



PRES. TAFT TO SPEAK AT DEPOT THURSDAY

NATION'S CHIEF EXECUTIVE
WILL NOT PASS UP UNIVER-
SITY TOWN

TIME OF ARRIVAL ABOUT 2:30 O'CLOCK

Classes Will be Dismissed in Time for
Students to Reach the
Station

President Taft will speak to the assembled crowds of University students and town people from the platform of his private car for about fifteen minutes Thursday afternoon. The time of his arrival has not been definitely learned as yet, but Representative Hawley stated that 2:30 will probably be the time set. He will speak at the depot park and the University classes will be dismissed, giving everyone a chance to hear him.

President Taft is now touring the United States in an effort to become better acquainted with the country whose needs he is trying to satisfy, and to ascertain, perhaps, some idea of his chances of re-election. His reception at the places at which he has stopped has been cordial and befitting the chief executive of one of the largest nations of the world.

The people of Eugene and the University were disappointed two years ago when Mr. Taft made a tour of the West that he did not stop here. Some four thousand of them were assembled at the depot, only to see his train pass by at full speed. He has, however, promised to stop for a few minutes this year and address us on some current topic.

Mr. Taft is a college man and a member of a fraternity. He is a loyal supporter of higher education and in sympathy with college life. "Busher" Brown and his band of Oregon spouters will be on hand to deliver some Oregon spirit in the form of "Oskey, Wow Wow."

Miss Marie Zimmerman has been speeding the past week in Portland attending the wedding of her brother.

'15 SHOWS SMALL GAIN

Obstacles in Way of University Cut
Down Usual Increase in
Enrollment.

Inasmuch as the registration files of the Freshman class have not been completed, it is impossible to obtain a very exact estimate of the number of new recruits.

Registrar Tiffany states the present Freshman class is a little larger than last year's. Evidently the customary increase of ten per cent did not occur this fall. Had such been the case the present enrollment would be between 250 and 275, based on last year's enrollment.

A perusal of the list of names of Freshmen at the new Reed Institute shows that the majority of them are from the Portland High Schools, the largest single source of Oregon students. Also the crowded condition of the University and the uncertainty as to the appropriation may have kept away a large number.

The files so far as completed show 110 seniors, 121 Juniors, and 156 Sophomores, a dropping off of the last of over 60. In the light of available present information, 250 freshmen is probably a correct estimate.

SOPH. MASTICATES FRESHMAN WITHOUT FEAR OF FACULTY

A spirited hazing bout occurred last Sunday morning when "Sophomore Satan," a pet bull dog belonging to Miss Mary Roach, keyed down "Grouchy Punch, '15," the Tri Delta Mascot. The Mephistophelean "pup" lay concealed behind a hedge in wait for the yearling and sprang out upon him with true devilish malignity, amid the hysterical ejaculations of "stop it" and "quit it, you mean thing." Luckily, Kappa Sig Frosh appeared on the scene and, with the assistance of a lever, pried Satan loose from his board and lodging. At least five dollars worth of pedigreed dog meat remained in his possession after the conclusion of the fracas. A faculty investigation is rumored.

FROSH GET ACQUAINTED

Gamma Delta House Filled to Over-
flowing With Beaming
Freshmen

The Fearless, Ferocious and Foolish Order of Frosh held its annual acquaintance party and Nabisco-eating contest at the Gamma Delta Gamma house last Friday evening.

A large number of members of the 1915 class took advantage of the opportunity to enjoy the mutual benefits of each other's society, and all declare that the Gamma Delta girls are royal entertainers. The first part of the evening was spent in getting acquainted, which was accomplished by means of paper slips bearing part of the title of some popular song. One half of the title was written on the slip given to some one of the sterner sex, while the other half was supposed to be held by a member of the feminine portion of the gathering. A few mistakes naturally were made in giving out the slips, resulting in some would-be Romeo finding after a long and persevering search that his "affinity" was a member of his own sex. However, these incidents only added to the merriment, and by lunch time all the freshmen were duly mated. Lunch consisted of ice cream and wafers, after which Miss Florence Avery favored the company with a vocal solo. The tripping of the light fantastic toe was then indulged in until the chaste summons of "Papa" Straub called the revelers away at 11 o'clock.

Y. W. C. A. OFFICES FILLED AND PROGRAM PLANNED

Jean Allison has been elected vice-president of the Y. H. C. A., to fill the vacancy caused by Ermel Miller's resignation. The gaps left in the Cabinet have also been filled and affairs are now in shape to begin active work. Those holding cabinet positions for this year are Florence Cleveland, social committee; Ruby Hammerstrom, music; Elizabeth Busch, meetings; Lena Newton, Missionary; Ella Moulton, information; Edna Messenger, inter-collegiate; Jessie Bibee, Bible study; Elizabeth Lewis, publicity.

During the course of the regular meetings a Science and Religion series will be given. Among the speakers will be Prof. Reddie on College Life and Religion; Dr. Bennett on Ethics and Religion; Prof. Sweetser on Biology and Religion; Dr. Conklin on Psychology and Religion.

Senator Booth addressed the last meeting. His subject, "Potential Energy," was well explained and much enjoyed by his audience.

Mrs. John Carson, of Salem, and Mrs. F. B. Kendall, of Portland, were recent guests of the Gamma Phi Betas.

OREGON SPIRIT AROUSED AT SIGHT OF 1915 SIGN

FRESHMEN CLIMB SKINNER'S
BUTTE AND ERECT LARGE
SIGN THERE

UNIQUE PROCESSION MARCHES TO HILL

Freshmen Made to Apologize for
Desecration of University
"O."

Considerable excitement prevailed on the campus Monday morning, when it was discovered that during the night the Freshmen had ascended Skinner's Butte and placed above the "O" a huge "1915" sign board. Busy Sophomores raced about in quest of fellowclassmen. Juniors and Seniors whispered advice and encouragement with joy in their hearts. Groups of Freshmen stood about giggling to themselves.

Short lived was the peace and joy of the Frosh. Plans were quickly formulated and at noon a procession started from the campus down 11th street. In the center of the street, headed by the president, marched a solemn line of Freshmen, trousers rolled up and "left foot high." By their side strolled an escort of Sophomores, and behind trailed an interested crowd of Juniors and Seniors. The procession gained in numbers and interest as it proceeded. Now and then a Freshman, attracted by the crowd, upon being more or less gently urged to join his comrades, swelled the marching horde.

Passing down Willamette street, the march was continued across the track and up the trail on the Butte to where "1915," torn from its high position, lay in the grass, half way down the hill. The Freshmen were quickly assembled around their fallen advertising device, and there, with bared heads, practised a few Oregon "oskey wows." "Busher" Brown then led the crowd in some good lively yells, after which Bob Kellogg and Burns Powell made short talks, praising the Freshmen for the spirit and good sportsmanship they had displayed, and cautioning them to avoid any rowdyism which might hurt the University at this critical time.

After some moments of persuasion, which but for the constant interference of the upperclassmen might have developed into a small brawl, the Freshmen lifted the fallen sign to their shoulders and carried it to Kincaid Field, where it will be burned.

SOPHS ORGANIZE TEAM

Issue Challenge to Freshmen and
Gather Forces to Back Up
Wild Threats.

The Sophomore class has issued a formal challenge to the Freshman class for a football game, to be played on Kincaid field on the customary second Saturday in October, which will be next Saturday, October 15th, at 1:30 o'clock. The gate receipts to be divided, sixty percent going to the winners and fifty percent to the losers. No man who has taken part in Varsity scrimmage will be allowed to participate in the contest.

It is generally held by upper classmen about the campus that a battle royal will take place next Saturday, if the challenge is accepted. Accompanied, of course, by the spilling of gore and the cruel crunching of craniums.

LAUREANS FIRST LITERARY MEETING PROVES BUSY ONE

Over thirty active and prospective members were present at the first literary meeting of the Laureans last Saturday evening. After extempore talks by Bailey, Stastney and Yaden, the debate, "Resolved, that street paving should be paid for by the municipality," was fought out, Zimmerman and Himes, affirmative, winning from Crockett and Pickett by a 2 to 1 decision.

The proposed addition to the Interstate Oratorical League of three colleges—W. S. C., Whitman, and O. A. C.—was discussed, and the Laureans went on record as not being in favor of the admission of the applicants. Bill Cass, appointed temporary censor, filled the position in his usual witty way.

I. O. A. BECOMES POPULAR

Whitman, O. A. C., and Washington
State Anxious to Meet Oregon in
Forensics.

One of the most important movements in connection with forensics in the University is now before the committee on oratory and debate, namely, the application of Washington State College, Whitman, and O. A. C., for membership in the Inter-state Oratorical Association, which now includes Oregon, Washington, and Montana.

Just who is too decide on the applications seems to be a matter of doubt. Whether it is up to the King County Bar Association of Washington, who donated the seventy-five dollars which is the annual incentive for the orators, or whether it is up to the association as a whole to decide upon the applications, seems to be very uncertain.

So far no action has been taken on any of them by the committee on oratory and debate. They have written to the Bar Association to determine their position on the enlargement of the Inter-state Association, but have received no word from them. Neither have the other states been heard from.

It is evident, however, that their colleges are anxious to become members of the association, and they will no doubt fight hard for an opportunity to compete with the three state universities.

EUTAXIANS WRESTLE WITH URGENT SOCIAL PROBLEMS

The Eutaxian Literary Society held an enthusiastic meeting Tuesday evening in Dr. Shafer's room. A very interesting program was given and a long list of new names were handed to the membership committee.

The social problems of today and the lives and works of the great leaders who are attempting to solve these problems, will be studied and discussed by the Eutaxian Society during the semester. Besides this, instructive talks will be given from time to time by different women of the faculty.

CO-EDS WILL MAKE MERRY OCTOBER TWENTY-FIRST

A committee of the Women's Council has been appointed and is at present making plans for a card party to be held October 21, in the women's gymnasium. The exact nature of the affair has not been decided upon, but it will be strictly for the eternal feminine and will be carried out somewhat upon the lines of the co-ed dance and baby party, which have been held for the past two years.

CLASS CELEBRATION AND CONTEST AGREED UPON

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, WILL BE
GIVEN OVER TO PUSH BALL
CONTEST AND HOP

CLASSES TO PARADE FROM VILLARD HALL

Trophy Cup to be Presented to the
Class Winning the Highest
Score

In a meeting held yesterday between a faculty committee and representative members of the junior class, it was decided to hold a push ball contest and track meet on the afternoon of the twenty-first to decide the relative merits of the sophomore and freshman classes. Other schemes, such as a tying up contest or cane rush were also considered, but the push ball was finally selected as being most suited to the best interests of the school.

According to the plans laid out by the committee, the entire Saturday afternoon will be given over to the competition. At two o'clock the lower classmen, both men and women, will march into Kincaid Field and the girls will be safely placed in the grand stand. A competitive rooting exhibition will then be held which will afford opportunity for much originality in yells and plans of marching. Various track events will be pulled off, following which will appear the big feature of the day, the push ball contest. A committee of the junior class, acting in conjunction with the faculty, will prescribe rules governing the various games and will award points to the victors in each of the contests.

Aside from the mere physical victory, the class proving its superiority will receive a handsome trophy, probably a cup, which will become the permanent property of the winning class.

Beginning at 8:15 p. m. a very informal hop will be held in the men's gym, where the warring classes will meet to forget for a time, their quarrels. If the day proves asuccess the faculty intend to make it an annual affair.

H. GEORGE JR. TO TALK

By Earnest Efforts of Local Association, Noted Speaker Obtained for
Monday Night.

The Henry George Association met Monday evening and discussed plans for the lecture by Henry George, Jr., which is to be given in Villard Hall, Monday evening, Oct. 16, at 7:15 o'clock.

The association regrets that Mr. George could not be secured for an assembly address, but Monday is the only day he can be in Eugene. Realizing that on Monday night it is difficult to get an audience, the association requests the co-operation of the townpeople, students and faculty in making the meeting a success. Mr. George is a widely known lecturer and his fee will be paid by subscription, thus making the lecture free to the public. Those wishing to subscribe toward the expense, may do so by calling on Mr. Bert Prescott in Villard, or seeing Walter Bailey, Thad Wentworth, or Edward Himes.

Mr. George is a member of the House of Representatives from New York, and comes to Eugene as a guest of the University.