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EXTENSION LIBRARIES

IMPORTANT BRANCH

Great Aid to All Those Enrolled in Extension Courses.

Mention has been made of our Packet Libraries which form the most important part of our library extension work. But that is not all.

The school has several rural training schools in this county and Yakima and in order to make these real work shops, a laboratory of books must be provided. So into each one of these centers has gone a small collection of books to form a library suited to their special needs. These books treat of the various phases of rural school work. You would find such titles as: "The Rural Teacher and His Work," "English in the Country Schools," "Primary Handwork," "Community Civics" and "Country Life and the Country School."

Extension courses are being given this quarter in four places in the state, Richland, Prosser, Kennewick and Raymond. To make such courses really effective, supplementary reading is necessary. Therefore this library has made up a collection of fifteen or twenty books to go to each one of these towns. These books are deposited for the period of nine weeks in these towns, taken care of by the city superintendent and loaned to the individuals who are enrolled in the extension classes.

We have, you see, three distinct branches of extension work from this library. (1) The Packet Libraries which are professional and loaned to the teachers in service. (2) Rural Training Centers Libraries, made up of rural books and loaned to the students who are doing practice work in the rural districts. (3) The Extension Libraries, placed temporarily in the towns where extension courses are held and loaned to all enrolled in these classes.

Carnegie Library.
Where We Get Our Extra Aid.

MISS RANKIN, our librarian, and one of the liveliest wires of the school. She is one of the schools most valuable assets, and is admired by all for her efficiency and good nature. The juniors should feel very proud to have Miss Rankin for their class advisor.

SOME S. O. S. CALLS TO THE LIBRARIAN

Just stay at the 4ask of the Librarian for a few hours or days and you'll discover that "it's a bea- secretarial office for 8. O. S. calls. No doubt you notice the librarian flying about; of course, she is answering 8. O. S. calls which mean "hurry" and a little more.

On December 17, this request thru a letter was received, "Every Friday from three to four the school children, here have an entertain- ment. You'll tell me what we want. We want you to send us li- brary on school entertainments. Literature, directions, pictures of costumes, tableaux, plays, songs, acts, etc. We especially want something for Xmas. Send us enough literature to supply our wants for the rest of the Fridays in the school year."

Did you ever debate Do you know how much material it takes and how much reading must be done to do that efficiently? About three times a week the librarian gets a request for such work. "Please send all material on the negative side of the question, "Resolved that tax levies to carry on war with Germany should be by direct taxation."

Here is an extract of a letter: "I taught school years ago in Maine but have forgotten too much to try again." However, he is still seeking advantages so that he asked for copies of our old text books of psychology. The letter ends, "Regretting not being able to have taken a course in Normal." Do you appreciate your blessings?

"I have just five minutes before class and I must have that book on Play—Who's the Author? Oh I don't know but it's a light colored book. Oh yes, hurry, or I won't have my lesson."

"Do you have a picture of the Queen of Sheba—I have to dress like her."

Often will be found on psychology reserve shelf a book: "Introduction to Sexology by Herrick." It rushed a girl and shouted, "I want a picture, just a picture."

The next instance came the question from an other person. "Do you have a heretic—I believe Miss Grue re- ferred us to that book?"

A dignified but hurried member of the faculty calmly requests a new book which has only that moment arrived in the mail. "I need it badly." That is another call for classifying, and cataloging and preparing a book for circulation—all in two minutes.

Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. has a splendid building and its use is of special value to the W. S. N. S. students, in a social as well as educational way. The swimming pool is an excellent one and is used by young women's classes from the State Normal as well as classes of young women from town, on certain evenings of the week. All these classes are conducted by women instructors. The Normal School often has a regular swimming course, under the direction of the gymnasium department of the school.

In the Y. M. C. A. building is a large room used for women's rest rooms and a meeting place for women's clubs. From this room leads a private stairway to dressing rooms for the women.

LIBRARY STUDENTS

ASSIST LIBRARIAN

Opportunity Given Classes to Put Theory Into Practice.

The library not only run for the students but in great part is run by the students. The librarians are assisted in a considerable extent by the student help. This is organized thru the library classes. When any library course is course is selected the student knows that at least 40 per cent of his time will be devoted to actual practice in the library. This furnishes her with the possibility of putting into practice the theory learned in class. It gives her actual contact and acquaintance with many books, other than the ones she is definitely referred to by the various instructors, she learns how to use the library and to help others to do the same, she acquires some knowledge in library technics; and secondarily, she is greatly assisting the librarian in their arduous duties and multiplication of work. These assistants do the greater part of the charging and discharging of books, they keep the study hours in the two children's libraries in the Training school, help with the mechanical work such as labeling, pasting in book pockets, etc., they return books and magazines to their proper places on the shelves, they are also learning book binding and mending and help in this work, and they are useful in compiling bibliographies and accumulating picture material for the Training school classes.

Such an arrangement fosters a democratic atmosphere and a spirit of cooperation. It is highly successful in our library, and the students are to be complimented upon their willingness and efficiency.

Library students cooperate with the Associated Students clip the news items each morning and post them on bulletin board for the purpose where all "may read as they run."
The value of our library.

Without fatigue and peril of travel, without the expenditure of money our library offers us the opportunity of a liberal education and asks in return but our friendship.

A book is more wonderful than the magic carpet that took the traveler over the earth. For a good book takes one to the foremost boundary of imagination and investigation. Great as are our wonderful inventions they do less than a good book in conquering space.

Literature, poetry, history, every branch of the intellectual life is to be found in our library, the voices of the past, line the walls in somber rows. The voices of the present flaunt their alluring colors on the low lying shelves.

Who is richer? The one who has the intellectual malnutrition, so often obtained at the expense of the intellectual has the privilege of travel, the one denied the privilege of a Pantheon or a West Minister Abbey, but who knows intimately through the companionship of good books he has the immortal powers that lie beneath these mighty tombs.

Here in our library are these wonderful talismen. They await their Magic Alchemy the opportunity to solve our problems, our doubts, trying to widen our outlook upon the great panorama of life. For after all it is the thought, the inspiration, that the book creates that is the most valuable and enduring gift.

War Books

There is such an abundance of material on the present great war being published that it is a difficult matter for a person to choose what will be permanent value, and not only imaginative. Of course, excellent articles and advice on armament is to be found in the current periodicals and much is published and distributed free by the national government. On that account, a large number of books are not required by the small library. I throw out a few suggestions for such reading in the following partial list of war books on our shelves:

- Beveridge—What Is Back of the War?
- Crile—Mechanistic View of War and Peace
- Sheep—Handbook of European War
- McClure—Obstacles to Peace
- Wells—Mr. Britling Sees It thru
- Bybee—The War of Democracy
- J'Accuse.
- Doty—Short Rations
- Powell—Italy at War
- Swope—Inside the German Empire.

Library in War Times

No. 1—Speaking to No. 2 cross the library table. "What are you writing?"
No. 2—to Joe, We write three times a day.
No. 1—Where is he now?
No. 2—Camp Lewis.
No. 1—Oh! Mine is there too, what is yours?
No. 2—Sargeant.
No. 1—Mine is only a private, but.
No. 2—Calls—over here—what is the making?
No. 3—Soe my helmet.
No. 1—Olive drab.
No. 2—Who is it for?
No. 3—Knit two, pearl two, knit two, pearl two.
No. 1—Where is he?
No. 2—Had it on at breakfast.
No. 3—Knit two, pearl two.
No. 2 to No. 1—Who was the soldier whose picture was out with last night?
No. 1—Yes, and he was at the hall in the afternoon. He's from Seattle.
No. 3—Knit two, pearl two.
No. 4—Fred sent me some pictures of the camp yesterday—see! No. 1 and No. 2—Oh!
No. 3—Knit two, pearl two.
No. 5—Let me see! Oh!
No. 6—I get a letter from Willie his chum wants a girl to write to—any of you want his address.
No. 1—I got Bob's picture last week and he looks so big in his uniform. He said—
No. 3—Knit two.
No. 1—He said—
No. 6—This is his chum.

All—My—
Miss Rankin—Girls—Less talking
No. 4—in whisper—Let me see his chum again—just one little look.
No. 1—What is his name? Mercy he looks distinguished. Johnnie Jones. Oh what a cute name.
No. 4—Let me see him. Let me write to him. No. 1—Let me—
No. 4—No I have it, I'm going to.
No. 3—Knit two, pearl two.
No. 2—Has a diamond.
Had it on at breakfast.
No. 4—Yes he's a soldier. He's at American Lake.
No. 6—Yes, she got a letter:
"Confident on Fage Five;"

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NOTABLE BOOK IN LIBRARY.

Stanley G. Hall’s “Jesus Christ in the Light of Psychology,” is among the notable books added to the library these last months.

Dr. Hall sets about in the book the task of creating nothing less than a “new Christianity.” The foundation upon which Dr. Hall rears his fabric is evolution. He believes we are living in a dead past and that we need to become creative again.

“The world and society has never before in its history needed the spiritual vitality of Jesus’ message as much as now,” says Dr. Hall.

“Well He is at present president of Clark University.

LIBRARY, OR——?

Old Si Perkins came to town
From his home up in the hill.
He said he wanted to see the burg—
He was tired of rocks and rills.

So he took himself to the Normal School
To see teachers in the making;
For from what he’d always heard and read,
’Twas quite an undertaking.

He went to the turreted building first,
Turned in at the Library door;
But in all his life he’d never been
In such a place before!

“I thought I knew what a library was,”
Said he with a sigh, “but, by jing!
I guess this noisy joint must be
Some burned new-fangled thing.”

“Them girls at the table,” he said to himself,
“Are talkin’ about all their beaux.”
(And, then, as he heard something else that they said).
An’ dances, an’ parties, an’ shows!

“Now, I can’t see how under the sun
This comes in edjicasun—
It looks more like a club-room here
With books fer decoration.”

An’ everybody’s a’ talkin’ here
As far as I kin see;
An’ I guess I’d better git out afore
They start a’ servin’ tea!

And as Si went away he asked himself,
(For he always liked a pun),
“Now when is a library not a library?
Says I: ‘When a Normal one!’”

—N. L. S.

FORESTRY.

The library is constantly trying to cooperate with various departments of the school. For example, the students in library two, have been compiling bibliographies on various industries of the state; this material is to be used in the intermediate department of the Training School. Along this same line, the librarian should like to announce that she has been able to secure the use of a traveling exhibit of commercially important woods of the United States and a photographic exhibit, for three weeks time from January 21, to February 8. These exhibits will be placed in the assembly room where all may view them, and one of the foresters of the Northwest will also give an illustrated lecture on forestry. This exhibit is intended for the benefit of all the Normal students, the Training school pupils and the public school pupils.

Normay School Library. Where we while many happy hours away.

Washington State Normal School

Science Building W. S. N. S.
An Anecdote Told By Dr. Winship.

Franklin, Massachusetts, named for Benjamin Franklin. The founder decided on this name in order to obtain a bell for the town house. They wrote Franklin to this effect but he replied that any place that had sense enough to choose such a good name had more sense than to care for sound. They should prefer a library, and he sent a check for the first public library in the United States.

The library receives daily "The Official Bulletin" which may be found on the reading tables in the periodical room. "The Official Bulletin" is published under order of the president of United States and by the committee on public information, George Creel, chairman. This sheet contains news of all government actions and plans in all questions, before the United States today.

Christmas is past and the holidays for which we waited so long have been happily spent. We are back again, ready to attack our work with renewed vigor and make 1918 one of the most profitable in our lives.

A Letter From Hoover.
The librarian is in receipt of a letter from Mr. Hoover, thanking the school for the work it has done in the conservation of food, and offering the assistance of his department.

HOME AGAIN.
We had a hard time getting home and a worse one getting back again. Those from the west who planned their trip was made by autos, so that the crowd arrived in "batches." Those from the east were more fortunate, being only a little over an hour late, and encountering no bad roads.

The Northern Pacific went only as far as Cle Elum, where a change was made to the Milwaukie, which went on to Thorp. The rest of the trip was made by auto, so that the crowd arrived in "batches."
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(Continued From Page 2.)

yesterday—he had a cold when he wrote—she hasn't had a word since—poor kid she is almost sick, she has worried so.
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No. 6—On stairs) —"Billy Brown—did you meet him when you faculty. Every part of education can be read about in our educational magazines, from the "Kindergarten and First grade to Educational Administration and Supervision." Science is not overlooked—every one appreciates "Popular Mechanics" and "Scientific American." Farm animals, poultry, fruit and all kindred things are the subjects of our agricultural magazines. Art, fine and useful, furnishes mighty good reading for all. "The Art World," "Good Housekeeping," even "Vogue" are ever popular. Geography and history are likewise represented and no one can afford to miss seeing the "National Geographic" each month. Recreational Magazines are often enjoyed. The many children's magazines in the Training School libraries are actually consumed.

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Christmas Vacation Is Over Now

so let's get down to business and settle once and for all the truth of the matter. Any thinking man knows that every year brings with it new opportunities and new hope. We must work hard to make the best of our time, and do our best in the coming year. Nothing short of our best is good enough. Do YOUR best.

LITTLE HERBIE.
(Sopie Kerr in Life.)
Little Herbie Hoover's come to our house to stay.
To make us scrape the dishes clean, an keep the crumbs away.
An' learn us to make war bread, an' save up all the grease.
Or the less we eat of butter, the sooner we'll have peace.
An' all us other children, when our scantly meal is done.
We gather up around the fire an' have the most fun.
A-listenin' to the portents that Herbie talks about.
An' the Calories that git you
If you don't watch out!

An' little Herbie Hoover says when the fire burn low
An' the vitamines are creepin' from the shadows, scoo' an' slow.
You better eat the things the Food Folks say they's plenty of.
An' cheat the garbage pile, an' give all butcher's meat the shove.
An' gobble up the corn pone an' vegetables an' fish.
An' save yer drippin's an' yer sweets an' lick clean ever' dish.
An' don't get fresh a' talkin' of what you won't do with it.
Or the Calories 'll git you
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