

AVARD FAIRBANKS SENDS MESSAGE

Former Oregon Sculptor Writes From Yale

TWO REGIONS COMPARED

Tribute is Paid to West And Opportunities

That the people of the east are expecting much in the production of art from the jungles of the west, is the message of Avard Fairbanks, Oregon sculptor, who is now at the Yale school of fine arts, to the students of the University of Oregon. "The people of the east have a deep interest in the Pacific coast," he said in a message recently received by the fine arts department of the University.

Mr. Fairbanks, who was instructor in sculpture at Oregon last year, and who has done several pieces that have won national recognition, stated that during his recent eastern trip he has met several famous artists and that he is planning articles for publication dealing with these artists.

Two Sections Compared The east has the wealth and the art patrons, but behind it all there seems to be a lack of that genuine western feeling that we all are privileged to partake of. Money can never buy that spirit of the west," said Mr. Fairbanks in comparing the two sections of the country. He senses an opportunity for the artists of the western part of the United States to create a great and lasting art now that the attention and the sympathies of the country as a whole are centered on the west.

Superior intellectual and spiritual products, as well as superior physical products, should be the gift of the west to the world, in the opinion of Mr. Fairbanks. "It is in the power of this section of the country to produce a genius and an art form that would be an active and potent influence for improvement throughout the country."

Credit Given West "Let us fulfill the expectations of the west," he said, "and not only let the west give to the world superior products for physical sustenance, but let us give an intellectual product that will mean a spiritual development throughout the whole land."

Credit is given by Mr. Fairbanks to the people of the west for the opportunities they have granted him for contact with them and for the development this contact has entailed. "One of the things that has made life more significant has been to mingle with you and see the progress in your work," he said.

KILPATRICK TO STUDY CAUSES OF DISASTERS

Earl Kilpatrick, dean of the extension division, was recently appointed a member of the committee of American experts to make a study of the causes of calamities and of measures to be taken for their prevention.

Dean Kilpatrick suggests in a letter to the Geographic Society of Geneva, that a study should be made of the "psychology of disasters." "There are many purely human and mental factors which enter largely into the causation of certain types of disasters, and especially into the possibility of their recurrence," writes Dean Kilpatrick. "Also there is a most fascinating study awaiting some competent and privileged individual who shall have the opportunity to study and record the phenomena of individual and group reaction to different types of catastrophe."

This movement for the study of disasters is world-wide, and each country is to make a national map of calamities, and these will be combined into a world atlas of catastrophes.

DR. TORREY ATTENDS SCIENCE MEETINGS

Dr. Harry Beal Torrey, head of the biology department of the University of Oregon, is in New York and is not expected to return until the last of the month.

Dr. Torrey spent the Christmas holidays in Washington, where he attended the meetings of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and remained to present a paper on "The Depressant Action of Thyroxin on Cell Division." An abstract of this paper appears in the Anatomical Record for December, 1924.

Dr. Torrey acted as a delegate of the Oregon chapter of the American Association of University Professors, also of Sigma Xi, national scientific research organization, both of which held meetings in Washington at that time.

LIBRARY HAS NEW DESK TO RELIEVE CONGESTION

The new desk at the circulation quarters in the library was built because of congested quarters. Books will be returned at this desk and receipts will be given for the return of books. Periodicals and rent books are to be returned at the old desk and all books will be charged out there.

Another change is the moving of the circulation magazines to the left of the circulation desk. The new book rack at the right of the circulation desk is for the purpose of keeping 100 of the best books of general interest where prospective readers will have an opportunity to see them. These will be changed once a week. On January 3, 100 books were placed there and half of them are gone now. On the top shelf of this rack the 7-day books will be kept.

MATHEMATICS CLUB RECEIVES MENTION

An article giving an account of the meetings of the University of Oregon Mathematics club and of its activities during the past year, has appeared in the last issue of the "American Mathematical Monthly." The club is having a large attendance this year, and more interest is being shown in it than at any other time during its history.

Marie Bidings, president of the mathematics club, has taken up her duties again after a month's absence on account of illness. She is continuing her work for her master's degree.

DEAN HALE TO ATTEND PORTLAND BAR SESSION

Dean William G. Hale of the law department will leave today for Portland to attend a meeting of the executive committee of the State Bar association which is to be held Friday afternoon. The working out of plans for the cooperation of the Association and the law school, in publishing the Oregon Law Review will be the main business.

Following this meeting, Dean Hale will go to Medford where he will deliver a technical address before the Southern Oregon Bar association Saturday night, on the topic of "Problems in the Law of Evidence." This meeting is to bring together the attorneys from Jackson, Joseph and Klamath counties while other outside men invited are Albert Ridgeway, Portland, president of the State Bar Association and Hon. Thomas A. McBride, Salem, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

FORMER INSTRUCTOR VISITOR ON CAMPUS

Bryan Hendon Completing Thesis for Degree

Bryan Hendon, former graduate assistant in geology here, is on the campus for several weeks. Hendon is at present completing his work toward his master's degree.

Hendon spent the last term at the University of California as a student in the geology and paleontology departments. He spent much of his time classifying and describing a collection of fossils found near Glide, Oregon, last year. In this paper, which he is presenting as a thesis for his master's course, are found descriptions of 25 cocene shells.

"These cocene fossils are described for the first time and when completed will be by far the most complete description that has ever been made of the cocene fossils of Oregon. The paper will be an important contribution in the description of tertiary life" says Dr. Earl Packard of the geology department. It will probably be published in the near future.

Hendon is a graduate of the University of Oklahoma. After his graduation he conducted some geologic investigations for the Standard Oil company on the Mediterranean coast. He came to the University of Oregon last year.

FORMER OREGON STUDENT MARRIED AT CORVALLIS

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Ore.—The wedding of Mrs. Ethel Wittstruck, former University of Oregon student, and Guy R. McGinnis, junior in agriculture at O. A. C., took place at the home of the bride, 710 North Fifteenth street, on New Year's day. Mrs. McGinnis is the daughter of Mr. Deane and Mrs. C. W. Sly of 1874 Lincoln avenue, Eugene. Mr. McGinnis, a member of the Acacia fraternity, is majoring in entomology at O. A. C. Mr. and Mrs. McGinnis are at home at 710 North Fifteenth street, Corvallis.

CROSLAND ATTENDS PSYCHOLOGY MEETING

Five Western Delegates Present at Sessions

Dr. Harold R. Crosland of the psychology department was the representative from the University at the meeting of the American Psychological Association in Washington, December 29 to 31.

Stanford, California, Washington, and Wyoming were the other western universities represented at the session. Dr. Crosland took part in the round table discussions of the meeting.

"The personal contact was of inestimable value to anyone doing research," said Dr. Crosland. "I heard some valuable papers on research in psychology. Of the new apparatus invented I saw two pieces which are superior to any adding machine for the carrying out of what is known as correlation in statistics."

Dr. Crosland, who is a member of Sigma Xi, scientific research society, also attended a meeting of that organization held at this time.

Oregon Debaters Meet O. A. C. in Contest at 8 O'clock in Villard Hall

(Continued from page one) Last year but did not take part in any of the contests. He was active in debate work in the high schools of Seattle before coming to the University.

O. A. C. Men Experienced The O. A. C. men have all had wide experience in forensic work. Kerr, son of the president of the college, was on the Aggie team last year and represented his school in the extempore contest at Palo Alto this year.

Stewart was also on the team that debated against the University team last year. Joughin and Stewart have taken an active part in forensic work at the Corvallis institution and Joughin is now assistant forensic manager.

Professor E. E. DeCou will preside at the contest in Villard hall. Judges at the local meet will be Charles A. Brandt of Roseburg; Professor E. E. Schwartztrauber, of Lincoln high school in Portland; and Dr. S. B. Laughlin, of Willamette university, who will take the place of Dr. F. G. Franklin of Willamette who is unable to attend.

The judges at the Corvallis contest will be; President J. S. Landers, of the Oregon State Normal school; Hopkin Jenkins, principal of Jefferson high school; and H. H. Boyd, principal of Washington high school, Portland.

ORDER OF "O" NOT TO HAVE DANCE UNTIL LATER

Contrary to a report that appeared in the Emerald yesterday, to the effect that the Order of "O" would hold a dance on Friday, January 9, that organization will

not hold a dance on that date. There will be a jitney dance on one week-end during this term, but advance announcement will be given before the dance will be held.

BASKETBALL LINEUP REVIEWED BY COACH

Coming Game Thought to Be Close One

"The clash with the Willamette five Saturday night will be one of the hardest and closest games of the whole season," said Billy Reinhart, Oregon basketball coach. "The Bearcats always were good basketball players, and they thoroughly know the game."

The fracas, which will take place in the Armory, will be the opening battle of the 1925 basketball season for the varsity. Reinhart is not certain just what lineup he will use, except that the two veterans, Hobson and Gowans will start at forward. These two men will have a double job on their hands, for not only are they expected to convert at regular intervals, but their steadiness will have to offset any attacks of nervousness that may be experienced by the new men to the squad who are under fire for the first time.

The squad is composed of men, however, who have played quite a bit of basketball, and Billy is confident that they will play like veterans. Drill on offense and defense, with a view to perfecting the five man play that was so successful last year, has been going on all week, and the team is rapidly rounding into shape.

To supplant Hobson and Gowans at forward when needed, Reinhart will have Childs, Llewellyn, and Stoddard. At center, either Jost or Okerberger will start, with a possibility of Carter getting into the game as well. Westergren has been going ood at guard, and will probably start, with Gunther or Reinhart as a running mate. Gillenwaters, who has been East, may be in shape, and Hughes will be available if needed.

The entire University is expected to turn out for the game, which has been set for 7:30 sharp. A regular rooting section will be formed, and the stage has been allotted to the sports writers.

All big games will be held in the Armory this year, as usual. Eugene is fortunate, athletically speaking, for all the first big games, the ones that really count the most, take place at home. The

SHORT STORY CONTEST WILL END FEBRUARY 1

Students wishing to compete in the Edison Marshall short story contest should turn their manuscripts in to W. F. G. Thacher, instructor of short story, between now and February 1, the final date of the contest. The first prize of \$50 was won last year by Elhara Keltner. No previous prize winners can compete, but the contest is open to all other regularly enrolled undergraduate students.

The rules of the contest are: stories must be original; manuscripts must be in triplicate type, double spaced, on one side of good paper; the name of the writer must not appear any place on the manuscript. This contest is held each year by Edison Marshall, short story writer and a graduate of the university, for students in the university, to further an interest in short story writing.

The schedule is the best that Oregon has had for some time, the coach says, and one of the most interesting seasons, from the spectators point of view, is in prospect.

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