



BUILDING TO WRECK BASEBALL DIAMOND

New \$40,000 Structure Interferes With Spring Ball Games.

HOCKEY FIELD MAY BE USED

Tiffany Uncertain Where the Games Will Be Held When Players Are Ousted.

The varsity baseball team will be without a suitable diamond unless some change is made in the near future.

Surveyors started work Wednesday morning staking the points for the new law building on the field back of the library, while the building will be located in the southwest corner, enough room will be left for baseball practice. This meadow has been the scene of conference games for the past five years. Players and fans alike are loath to see its passing.

"We will probably have to utilize the girl's hockey field," said Graduate Manager A. R. Tiffany, in discussing future plans. "We are hard up for a suitable place to hold the games this year, as the new \$10,000 athletic field will not be ready until next fall. In the meantime we must make the best of things."

This year Oregon has the hardest schedule in years. Fourteen games have been signed with possibilities of more being added. Manager Tiffany has given out the following list of contests as arranged at the coast conference meeting in Portland. He avers, however, that the dates are subject to change:

- March 31, April 1—Oregon vs. Chemawa, at Eugene.
- April 7-8—Oregon vs. Washington, at Eugene.
- April 9-15—Oregon vs. California, at Berkeley.
- April 28-29—Oregon vs. Washington, at Seattle.
- May 5-6—Oregon vs. O. A. C., at Eugene.
- May 12-13—Oregon vs. O. A. C., at Corvallis.
- May 19-20—Oregon vs. California, at Eugene.

GERMAN PILOTS ELECTED

Teuton Organization Plans a Play to Be Given in the Spring.

The German club elected officers for the second semester on Tuesday evening. Martha Beer is the new president, Mina Ferguson vice-president, Cecelia Hoffman secretary, and Herman Gillifan treasurer. Because of the election the evening's program was very short, consisting of a reading from "Immensee," by Martha Beer, and a reading and explanation of "Der Gute Kamerad," by Mary Hillsop. The meeting was held in the Delta Delta house.

"The club is going to hold the entire meeting in German, including the business meeting, from now on," announced the new president today. "We can't all speak German fluently, but we want to learn. And we want all the students who do speak German to join the society and help."

"We are going to put on short German play, 'Der Professor,' this spring, and we will try to have more regular meetings than we have had so far this year. There will not be so many conflicting attractions now. These meetings will be full of life, too, with good programs and folk-games and eats."

ANXIOUS FOR RIFLE CLUB.

S. S. Humphrey, of Portland, Oregon, secretary of the National Rifle association, is anxious that the University organize a rifle club.

O. A. C. has a rifle club, and there would be a chance for the University to compete with other colleges in the country both with small bore rifles and regular army rifles, says Mr. Humphrey in a letter to Professor Dymont.

"The club would be affiliated with the N. R. A. and under supervision of the War Department," writes Mr. Humphrey. "In that way a certain number of free rifles would be furnished also some ammunition and other supplies could be purchased at cost."

If any of the students wish to organize a club here Mr. Humphrey says he will send them literature on the N. R. A.

Do Birds' Twitter Awake an Echo?

The Warm Weather Poet Analyzes Budding Sentiment and Places Blame on Spring.

Does the twitter of the birds awake an echo in your heart? Stir something that you thought was all walled in?

Do the tiny budding violets to you a tale impart? I'll tell you what it means—it's spring.

Are idle fancies in your thots, paramount, supreme? Regardless of professors' added vim? Does snub-nosed co-ed sitting close, appear a fairie queen? I'll tell you what it means—it's Spring!

Come, let's dance and frolic, friends; Let's clap our hands and sing. You can't withstand fair nature's call: All hail—It's Spring! It's Spring!

PLAYERS OUT OF LUCK; HAVE NO PLACE TO GO

Orchestra Is Not Provided for in Pageant Plans; "May Dig a Trench."

Where to put the orchestra is one of the questions now facing the Oregon pageant committee in arranging for the staging of the pageant in June. Professor E. F. Lawrence, dean of the school of architecture, has canvassed the site northwest of the library, and found that a 100 foot stage, depth and room for bleachers can be secured without interfering with the work on the new building. But where is the orchestra to go?

There isn't any pit, an elevation might not be suitable. If placed in front of the stage, the orchestra would hide the players. At the side, the director would not be able to guide all parts of the play at once.

"I have about decided we shall have to dig a trench for the orchestra," said Professor W. F. G. Thacher, who is working in conjunction with Dr. E. S. Bates, on the pageant. "If it rains, then we'll have another problem."

The back of the stage will be the semi-circle of trees which range from the rear of the library to Deady walk. Bleachers will be brought over from Kincaid field, and the whole space enclosed. Mr. Lawrence is drawing plans for other details of the outdoor theatre. Roswell Dosch's classes are planning designs for advertising posters, and will probably work out a color scheme for the stage settings, lighting and costumes.

"The form of the pageant is practically ready," Mr. Thacher said, "with the exception of the prologue, which Dr. Bates is writing. The next important step will be to complete the music. The latter part of the week Mrs. Thomas C. Burke of Portland will be down. Mrs. Burke is willing and glad to cooperate with us to the extent of composing much of the music. Miss Forbes and Dr. J. J. Landsbury are also working at the music."

Mr. Thacher has himself composed music for several of the lyrics—the "Song of the Trail," the "Drivers' Song," "Mother Oregon Awakening Her Daughters," and others. The dance scenario is also being prepared. Much of the music for this will be adapted or borrowed.

Y. W. C. A. CABINET PICKED

Unique System of Selecting Treasurer Is Inaugurated.

The personnel of the new Y. W. C. A. cabinet announced by the executive committee last night, is as follows: Social committee, Helena DeLano; social service, Alva Wilson; house committee, Ruth Westfall; publicity, Frances Shoemaker; house committee, Jane Huggins; missions, Roberta Killiam; Bible study, Genevieve Chapin; assistant treasurer, Frances Schenck.

A unique system has been instituted in the selecting of the treasurer. Hereafter the assistant treasurer will be instructed by the treasurer and the next year she will become treasurer.

In the near future, Mary Gillies, will go to Albany, where she will address the Y. W. C. A. and there on to Corvallis, where she will act as delegate to the "ministry-mission" convention.

SECRETARY IS CHOSEN AT SPECIAL MEETING

Miss Clare Raley, a Senior Prominent in Student Affairs, to Fill Unexpired Term.

With scarcely one-sixth of the voting population of the University present at the student body meeting yesterday afternoon, Claire Raley was elected secretary of the associated students. Miss Raley will fill out the term of Eva Brock, whose graduation at mid-term left the office vacant.

Is a Senior From Pendleton
Miss Raley is a senior from Pendleton, and majors in English literature. Last year she was vice-president of her class, and a first vice-president of the Women's league. She has served on the Y. W. C. A. cabinet and on the Eutaxian board. Theta Sigma Phi, the women's journalistic sorority, and Kwama, a sophomore honor society, number Miss Raley as a member.

Charlie Fenton, the only other nominee for the office of secretary, has also taken part in many student activities, she being a member of the girls' glee club and appearing in dramatics this year. Last year she was administration editor on the Oregonian. Rita Fraley acted as secretary pro tem.

Wanted to Feel Student Body Pulse
The constitution provided that the executive committee should elect a secretary for the unexpired term, but the committee wished to know the sentiment of the student body, and for that reason called the special meeting.

TALKS TO SONS OF GREECE

Mr. Dunn Invites "George and His Friends to See "Pictures."

George and Professor F. S. Dunn are staunch friends. George is a bootblack from sunny Greece and has a stand in front of Obak's.

Mr. Dunn, who teaches Latin and reads Greek, is always eager to converse with sons of Greece, and George is equally as eager to discuss his fatherland with a friendly listener.

When George heard about the tri-her "Inheritance from Greece and Rome" weekly lectures given by Mr. Dunn on he expressed a desire to see the "pictures". Immediately Mr. Dunn extended an invitation to George and all his friends to attend the illustrated lecture Friday at 3 o'clock in Deady hall.

Adoption Simplified Spelling Is Plan Suggested to Faculty

In Census Taken of Faculty Members by Emerald Reporters Twelve Are Found to Favor New Project, Seven Oppose and Four Are for Gradual and Two for Partial Adoption.

President P. L. Campbell gave out a formal statement yesterday, through Secretary N. C. Grimes, to the effect that definite steps will be taken to present to the faculty the question of authorizing the adoption of some form of simplified spelling. "I am deeply interested in the movement," said President Campbell, "and have always been somewhat inclined toward it, but I am not committed to it."

The Emerald thereupon had a number of faculty members interviewed as to their policy on simplified spelling, with especial reference to its adoption, wholly or in part, at the University. The statements follow:

How 27 members of the faculty stand on simplified spelling:
For, 12.
Against 7.
For partial adoption, 2.
For gradual adoption, 4.
Non-committal, 2.

"I am in favor of a mild form of simplified spelling," said Dr. F. L. Shinn, professor of chemistry. "In the question of having it adopted at the University, I would favor a conservative adoption."

"So far I have not given simplified spelling much attention. I do not favor, however, the adoption of such a system in its present form, but would favor adoption of some few changes as sort of a trial," said E. H. McAllister, professor of mechanics.

"Simplified spelling has not gained sufficient headway for the University to

WOMEN WILL TRAIN ON OUTDOOR FLOOR

Proposed Building Is to Provide for Women's Sports and All Year Training.

The sleeping porch is not providing enough fresh air at the University of Oregon.

An open-air gymnasium is now proposed, which will permit outdoor training for women throughout the year.

"Open air exercise is five times as beneficial as indoor exercise," said Miss Louise Cummings, director of physical training for women at the University of Oregon. "This outdoor gymnasium is necessary from the standpoint of economy, health and over-crowding of the present gymnasium."

To Adjoin Women's Gym
"A frame structure, that could be built to adjoin the women's gymnasium, either on the south or the east would be amply sufficient to satisfy the needs of the department until the new women's building could be completed. It would be inexpensive, as it would have only a floor and roof, with a wall about two feet high around the bottom and the rest enclosed in wire netting."

Exercise Possible Year Around
"The climate in Oregon is such that outdoor exercise is possible the year around, provided there is protection from rain. The University of Oregon could easily make itself noted for its opportunities for outdoor work, which is fast becoming a feature of the universities of the south, where the climate is not better for this purpose than in Oregon. Oberlin college has used the open air gymnasium with success for several years."

For Classes and Games
"The outdoor gymnasium could be used both for classes and for games, whereas, at present, there is not sufficient room. On account of conflict with studies it is necessary to schedule classes in the gymnasium at 8, 4 and 5 o'clock. With classes on the floor during the afternoon, there is little time for basketball or any elective sport, but with the new building it would be possible to conduct one indoor class and one outdoor class at the same time. The present schedule, with 5 o'clock classes lasting until nearly 6 o'clock, is poor, because women should not be given compulsory work so late in the day. It is neither hygienic nor safe."

President Campbell has referred the matter to the board of regents, asking for an appropriation of approximately \$700 for the proposed building.

Humorist Arrives; Will Speak Friday

Dean Collins, Oregonian Columnist, Will Tell Parvenus "How," and Ride Goat.

Dean Collins, of the class of 1910, and now on the Oregonian staff, arrived in Eugene this morning, and will spend two days on the campus, telling the parvenus the secrets of the newspaper game, and riding the Sigma Delta Chi goat, which he evaded last year when he was elected to the honorary journalism fraternity.

In his own words, the editor of the "Crawfish" says, "While I shall devote some time to a review of the field of newspaper humor and verse and the men who are already making good in it, I intend to devote most of the matter to a discussion of the mechanics of the game, the methods of developing technique and the branches of newspaper special writing." The address will be in Guild hall at 1 o'clock tomorrow.

Friday evening Mr. Collins will be initiated into the honorary journalism fraternity, Sigma Delta Chi.

Mr. Collins is a guest at Friendly hall, where he lived during his college days. He will return to Portland Saturday morning.

LADIES TO START BAND UNDER ALBERT PERFECT

Leader Declares Women Can Learn Easily Whether They Are Musicians or Not.

Albert Perfect, leader of the University men's band, will organize a ladies' band. Mr. Perfect has led other ladies' bands. He trained one of forty-one pieces at Valley City, N. D. Of this band of forty-one, twenty-seven went on the different trips, some of which were Chattanooga engagements.

Green Players Learn Quickly.
The Dakota band was formed of girls who for most part had never before played any band instruments. Mr. Perfect says that a ladies' band progresses very rapidly, as he recommends that only girls who already know how to play some instrument—preferably the piano—take up the work in the band. A band of entirely green players who know music should be able to play some of the easier band music in a very few weeks.

Mr. Perfect is planning a public appearance of this band before next commencement. It will be formed this week since a good number has already signified its intention of joining. Those interested may see Mr. Perfect Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at the University school of music.

EXTENSION INSTRUCTORS TO LECTURE TO 'PREPPERS'

University Professors Will Address High School Students Throughout the Entire State

The University professors who are doing extension work are planning to address the high school student bodies of the state before the first of May. To facilitate matters Dr. H. D. Sheldon, dean of the school of education and Earl Kilpatrick, assistant director of the extension department, have made division of the state.

Dr. Sheldon will speak to the high schools in Clatsop, Columbia and Clackamas counties, with a few exceptions, and to the Salem, Woodburn, Albany and Silverton. Also he will take a trip through the Deschutes country during spring vacation.

Dr. B. W. DeBusk, of the education department, is to talk to the high schools at Estacada, Parkplace, Canby and to most of the schools in Tillamook, Multnomah, Washington, Lincoln and Yamhill counties. He will make a trip to eastern Oregon, not going farther than Pendleton, and will speak to the high schools along the Southern Pacific south of Eugene.

Mr. Kilpatrick will talk to the high schools at Jefferson, and Marion and to those in the counties of Linn, Benton and Klamath, and will make a trip to Walla-walla and Union counties.

Dr. E. S. Conklin, professor of psychology, will speak to the Coos county schools in February.

Dr. J. H. Gilbert, professor of economics, will cover Malheur and Baker counties in spring vacation.

"SIMPLISMS" CITED BY DR. G. H. DANTON

Strong Defense of New System, Its History, Development, and Future Given.

TO 'SPEL,' THINK NOT GUESS

"Note" Is "Note," "Boat" Why Not "Bote," Asks Educator When Interviewed.

Making it easier for the child, whose time and efforts in the spelling line are well worth considering—that is the purpose of the simplified spelling board in advocating simpli spelling, according to Dr. George H. Danton, of Reed college, Portland, and Pacific coast field agent of the board.

"What's good for father is good for John," doesn't hold true in the case of Spelling," Dr. Danton says. "Sally" doesn't have to expend years studying a complicated and highly unsatisfactory alphabet, just because her mother did. For a movement is on foot to do away with all the time now expended in trying to make John and Sally understand why 'note' is 'note,' and 'boat' is not 'bote.'

"Now the teacher says to John, 'Spel 'read.' 'R-e-e-d,' says John. 'No,' says the teacher. 'R-e-a-d.' Then she says spel 'seed.' And John, remembering the previous correction answers, 'S-e-a-d.' And the teacher cannot tell him why 'seed' is 'seed,' and 'read' is 'read,' so she has to make Johnny learn the words for what they are worth, and our spelling system becomes highly cumulatv, instead of penetical," insists Dr. Danton.

No Rules at Present in Spelling.
"In every other study there are certain set rules, which hold true in all cases," said Dr. Danton. "In mathematics we learn that two plus two always equals four. Science tells us that water always runs down hill. No rule can be laid down in spelling as long as the present system is tolerated. For example the sound 'i' is not always represented by the letter 'i.' It occurs in 'it,' 'busy,' and 'English,' yet now we do not spel these words 'it,' 'bisy,' and 'Englsh.' In some cases this can be accounted for by the fact that we have dropped the foreign pronunciation in certain words and have retained it in others. We spel the word 'beau,' and pronounce it so. But in 'beautiful' we drop the French pronunciation and yet retain the French spelling. Now when we see a word in English we have no confidence in its pronunciation. The ear ought to be the ultimate guide, which it is not now. The present school system tends to take the spelling out of the ear function, and put it into the eye. We see our words rather than hear them."

New Mode Complicated.
"Simplified spelling is a complicated problem. Unless one knows the facts there is no excuse for criticism. Recently a man wrote a criticism thru the columns of a Chicago paper. He used the word 'splendid' as an example. He said, 'When I say the "s" I feel as if all evil thoughts had been pushed away from me. The "p" pushes them away completely. When I pronounce the "i" my thoughts are uplifted.'

"Why," said Dr. Danton, in answer to this criticism, "there is no more flutter in the heart when spelling the word 'splendid' than when spelling the word 'rotten.'"

Economic, etymological and aesthetic figur as objections to a code of simpli spelling. Sum say that the economic los wud be terrific. Dr. Danton says that the los wud not be any greater than that which accompanies any great, gradual change. He admits that a period of transition wud follow, but he says that it wud be a period of re-adjustment similar to any after-effect of any national movement.

"And there are those who still cling to the valu of the derivation of a word. The children will lose site of the past history of a word if they only listen for its sound. What if they do," asked Dr. Danton. "Every time you use a word do you stop to figur out its derivation?"

"It is true that derivations will be obscured. We don't care if they ar. If any one needs them let him go to the dictionary."

"The attitude of the publ' is gradually changing, for 127 of the colleges here adopted simpli spelling in sum form. The pres is taking it up and papers, and all class of papers adopted at least the twelve N. E. A. words."