

## SLOGANSMITHS' CHANCE TO END THURSDAY NIGHT

### Homecoming Plans Nearly Complete, According To Chairman James Leake

### House Signs To Emphasize Welcome Rather Than Rivalry Formerly Used

Tomorrow ends the drive for Homecoming slogans. The contest closes at midnight Thursday, according to Elam Amstutz, who as assistant chairman of the directorate has been in charge of this feature.

A last minute appeal to students to turn in slogans was made by Mr. Amstutz last night. Very few have been turned in, he said, and chances are still excellent to win the prize offered—two reserved grand stand seats to the Homecoming game.

Slogans may be sent to Jeanette CaMkins, alumni secretary; Jack Benefiel, graduate manager, or they may be placed in the box provided for the purpose at the entrance to the main library.

General plans for the Homecoming are practically completed, according to James Leake, general chairman of the annual celebration. At a meeting of the main directorate last night, committee chairmen made favorable reports on their respective events.

The signs made by the fraternity houses on the campus will embody a spirit of welcome to the returning grads instead of the old-time hostile attitude towards our neighboring rival, Tom Graham has charge of this important part of the plans. The name, sign slogan, (Continued on page four)

## UNAFFILIATED WOMEN TO LAUNCH Y. W. DRIVE

A business meeting and tea for University women not in living organizations to be held at the Bungalow Friday, October 30, at 4:30 will officially start the combined finance and membership drive which will continue for ten days.

The first half hour will be spent in getting acquainted, afterwards short talks will be given by Miss Magowan, secretary of the Y. W. Q. A., Betty Manning, general chairman of membership, and Ellen McClellan, chairman of the finance campaign. An outline of the drive will be given, and various activities of the organization will be described.

Five hundred dollars is the amount that the town girls have agreed to raise.

## FRESHMAN IN U. S. WEATHER BUREAU OBSERVER OF EUGENE

"What is the weather forecast?" is an appropriate question to ask Gerard deBroekert, freshman at the University; for thermometers, weather vanes, and rain gauges are all things with which he is familiar. Mr. deBroekert is U. S. weather observer for Eugene. He was appointed January 1, 1925, by Edward L. Wells, head of the U. S. weather bureaus in Oregon.

The chief duties of a weather observer, as Mr. deBroekert outlines them are: reading the minimum and maximum thermometers to determine the temperature; reading the rain gauge if any rain has fallen; and observing the weather vane for the direction of the wind. He also goes each day to the Ferry street bridge to read the gauge which indicates the changes in depth of the Willamette river.

He says the river is now at the lowest level it has been since records have been kept in Eugene. The oldest ones in the Eugene office are dated 1915. The temperature averaging .69 for this month is normal, but the rainfall is be-

## Villard Squirrels Busy Harvesting Chestnut Crop

Although it has been many years since the Oregon campus was the habitat of wild animals, a few of their descendants, still remain in the old haunts. These are the squirrels, but each year their numbers have decreased until there are now only a few left.

Several years ago there were quite a number of squirrels living in the trees and vines. The gardeners and students fed them and encouraged them to stay, but many of them left as buildings and other improvements began to replace their old haunts. Others were killed by dogs.

One lively pair lives near Villard hall. At this time of the year they are busy harvesting the crop of chestnuts on the nearby trees. They climb the ivy on the side of the building and store them in holes under the eaves.

There is a small house, painted green, in one of the big firs near Deady, where the squirrels can find shelter.

## LINGUIST DESCRIBES 'U' IN SOUTH AMERICA

### Campus Buildings Found Scattered Over Cities

"The University systems of South America and North America are completely different," said Miss Mary Dallera of the Romance Language department. The buildings there are oftentimes great distances from one another. The student must take a street car or motor to his next class. The time to get from one class to another is often two or three hours. This is due to the fact that the Universities are located in the largest and most important cities of the (Continued on page three)

## SECOND ORCHESTRA WILL BE ORGANIZED

"Try-outs for the second orchestra are being given this week on Wednesday from 2:00 to 6:00 o'clock Thursday and Friday at 5:00 and next Monday from 2:00 to 6:00 o'clock according to Professor Artau, instructor in piano in the school of music.

"There is a great wealth of material on the campus this year," says Professor Artau, "and we are urging the students to turn out. We plan to do some very interesting work which will give the student experience, who has never had a chance to play in an orchestra, and it will also enable him to receive knowledge in ensemble and orchestral work. All types of instruments are wanted."

low average, being approximately .04 of an inch. In past years an average of two inches is recorded for October. The highest degree of temperature for the year was registered June 24 and 25, when the mercury reached the 100 mark.

Weekly and monthly reports of weather conditions in Eugene are sent to Mr. Wells in Portland. Beginning the first of November, a report is sent by telegram each day during the winter months. If at any time the depth of the Willamette river reaches or exceeds the 10 foot mark or if more than one inch of rain falls in one day, two telegrams are sent to the Portland headquarters. If the water in the river continues to rise, as was the case last January, telegrams are sent at more frequent intervals.

Mr. deBroekert's home has been in Eugene for several years. He is enrolled as a freshman in the school of education at the University and intends to take as many science courses as possible. He wishes to take science or follow some other type of scientific work after he graduates.

## ASSEMBLY HOUR TO BE USED FOR PLEDGE SERVICE

### Governor Walter M. Pierce To Give Oath of Service To University Students

### Principal Speaker Will Be Senator Upton of Bend; First Ceremony in 1912

Thirteenth annual Pledge Day service will take place at the assembly hour Thursday in the auditorium of the Woman's building. Governor Walter M. Pierce will read the oath of service which will be repeated by the students acknowledging their obligation for educational opportunities given by the state and promising to pay their indebtedness in work for the good of the commonwealth. The Pledge Song lead by John Stark Evans, and sung by the student body will also be a traditional feature of the service.

### Senator Upton to Speak

Senator Jay H. Upton of Bend will deliver the principal address. Senator Upton who is prominent in Oregon politics, is considered one of the most capable public speakers in the state. He was president of the Senate two years ago and has been a member on several occasions. Senator Upton is grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias and attended the convention held here several weeks ago.

At the first Pledge Day ceremony in 1912, Oswald West, then Governor of the state, administered the pledge to the student body which had been marshalled by classes under the trees in front of Villard hall. When he had finished the classes arose, one at a time, and took an oath in support of the statement made by the governor.

Pledge Day has been considered so important that the Governor of the state has been present to read the pledge and speak since the origin of the idea.

The attendance of every student and faculty member of the University at the Pledge Day service is a University tradition.

## BOOK BY DOUGLASS WILL BE PUBLISHED

Professor Carl R. Douglass of the University of Oregon school of education, is the author of a book, "Modern Methods of Teaching in the Junior and Senior High Schools," which has recently been accepted for publication by Houghton Mifflin company. This is the second book accepted for publication which has been announced by members of the University faculty, the other being "Principles of Publicity" by Prof. Ralph D. Casey and Glenn C. Quiett. Mr. Douglass' book will be one of a series of books on education edited by Dr. Ellwood P. Cubberley, dean of the school of education of Leland Stanford university.

Mr. Douglass made the statement that "Modern Methods of Teaching" emphasizes the new methods of teaching of the last ten years. The material has been gathered during the last eight or nine years from the work of teachers in the University high school, from periodicals, monograph literature, and theses of graduate students on modern teaching methods.

The book was written for the use of students preparing for teaching, and for teachers already in the field. It discusses in detail supervised study, problem projects methods, individual differences, the use of tests and measurements, and other branches of modern high school teaching.

Professor Douglass wrote the book during the past year and expects it to be published late next spring.

### UNDERCLASSMEN WIN

The results of the games so far played in the interclass basketball competitions at the University high school are as follows: sophomores defeated the seniors, 16 to 1; freshman defeated the junior high school, 16 to 10.

## Childhood Beliefs Broken Down By Stern Materialism

### Illusions Are Cut Off One by One

One by one our childhood beliefs are being broken down by the stern materialism of University professors. The first was that the heavenly twins, Castor and Pollux, are not twins but triplets—due to the fact that Castor is a double star.

Now comes Professor McAlister of the mechanics and astronomy department with the information that daylight gradually emerges from night, and that the ancient saying: "It is always darkest just before dawn," is not true.

"This popular conception is founded on a saying that has come down to us from the ancients," said Professor McAlister, "and has no more basis of truth than the belief that weather conditions can be foretold by the shape and position of the moon. There is no particular reason why it should be darker before dawn, unless the atmosphere is unusually cloudy."

University life cuts off one's illusions, one by one.

## DISABLED VETERANS ARE GUESTS AT GAME

### Letter of Thanks Received By Associated Students

In appreciation of the kindness shown by them by the Associated Students of the University of Oregon, in inviting and transporting them to the Oregon-California game, the disabled World War Veterans of Post No. 1 of Portland, through Edward D. Gavin, commander of the chapter, sent the following letter to Jack Benefiel, graduate manager of the associated students:

"For the Disabled Veterans of U. S. Government Hospital No. 77, I wish to express to the University and to yourself, our sincere thanks for the kind invitation given us at the Oregon-California game last Saturday.

"To tell you that we all enjoyed the game is not necessary, but we want you to know that we felt the loss of the score, for defeat is credited only to those who quit, as keenly as any other good loyal Oregon booster.

"I wish to compliment your assistants on the way they handled the transportation and all the other details incident to letting us see the game. And in conclusion, let me say that we believe that the motive which prompted your kind invitation was to let some of us, for whom the war will never be over, know that the University of Oregon has not forgotten and for that our feelings can be best expressed in just 'thanks.'"

There were about sixty men at Multnomah field, transported by buses arranged for by the Oregon Journal. Although the best seats in the grandstand were offered them, the veterans insisted upon being included in the rooster's section. Flags furnished by Lipman Wolfe and Company were draped behind them in the very center of the Oregon rooster's section. Some 15 of them attended vocational and educational schools at O. A. C., but that made them no less enthusiastic Oregon rooters.

The Oregon Journal stated that they would make arrangements with the bus line to bring the boys to Eugene for the Oregon-O. A. C. game at Homecoming time, if an invitation was extended them, as it is one of the few forms of recreation that the boys have.

### TRAINING REGULATIONS

A supply of training regulations for sophomores, juniors, and seniors arrived at the quartermaster department of the R. O. T. C., Monday. These regulations have been issued to all of the above classes and contain information on open and closed order drill, et cetera. They will take the place, to some extent, of the R. O. T. C. manual.

## DOUGHNUT GAME SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY NOV. 3

### Final Preparations Made Last Three Weeks; 20 Teams Are Lined Up

### Non-Organization Men To Be Well Represented; Revised Schedule Is Used

The maple court in the men's gymnasium will see action again next week when the intra-mural basketball teams swing into action November 3, for the opening round of the schedule.

Final preparations have been made. The various campus organizations have spent many weary hours the past three weeks endeavoring to build formidable combinations to place in the championship running.

The prospective members have been on hand almost everyday getting into perfect physical condition for the coming series which, according to campus followers of the sport, promises to be one of the closest and hardest fought of any doughnut series ever held at Oregon.

### Twenty Teams to Play

So far 20 teams have been entered in the basketball series. Some of these teams boast of former high school stars of state wide repute while others claim the honor of having several "dark horses" on the roll which will be sprung when the proper time comes.

### Unorganized Men to Enter

An interesting factor in the league this year is the desire of non-organization teams in entering the league. Several teams composed of these students, have organized and practiced diligently. They will have the same chance of any other team. So far four places in the first round of the schedule are open for teams desiring to enter this week. Persons desiring to enter teams should bring the names of prospective players to the department of physical education in order to be placed on the schedule and assigned a team to fight for supremacy.

The schedule this year is to be on a new basis, it is announced. The first three rounds will be on a straight elimination basis as heretofore, but the three teams which finish in the lead will battle for the championship in a round-robin series. In his way all entering teams will have a chance to show whether it is superior to the team which it matched to play or vice versa.

Referees for each game will be furnished from the ranks of the varsity basketball men.

The first game will be held November 3 at four o'clock in the men's gymnasium.

The basketball schedule, complete today, is as follows:

- November 3
  - Beta Theta Pi vs. Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 4 p. m.
  - Sigma Pi Tau vs. Bowery 5 p. m.
- November 4
  - Sigma Chi vs. Alpha Beta Chi 4 p. m.
  - Theta Chi vs. Bye.
  - Delta Tau Delta vs. Chi Psi 5 p. m.
- November 5
  - Oregon club vs. Phi Kappa Psi 4 p. m.
  - Sigma Nu vs. Kappa Delta Phi 5 p. m.
  - Rummies vs. Bye.
- November 9
  - Kappa Sigma vs. Alpha Tau Omega 4 p. m.
  - Phi Delta Theta vs. Bye.
  - Psi Kappa vs. Friendly Hall 5 p. m.
  - Lambda Psi vs. Bye.

## Keeping Grounds Clear of Leaves Is Found Hard Task

There are things worse than housework with its endless sweeping and dish-washing, and one of them is keeping the campus lawns free from leaves in the fall.

The gardeners use a rake made of bamboo, shaped exactly like a fan. The ends curve under, and are very sharp, in order to catch every refractory leaf. The raking is performed exactly like the sweeping of a floor, and is about as tiresome.

Hans Merig, one of the campus workmen, who is at present sweeping leaves with one of these broom-like rakes, says that it is an endless task.

"The leaves fall all the time in this breeze," he declares, "and no sooner do I get one spot cleared than it is covered with leaves again. It's worse than keeping house."

## BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT COLLECTS MANY FLIES

### Two New Specimens Are Produced Here

Flies and more flies! Some have brilliant red eyes and jaunty, curled-up wings, others sport fashionable purple eyes and yellow bodies. Forty types of the wild fruit fly are in captivity in the biology department here. Contributions to the collection have been made by universities in various parts of the world; two of the specimens, one apricot-hued as to eyes and the other characterized as "Humpty" were produced here.

The native wild fly has a gray body, red eyes and straight wings. In size there is never much variance. One single pair of flies may have as many as one thousand offspring; the eggs hatching into new insects within ten days after they are laid. If a person wants a novel pet all he has to do is select the proper types of flies as mates and presto! he will have one. Something different, perhaps a fly with one orange and one black eye and no wings at all.

Bananas and yeast is the food which the flies thrive on, being in this respect modern and ready to try the yeast cure for all ills. If, when the insects are in the developing stages, they receive a large amount of food, they are larger when mature than the ones which do not get much to eat. The fruit fly is usually as big when it is hatched as it ever becomes.

The average life of the bottled insect is two months; cold air lengthens its life, and it lives fast when in a warm temperature. Three species are common in Oregon, being pests around fruit stands and grocery stores.

## STUDENT COMES FROM TOWN WHERE EVERYONE IS RELATED

An Oregon man from China came from a town where everybody is a relative. Such was the novel experience of Chien Fei Teng, one of four Chinese students attending the University of Oregon on scholarships from Tsing Hua college of Peking, China. The old custom in China, Mr. Teng explained, was for the sons and grandsons to live with their families in houses around the home of their parents. Thus large settlements composed entirely of one family and separated from the neighboring homes by a wall, grew up in China. The other students are Chi Ta Taun, Shu Wang, and Neim Pu Chai.

"Tsing Hua," said Mr. Teng, "was founded on the Boxer indemnity funds returned to China by Theodore Roosevelt, then President of the United States, for the purpose of advancing education in that country so that a greater understanding might exist between the two nations. All subjects except Chinese itself are taught in English," he said. There are buildings and a campus similar to those of American universities, and even a stream nearby like our own mill race.

"We came to Oregon," Mr. Teng explained, "because it is a western

## TEAM WORKING ON OFFENSIVE FOR NEXT GAME

### New Varsity Men Give Very Snappy Competition To The First String Players

### Men Injured Saturday Will Be Unable To Make The Southern Trip as Planned

Hard scrimmage marked the workout of the varsity last night in the concentrated drive on offense for the coming Stanford game. For three quarters of an hour Dick Smith sent the two varsity teams through the hardest workout scheduled for this week. After today's scrimmage the team will taper off the game.

Offense! That's the keynote of the whole situation out on Hayward field now. The defense is taking care of itself but there is a determined drive on the thing that Oregon has lacked, and that is the punch and drive of a powerful offensive team. Now work out here is going on with fine results for the proper preliminaries have been finished and the team is merely polishing the old style of play, obviating faults, and learning new plays. The team begins at the bottom now to work up.

There were some glaring weaknesses in the game last Saturday which are being worked on by the coaching staff and a repetition of them will be eliminated. The line (Continued on page four)

## FRESHMEN TRYOUTS ARE SET FOR TODAY

Out of the 60 freshmen who are turning out for track this fall the 16 best men in four events will be picked this afternoon to represent the class in the annual fall relay carnival scheduled for this Saturday morning.

The sophomore, the next largest group working out, will stage the tryouts for that class a half hour ahead of the freshman with the complete team being selected to combat the frosh and the combined junior and senior classes.

Five events are slated for the annual relays which are 440 relay, 880 relay, mile, two mile and medley.

Four highest men in each event will be picked this afternoon to compose the teams.

Frosh tryouts will be held at 4:00 this afternoon in the 100, 440, 880, mile.

Sophomore tryouts will be held for the 100, 220, 440, 880 and mile at 3:30 o'clock.

university, and we want to know about all the sections of the United States. After we graduate from Oregon we will attend one of the large eastern universities, and following that we will spend a year or two in Europe, not, however, as students. In Europe we will investigate the social conditions and compare American and Europe, and then we will go back to China."

Americans efficiency, the students say, is the thing that has impressed them most. "Efficiency, you know," said Mr. Teng, "everybody is busy. Still, we find America is comparatively a new nation; everything is growing."

They pointed out the position of China and the United States on the opposite sides of the Pacific as the two largest republics in the world, and stressed the possibilities of co-operation to their mutual advantage and the accomplishment of actual world peace. The purpose of these students is to absorb ideas here for the improvement of China, and then to carry these ideas back with them and put them in effect. Mr. Teng is majoring in Business Administration and Public Finance, Mr. Tuan in Banking, Mr. Wang in Railway Administration, and Mr. Chai in Botany.