



## OREGON WILL CLOSE BASKETBALL SEASON WITH WASHINGTON U.

OUTCOME OF GAME WITH STRONG NORTHERN TEAM VITAL TO CHAMPIONSHIP

### OREGON SQUAD IN TRIM FOR CONTEST

Captain Jamison's Followers Expect Fast and Furious Struggle With Invaders.

The crowning event of the inter-collegiate basketball season occurs next week, when the Washington tossers meet the Varsity on the home floor in a brace of games that will have a large bearing on the outcome of the conference championship.

At the present writing Washington remains undefeated with Oregon a close second with only two defeats, both of which were administered by Washington on the recent northern trip. Providing the Varsity defeats the northerners both games and O. A. C. succeeds in taking a game from them, Oregon will be returned a winner for the bunting. An even break here and both games with Corvallis will reverse the order and Washington will pull through in the lead.

Washington is coming with a stronger team than the one that met Oregon in Seattle, due mainly to the re-instatement of Capt. Olsen, who has straightened out his difficulties with the faculty. Olsen will work with Staatz at forward. Staatz was responsible for the big score in the first game at Seattle, scoring twenty-two out of Washington's total of thirty. Olsen is probably the best forward except Jamison in the conference and the pair will undoubtedly give the Oregon guards lots of trouble. Keeler and Sutton will be used at the guard positions with Savidge, the freshman phenom. at center. Savidge is the only center that has come near to holding his own with Fenton this season. Keeler and Sutton are both playing their first year on the team, but have developed into good stick tight men.

In a man to man comparison Washington looks as strong as Oregon. Capt. Jamison and Fenton are the only men on the Oregon team that seem to have any edge over their rivals and this is apparently none too great. As teams it is about a toss-up, and endurance and fight will probably be the deciding factor.

Coach Hayward has given the Oregon team a few days lay off to overcome the recent tendency toward staleness. Active practice will be resumed Monday and the team is expected to be in the prime condition of the season when they step on the floor Thursday night.

JIMMIE ROBERTS.

G. L. Febiger, captain of the University of Washington tennis team has left the University to enlist as a private in the army at Manila.

### Girls Hold Smoker.

A "Pink Smoker" was held by the girls of the Senior Class in the Folly Hall on Friday afternoon. Dancing was indulged in from four until six o'clock, when a sumptuous banquet was held, presided over by Miss Jane Knox. The toasts were of a humorous nature. Miss Thompson spoke on "The Value of College Cases," and Dr. Stuart on "The Evils of Basketball." Impromptu toasts were given by other Senior girls.

### UNIVERSITY ORATORS MAY TOUR THE STATE

Dr. Schafer has recently returned from a visit to the granges of the interior part of the state, where he reports an intense interest among the farmers in respect to the important political issues of the day, particularly in regard to some of the proposed innovations in the taxation system of the state.

In view of this, Mr. Johnson, of the public speaking department, is planning to educate a bunch of amateur debaters to travel through the state next fall previous to the November elections. The debaters are to work in groups of four and will expound the doctrine of tax reform and other important issues for the edification of the public mind.

## SUBJECTS ANNOUNCED

### Failing-Beckman Contest brings Out 1912 Orators and Titles.

In anticipation of the Failing-Beckman contest, held during Commencement Week, the Faculty Committee posted a list of provisional subjects for the aspiring Senior orators.

All contestants were expected to hand in their names and subjects to the Registrar today, but up to a late hour this morning, only a few of those expected to signify their intention, had done so.

Those who have announced the titles of their orations are Chester Moores, "Geo. H. Williams"; Miss Grace Adams, "The New Nationalism"; William St. John, "Counting the Cost." Others who will compete for the two prizes are Miss Fay Clark, J. Hunter Howard, Miss Pansy Shaver, Ralph Moores, and Mr. Pickett, winner of the Inter-Collegiate Oratorical Contest.

Among the subject proposed by the faculty are, "The Oregon System," "The University Ideal," "Unwholesome Prejudice," "Life and College Life," "The World in Us, and the World About Us," "The Superfluous in Education," "The Undiscovered Country—An Interpretation of Unrest," "Life and College Life."

### LAW STUDENTS PREPARING TO MEET OPPONENTS IN DEBATE

OREGON LAW SCHOOL, Portland, Ore., March 8.—These are busy days for the debaters of the Law School. Manager Louis T. O'Brien has arranged for a preliminary debate to be held on Friday, March 8, 1912, between the members of the two teams of the Law School, in order to familiarize themselves more thoroughly with the question, which they will have in their debates with both the University of Washington and Willamette University i. e.: Resolved, "That all State Judges be Subject to Popular Recall." Team number one will be composed of Beauty Sobinson and Cicero F. Hogan; the former is well known to Varsity people, while Hogan gained fame as a debater and orator when advocating Single Tax last year in Portland. Team number two will have Singletary, Peters and Pain, the latter well known in High School affairs in Portland when a student there a few years ago.

Manager O'Brien has now made all arrangements for the debate with Willamette on April 12th, and will go to Seattle next week to close up affairs for the Washington debate, which will be held in Seattle on or about April 5th.

Mrs. Risley and Miss Olive Risley, of Milwaukee, are visiting Ethelind Risley at the Tri Delta House.

## DAVID PICKETT WINS STATE ORATORICAL CONTEST FOR OREGON

"A MODERN PARODY" PROVES TO BE THE WINNING ORATION AT FOREST GROVE

### WILLAMETTE U. WINS SECOND PLACE

Oregon Has Won Three Firsts and Three Seconds in the Last Six Years.

The State Oratorical Contest was again won by the University of Oregon at Forest Grove last night through its representative David Pickett. The subject of Pickett's oration was "A Modern Parody." Willamette University was awarded second place and McMinnville College third place.

David Pickett is a Senior in the University, having hailed from the wilds of Eastern Oregon three years ago. He ran as a dark horse in the oratorical contests this year, not entire because he is dark complexioned, but because of his modest and retiring disposition, which does not allow him to advertise his merit. Like all great men, except President Taft, Pickett is a midget, weighing in the neighborhood of one hundred and fifteen pounds, and stretching towards the heavens to the extent of five feet four inches. He is an interstate debater this year and is considered one of the strongest men on the teams.

The Oregon people are quite proud of the University's record in this oratorical league. In the last six years Oregon has not fallen below second place and three years was awarded first place. In 1907 Francis Galloway represented Oregon and won second place. In 1908 Robert Prescott won first place by unanimous consent of the judges. In 1909 Jesse Bond won second place. In 1910 Harold Rounds won second place, and first places have been won the last two years by Carlton Spencer and David Pickett.

The State Oratorical Contest includes the Universities of Oregon, Willamette and Pacific, Colleges of Albany and Newberg, and O. A. C.

## GEARY SUBMITS REPORTS

Executive Committee Accepts Basketball Data and Appoints New Emerald Manager.

At the meeting of the executive committee held Thursday night, considerable business was gone over in the way of accepting financial reports and a new manager for the Emerald was appointed to serve for the remainder of the college year.

Manager Geary submitted reports on the Inland Empire trip as well as the various basketball games, which have taken place in Eugene. Wendell Barbour was appointed to fill the managership left vacant by Allen Robert's resignation.

A ruling was also made by which all financial reports in the future must be accompanied by the requisite vouchers.

In concluding the business of the evening, the date for the next student body dance was fixed to follow the second Washington game in order that the visiting team may receive a sample of Oregon hospitality.

### DELTA SIGMAS ENTERTAIN COLLEGE WITH DANCE

Friday evening, the Delta Sigmas gave their annual formal dance in the men's gymnasium. About one hundred couples tripped the light fantastic to the strains of Hendershott's best.

The gymnasium was attractively decorated and the lights were softened with red coverings. The patrons and patronesses of the dance were: President and Mrs. P. L. Campbell; Professor and Mrs. R. H. Dearborn; Professor and Mrs. E. E. De Cou; Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Lott; Mrs. Ellen M. Pennell; Mrs. O. J. Geisler; Mrs. A. A. Bancroft; Mrs. B. M. Smith; Miss Mary Morgan; Mrs. J. B. Labor; Mrs. W. L. Barbour, and Mr. H. W. Thompson.

A number of out of town guests were present.

## SIX SCHOOL DAYS-WHAT?

Rumor Says Faculty Members Would Work Students Like People in Real World.

The rumor floating about the campus, refusing to sink, in spite of the efforts of the faculty to make it do so, that the faculty is considering, or will consider, springing another of its advanced measures upon the students shortly. This time the question of intra-collegiate athletics gets a rest, the system of grading is left alone, and the posting of grades goes begging; in fact, the quality of our work is not attacked, for once. This time it's the quantity that seems to need fixin'. In other words, rumor has it that some three of the prominent members of the faculty wish to raise the number of school days in a week from five to six days, thus holding school on Saturday. The argument runs something like this: Everybody but students works six days in the week, and why should students be excepted? Students do not work enough as it is, and anyway we can give the taxpayers more for their money if we have school six days.

There is no doubt but that the students will approve of the plan with the agility a flea does a hand that would annihilate it.

### ROOTERS WILL LIVEN WASHINGTON GAMES

There is a movement on foot among the enthusiastic basketball supporters in the student body, to attempt spirited and organized rooting at the Washington games, which are scheduled for next week.

It is the opinion of the athletic authorities that more lively support at the indoor games may result in a keener and more general interest and at the same time encourage the efforts of the active participants.

It is expected that a liberal turnout of vociferous rooters will be collected along the brass railing at the next games, which practically decide the basketball championship. This will be a feature that has been decidedly wanting in the previous games.

### FRESHMAN WILL HOLD FORTH IN NEXT ASSEMBLY

Next Wednesday the regular assembly hour will be given over to the freshman class, who will entertain the other three classes with the following program:

Reading—"His Wedded Wife," Beulah Stebno.

Freshman Trio—Brook Dixon, Harold Grady and Bertrand Gerar.

Address—Fred Hardesty.

Piano Duet—Vern Apperson, Ralph Young.

## EMERALD ELECTION OFFERS CHANCE FOR GLARING SENSATION

PRESIDENTIAL TIMBER THOROUGHLY COMBED IN EFFORT TO FIND PROPER MEN

### INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM TO FEATURE

Five Judges Chosen From Prominent Members of the Associated Student Body.

The Emerald election and straw vote for presidential nominee of the United States, will be held by the associated students on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, and the first full returns will appear in the Wednesday's issue of the paper.

This election which is the first of its kind held among the men and women of the University is expected to bring out an interesting diversity of opinions, and a tabulated record of student sentiment upon the presidential question and various other measures of a general and timely nature. Petitions requiring the signature of twenty-five students have been circulated on the campus during the past week for the purpose of placing the names of Taft, Roosevelt, LaFollette, Wilson, Clark, Bryan, Harmon, and Debs upon the ballot. The manner in which the loyal supporters of the various candidates have entered into the spirit of the mock election assures the success of the Emerald's original venture.

Among the most probable initiative measures which have been mentioned as likely to be placed upon the ballot are:

- Woman Suffrage.
- The Recall of Judges.
- The Single Tax.
- The establishment of the "Honor System," with reference to University examinations.

Student Self Government. The addition of \$1.00 to the Student Tax, standing for a compulsory subscription to the Emerald.

The following referendum measures against the newly established faculty rulings, have been suggested:

- The Missouri Grading System.
  - The Two-Hour Examinations.
- Besides these measures, all of which may contain an interesting variance of student opinion, there may be others of equal moment.

The judges of the poles and general officials in the Emerald election will be Leon Ray, President of the Student Body; Ralph Moores, ex-editor of the Emerald; Birdie Wise, Secretary of the Student Body; Carine Degermark, editor of the Monthly; and Bob Kellogg, President of the Senior class.

The election will be held in the main hall of Villard from one to five Tuesday afternoon, and from nine to twelve Wednesday morning.

Only students registered in the University and of recognized standing in the Associated Student Body, will be permitted to vote.

### Freshman Defeat Albany.

The Frosh basketball team annexed its first game last night at Albany, 28 to 23.

The game was rough and hard fought throughout. Vosper was the chief point winner for the Frosh, annexing 13 points in all. Boylen and Parsons also played good games. The team left after the game for Portland.