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FOOTBALL AND THE STUDENTS.

The plea voiced by the Oregon alumni in Portland, for more campus games, is a just one, and coming as it does from men whose own personal interest would seem to favor Portland contests, is to be taken seriously as an expression of opinion, valuable because of its comparative disinterestedness.

From the undergraduate viewpoint, more campus games are certainly to be desired. It is perhaps well to have the annual Multnomah game played in Portland, as a large percentage of the students would not be in Eugene during Thanksgiving. If the contest were staged on Kincaid Field, but as to other games, it is certain that much more student support for the team, and a consequent greater possibility of victory would be brought about if the rival teams met alternately on the gridirons of their respective colleges.

Student body finances might not stand the pressure if the Washington game in Portland were eliminated, but it is hard to see how Eugene would draw a smaller crowd than would Albany. And if finances would allow of it, the change suggested by the alumni is surely to be considered. Athletics are first of all for the students.

ALIVE OR DEAD?

The three students who so narrowly missed drowning two weeks ago are to be congratulated, not only because of their escape from the waters of the Willamette, but also because of the decision of the faculty committee that they might remain in college after what was apparently a violation of the faculty rule laid down last spring against shooting the rapids. The investigating members of the faculty found, however, that the canoeists had not shot the rapids as had at first been supposed.

But it is not the technical provisions of the rule which should be alone considered. The spirit in which this student rule was passed, was not one of curtailing the privilege of the undergraduates, but rather of safeguarding them. It is the spirit not the mere letter of the law which should be lived up to. As Dean Straub remarked, during the course of the investigation, "The University would much rather send home a live student than a dead one."

Now Coach Bezdek has come forth with the statement that he believes in the future few or no Oregon athletes will be found willing to take

part in any contest against the Alma Mater. If the spirit which must necessarily be responsible for a stand of this kind really exists among the members of the football team, it is a most excellent thing, a thing to be cherished, but by no means to be limited to football or to kindred forms of athletics, but to be extended to every student in the University, whether actively or only passively connected with any form of undergraduate activity.

PROF. ALLEN ON EASTERN TOUR

Object Is to Inspect and Study Schools of Journalism of Highest Rank

Prof. Eric W. Allen, of the Journalism department in the University of Oregon, who is at present on a visit to the various Eastern schools of Journalism, left for Madison, Wisconsin, a week ago where he attended the American Convention of teachers of Journalism, and will be from Tuesday to Friday of this week at the Pulitzer School of Journalism in Columbia University, where he will study closely the methods and equipment.

Friday, Prof. Allen leaves New York for Columbia, Missouri, where the University of Missouri is situated. The Journalism department at this school is third in size in the United States, the one at Columbia ranking first and the one at Wisconsin second. After visiting the Missouri school, Prof. Allen will come immediately home, probably arriving one week from next Wednesday.

ACKERSON OR GEISLER MAY WIN SCHOLARSHIP

Selection Committee for Oxford Have Three Men From Whom to Choose

Both University of Oregon contestants for the Rhodes scholarship this year, Luton Ackerman, '14, and Raphael Geisler, '12, passed their preliminary examinations according to word received here today. The tests were held in Albany on October 14 and 15, and the papers then sent to England where they were graded. In addition to the two men from the state University who passed, Paul Homan of Willamette also qualified for the scholarship. No idea could be gained as to comparative standing, as the papers were marked only passed or failure.

The committee on selection consisting of President P. L. Campbell, of Oregon, President H. M. Crooks, of Albany, President Fletcher Homan, of Willamette, University, President J. C. Bushnell, of Pacific University, and President Leonard W. Riley, of McMinnville, College will meet at Salem some time during the Christmas vacation to pick Oregon's representative at Oxford.

Get "him" an Oregon belt or watch fob of Jaureguy for Christmas, room 53, Dorm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Senior Class—Meeting in Dr. Schmidt's class room at the regular assembly hour tomorrow. Special program and important business.
 Laureans—Regular meeting tonight at 7 o'clock.
 Reading—Prof. A. F. Reddie will read "Strife," a modern play by John Galsworthy at 8:10 this evening in Deady Hall.
 Junior Class—Meeting in room 31, Deady Hall, at the regular assembly hour tomorrow.
 Freshmen—Meeting in Villard at 10 tomorrow.
 Morning—Special program arranged.
 Sophomores—Will meet at 10 Wednesday in McClure Hall for regular monthly meeting.

"Gee, it's cold. Guess I'll get a cup of hot cocoa at the New Varsity."

PRES. CAMPBELL HAS RETURNED

Many Old Students Attending Eastern Schools Maintain Interest in Oregon

Pres. Campbell has returned from the east where he attended the meeting of the Regular National Association of State Universities at Washington, D. C. Here he remained for four days, meeting President Wilson at the White House.

From Washington Pres. Campbell proceeded to Baltimore, where he visited John Hopkins University. Here he met Dodson, Downs, VanValzah, Bates, Bean and Martzloff, former students at Oregon who are now attending John Hopkins.

The next day he went to New Haven in order to visit Yale University. In the afternoon he attended the Yale-Princeton football game, in regard to which he said, "about 40,000 people were there. To the spectator it was no more interesting than our games, the play was somewhat slower and much more deliberate, but several costly fumbles were made on both sides. I presume the teams are somewhat stronger than ours."

He then went to Harvard, which is his Alma Mater. Here, also he had the pleasure of meeting some of his old U. of O. students. Wendel Barbour, Ralph Cake, John Kelly, who is studying at the Institute of Technology, Miss Naomi Williamson, who is studying in the Emerson School of Expression, Miss Pauline Potter, who taking Library work at Simmons College and Miss Jessie Chase, who recently graduated from Simmons College and now is engaged in Social Service work in the city. "All of these people are making strong records. They certainly showed me a good time and I enjoyed my visit with them," said Pres. Campbell.

"Every one of these old graduates read the Emerald like the Bible and anxiously wait for it," he said. "Many people of the east interested in the recent fight of the University were well posted on the situation here and were very glad to learn of the favorable vote."

Three more reporters can be used by the Emerald staff. All those wishing to try out should see the city editor for assignments.

FACULTY EXONERATES STUDENT CANOEISTS

Committee Finds Those Concerned in Accident Had Not Shot the Rapids

Following the canoe accident on the Willamette river Sunday, November 23, a special faculty committee was appointed to decide as to the course of action to be pursued.

Their official statement is as follows:

"A few years ago after the drowning of one of our students, the faculty passed a rule prohibiting the students of the University from shooting the rapids at the head of the mill race. President Campbell and the Faculty have investigated the recent accident on the river and find that the three young men involved did not come within this ruling, since at no time they had attempted to shoot the rapids at the head of the mill race. They had launched their canoe on the north side of the river in water which is not ordinarily dangerous, yet which was apparently dangerous for the young men involved.

"The University is very anxious at this time to take occasion to bring to the notice of the student body the danger involved, not only in shooting the rapids at the head of the mill race, but the rapids opposite the Tannery, and in fact all swift water on the river on which there could be the slightest possible danger."

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