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Willamette Valley News

Monmouth News

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Monmouth, Ore., May 22.—On last Friday morning Miss Piecker represented the normal school faculty during the chapel period by presenting her first and second grades in a clever little dramatization of "The Birds of Killingworth." The little girls in their white dresses with brightly colored sashes represented the little birds, and the boys in overalls were sturdy farmers. The drama had been very well prepared, hence the action characteristic, which made the interpretation good. The poem was read by Miss Rasmussen. The splendid program showed the result of taking advantage of the natural talent in the training school and using same in an effective manner.

Two of the most interesting social affairs of the school season took place last Saturday night. The party held in the training school was unusually distinctive in its type of amusement which varied from heaves of birds to indoor track meets. This featured the standing broad grin and from most artistic hat trimmings to the unusual type of luncheon. The literary part of

the evening displayed the normal school talent under the splendid direction of Miss Arbuthout. The social sponsors for the occasion were Miss Parrott, Miss Todd, Miss McIntosh, Mr. and Mrs. Gentle, Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore and Mr. and Mrs. Evenden. While every one present at this party was contributing to real jollity, a large party of students were tripping the light fantastic to the delightful music in the gymnasium. Every guest present declared this affair to be the happiest one of all the school year. Immediately after the grand march which was led by Mr. Butler and Miss Hoham, unique butterfly programs were given out. The patronesses for the evening were: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. V. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Ostein, Miss West, Miss Hoham, Miss Greene, Miss Taylor and Miss Kennon. Honor guests at both of the functions were: Stanley Evans, Birchard Van Loan, C. C. Newhouse, Douglas Parkes and Edwin Brown, who came down for the occasion from the Vancouver barracks on a short leave of absence.

Miss Badabaugh represented the senior class of the normal school last Wednesday during the chapel period with a talk on "The Parent-Teachers' Association," which was enjoyed very much.

The Honor Guard girls of the Oregon normal school have been making excellent use of about one and a half acres of the school campus by planting potatoes. The girls, themselves, expect to do all the work and it is indeed a pleasant sight to see the patriotic spirit of the teacher shown in this way.

On last Friday the normal school was visited by Superintendent R. L. Kirk, of Springfield. He was accompanied by several of his teachers and members of the teachers' training class. The normal school always appreciates such visitors.

The literary societies of the normal school held a most interesting joint meeting last Monday evening. A selection by the Girls' Glee club opened the meeting. This glee club is composed of the members both from the Delphian and Vespertine societies. Next came an instrumental solo by Olga Wickberg and a vocal solo by Mrs. Mabel Robbins, with violin and piano accompaniment. After the close of the joint session, the Delphians met in the assembly room to hold a short business meeting during which the roll call was responded to by toasts with Miss Parrott as toastmistress. Following roll call Miss Grace Parker gave the poem, music on the Rappahannock which appealed strongly to the patriotic sentiment of all hearers. Next came Anatole France's "The Man Who Married a Dumb Wife." Its extreme success is due to the splendid direction of Miss Agnes Carter. Much honor is also due to the Misses Elliott and Steinberg for their fine interpretation of the man and his dumb wife. Others who appeared in the play were: The Misses Katherine Schameson, Perkins, Mathews, Ester Anderson, Cellers, Beutgen, Ruth Wilson, Paetle, Murey, Gaffney and Freda Carter. At the conclusion of the play the audience listened to a brief sketch of the work of Fagore, the modern Indian poet who has gained world-wide recognition by Alice Stennick. Then came the funny "Rooster Drill," under the direction of Mrs. Sacre. Just before the critics' report of the program by Miss Parrott, which concluded the program Miss Morrison gave an informational review of important current events of the past week.

The Evangelical church of Monmouth last week held a most interesting conference. Bishop Laurence H. Senger, of Naperville, Ill., being the central figure, although Rev. F. M. Fisher, the local pastor, and Rev. H. Schuknecht, presiding elder of Portland, was managers. There are something like 30 ministers of the Evangelical faith of Oregon attending the meeting.

The Polk County Christian Endeavor convention met in Monmouth last Saturday and Sunday. About 25 delegates were in attendance. Miss McKinney, president of the local society, called the meeting to order and Rev. Elkins welcomed the visitors. Miss Wooley, the county president, made the responsive talk. Mr. Charman, state president, gave a splendid talk on the "Million Campaign." Mr. Grader, of Portland, gave an interesting discussion on C. E. export work and answered questions which were asked him. It proved to be a most profitable convention and the spirit of Christian fellowship prevailed in every service.

Clare Powell was home from O. A. C. the past week-end, visiting relatives and friends.

Among the soldier boys who came home from Vancouver barracks on a 36 hour furlough last week-end were Chad Newhouse, Stanley Evans, Birchard Van Loan, Harold Olson, Grover and James Hinkle and Douglas Parks.

Mrs. E. B. Ostrom, who has been visiting in California for past weeks will return home Tuesday.

Clarence Daniel, a local O. A. C. student, has enlisted as a government engineer and left Monday for Kelseo, Wash., where he will receive training by means of forest work.

Hog Prizes Offered by Various Associations

The American Poland China Record association, the Chester White Swine Record association, the American Duroc Jersey Swine Breeders' association, the American Yorkshire club and the National Duroc-Jersey Record association have offered prizes to the swine department of the Oregon state fair this year aggregating \$1150, which are to be special prizes offered in addition to the prizes hung up by the state fair board itself.

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