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Saturday, January 11, 1913.

ABOLISH DEBATE?

Last night, when the University debaters were striving for places on the intercollegiate teams, and for the Alumni medal awarded annually to the best individual debater, they addressed an audience of six judges, one housemother, and from one to eight students.

Nor did any one seem surprised or particularly grieved at the showing. "I had rather do most anything than listen to a debate,—it's an awful bore," replied in substance numerous students when asked if they were going, or had gone. Students no longer take an active interest in debate. This is true all over the country.

The reason is not hard to find. People read nowadays. Public speaking is rapidly passing out of existence. Audiences do not gather to hang on the words of orators as they did a few decades ago,—in the days of Lincoln and Douglas for instance. A few men, like Roosevelt and Bryan, draw great crowds. But these come to see rather than to hear. The newspaper has supplanted the public speaker.

The Student Body goes behind financially on debate every year. It is no longer of interest to University students, as the lack of competition for places on the teams, the dying condition of the Laurean Society, and the almost total lack of attendance at the debate last night showed definitely.

Is there no way to popularize debate, to make it once more interesting to University people? And if there is not, why support a student activity in which there is no longer any student interest?

The Emerald's columns are open for suggestions.

WELCOME, KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA!

The Emerald extends greetings to Kappa Kappa Gamma. This latest addition to the Greek circle at Oregon means much to the standing of the University of Oregon in the fraternity of American colleges. Kappa Kappa Gamma has always stood for the highest type of young womanhood, and the best there is in college life. An organization which has such an atmosphere is an asset to any college. Once again welcome, Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Y. W. C. A. Lecturer to Wear Costume.

Miss Carrothers, a missionary just returned from Siam, will speak to the women of the University at the Shack next Monday at 4 o'clock. In order to make the talk more interesting and out of the ordinary, Miss Carrothers will wear the Siam costume. Her talk will be liberally interspersed with anecdotes and little points of interest picked up in her missionary work there. The Y. W. C. A. has charge of the meeting and is expecting a good attendance of University women.

Miss Mabel Cooper, '10, is now residing at 315 N. Rock street, Centralia, Washington.

Laurean—Tuesday evening meeting has been postponed one week on account of Smith-Robbin meeting.

Announcements

Illustrated Lecture—By Professor F. S. Dunn on "Pallas Athena," Tuesday, 4:00 p. m., in Professor Sweetser's room, Deady Hall.

Reception—A reception will be given by Kappa Kappa Gamma, Sunday afternoon from 3 until 5 o'clock, to meet the installing officers of the fraternity.

Y. W. C. A.—Miss Carrothers, a returned missionary, will address the women of the University at the Shack next Monday afternoon. She will appear in costume.

Smith-Robbin Meetings—Hear the "Great Speaker to Men" in Villard Hall Tuesday evening, January 14, at 7 o'clock sharp. International Association Quartette will sing. Basketball game postponed until 8:30 for address. Admission free.

Y. W. C. A. Meeting—Will hold its regular meeting Monday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, at the Shack.

Glee Club practice—President Frazier calls a meeting of all the Glee Club men for Monday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, in Villard Hall. Practice.

Basketball—Game Monday evening with Idaho will commence at 8 o'clock. Game Tuesday evening will commence at 8:30 o'clock, to accommodate the Smith-Robbin meeting.

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December 14, 1912.

The regular meeting of the Executive Council was called to order by President Spencer. Flora Dunham, editor of the Monthly, gave a brief report of the work of the Monthly and of the possibility of its carrying its own weight for the rest of the year. Ralph Cake, as manager, gave a report of the expenditures of the Monthly, and of its assets and liabilities, showing that up to date its liabilities exceeded its assets. He explained how its assets might be increased. Andrew Collier, manager of the Emerald, reported that the Emerald was making money each issue, and showed what prospects it had of continuing to do so. Karl Onthank, editor of the Emerald, stated what he considered would be the ultimate result of uniting the Oregon Monthly with the Emerald as a supplement.

A motion was made and carried that the Oregon Monthly be continued under the same editor and staff as at present, but under the manager of the Emerald.

Meeting adjourned.
ELIZABETH BUSCH,
Secretary.

INTER-FRATERNITY SEMI-FINALS START WEDNESDAY

Semi-finals in the inter-fraternity basketball series will start next Wednesday, January 15, after an intermission of two weeks, during which time the start of the University practice has held the center of attention.

One game will be played each day during the rest of the week, the games being played at the usual time, except Thursday, when the game has been scheduled for 7 o'clock in the evening. Saturday, the game will be played at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, so not to conflict with the dance in the evening. The management has announced that the games will be called promptly at the time set, no delays being countenanced.

The Oregon Club and Sigma Chi will clash, Wednesday afternoon. Thursday evening the Dormitory and Kappa Sigma will play, while Sigma Nu and Phi Gamma Delta will play Friday afternoon of next week. The Saturday afternoon attraction will be between Alpha Tau Omega and the winner of the Sigma Nu-Phi Gamma Delta match the day before.

The final game for the championship will be held out as a preliminary to some one of the conference games to be played here.

HAYWARD MUST NOW FILL SIMS' POSITION

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game. The portly coach is probably trying to keep pace with Dr. Stewart of O. A. C., who was first in the field this year with the hard luck howl of green men and injured players.

SOCIETY

BY BESS LEWIS

By Bess Lewis.

The social calendar for this week-end is crowded to the limit. However, this is not a forerunner of a strenuous winter social season, but merely a finale before the pre-examination lull which is in accordance with the Faculty ruling, which prohibits any festivities for a month previous to the examinations. The Phi Delta Theta Glee Club dance, the Avava "formal," and the Kappa Kappa Gamma installation have made this week-end one round of pleasurable excitement.

The Pan-Hellenic Association gave a reception at the Delta Delta house Friday evening in honor of the Kappa Kappa Gamma installing officers and the members of the local sorority Gamma Delta Gamma. The house was prettily decorated in the University colors which were carried out with greens and yellow chrysanthemum light shades, while the dining room, in which ices and wafers were served, was decorated with violets and smilax. In the receiving line were: Miss Elizabeth Lewis, Local Pan-Hellenic President; Miss Eva Powell, Kappa Kappa Gamma Grand President; Miss Ruth Guppy, Dean of Women; Mrs. Walker, of Seattle; Mrs. George Gerlinger, of Dallas; Miss Carin Degermark, President of the new Beta Omega Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma. There were also nine members of Kappa Kappa Gamma from the University of Washington, who have come to help in the installation. About two hundred members of the Student Body and Faculty called during the evening. Music was furnished by Svarerud's orchestra.

Avava Club entertained Saturday evening with a dancing party at its fraternity house. A color scheme of purple and green was carried out in the decorations. Those who enjoyed the Avava's hospitality were: The Misses Helene Robinson, Grace Bingham, Sybil Brown, Alene Noreen, Ada Kendall, Mildred Lawrence, Nellie Wilson, Hazel Barta, Laura Taylor, Edith Moxley, Virginia Peterson, Norma Dobie, Marie Hager, Betsey Wooten, Mildred Wilson, Echo Wintermer, Katharine Kirkpatrick, Blanche Powell, Bess Cowden, Marguerite Rankin, Mable Smith, Lila Prosser, Elizabeth Busch, Ethelyn Risley, Vera Redman, Faye Ball and Elizabeth Lewis; Willard Shaver, Ed Bailey, Paul Briedwell, Hugh Kirkpatrick, Ira Staggs, Fen Waite, Wallace Caulfield, Harold Broughton, Vernon Vawter, Karl Onthank. The patronesses were Mrs. DeCou, Mrs. D. L. Dobie, Mrs. J. E. Blazier, of Portland.

Phi Delta Theta gave its first annual dance to the Glee Club, Friday evening. The house was decorated with blue and white, the fraternity colors, and green and yellow, the university colors. The dances were interspersed with songs by the Glee Club. Those present were: The Misses Eve Stinson, Flora Dunham, Myrtle Gram, Mildred Healey, Cosby Gilstrap, Edith Buell, Elizabeth Wagner, Jennie Huggins, Dorothy Campbell, Ruth Peter, Louise Bailey, Cecil Miller, May Neil, Ethel Tooze, Hazel Tooze, Norma Dobie, Grace McKenzie, Claire Raley, Anne Taylor, Erna Petzold, Nell Murphy, Pauline Potter, Mildred Gerig, Mable Manerud, Nora

Manerud, Edith Still, Ruth Doris, Tula Kingsley; Messers Walter Dobie, George Broadbridge, Alexander Martin, William Lai, Bert Jerard, Willard Shaver, Robert Fariss, Alfred Skei, Harold Quigley, Ray Williams, Harold Grady, Earl Fortmiller, Kenneth Frazier, David Campbell, Delbert Stannard, Vernon Apperson, Ira Staggs, David Hartsuck, Raymond Giles, Homer Maris, Ed Bailey, Carroll Wagner, Carlyle Geisler, Chester Miller, Harry Miller, Thomas Donaca, Arthur Olsen, Hernies Wrightson, Robert Wray, Robert Prosser. The patrons and patronesses were, President and Mrs. P. L. Campbell, Mrs. T. J. Geisler, of Portland, Mrs. Charles E. Gray, Miss Pearl Bonisteel, Mrs. N. C. Maris, of Portland.

Miss Helen Washburne, '11, was married Wednesday evening at her home in Springfield to Mr. William Frederick Martin. Mrs. Grace Magladry Emerson, ex-'11, was matron of honor, and Nell Murphy and Lucia Wilkins were bridesmaids. Mr. and Mrs. Martin will make their home in Vancouver, B. C.

Gamma Phi Beta will entertain for Kappa Kappa Gamma and their installing officers Monday at an informal tea.

Beta Omega of Kappa Kappa Gamma will be "at home" to the members of the Faculty and Student Body, Sunday afternoon from three until five.

Miss Agnes Stevenson, '08, is visiting her parents. Miss Stevenson has been traveling in California for several months, previous to which she lived in Klamath.

To-Ko-Lo will give a banquet at the Osborn Hotel, Wednesday evening. The invitation list will include the Junior members of this Sophomore organization as well as a number of University girls.

After the Pan-Hellenic reception Friday evening the Delta Delta Delta girls entertained a number of their friends with an informal dance.

Miss Alsea Hawley, ex-'14, spent a few days at the Gamma Phi Beta house on her way to California. Miss Hawley is a Junior at Mills College this year.

Miss Agnes Miller, a Pi Beta Phi from Berkeley, is visiting her cousin, Miss Cecil Miller, at the Chi Omega house.

Under the direction of Raphael Geisler, '12, now professor in the Baker High School, the Boys' Glee Club of that city will give its annual concert on the evening of February 4, at the local theatre.

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Raymond Robbins

Leader of Social Service Department
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7:00 Will not conflict with Basketball Game, to be called at 8:30