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Prof. Glen's Success in Seattle.

The pronounced success of Prof. Glen's music festival at the University of Washington, in which a chorus of one hundred and twenty-five voices sang cantatas, accompanied by an orchestra of thirty pieces, and to which twelve hundred people listened and waxed enthusiastic, reminds us of a similar festival held at the University of Oregon two years ago.

This Oregon festival was led by one, I. M. Glen also; a chorus of one hundred and twenty-five picked voices from the University and city of Eugene, sang the same cantatas as did the Washington chorus; the orchestra contained thirty pieces, twenty of whom were members of Portland musical organizations; and, in addition, six soloists of note contributed to the class of the occasion.

The Oregon festival, however, was not heard by twelve hundred people, no, not even by eight hundred, in fact, in the two concerts given the number attending did not aggregate over six hundred people. The newspapers printed all the advanced reading matter given them, as par agreement, but did not deem it potent to devote any space after the festival to an appreciation of the work done by Prof. Glen and his associates. A nice little deficit of three hundred dollars was the only present this I. M. Glen got for his efforts to interest the students and citizens of Eugene in festival music. Is it any wonder that the University Choral Society is now defunct, or that Prof. Glen welcomed the chance to leave his Alma Mater?

Some one said, a prophet is not appreciated in his own country; he would have been correct had he generalized the statement, for it is true that we all underestimate our blessings. Just why the students in Seattle should enjoy the highest of all forms of music, ensemble work, and the students in Eugene turn a deaf ear to it, is hard to determine. We are extremely loth to say that the Seattle students have reached a higher stage of civilization, musically, than we, and yet a comparison of the two festivals points in that direction. Probably our much smaller population accounts for the difference, or, perhaps, we are too busy with the more material things of life to heed the sublime. Whatever it is, it is regrettable, and reflects on us as individuals and as an institution.

The question is now rampant about the campus as to whether the new skating rink will be a fit place for University students of both sexes to frequent. Skating is a pastime many people delight in and there is a real desire among the students to use the new rink, providing it be conducted properly.

The question will be settled as are all such questions, by the public itself. If the desired element frequent the place, the undesired element will be relegated to the background, but if the undesired element is allowed to set the standards for the place, the other element will stay away. The old exposition rink in Portland was a good example of how a public place can be conducted along desired lines—it got started right. It might be well to start this one the same way.

Edison says we sleep too much. President Campbell says we don't sleep enough. What's a poor stude to do?

SAGE OF PODUNK.

One satisfaction to the underdog is that the man at the top will hit harder when he falls.

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Prof. Bovard's Bird Study Class might do well to investigate the Oregon "Gobblers." They have mysterious habits and are practically unknown.

The goose that laid the golden eggs has recently been converted into a brick-laying concern.

The only difference between a brave man and a coward is that the first is generally a "blockhead," and the second a "block ahead."

BILL CASS, '14.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

The Alpha Tau Omega will entertain with a semi-formal dance at their house on Saturday evening.

The Alpha Tau Omegas entertained at dinner on Sunday. Their guests were: Prof. and Mrs. Reddie, the Misses Gertrude Denhart, Lilah Prosser, Lillian Gilkey, and Mr. Burns Powell.

Miss Lila McDaniels, of Dallas, was a week-end guest at the Tri Delta House.

Raphael Geisler returned last Tuesday to his home in Portland, to recuperate after a slight illness.

Miss Lila McDaniels spent the week-end at the Tri Delta House.

Miss Fay Clark, ex-'13, has returned to the University to finish her work and graduate.

Misses Lyle Steiwer and Florence Kendall spent a few days in Portland. They returned Monday.

Miss Mason, of Portland, has been spending a few days at the Gamma Phi Beta House.

Mrs. Harding, of Portland, has been visiting her daughter, Madeline, at the Gamma Delta Gamma House.

Rex Turner, Jene Good, "Johnnie" Welch, and Frank Dudley, spent the week-end in Portland.

Miss Jane Knox has returned to Eugene, after several days' visit in Portland and Silverton. At Silverton she was the guest of Frances Adams, who went home for the week-end.

Miss Elva Burness returned to Portland Monday noon, after a stay of several days as the guest of Maurine McAdam.

Misses Helen Hulburt and Julia Crowell, of Albany, were the guests of Gertie Taylor and Elsie Bain.

Miss Fox, Northwest Secretary of the Y. W. C. A., will arrive Saturday. She will stay at the K. T. House.

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