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Y. M. C. A. Begins Twenty-Third Year of Service

PROF. YOUNG DIVULGES CONFERENCE PLANS

SPECIAL COMMONWEALTH SESSION CALLED TO DISCUSS LEGISLATIVE PROBLEMS

CLASSES MAY MEET AS USUAL

Program to Extend Over Three Days; Governor-Elect Withycombe Will Preside

"Of course we want the students to be interested and present as much as possible, but I don't think the recitations will be waived except in the case of a few of us who have to be present," stated F. G. Young, Professor of Economics and Sociology, in speaking of the Commonwealth Conference which will be held in Villard Hall at the University, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 10, 11 and 12. This is the first special session of the Commonwealth Conference on Legislative Problems. The program is as follows:

I.
The first problem: Efficiency and Economy in the State Government of Oregon, Thursday, December 10, at 10:00 o'clock.

Opening address, by Dr. James Withycombe, Governor-Elect and Presiding Officer.

The Problem of the Organization of the State Administration, by James D. Barnett, Professor of Political Science at the University of Oregon.

II.
Presentation and Criticism of Plans—Outlined as suggestions for reorganization of different departments of State Administration.

Principles upon which reorganization of departments, offices and institutions should be planned.

III.
Three members have been asked to lead in the discussion of each of the outlined plans covering the following proposed departments:

1. Agriculture.
2. Education.
3. Finance Administration.
4. Public Health and Safety.
5. Public Works and Conservation.
6. Labor.
7. Charitable and Correctional Administration.
8. Control of Public Service Corporations.

The improved state budget that would be possible under such a reorganized State Administration system.

IV.
Second Problem: Unemployment and the Conservation of Labor.

Friday, December 11
Tendencies and Plans in the Employment Legislation, State and National. By Joseph Mayper, General Secretary and Counsel on Distribution, North American Civic League for Immigrants.

Employment Legislation for Washington. A. H. Grout, Labor Commissioner of Seattle.

Proposed Program for Legislation for Oregon. A. H. Harris, formerly Editor Portland Labor Press.

General Discussion.

Friday Evening
Outlook as to Immigration and Policies that should call forth. Joseph Mayper, North American Civic League for Immigrants.

Aspects of Problem of Unemployment. Charles James.

Friday, Forenoon Session, 9:30
Opening Address. Hon H. B. Mill

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SOPHOMORE JOKESTER PLIES PRACTICAL PRANK ON SENIOR

Diploma-Chaser Outpigs Sopher, but—Oh, Sad Story—the Senior Is Stung

The Portland electric clanged into the O. E. depot Sunday evening. Students, fresh from their attack on the gobbler, were rushing off the train.

A prominent Senior made his way, laboriously, through the vast throng that crowded the platform to the side of a fair arrival. She was a Freshman and was escorted by a Sophomore who carried two suitcases. Asking no questions, the Senior seized the suitcases from the unwilling hands of the second year representative, who, incidentally, wears the same pin as the Senior. The cases were heavy and the destination was a certain big, yellow house on Twelfth and Hilyard streets—but these difficulties in nowise dampened the ardor of the ambitious Senior. Finally, after a long and tiresome walk—punctuated by frequent stops—he arrived at his destination, only to find that but one case belonged to his fair companion. The other was owned by his fraternity brother.

With true sportsmanship, next year's alumnus gripped the handle of the case firmly and made his way down Twelfth street to the point of intersection with Mill and was heartily greeted by the Sophomore jokester.

MABEL ZIMMERMAN, '13 DIES IN PORTLAND

Deceased Dies After a Sudden Illness Which Necessitated a Speedy Operation

Intelligence was received on the campus today of the death in Portland yesterday morning of Miss Mabel Zimmerman, a member of the 1913 graduating class of the University.

Miss Zimmerman's death was sudden, following an illness of but a few days' duration. She became ill Sunday, but was apparently in no danger until Tuesday, when she was removed to the Good Samaritan Hospital and operated upon. She lived but a few hours after the operation was performed, dying at 1:00 o'clock yesterday morning.

Miss Zimmerman was born at Fairview, Oregon, 23 years ago. With her sister, Olive Zimmerman, she entered the University in 1909. She was a member of the Delta Gamma sorority.

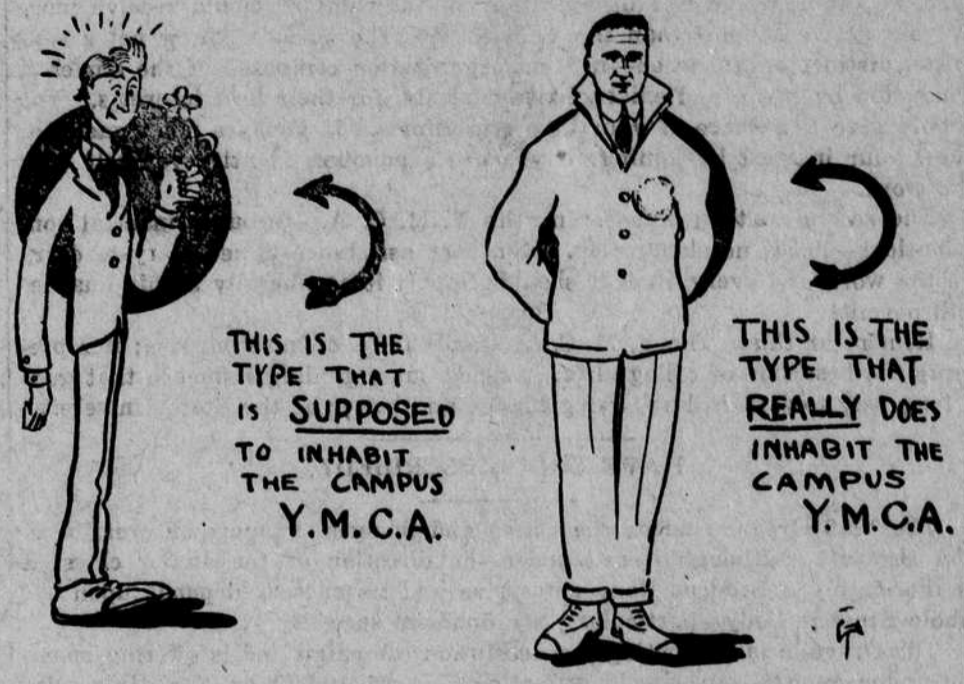
GIRLS' FIRST INTERCLASS BASKETBALL GAME DEC. 14

The first game of the women's interclass basketball will be played in the Women's Gymnasium on December 15. There is a silver cup offered by Mr. Hayward to the winning team. It was won by the Seniors last year.

The teams have been practicing for some time, but unless more Juniors and Seniors turn out they will be forced to forfeit the cup.

In past years a cup has been offered the sorority teams, but on account of lack of time and space in the gym, there will be no games between them this year.

"SUPPOSITION AND REALITY"



SOCCER TRYOUT DEC. 12

Whites and Blacks Will Meet On Kincaid Field Friday at 3:00 O'Clock

A tryout game of soccer football, intended to test the candidates for the Varsity team, is to be played at 3:00 o'clock Friday afternoon on Kincaid Field. No admission will be charged. From the 22 men playing and from the substitutes will be chosen the eleven that will represent the University in the first outside struggle of the year, probably December 12.

The tryout teams will be called Whites and Blacks, respectively. The Whites are to wear gymnasium suits or white jerseys and knickers. The jerseys of the Blacks are to be of any color other than white, preferably black or blue. The referee will be either Father Moran, of the Eugene parish, or Professor Colin V. Dymont, who coaches the squad. The following men are ordered to report on Kincaid at 3:00 o'clock tomorrow, and are assigned to the teams as indicated below:

- Blacks**
Goal—Gorescky.
Backs—Hazeltime and Hedges.
Halves—Belknap, Guy and Sims.
Right Wing—Wilhelm and Sengstake.
Left Wing—Proctor and Hartley.
Center—Huston (field captain).
- Whites**
Goal—Kennon.
Backs—Spellman and Campbell.
Halves—Ralston, Rathbun and Pearson.
Right Wing—Crockett and Hugh Ford.
Left Wing—Sheehy and Neal Ford (captain.)

Substitutes
Woodworth, Egan, Melzer, Roberts. The game will give the campus a chance to see what the soccer squad has accomplished since October 1, and the encouragement of the students' presence will be appreciated by the players.

A MISTAKE

The Emerald wishes to acknowledge an error in the story which appeared in the Tuesday issue under the headline, "Western Girls Are Slower Athletically." In the headline, Miss Davis was given credit for the statement, while, as a matter of fact, it was made by Miss Harriet Thompson, Assistant Physical Instructor, as the body of the story shows.

HAIRLIP HANDICAP WILL BE STARTED BY SENIOR MEN

Christmas Recess to Mark the Beginning of the Mustache-Growing Contest

Moustaches, the 1916 Oregoniana class finances and Senior memorial, took up the time of the Seniors yesterday morning at their monthly meeting in Deady.

Not to be outdone by their predecessors, the "Fourteeners," this year's wearers of the sombrero, have decided to keep the razor away from their upper lips until the second semester, the contest to start Christmas vacation. As a handicap, it has been decided to allow the more youthful members of the class to begin a week early. A committee has been appointed to determine the "head starts." The Senior men will appear in two weeks with the moustaches—brown ones, black ones, white ones, fuzzy ones, curly ones, straight ones, and, in some cases, no prediction can be ventured.

Lamar Tooze, representing the 1916, Oregoniana, presented the subscription proposition offered by the year-book. Sam Michael reported on the Virgil Noland Memorial. It was decided to defer action until the matter was investigated further.

Anthony Jaureguy, class Treasurer, gave a short talk, outlining the financial condition of the class. He said that the 1915 Oregoniana committee was making a thorough campaign among the students for subscriptions to last year's book, and that a similar campaign would be launched among the alumni.

The Seniors decided to give a series of Student Body dances to lighten the class debt.

President Ben F. Dorris presided at the meeting and announced the following committees: Virgil Noland Memorial committee, Sam Michael, chairman; Rose Sieler, Edith Moxley, Velma Sexton, Ernest Vosper, Bert Lombard, Senior Dance committee, Elton Loucks, chairman; Bert Jerard and Franklin Staiger.

COLLEGE DATES GRANTED BY THE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The following dates were granted by the Student Affairs Committee at its regular bi-monthly meeting Wednesday afternoon:
January 22—Freshman-Sophomore Debate.
February 19—University Orchestra.
March 17, 18 and 19—Y. M. C. A. Addresses by Dr. W. D. Weatherford, of Nashville, Tenn.

ASSOCIATION SHOWS STUPENDOUS GROWTH IN 23 YEARS OF EXISTENCE

BEGINNING WITH A MEMBERSHIP OF 19 UNDER JOHN R. MOTT THE Y.M.C.A. HAS INCREASED ACCELERATIVELY UNTIL IT NOW NUMBERS 235 MEMBERS

FROSH WORSHIP FATIMA AND ROYAL BACCHUS SATURDAY

Annual Freshman Smoker at the Kappa Sigma House Will Consist of Novel Stunts

The lid will be "lifted" Saturday night at the annual Freshman smoker given by the Kappa Sigma fraternity. After a snappy program of boxing and wrestling matches, the doors of the historic "bar" will be thrown open and Bacchus and Fatima will keep the Frosh guzzling and inhaling until midnight, when a surprise awaits them. Frosh Tollman will preside over the "free lunch" and foaming steins, with Bert Ford directing the various stunts.

This comes but once a year, and all Freshmen are advised to cut the "fantastics" which are also scheduled for that night, that they may be present to rope and throw the horned quadruped and rest their weary number twelves on the shining brass rail.

FULL DRESS OPTIONAL

Sophomore Class Declines to Dictate Dress Members Shall Wear At Hop

The heads of the several committees of the Sophomore Hop, under General Chairman Bernard Breeding, have had four meetings and one meeting with all the members of the committees present, and preparations are being thoroughly made for the dance, according to Mr. Breeding.

The entire cost of the dance will be about \$115.00.

There will be a general meeting of all the members of the dance committees some time next week, and Chairman Breeding urges all members to be present.

According to the resolution adopted by the Sophomore class at the class meeting Wednesday, it will be optional with the men whether they wear full dress or not.

The general sentiment seemed to be do away with this time-honored custom and to promote a more democratic spirit. Dr. Conklin, class advisor for the men, commended the class on the step it had taken in regard to dress suits and urged members of the class to pay their tax. Without this money Treasurer Scaeife says it will be impossible to give the dance.

PHI SIGMA ELECTS DON ORPUTT BOTHWELL AVISON

The Zoology Club held its regular meeting Tuesday afternoon in the Zoology Laboratory. Mr. A. C. Shelton gave a talk on "The Distribution of Animal Life in Relation to Life Zones."

DORMITORY MEN LEAD

Organization Maintains Book Exchange, Bible Classes, Lecture Courses, Employment Bureau

The Student Young Men's Christian Association, from a membership of 19 at the time of its founding, 1892, has grown in the 23 years of its active existence to an organization of 235 members.

Three and twenty years ago, John R. Mott, recognized today as the greatest Association worker in the world, and who recently declined an ambassadorship to a foreign country, organized the University of Oregon Y. M. C. A. Frederick S. Dunn, '92, at present Professor of Latin at the University, was elected first president of the organization. The work of the Association has gone on continuously since its inception.

Since 1910, the membership shows an increase of exactly 100. Last year the rolls included the names of 208 students. General Secretary Charles W. Koyl predicts that this year's list will go to 275. Divided according to student organizations, the Men's Dormitory leads the field with 38 members. Beta Theta Pi is next with 19 and Kappa Sigma is accredited with 14. Non-fraternity membership numbers 89. Among the foreign countries represented are India, Greece, Japan and China. O. A. C., with a student body including three times as many men as the University, has a membership of 400, or considerably less than twice the local enrollment.

The administrative work of the Association is in the hands of the General Secretary, C. W. Koyl, who is assisted by officers elected by the Association and a Cabinet appointed by the President. This year's officers and cabinet members are: Herbert Lombard, President; Ernest Vosper, Vice-President; Roy Stephens, Secretary; Leslie Tooze, Treasurer; Cloyd Dawson, Lamar Tooze, Erie Lane, James Donald, Charles Collier, Martin Nelson, William Holt, Tom Boylen and Harold Hamstreet, Cabinet. Each Cabinet member is a chairman of a committee, 65 members doing committee work this year.

This year's Bible Study classes include 196 students as against 187 last year. Besides classes in fraternity houses, there are five in Eugene churches. Cloyd Dawson is in charge of the Bible Study Department.

In addition to its other work, the Y. M. C. A. maintains a book exchange and employment bureau. So far this year, the exchange has returned to students in cash \$170.50 through the sale of second-hand books. Last year the total sales of the Book Exchange amounted to \$502.05.

Seven hundred and seventy-five dollars have been earned by University students since college started this year from odd and regular jobs secured by the Employment Bureau, according to the General Secretary.

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