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NIPPING IT IN THE BUD

The movement toward invoking the referendum on the University appropriations seems to be meeting with overwhelming opposition at the very outset of its career. The thinking men and women of Oregon realize the pernicious effects which would result if such a movement were allowed to succeed. The great forces in Oregon which stand for practical and efficient education, are already beginning to organize for the purpose of downing the effort to stir up agitation toward consolidation.

The two state institutions have distinct and equally important tasks to perform. The Agricultural College has its work in preparing men for the crafts, trades and industries, and every year it is turning out men of skill and efficiency who carry on the work of developing the resources of our great state. Nothing should be done to hinder or to discount this valuable work.

Experience in other states, however, shows that where this phase of educational work is combined with that of the University, it becomes subsidiary and gradually assumes a place of minor prominence. At the three classical examples of combined state Universities, namely Wisconsin, California, and Minnesota, this tendency has led recently to active steps to place the agriculture and industrial departments upon separate campuses located some distance from the parent institution.

University work is of a more advanced nature than that of the manual arts. It comprises professional courses, research work, graduate studies, and the higher arts and sciences, which in actual practice do not combine well with work of the other type for the reason that when they are all together they dominate it. In order that each department may succeed to its fullest possibilities, they must remain separate institutions. For this reason friends of both institutions are joining in the effort to remove all danger of the catastrophe of consolidation.

The first step in this fight seems to be the withholding of the funds granted by the last legislature for the growth and maintenance of the University, with the idea that by weakening the institution it will become easier to affect consolidation.

However, people really in touch with the situation recognize that the funds granted barely cover the most pressing needs and are discouraging the threatened movement to withhold them.

One important fact which quite generally seems to be overlooked is that the expenses of the special election will cost the state a sum nearly as great as the amount of the appropriation it is desired to vote upon. This is a foolish waste of the state's money, to which sensible taxpayers can be expected to register emphatic disapproval.

Announcements

Laureans—Meeting Tuesday evening. Special program arranged.

Eutaxian—Regular meeting Tuesday evening, Library building.

W. C. T. U. notice—Eugene branch of the W. C. T. U. will hold a Diamond Medal contest, April 28 or 30, at the Bible University. Contestants are requested to phone 761-R, or call at 1361 Pearl street.

Umbrella Lost—Will the person who took from the men's cloak room at the Student Body dance an ebony handled silver-inlaid umbrella, bearing the initials "B. B. B.," in exchange for one of similar description, kindly phone 8885 at once.

Sophomores Attention—All Sophomores who have not paid their class dues are requested to report immediately to Carlyle Geisler, class treasurer. A detailed report of class finances will be read at the next class meeting.

Engineering Club—Meets Thursday evening at Zeta Phi house, at 7 o'clock.

Y. M. C. A.—Regular meeting Thursday evening, Deady Hall. Senator W. W. Calkins will speak.

Cabinet—Y. M. C. A. cabinet meeting tomorrow afternoon, at 5 o'clock.

Baseball—Portland Northwest Colts versus University of Oregon, on campus diamond, tomorrow afternoon, at 3:30 o'clock. Admission 35 and 50 cents.

Co-ed tennis—Meeting of the women of the University interested in tennis, tomorrow afternoon, at 4 o'clock, in Women's Gym.

"O" Lost—A gold block Glee Club "O" was lost last Saturday evening. Finder please phone 940 and receive liberal reward.

Mass Meeting—Of all women of the University, tomorrow morning, immediately after assembly, for election of editor and manager of women's edition of Emerald, during Junior Week-End.

Y. M. DEPARTMENTS AID

Nearly \$2,000 Assistance Comes from Organization Through Jobs and Sale of Books.

A statement which has just been made by Charles Koyle, General Secretary of the Student Y. M. C. A. shows that during the month of March students of the University have been aided financially to the extent of \$249.00 for employment. Out of this amount, \$5.00 was received for odd jobs, the balance being regular positions which have been filled by the Association prior to March 1. One regular job was filled during the month and fourteen applicants were given odd jobs. Financial assistance given through the book exchange through the sale of second-hand books amounted to \$23.25. Prior to March 1, the total cash help through the employment bureau alone amounted to \$1,375.00, and the total amount for the book exchange during the same period amounted to \$309.00. Adding the amounts received for books and employment during March, the total cash aid through the bureau this year amounts to \$1,956.25, or an average of \$280.00 per month.

The following is the itemized report:

Cash help through the bureau prior to March 1.....	\$1,375.00
Cash help through book exchange prior to March 1.....	309.00
Cash help through employment during March.....	249.00
Cash help through book exchange during March.....	23.25
Total.....	\$1,956.25

Willamette University is planning to enter a team in the Columbia Indoor Meet to be held in Portland next Saturday. This is the first time Willamette has participated in a Columbia meet.

Baseball scores at Obak's.

COMMUNICATIONS

EATON SAYS STUDENTS LACK INTEREST IN DEBATE

Editor Oregon Emerald:—I want to thank you for your editorial on March 27, on "Is Debate a Student Activity." I believe that the editorial helped the attendance at the Washington-Oregon debate in which our men gained such a splendid victory. This together with the Oregon victory on the same night at Stanford, gave the University the distinction of champions of the Pacific Coast States, a result in which many of us are finding much satisfaction.

I hope I will not be misunderstood as carping when I say that the interest in debate at the University of Oregon is not what it should be, either on the part of the students or the faculty. There were 87 people at the Washington-Oregon debate. There were besides President Campbell six members of the faculty and about 45 students. Such low attendance at an intercollegiate debate is a bad sign. I hope you will try to find out the reason for this lack of interest in a really intellectual activity, and the lack of consideration and hospitality for the representatives of our sister university. I was informed by a disappointed student that several dances had been scheduled for Friday night and approved by the faculty committee on social functions. I don't want to believe that, and will not enquire further about it—but I wish you would. Such action on the part of either the students or the faculty is indefensible, and I hope will never have to be defended.

I am sending you this communication because I am interested in the University as many others are who do not take the time to write, and because I want to know that there are members of the alumni who watch the conduct of the University students and faculty with eagerness and welcome all signs of interest in University activities, especially those which are of a scholastic and intellectual kind—of which none rank higher than debate.

I am not yet ready to say that I think students are too much interested in athletics (as many are now saying), and I don't want to be driven to feel that they are really not interested in debate. I think that students could be more interested in both athletics and debate and profit thereby. But there are many, upon whom we are dependent for support, who are not pleased with the apparent lack of interest of our students and faculty in intellectual activities and let us not voluntarily give them evidence to make up their case.

I hope you will succeed in securing better attendance at the next debate. Every student and faculty function should give way to this annual debate and other contests of equal importance. We owe a more cordial welcome to our visitors, we owe better support to our representatives, and taxpayers should be made to feel that we regard debate as second to none of our interests. Yours truly,
ALLEN H. EATON.

ALLEN EATON COMPLIMENTS FRESHMEN ON CLASS HOUR

Editor Oregon Emerald:—Yesterday more by accident than intention I attended the assembly given by the Freshman class. Will you please tell that class for me that for quality the program was the best of its kind I have known at the University.

The standard set by the Freshman class will do for all the others, and if the Glee Club and other organizations will always do as well in proportion to their opportunities, I think satisfaction will be general.

The absence of those things so common everywhere and sometimes prevalent in student undertakings which we call "raw" was the best sign in this as it is in all productions. But in addition to the absence of objectionable qualities, several marks of positive art and genius were there. The serious and more dignified parts were well done, and the fun (and after all that is what strikes most of us)—the fun was real fun as clean as it was enjoyable—and it was mighty enjoyable. Such expressions from a class commends all its members to those who come in contact with it, and it is personal interest in any concern for our young people that forms the basis for supporting institutions designed for them. Yours very truly,
ALLEN H. EATON.

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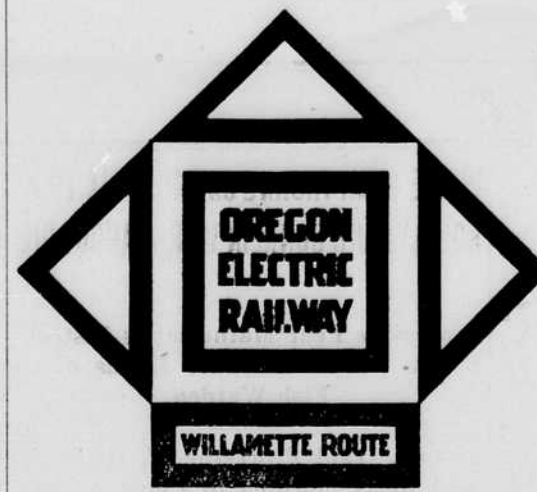
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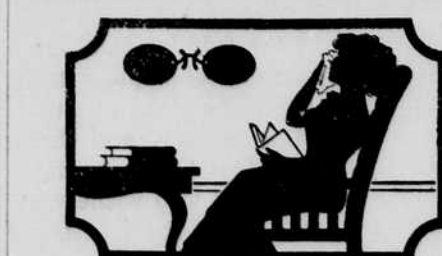
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Arrive Corvallis.....	9:00 a. m.	12:50 a. m.	3:05 p. m.	7:55 p. m.
Arrive Albany.....	9:00 a. m.	12:45 a. m.	3:00 a. m.	7:45 a. m.	2:00 a. m.
Arrive Salem.....	10:00 a. m.	2:00 a. m.	4:00 p. m.	9:00 p. m.	3:30 a. m.
Arrive Portland.....	11:35 a. m.	4:00 a. m.	5:35 p. m.	11:00 p. m.	6:50 a. m.

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