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There is No Land Like Oregon and Only One Willamette Valley

Items of Interest At Oregon Normal

The Reverend Mr. Jenkins of Portland and Venerable J. C. Black Archdeacon of Oregon, visited the Normal on Tuesday. Mr. Black gave an inspiring talk at the chapel hour on that day.

Superintendent J. W. L. Kaufman of Falls City came to the Normal on Monday of this week to interview teachers for the coming year.

The May Day and Junior Week-End festivities last Friday and Saturday were a brilliant success from beginning to end. The program given by the Juniors in the chapel Friday evening, in the nature of a vaudeville started the celebration off in just the right way. It consisted mainly of a series of clever take-offs—perhaps that in imitation of the faculty was most laughable—which put everyone in the proper spirit to enjoy the other features of the program.

The May Day festivities themselves were elaborate and colorful—perhaps the most beautiful ever seen at the Normal. Miss Lena Keen, the May Queen, and her attendants, formed a lovely picture as they proceeded through the grove following the procession of Juniors and Seniors. The pageant, written by Miss Taylor and called "Springtime down the Ages", was most attractively presented by the Juniors. The afternoon was devoted to the contest events between

the classes and when the final count was taken, the President's trophy was awarded the Juniors. Great credit for the success of this celebration is due to Miss Taylor who had the matter in charge and who really planned the whole program. She was greatly helped in carrying it out by Miss Chandler, Miss Moore and Miss Peterson, as well as by all the members of the Junior Class.

Some of the guests who visited the Normal for the week-end included Miss Alden of Eugene, Mrs. Churchill and Mr. Hugg of Salem who acted as judges, and the following: Miss Johnson, Miss Vanderwall, Miss Wirth and Miss Boyd of Portland; Miss Humphries, Miss Bartow and Miss Curry of Corvallis; Miss Hansen of Hillsboro; Miss Bartlett of Salem; Miss Garbe of Junction City; Miss McDermott of Eugene; Mrs. Perry of McMinnville; Mrs. Hurst of Carlton, and Mrs. and Miss Anderson of Portland.

About seventy students chaperoned by Mr. Butler and Miss Chandler, visited the state institutions at Salem on Thursday.

Grange Meeting

Saturday morning the Grange will have work in the 3rd and 4th degrees. In the afternoon, at the program hour, to which all are invited, Prof. Beattie will talk explanatory to the county unit system for the conduct of school affairs. Wm. Riddell, Jr. will also appear with a non-political topic. There are also several musical numbers promised. Members and visitors are asked to remember Mothers' Day and wear appropriate flowers.

Rebekahs Meet in Annual Convention

The annual convention of Rebekah lodges of District No. 9 met at Monmouth on Saturday, May 6, 1922.

Agate Rebekah Lodge No. 177 opened in regular form, after which the officers of the lodge surrendered their chairs to the officers of the convention, with Miss Allie Butler, chairman and Mrs. Madaline Kramer, secretary. The grand officers present were introduced and welcomed. The address of welcome was given by Miss Maggie Butler of Agate Lodge, Monmouth and response by Mrs. Carrie Hubbard of Clover Leaf Lodge, Independence.

During the business session many valuable suggestions were given by Secretary of Assembly Mrs. Ora Coper, also other grand officers of the assembly. The question box proved to be very helpful.

After talks by different members of the convention was adjourned until 8 o'clock.

The evening session convened with the Lodge Hall crowded, with a good attendance from both Dallas and Independence. The degree staff of Agate Rebekah Lodge of Monmouth exemplified the work beautifully and elicited much praise.

The President of Assembly Mrs. Nettie Whetstone being unable to attend, Mrs. Ora Coper, secretary of assembly for 25 years, gave a splendid address, followed with talks by a number of others.

The grand officers present were Mrs. Ora Coper of Dallas, Secretary of Assembly, Mrs. Estella Weed, Portland, Chaplain of Assembly, and past presidents, Miss Pauline Kline, Corvallis, Miss Belle Belcher, Lafayette, Mrs. Carrie Hubbard, Independence, H. K. Sickafoose, Monmouth, Junior Warden of encampment and Frank Weed, Portland, past representative of the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

The flag was presented and all sang America. Vocal solos by Miss Roxana Fish, Dallas and Mrs. Marian Chambers, Monmouth, were much appreciated by all. The newly elected officers for the coming year were seated and convention closed after which refreshments were served and a social hour was enjoyed by all.

The Evangelical people have now completed the deal for the Coats property, a tract 83 feet by 165 feet at the corner of Monmouth Ave. and Jackson street. \$550 is the amount paid. The church people are now bending their energies to dispose of their old building and build a new one on the new site. It is quite likely that the present church and parsonage will be sold. Rev. L. V. Lewis, whose popular work with the church has brought it increased prestige, has been re-appointed to this charge by the bishop.

Prof. Homer Dodds has rented J. S. Prime's place and expects his wife here from Kansas in about two weeks.

Another Pioneer Dies

George W. Kennedy, a pioneer of 52 and a resident of Baker county for 26 years past, died at St. Elizabeth hospital at 5 o'clock Sunday morning of pneumonia. The deceased was born at Quincy, Illinois, December 10, 1844 and in company with his parents, crossed the plains to the Willamette valley in the migration of 1852. In 1868 he was united in marriage to Malinda Johnson of Yamhill county, and in 1893 removed to Baker county, where he was engaged for several years as chief engineer of the White Swan, Continued on page 5

Merry May Day And Its Programs

As usual the observance of Junior week-end at the Normal began with the first tick of the pendulum Friday morning. Most people agree that the annual bell ringing stunt was a little more so than usual and nervous people who claimed to have had less than forty winks of sleep were quite frequently found during the day that followed the morning after.

It is commonly agreed also that the Friday night jollities of the Juniors were fully up to anything previous classes have conceived and executed. For one thing the program showed evidence of the increasing number of boys in the student body. Among the young men John Dickson appeared to have attracted considerably more than the average in the way of generous and hearty applause. He starred in feminine garb and essayed light opera and a few other frills in all of which he made good with ease. "The Maise Fox" which the girls presented was a number that was popular with the audience and was nicely conceived and executed, and "The Telephone Exchange" was quite generous in imparting the latest information fresh from the wire, especially interesting to individual students. The old reliable stunt of faculty impersonation was given a new twist this time and represented the "chapel hour" with a fidelity of characterization that kept the audience in an uproar all the time the sketch was in progress.

The regular May Day program was witnessed by a large crowd. An innovation this year was the providing of seats for a large part of the crowd, making it more convenient for all to see. A cold wind that prevailed during the day detracted some from the pleasure of this out door classic.

Prominent in the program was the out door pageant in which the May Day observances in the various ages of modern history were faithfully portrayed. A moving picture man was present taking views and at times a perfect battery of cameras, professional and amateur, was leveled at the actors. The May pole winding, the crowning of the queen and the original drills all attracted applause.

The most serious sport of the day was the baseball game between Albany College and the Normal team. During the early part of the game it looked as though the Normal boys were not to get any scores but by bunching hits and a little luck they accumulated 8 runs in two innings. Albany secured eighteen runs getting ten of them in one inning.

At the conclusion of the contests President Landers presented the trophy to the queen who in turn presented it to the Juniors. The trophy was a large and handsome bronze jardiniere, the gift of the president. Two of the contests did not take place but the total of points acquired by the Juniors was ample to cover the loss of these events.

In the contests the Juniors won at Men's volley ball, men's doubles in tennis, women's doubles in tennis, women's singles in tennis, at quoits, folk dancing, original drill and tennis, mixed doubles.

The Seniors won at May pole winding, women's volley ball, men's singles in tennis, women's baseball. The Juniors had eight and a half points out of a possible fifteen and a half points.

The Dorcas Society of the Christian church has begun to plan for its Thanksgiving bazaar, and is making up all sorts of fancy and useful articles.

Patronize Home Products

Buy Oregon products we are told. Likewise—trade at home. Why not vote at home, especially when we have such an attractive lot of candidates. For governor, that eloquent Granger, Isaac L. Patterson. For committee man, the shrewd and clever Ralph Williams. For member of the legislature, the tried and true Perry O. Powell. For county commissioner, that peerless knight of the soil, William Riddell, Jr. There's a quartet to stick to.

Sixtyfour and Still Young

May 3 was the sixty fourth birth anniversary of Mrs. D. M. Calbreath who lives three miles west of Monmouth. "All was quiet upon the Potomac"—Mount Hood View Farm. The weather was undesirable as far as making calls was concerned; but a knock was heard and in stepped friends of "Aunt Addie", nothing daunted by climatic conditions when it came to giving their friend a good time on her birthday. The afternoon was spent in conversation and merry making, and at an appropriate hour the guests produced a freezer of ice cream and cakes which they had brought, and all did justice to these delicious refreshments. The affair was a complete surprise to the hostess, and it was greatly appreciated by her. As the guests departed they expressed their kind wishes for their hostesses future and sang "Blest be the Tie that Binds". The guests were as follows, Mesdames F. K. Hull, G. W. Baun, James Riddell, Lillian Johnson, Ernest Riddell and Miss Mabel Riddell.

The Ross company which appears at the Christian church for three weeks starting Sunday is the first fruits of the Hawley fund of \$2000 recently received by the church, \$200 of which is to be expended annually in this manner.

It is reported the city council is to start a crusade to replace all old wooden walks in the city with concrete this summer. Something like 35 projects are being considered which if all are replaced will mean the building of something like a mile of walks.

The new charter proposed for the city is to be voted on at the same time as the primary election, May 19. To save expense the charter has not been published but citizens interested can read it in manuscript form at the city recorder's office.

A large dairy barn is being added to the premises of J. E. Winegar on North Monmouth avenue which is being modernly equipped and will be a factor in improved milk production.

Ivan Loughary is putting in his spare time these days perfecting arrangements for the annual Jersey Jubilee tour through this section which is scheduled for the latter part of May.

A small daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Smith of Vancouver in the Emanuel hospital in Portland one day this week. The young lady has been named Barbara Jean.

Another former Monmouth citizen who became a parent this week is Hugo Biberstein who lives at Banks and at whose home a daughter came May 8.

Ida Mae Smith, critic teacher of the first and second grades at the training school has a special Mothers' program for Friday afternoon and has invited the Mothers' Club to attend.

Commission Receives Proposals for Paving

Portland reports that there were seven bidders for the job of paving the 9.8 mile West-side highway between Monmouth and Corvallis at the session of the highway commission this week. The low bidders were Curtis & La Point, the amount \$21,224. The bid was submitted to the engineer. Bids for the Rickreall, Holmes Gap section were opened Tuesday.

Low bidder on this project which is 5.67 miles was the Oregon Contract company, their bid being \$135,168.

Grading on the road south of this city, which was discontinued last year because of weather conditions was resumed Saturday and is now in progress.

HIGH SCHOOL

On Friday and Saturday nights of this week will be given the school play entitled "Between the Acts". The play is a three act comedy and has been coached by Miss Slotboom assisted by Miss Smith. The students and the characters they assume will be found in the program printed on another page of this paper.

Music will be arranged consisting of both orchestra and vocal numbers.

The Student Body has arranged to give the play two nights because of the small hall available and in order to give every one an opportunity to see the play.

The contract for supplying wood to the high school for the coming year was awarded to J. W. Green who submitted a bid of \$5.00 per cord for maple and ash.

Irene Mason.

Allured by the prospect of an interesting discussion and something to eat there was a large attendance at the Odd Fellows meeting Monday night. Proposals for the construction of their new hall are to be opened Saturday afternoon. The estimates are about \$18,000.

Margaret E. Schnerberk died at the family residence northwest of Independence May 9. She was 52 years of age and leaves no family other than her husband. The family moved to Polk county a short time ago from the Waldo hills country in Marion county.

Mr. and Mrs. Trevor Rixon Lewis and babies spent last Sunday with Mrs. Lewis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pace, at the Community House. With them came Mr. J. W. Gilkey and his daughters, Miss Beulah Gilkey and Prof. Helen M. Gilkey, Ph. D., all of Corvallis.

Mrs. E. B. Pace left Tuesday afternoon for Nashua, New Hampshire, where she was called by the serious illness of her son, Edward Pace, Jr. The son served in the U. S. Navy during the world war; since getting a disability discharge and has been taking a vocational training course in architecture at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston. Mrs. Pace went East over the Canadian National Grand Trunk route via Vancouver, B. C., Winnipeg and Montreal.

Prof. Helen Gilkey, Ph. D., department of Botany, O. A. C., and president of the Oregon State Endeavor Convention, was the speaker at the Vesper service last Lord's Day evening.

The monthly business meeting of the Golden Rule class of the Christian church will be held this Friday evening in the church basement. A large attendance is desired.



Ross Entertainers and Evangelists

The Christian church of Monmouth is fortunate in securing the services of the Ross Evangelistic Company for the series of meetings to begin Sunday, May 14. For four years they held the pastorate of the First Christian church at Vancouver, Wash., where they built a great Bible school with an attendance of over 350, and one of the greatest young people's classes in the northwest. From there they went to Central Christian church in Seattle, holding this pastorate for two years. In 1916 a call to the Christian church at Milton, Oregon, was accepted. During their ministry there a beautiful church building costing about \$50,000.00 was erected, which is said to be one of the finest in the entire northwest. It is a wonderful Bible school workshop, having 30 Bible school rooms and a seating capacity of over 1000. They also succeeded in organizing a splendid Sunday school in Milton, the largest attendance being 874. The yearly budget of this congregation was also increased from \$2000 to \$6500.

During the last year the Rosses have been engaged in evangelistic work and have been eminently successful in this also. In the revival conducted by them at Lewiston, Idaho, last winter 179 were added to the church, and in a wonderful 30-minute Sunday morning service

at the Temple Theatre, the largest auditorium in the city, \$20,000 was raised by Evangelist Ross for a new church building, which will soon be completed and which will cost about \$50,000.

Seating capacity has been a problem where this company conducts campaigns. At Silverton Oregon and Lewiston, Idaho, large theaters were secured, and in Vancouver, Wash., the American Legion auditorium was used. Even in these large structures many were turned away. The musical concerts are an attractive feature of their work. Mr. Ross directs the orchestra and leads the chorus. Mrs. Ross is an able assistant on the cello and Miss Dorothy is at home at the piano or playing the slide trombone.

Evangelist Ross is an earnest, forceful and scriptural messenger of the gospel. He is a Bible teacher and avoids the usual appeal to the emotions. He recognizes that God has made intelligent thinking beings. The message is earnestly and prayerfully presented. His appeal is to the Bible as the only revealed will of God to men of our age, and to Christ as the only one of supreme authority. You can hear this talented company every evening at the Christian church in sermon and song. Services to begin next Sunday.