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Commencement of Pacific University

The past five days have been busy ones with the faculty, students and friends of Pacific University. It was the annual Commencement season.

The opening number of the series of public entertainments was the anniversary of the Conservatory of Music, which was given Saturday evening, with an excellent program and a fair attendance. The vocalists taking part were Misses Gertrude Porter, Camilla Mills, Beth Crandall, and the members of the Glee Club, while the performers on the piano were Misses Bessie Smith, Elizabeth Hervey, Helen Brunner, Ethel McKinney, Edith Meroft, Dulcinea Brown, Margaret Morgan, Gladys Clarke, Margaret Marsh, Bessie Smith and Mr. Russell Beals.

The Baccalaureate service was held at the Congregational church at 11 o'clock Sunday morning and consisted of an organ prelude by Miss Waggener, the Doxology, the invocation by Rev. Sias, the Gloria; responsive reading, led by Dean Clarke; a hymn, scripture lesson, read by Rev. Patten; a chorus by a mixed choir from all the churches, a prayer by Rev. Ebert, a solo by Miss Beth Crandall and a very impressive address by Rev. Edward Constant of the First Congregational church of Portland. The theme was "Called to Service," and the speaker laid great stress on the importance of being simple, direct and efficient, taking the life of Christ as an example. The Savior spent thirty years in a small mountain village preparing himself for the big work to which he had been called. He declared that men and women of high ideals would find plenty of opportunities to serve their God and their country. While the members of the class were few in numbers because of the war, the speaker declared that if those present had in them the spirit of Christ they would make themselves felt in the world. He implored the members of the class to lend aid to the allies fighting against Prussianism and "play the game."

In the evening there was another good program at the church on the occasion of the address before the Christian associations. Rev. Herbert G. Crocker of Oregon City made the address, which was an inspiration to the higher Christian life and devotion to duty and civilization.

The Senior Class exercises were held on the College campus Monday afternoon and proved very interesting to lay citizens, as well as to the students. In the evening Miss Waggener presented Miss Eleanor Paterson, piano, and Mrs. Hutchinson presented Miss Beth Crandall, vocal, at Marsh hall, in a very classical program. Russell Beals was accompanist.

The Literary societies held their reception on the campus Tuesday afternoon, serving light refreshments to their guests. An excellent program appropriate to the occasion was given here, also.

One of the best concerts given in the city in years was that of Tuesday evening, when the annual commencement concert was given. There were several selections by a string orchestra, composed of William Wallace Graham, first violin; A. M. Schuff, second violin; M. Christensen, viola, and F. Konrad, cello. John Claire Montieth, baritone, made a distinctive hit in a number of solos and Miss Goldie Peterson, always a prime favorite, added to her laurels in several numbers, including an encore. The cantata, "Fair Ellen," was directed by Mr. Graham, with Miss Peterson and Mr. Montieth singing the solo

parts, supported by a chorus of forty-two voices and an orchestra of twenty-two pieces. Many flattering comments have been made on the rendition of this delightful old ballad and the orchestral support was all that could have been asked, many of the best musicians of Portland and Forest Grove giving their aid.

The big event of the week—the graduation exercises—was held at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon in Marsh hall, with a program consisting of the invocation by Rev. Patten, a vocal solo by Mrs. Hutchinson, an address by Prof. George Rebec, Ph. D., of the University of Oregon; a violin solo by Prof. Graham, the conferring of degrees by Dean Clark and President Platt of the board of trustees, and the benediction by Dr. H. L. Bates, D. D.

Prof. Rebec's subject was "The Emerging Age" and he contrasted the humane and religious tendencies of the twentieth century with the cold, selfish business tendencies of the nineteenth century. Militaristic Germany was an example, he said, of what a materialistic nation may expect to become, with the civilizing influences of religion left out. The program of the present generation must recognize that the state is for man, not man for the state; nations must lend hands to each other, instead of the strong trying to crush the weak and he already sees signs of this manifestation of brotherhood among the civilized peoples of the world.

In presenting diplomas to the six members of the graduating class—Misses Constant Louise Geiger, Dorris Pauline Mace, Donna Rachel Mack, Alta Josephine Soule and Grace Almada Zerba and Mr. Lester Tallman Jones—Dean Clark expressed his appreciation of the loyalty and steadfastness of purpose shown by the members of the class during a very trying year. Without this loyalty, the college would not have made so good a showing, with forty-five male students enlisted under the military colors. Six members of the class of 1918—Sam Cox, Glenn R. Jack, Leo S. Lucas, Hugh T. Smith, Samuel V. Stanley and Irvin W. Turner—are serving their country in various military capacities and could not graduate.

On recommendation of the faculty, Henry Liberty Bates, who has served on the faculty for twenty five years, was by President Platt honored with the degree of Doctor of Divinity and the vestments of the degree were placed on Doctor Bates' shoulders by Dean Clark and Prof. Taylor, amid the applause of many of Doctor Bates' personal friends.

Miss Constance Geiger is honor student of the senior class, as well as of the college; Misses Dulcinea Brown, Camilla Mills and Lois E. Payne are honor students of the Freshman class and John Martin Bernards was awarded honors in forensics.

The thirty-eighth annual reunion of the Alumni association was held at Herrick hall last evening, following a fine dinner, served by the Camp Fire Girls. The dinner was attended by more than 100 people, many of them not connected with the college, except by friendly ties, and all enjoyed the program which followed. A. J. Prideaux, president of the association, was toastmaster, and welcomed the people to the gathering. Short talks were made by Mrs. W. T. Fletcher of the class of '99; Dr. David Raffety of Portland, class of '67, Norman Skartveldt, a soldier and an alumnus; Robert Inlay, who presented Dr. Bates with a fine set of John Fisk books, as a present from the

alumni; Dr. Bates feelingly responded to the presentation speech and Miss Mack of the class of 1918 spoke briefly concerning the great feeling of respect and gratitude the members felt for Dean Clark for his untiring efforts to make scholars and ladies and gentlemen of the members of the class. In a short talk, Dean Clark called the attention of the alumni members to the fact that a year ago a committee was appointed to boost P. U., but very little effect had been felt. Members of the association assured the Dean that if something wasn't done soon, there would be a new committee. At the business meeting Samuel Lawrence of Portland was elected president, Miss Mack vice president and Miss Jerrine Whealdon of Portland secretary.

Trustees Are Pleased

At the annual meeting of the trustees, held yesterday morning, the treasurer reported that the deficit, if there was one, would be less than \$100. Last year it was \$6,000. Members of the board congratulated Dean Clark, acting president, for his excellent administration. Those present were Napoleon Davis, Geo. H. Marsh, H. G. Platt, John E. Bailey, Geo. A. Warren, Chas. A. Park, B. S. Huntington, William T. Fletcher, S. C. Pier and J. P. Hurley. All committees were re-appointed.

Another Quota Is Called for Training

The Washington county War Board has called the following ninety-six men to report at Hillsboro on or about June 24th:

Herman C. Schindler, Lloyd Raymond Knox, Kennard Dixon, Andris Montis, Alfred Harrington, Geo. Jurgens, Julius Koschnitzke, John R. De Haan, Geo. H. Fitzlaff, Walter Judd, Ralph Huffaker, Herbert McRoberts, Geo. Borosh, Lee Whitsell, Herbert A. Taylor, Emil J. Luck, Albert H. Meinecke, Cletis Fitzgerald, George Propp, Clarence E. Bennett, Clement E. Inkley, Chas. E. Griffin, Robt. C. Funston, Frank A. Banny, Frank Smiley, Fred W. Kaster, Nels M. Ohrling, Claude B. McCurdy, Ernest C. Lehrer, Homer H. Cady, Wesley Whitford, Oswald Olsen, Elijah G. Beaman, David M. Hutchens, Carl W. Hergert, Albert Schomberg, Alex T. Wallace, Perry Curtis, Ernest M. Tucker, Myron Bryant, Joseph Newland, Elmer Stipe, Carl Borchers, Guy D. Mott, Roland J. Malm, Herman Jamicke jr., John A. Anderson, Newton Shipley, Hugh Lilly, Clyde C. Zigler, Chas. E. Anderson, Jos. Vanaudenhaegen, Wm. Harris, Alfred P. Herbeison, Geo. A. Isaacs, Chas. F. Gray, William Martin, Carl E. Long, Coxey Stowell, Ralph D. Cole, Elmer O. Barber, Walter V. Cimino, Edwin Smith, Fay Shearer, Ray V. Coleman, Harry Wilson, Carl Vutherich, Louis Peterson, Michael Deman, John M. Vanderzanden, John Armatolos, Lawrence Webber, Emil Krause, Robert Christenson, Godfred Losli, Oray Davis, Carl Carlson, Alvin Wilcox, John W. Schneider, Herbert Rowe, Ralph Winger, Ernest Segessenman, Albert Lynn, Lester Squires, Chas. N. Green, Frank Persinger, John A. List, Eugene M. Smith, Otto Schaltenbrand, Jeffrey McGregor, Aug. Grause, Wm J. Vandercouvring, Emil Jossy, Herbert T. Strong, Wilton Minekley, Martin Lyons, Lawrence A. Fernsworth.

School Teachers Get Raise

The high cost of living having hit school teachers the same as other people, the local school board found itself faced with the alternative of paying more wages or taking such teachers as other districts did not want, so, at the last meeting, the board decided to cut out two teachers and raise the salaries of the high school teachers \$10 per month and grade teachers \$5.00 per month. This raise becomes effective July 1st.

Forest Grove Gets Fair

At a meeting of the directors of the County Fair association, held Monday night, it was decided to hold the 1918 fair on P. U. campus, this city, on Sept. 19 and 20, just before the state fair.

William O. Wagner Called

After a lingering illness, William Oscar Wagner, aged 54 years, passed away at the family residence in this city Monday, June 3d, bringing to a close an industrious and useful life. After Mr. Wagner had resided for some years in this city he moved to Marion county, and came back to Forest Grove less than a year ago. During his residence in this city he has endeared himself to many people who have learned to love and respect him for his good qualities.

Decedent was born in Iowa April 30th, 1864, and came to Oregon in 1909. He was married to Miss Clara Stoner in January, 1887, and to this union were born seven children, five of whom, with the mother, survive, as follows: Lilly, Berma, Claude, Glenn and Earle Wagner, all of this city; also four sisters, living in the east. Deceased was a member of the M. E. church, having united with that organization before leaving his native state.

Funeral services were held at the family residence at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Rev. John Ebert officiating. Interment was in Forest View cemetery.

Aged Woman Is Dead

Mrs. Lucy Sherwood Reed, aged 81, the wife of S. S. Reed, passed away at the family home in this city Monday afternoon, after a short illness.

Deceased was born in New York state in 1837 and came to this city three years ago, shortly after her arrival becoming the wife of S. S. Reed. She was a sister to John W. Sherwood, who passed away in this city about a year ago, and is survived by her husband and one son from a former husband.

Funeral services were held at the family residence at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Ebert officiating, and the remains were interred in Forest View cemetery.

McGill-Roswurm

At the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McGill, Rev. John Ebert at 1 o'clock last Sunday afternoon united in marriage Miss Myrtle Roswurm and Mr. Howard C. McGill, two well-known young people of this city.

The bride is the daughter of August Roswurm, now of Idaho and late of the Buxton district. She is a charming young woman, possessing many of the accomplishments that fit her for wifehood, having been assistant in Domestic Science at Monmouth college. The groom is too well known to the people of this city to need any introduction from the Express. He is a steady young man of good habits and is employed as baggage and express agent by the Southern Pacific company. Mr. and Mrs. McGill will reside with the groom's parents for the present, as Howard expects to be called to military service before long.

Crabbe-VanAckers

St. Anthony's church in this city was the scene at 10:30 yesterday morning of a very pretty wedding, when Father George Campbell united in marriage with a nuptial high mass Miss Marie VanAckers of Cornelius and Mr. Simon Crabbe of Portland. The bride was attended by Misses Helene Duyck and Dora Susbauer and the groom by Messrs. A. H. Hollevoet and Peter Duyck. After the ceremony, the members of the wedding party, to the number of fifty, enjoyed a chicken dinner at the Hotel Langhlin. Mr. and Mrs. Crabbe will reside in Portland.

One hundred and thirty Washington county boys reached the age of 21 years between June 5th, last year, and the same date this year, according to registrations with the War Board yesterday.

A Proposition Worth Considering

To the Editor:

I have been creditably informed that the Northwest Steel Company of Portland is short at least 500 men at their plant at this time, and that the extension of their plant will soon make a place for a large number additional men. One reason assigned for scarcity of laborers is that no houses are to be had in Portland to rent. I was told by a man in the employ to the above named company that some plan must be worked out to furnish homes for men to work in the ship yard, and that Portland would either have to build houses or get the men out into the country to live.

It seems to me that with this condition existing, and the further fact of high rents and high cost of living in Portland, that now is the proper time for Forest Grove to make a united effort to secure rates and train service that would make it possible for families to live here and work in Portland. A special laborers' train and train schedule suitable for meeting the time for beginning work by the men might be obtained by proper effort.

A circular setting forth the advantages of Forest Grove as a home city should be gotten out and a man stationed at the works in Portland and a copy given to every man as he goes to or from work. I have spoken to the President of the Commercial Club about this matter and no doubt the Club will take active measures to bring about the desired results. We should all help them by furnishing information that will give the Club the correct status of number of houses vacant and other matters helpful. The government will undoubtedly be more than anxious to see a united effort on our part to help in solving the difficulty.

L. M. GRAHAM.

High Commencement to Be on June 17th

It appearing that Forest Grove has escaped a scarlet fever epidemic, only the three cases mentioned a week ago having developed, the members of the school board have decided to hold the graduation exercises on Monday, June 17th. The program will be carried out as heretofore announced.

The Forest Grove Unit of the Woman's Committee of the Council of National Defense held a very interesting meeting Saturday afternoon, May 27, the new chairman, Mrs. Bishop, presiding. After the regular business, Mrs. Hyde of Hillsboro, County Chairman, gave a very instructive talk on the different branches of the work, and especially interesting was her talk on the County War Chest. The next meeting will be June 15 at 3 p. m. in the restroom of the Library. We would like all members present. We want all clubs and societies to send a representative.

Memorial Exercises Were Rather Quiet

Because of the fact that children were prohibited from taking part in the Memorial Day exercises, the parade was abandoned and the exercises, while impressive, were more quiet and colorless than in the past.

The Grand Army veterans, the ladies of the Relief Corps and a number of friends went to the cemetery at 10 o'clock Thursday morning, decorated the graves of the known and unknown dead and held the ritualistic services of the two societies at the monument of the unknown dead.

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