring with these representatives appointed a committee, consisting of Doctor Brown, Head of Physical Education, O. A. C.; Miss Cummings, Head of Physical Education U. of O.; and Miss Taylor, Head of Physical Education, O. N. S., to formulate a course of study to conform to the new physical education law passed by the last legislature, which requires that twenty minutes each day be devoted to this work.

Mr. Gentle, Superintendent of the Training Schools and Head of the Education Department, and Miss Ida Smith, Critic of the First and Second Grades, were the principal speakers at the Beaverton Institute on last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Parkes, ex-students of the Normal, were on the campus this week. Mr. Parkes has just returned from eighteen months overseas service during most of which time he was at the front. Mr. and Mrs. Parkes are planning to teach next year and return to the Normal later to complete their course.

Mrs. Margaret Curran, Rural Supervisor and Institute Conductor, is visiting the High Schools in Clackamas County this week.

Mrs. Ellen O'Donnell McCreadie, '15, who is planning to take up teaching again, was at the Normal last week making arrangements to continue her work at Teachers College, Columbia University, New York.

Mr. Ostien, of the Mathematics Department, who for the past year has been with the Y. M. C. A. in France, writes that he plans to be in his old class room at the Normal for Summer School.

Arthur Walwyn Evans, the well-known nephew of the British Premier Lloyd-George, who appeared at the Normal Auditorium on Monday evening, is a speaker of exceptional ability. His sincere appreciation of America and all things American were most gratifying to an American audience and made every true American register a solemn vow to more surely exemplify in his own life those ideals for which America stands and which led Mr. Evans to say that America meant fraternity to him.

On account of several cases of la grippe among the students, which it is feared may develop into influenza, the Faculty have thought it wise to take every precaution and have postponed the motion picture, "Our Teddy", which was to have been given on May 2nd, to a later date.

The two small daughters of Hugh Guthrie of Corvallis, arrived Saturday evening for a visit with their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Guthrie. Hugh Guthrie and wife are making an extended visit in the east.

Mrs. W. T. Sellers of Banks Oregon, mother of Deane Sellers, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Halleck. The latter has been on the sick list but is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Meyers of the Hotel Oregon in Portland spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Stengel.

HIGHWAY WORK TO START SOON

Warren Company Unit to Spend Season in Polk County Work

Engineer Fletcher who represents the highway commission on the paving work to be done in this vicinity this year, says the Warren company is scheduled to begin work right away and will probably be all summer or until the middle of October or the first of November in getting the 8 miles paved. They are now taking down the paving plant which they will use on this project and which has been used in Portland. This plant will do all of the work between Rickreall and Independence. A car of coal was received in the local yards last week which will be ready when the contractors need it.

According to Mr. Fletcher there are but two places on the route where grading will be done. These are located at the east end of Main street in Monmouth and one near Rickreall. The paving company will do the grading and extra expense will be charged to the county although the ordinary work of getting the road ready is considered in the state's contract.

The paving company will scarify and level the grade, roll it and then lay the asphaltic pavement. This pavement is to be 16 feet wide with macadam of two feet on each side, or twenty feet wide in all. There is a piece of road near the tile factory just north of Monmouth where the grade is not twenty feet wide and where some filling will have to be made.

When the paving directors arrive, a consultation will be held with local officials and residents and it will be determined just what extra improvements are to be done in Monmouth. The extras, of course, will have to be done at city or abutting property expense. But the state will put the twenty foot roadway through the city, as in the county, at its own cost.

Died in Idaho

Samuel J. Donaldson, a brother-in-law of A. J. Haley of this city, died in Rupert, Idaho, April 8. He was born at Bellefonte, Ark. in 1875 and started across the plains with his parents when but three weeks old. They settled at Waterville, Lane county, on the McKenzie river and lived there 22 years. In 1897 they moved to Shoshone, Idaho, where Mr. Donaldson taught school. He enlisted in the Spanish war. He was elected to the legislature of Idaho and was an ardent prohibitionist. He moved to Portland in 1907 and was in business there until 1912. In 1909 he married Carrie Haley. They have one son. Mr. Donaldson was a member of the Christian church and was pastor of several congregations, preaching his first sermon at Pleasant Hill in Lane county.

Mrs. Ida Strong Siegel reports that her husband Lieutenant L. M. Siegel is still on duty in Germany. He is at present acting as judge in cases of minor offense and never fails to make a sentence as mild as the law will allow, he says, because he has a feeling for those lonesome boys so far from home.

Mrs. J. L. Van Loan received a telegram Monday from her son Birchard, stating that he had arrived safely in New York from overseas. Birchard was a member of the original Company L but was transferred to the 151st field artillery, a Minnesota company which arrived Sunday on the transport Huntington. He will be stationed at Camp Merrit for the present.

Mrs. J. M. Pember entertained her Sunday school class at her home last Thursday evening.

A TALENTED WELCHMAN

Nephew of Lloyd George Favorably Impresses Audience

"What America Means to Me" was the topic of the lecture by Arthur Walwyn Evans at the Normal last Monday evening and it will rank among the best attractions in this line which the Normal has had. With anecdote and story and without any direct order of procedure, Mr. Evans spent the first part of the evening in an effort to bring the audience to his view point—that of one who through living in a land where people of alien tongue and customs are regarded with suspicion usually of a hostile kind, finds it hard to conceive of the fellowship which all nationalities achieve in America. This he illustrated with a rhetorical painting of an English roofer who with all the lingo that appertains to the genuine article, urged "Heinie" to "line it out" and "bust up" the game. It was a masterpiece of character delineation which set the house in an uproar of merriment. At the same time how else could it have been made more absurdly plain that the people who in Europe herd together and antagonize rival nationalities, here become one, whether it is in the national sport, in business, or in the draft call.

Mr. Evans has a very peculiar delivery, speaks very rapidly, with odd and unusual gestures, but he crowded a great many things in a two hour talk and was well worthy of a much larger audience than the one which turned out to hear him.

Hapenings of the High School

The semi-finals of the tennis tournament resulted in the following manner:

1. Boys Singles—Seniors
2. Boys Doubles—Seniors
3. Girls Singles—Sophomore
4. Girls Doubles—Sophomore

The Seniors also won the boys doubles in the finals. Well! Leave it to the Seniors every time.

The next step in tennis will be for the school to venture out to capture a few games from our neighboring towns.

The seniors who played on the Basket Ball team are the proud owners of white sweaters, purchased by the athletic fund.

At the regular Student Body meeting a unanimous vote of thanks was extended to "Dad" for making the reflectors for our foot lights.

The financial conditions were also reported better. Evidently the "Slow ones" got it time to pay up. From all appearances Hugh Bell attended the lecture Monday night for recently he has been heard to quote the Hon. Evans. He also seems to be up on the "Irish" question.

The politicians of M. H. S. are getting busy with their "Stump speeches", for the nominations for officers of the coming year take place Wednesday next. This is a big event for the success of the high school depends largely upon the officers.

We were honored by the appearance of Mr. Gentle, who gave an interesting as well as instructive talk. It seems like home to hear Mr. Gentle talk, for many of us were ushered thru the grades under the "Gentle" direction.

The "Flu" is again a serious question, for if the school should have to close it would work a hardship on the senior class. We also take great pleasure in noting that the "Flu" did not "originate" in the high school this time.

Don't forget to watch, look and listen, M. H. S.

Harrison Brant and Charley Bowman went fishing Sunday in the vicinity of Pelee and came home with a fine string of trout.

Back from Oversea

Mr. and Mrs. Douglass Parkes of Portland were visitors in Monmouth Monday calling on old friends and visiting at the Normal. Mr. Parkes who has recently returned with the expeditionary forces from overseas enlisted as a member of Company L. He was detached from the company in England for sickness and was in a hospital there for some time. When he again joined the ranks he was placed in the 26th division which was made up for the most part of Boston men. He got to the front in July, during the Chateau Thierry fight and with the exception of a week or two was at the front from then on until the armistice was signed in November. Mr. and Mrs. Parkes plan to start teaching in the fall.

Prunes in Demand

Prune growers are much interested in events of the week that indicate prices this fall will be considerably in advance of a year ago. Many growers have contracted for their harvest at a seventy five per cent advance over last season's quotations. The indications are also that berries will be in large demand and the formerly despised evergreen blackberry is not the least of these.

Cherries as yet have not been affected by the rise in prices but doubtless will be included as the season advances. The prospects now are for good crops along the line and spring wheat rarely has looked better.

L. E. Dike of Mill City is here accustoming himself to handling the local S. P. business. Agent Prime and family start today on a trip which before it is concluded will use up about a thousand dollars worth of transportation, extending pretty well over the lands of the west and southwest.

A telegram received by O. A. Wolverton Wednesday stated that Mrs. J. A. Brown, wife of a former pastor of the Monmouth Christian church, was dead. Since he left Monmouth in 1905, Rev. Brown has been located at Watsonville, California.

Ed Griffa who is working at Hoskins describes a train wreck in a recent letter. Eight cars loaded with logs, ran off the grade into a gulch on top of the engine which was considerably damaged. No lives were lost.

The annual business meeting of the Christian church will be held in the church on Saturday evening, May 3rd. Supper will be served before the business meeting.

H. K. Sickafosse, Past Grand Herald of the Oregon Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., has been deputized by the grand master, W. F. Walker to officially visit the following lodges: Kings Valley, May 3; Sheridan, May 6; Alsea, May 10; Falls City, May 17.

J. W. Pember dropped off in Monmouth for a visit with his family Wednesday. He says the greenness of our grass and foliage is in sharp contrast to the country across the Rockies. St. Paul had a snow storm recently and there was considerable snow on the ground when he left Minnesota.

The Loyal Daughter's Class of the Christian Sunday School had a business meeting to elect officers, combined with a social time, last Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Crofoot. The girls had prepared a nice program, every one taking part. There were games and refreshments and all enjoyed themselves very much.

Dean D. Sellers of the High School made a visit to his home near Banks, Oregon, Friday of last week, returning Monday.

ENTERTAINING THE GRAND MASTER

Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Observe Century Anniversary

W. F. Walker of Springfield, grand master of Oregon Odd Fellows was the guest of honor of Normal lodge and friends Thursday night. There was a large attendance of the three linkers as well as of the Rebekahs and they spent a most enjoyable evening.

The grand master was the red letter line on the program but the Misses Cornelius, Rogers and Mrs. Beckley furnished some fine musical numbers and Miss Alice Butler and Mrs. Crofoot gave readings on fraternity topics which were warmly applauded.

Throughout a lengthy address, Mr. Walker held close attention on the part of his auditors. Without any of the mannerisms of oratory, the sincerity of the speaker was at all times evident and talking in a conversational tone he managed to say a great many things of unusual interest.

Schulyer Colfax, he credited with the recognition accorded women through the Rebekahs, saying it was through his efforts that the Rebekah degree was first established, which developed into a separate organization of lodges and which he believed would shortly have a separate national status.

During the civil war he asserted, the ties of fraternity had been severely strained but that Odd Fellows had even during the conflict sent messages of remembrance to one another, through the lines, when in convention assembled, and as soon as the war had ended, had immediately joined in the association of a reunited brotherhood. On the contrary he noted that certain churches had been quick to divide and antagonize one another and after sixty years, the great church to which he belonged still held to sectional divisions over the question of the treatment of negro members.

He reviewed the work which the organization is doing in the state and nation, paid a hearty tribute to Divine guidance which he had found always present and wound up by leading the audience in the singing of the Doxology.

Rev. Pace in announcing the "feed" stated that the committee, consisting of Messrs. Prime, Sickafosse and himself, had been hard put to secure a proper portion of pig with which to make the sandwiches and at one time thought it would be necessary to substitute a certain fat dog of which he knew and which could be well spared, but that all were happy in the receipt of the cooked pork at the last moment.

Edward Pace, son of Pastor E. B. Pace, sailed for Scotland a few days ago. He has recently been transferred to the U. S. S. Heron, which has been detailed for service in European and Asiatic waters for the next year or so.

Red Cross Notes

The local branch of the Red Cross which has been kept busy of late with refugee work will have all their sewing done by next Tuesday and are planning to suspend for the summer at that time. The head organization has decided that it is best to keep the humbler organizations alive anticipating possible use for them in the future and to this end the annual meeting of the local branch has been called for the same date, Tuesday, May 6, in the local work rooms at 3:30 p. m.

At this meeting officers will be elected for the coming year and also reports of committees and officers will be in order.

Mrs. Percival is spending a month at her old home in Madras, Oregon.