



STATEWIDE INTEREST AROUSED IN PAGEANT

Portland Notables Promise Lyric and Music Contributions.

MATERIAL IS ACCUMULATING

Professor Bates Asks Students' Co-operation in Festival.

Material for the pageant is accumulating. As a result of his recent trip to Portland in the interests of the pageant, Prof. E. S. Bates announces that Mrs. Thomas Carrick Burke has promised to compose some of the music, and Col. C. E. S. Wood will help with the lyrics if he finds it at all possible.

Only two student contributions, two choruses by Mrs. Helen Wilson, have been finally accepted, although a number of others have been submitted.

But the management does not wish the composition to be confined to the regular English classes.

"We want every student with talent for writing as a contributor," said Prof. Bates.

Th tentative scenario, drawn up by Dr. Bates, is as follows:

Mother Oregon Appears

Mother Oregon, a matronly figure in white, enters, followed by thirty-four beautiful maidens who have been selected, one from each county in the state. The costumes of the maidens symbolize the chief interest or characteristic of each county; while all of one style, they are manifold in color and ornament.

Primeval Nature Revealed

Mother Oregon now calls upon nature to reveal herself as she was ere man appeared. The response comes in the form of two choruses of men, representing the Mountains and the Plains, two of women representing the Forests and the Streams, the Mountains in dark purple, the streams in shimmering silver; the Forests in green; the Plains in golden brown.

Indians Form Compact With Whites

The Spirit of Freedom enters, dressed as an Indian girl. She tells in a lyric of her people whom she is leading into this land, and of the joys of their wild and simple life. The Indians follow, put up their wigwags, and dance a religious dance. Then enters the Spirit of Truth, clad in white, a youth. He tells them of the coming of another race, wiser than they and worshipping another god. Even as he speaks, the party of Lewis and Clark is seen in the distance, guided by the Shoshone woman, Sakakawa.

Indians War on Missionaries

Freedom questions Truth as to the nature of Christianity and the missionaries. Truth replies in an eloquent eulogy. The missionaries enter and are welcomed. They preach to the Indians, then set to work to raise a church at the back of the stage. (The church, of course, has been constructed before-

Tooze on Board Admires Scenery

But Can Feel War in Air as the British Fleet of 27 Vessels Steams By.

On Board Frederick II, Kirkwadd, Orkney Island, 3100 miles from New York, December 17.—We Ford peace emissaries arrived here in port today; hauled in by the British patrol cruiser, Virginia, to undergo examination. Three German Red Cross doctors are on board and the party will be held until word can be received from London.

Our dinners are all formal. We have meetings every night. We cannot land, but we get a splendid view of land from the boat. The country from the coastline back is flat and cut up into farms; laid out like a checkerboard.

The above message to Leslie Tooze is the first received from Lamar since he sailed from New York. The letter came Thursday night.

WOMEN USE MENUS BUT MEN CRITICIZE

Five Sororities Get Suggestions From Home Science Bill of Fares; Only One Fraternity.

The Beta Theta Pi men think that the menus printed each Saturday in the Emerald are too much like Woman's Home Companion stuff to be of any use to men. This seems to be the almost unanimous decision of the men.

The Iota Chis think they contain a few suggestions but are not heavy enough for boys. The Phi Delta Thetas say they sound alright but that there isn't enough in them to feed boys.

The sororities like them better and five make up of them. The menus help the Gamma Phi Betas to keep in touch with the market prices.

MISS FORBES TO GIVE RECITAL. Miss Winifred Forbes, instructor of violin will give a recital on the evening of February 18 in Villard hall.

REHEARSE "ROSE MAIDEN". Orchestra practice now consists of rehearsing for the "Rose Maiden" to be given by the Eugene Philharmonic society by this month.

WILL INSTALL "MOVIES". The trustees of Vassar college are considering the installation of moving picture shows at the college to be given each Saturday afternoon and evening.

From the Michigan Daily comes the wall that spirit is lacking. Many of the seniors refuse to sit in the cheering section at the games.

FORTNIGHTLY CLUB TO GIVE BIG BLOW-OUT

Combination Card and Dancing Party for Benefit of Woman's Building Scheduled Friday.

"I move that we give \$500 toward the woman's building of the University of Oregon."

This was the proposal that electrified the membership of the Eugene Fortnightly club at a meeting last October. The women sat up straight and wondered where the \$500 would come from if they voted it.

So the Fortnightly club shut its eyes and voted \$500. Now the hour has nearly come when the \$500 is to be raised.

Students, faculty, business men, club women and townsfolk generally, are invited with equal cordiality to attend the woman's building benefit.

And here's some more: The girls' glee club will sing. Miss Forbes and Mrs. Thacher will give a violin and piano duet.

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FIVE TEAMS ARE 500; THREE 1000; THREE 0

Third Day of Doughnut Series Sees Some Reversal in Former League Standing.

Table with 4 columns: TEAM, WON, LOST, PCT. Lists various teams and their performance statistics.

Thursday's Scores. Sigma Nu 12, Deltas 18; Iota Chi 7, A. T. O. 24; Dorm 15, Kappa Sig 20; Fijis 9, Ore. Club 15.

Friday's Scores. Phi Deltas 16, Sigma Chi 8; Betas 9, Sigma Nu 4; Deltas 16, Iota Chi 2; A. T. O.-Kappa Sig. game postponed.

Thursday afternoon saw some reversal in form of the teams that played the preceding day. Friday the dope played even. To date the Phi Deltas loom up strong, with such basket shooters as Roberts and Huntington.

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"Raven" of Poe Bested by Raven

Metrically Inclined Reporter Breathes Terrors of Exams in Parody on Famous Poem.

(CORALIE SNELL) (With congratulations to Poe for having made his version run so smoothly. I don't see how he did it.) It can't be put off longer. Every day the thought grows stronger.

Now upon each midnight dreary, I am pondering weak and weary,

Trying to recall those hazy, fleeting memories galore,

Which I had before vacation, but which hadn't much duration,

And upon which my salvation from exam's Plutonian shore—

From the terrifying quiz that leaves one stranded on that shore—

Is depending more and more.

Deep into this darkness peering, long I stand here wondering, bearing;

Doubting, dreaming dreams most mortals dream at mid-year or before;

And a vague, uneasy feeling o'er my troubled soul is stealing

To my sorrow 'tis revealing that my care-free days of yore—

Those sweet days when quizzes' shadows were not floating on the floor—

Are returning—nevermore.

DEAN STRAUB EXPECTS AN ENROLLMENT OF 100

Outlook Favorable for Oregon, According to Indications From Lecture Tour.

"I would not be surprised if a hundred or a hundred and fifty students enter the University the second semester," says Dean Straub,

Dr. Straub spoke at the high school of Gresham, Estacada, Clatskanie, Scappoose and Seaside. He was also scheduled to speak at Rainier and St. Helens but upon arriving at these towns found that schools had been closed on account of small pox and scarlet fever.

College education as a dollar and cents proposition was the theme of Dr. Straub's lectures. He showed the students that they could not afford to miss a college education, for it means money in their pockets after they leave school.

Many students of Vancouver high school, Washington, where Dr. Straub spoke before vacation, have already written for University catalogues.

LADS AND LASSIES SKIP AT OREGON CLUB DANCE

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SHALL SENIOR EXAMS BE GIVEN IN JUNE?

Dont Try to Influence the Faculty in the Matter Warns One Professor.

FACULTY IS DIVIDED ON TOPIC

Graduating Classes Have Petitioned to Be Excused From Quizzes for Past 25 Years.

Shall the seniors be excused from second semester examinations this year? This question arises out of the recent faculty ruling that commencement shall begin on June 2, before the general examinations.

'or 15 years—perhaps as long as 25—

the seniors have been sending in annual petitions to be excused from examinations, Professor H. C. Howe says. "And," he continues, "every year they have been refused. I don't care whether they take examinations or not. In my own department we know what a student's probable standing is without an exam.

The pageant was held as one reason for holding commencement early. "I do not think that the pageant should be permitted to abate the stiffness of the examinations for any class one jot," said Professor Colin V. Dymont.

"Seniors are human, and examinations are an incentive," said Professor E. E. DeCou. "I am opposed to letting the seniors out. Not all, but many of them, need the thought of exams to keep them doing organized work up till the end."

Professor E. W. Allen said that excusing the seniors should be made a matter of exempting those who had an average of "M" or above. "I would favor permitting them to do their work on good faith," he explained.

Dr. Edmund S. Conklin says he has some seniors who could stand being exempted and some who couldn't. "But I have not thoroughly canvassed the situation," he stated.

"I should favor making up a schedule for seniors that would not involve examinations," said Dr. Joseph Schafer.

That some seniors would not work much if there were no exams in the offing, and that they would have a bad influence over lower classmen is the opinion of Dr. H. D. Sheldon.

Dr. Timothy Cloran stated that he would not like to excuse seniors from examinations.

"Not under any circumstances!" said Dr. J. H. Gilbert. "Excusing the seniors would be a bad example. As long as I have been connected with the University as a student or instructor, the seniors have been petitioning to be exempted. And they have always been refused. Giving the examinations early is only a matter of making an extra set of questions. There will be no additional work. The papers would all have to be graded anyhow."

"For my own department I favor letting the seniors go," said Dr. E. S. Bates. "In large lecture courses, however, I can see where that would be impossible. Leave it to the individual professor would be my sentiment. I do not think that commencement is going to interfere much with examinations."

Professor Howe said that when he came to the University 15 years ago, he tried the plan of exempting seniors from examination, but that other faculty heads opposed, and a ruling was passed forbidding the excusing of seniors.