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Why Not a Varsity Band?

Perhaps we have never realized the need of a college band quite so much as we did this morning, when we listened to the stirring strains of O. A. C.'s Cadet Band, which so kindly favored us with an impromptu concert in Villard Hall.

Think what an asset such an organization would have been during Junior Week Festival, or how delightful it would be to promenade about the campus on these warm spring evenings, listening to the music of our own brass band.

"Why don't we have a band?" is a question that has been asked for years, and never once answered for any length of time. Each year during football season such an organization is launched, but dies, soon, for want of proper nourishing, and the question lives on unanswered.

It is safe to say that Oregon will never have a permanent band until she can make it an incentive for students to "make" the band. Past experience has shown that as long as football games and a trip or two are in sight, men will rehearse and will play, but as soon as these are past the interest dies out and so does the band.

Some constant incentive must be applied before a permanent band will be established.

At O. A. C. this constant element is supplied by drill credits given band members; at Oregon it must be through semester credits, as we have no military organization, for the pleasure, honor, love of fellow students, free admission to games, etc., have proven themselves insufficient incentives to perpetuate the interest in band work.

The director also must be looked after. At O. A. C. he is a member of the faculty and receives a salary. At Oregon he is a student and is not even paid that little which was promised him for the work during football season. No man is going to take charge of a bunch of amateurs and work them up into a band by the very sweat of his brow, unless he is paid for it.

This is as good an answer to the question, "Why don't we have a band?" as we can give. But we believe it is a correct one, for it is based upon four years' experience with Oregon University bands.

N. Nitts on the Campus
By Dean Collins, '10

Nescius Nitts, sage of Punkindorf station, Turned loose on the campus to take a vacation.
Saw three Deady bugs in their perigrination—
Three nicotine jets brought them down in prostration,
Then Nescius launched into long conversation.

These here college boys, it appears that they be

A-playin' of baseball with this O. A. C.,
And yesterday evenin' they sets up the roar
Of "Victory is ourn, with a 4 to 5 score!"
Which same seems plumb triffin, all down the line,
Compared to our scores back in '79.

In them days we felt ourselves covered with shame
Unless we scored ninety or more every game.
I guess we hit harder than fellers hits now,
For home runs seems scarce at the presents somehow,
Whereas every innin' we used to do fine
At battin' of home runs, in '79.

But these college fellers that plays in the field,
They seem to have everything bottled and sealed,
And also that finger that tosses the ball,
He don't give the batter no chanst now at all.
And while I looks at 'em, somehow I opine,
It ain't like it was back in '79.

It seems like this higher advanced eddication,
Which same never was around Punkindorf Station,
Is makin' sports science. In '79
We thought we knew all 'bout baseball and played fine.
But seein' this college game nowadays—my stars!
Our Punkindorf game was the merest "Three R's."

MILNER SINGS THURSDAY

Great Irish Baritone Appears in a Repertoire Under Direction of U. of O. School of Music.

Dr. Milner, a real Irish baritone, will appear for the first time before a Eugene audience at 8:30 P. M. Thursday evening.

Dr. Milner was born in Shandon Parish, Cork, Ireland. His father was a celebrated oratorio singer, and on his mother's side he is connected with Thomas Moore, the famous Irish bard.

Dr. Milner is recognized as a singer of real merit and for so young a performer is said to have an extensive repertoire.

He is noted as having received little professional training, being his own instructor after having been given up by singing masters.

For an accompanist, he is fortunate in having Miss Edith Haines-Kuester, who is also a composer of some note.

Dr. Milner will appear at the Osburn Tea Room Thursday evening, at 8:30, under the auspices of the University School of Music.

It is hoped that there will be an appreciative audience to hear Dr. Milner, who is being brought here at a great expense by the promoters, who are endeavoring to offer the musical enthusiasts of this city a rare treat.

LOCAL ITEMS

"Jake" Ware returned to Medford on Tuesday.

John Kraus, ex-'14, was back for the week-end.

Dean Collins is back visiting his old friends again.

"Jerry" Martin made a flying trip to Albany last Sunday.

Edna Slater and Viola Snell are guests at the Beth Reah house.

Lester Soden, Maurice Butler, and Cecil Cobb, returned to Portland on Monday.

Dr. Schaefer has just returned from Corvallis, where he acted as judge for a debate.

Mr. Johnson, ex-'14, who is teaching near Jefferson, spent the week-end in Eugene.

Miss Irene Wentz, who has been visiting the Tri Delta house, left Tuesday for O. A. C.

Miss Ellice Shearer returned Sunday from Monmouth, where she has been visiting her sister.

REGENTS FROWN UPON SCHOOL CONSOLIDATION

Parkinson Withholds Bill—General Efficiency Committee Appointed Millage Basis Proposed

Recent developments in the University's fight for her appropriation have clarified the situation in regard to present status of affairs, especially since the joint meeting of the Regents of the O. A. C. and U. of O., held in Salem last Saturday.

Governor West has appointed the committee to investigate the advisability of consolidation of the two institutions, as he was recently requested to do. Until this committee has reached its conclusions, favorable or unfavorable to the University, J. H. Parkinson has agreed to withhold his initiative bill for the consolidation, which, it is generally understood, he has already prepared. If the report opposes such a move, it is expected that Parkinson will not file his petition, thus settling a vexatious problem for the University.

The assembled Regents unanimously adopted the following resolution: That it is the sense of the meeting that the best educational interests of the state cannot be promoted by consolidation of the two educational institutions." The O. A. C. Regents were influenced in their decision by the fact that experience has shown that where the two schools have been united, the agricultural department has frequently been submerged in importance to the liberal arts department.

In an attempt to remove the support of the institutions from the whims of the voters, it was moved and carried that the institutions be placed upon a permanent millage basis, and a joint regent committee was appointed to work out the details of the plan and formulate a bill to that effect.

Governor West appointed another joint committee, known as the "general efficiency committee," which will be permanent in character, and will have for its object the promotion of the general welfare of each institution.

Judge Slater has prepared a petition to reopen the "Referendum case" on its merits with Friendly as the plaintiff. Should this prove an ineffectual method of obtaining a rehearing, the Board of Regents decided to ask the Governor to petition for a reopening of the case, with the district attorney as the plaintiff, as was undoubtedly the plan that the Supreme Court had in mind when they handed down the late decision.

President Campbell submitted a report showing that figures from other institutions prove that segregation costs less to the taxpayers per capita than does consolidation.

CALENDAR

Wednesday, May 15—Last of Y. M. C. A. "Health and Strength" Lectures.

Thursday, May 16—Dramatic Club meeting, election of officers, Prof. Reddie's room.
Regular Y. M. C. A. meeting.
"Intellectual Consistency of Christianity," Dr. Parsons.
Prof. Schmidt's room, 7 P. M.
Dr. Milner, Irish baritone, Osburn hotel tea room, 8:30 P. M.

Friday, May 17—O. A. C. Glee and Mandolin Club, Eugene Theater at 8:30 P. M.

Saturday, May 18—Laureans, parliamentary drill, question for debate, "Should Oregon have a Lieutenant Governor?"

Miss Lora Taylor, who has been visiting her sister Gertie at the Theta house, left Tuesday for Albany.

Ralph O'Leary, '14, who has been running his father's farm at McKenzie Bridge, visited the Delta Sigmas.

Frye Herbert, a member of the Baker City track team, who is at the Sigma Nu house, will leave Wednesday for Corvallis to participate in the meet there.

OREGON WINS 5-2 GAME

Jamie's Men Take Sixth Conference Contest of Season From O. A. C. Nine

In the second O. A. C. game on the home diamond today, the Oregon bunch defeated the visitors by a score of 5-2. Captain Jamison's men put up the cleanest exhibition of ball seen on the local grounds this year, only two errors being entered on the Oregon side of the score sheet, as compared to five annexed by O. A. C.

Welsh ascended the mound for Oregon, but before he had thoroughly soiled the new pellet, allowed a hit to go through which materialized into a run. In the third inning the Oregon slab artist crossed home, bringing the score to a tie, which held until the sixth, when O. A. C. sent in her final score and Cobb, Barbour and Jamison, of Oregon, romped merrily in rapid succession. At this point in the game the sportsmanship of the Aggie coach was called into serious question by his action in forcing Jamison to run for Cobb when Jamie himself was next to bat.

In the seventh Jamison replaced Walsh in the box, while Fenton was shifted to first base, and was replaced in turn by Peet. O. A. C. tried to plug a bad leak by putting Rieben in the box, but Peet gobbed the new man's offerings and pulled down the final tally for the Varsity.

O. A. C.		Oregon
Culver	p	Welsh
Phillips	c	Cobb
Cooper	1b	Jamison
Darnell	2b	Barbour
Gross	3b	Annunns
Hutton	ss	Roberts
Walters	lf	Bigby, Lytle
Dewarte	cf	Mount
Shaw	rf	Fenton, Peet
Umpire—Salisbury.		



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