

## HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN IS OUTLINED

Board of Regents to Act on Dr. Bovard's Suggestion for Infirmary.

The health insurance plan for the University of Oregon is to be presented to the board of regents the latter part of this month for adoption during the spring term, at the suggestion of Dr. John F. Bovard, chairman of the faculty committee on student health, and the request of the student council.

"I believe this is one of the biggest movements we have started in a long time," said Dr. Bovard in speaking of the plan.

The payment of a small fee each term will insure the student four weeks of the best medical care in the University infirmary. The houses will not have to care for their members who are ill and this will relieve them. It will prevent the quarantine of a whole house, and by segregating the cases of illness it will be possible to prevent epidemics on the campus, was the opinion of Dr. Bovard.

### Plan Will Help

"The health insurance plan will also be a help to the University," continued Dr. Bovard, "because the University can not afford to have a large number of students absent from classes either because of illness or from quarantine. It will be much cheaper to care for the student when he first becomes ill and not have to suffer epidemic.

"The expense to the individual will be much less," said Dr. Bovard. "If the term fee were to be placed at \$2.50 per term, this sum would be much less than any hospital fee. Besides insuring the care of the sick," he continued, "this plan would protect every one. Each student should do all he can to protect his fellow student.

"Under the present plan a free medical examination will be given each student at the beginning of each term, by a doctor.

### More Equipment Needed

"When the health insurance plan is put into effect, said Dr. Bovard, we hope to have a larger infirmary and more equipment. If it is adopted during the spring term it will be more or less experimental. "We will try ourselves out," so said, "and see what equipment is needed. I believe that if we can get this thing started we can well afford to continue it.

"This plan, which will provide protection for the individual, for the University work, and for the University society, has been adopted by many of the larger universities, according to Dr. Bovard, and seems to be favorably received by the students.

## SIGMA CHI-KAPPA SIG WORKING FOR FINALS

Sigma Chis Out for Two Cups; May Put Name on One Third Time.

The question now stands—can the Sigma Chis beat the Kappa Sigs? If so, the two cups will go to the Sigma Chis and on one of them it will be the third time they will have carved their names thus making the alder trophy permanent.

For two years they carried off the honors and now they are contestants in the final game for the championship this year. What's more, the general opinion around the campus is that they can again grab the prize.

However, nothing much has been heard about the Kappa Sigs lately but those who visit the gym occasionally say that the Sigs are out there every day shooting and shooting some more, for that is what they lack, the ability to drop the too large ball in the little hoop. Those who were not in too great a rush after the Delta-Sigma Chi game to get outside and congratulate the winners or console the losers will know that the Kappa Sigs sneaked out on the floor immediately after the contest to get a little secret practice. Fact is, that is what they've been doing every day ever since their last game.

So things don't look so bright after all for the Sigma Chis for with the defense the Kappa Sigs already have if they can hit the basket at all they will worry the other champs considerably. Besides, the Kappa Sigs being the under dog, so to speak, will have the support of many of the fans.

All in all, though, much interest is apparent on the campus over the coming championship struggle which will be staged next Wednesday and from indications the fund for the Women's Building will receive a considerable boost from the

amount taken in by the small admission fee of ten cents which will be charged.

## DEBATERS BUSY ON TRIALS

Members of High School League to End Preliminaries This Week.

Members of the state high school debate league have already begun their competition for place as winner of their own district, and the finals for these preliminary debates will be over by the end of next week.

This will leave the winners of each district to be paired off for a final inter-district championship debate. The victorious teams will be grouped for the last debates of the season by the executive committee of the league which is made up of President P. L. Campbell, Robert W. Prescott, secretary of the league, Cornelia Marvin, secretary of the state library, J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of school, and George Hugg, principal of the McMinnville schools.

## NINE JUDGES HEAR CASE

Chinese Blind Pigger Found Guilty by Members of Moot Court.

Lee Kong, blind pigger, was convicted Thursday of the attempted murder of Patrolman Smith.

The courtroom was not filled with interested and expectant listeners; the judges, nine of them, had a hard time explaining the points of law upon which the case was based to what few spectators there were.

Lee Kong was not even present to hear his sentence. The poor fellow must have taken it bravely, wherever he was, as the counsel for the defense, Kenneth Armstrong, seemed to enjoy the verdict immensely, praying only for a larger body of listeners at the next meeting of the court.

Those not present will admit that it is one of the queer cases of law on record. The only explanation offered is that the case was an imaginary one, and that it was one of the cases brought before the moot court, held once a week in the law library of the Oregon law school in the Oregon building.

All regular law students acted as judges: M. K. Holland was Chief Justice; R. C. Matson, clerk; Herbert Decker, special prosecutor for the people, and Kenneth Armstrong, attorney for the defense. The case, that of the people vs. Lee Kong, was only one of a number of such cases which will be tried by the law students during the year.

The facts in the case were given as follows:

Lee Kong runs a blind pig. Patrolman Smith bores a hole in Lee's roof so he can catch Lee selling liquor. Two minutes after Smith had finished boring the hole and left the roof, Lee returns. Shavings on the floor call his attention to the hole. He looks up and mistaking sunlight shining through the hole for Smith's eye, fires a bullet through the hole intending to kill Smith.

## U TO ENTERTAIN SPEAKERS

The intercollegiate oratorical contest which is to be held on the campus April 11 for the first time since 1911 is going to give the University an opportunity to entertain the one delegate from each of the eight colleges in the interstate oratorical league according to Ruth Graham, senior in the University and president of the state intercollegiate debate league.

The date has been set aside, on the college calendar for the contest along with a banquet in honor of the guests. Miss Graham will have this matter in charge and will appoint committees to work with her in arranging for the entertainment of the statewide guests.

The judges for the contest include Dr. John Boyd, of the First Presbyterian church of Portland; Judge W. McCamant, former member of the state supreme court; and Bishop Walter T. Sumner of the northwest Episcopal diocese, who will consider the oratorical delivery; and H. M. Wells, and J. O'Neill of the University of Wisconsin; and Professor Shurtler of the University of Texas, who will act as judges of composition in the contest.

## 18 DEBATES HELD IN ONE NIGHT; ROUND COMPLETE

(Continued from page one.)

Nelson Dezendorf and Cres Maddock for Charles Lamb and the Sigma Chi team.

### Next Contest in Three Weeks.

The next of the series will probably be held on February 27 when the twelve surviving teams will again compete. This will give the teams three weeks to prepare, says Prof. R. W. Prescott of the public speaking department, one week to rest and read some, a week to read more and plan their arguments, and the last week to do some intensive work. Several questions are being considered for the next debates, but none have been chosen as yet. The one chosen will most likely deal with the international situation, says Professor Prescott.

## OREGON MAN SERVES IN ELECTRIC SHOPS

Chalmer Patterson, '18, Returns from Government Service in N. Y.

Work in the laboratories of the Western Electric company of New York where the 3,000 people in the shops worked on secret processes to help defeat Germany by the use of science was the experience of Chalmer Patterson, '18, who continued his graduate work at the University until he went east 11 months ago to take up his work with the Western Electric company. Mr. Patterson arrived home last night.

In the electric laboratories where he worked the wireless telephone for use on airplanes was invented. Though the invention is not perfected, he said, messages have been transmitted 10 miles from airplanes, and at the end of the war were in use by many of the machines.

### New Apparatus Affected.

Another problem, the one upon which Mr. Patterson put the most of his time, was the making of an apparatus which within a certain range can detect the presence of a submarine. This work is not completed and so far no publication of the results obtained through their experiments has been made, though at present there are stations on the Atlantic coast, he said, that these machines detected the mand twice sent out warnings to ships of the presence of submarines.

"The shore apparatus and that used on the boats is different," he said, "and neither one has been perfected. It is for this reason and that the treaty of peace has not been signed that the firm requested the employees not to disclose the nature of the detectors."

### Western Electric Employs 3,000.

The Western Electric employs 3,000 men in the laboratories and shops whose work is merely research, he explained. The apparatus necessary for any new experiment is made there in the company's shops. Since the firm has returned to a peace basis, they have turned their efforts to the perfection of the multiplex telephone, whereby five conversations may be carried on one pair of wires. Another problem they are experimenting with is an automatic telephone whereby only one central will be necessary for as many branch lines as are needed to get a party. The Western Electric company during peace time is the research department of the Bell Telephone system.

### Company Offers Service.

When war was declared they offered their whole force and equipment to the government for research work, and it was during this time that Mr. Patterson, left his position as assistant in the physics department at the University of Oregon to offer his services to the government through the Western Electric. The chief engineer and other officials in the laboratories were granted commissions in the signal corps by the government in recognition of the work that they were doing.

From his window in the laboratory, Mr. Patterson took several pictures of troop ships leaving the New York harbor and glancing up from his work he could see the transports packed with returning soldiers steam into the Cunard docks just below.

"One time I saw from my window," he said, "nine transports carrying 45,000 soldiers leave within an hour and a half for Europe."

Mr. Patterson said that in spite of the big city and the interesting work which he left he is glad to get back to Oregon.

## KLAMATH FALLS GIRLS WIN

Defeat Their Coos Bay Pi Beta Phi Sisters 1 to 0 in Basketball.

The Klamath Falls girls of Pi Beta Phi defeated their Coos Bay sisters 1 to 0 this morning in one of the most interesting games ever played on the local floor. Some of the girls had never played basketball before and the teams had had no opportunity to practice. Men's rules were used. The one point was made by Clara Calkins, forward, who converted a foul.

The lineup:  
Klamath Falls (1) ... Coos Bay (0)  
Marjorie Delzell ... F ... Pearl Craine  
Clara Calkins (1) ... F ... Nell Warwick  
Elsie Lawrence ... C ... Louise Clausen  
Ella Dews ... G ... Velma Ross  
Audrey Roberts ... G ... Virginia Smith  
Marvel Skeels  
Referee, Miss Gorman; umpire, Miss Perkins.

## MANY OUT FOR WRESTLING

Although there can be no intercollegiate wrestling or swimming this year because of a faculty ruling against it, the prospects according to Graduate Manager Walker, are that these will be intercollegiate sports next year.

According to Mr. Walker if enough interest is shown to warrant it an interfraternity league will be formed to determine the championship on the campus.

## M'CLURE NOT EAGER FOR TRIP TO RUSSIA

Oregon Captain in Germany Fears Transfer; Tells of Christmas Feed.

Captain Walter McClure, graduate of the University in 1913, now with the first army corps in Germany, in a letter to his sister, Nellie McClure, says that his only worry is that he may be ordered to Russia. His letter was written Christmas day.

He writes, "Am resting quietly as my Christmas dinner will permit me. We had a good dinner, but it was the regular rations, with beer and a Y. M. C. A. issue of tobacco and cookies.

"There is about four inches of snow now and more falling.

"We are doing a little drilling and draw our rations better," he said. "Our shoes are repaired now and we should enjoy our stay here. The only worry now is that we may be ordered to Russia. That sounds reasonable, as there is trouble there and there is rumor that we leave for somewhere on December 29, but where I don't know. Possibly, United States, France, Russia or Luxemburg.

"The kids here had quite a time last night. Made me wish I could be home. The people here treat us fine."

Captain McClure enclosed in his letter a copy of general orders 201 sent out by command of General Pershing through James W. McAndrew, chief of staff. The orders deal with praise for the splendid work done by the first division in its advance west of the Meuse between October 4 and 11, 1918. They advanced over difficult terrain which the enemy had orders to hold at all costs.

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### ANNOUNCEMENT

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## New Wrinkles



The upper part of the face is what you notice first when you meet a person. A scowl there is often so disfiguring that it doesn't

matter how attractive the person otherwise appears — the scowl spoils it all.

In most cases scowls are the direct result of eye strain. Remove the strain and the scowl disappears. Other evidences of eye strain and ocular muscular unbalance are pain in or over the eyes, on the top or back of the head, in the neck and between the shoulders, dizzy spells, indigestion, insomnia, inability to concentrate the mind, also a tendency to develop goitre.

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