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WAR PRESIDENTS WERE EULOGIZED

The birthday anniversaries of three great American statesmen—Washington, Lincoln and McKinley—were celebrated by the members of the local G. A. R. Post and the Woman's Relief Corps at K. of P. hall last Thursday afternoon, with a fine dinner at noon and an excellent program of music and speeches. The dinner was all that could have been desired, being composed of several kinds of meat, sandwiches, baked beans, pickles, salads, pie, cake and coffee.

The program, which started shortly after the dinner, was preceded over by J. T. Butler, senior vice commander, and was as follows:

Prayer by Rev. R. E. Dunlap. In her usual pleasing manner, Mrs. Logan sang "The Star Spangled Banner," with the audience standing.

E. W. Haines then delivered a thoughtful address on the life and works of George Washington, eulogizing that patriot as a statesman of more than ordinary ability, a soldier second to none and a president whose memory would live as long as America endured. Thomas Isaac sang "The Sword of Bunker Hill" so well that he was recalled for another selection. Rev. J. F. Ashiey gave a very able address on Lincoln and his Gettysburg speech, paying glowing tribute to the emancipator as a self-made man whose memory stood first in the hearts of Americans among a galaxy of great men.

Commander Butler at this time added his tribute to the memory of the great war president.

Mrs. Ashley sang "Annie Laurie" so well that she was recalled and sang "Marching Through Georgia."

Mrs. Marsh read a story of Lincoln's preparation and delivery of the Gettysburg speech and its effect on the country, adding much of what Rev. Ashley had already said.

Patrick Cronin sang a revised version of "Marching Through Georgia," in which he was assisted by the audience.

W. P. Dyke delivered a thoughtful address on President McKinley, giving that statesman a high reputation and predicting he would be more highly appreciated in the years to come.

The exercises closed with the singing by the audience of "Nearer, My God to Thee" and "America."

On a table in the center of the room were the pictures of the three great Americans in whose honor the celebration was held, as well as a log cabin, said to be a very good imitation of Lincoln's birthplace.

The "Boys in Blue" and their wives are not as numerous as they once were, but so long as there are a half dozen in a community, they can be depended on to keep fresh the memory of Washington and Lincoln. Commander Butler said he had positive proof that there were still some veterans of the civil war in Forest Grove, for some of his chickens had disappeared a few nights since.

Mrs. C. R. Lasham is a late victim of the grip, but is not considered seriously ill.

Woman's Club

The regular meeting of the Woman's Club was held in the Congregational church parlors, Monday afternoon, Feb. 14.

No program was given as it was a business meeting.

Reports were given from various committees showing that good work is being done in all departments.

The civic committee asked for an appropriation to purchase trees to plant in the parking at Central school building, and to replace the few trees and shrubs that did not survive last spring's planting. The club voted to allow \$15.00 to the committee for this purpose.

The Red Letter Day chairman gave her report and turned in \$51.70 as the proceeds of the entertainments after all bills had been paid. This is by far the largest sum ever given by the club to the Scholarship Loan Fund, and a unanimous rising vote of thanks was tendered the chairman for her untiring efforts. It was also unanimously voted to extend the thanks of the club to all who had contributed in any way to the success of the entertainment.

The special committee appointed to investigate electric light conditions in Forest Grove reported that Dr. S. E. Todd, chairman of light committee on the city council had kindly consented to appear before the club and explain details of plan and maintenance of city plant. He was admitted and satisfactorily explained many matters that had perplexed the members and was cordially thanked for this courtesy.

The name of Mrs. R. M. Stevens was added to the roll of membership.

The hostesses of the day were Mrs. Eva C. Abbott and Mrs. L. M. Graham.

Seth Seelye Dies

From His Injuries

An accident which resulted in the death of Seth Seelye occurred near the Standard box factory, two miles northwest of Buxton, 1:30 Monday afternoon. Mr. Seelye was engaged in skidding logs, when the log being moved struck a smaller one, buried in the snow, in such a manner that the buried log was hurled with considerable force, striking Mr. Seelye and breaking both his legs. He died three hours after the accident from heart failure. The body was taken to Banks, where deceased made his home, and the funeral was held from the M. E. church at 11 o'clock this morning.

Seth Seelye, who was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Zach Seelye, was about thirty years of age and has been a resident of Washington county the greater part of his life. He is survived by his parents, a widow and two sisters, Mrs. Mildred Friday of Banks and Miss Agnes Seelye.

Deceased was a member of the M. E. church and the I. O. O. F. and was a man highly esteemed by those who knew him best. He had been off work on account of a former accident for about six weeks and was putting in his first day when injured.

James Norton, who has been visiting his mother and sister in this city for a week or more, has returned to his claim in Southern Oregon.

Pacific University

The second basket ball game with Philomath College was played here Friday evening. Although neither team seemed able to play with the old-time "pep" the game was well worth seeing. While no spectacular plays were made, the contest was hard fought. The local team won by a score of 32 to 12 over the visitors.

The Lyceum course entertainment given in Marsh Hall Saturday evening was easily one of the best that Forest Grove will see this winter. The Metropolitan Grand Quartet gave a most delightful program. To the lovers of music it was a rare treat indeed. A musical entertainment of such high character deserved a packed house. The citizens of the town are not giving the support they should to such worthy talent. Is it a lack of appreciation for high-class entertainment?

The Rev. J. J. Staub, pastor of the Sunnyside Congregational church, Portland, gave a very helpful talk in chapel Thursday morning. The subject of his talk was, "The Stuff of which Character Is Made." His especial interest lies in the work among the young people. His remarkable pastorate of twenty-four years at the Sunnyside church attests to his success as a young people's pastor.

The State Oldline oratorical try-out was held in Marsh Hall Friday afternoon. The contest was uncommonly close, the three places being almost tied. By a very small margin Max Ricker won first place, Orlando Romig, second and Ralph Potts, third. We are proud of such promising talent in this line.

Prof N. F. Coleman of Reed College spoke to the men of the college in the Y. M. C. A. room yesterday morning. His subject was "Social Relations." It was one of the best talks the men have heard this year.

Gale Seaman, Pacific Coast secretary of the Y. M. C. A., gave a short talk in chapel Monday.

The first recital given by the conservatory of music this year was held in Marsh Hall Monday evening. A good program was rendered.

The Freshmen class play will be given in Marsh Hall on the evening of Washington's Birthday, Tuesday. The public is cordially welcome to see this production.

When Abraham Lincoln fell, by the assassin's hand, the South lost its best friend, the North its patient, indomitable leader, the Nation its grandest hero. On Saturday, in every state beneath the Stars and Stripes, both North and South, East and West, the birthday of Lincoln, the man of sorrows, was celebrated by a united people. But for Lincoln the United States would never have had the great opportunity that is ours today. The opportunity becomes our duty, and a portion of the service we owe the world rests upon each and every citizen of the land. The eyes of the world are upon us now. We must blaze the way to a higher, nobler standard of civilization—peace. In this service to humanity will the college man be found wanting?

SOCIETY NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Williams last Thursday evening entertained a few friends in a very pleasant manner, the guests being Dr. and Mrs. Clifford Walker, Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Brookbank, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Creel, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Goff, Misses Minnie and Frances Myers and Mrs. Coin of Portland. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

The dance given at I. O. O. F. hall Saturday night by the band boys was fairly well attended and was one of the most enjoyable parties given in Forest Grove for some months.

Judge W. J. R. Beach entertained a number of friends at his home last Friday evening, cards and refreshments being the principal mediums of entertainment, and it goes without saying that all the guests had a good time.

Mrs. A. U. Marsh Saturday noon entertained at lunch the members of the cast of "Those Dreadful Drows," the event being in honor of Mrs. Elinor Sanford-Large. In the evening Mrs. Large was one of the guests of honor at a party given in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McIntyre celebrated their nineteenth wedding anniversary last Friday evening by entertaining a number of their friends at a musical program and one of the most elaborate suppers served in Forest Grove in many a day. Guests from eleven states were in attendance.

Upon invitation from Mrs. John Beahen, eight lady friends of her daughter, Miss Theresa Beahen, gave the latter a genuine surprise last Thursday evening at her home on "C" street, the occasion being her birthday anniversary. Games were played until a late hour when delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Beahen. The time passed quickly and everyone surely enjoyed the evening very much.

The members of the Intermediate League of the M. E. church and their superintendent, Miss Mary Corl, enjoyed a very pleasant time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hoffman on South Main street last Friday evening. The hours were spent in playing games and in partaking of delicious refreshments. Everyone had a delightful time.

The Knights and Ladies of Security met in a very interesting session last Wednesday night. State Manager L. M. Thomas was present and gave a very interesting address and exemplified the work for the benefit of the new members. Mrs. A. G. Foor, of Kirkpatrick Council, Portland, was also present and gave a delightful reading on "Our Flag." After lodge had closed a committee served light refreshments. The next regular meeting will occur on February 23d and, as that is the 24th anniversary of the founding of the order, Forest Council will celebrate by giving a dance and a program appropriate also to Washington's birthday. State Manager Thomas has promised to bring with him his talented family of musicians, who will have charge of the musical program.

LOCAL CANNERS

SOLVE PROBLEM

When the Forest Grove cannery starts up this summer it will start under more favorable circumstances, so far as finances are concerned, than for some seasons past. This fact was assured at a meeting of the stockholders held in this city Saturday, when the limit to the amount of stock that one individual can hold was taken off. Heretofore no individual could hold more than one-tenth of the total stock, but Saturday this section was repealed and since that time considerable of the stock has been signed over by its owners to John F. Forbis, director and president, who has promised to finance the cannery for at least two years if given control of the stock. Mr. Forbis does not stand in the position of trying to get something for nothing and that the other stockholders do not look at the matter in that light is proven by the fact that three-fourths of the stock has been assigned to him during the past ten days.

When the company was organized (1912) it started out with limited capital and later on, when an effort was made to expand, the company went into debt. To further embarrass the concern, it has on hand a large part of its 1915 pack, prices not having been such as to warrant disposing of the goods. While no money was lost last year, the failure to dispose of all the goods packed left the concern short of funds and the members began looking around for a way to ease the pressure. Then Mr. Forbis came forward with his offer.

The terms of J. E. Lewton, Robert Alexander and Allen Dille, as directors, had expired and at Saturday's meeting these gentlemen were re-elected, to serve with the six other directors—H. C. Atwell, J. F. Forbis, I. J. Hoar, B. Ortman, Grant Bailey and J. C. Buchanan.

Manager H. C. Atwell informs the Express that he has hopes of a very busy season for the cannery and, with the debt lifted off the company's shoulders by President Forbis, he looks for a profitable season, as well.

Two Games for One Admission

Saturday evening of this week the basketball fans will have a treat, for there will be two good games for the price of one. The Forest Grove high school girls will play the Hillsboro high girls, after which the local high school boys' team will take on their old rivals, the Hillsboro highs, for a game. The price will be just two bits and the fun starts at the P. U. gym at 8 o'clock. Get out and boost.

Postmaster Wirtz Confirmed

Robert P. Wirtz, the newly-appointed postmaster for Forest Grove, has received word that his appointment was confirmed by the senate Feb. 7th and he is expecting his commission to arrive in the near future.

Mrs. Joseph McCoy and daughter, Sadie, spent the week-end in Rainier with their son and brother, Joe, and his wife. Joe is teaching in the school there with Clinton Ostrander. Mr. Ostrander was going home from his school one evening when a falling wall nearly struck him and the electric light wires so surrounded him that he could not move or get away until some one came.