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A YEAR OF GREAT PROMISE FORMALLY OPENED.

Large Audience Attends Opening Exercises of Pacific College, and Listens to Excellent Addresses.

Cardinal Points in the Speeches

Pres. McGrew—The spirit of the West, touched by a bit of genuine culture, is what the world needs.
B. C. Miles—Begin right, now.
Prof. Jones—Pacific College stands for making, not a living, but a life.
Prof. Wright—I hold it an honor and a high calling to labor in such an institution which represents toil and life labor, where students are not sent, but come, to college.
Mrs. Douglas—The inspiration of the New—the prime factor of progress.
Prof. Partington—Education is not a piling up but a leading out.
Prof. Lawrence—This is the great day and era of the small college.
Jesse Edwards—Heart and mind culture must not preclude physical culture.
Rev. Joseph Hall—Thank God the world is not growing worse.
Rev. Stanard—We're proud of Pacific College. She has our hearty support.
Rev. Cash—Students, use us.

The public had been invited to be present at the exercises Monday evening, attending the opening of the new college year, and the public was in attendance. The chapel was crowded and packed with friends of Pacific College, indicating the bond of sympathy which exists between the town and the institution. As indicated by some of the speakers, the large audience was indicative of the strength of the college, in the hearty support accorded it by home people, where its work is best known and appreciated.

The exercises of the evening were successful in every way. The speeches were peculiarly appropriate for such an occasion, and President McGrew never appeared better as a presiding officer, with the happy thing to say at the right time. One prime factor of the evening's enjoyment was the music furnished by Prof. C. W. Kantner, director of that department, ably assisted by Mrs. Kantner. They first rendered a piano duet, Prof. Kantner gave a vocal solo, and closed the program with a piano solo—an improvisation. While others spoke of what they hoped to do, Prof. and Mrs. Kantner had the advantage of showing what they can do, and made a very favorable impression upon all. In securing them to take charge of the music department, the Board of Managers has been extremely fortunate.

After an invocation by Jesse Edwards, President McGrew made the principal address of the evening. He expressed gratification that after a year's leave of absence, he is privileged to return to his post of duty and do his little part in the upbuilding of the community, the commonwealth and the great Northwest. "Our Problem," peculiar and definite, was the President's theme. Pacific College has no sign out, "attendance limited," nor puts an eliminating premium upon special attainments in scholarship. A man's a man, and its advantages are for all. The speaker expressed an abiding faith in the western student, strong, vigorous, resourceful, in earnest. The spirit of the west, touched by a bit of genuine culture, is what the world needs. Allegiance was renewed to mathematics, Greek and Latin, the mastery of which gives that stern intellectual fibre which characterizes the real student. The material side of the problem—the fact that there are many needs with little to meet them, was considered, and the necessity emphasized of the heartiest support, moral as well as financial, on the part of all.

President McGrew announced that with the excellent attendance, and the specially high type of students, there is peculiar promise that this is to be the banner year in the history of the college.

The remarks of B. C. Miles were brief but strictly to the point. After extending a welcome as president of the Board,

his exhortation to the students consisted of three words, "Begin right, now." If your habits and associations have not been in keeping with the spirit of this institution, begin again, now.

Professor F. K. Jones was inclined to apologize for trying to make a speech and then as usual let himself out and said a lot of good things. In the first place he declared that the registration books would show that the student body of Pacific College is not of such tender age as is often insinuated. Work, good hard work, was his slogan, the work which this institution stands for—that which will help one to make not so much a living as a life.

The Wright man for the mathematics department was introduced in the person of Prof. H. N. Wright. After expressing gratitude at the hearty reception he and Mrs. Wright had received and the pleasant associations they were forming, he spoke feelingly of his sense of honor and privilege in being permitted to work in such an institution, founded and maintained by sacrifice. He emphasized the high calling of the teacher—a co-worker with the Creator—in his position as character builder, and gave expression to the fervent hope that his life and work would be in keeping with his responsibility.

Mrs. Douglas denied that there is nothing new under the sun, and presumed so far as to take for her text, "The Inspiration of the New." She spoke of the inspiration in the new faces, new work, new hopes. In the new we look for the best, the outlook is one of hope, and new zest is given to new endeavor.

Prof. E. Partington, of the department of English, expressed pleasure at the evidence of hearty support which is accorded the college. In his opinion the supporters and the students are the

most important factors in the success of such an institution, and he felt that he too was entering a year of college work as a student, to learn as well as to teach. Education is a process of leading out, not one of piling up and storing away, and he expressed an ambition to do his part in leading out the latent power and possibilities in the student life before him.

Prof. W. E. Lawrence of the Science department, the third "gentleman from Indiana," spoke particularly of the great function of the small college. The rise of the great university does not mean the passing of the smaller institution. The latter's growth has never been so phenomenal and its function has by no means been usurped.

Jesse Edwards, who admitted that he had spoken at every such opening since the college had been founded, could not forbear warning the students against the danger of taking too little exercise and too close application to study. More than one youth doubtless made a mental memorandum of the latter admonition as a defense against some future suggestion that a little more work from him would be desirable.

Rev. Joseph Hall, Rev. F. C. Stanard and Rev. H. T. Cash, representing respectively the M. E., Baptist and Friends churches, spoke briefly, expressing hearty words of encouragement and pledging their efforts in behalf of the work of Pacific College.

Following the program, a social hour was very pleasantly spent, in which the residents of the community and the students commingled, old acquaintances being renewed and new ones formed. From every point of view the evening's exercises were all that could be desired. May the spirit of the occasion be the earnest of the new year's work in Pacific College.

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