

High School--Continued

Freshman Class Doings

HISTORY OF THE FRESHMAN CLASS.

The first day at Gresham high was a very eventful day for all the new-comers. We didn't know what to do with ourselves for one thing, but we soon found out. When the bells rang to pass to classes we did not know what class rooms to go to, but most of us made out like we did anyway, but the day ended and most of us had lots to tell when we got home.

The upper class-men had never made fun of us because we were freshmen, but the day Mr. Cannon announced our first class meeting the upper classmen went out their hands clapping but we took it with a smile because if we hadn't we would never have heard the last of it.

The first thing we did was to elect officers which were a president, secretary, vice president, and treasurer. Then we elected a class advisor. Several of the teachers were nominated and Miss Kidwell was elected by a large majority.

Then we began to hear of preparations for a party to be given in our honor, and on October 2d the sophomores gave us a party and initiation over in the gym. We had a wonderful time and the initiation didn't kill anybody so things went off smoothly and we were served with refreshments after which we went home.

When the first reports came out very few fresh received warning slips and we were proud to have the most honor students.

The boys organized a football team and the sophomores immediately chal-

enged us to play football which we did. We got beat but we showed our good sportsmanship which counts a whole lot. We challenged them back and the score was 0-9. Fresh favor of course.

The second six weeks reports came out and some fresh were dropped from their classes, but it was their own fault. They didn't work.

All the freshmen are glad that they are freshmen and next year we will be glad we're sophomores and will try to give the freshman as good a welcome as the sophomores gave us this year.

FRESHMEN ORGANIZE.

The freshman class of 1925, organized in September and elected Horace Wihlon, president; Willard Borning, vice president; Joanna Lunday, secretary; Jimmie Leekley, treasurer and William Ott as yell leader.

The freshmen have been represented in the student body council. Grace Lynch was elected as one of its members.

The freshman boys organized a football team and accepted a challenge from the sophomore boys in which the first game resulted with a score 6-0 in favor of the latter. The second game resulted in a score of 0-9.

At the opening of the basket ball season our boys formed a team with William Ott as captain.

We were well entertained at the reception the sophomores gave us in October and hope we can return it in like style.

FRESHMAN FOOTBALL.

The freshman boys organized a football team and elected Horace Wihlon captain. They played against the sophomores twice being defeated the first time 6-0 on account of the absence of our speedy little quarterback, Captain Wihlon, who was not able to play on account of injuries, and of Henry Brown, our large tackle and plunging fullback. The men who played in the first game were as fol-

lows: Clair Burch, q. b.; Freelin Collins, f. b.; S. McCow, r. h.; Vernon Wedin, l. h.; E. Anderson, l. e.; H. McKinney, l. t.; E. Lindrooth, l. g.; V. Cook, center; F. Langley, r. g.; Nick Anderson, r. t.

In the second games the line up was slightly different with Captain Wihlon and Henry Brown in position. In this game we battled the tie.

Christmas Stories

CHRISTMAS STORY.

(Winston Strong)

It was the night before Christmas and a little girl sat beside a fireplace looking into the dying coals. Above the fireplace hung a little stocking and as she gazed at it tears filled her eyes. She sobbed softly for a while and was about to have a real cry when a soft voice interrupted her. "What is the matter, little girl?" She whirled about and there stood the quaintest old man with a long beard, a funny hat, with a pack over his shoulder and he listened sympathetically as she sobbed out her story. Her mother told her that Santa would not be able to come that year as he was too busy to stop at their house as he had before. She just received a letter telling her all about it. At this the little man broke into a merry laugh which sounded like many pretty bells ringing. The little girl couldn't help but smile. She reached up her small hands, laughed and said, "You are Santa Claus. Oh, how happy I am. Will you take me with you?" Santa hesitated a moment and then his eyes twinkled and he broke into another merry laugh which made his face wrinkle up. He answered, "All right let's go right now," and he whisked her up the chimney and there sat a sleigh drawn by six beautiful reindeer. They climbed in and left the roof with a glide that put the little girl's heart right up in her mouth. They sailed for a long time stopping at many houses. The little girl was never so happy in her life. She was soon engrossed in helping Santa pick out the toys. Once he let her drive.

After they had left all the toys Santa started back, as he had finished the last house on earth. He looked at the little girl with kindly eyes and asked her if she wanted to go back. She said no she didn't want to go back when her father and mother were dead, and she didn't like aunts, but Santa, kind Santa said he couldn't take her with him, but he gave her a little ring and told her that whenever she was sad if one of her tears fell on the ring that something nice would come and play with her so she wouldn't be lonely and sad. She reached the house where she lived all too soon. Santa took her down through the chimney and left her sitting on the same chair she had sat in before Santa had come. In the morning she awoke and she looked around her in amazement, for there stood lots of nice things and here came Papa and Mama, and last night was all a dream and then she remembered the ring. She looked down at her hand and there was the ring, exquisite in-built with two diamonds. She ran to show her mother but her mother just laughed because she couldn't see it. It was a fairy ring and no one could see it except the wearer. The little girl never had occasion to use the ring and finally she gave it back to Santa to give to some little girl who really needed it.

Wendall Miller, a brother of Miss Mary Miller, a high school sophomore, arrived Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Miller, of Melville farm. He is chief mate aboard the Felix Taussig which has been on a cruise to New York and through the Panama canal for the last four months. After the holidays he is going to resume his duties on the ship, which is going to the Orient.

SMOKER TO BE GIVEN AT HIGH SCHOOL GYM

The Lettermen and Hi-Y clubs are fostering a smokeless smoker to be given at the gymnasium Saturday night, December 19. Admission will be charged, that to grade school pupils being nominal. There will probably be one or two matches between some of the alumni, but as yet the matchmakers have not been able to make any arrangements between any of the graduates.

The basket ball squad has been cut down to 20 men and harder practice is on the program. Some of the most promising aspirants are: Orville Johnson, David Lane, Harold Dye, Guy Rusher, Jack Dowsett (the only letterman from last year's squad), George Okuda, Sven Nelson, Lloyd Arvidson, Alvin Kaser, Arden Squire, George Wadsworth, and one or two others.

Last Monday noon the seniors defeated the freshmen 30-1 in a fast basket ball game. The babes showed considerable improvement over their game with the juniors. The ball was in the senior territory enough to make the game interesting. "Nick" Anderson had the honor of being the first freshman to score a point when he converted a foul. Orville Johnson was high point man for the seniors.

In a hotly contested game Wednesday noon, the juniors defeated the sophomores 7-3. The result of the game was not decided until the last whistle had blown. Had the sophomore been able to shoot accurately, the result might have been different. Captain Wadsworth and George Okuda featured for the sophomores with brilliant footwork, while Lane and Rusher were heroes in the eyes of the juniors.

Thursday noon the student body had the privilege of listening to former Ex-Congressman Elton T. Watkins. He spoke briefly on the subjects of narcotics and the students appreciate the few words he had for them.

The following pupils were honor students for the second six weeks period: Freshmen, Margaret Acers, Margaret Gantenbein; sophomores, Irene Johnson, Mabel Smith, Ida Soward; junior, Helen Althaus, Kenneth Horberg; seniors, Dora Hoffmeister.

There was a total of 123 warning slips sent out and some of the students will have to buckle down to work if they hope to pass the semester, says Principal R. E. Cannon.

Ray Strong, a local artist and alumnus of the Gresham HI, is returning home from California about the 19th of December. He left home August 10 and went into the Arizona desert and later into the Grand Canyon. He went with some well-known artists and painters among whom were Mr. Swinerton, noted for his desert scenes, also writes the comic strip of "Jimmie." Mr. Weatherell, a writer for the National Geographic magazine is writing up the trip. Ray Strong returned from the Grand Canyon November 1st and has resumed his studies in the San Francisco art school. Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Strong are eager to see their son and also the paintings he is bringing with him of the desert and Grand Canyon.

Jaques Gershkovitch, the leader of the Portland Junior Symphony orchestra, is coming to hear our high school orchestra a week from this coming Wednesday. Mr. Gershkovitch was born and educated in Russia.

During the war old Sambo was disturbed by the well known insect of trenches. One day while scratching his back a man asked the old negro for an explanation of this gymnastic exercise that he used so frequently. Sambo—Oh! I've got one of dem 'rithmetic bugs. Man—'Rithmetic bugs! What's that? Sambo—Oh! dat's one of dem bugs what adds to my sorrows, subtracts from my joys, divides my time and since I came here they sure have multiplied.

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One put a life in peril for his sake,
Because the word he spake!
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"A wayward heart that oft hath thee denied;
Couldst Thou with such a gift be satisfied?"
Yet when a soul had ceased its mournful plaint,
God took the love that seemed so poor and faint
And from it made a saint!



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A sower sowed his seed, with doubts and fears;
"I dare not hope," he said, "for fruit-ful ears;
Poor hath the harvest been in other years.
Yet, ere the August moon had waxed old,
Fair stood his fields, a waving sea of gold;
He reaped a hundred fold.

In a dark place one dropped a kindly word;
"So weak my voice," he said, "Per-chance none heard,
Or, if they did, no answering impulse stirred."
Yet in an hour his fortunes were at stake;

One put a life in peril for his sake,
Because the word he spake!
"Little I have to give, O Lord," one cried,
"A wayward heart that oft hath thee denied;
Couldst Thou with such a gift be satisfied?"
Yet when a soul had ceased its mournful plaint,
God took the love that seemed so poor and faint
And from it made a saint!

No matter what we do, how small,
How great, God can make it produce a hundred fold.
As we go along life's crowded way let us strew a flower of kindness now and then, and God will return it unto us a hundred fold.
Christmas is the time above all others to show the love that God has put into our hearts by making others happy.

We wish at this time to express our appreciation of the interest shown and the help given by our many members and friends of the Powell Valley circuit.
A joyous Christmas and Christ's richest blessings in a bountiful New Year, is our sincere wish to all.

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