

## VANDALS HELD DANGEROUS FOE

Loss to O.A.C. Would Not Indicate Weakness on Part of Gem Staters

## IDAHO PLAY LIKE AGGIES'

Records Give Oregon Five Slight Edge Over Team Playing Here Tonight

Regardless of the Vandal's previous fluctuating basketball record so far this season, Oregon will meet one of the most dangerous teams in the coast conference tonight, when Idaho invades the armory at 7:15. The defeat of the Vandals by O. A. C. Wednesday night, really does not indicate that Idaho has again lost its stride after winning over Washington recently. Any team that plays on the Aggie floor is seriously handicapped. The floor is unusually large and adapted particularly to the style of game played by the Beavers. Therefore the opposing team of the Aggies, unless well acquainted with the O. A. C. system, generally lose, Washington being an example of this case.

### Locals Have Edge

Oregon has a slight edge over the Vandals as to the record made by each team. The Idaho quintet has dropped two coast conference contests, both to O. A. C., while each has defeated one strong conference team. However, Oregon has two coast conference victories to her credit.

Idaho plays a game very similar to that played by the Aggies. However, the difference and advantage of the Vandal system over the Beaver style is as follows: The tripple threat style of game supposedly played by the Aggies calls for a "stalling" type of play, or to wait for the breaks. On the other hand, the Idaho team does not stall but goes at top speed all the time. The advantage of this system, is the fact that their scoring combination is always functioning and points pile up in a steady mechanical fashion. One of the outstanding plays used by the northern five, is for the forwards to break down to the corner of the floor and to drop in baskets from the corners.

### Coach Announces Lineup

To continually check a speedy offensive, is a difficult strain on the defensive system of any team, and whether the Oregon five can check the Idaho team throughout the tilt without tiring is doubtful. The probable lineups for tonight are as follows:

Oregon	Idaho
Hobson.....F.....	Miles
Gowans.....F.....	Nedgros
Okerberg.....C.....	Erickson
Westergren.....G.....	Green
Gillenwaters.....G.....	Lamphere

## NEOPHYTES OF ORDER OF THE 'O' WILL BE ATTRACTIONS AT GAME

A real treat awaits the spectators at the Oregon-Idaho game tonight, when the Order of the "O" will hold its annual initiation ceremonies between halves. An elaborate burlesque program has been prepared which its promoters say, will rival any high-class vaudeville performance.

Among the neophytes are several talented singers and dancers who have been practicing hard for this entertainment. The opening number on the program will be a Spanish serenade entitled "Marcheta." Lynn Jones, Oregon's plunging full-back, upon special request, will be the soloist. Jones is noted for his beautiful sweet voice and critics predict a great future for the grid star if he would give more time to singing. Try-outs were not held for this act.

The feature of the evening will be a ballroom dance entitled, "Ruth St. Denis." This dance with all the Pavlova effects will be rendered by fifteen graceful lads all attired in beautiful costumes, specially secured for the occasion. Jimmy King,

## Dean of Women's Waiting-Room and Office Enlarged

A cheerful, airy room, with a southern exposure, and a secretary chamber twice the size of the one formerly used, have been made possible through the improvements made in the office of the dean of women.

The former quarters, which were cramped and inconvenient, have been enlarged by the removal of the glass partition that separated the waiting room from the private office, thus making one large parlor, and the addition of a smaller room for the Dean's private office. The new quarters are much more cheerful and pleasant than the old office, which had no exterior windows. Pictures and a few spring blossoms add an attractive touch of color to the buff-colored walls and desk of the tiny room.

## SPEAKER EULOGIZES LINCOLN'S CHARACTER

Great Leader Placed Above Average Man

"Birthdays are rests and pauses in the symphony of time when we pay homage to great men," said Prof. Clark P. Bissett in his assembly address yesterday when he paid high tribute to the life and character of Abraham Lincoln. "In a rude cabin about a hundred years ago today the curtain rose on a drama that was almost epic in its grandeur," he said.

Professor Bissett's finely balanced sentences and precise rhetoric made his address rather an oration on the qualities of Lincoln.

"Above all else," said Professor Bissett in appraising Lincoln's character, "he was a man, too great to be proud, too deeply introspective to fail to see his own limitations." It is something more than sentiment that accounts for the great love for Lincoln, the speaker declared. In answering the criticism that Lincoln was not a great executive, Professor Bissett said that any man can have that ability, but that Lincoln had a finer nature. "No president before or since chose such a cabinet," he said. "He chose his rivals for advisors and early dominated them all."

He threw a new light on the nature of Lincoln in describing him as possessing a mystical nature—almost superstitious. It was Lincoln's relief from the terrific strain of office, Professor Bissett declared. Lincoln's sense of humor as well set him above the average

## ELECTRIC IRON STARTS FIRE IN EXTENSION BUILDING

What might have developed into a serious fire in the extension building was avoided Wednesday night when the night watchman discovered an electric iron which had been left on in one of the rooms. A small blaze had started when the iron was found, and the ironing board was badly scorched.

## BASKETBALL CUP WON BY SENIORS

Spectacular Game Monday; Special Group Selected From All Class Players

## SOPHOMORES DEFAULT

Second Team Championship Won By Junior Women; Summary Scores Given

The inter-class basketball championship cup will go to the senior class. Their victory over the freshmen last night gives them a clear lead of two points over their nearest rival. With the last games to be played tonight, the summary score for the series stands as follows: First teams, senior won 3, lost 0; junior won 1, lost 1; sophomore won 1, lost 1; freshmen won 0, lost 3. Second teams, senior won 0, lost 2; junior won 3, lost 0; sophomore won 1, lost 2; freshmen won 1, lost 1. Second team championship goes to the juniors. This counts only toward the Alden cup at the end of the year.

The most spectacular game of the season will be played Monday night, February 16, at 8:15 in the woman's gymnasium. Two all-star teams have been chosen from the entire four classes to play a demonstration game that evening.

### Special Teams Chosen

At a meeting of the class managers, head of sport and basketball coach these teams were decided as follows, Jump center, Wanda Plinoz, Margaret Pepon (these two players will alternate); Side center, Golda Boone; Forwards, Grace Sullivan, Wilma Manly; Guards, Charlotte La Tourette, Alta Knips. The other team will be composed of, Jump center, Mildred Crain; Side center, Janet Wood; Forwards, Vesta Scholl, Mildred Onslow; Guards, Myrtle Mast, Alberta McMonies.

Captains have not yet been elected. Miss Grace Snook, an Oregon alumnus now on the physical education staff of the Salem high school, will referee. The entire campus and all outsiders interested in the sport, are invited to the game. There will be a small admission charged to cover expenses.

### Sophomores Forefeit Game

In the games last night, the seniors took the victory from the freshmen with a score of 48 to 5. The senior teamwork was practically impregnable. Grace Sullivan, senior forward, and Golda Boone, running center, were a deadly combination. Both played an aggressive game.

In the second half, Margaret Michels, freshman guard, trimmed down the seniors goals to a credible extent. The freshmen were crippled by a lack of team work but made up for it in sportsmanship. Although beaten from the first, they displayed a game disposition and put up a spirited fight to the last whistle.

The sophomore II-Junior game went to the junior team by default.

## FIFTY STORIES SOLD BY PORTLAND CLASS

During the fall term, the feature writing class in the Portland center of the extension division sold fifty stories to trade publications and journals of all types, said Prof. Alfred Powers. The stories covered a wide range of subjects.

Articles including everything from engineering to the household arts were accepted by the following publications: American City, House Beautiful, Western Advertiser, Golf Illustrated, Improvement, Northwest Engineer, Motor Transportation, Play Thing, and The American Fruit Grower. The Oregonian, Journal, and the Telegram all printed stories from the class.

"These are only a few of the publications that accepted stories from the feature writing class," said Prof. Powers, "but they indicate how broad is the scope of the writing that the class is doing."

## Today is the Day Of Dire Mishaps—Friday the 13th

Today is Friday the 13th. And things are supposed to go wrong on Friday under ordinary circumstances. When you add to that fact that it is the 13th,—well, look out.

The superstition concerning Friday as an unlucky day grew out of the fact that Christ was crucified on Friday. The 13th is considered unlucky because at the Last Supper there were twelve disciples and Christ, making thirteen. The Saviour was betrayed immediately afterward. Since then both Friday and 13, have been considered unlucky.

Friday the 13th! Anyhow, it only comes two more times this year—in March and November.

## AUTHORITY ON ORIENT TO LECTURE TUESDAY

'From Buddha to Ghandi' Topic of Speech

Frankness, and a vitriolic critical ability relieved of its acidity by easy wit are characteristics which distinguish Syud Hossain, lecturer, who will appear here Tuesday night.

Mr. Hossain unhesitatingly assails the public which retains vague and misinformed conceptions concerning the Orient.

"Most people in the United States are inclined to think of India as a country peopled by snake charmers and elephants, instead of a civilization richly developed before Columbus set about discovering this great land," says this authority on Indian history and Oriental politics.

"The American's concept of China is a nation of laundymen who do each other's washing. He does not realize that no other nation has attained China's place in the world of arts."

"As for Persia, a nation old when Alexander was young, the total information most Americans have about it is that Major Imbrie was killed there. Arabia is chiefly notable for the existence of sheiks of the Valentino type, because Americans overlook the fact that Arabia was the sole carrier of the torch of civilization from the ninth

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## RELIGION OF ANCIENTS DISCUSSED IN LECTURE

"Our existing Christian religion is for a large part a bequest of the religion of Greece and Rome," Frederick S. Dunn, head of the Latin department, told a large group of University and Eugene people last night in Alumni hall, in his discussion of the religion of Greece and Rome.

"There is nothing that more greatly disturbs the principle of evolution now prevailing the universe than religion. The progress of history compels religion to progress. The Grecian religion was a development, and literature, philosophy, art, and architecture developed under its help and influence."

"Greece and Rome, two great classical nations, were fused under one regime," said Professor Dunn, "but were distinct in their concepts of Deity. The Achaeans from the north in prehistoric times invaded the domestic realm of the Grecians, and, with their anthropomorphic gods, a different type of religion was introduced. These gods were personifications of natural phenomenon, and Zeus represented the personification of the atmosphere."

The Gods of the Romans were much like the Greek personifications of natural phenomenon, in that they represented natural life. We must look to Greece and Rome for the background of our religion, according to Professor Dunn, for we are even today paying homage to the gods of their time,—the only difference being that they have been adopted by Christianity and renamed.

# OREGON DEBATERS WIN CHAMPIONSHIP

## BART SPELLMAN QUILTS POSITION

Executive Council Asked to Determine Successor; Action Expected Soon

## WILLIAMS IS PROSPECT

Bart Spellman resigns as assistant varsity football coach and head line coach! This resignation came in the same unexpected manner as the recent verdict of Joe Maddock not to return to the University.

This completely disorganizes the coaching staff of 1924 leaving the Oregon coaching situation in charge of a complete new regime, with Dick Smith as chief grid mentor.

The telegram from Bart Spellman at Seattle reads as follows: "It will be impossible for me to be with you at Oregon. Due to the fact that my father died last week and conditions are such that I will have to stay here, so please accept my resignation and give my regards to all the men and tell them I feel Dick Smith will make a great coach."

### Vacancy to Be Filled

To fill the vacancy, Virgil Earl, director of athletics, makes a recommendation to the athletic committee which recommends the selection to the executive council. The council officially indorses the new mentor. Action is expected in the immediate future on the part of the executive council.

Bart Spellman was forced to resign as coach for the reason that his father has just died, leaving considerable property, that will take some time for Spellman to straighten out.

Spellman played for Oregon back in 1916, during the period when Hugo Bezdek was grid mentor of the Lemon Yellow eleven. Bart Spellman has coached at Oregon for seven years and has made a rather enviable record while coaching here.

### Has Ability as Coach

One of his outstanding achievements while acting as Oregon line coach, was his ability to build up a line that aided greatly in winning the Oregon games. Last year in the Washington-Oregon game, the work of the varsity line in holding the Huskies to four downs when under the shadows of the goal posts, was largely responsible for the Oregon victory, and one of the men behind this victory, was Bart Spellman.

It is rumored about the campus at the present time, that Baz Williams, Oregon freshman coach, will probably fill the vacancy. Williams had considerable experience as a grid coach and should be able to handle the position in a creditable manner.

## CLASS TO HEAR STATE HEALTH WORKER TODAY

Mrs. Helen Jockard, of Portland, director of the Oregon Tuberculosis association, will talk to the class in Principles of Physical Education, this morning at 11 o'clock, in room 121, Woman's building. She will discuss health crusade work in the grammar schools.

The Oregon Tuberculosis association has been demonstrating the practical value of health education in several of the Portland grade schools. It is hoped that health education may be placed on an equal basis with the regular subject now included in the grammar school curriculum.

Majors of the physical education department will observe some of this work next week during their annual trip to Portland.

## EMERALD STAFF MEMBERS ENTERTAINED AT HENDRICKS

Hendrick's hall entertained members of the upper staff of the Emerald last evening at dinner. Miss Gertrude Talbot and Miss Eugenia Strickland presided. Fifteen guests were invited from the daily.

## Phymere, Mascot, Shows His Power In Sports Realm

Oregon won a basketball game—two of them in fact; a wrestling meet was won and the freshmen came out victorious. And some think that is probably due to the work of the new mascot. Phymere, thoroughbred German police dog, doesn't let that keep him from trying to gnaw the boards on Hayward's shack or running away every five minutes and camouflaging himself in the grass.

A rolly-polly pup, with the standup ears of a coyote and the color of one, too, has recovered from his long trip down from eastern Oregon from the home of Dr. William Phy. He yawns and yips around as any pup does, in spite of his formidable pedigree.

Keeping up the vaccination spirit, he was taken down the other day and given a couple of hypodermics for distemper.

Phymere is the exact shade of dead grass so it keeps Bill Hayward pretty busy locating the pup when he runs out of sight and lies down in the grass.

## YEARLING HOOPSTERS TO VIE WITH MEDFORD

Good Team Work Predicted In Saturday Game

The frosh basketballers will play the hoopsters of the Medford high school a return game, Saturday in the men's gymnasium. The contest is scheduled to begin at 2:30. The yearling squad is well into mid season form by this time and is expected to play in good form in this tilt tomorrow. Beene, Joy and Walker, the frosh forwards, work well together. Eberhart at center and Powers and Reichstein, guards, also help to create good team work on the floor. The passing of the team has greatly improved over that of the early season tilts in which little was displayed. Paster breaking has also been developed by Coach Evans and though the coming game is expected to be a hard one, he predicts a win for the babes.

Dope on previous games gives the yearlings a decided advantage and if the dope was never upset, the frosh should win easily. But in this situation the dope is not to be counted upon. Two weeks ago the freshmen went down to Medford and defeated the Medford high quintet twice. They won the first contest, 36 to 21, and in the second were held to a 22 to 19 score. However, in both of these tilts Medford's two best men were out with

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## TRIP THROUGH CRYSTAL CAVE TOLD BY TWO UNIVERSITY GIRLS

With Floyd Collins, the unfortunate Kentuckian entrapped in Sand Cave, as their guide, two University of Oregon girls, Flossie Perce of Clackamas and Helen Whitcomb of Portland, four years ago visited Crystal Cave, which young Collins had discovered on his father's farm. The girls were in Kentucky in June, and made a trip to Mammoth Cave.

This is their story of their contact with the Collinses:

While in Kentucky their trip took them to the Mammoth Caves. Upon coming out they perceived several pieces of crystal lying about on the ground at the mouth of the cave. When they expressed the desire to see a crystal cave, they were asked by a man standing near, why they did not go to the Crystal caves. He told them that he would be glad to take them to the caves and that he would be glad to take them to a small onyx cave. He would take them through the latter for nothing since he had at the time no license to charge. In the course of their conversation, they found that his name was

## VARSITY TAKES TWO CONTESTS

Abramson, Erwin, Defeat Washington Team; Bailey And McCroskey Victorious

## BOTH DECISIONS 3 TO 0

The University of Oregon debate teams scored two unanimous victories over the opponents in the Washington-Idaho-Oregon triangle debate last night, thus winning the tri-state debate championship. The affirmative team, Benoit McCroskey and Ralph Bailey, won 3 to 0 over the Idaho negative team in Villard hall and the negative, consisting of Sol Abramson and Lincoln Erwin, defeated the Washington affirmative by the same score at Seattle.

The question discussed was, Resolved: "That Congress have power by a two-thirds vote, to overrule Supreme Court decisions declaring acts of Congress unconstitutional."

### Change is Advocated

Dr. James H. Gilbert, head of economics department, presided as chairman of the meet in Villard hall. The judges for that event were: L. S. Shumaker and M. E. Bollen of Linfield college, McMinnville, and Fred Lockley, of the Oregon Journal, Portland.

"We advocate a change in present methods," declared McCroskey. "While the Supreme Court is an eminent body of men, they cannot be considered as infallible."

"It has been an old tradition that people should not tamper with the Supreme Court and they dread to distract that halo of infallibility," he stated.

"The system in vogue at present is out of keeping with the tendency of government; even public opinion is inclined against it," he said. "As a further proof the Federation of Labor has gone on record against Supreme Court actions. An oligarchy has been built by the court which is inconsistent with the constitution formed by the people."

### Court Has Influence

"The Supreme Court has been placed on a pedestal without merit," McCroskey said, "and nothing in democracy demands that dose of autocracy."

"If the Supreme Court is curbed," said John L. Roberts, of the Idaho negative team, "the constitution will be endangered."

"The court has a stabilizing influence against political upheavals," outlined Roberts. "It protects the constitution against the winds of public opinion and furthermore protects the individual against the political machine."

The Supreme Court has kept well-defined, the fields of government;

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