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"TELLS OF HIS TRIP."

Prof. Hodgman Recounts His Journey to the Coast.

During the Christmas vacation Professor Hodgman made a business trip to Portland, Ore., and while there he met a number of o.c. University people. In describing his trip yesterday to a Nebraskan reporter Mr. Hodgman gave much information regarding the country and the people he met. He reached Portland Thursday morning, December 24th, and at 7 o'clock that evening seven of the ten former University men in Portland had sat down with him to a banquet given by them in his honor. He had the pleasure of doing with G. A. Johnson, John Holmster, E. D. Jones, S. C. Hawthorne, J. E. Schuyleman, J. F. Ingalls, Dana Sleeth and H. J. Overter, and two others whose names we were unable to obtain.

Mr. Hodgman said that G. A. Johnson is now a promoter of an oyster company; J. E. Schuyleman is a timber locator, with S. C. Hawthorne as his partner. They have been doing a rushing business during the past year. They live forty miles north of Astoria on their own homesteads, where they have erected log cabins. E. D. Jones is an auditor in the office of the Oregon Short Line. H. J. Overter will return to school here next fall, and in the meantime expects to clear from \$4,000 to \$7,000. Mr. Schuyleman will also return to attend school, although this is said to be not the only purpose he has in view.

At the banquet many tales were told and reminiscences recalled relating to incidents that happened in this University afore time. After the merriment had subsided they started out to view the town. They visited two large gambling dens for which many western cities are famous. Both were located above saloons and each was half as large as the chapel here. The games ran all night long, and the room was a whirl of excitement as Americans, "foreigners and Chinamen" tried their luck at the game. Just before Christmas each year the miners flock into Portland from the mountains and surrounding country for a radius of 50 miles. They come well supplied with money, but squander it all in gambling and other forms of vice before they leave.

In speaking of his trip and of his impressions of the country Mr. Hodgman said: "Idaho was covered with a fair fall of snow which rendered the scene along the road all the more beautiful. Thunder mountain, which was distant a hundred miles or more was greatly picturesque. The coast, however, was entirely devoid of snow. The days are warm and misty, and it is sloppy underfoot, but nevertheless the climate is delightful. At different stations along the Oregon Short Line the express companies were shipping sturgeon four to eight feet long, caught in the Snake river, to Portland for Christmas steaks. "Portland is a rich city of 125,000 inhabitants. At present it is a little irritated by the rapid growth of Seattle and the apparent impossibility of removing the bar from the mouth of the Columbia river. The government has spent millions to make Portland a seaport by jetties at the mouth of the river, but all efforts have failed. Until success is realized Portland is in danger of being eclipsed by Seattle, although there is no comparison at all between the two cities as to wealth, stability and inter-wholesale trade. A scheme partly state and partly national, for overcoming the cascades of the Columbia is under way. If this can be done wheat barges will bring to grain of eastern Washington to Portland, and make her the grain market of the coast. The timber of Oregon is rapidly being taken up and probably another year will exhaust all desirable claims. The ten and fifteen million foot claims are gone and people now have to be content with those of two or three million feet.

"On the return trip I could not fail to notice the irrigation work that is being done in Idaho. Big money in the future lies in these irrigation propositions, although large amounts are required for exploitation. In passing from Pocatello to Ogden one crosses a range and notes the beginning of the large ditches which have turned the Salt Lake valley into a garden. At Ogden one hears much of the tremen-

dous engineering work done by the Southern Pacific. This company has built straight across Salt Lake and by tunnels cut out forty miles of curves and these big engineering problems are the chief theme of conversation among western travelers at present. The crossing of the arm of Salt Lake has been made easier by the rapid subsidence of the waters, which for some unexplained reason has been going on constantly for the past few years."

Professor Caldwell was called to Havelock yesterday afternoon by the serious illness of his cousin, Mr. Henry Ewal, who is suffering from an attack of pneumonia.

Earl Farnsworth, who established a great name for himself as a tennis champion here two years ago, and last year at Cornell University, is reported very sick at his home in Grand Island with small pox.

Miss Carrie A. Barbour, of the geology department, has been elected a member of the American association for the Advancement of Science, at the meeting of that society held in St. Louis December 31.

The University Liederkranz will hereafter meet Wednesdays at 1:15. This chorus is under the direction of Mrs. Raymond and all who are interested in German songs will find this a very profitable exercise. Rehearsal in Memorial Hall.

Professor Luckey's book for "Professional Training of Teachers in the United States" has just been published by the McMillan company. This is a very important contribution to educational literature and a review of the book will be given in a later issue of The Nebraskan.

Registration for the short term at the State Farm commenced Monday morning and will continue throughout the week. This term is but nine weeks in length and is devoted entirely to agriculture. At the end of Monday's registration sixty-five students had registered.

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SENIORS order pins at once at Hallet's. N COM.

Meeting of the Freshman Hop committee Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock.

SENIOR CLASS BOOK BOARD. Meets Wednesday, January 6, in U. 107. Important business.

All track men meet in gymnasium at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon in suits. All wishing lockers can then apply. DR. CLAPP.

All girls intending to register next semester for beginning gymnasium work please report at physical training office at once.

SENIORS! Get photos at Townsend's immediately. Must all be in by Jan. 20, '04. Order of Committee.

NOTICE. All track candidates and Charter Day contestants are requested to meet on the gymnasium floor Wednesday, Jan. 6, at 4 p. m. Come dressed for work. Long distance men will run out of doors if the weather will permit. Come prepared. H. J. STATES, Capt.

ATTENTION, SENIORS! Candidates for places in the Senior class play must be ready for trial at any time Wednesday, Thursday or Friday evening of this week, meeting in U. 106. Special notice of time will be sent to each candidate. Please appear promptly, as time for each will be limited. Any one not receiving notices should see Miss Howell before Friday evening.

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