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### HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION.

#### A Supreme Moment in the Lives of Thirteen Students.

Under the sublime truism, "He has failed who has not striven," the faithful students of the high school reached the first important goal in acquiring their education, last Wednesday evening, June 1st, and envied by the floral offerings as fine as the world produces, each appeared and publicly presented a well prepared paper.

The class marched to their places on the stage to the strains of music rendered by Miss Josie Gortner, pianist of the evening.

Principal Reynolds offered a very sensible and earnest invocation for divine favor. Miss Annie Nichol pleased the audience with a song.

There were three especially commendable features: The program was followed without announcement; the essays were all short; the exercises began on time.

Bessie L. Houck was salutatorian, and her subject was "Rely on Thyself." She extended a hearty welcome on behalf of the class, describing the exercises as "old yet ever new." Emerson had said "Trust thyself and accept the place divine providence has found for you." Her advice was to build and live from within. Christ and Columbus were misunderstood, and to be great is to be misunderstood. She urged the class to aim high, and even if disappointed, it should not be considered a failure. There is glory undimmed at the top.

Glen Henderson treated of "Physiography" and frankly admitted he couldn't tell all there was on the subject. He gave an outline of the effects of the forces of nature on the earth, and in it all saw the hand of the master sculptor.

Mabel M. Manning spoke of will power and strength. The power of will is the central power of man. All great men such as Julius Caesar and Hannibal, were remarkable for their energy of will. Such power is necessary now more than ever, in the contests for power and place. No human being who halts can be great. Caesar in crossing the Rubicon and Washington in crossing the Delaware had fixed their gaze far beyond immediate obstacles, and had the energy of will to reach the end attained. Some men have a normal will and no energy, and some have all will and no judgment. The will is the root, knowledge the stem and feeling the fruit.

The Misses Patty and Hobbs sang "The Wreck of the Maine," which was highly appreciated.

"Live Within your Means," was the sensible subject treated by Mattie V. Patty. It did not mean that a man should not go in debt; he lives beyond his means who spends more than he makes; who borrows upon the strength of what he expects to make next week, month or year. The love of dress should be controlled by an honest judgment. "It is the eyes of others that cost us so much." He who borrows that which he cannot repay is a dishonest man. The habit of extravagance increases with age, like other bad habits. To such a man "there will come a time some day" when every rap at the door has a terror, lest some unpaid bill is to be presented.

Elsie C. Hobbs spoke on the "Beauty of Nature." Art is an imitation, and the best art is nearest to nature. Her description of Oregon's grand scenery showed her to be a true native of our grand state with a just appreciation of its beauties. Like Beecher, she thought flowers the sweetest things God forgot to put a soul into. The greatness of nature reveals the insignificance of man and the power and love of the creator.

Mollie I. Patty spoke on "True Felicity." It was to dwell above hate. Mankind will only advance to its ultimate development of perfection in proportion as it raises above strife and passion and dwells in the serene air of harmonies. We make our felicity, not by ambitious desire for fame, but by obeying the commandment that we love one another. This was one of the best papers of the evening, in its noble advice against selfishness and overweening ambition. An example is given by Spain, a once mighty nation, who owned the greater part of America, because she was mocked by ambition, stands today almost powerless, owns only Cuba, which will soon be set free.

Miss Virginia Spencer sang two beautiful selections at this juncture. Ambia Daniels opened by quoting from "The Mill will Never Run by the Water That's Past," and found a lesson in the quotation. Time will not bring back chances that pass away. The hours perish and are laid to our charge. Odd bits of time well improved will make a learned person out of an ignorant one in ten years. She closed by admonishing all to take the proverb and act upon it.

Colon Eberhard had an admirable class poem fitly joined together. It set forth that the class ranked among the best, and two of its members already possessed

medals well earned. It described Ethel Harris as a writer, Mabel Manning as witty, Elsie Hobbs as musical, Grace Hodge as a deep thinker, Bessie Houck as studious and true, Mattie Patty as sober, thoughtful and prudent, Ambia Daniels as the Iowa girl who argues well and holds out, Mollie Patty and Maud Hobbs as singers and jolly, Helen Weed and Mabel Neal as possessing application to books, Glen Henderson as a geologist, Paul Cooper as missed but proudly standing by the stars and stripes. It contained a tribute to the teachers and asked all friends to lend a helping hand.

Helen E. Weed's subject was "Reading." Reading should be selected with regard to what and how. Some books are to be tasted, some swallowed and some chewed and digested. The public is only a grown up child—all want to be told a story. Indiscriminate reading is demoralizing and destroys the taste for that more helpful, and amusement should not be the only object in reading. Miss Weed got the biggest and grandest bouquet of the evening as she sat down. She was also winner of the college scholarship by a grade of 93%. Eberhard was second, grading 90%, and winning a gold medal, and Misses Maud Hobbs and Grace Hodge were close after him.

Mr. Grissen gave a violin solo, with that soulfulness so characteristic of the Germans. A red rose was thrown at him at the close of his playing.

"On the 'Value of Time'" Maud Hobbs said it was more than money—it is life. Only the sluggard lacks time to accomplish great works, and he does not live in the true sense of the word.

"Patriotism" was Mabel Neal's subject. True patriotism characterizes all good citizens, and their country's history should be their admiration. Men love their homes for the same reason that a wild animal loves his lair. The Spartans conquered or died. The pages of history are filled with such examples. America brought forth a new patriotism in Washington, who became its great apostle. Grant stood for a later era. Our inheritance is a valuable one, and let us not allow this fair land to be other than our forefathers intended it to be.

On the subject of politeness Grace Hodge thought it was becoming one of the lost arts. Chesterfield said: "Oil your mind and manners for the world." To be of value good manners must be from the heart. The essence of courtesy consists in thinking of others instead of self.

Ethel Harris prophesied for her classmates as follows: Grace Hodge became a mathematician; Glen Henderson gained wealth in business; Elsie Hobbs toured France and Italy; Colon Eberhard became an editor; likewise Bessie Houck; Ambia Daniels got married and made home her heart's jewel; Mabel Manning became a missionary in Terra del Fuego; Helen Weed became a lecturer on woman's rights; Mabel Neal succeeded Miss Willard in the W. C. T. U.; Maud Hobbs and Mollie Patty attained eminence in music; Mattie Patty became the reigning belle of New York; Paul Cooper, a soldier brave and true, returned home wearing a colonel's uniform. The prophecy was greeted with loud applause.

The class song was well sung. The place of the valedictory was made a touching memory of Paul B. Cooper. His vacant chair, in the center, draped in the national colors, was reverently faced by the class while the pianist played the "Star Spangled Banner." Each graduate brought a bouquet for the absent classmates.

Prof. J. H. Ackerman gave an address to the class, good enough in its makeup, but entirely too long in view of the hour, a very common error on such occasions.

J. P. Irvine, as chairman of the school board, fairly excelled himself in presenting the diplomas, his friends not remembering that he ever did so well before. Prof. Reynolds announced the award of the prizes, and Judge Magers represented the college in the matter of annually offering scholarships.

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#### The Enterprise of District 8 for Public Improvement.

The basket social and entertainment at No. 8 school house Saturday evening was largely attended by an orderly and appreciative audience from North Yamhill, McMinnville and surrounding country. A one act farce by the Yamhill dramatic club was carried off in a creditable manner, by the young people of the club. Miss Versa Keene excelled herself as "The widder from Grass Holler." The entire class did splendidly for amateurs, and if their names were known, each should have special mention.

"Hick'ry Farm" was next presented by the following cast:

Zeke Fortune.....Jesse Henderson  
Uriah Skinner.....Bert Loban  
Gilbert Darkwood.....Harry Sharp  
Larry McKeegan.....Alva Gilliam  
Jack Nelson.....Hugh Shelly  
Detective Rankin.....Wm. Weiss  
Constable.....Ferd Wheeler  
Jessie Fortune.....Miss Minnie Sifton  
Mrs. Priscilla Dodge.....Mrs. Weiss  
Jesse Henderson as Zeke Fortune played like a professional, and any one who saw him as Billy in "The Deacon," would have been surprised at the change.

Bert Loban as Skinner, the unlucky farmer and tool of the villain, carried out his part with credit to himself.

Gilbert Darkwood, the villain, by Harry Sharp was acted true to nature and showed ability few can have.

Larry McKeegan, "the happy go lucky Irishman from the twelfth ward," was the feature of the evening and caused many a laugh. His playing places Mr. Gilliam at the head of amateur Irish comedy.

Jack Nelson, the unhappy lover of Jessie Fortune, was played well by Hugh Shelly, and won for him great praise.

Detective Rankin, by Mr. Weiss, was short but to the point.

Ferd Wheeler, as constable, had nothing to say, but he looked fine in his make-up.

Miss Minnie Sifton as Jessie was a very heavy part and was carried out with credit, as it was her first attempt at amateur work.

Priscilla, the widder, by Mrs. Weiss, was performed in a creditable manner and showed how a woman could catch a husband. She had had three, and was good for three more.

The rehearsal of the play was given plenty of time and attention under the direction of Grant Eberle, whose well-known ability is rarely excelled outside of the ranks of the profession. The combined efforts of the manager and participants ensured a most successful entertainment, and the small admission charged netted the district over \$17, which is to be expended in repainting the school house.

### Annual Commencement Concert.

Saturday, June 11th, Edward B. Fleck, pianist, late of Leipzig, Germany, will give a concert at the college hall. Following are a few of Mr. Fleck's press notices:

"In the Ballade of Chopin Mr. Fleck displayed a faultless technique, a highly dramatic interpretation."—Staats Zeitung.

"Mr. Fleck is a sterling artist."—New York Morning Journal.

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R. W. KING, Pastor.

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