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MEDFORD WRITER HEADS LIST OF OREGON AUTHORS

The Oregon Writers league was organized in December, 1921, with Miss Anne Shannon Monroe as president. She is still president and under her leadership a campaign for better books, better acquaintance with Oregon writers, and the development of a national literature, freed from European morals and manners, has made appreciable progress. The Oregon Writers league was rated by Dr. H. S. Canby of Yale, editor of the Literary Review as the finest example of local effort towards this end, to be found in the United States.

Edison Marshall heads the fiction list with eight novels. Anne Shannon Monroe has two, and Eva Emery Dye the same number. The poetry list begins with the silver tongued meters of the late Sam Simpson, whose works will live as long as the Willamette, whose beauties he sang, runs. The league has not only grown in membership, but it has encouraged and developed its members. Not a month passes but some of its members are represented in the national magazines or in book form.

The governor has designated Nov. 28th to Dec. 4th as "Oregon Authors' week." The state of Oregon has been receiving much publicity in the national press. Among that which is appreciated, has been the favorable comment on its authors and writers, who have "arrived" with the eastern publishers and the magazines.

One of these authors is a hard working newspaper man, Charles Alexander of Albany, who has become a hero to all lovers of dogs and the outdoors. He brings the east a breath of our far-flung forests, and the inhabitants. Albert Richard Wetjen passed the neophyte stage of his career in Oregon and came to love it, and its locale appears in many a stirring tale. Wetjen and Alexander are close friends.

Edison Marshall, who sprang into fame with the "Heart of Little Skihara" has now seven other books to his credit, Oregon and Alaska being the locale.

Anne Shannon Monroe's magazine articles keep her to the front, as well as her books, and there does not pass a month in which Oregon writers are not represented in the national magazines. It may well be a matter of pride to Oregonians that in this day of jazz and sex, Oregon's writers have uniformly produced material free from the abominable sophistication that marks so much of present day literature.

Hazel Hall and Grace E. Hall's works are well known, as is also the poetry of our irreplaceable Mary Carolyn Davies. Anthony Euwer's serious and somewhat less serious sermons and illustrations on everything from cats to forest fires and airplanes are now a matter of national recognition. Add to these the naturalist Finley's works, Elliot on Birds, illustrated by Horsfall, Sweetser's Botany and close the list with Edwin Markham of Oregon City, poet laureate of his native state, an international figure in the realm of literature, and Oregon's place in the literary sun is secure.

DISTRICT CONVENTION OF LOCAL REBEKAHS HELD AT GRANTS PASS

The seventeenth Rebekah district convention of southern Oregon district No. 12, met in annual session in the I. O. O. F. hall at Grants Pass, Nov. 24, 1923.

Over two hundred and fifty members from Jacksonville, Ashland, Medford, Grants Pass, Gold Hill, Rogue River, Central Point, Corby and Glendale were present. The convention was also honored with the presence of Mrs. Edyth Kelley of Roseburg, president, Mrs. Mary A. Moss of Lakeview, vice president, and Mrs. Jeanie Burke of Grants Pass, past president, all of the Rebekah assembly of Oregon. Also Mrs. Sarah Clevenger who was president of the Rebekah assembly 25 years ago.

At the morning session President Mrs. Edyth Kelley gave a very impressive address on "The School of Instruction." Routine business was then transacted, committees appointed and reports of the different lodges given.

At the afternoon session an address of welcome was given by Mrs. Eugene Coburn of Grants Pass, which made the members all feel very much at home, and was responded to by Mrs. D. Jeroz of Ashland in a very pleasing manner. "How Officers Can Make Meetings Successful" by Mrs. Cornell of Glendale was certainly a success with its good advice and by the vote of the convention a copy was sent to the international Rebekah paper. The memorial services for departed members given by Grants Pass lodge was very impressive and well given and much credit was due to Mrs. Burke for its success.

President Edyth Kelley gave an address on "A True Rebekah," which was a great inspiration to all present. Short but appreciative addresses were also given by Mrs. Mary A. Moss and Mrs. Jeanie Burke.

The following officers were then elected and installed: Chairman, Mrs. Carrie Rieker; vice chairman, Mrs. Mary Hull; chaplain, Mrs. L. A. Roberts; secretary, Mrs. Zola Fick. At 6 o'clock the convention enjoyed the sumptuous banquet which was served by the Grants Pass Rebekahs. Following which the degree work was conferred by Gold Hill lodge in a very creditable manner. After the closing of the convention a short program and social time was held, all present voting many thanks to Grants Pass.

Sports

TAD JONES SORE BECAUSE WEATHER CRIMPED THE BLUE

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—Victory for Yale over Harvard, the first time since the resumption of gridiron play between the two after the war entailing, as it did, the first Blue touchdown since Ted Coy went over in 1917 was a great relief to Yale men but it was mingled with joy and disappointment for Tad Jones.

Jones, Yale head coach, published his memoirs of the game today, revealing the 1923 Blue eleven to be one of the greatest machines in the university's history and that he lost full title to this distinction by the wet and muddy gridiron which forced it to abandon its long-arranged plans and play Harvard's game.

Yale's unbroken string of eight victories, including North Carolina, Brown, Army, Maryland, Princeton and Harvard, gave it the "big three" title. Whether it will be the eastern champion, in expert opinion, depends on the outcome of the struggle at Philadelphia Thanksgiving day between Cornell and Pennsylvania.

Granting Gil Dobbie a great Red team, some experts assert Cornell did not meet two strong teams in succession and win or lose against the Quakers, Yale is entitled to the palm. The east was elated over Syracuse's 7 to 0 victory over Nebraska, some experts considering this an atonement for Notre Dame's defeat of Army and Princeton as Nebraska conquered the Indiana eleven.

Mid-West in Tie. CHICAGO, Nov. 26.—Illinois and Michigan, each with an unmarred season's record, today are sharing honors for the 1923 western conference championship.

Michigan earned her place by defeating Minnesota on Saturday 10 to 0 in the final game, while Illinois tied herself up on the championship pedestal with a 9 to 0 win from Ohio State. The season's outcome as a consequence of these victories left Illinois with a perfect string of five wins from conference teams, while Michigan has its list of four straight conference decisions.

Michigan defeated Ohio State 23 to 0; Iowa 9 to 3; Wisconsin 6 to 3. Illinois defeated Ohio State 9 to 0; Iowa 9 to 6 and Wisconsin 10 to 0. Iowa crossed Illinois' goal line while no opponent was able to score a touchdown against the Michigan team although two field goals were scored.

Chicago, by overcoming the strong Wisconsin team 13 to 6, in a hard-fought final game, earned for itself an undisputed claim to third place in the conference with only the 7 to 0

defeat at the hands of Illinois to mark its record.

Minnesota found herself in fourth place with its victories from Northwestern and Iowa a tie with Wisconsin and a loss to Michigan. Iowa won half and lost half of its six games, with victories over Purdue, Ohio State and Northwestern and defeated by

Illinois, Michigan and Minnesota. This fifth place was shared with Indiana.

The Badgers dropped into seventh position after losing to Chicago on Saturday. Ohio finished eighth, winning only from Purdue, with losses to Michigan, Iowa, Chicago and Illinois. Purdue played ninth while Northwestern was without a victory.

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