

In order to select an official school dance orchestra, the Board of Control decided at the meeting on January 30, to hold a competitive tryout on Thursday noon, February 7. The music committee was authorized to take charge of the try-out.

The immediate surveying of the school eighty has been authorized. Two parties are to be interviewed soon by the board concerning the plans for the all-school lodge.

Notice to Advanced Students.
All Sophomores and Senior college students are requested to go to the landing anytime today for their questionnaires if they are interested in having their names in the Klipsun.

A Corner on Education

Progress.
There have been more changes in the educational field in the last thirty years than in the preceding thirty centuries. The technique of teaching is fifty per cent superior to what it was thirty years ago and high school pupils are fifty per cent poorer than they were at that time, because then only the very best pupils went to the higher schools. —Dr. Henry Suzzallo.

tion of remedial measures. There never was a greater challenge to the 700,000 teachers of the Nation than now.

DO YOU KNOW THAT
A person's knowledge and character determine what he is; the character of his relations with people largely determines what he can do?

Teaching Profession Lacks Publicity.
The Institute for Public Service says in a recent circular letter, that "Instead of recruiting the ablest young people into teaching, American colleges and universities are advertising and abetting the selling points of other professions. Of six hundred colleges and universities' catalogs, having a combined circulation of over two million readers a year, only one states the rewards, opportunities, attractions, and durable satisfactions of teaching; two have teacher-recruiting references other than statements that the demand exceeds the supply or that placement bureaus will find jobs for graduates; thirty-seven mention an increasing demand for trained teachers, though not for the sake of recruiting able men and women into teaching, but to promise places for those who have already decided to teach. Even training schools for teachers address their catalogs to convinced juries of young people already recruited."

School is not a prison, neither is it a picnic ground; it is an opportunity and a duty.—Jacob Ross.

A prominent educator has said that the modern school embodies four great aims:

1. To teach children the physical properties of things.
2. To impart social ideas and skills.
3. To encourage certain personal attitudes.
4. To lead to the mastery of the school of arts.

Teachers Recruited.
The one selling argument for teaching which was found in six hundred catalogs is by the College of St. Catherine, at St. Paul, Minn. Every girl, parent, or teacher who reads that catalog finds at the top of the page these teacher-recruiting words:

"Prepare to teach; America needs you. Your leadership, your intelligent service can make school communities progressive, happy and prosperous. Your preparation for teaching is a safe investment; it pays dividends in salaries based on the service you are able to give; it pays also in durable satisfactions, for while teaching admits you to the privilege of training the youth of the land, it also allows for continued self-development."

President Fisher spoke to the student assembly of the Ellensburg Normal on Thursday, January 31, at 3 o'clock. His topic was "Some Obligations You Have as Students." He reported that he found a splendid student body with fine spirit.

In the evening Dr. Fisher attended a dinner given by the faculty which was preceded by a brief reception which gave Dr. Fisher an opportunity to meet all members of the faculty. A discussion of teacher training problems followed the dinner where Mr. Fisher spoke, giving the end of the meeting to a free discussion.

State School Director's Convention.
From Ellensburg President Fisher went to Olympia to attend the State School Directors' convention. Friday evening he attended a banquet at the Olympian Hotel where the three Normal school presidents spoke. Mr. Fisher gave an address on "What is a Teacher?" Saturday morning he spoke to the convention on the subject "Training of Teachers" which was followed by a lively discussion by the directors in attendance.

Students of the Bellingham Normal may be interested to know that Charles Herbert Levermore, of New York, student of international relations, writer and former college professor, has been officially declared the winner of the \$100,000 prize offered by Edward W. Bok of Philadelphia, for the best plan to preserve peace among the nations of the world.

Mr. Levermore was announced as the winner by John W. Davis, of the policy committee of the American peace award at a meeting at the Academy of Music. He was presented with \$50,000, half of Mr. Bok's prize, the remainder to be given only if the plan is accepted by the congress of the United States. Levermore's plan was number 1469 in a total of 22,165 received.

English Department Get Office.
With the many other improvements about the building, President Fisher has seen fit to give the English department a real office, located in room 121. This is the first time in the history of the Normal school that this department has had an official office. It is equipped with new desks as well as other furniture to aid in the work of the instructors. Visitors are cordially invited to come in at any time. "Bring your troubles with you, and look the office over," says Mr. Fowler. "We will welcome the opportunity to help you."

ALUMNI NOTES.
Charles D. Jones, '14, is now superintendent of Schools in Santa Paula, California.

R. J. Shusman, a 1920 graduate, is now superintendent of schools in Snoqualmie. He reports the interesting fact that practically all of his teachers are graduates of Bellingham Normal, among whom are the following: Lillian Nelson, Phyllis Seymour, Elsa Nuescke, Clara O'Neill, Hazel M. Ecker, Leona Tennant, Mabel Evans, Laura Deems and E. E. Raidon.

Miss Iva Vestman, of the class of '21 is employed in the schools of Corcoran, Cal.

Evelyn Bugge, one of our graduates, is attending Stanford University, and is also library assistant there.

Paul Baurfort, '18, has received his degree from the U. of California, and is teaching in the high schools of Ukiah, Cal.

Miss Jessie Bayha, a 1918 graduate, has been teaching in Helena, Montana, since 1921.

Miss Anna McMeekin, a Bellingham Normal graduate, is employed by the Educational Thrift Service in starting school saving systems in the cities of United States. When last heard from, Miss McMeekin had her offices in the Woolworth building, New York City.

To compliment Miss Dorothy Dobbs and Miss Weltha Stonehouse, who are teaching this year at Oak Harbor, Mr. Baker and his daughters, the Misses Jerry and Jessie Baker, entertained with a dinner party at their home last Sunday. Miss Dobbs and Miss Stonehouse were last year's students of Normal, and came up last week-end to attend "Grumpy" and the Cheney game.

Notice—Plain sewing done promptly to order. See John O'Rourke.

Dr. Winship's Speech.
Making his eighth address before the members of the Bellingham Normal, Dr. E. A. Winship of Boston, editor of the New England Journal of Education, gave a talk at the regular assembly on Tuesday, February 5.

Dr. Winship made the plea that the people of today, especially those who contemplate teaching, be aware of today's progress and the opportunities in the future rather than dwell in the thoughts of yesterday. As was said by an eastern paper, he himself is interested in prophecies; not reminiscences.

Talks on Progress
"Some teachers are so far in the background that they even wish that the number of high school students had not increased one hundred per cent as it has in the last eight years. They wanted only the students who were inclined toward books, then they could devote their entire time to them instead of trying to get the pupils interested first."

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