

## Will Bearcats Scratch New Hardwood Floor?

**Unofficial Dedication Rumored; Gotham Is Late in Name Contest**

By HAROLD MANGUM  
McArthur Court, Oregon's new basketball pavilion, erected at a cost of more than \$175,000, etc. will be opened to the student body and outsiders for the first time tomorrow night when the varsity hoop team shakes hands with five young men representing Willamette university. Although no great doubt as been expressed as to the Gene Vidal ability of the Webfoots to take care of themselves on the hardwood, a big crowd is anticipated as very few students have seen the interior of the new hoop structure, and not more than half a dozen have seen the lemon-yellow cagers in action this year.



## PRESS SPEAKER



Hal E. Hoss

## Prizes of \$1000 To be Given in Writers' Contest

**College Authors Will Vie For Money Offered By Harper's**

The Harper Intercollegiate Literary contest, held for the first time last year, will be repeated this year, and undergraduates of Oregon are invited to compete, according to an announcement received from the editors of Harper's Magazine.

The magazine offers a first prize of \$500, a second of \$300, and a third of \$200 for winners. Last year Julia Godman, a freshman in the history department, won honorable mention in the contest.

Henry Seidel Canby, critic and editor, Elinor Wylie and William McFee, writers, are the judges of the manuscripts, which are to be sent directly from the writer to the Harpers Magazine, Intercollegiate Literary Contest, 49 East 33d Street, New York City, not later than midnight on March 5, 1927.

The stories must be any form of prose work suitable for magazine publication, not longer than 7,000 words if stories, 4,000 words if articles, essays, etc. Papers previously published in college newspapers or magazines are eligible, but not articles which have appeared elsewhere.

The contribution which wins first prize will be published in Harper's Magazine, and the magazine also reserves the right to publish the second and third prize manuscripts.

The magazine wishes to establish a relationship with the future writers of unusual promise, and to encourage young writers.

## Amphibian Club to Give Exhibition Saturday For Visiting Delegates

For the benefit of the high school delegates, the members of the Amphibian club, women's honorary swimming organization, will give a short demonstration next Saturday at 11:40 a. m. in the swimming pool at the Woman's building.

Girls wishing to pass swimming honors will be given an opportunity to show their ability on a Tuesday night at 7:30 p. m. An appointment must be made ahead of time with Miss Troemel, swimming coach, or with Virginia Lounsbury, head of swimming.

The requirements for swimming honors are:

- 1—Swimming for endurance and 4 times around pool with one stroke (not back),
- 4 times around pool with another stroke (not back),
- 2 times around pool with another stroke (not back),
- 1 length of pool with back stroke.
- 2—Dive for object in eight feet of water and recover it three times in succession. Choice of (a) surface dive or (b) dive from side.
- 3—Diving. Any three standard dives.
- 4—Choice of (a) swimming under water length of tank or (b) plunge for distance of 40 feet.

## Beelar Names Juniors to be On Directorate

**Plan Being Considered To Abolish Lottery For Canoe Fete**

**Dance to be Under Direction of Powell**  
**Week-end Will Climax Big Year for Oregon**

APPOINTMENTS to positions on the Junior Week-end directorate were announced yesterday by Don Beelar, who was selected general chairman by Frank Riggs, president of the junior class.

The success of the events directed by the junior class this year, already a banner year in the history of the University, will be in men and two women, all prominent in campus activities.



McCroskey

**McCroskey Heads Vod-vil**  
Benoit McCroskey, varsity debater and orator, and last year's president of the sophomore class, has been chosen to supervise and select the stunts for Junior Vod-vil, scheduled for two nights, May 13 and 14. He will work out plans immediately, in order that all hitches may be ironed out before the last minute.

Herb Socolofsky, who has been prominent in committee work for the past two years, will have charge of the canoe fete, the annual evening regatta of fantastic and beautiful floats, staged on the mill-race.

**Lottery May Go**  
If a plan now being considered by the committee is accepted the old lottery of drawing partners for the boat will be abolished, and fraternities and sororities will be allowed to choose the organizations with whom they wish to work. As before, a fraternity and a sorority will combine in producing and directing an entry in the fete.

Don McCook, varsity swimmer and class officer last year, will manage the business side of the Junior Vod-vil.

**Big Splash Due**  
The much-heralded Campus Day, when university lawns are trampled and prominent personages make their splash in the fountain between the library and Dandy hall, will be under the management of Bill McGregory, varsity swimmer.

Pauline Stewart will be in charge of the campus luncheon. Esther Hardy has been appointed assistant chairman and secretary of the Junior Week-end committee.

Publicity for all events will be handled by Harold Mangum, varsity football man and sports editor for the Emerald and the Oregana.

**Tennis Man Named**  
Bill Powell, letterman in tennis, and active in campus affairs, is chairman of the committee in charge of the Prom, the final big event of Junior Week-end, May 21. Committee chairmen will make their appointments soon.

The school year of 1926-7 has been a cardinal year for student interest on the campus. It started with the very beginning of the fall term, when the Oregon football team started slashing through the mud under the direction of Captain John J. McEwan, new helmsman of Webfoot football destiny.

**Pavilion Hot Stuff**  
The semi-centennial celebration aided in raising public as well as student interest in University activities to a high point, and a semi-climax was reached in the inauguration of Dr. Arnold Bennett Hall as Oregon's administrative head.

The completion of the immense basketball pavilion has assisted in stretching basketball enthusiasm to the utmost, if a wonderful opportunity for a championship team is not also a sacrifice to fan student loyalty into a blaze of interest in the maple court game.

A proper climax to a year of activity will be the events of Junior Week-end, the vaudeville, campus day, the canoe fete and the Prom. And if the plans of the directorate work out as expected, Junior Week-end during the spring term will be no letdown.

## Survey Class in Fight Over Adam-Eve Fiasco

"EVE would make an ideal wife, because she was beautiful and dumb," is the consensus of opinion among the men of Professor Howe's English survey class. One of them boldly said so, right out loud, and the others chorused their assent.

That started things. "She was all right for Adam because he was as dumb as she, but she wouldn't do for a real man," retorted a feminine spokesman.

"She wasn't so dumb as she seemed," added another. "She certainly knew how to flatter Adam and get what she wanted."

Responsibility for this discussion is being placed upon "Paradise Lost," through which the class is now progressing. The division of masculine against feminine forces was further accentuated by the question: "Would woman again be submissive to man if we should revert to a perfect state?"

The arguments were silenced by Professor Howe with the "soothing syrup" that there's no danger of its happening.

## Oregon Cagers Play Willamette Here Tomorrow

**Varsity Has Scrimmages to Perfect Itself for Methodist Tilt**

Tomorrow night at 8 o'clock, basketball, king of the winter sports, will be formally introduced to the University students and townspeople when the thus-far victorious Oregon varsity five flashes into action against the Willamette university Bearcats in the first game to be played in the new \$185,000 McArthur Court.

A full schedule of basketball games is in store for local hoop fans. Saturday afternoon at three o'clock the freshmen make their initial appearance of the season with the speedy Commerce high quintet of Portland as opposition. Saturday night a second Oregon varsity-Willamette game will be played. A preliminary contest between Roseburg high and University high is featured at 7 o'clock.

**Varsity Scrimmages**  
Scrimmage—forty minutes of it, featured in the varsity practice last night. Up and down the floor the team broke with Reinhardt close at their heels with instructions. Last night's first string line up was the same victorious five, except that Kiminki alternated with Gunther at forward.

The Willamette Bearcats journey to Eugene with two wins and one loss. Two Northwest conference games were won from Linfield College, 28 to 21 and 41 to 19. A close 24 to 22 contest was dropped to the Black Cats, Salem's semi-pro club. The team from the Cherry city cannot be underestimated as a number of veterans are on its line up. Hartley, center, is as tall as Okerberg, and much heavier. Playing his fourth year, he has developed a shooting eye which counted for 27 points in the three played tilts.

**Oregon Won Last Tilt**  
At the forward positions Coach "Spec" Keene has been experimenting. Litchfield seems to be the only regular certain of his position. Ashby, Flesher and Riddell are the other forwards.

An Oregon-Willamette contest was not played last year. Oregon started its 1925 season with Willamette at Eugene and defeated them 63 to 31. Okerberg, Gunther and Westergren played their first varsity contest. Okerberg scored 22 points in this contest.

## R. O. T. C. Sophomores Plan for Organization

In an attempt to emulate their cadet officers, the sophomores of the military department plan to organize a non-commissioned officers' club. They will meet for this purpose at the barracks Friday afternoon at 5 p. m.

Lieutenant Colonel W. S. Sinclair, head of the R. O. T. C. department, hopes to raise the morale of the cadets through this club, which will be a permanent institution. As a fourth inducement to organization, the Colonel has promised funds for a sophomore military dance to be held in the near future.

All sophomores enrolled in the R. O. T. C. department are requested to attend the meeting Friday.

## Hall Opposes Increase in Student Fees

**Compiled Findings Show Oregon's Levy Highest On the Coast**

**Prohibitive Burden Protested by Alumni**  
**Financial Aid Necessary Says President**

AN INCREASE of student fees as a proposed solution for the University's financial problem is impracticable, according to a thorough study of the situation here as compared with other institutions made by President Arnold Bennett Hall.

Oregon has already gone vastly further in raising student fees than any other state institution on the Pacific coast. The University of Oregon derives 21.75 per cent of its income from student fees; the next highest on the coast are Montana with 14.3 per cent and California with 12.43 per cent. University of Washington is in the same class as these three. The average portion of income derived from fees among 39 state universities in the country at large is 12.41 per cent, not much more than half that charged at Oregon.

President Hall's conclusion is that in an institution maintained for all the people of the state, and one in which more than 60 per cent are wholly or partially self-supporting and 47 per cent earn half or more of their own expenses, the fees are already as high here as it is judicious to make them and that the regents were wise in declining to see an escape from the University's financial crisis by levying additional tribute upon the student body.

**Would Limit Enrollment**  
"To surrender the principle of democracy in education would be a most unfortunate mistake," said President Hall in commenting on the figures. "To put fees up much further would tend to limit the enrollment in a state supported institution to the sons and daughters of the wealthy. This is inconsistent with the democratic tradition of the commonwealth."

A recent report prepared by officers of the Alumni association declared that "fees charged regular students have been advanced to the point that they are beginning to force out worthy students."

University of Oregon averages the highest on the coast on the basis of fees per student, the figures being: Oregon \$98.10; California, \$63.67; Idaho, \$30.12; Montana, \$41.93; Nevada, \$52.63; Arizona, \$41.76. The average for 39 state universities is \$70.71. The average for each institution is secured by dividing the total amount of fees collected by the number of students.

**\$116.35 Average Fee**  
At Oregon the \$98.10 paid by the average student includes a \$25.50 registration fee plus course fees and such school fees as are charged in the schools of law, architecture, music, journalism and others. Many students pay more than the average. Included in the \$98.10 is a \$15 building tax which goes to the student body. In addition to the \$98.10, the student pays \$15.75 to the student body for the Emerald, the daily newspaper, concerts, and \$2.50 for class fees. This makes a total of \$116.35 paid by the average student, of which sum about \$100 goes to the University.

The increase in fees at Oregon or (Continued on page four)

## Germ Foes Will Give Prizes for Best Story

Three cash prizes of \$50 each are being offered for the best story for children by the National Tuberculosis Association this year. The contestants in Oregon should send their stories to the Oregon Tuberculosis Association, 310 Fitzpatrick Block, Portland, not later than February 15. The contest is open to everyone. College students and others who have had special training in writing stories for children are especially urged to enter the contest.

The three prize winning stories will be used all over the United States by local newspapers, giving the names of the writers. They will be released to the papers in November, for use during the 1927 Christmas Seal Sale.

Anyone wishing to enter the contest write at once to the Oregon Tuberculosis Association for the complete instructions.

## PRINCIPAL TO SPEAK



W. A. Lacey

## Assembly Time Shifted to Friday To Greet Visitors

**Regular Friday 9 o'Clocks Scheduled for Today At 11 o'Clock**

In honor of the high school conference students who are to be guests of the University January 14 and 15, the regular weekly assembly usually held at eleven o'clock Thursday will take place at nine o'clock Friday morning, in order that the University students can meet and welcome the visitors. A special block of seats will be reserved across the front part of the auditorium of the Woman's building where high school faculty and students will take their places.

Classes that ordinarily occur at nine o'clock Friday, will be held this morning at eleven o'clock. President Arnold Bennett Hall, of the University of Oregon, and Hugh Biggs, president of the A. S. U. O., will deliver welcoming addresses.

The men's glee club will sing a group of Oregon songs, and W. L. Ferris, professor of music, and Lawrence Wagner will give a trumpet duet. The Reverend H. D. Davis, director of United Christian Work on the campus, will deliver the invocation.

President Hall urges a large attendance of students and faculty at the Friday assembly, in order that the high school guests will be enthusiastically welcomed, and so that their first idea of the University will be an impression of cordiality among the students.

## Men's and Girls' Rifle Teams to be Chosen, Practice Starts Today

The R. O. T. C. gallery rifle range will open for shooting practice today. The men's team will fire from 9 to 12 a. m., and the girls' practice will be from 1 to 4 p. m.

Over fifty men have turned out, and competition will be keen for the first term, which will be chosen early in February. Meets for each week in February and March have been arranged with teams in all parts of the country. Rhode Island, Maryland, Montana, and O. A. C. are a few of the colleges and universities to be met. These meets will form a basis for comparison of the marksmanship of teams all over the country.

About thirty girls have turned out for the girls' rifle teams at the present time. All girls who have not yet signed up for two periods a week, should do so immediately by seeing Miss Margaret Pepon, secretary, or Gladys Bristol, president of Cross Rifles.

Since the range has been altered, allowing added facilities for shooting, the girls will be allowed the two periods, which come Thursday from 1 to 4 p. m., and Saturday from 9 to 12 a. m.

Miss Pepon, as secretary, has arranged twelve matches. All those who compete must conform with the W. A. A. rules for scholarship.

## Infirmary La Grippe Patients Number Eight

La grippe, the usual companion of our changeable Oregon weather, is stalking the campus this week, and so far has consigned eight victims to the infirmary. These patients together with Mike Moran "the paying boarder," and one other patient have raised the number of infirmary occupants to ten for the week.

Norvald Nelson of Eugene is the first student to have the honor of occupying the infirmary annex this term. He is suffering from a slight case of chicken pox.

## Delegates to Conference Arrive Today

**Seventh Annual Meeting Opens With Assembly Friday at Nine**

**Hal Hoss Will Speak On High School Annual**  
**Student Body Officers To Hear W. A. Lacey**

NOON today is expected to mark the beginning of the influx of high school delegates and faculty advisers that will culminate in the series of two-day sessions of the Seventh Annual High School conference here Friday and Saturday.

The largest number of delegates will probably arrive late this afternoon and evening, when most of the preppers, including those from Portland high schools, are expected.

Almost every section of the state will be represented in the group that will band together for the first time at the A. S. U. O. assembly tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. This assembly is not to be a special joint meeting of the delegates alone, but a student assembly transposed from the usual hour in order that the preppers may be present at one of the typical University gatherings.

**Hall and Biggs to Speak**  
After the general meeting at the assembly, where talks will be made by President Arnold Bennett Hall and Hugh Biggs, and at which the University Glee club will entertain, the delegates will break up into four divisions for speeches and informal round table discussions. The four groups are, student body officers, press representatives, Girls' League, and faculty advisers.

One of the outstanding speakers in the officers division tomorrow afternoon will be W. A. Lacey, principal of the high school of Walla Walla, Washington, who will discuss "A Plan of Student Government for High Schools," at 1:45 p. m. Lacey will also talk to the faculty representatives on "Problems in the Development of Student Participation in School Government," in the faculty meeting Saturday morning.

**Lacey Encourages Government**  
Lacey, who has taken a great deal of interest in student government in the high school, has done much to encourage it in the schools in which he taught. He has had extensive training as an instructor and principal. He received his A. B. degree from Baker university, his M. A. degree from the University of Kansas, and took special work at Washington State college and at Stanford.

Lacey taught in the University of Nevada High school, was principal of the high school at Pomeroy, Washington, for four years, principal of the high school at Pullman, Washington, for three years, principal of Natrona County high school at Casper, Wyoming, for two years, and for the last six years has been principal of the Walla Walla high school. He is president of the Kiwanis club of Walla Walla.

**Hoss to Speak**  
Hal E. Hoss, manager of the Oregon City Enterprise, and recently appointed secretary to I. L. Patterson, governor of Oregon, will deliver an illustrated lecture at a joint meeting of the editors, managers, and advisers, in the press conference division Saturday morning at 10:15. Hoss, who has supervised the printing of scores of high school annuals, will tell the embryo journalists "How to Publish an Annual."

In the absence of Edmund Jones, Stanford freshman, and president of the Association of Student Body Officers, John Halderman, Astoria, Oregon freshman, will preside over the sessions of that group.

Robert Thomas, Washington high school, is the president of the Press association, and Elizabeth Crissell, Washington high school, is the president of the Girls' League. O. D. Byers, principal of Rainier high school, will conduct the meeting of faculty advisers Saturday morning.

## Freshman Y. W. C. A. Members Entertain

Freshman Commission will entertain the sophomore and upperclass girls at a tea to be given today at the Y. W. bungalow between three and five o'clock.

Miss Florence Magowan, secretary of the Y. W., has suggested that taking a Big Sister to the tea would afford a pleasant means by which the freshman girls could express their appreciation for the help given them this year.

Naomi Hohman, chairman of the committee in charge, is planning several musical numbers. A group of freshman girls will serve.