

TWENTY NAMES FOR ORATORICAL CONTEST

That a great interest is being taken in the Inter-collegiate Oratorical contest try-out, is shown by the fact that fully twice as many students will enter this year, as in any previous year. When time was called last Monday night twenty had handed in their names and everyone has promised that he means business.

The try-out will be held on Friday and Saturday of the second week in December. Owing to the large number of contestants, two days will be devoted to it. The speakers will be heard in alphabetical order, each being allowed eight minutes, and five or six will be selected to enter the final try-out about a month later.

Competition for the place will be exceptionally keen for the list of aspirants contains the names of several who have tried out before and also several new students who have had experience along this line. B. H. Williams, Oregon's representative in the Inter-state contest last year, heads the list.

Those who have signified their intentions of trying are: B. H. Williams, '10; W. C. Nicholas, '10; Dudley, Clarke, '10; H. J. Rounds, '10; C. W. Robinson, '11; C. Esby, '11; Glen Scott, '11; R. Applegate, '12; W. Barbour, '12; L. Ray, '12; (Miss) Willetta Wright, '12; W. Beals, '12; W. St. John, '12; J. E. Jones, '12; A. Bozarth, '13; E. Smith, '13; G. E. Mallett, '13; R. Knykendall, '13; D. Pickett, '13; D. McDonald, '13.

DR. SCHMIDT FAVORS SCHILLER MONUMENT

In his speech before the United German Societies of Oregon in Portland tonight, Dr. Schmidt, who for many years has been head of the German Department at the University of Oregon, will advocate that they build a monument in honor of Schiller to be placed in one of the beautiful Portland Parks. He considers that Schiller is the most popular poet in Germany and that some fitting tribute should be shown his memory.

Tonight all German people are celebrating Schiller's one hundred-fiftieth birthday. He is just coming into the fullness of his popularity, and is the idol of his people. His first work, "The Robbers," was considered revolutionary and he was forced to flee from his native land. He was an intimate friend of Goethe.

Schiller has had a great influence on the German people," said Dr. Schmidt when seen by a reporter for the Emerald just before leaving for Portland. "His message was the "Menschenwurde"—the dignity of human nature.

Deity in Nature.

The first meeting of the Emersonian Society since its formal organization, will be held in Deady Hall, Friday night at eight o'clock. The program prepared will be short and will consist of a discussion, lead by E. M. Brown, on "The Manifestations of the Deity in Nature." The programs later will be shaped along a definitely prepared outline for a comprehensive study of religious beliefs in comparison, and lecturers will from time to time be invited to give addresses before the society on subjects of interest in this field of study. The object of the new society is to furnish a place where all may have an opportunity for free and unhampered speech upon subjects of a religious nature, and may be assured of tolerant and unbiased hearing.

The baseball men have begun training at California. Practice games between the first and second teams will be played three times a week.

ROOTERS PRACTICE TWO DAYS EACH WEEK

Regular rooter's practice will be held hereafter on every Wednesday and Friday afternoon. These days have been selected by Hayward and Forbes for public football practice and will be known as "rooters' days."

This plan is followed at the University of Washington where they have had secret practice since the first of the year, and is very successful. All students are then anxious to see the team practice, and everyone gets out on the same night. Now that Oregon has begun secret practice, it is thought that the students will appreciate more what a privilege it is to be where they can always see the team in action.

"All the rooters have not been getting out at once," said Yell Leader Alton, speaking of the change, "and this is expected to bring better results. We believe that almost every man in the University can get out twice a week, whereas, if they were required to get out every night, they might not come at all. The fellows yelled good last Saturday and if we have consistent practice from now till the O. A. C. game, the lemon will be able to make just as much noise as the orange."

Department Gets Together.

Yesterday afternoon President Campbell, Dr. Clark and Dr. Schafer each gave short talks to the students majoring in the department of history. The meeting of the department was for the especial benefit of the freshmen pupils and Dr. Schafer in his talk on "The Moral of the Quiz" dealt with the purposes of the quiz and pointed out the difference in the character of the work done in the high school and that expected in the university and said, "Your work in the university will be successful in just that degree in which you become masters of the fine art of thinking."

Dr. Clark expressed himself as ready to aid any of the students in their work at any time. President Campbell gave some encouraging remarks saying there is no reason why history students of the University of Oregon should not develop into constructive and speculative historians as great as any in the world. The history department plans to have meetings of the major students from time to time for the purpose of improving the work of the department.

Sophomore Hour Proves Success

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vallis on that occasion, and unless the new bleachers are completed in time, there will be no place for the supporters of the Varsity team.

The words of Mr. Goodman were heartily seconded by Cecil Esby, Oliver Huston, and Glen Scott, in short and pointed speeches. Then Yell Leader Alton rose and issued a call for rooters. Rooting practice he announced will be held only twice a week in future, owing to the fact that the team in holding secret practice. The first practice is to be held this evening and thereafter announcements will be made, when the dates are definitely decided upon. Shaming the men of the University for their poor showing on the bleachers at the Multnomah game, Mr. Alton declared that he intended to have the right kind of a representation out at the future games, even if he had to call on the girls to help. After the close of his speech, the men of the student body, by a standing vote, declared themselves to be unanimously willing to turn out for rooting practice in future and to lend all possible support to the team which is representing them on the football field. Two rousing yells were led by Mr. Alton, after which the "Boo! song" was started and to its strains, the students marched from the hall.

SMITH MAY NOT BE ABLE TO KEEP CLUB OUT

George H. Smith, manager of the local theatre, is said to be making desperate efforts to keep in the good graces of the University of Oregon students after threatening to cancel the Glee Club dates in the Northwest Theatrical Circuit houses. As yet, however, he has shown no disposition to reduce his own prices.

Manager Geary says that he will never submit to these rates and that he does not believe the influential men in an association will insist on it. The Salem theatre, a better house than Smith's is secured for \$35. And all other houses are rented proportionately cheaper than the Eugene house. Other students, well acquainted with the condition in Portland, say that if the matter is properly represented to Mr. Cort, he will probably ignore Smith. His methods are well known, they claim, and he has little or no influence.

In explaining his attitude in the matter, Mr. Geary said today,

"The manager of the Eugene Theatre has the right as a business man to charge the University Glee Club for the rental of his building, five or even ten times the price exacted by his brother managers in the Northwest Theatrical Association. But the local theatre magnate has no justification in demanding that the Glee Club use his house at his exorbitant figure,—or for that matter, at any figure.

"The night after it was announced before the Glee Club that the concert this year was to be in Villard Hall, this theatre man called me to his office by phone and there, abruptly assured me that he would keep the club from playing any Heilig time unless our plans were changed. It was then that I offered him \$100 for his house, which is three times the rental required by the Salem manager. The next day, I was called up again at which time, although somewhat more oily, he left no doubt that he was able to fix things in the central office at Seattle.

"Personally, I have little fear that the local man's contemptible threat will receive any consideration at Seattle. The managers up and down the state have treated the Club royally, which makes it the more disgusting to have trouble at home.

"No, everybody should know that the rental for the Eugene Theatre is not a flat rate of \$200. However the capacity house which is annually assured by the students attending almost in a body has made the theatre manager's rental. A travelling show requires an orchestra, stage hands, and must depend upon the theatre manager for advertising. With the Glee Club different conditions exist; no stage hands or orchestra are desired; any one of the dark nights in the Eugene theatre will do without inconvenience or loss to the Club; and last, advertising is done through window cards, the columns of the Emerald and by the special correspondents. All that the Eugene theatre manager has been accustomed to perform for his extra \$150 is to put a small advertisement in one of the Eugene papers.

"Personally, although I appreciate the fact that the Glee and Mandolin Club men are working hard and deserve no inconveniences on their trip into Southern Oregon, I do not see how the University can allow itself to be blackmailed into using the Eugene Theatre, especially if five prices must be paid for the building. However, the responsibility is too great for me and I am going to leave the matter with the Executive Committee."

The rate to Portland for Saturday's game will be one and a third fare or \$5.00, good on the evening train Friday

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till Monday. This is merely an extension of the regular Saturday to Monday rate so as to include Friday evening.

A letter has been received from Manager Smith of Idaho saying that he was bringing down a stronger team than has represented Idaho this year. Several of the old men are back in the game and they have profited considerably by past defeats.

Arrangements have been made by Manager Goodman and Yell Leader Alton, to have a special space in the grand stand for the Oregon rooters. All Oregon supporters should ask for the Oregon section, when they buy their tickets.

Co-ed Affairs Committee

Thursday afternoon in Professor Glen's room, a meeting of the senior girls will be held to elect a committee to co-operate with the faculty committee on all social functions. The committee will consist of twelve members, six from each girls' sorority, including the Mary Spiller House, and six elected at large from outside students.

The first issue of the Oregon Monthly which is replete with interesting stories, will make its long looked for appearance next Saturday.