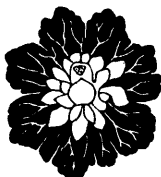


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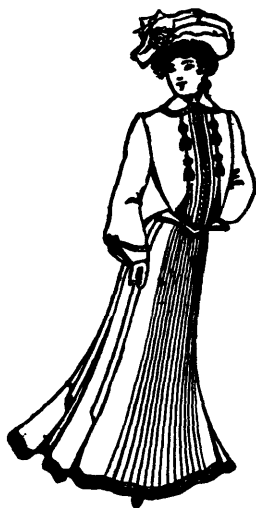
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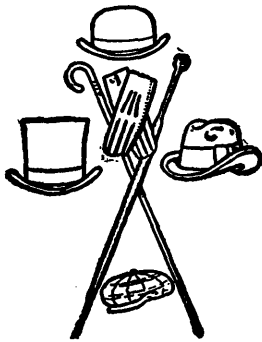
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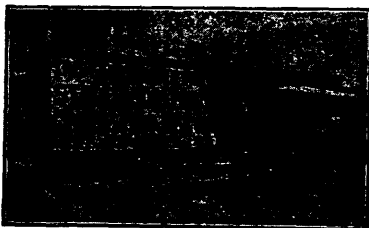
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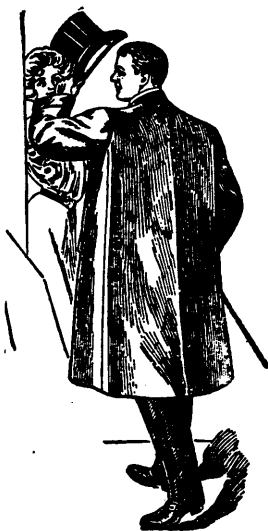
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FROM THE FAR AWAY PHILLIPINES

Extracts from a letter received by Prof. Forrest, September 17, from Robert Vaile, Dolores, Abra, Phillipines

Dolores, Abra, July 28, 1902.

My Dear Mr. Forrest:—

This ought to reach you about the time that you are beginning another school year and I am wondering where you are and how you are getting along. I have had no late news from Whatcom, since even the last letters I have from home are dated June 1st, so I have no way of knowing what if any changes were made in Washington this summer. Was there very much of a mix-up throughout the state? It was only by accident that I saw a reference to 'Governor McBride' but I have seen nothing of John R. Rogers' death or retirement. This fall sees another election of a legislature, does it not, but not one for governor?

School work goes about the same as last year, save that I have the foundation I tried to lay then to work upon, and we have our quota now of books and materials to work with. Of course the children are using just as little English as ever among themselves and they have by no means gotten away from their old notions of studying aloud when I am not in the room. The native teachers are sup-
posed to help as much as they can but it seems

to spread their as yet quite imperfect knowledge of English that I take upon myself practically all of the teaching that is done to the hundred odd children who are coming regularly. The best ones, about fifteen years old, are reading in the second reader and are working in short division. The youngest ones have a chart and some attempt at number work. In my school for adults there are the three young men of the town who are interested in such things, my 'maestro' and two clerks in the 'presidencia' or town hall, and two older men who want to learn but have not the application and the ability, to make any headway at all. These all know a little Spanish but there are besides several young women who know now more English than they do Spanish, I think.

Now that I have become as acclimated and as accustomed to the conditions here as I have, I get along very well in my living and work and play. I have with me a case of condensed milk, a case of canned salmon, another of canned oatmeal, a twenty-five pound can of sugar and another of flour, and a few extras, all purchased from the civil commissary store at prices only slightly above those you pay. Then I can buy all the eggs at six cents a dozen, young chickens cost less than five cents apiece, rice is abundant and cheap, and bananas and pineapples and cocoanuts and lemons, and a little later, papayas are plentiful. The thatched roof of the house in which I am living has been repaired so that it holds, or rather sheds all the water that falls, and there is a lot of it, so really I am quite comfortably off. I have enough reading and writing to do to occupy all of my spare time so I have come not to mind in the least not seeing a white face for weeks at a time. I am drawing a hundred dollars a month, which means two hundred and thirty-five Mexican dollars just now, with fifteen dollars a month extra for night school, three times a week.

As to the political situation I think that the people in this vicinity at least are beginning to accept the present order of things as a matter of course and are content. They are still very bitter indeed towards the friars and are going so far as to say that religion is only good for those who are still savages.

Very sincerely yours,

ROBERT B. VAILE.



NEW LITERARY ORGANIZATIONS

PARTHENON

A new line of society work has been instituted in school and has taken form in an independent club whose whole organization and system is carried on by the students. The only faculty requirements are that the student must have shown himself to be an earnest, active, and energetic member of the clubs of last year. These when excused and recommended by their respective critics are eligible to membership in the independent club. A number of the above class of students have effectually accomplished its organization and the club now flourishes as the Parthenon, meeting each Saturday evening at the Normal.

From the nature of the meaning of the name, the club stands as the highest ideal in active participation in parliamentary rules, debates, educational work, all accomplishments along literary lines, and ease and grace in public speaking, which are very necessary adjuncts of a teacher's life. Being thus made up of the active members of all the other clubs the Parthenon bids fair to stand as the representative, and great interest is manifested on all sides. Each member has a decided opinion and is eager to give it, causing no little practice in rulings on the part of the presiding officers. All passivity seems to have vanished

and we have now in our midst, an earnest, enthusiastic body of the best material in school and which from the nature of the spirit prevailing within it, will have a lasting and powerful influence in the busy school life. Its members are striving to make it an ideal club and results at this time show that their efforts are successful, not only temporarily, but are based upon a solid foundation of the hearty co-operation of its members.

Hail to the Parthenon!



SORONIAN

On account of the large number of students enrolled this year it was found necessary to form a new literary society.

The name chosen for this society was Soronian, meaning a sisterhood. The meetings held by this society have hitherto been business meetings and parliamentary drill. The first programme will be rendered Friday, November 7.

The work planned by the society is similar to that planned by the other societies.

The President of the society is Miss Stella Anderson. The faculty critic, Prof. Stone.

These two newly formed literary clubs have proved insufficient to give the increased number of new students each a society home. Hence a third club is being organized. A report of its organization will be given in the next issue of the *Normal Messenger*.



THE SENIOR CLASS

The Senior Class of '03, consisting of forty-eight members, four of whom are "misters," have proven themselves a powerful factor in the school, both in number and spirit. The frequent and interesting meetings are filled with grave opinions and solemn declarations, which sometimes, it is feared, rise to excited

and rather youthful-like animation in debate and arguments as to the line of action to follow. But outside the class-room they are impressive with dignity and calm judgment. The most successful reception of the year was the "Senior At Home" given to the Juniors, Faculty, students, and friends on Oct. 17. The guests entering at the main entrance were ushered by the reception committee to the broad landing of the library stairway. The big window and walls here were a mass of many colored autumn leaves and crimson decorations, lit up with Japanese lanterns.

A reception committee at this place further ushered the welcomed friends to the second floor, where in the recitation rooms at the end of the corridor adjoining the annex, the class with colors, mottoes, and punch-bowls were in great evidence.

Each member made special efforts to place the guests at their ease. All stiffness and formality disappeared. Graciousness and geniality prevailed. When all seemed to have met the extensive senior class and faculty, the entire assembly proceeded to the auditorium, where an excellent program, suitable to the spirit of the hour was rendered. The instrumental selections given by Messrs. Boyer and Warren and Miss Wees were highly appreciated.

We are very grateful to these friends who leave the duties of a busy life occasionally and thus prove their good will to our institution.

Our popular and beloved Mrs. Mathes delighted us all with her selections in dialect. The fact that Miss Coleman was made to respond to two encores demonstrates the way in which she has entered our hearts. A speech by our genial class president, Miss Gruber, closed the program, and the assembled guests repaired to the punch-bowls. After pledging the success of the class of 1903, all bade the happy class good-night.

The Seniors expect to become prominent in

basket ball this year, and are practicing steadily with some very good material with which to work. Last year, as the ever trodden upon Juniors, they were obliged to meekly retire from the honors. But this year as triumphant and serene Seniors they have no doubts on the subject. They must look to their laurels, however, for the plucky Juniors are living strenuous lives along the athletic line. The Seniors have standing challenges out to all within reach and subsequent history will reveal the result.

The class officers are as follows:

Emma Gruber, President.

F. W. Rhoades, V. President.

Belle Williams, Secretary.

Ben Hovies, Treasurer.

Earl Morris and Minnie Sapp, Class Artists.



ALUMNI

Miss Nellie Jones is teaching at Marietta.

Miss May Bird is teaching near Marysville.

Miss Lindstrom is attending the State University.

Miss Myrtle Stenver is working in the bank at Puyallup.

Miss Mabel Copeland is teaching in Anacortes this year.

Miss Lina Feckeascher is teaching in Sedro-Wooley this year.

Miss Helen Collins is teaching near her home at Kirkland.

Thomas Slattery is keeping books in his father's office at present.

Miss Ida McMillan has been elected to a position in the Ballard schools.

Miss Bessie Boyer has charge of the primary department at East Sound.

Miss Ethel Chamberlain is teaching the school at Belfast, in Skagit county.

Miss Jessie Laurence and Emma Dubuque are teaching at Castle Rock.

Miss Cecelia Zeigweid has charge of second primary work in the Burlington schools.

Miss Eva Comegys is teaching at Snohomish. Miss Lillian Burke is also teaching there.

Miss Grace Huntoon is teaching in a rural school near Seattle. Miss Emma Green is also teaching near Seattle.

Miss Gertrude Streator, Miss Ahcenia Engle, and Miss Myrtle Trott are teaching at the Green Lake school in Seattle.



SCHOOL NOTES

The entire session was a mutual pleasure, and pronounced by all to be the most successful institute ever held in the county.

The latest edition of the International Encyclopedia has been ordered for the library. This makes the sixth set of encyclopedia placed in the school. Each set is different from the others.

Prof. Winship of Boston, gave several interesting and instructive lectures during the week. His lecture on Longfellow and Lowell, as well as the one entitled Saints and Rascals, is worthy of mention.

The school exhibit was deserving of special mention. It was of great credit to teachers and pupils in the country districts, and challenges the approval of all. Whatcom county may well be proud of her schools. With such a corps of earnest, progressive teachers there is no reason why Whatcom County should not rank first in the State in educational matters.

The Whatcom and San Juan County teachers, held their regular annual institute in the United Presbyterian church during the week commencing with October 13th. There were two hundred and sixteen teachers in attendance, the largest number ever registered. Prof. Kincaid of the State University delivered an excellent address on beetles, bugs, flies, mosquitoes, and their life history.

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With this issue, Vol. IV, No. I, the Normal Messenger appears before the public with a few important changes. We are, we feel, justly proud of the record of advancement that has been made along all lines, by the Whatcom State Normal School, from its beginning, only three years ago, up to the present time, when it takes rank among the very foremost of the Normal Schools in the Northwest.

In view of the fact of this remarkable growth, we feel that it is in order to express a few congratulations.

First of all we congratulate our worthy principal, Dr. Mathes, whose untiring energy and skillful management, have been no small factors in promoting the success of the school.

We congratulate the faculty, individually, for the strength of their respective departments.

We congratulate our honored trustees for the happy consequence of their labors.

We congratulate the people of Bellingham Bay upon being so fully imbued with the 20th century spirit of success and progress. To

the support given to our Normal School by the influence of this spirit we wish to give due acknowledgement.

And, lastly, we, the students, congratulate ourselves upon the special privilege afforded us by the existence here at Whatcom of a live, up-to-date Normal School.

Hence it is that the *Normal Messenger*, the organ of the student body, have made the important changes above referred to.

In endeavoring to keep in line with the general advancement of the school the publication has been changed from a quarterly to a monthly, and the management has passed into the hands of the students themselves.

In making these changes we deeply appreciate the added responsibility placed upon us, and confidently invite the support, not only of the whole student body and faculty, but of alumni and other interested friends as well.

We gratefully appreciate the support given us by our advertisers, and bespeak for them your patronage.

It is our intention this year to publish eight numbers of the *Normal Messenger* beginning with this, our first issue.

We hope by making the *Messenger* a monthly, we afford our alumni and friends, especially the teachers of the public schools, a better medium for keeping in touch with what is transpiring here at the Normal.

We trust that the change will create an intenser interest in the publication in general.

We believe that the interests of the school, together with the various reasons that the *Messenger* has been published at all in the past, will be materially advanced by the change.

We believe that our Normal School has outgrown a quarterly publication.

Because of these hopes and beliefs we are willing to devote our time and be unceasing in our efforts to make the *Normal Messenger* a clear and worthy reflector of the spirit and

happenings at the Normal School. However, as we are but amateurs in doing work of this kind, we realize we shall have our shortcomings, and consequently request that our subscribers be in a degree indulgent and that they be sparing with their criticisms.

In attending an institution of this kind one naturally expects exceptional privileges for listening to addresses by prominent men. But the students of our school this fall have been exceedingly fortunate along this line, and dead in deed must be the soul that has not been touched, uplifted, and inspired to higher ideals by at least some of the many and varied talks that have been given in the General Assembly room. These seeds of noble manhood and womanhood being so timely sown in such favorable soil, the souls of upwards of three hundred of the future teachers of our country, who can estimate the abundance of the harvest!

Our staff artist has designed an entirely new front cover for the *Messenger*, which will add greatly to its appearance. We very much regret being unable to have the plate finished in time for use in this issue.

Students, read our advertisements and patronize the advertisers. Without their support we could not publish a monthly paper. make a weekly edition possible in the near future.



LECTURE COURSE

The lecture course for the season of 1902-3 will contain seven numbers rather than five as last year. The first lecture will be given Nov. 21 by Prof. Sessions on the subject, "Liquid Air." This lecture is illustrated by a great number of experiments with liquified air producing temperatures 912 degrees below zero and 3500 degrees above zero.

On December 8, Miss Thompson of Minneapolis, will read with the aid of a stereoptican, "The Chinook," written by Joseph Blethen, managing editor of the Seattle Times.

In the same month the Cowels Concert Company will give a concert; and in March the Grand Opera Company will be here. As star in this company Mlle de la Lussan will appear; she has been connected with the Wagnerian Opera for several years, and has sung with Mr. Moritz Gran's Company in America.

Robert Nourse was to lecture on "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," but his death in Virginia on Sept. 27 leaves this number unfilled.

In April Dr. M. A. Mathews of the First Presbyterian church of Seattle, will lecture on "The Minister vs. the Present Social Conditions."

In May the lecture course will be closed by Dr. A. A. Willitts with his lecture on "Sunshine." Dr. Willitts, however, is subject for change. Tickets to citizens and students are the same price as last year; one change however, is noted—the student rate given to all pupils of the Public Schools of the Bay Cities.



ASSEMBLY TALKS

The Normal School has been favored the past few weeks in having a number of addresses in General Assembly. Among them were: Rev. T. M. Gun who spoke on "The Battle of Murfreesborough." Mr. Gun was a participant and his black hand sketch of the battle was very interesting.

Dr. S. H. Young, the Presbyterian missionary from Alaska, gave an excellent talk on his work there among the Indians. He believes Alaska admirably adapted to agricultural pursuits.

Dr. M. A. Mathews spoke to the students on the "Purpose of Education."

Dr. J. C. Thomas on "Moral Culture."

Dr. R. T. Grant of Vancouver, B. C., on

"Our Coast." His talk was instructive and entertaining. Should Dr. Grant ever visit Whatcom, we bespeak for him a warm welcome at the Normal School.

Prof. A. H. Yoder of the State University, gave an address on "The Period of Adolescence."

Dr. Helen Joyce of Tacoma, spoke on Physical culture

Prof. B. W. Brentnall, editor of the Northwestern School Journal, spoke on "Man's Activities."

Miss Jessie Wilcox, supervisor of the training school in Ellensburg Normal school, brought greetings from the students of that school and spoke to the students on "Optimism."

Supt. R. B. Bryan spoke on "The Aim of Girls."

Mr. Cotterell of Seattle, a representative of the Good Templars at the International convention in Europe, gave the school an interesting talk on his trip. Telling of the places of interest he visited.

Rev. Dr. Sulliger gave the school his lecture, "Queens and Quacks of the 20th Century" on Oct. 31. It was very amusing and entertaining.



ATHLETICS

Athletics has heretofore been an unimportant feature in our school life. But with the completion of the gymnasium and its fitting with convenient apparatus, there has been a stimulus added to indoor games and exercises that has been greeted with enthusiasm by the majority of students. The season has opened promisingly for the many lately organized teams that intend to play basket ball. The Normal boys have already played their initial game with Co. M, of the State Militia of Whatcom, and won by the close score of 8 to 11. This game is noted as being the first one

ever played by the Normal boys against an outside team. Manager Pinckney White has arranged for a number of games, and in all, the liveliest interest will be shown. The Normal team consists of the following students: F. D. Eason, center; A. Robinson, forward; A. Rose, forward; R. Everett guard; and E. W. O'Loughlin, guard.

The girls have not been slow to appreciate the value of athletic amusements, and have organized teams, elected managers and captains, and have standing dates for games with local teams. Throughout they have been characterized by such thrift and energy, that their efforts might well be envied by those who are more experienced in athletic tactics.

Class rivalry in athletics is the most important feature yet developed. Each class has its manager and captain and the coming games promise to develop much class spirit, and consequently enthusiasm in the sport. A board of managers has been elected by the Joint Athletic Association to which all matters pertaining to athletics—wherein the different classes are concerned—will be referred. The members of the board were chosen in order that each might represent the class to which he belongs. Five class representatives and two not partisan members comprise this board.



LOCALS

Class spirit ran rather high Monday morning, Oct. 27.

An open quotation—What is the Tam o'Shanter Club?

Carrie Shahan visited her sister Beryl during Institute week.

Prof. J. F. Forrest spent Oct. 25th, hunting near Chuckanut Mt.

Profs. Wilson and Bowman visited friends in Seattle Oct. 25-26.

Carrie Temple has left school on account of the death of her sister.

Esther Wallace has left school and is teaching in the Lincoln school.

Miss Gilchrist of Stanwood, has been visiting her sister at the Normal.

Lena Freise who left school a few weeks ago is teaching at Tualco, Wash.

Miss Nellie Cooper returned Oct. 29, from a visit to her sister at Pearson, Wash.

Miss Bertha Ross visited her home in Everett over Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 25-26.

Mamie Mutchler of first year class is confined at her home near Lynden with scarlet fever.

Miss Soper, the former instructor in the Thomas Music School of Detroit, has been the guest of Miss Coleman.

Miss Coleman is planning to organize the school for chorus work, and practice occasionally during Assembly time.

Emma Clanton who was a student at the Normal is a candidate for county school superintendent in Klickitat county.

The geology class has made several geological trips since school opened. They have planned to go to Lummi Island, Nov. 8.

Dr. Mathes gave a talk at Assembly Oct. 29 on the oyster industry in Mason county, with statistics which were very interesting.

Mrs. G. Crueger of Snohomish, is visiting her daughters, Misses Martha and Lilly. On Thursday she visited the Normal school.

One of the most enjoyable affairs which has occurred since the opening of school was the "Children's Party" given by the Utopian Club in the gymnasium.

The first prize for ladies was given to Meryl Hays, and the first prize for gentlemen to Ben. Hovies. A children's program was given and light refreshments served.

Miss Christine Thomle has been favored with a visit from two of her brothers and a sister since school opened. One brother was on his way to Pullman Wash.

A number of students have attended Prof.

Alexander's lectures on Phrenology during the past week. On Monday night Oct. 27, the Tam o'Shanter Club attended in a body.

A number of new books have been added to the library since school opened. A set of International Encyclopaedia, also 200 general reference books and a number of new text books.

A number of the faculty and students attended Ellery's Royal Italian Band at the opera house Oct. 25. The band was recommended to the students by Prof. Eply and Miss Coleman.

Miss Jeanette Baker has presented the Alcott Club with a handsome burnt portrait of Louisa M. Alcott, and the room is further adorned with two burnt panels of the prophet's Hosea and Isaiah.

Ten new houses have been built, within a radius of two blocks of the campus, during the summer vacation. But they do not afford sufficient accommodations for the increased number of students.

Dr. Mathes is to speak on the subject, "Influence that makes for good Citizenship," at the autumn meeting of the Puget Sound Schoolmaster's Club which is held in Tacoma Saturday, November 8.

The guests came dressed as children and many unique and original costumes were worn. Several of the faculty attended and if they had not been debarred from the contest some of them might have taken the prize.

The Y. W. C. A. has a constantly increasing membership this year. There is more interest than last year and the Thursday noon meetings are well attended. Two very interesting talks have been given by Mrs. Mackey and Miss Baker.

On Saturday night, October 18, Mr. Donovan addressed the Parthenon Club on "The Coal Strike." His talk was clear, concise and to the point, and given from the view of a practical business man. The club was very fortunate in securing Mr. Donovan.

Lost, strayed or stolen!—The Poster of the Senior "At Home." When last seen it was behind the punch bowl in Prof. Wilson's room. Will the finder please return it to the President of the class as the Poster is of great value and highly prized, being the work of a renowned local artist.

On October 15 the Teachers' Institute which was in session during that week, here in the city, adjourned to visit the Normal school. The first two periods of the afternoon session they visited classes in the Normal department and in the Training department. The last period was set aside and the students, faculty and visitors gathered in the auditorium and listened to an address by Dr. Winship of Boston on the subject of "Boys."

Miss Florence Cross was in Assembly last week and visited her former associates in the Chehalis school, Prof. Forrest, Miss Montgomery, Miss Baker and Mrs. Temple.

A member of the Senior class planned to make a request of the faculty for a written statement of *all* rules and regulations for the students, but when she found she would have a book as large as Webster's International Dictionary she abandoned her plan.



EXCHANGES

In our first exchange column we have not given any clippings, but have simply introduced these messengers from other schools to our Normal.

The High School Voice is out the first month.

The Comet, Reno, Nevada, contains a short poem, "Queen of the Night," which has an artistic rhythm refreshing in the midst of school-boy jingles.

The University Argonaut, Moscow, Idaho, is semi-monthly, but in style and subject matter it resembles a high school magazine.

The Academic Journal, Norwich, Connecticut, is chiefly a report of the departments of the school; it contains, however, an interesting account of-a-day-at Vassar.

We fear that the Spinster of Portland is becoming rather a lackadaisical old maid when one-third of her time (space) is given to love stories, beaux, and marriages.

The June Wa Wa of Port Townsend is the commencement number with the usual list of prophecies, class characteristics, and aspirations.

The Adjutant is a paper from a California military school. It is, as the editor states, for the school alone.

From the Eugene High School, Oregon, we have received a neat and commendable magazine. All the stories are good, especially "Vice Versa;" and the jokes are neither silly nor uninteresting to outsiders. Read this paper to see the class and school patriotism on every page of its school news.

The Intercollegian, New York, contains articles on "Missionaries and Spirituality," "The Federation Gathering" and "Summer Conferences in Many Lands."

The People's University of Olympia, publishes a paper in the interest of that school known as the College Independent.

All old students and friends of the U. of W. will be pleased to know that the Pacific Wave is always near at hand. Go to it for news on foot-ball and the doings of colleges in the United States.



TAM O'SHANTER CLUB

The social aspect of our school this fall is such, that it is a source of much pleasure to both students and faculty. Although class spirit and the rivalry between classes are more keen than ever before and literary societies are making great endeavors to excel in their work before the eyes of the school and the pupils,

yet the general feeling among the students is that, social gatherings, where good, wholesome, social intercourse may be indulged in, and teachers and students may come in closer and more intimate contact with each other, is a part of school life; a part of their education. The results are that numerous societies and clubs have been, and are, being formed. Many of the classes and societies have already given elaborate receptions and "at homes" and more are scheduled. Among the clubs formed, the most prominent is the much talked of "Tam o'Shanter Club," a name quite appropriate considering the circumstances which led to the organization of the club. To the unknowing suffice it to say that through the accidental and unavoidable efforts of a few young gentlemen, who were gathered at a certain girls' den in the near vicinity of the Normal, one dark and stormy night not long since, a number of "tams" disappeared. The club was entertained for the first time by Miss Buele Williams at her home on Elk street. The "Tam Club" turned out in force and it is the judgment of its members that the club is a perfect success. It is to be hoped that more of these social clubs will be organized so that occasionally, during the winter months, tired and weary with the mental strain and tedium of school work, the students may relax, profit by a good social time and maintain the equilibrium of their natures; that they may become able in the near future to conduct themselves with credit in what is one of the most potent factors of our civilization—Society.



JUNIOR CLASS ORGANIZATION

The Junior class has begun the year with earnest, enthusiastic members.

We have made many pleasant plans for the ensuing year. "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy."

The class colors are royal, purple and white.

The officers are :

Bertram Doran, President. Effie Wheeler, Vice-President. Ethel Everett, Secretary. Ruby Gough, Treasurer. Albert Stintson, Sergeant at Arms.

A basket ball team has been organized and another soon will be.

The Second Year Class after considerable difficulty has organized with Mr. White, President; Mr. Swanbery, Vice-President; Mr. Shamblin, Secretary; Miss Anna Havens, Treasurer; Mr. Watkins, Sergeant-at-Arms. If the spirit which has been shown thus far continues the class will no doubt be heard from frequently.

The Third Year Class is composed of a large number of students, but owing to its heterogeneous combination of Modified, regular and irregular students, it has not yet become sufficiently concentrated to organize for class work. Since a great number of the class intend to take out Elementaries in June the general spirit is "close application to study."

The Third Year Class is wide-awake and has organized for class work. The following officers were elected: Frank Hopkins, President; Sarah L. Van Reypen, Vice-President; Mamie Cox, Secretary; Belle Abbott, Historian. One basket ball team has been organized and is being fitted for good work. Another team will be organized as soon as possible.



AN ADVENTURE

Saturday afternoon, Nov. 1st, a jolly crowd set out regardless of the weather, for Ferndale. The number comprised the Senior Glee Club, the school company playing "Not a Man in the House," our star declaimers, Cassie Gifford and Ernest O'Loughlin, Miss Myers, the the Senior chaperone, and two Third year drivers. Despite the weather, it goes without saying, the trip was enjoyable. The vocal selections, both classical and original rendered

along the road aroused the horses and natives of the country from their lethargic state caused by the nature of the weather.

After a chicken dinner in the thriving little metropolis of Ferndale, a program was rendered in the G. A. R. hall. The first part was made up of selections by the Glee Club, vocal solos, readings, and instrumental solos. The second part was given to the play, "Not a Man in the House," in which the four stars did nobly. All ended with a fare-well song and the Seniors started home in the pouring rain, successful and happy. The same could not be said of the horses, however, for they entered the union and declared a strike. The whole crowd was formed into an arbitration board which met in six inches of mud, a steady down-pour of rain, all mixed together with inky darkness to form resolutions. These first consisted of "implorings" of the obstinate strikers to mush on, but proving ineffective resolved finally into evidences of physical culture. This applied by the board of arbitrators to both horses and wagon ultimately influenced the strikers to go back to work, and the board entered the shelter of the wagonette. But alas the leader evidently thinking the operators were not keeping the contract, again called out the workers and the arbitrators were invited out into deeper mud to settle the matter. More forcible arguments were resorted to this time and proved successful.

In course of time the adventurers reached Whatcom and wended their ways to their respective haunts in the most dismal storm of the season. They haven't adventured so much since.

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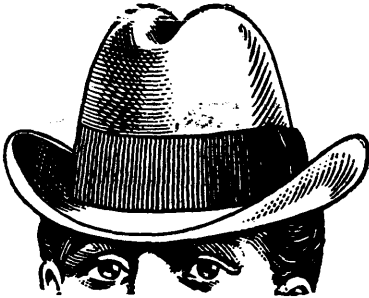


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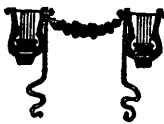
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