

Intra-Mural Track Meet Friday Night

Indoor Contest To Be Held In McArthur Court At 7 o'Clock

Bill Hayward Plans Interesting Series

Officials Named for Rest Of Term

At 7:00 o'clock sharp, tomorrow night, in McArthur Court, the first indoor intra-mural track meet ever held in the history of Oregon will take place at least once a week in a round-robin competition from now until March 2 or 3, when the grand final will be run off.



The meet tomorrow night will be between the einder representatives of Sigma Nu, Sigma Pi Tau, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Tau Delta and Phi Sigma Kappa. However, due to the fact that these houses could not place entries in all the events, and to make it more interesting for the bystanders, Hayward has recruited men from the roster of some of the other fraternities to make up the vacant places in certain races. Unfortunately, sufficient lumber to build some of the turns of the new indoor einder path was not secured in time to enable the larger circle to be built before Friday, and this will necessitate the omission of the 440 and 220 runs for this contest only.

Spectators on Balcony

Every endeavor is being made to make these meets interesting to the audience. The events will be run off on the floor of McArthur, and only the officials, and entries actually participating in something of the time, will be allowed on the field of battle. All spectators will sit in the balcony, where a comprehensive view of the affair will be secured. There is no cover charge and everyone is cordially invited to come and support his favorites.

The meet tomorrow night will include the following events and entries:

45 yard dash: Cogswell, Sigma Pi Tau; Price, Delta Tau Delta; Siegmund, Beta Theta Pi; Tuttle, Beta Theta Pi; Penrose, Sigma Nu; Standard, Sigma Nu.

45 yard high hurdles: H. Kelly, Beta Theta Pi; McGee, Kappa Sigma; Moulher, Phi Delta Theta; Wetzel, Phi Delta Theta.

880 yard run: Hamilton, Sigma Nu; Standard, Sigma Nu; McKittich, Phi Sigma Kappa; R. Overstreet, Beta Theta Pi; Rutherford, Delta Tau Delta.

1 mile run: Kuykendall, Phi Sigma Kappa; Beal, Delta Tau Delta; (Continued on page four)

What Makes Brown Mice White Is Query Puzzling Zoologists

What makes the little mice turn white? Is it the frigid weather that Eugene is yearly besieged by, do they just plain change color in a while? (All ideas on the subject are gratefully received.)

Over in the zoology research station on University street, Dr. R. Huestis, instructor of biology, has some boxes of mice that he got from Sisters, Oregon. Originally they were all brown, but now some of them are getting white all over. Possibly they are trying to compete with the ermines for popularity in the fur coat business. A true scientific reason for this change has yet to be worked out, Dr. Huestis explained, so an excellent chance for all curious minded persons is offered.

Wrestling Finals Scheduled for This Afternoon

Elliott, Independent, Wins Heavyweight Honors Of Tournament

Six big final matches in the donut wrestling tournament will be run off in the wrestling room of the men's gymnasium this afternoon, beginning at 4 o'clock sharp. The tourney has narrowed down to a fight between the Independent Club and Sigma Phi Epsilon for first honors on the mat.

The Independent Club drew first blood yesterday afternoon when Harry Elliott, 165-pound Sampson took two out of three falls from Bates, Sig Ep, who weighs something over 200.

Elliott took the first fall in four minutes by a wrist lock which flopped Bates in quick time. The second round was a draw with both big men on their feet most of the time sparring for openings. The last count was finished in a few seconds more than one minute. Elliott entwined himself around Bates and they crashed to the mat. Referee Widmer slapped Elliott on the back in token of victory and pronounced the winning hold to be a step over short arm scissors. Anyway, Bates was down.

In the 128 pound class Hollenbeck took a fall from Wilkinson in three minutes and thirty-four seconds. This afternoon Hollenbeck takes on Arthur Reihl, Independent flash. Reihl is backed by honors glare. In 1927 he was Pacific Northwest champion in 112 and 118 pound classes. In 1926 he took third for all of the United States and Canada in his class. He was sent to Ames, Iowa, to the big tournament, by the Multnomah Amateur Athletic association in 1927. The match this afternoon will be well worth watching.

The following matches are, scheduled for 4 o'clock this afternoon: 118-Raynor vs McKay; 128-Hollenbeck vs Reihl; 138-Arnold vs Gurnea; 148-Klemm vs Horrell; 161-Hall vs Bair; 175-Breese vs winner of Horn and Huddleston.

Next followed a lengthy code of rules which the barristers insist shall govern the game. Any journalist may obtain a complete copy upon application to Mr. Adams, but owing to its weightiness and technicality, we are printing only a few of the more important and intelligible conditions.

1. That no basketball lettermen or any referees be eligible to play.

2. That the teams consist of only five players.

3. That all practice sessions be barred.

4. That the girl members of the law school be allowed to peddle candy and peanuts at the game.

5. That no time out be allowed for smoking.

Coach Adams refused to divulge his team, in order to prevent the scribes from taking undue advantage of the knowledge. He hinted, however, that Schienbaum, weighty forward and accurate basket shooter, would probably be in the line-up.

The original copy of the above challenge has been inscribed on parchment and is now filed with Harry Dutton, manager of the journalists' squad. The lawyers await only its formal acceptance and then representatives of both camps will confer and set a date for the classic battle, destined to live long in the annals of the law school.

Webfooters Handicapped By Injuries

Dave Epps Out of Game With Hurt Received During Holidays

Ray Edwards Will Get In Lineup at Center

Milligan Is Moved Back To Guard

When Washington, heralded as the strongest team in the northern section of the Pacific Coast conference, invades Eugene next Saturday it will find a weakened Oregon basketball team. Dave Epps, guard on the varsity, will be unable to play against the Huskies owing to an injury to his ankle.



The Webfooters are in a tie with Washington and O. A. C. for leadership of the conference, and the game this coming week-end will have a very definite bearing upon the championship. Oregon displayed enough power in its first two starts to indicate that it could be considered a title contender, but the loss of Epps will undoubtedly handicap the team seriously.

Epps Not at Practice

Epps first injured his ankle on the barnstorming trip during the Christmas holidays. It was thought that he had completely recovered, but in the Idaho game the injury was irritated. Bill Reinhart, Webfoot coach, played Epps for the last three minutes of the Washington State game, but he was unable to overcome the disadvantage of his bad foot. He did not report for practice last night.

Scotty Milligan, who has been playing center this year, will be moved back to guard, and will have Joe Bally as a running mate. Ray Edwards, reserve center, will probably play the regular pivot position until Epps is able to get back into the lineup.

Edwards at center will not increase the offensive power of the team, but with Milligan playing his natural position, the weakness will be counter-balanced. After the tip-off, Edwards will probably be used to play a defensive position.

Huskies Undefeated

Both Oregon and Washington have defeated the same teams in the conference race. The Huskies tumbled the Cougars 29 to 13, and the Webfooters dropped them 33 to 16. Idaho lost to Oregon 29 to 23, and then to the Huskies 27 to 19.

Coach Reinhart and the Oregon basketball team will have the opportunity of seeing Washington in action against the Aggies tomorrow night. With the Webfooters weakened by the loss of Epps, the Huskies may go back north undisputed leaders of the conference.

Joaquin Miller Poems To Be Printed Soon By Typography Class

Dr. John Henry Nash, printer of San Francisco, who has charge of printing one book a year at the University Press, sends word to Robert C. Hall, superintendent of the campus press, that he is working on a book of poems written by Joaquin Miller and hopes to send the necessary specifications soon.

"We hope that Mr. Nash will be able to come to the newspaper conference and will then be able to give us a definite date when he will be able to stay till after the book is printed," said Mr. Hall.

The class in typography which is taught by Mr. Hall prints the book under Mr. Nash's supervision.

Committee Appointed For Drama Tournament

Due to the success of last year's drama tournament, the department is planning on holding another the first part of May, according to Miss Florence E. Wilbur, instructor of English. Don Bealar has appointed a committee to plan for it.

The committee consists of Art Anderson, chairman, Connie Roth, Mary Duckett and Merrill Svenson. The members of the committee were recommended by Miss Wilbur.

Faculty May Require Report Writing as Sophomore Course

Because of the atrocious grammar used on the quiz papers of college students, the faculty is seriously considering a change of report writing from an elective course to a sophomore requirement, Dr. C. V. Boyer of the English department said today.

In order to do this, classes for about 300 more students would have to be arranged. About 271 sophomores, 232 juniors, and 90 seniors are now taking report writing.

"The purpose of the course," Dr. Boyer explained, "is to teach students to co-ordinate their thoughts and organize their sentences into readable form so that their various term papers, exams, and reports may not irritate the ears of the faculty."

For this reason, Dr. Boyer thinks report writing should be required of everyone early in his college career.

Student Council Wants Dad's Day For Annual Event

Class Dance Expenses To Have Limit; Plans Considered

Whereas, the Student Council, representing the Associated Students of the University of Oregon, feel that Dad's Day will afford an opportunity for the students' dads to acquaint themselves with the University;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Student Council go on record as being in favor of recognizing Saturday, January 28, 1928, as Dad's Day on the University campus.

And be it further resolved that we recommend Dad's Day to be an annual event at University of Oregon.

(Signed) STUDENT COUNCIL.

After a general discussion of plans for Dad's Day at the University this week-end, the A. S. U. O. student council at its regular meeting last night voted to draw up a permanent resolution in favor of establishing such a custom.

"The idea," said Donald Bealar, president, "is to have them get in contact with the University." He pointed out the fact that the University is a workshop where students are trained and social contacts are made and that the fathers of the state should be privileged to see what really goes on here.

A special committee headed by Doc Robinson read a resolution that classes present proposed budgets of expenses to the student council two weeks before the date set for a student body dance. The matter will be referred to the executive council before definite action is taken.

The proposal that expenses for decorations at such affairs be limited was made, due to a tendency by the classes to spend more than is thought necessary. The other members of the committee are Dean E. L. Shirrell, Wendell Gray, and Don McCook.

The matter of appointing a chairman of the Greater Oregon committee earlier in the school year in order that he might have an opportunity to become better acquainted with his task and get plans laid before the end of the term was discussed and will be taken up in more detail at a later date.

'R. U. R.' Rehearsals Will Be Completed Friday, Says Director

Rehearsals for the futuristic play "R. U. R.," which will be given by the advanced drama classes January 27, will be completed this week, Miss Florence Wilbur, director, announces. Early next week the cast will go through two or three dress rehearsals. The remaining time will be spent in completing financial arrangements for the play.

The unique drama has three acts and an epilogue. A most unusual twist in the climax of the play will offer an opportunity for the effective staging of a chemical laboratory.

Work, under the supervision of Mary Duckett, stage director, has been going on for some time, so that staging for the business office, the setting for act one, and arrangements for the drawing room acts, the third and fourth, is complete.

Now that preparation for "R. U. R." is nearing the finishing place, attention in the drama department will be turned to work on "Lady Windemere's Fan," which will be given the latter part of February.

First Returns Show Hoover Leads Field

McAdoo Ahead of Smith On Democrat Ticket By One Margin

Large Majority for Change in Dry Laws

Final Voting Today, 9-12, In Front of Library

By BILL HAGGERTY

With about 200 of the first ballots counted, Herbert Hoover has assumed a slight but precarious lead in the current questions poll which is being sponsored on the campus by the Emerald. Hoover has received 57 of the first votes, Charles E. Hughes, 37; and President Coolidge ranks third with 28.

Few votes were cast for Democratic candidates. William G. McAdoo leads with 14 so far but is closely pressed by Governor Al Smith with 13.

That prohibition has not been a success from the student's standpoint was evidenced by the fact that the returns showed almost a two to one negative answer. The vote stood almost two to one in favor of modification of the existing Eighteenth amendment.

League Policy Favored

In regard to the League of Nations question the vote stood 97 to 77 in favor of our present policy of informal cooperation over that of formal membership. The returns so far show that the opinion of 107 to 77 against the present governmental policy in Niagara.

From 9 to 12 o'clock today will be the last chance for students to cast a ballot. All students who have not voted are urged to do so in order that the first returns will represent the general opinion of the campus. A booth will be placed in front of the old library and students will be in charge during the three hours designated. Those who have been appointed to take care of the ballots are: Leroy Draper, 9 to 10 o'clock; Sidney Dobbins, 10 to 11 o'clock; and Darol Belshe, 11 to 12 o'clock.

Final Returns Friday

Living organizations were given about 1500 ballots last night. Although a few were returned the same evening, the majority are still outstanding and will not be returned until this morning. A complete announcement of the returns will appear in Friday's Emerald.

As a means of contrasting the opinions of the faculty and administration with those of the students, 250 ballots were mailed out to the former yesterday. It is hoped that prompt action will be taken by the faculty and members of the administration so that a general check-up of the votes can be made at the same time.

Knights Call Frosh, One Junior, to Justice

The following men are requested to be in the men's room of the Women's building at ten-fifty (10:50) this morning:

Woodward Archer, no lid; Bill Overstreet, no lid; George Lowe, no lid; Tom Ballentyne, no lid; Durwood Helyer, no lid; John Moffat, cocky; Harry Dankin, no lid; Hilyard Brown, no lid; Bill Doak, no lid; Gene Eberhart, no lid; Bill Saeth, no lid; Cliff Horner, no lid; Cy West, no lid; Sherman Lockwood, no lid; George Varney, no lid; Chuck Laird, president of the class of '31, no lid; Bill Whitely, cocky; Harold Blackburne, lid too small; Alford Downs, junior with a mustache; Max Rubenstein, cocky, no lid, wearing cords.

(Signed) PAUL HUNT, Pres.

State College Coeds Whistle To Call Friends

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Jan. 25.—(P.L.P.)—Whistling popular tunes to call a friend has gained wide popularity on the campus among the co-eds. Each group of girls has its particular whistle considered "private property" of that group. Some of the whistles used by the co-eds are the tunes, "Sweet Child, You're Driving Me Wild," "Bob White," and "Remember the Night." Whistling is used to the largest extent on the campus or in the halls where friends may live the length of the hall from each other.

Dip in Race Is Result Of Bad Guess Made On Basketball Score

Splash! Fifty men laughed as the icy waters of the millrace closed over his head. He had committed such a slight error in judgment it seemed a shame. But—

Messrs. John Weik, a junior and the victim, and Raymond Huddleston, freshman, sat at dinner in the Friendly Hall dining room Saturday evening.

Says John to Raymond, "Tonight Oregon and Idaho play basketball, and it is my earnest and sincere belief that the Vandals will overcome our boys."

Raymond to John says, "It is shameful to think that one's own school will go down to defeat."

John remarks, "Shameful it is, and as a punishment for my disbelief, I will submit myself to be thrown into the millrace should I be in error. But, if I be right, it is my decree that you, freshman that you are, be tossed into the glacial stream for disputing the word of an upperclassman. So be it."

Immediately after the game, Mr. Weik was escorted to the millrace, where all disbelief was drowned. Hence the splash.

Phi Mu To Give Program Today For Assembly

Trumpet, Piano, and Violin Solos Part of Varied Entertainment

Homer's "Sing To Me, Sing," a baritone solo by Donald Ostrander, will open the program to be given by the members of Phi Mu Alpha, men's national music fraternity, this morning at the assembly hour. The entertainment is an annual affair enjoyed by the students and faculty.

William Sievers will present the second number, "Souvenir," a trumpet solo. The "Staccato Etude," by Rubenstein, will be a piano selection played by George Barron.

Two violin solos, "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Known," by White, and "Liebeslied," by Kreisler, will be played by Kenneth Brown. The final number will consist of tenor solos by Prof. John B. Siefert, head of the voice department of the school of music.

John Sprouse has arranged the program for the assembly, and George Signor, president of Phi Mu Alpha, is in charge of the properties and other arrangements.

The members of Mu Phi Epsilon, women's music honorary, will present their annual program some time in March.

Infirmiry Patients Increase in Number

Colds of all sorts, even the new and different kind are in abundance at present on the campus. Cold in the head, sore throat, coughs, or what have you? Each come in for their toll of infirmed.

The infirmiry has six patients at present. Ailsa Massey, freshman in music, is in the infirmiry with mumps. May Moore, sophomore, major in physical education, Louise Storka, junior in music, Edward Johnson, senior in political science, Maurice Kinney, freshman in biology, and William Correll, freshman art major, are the other patients.

'Tuffy' Chastain Learned His First Basketball From Former Hoop Star

A high school sensation in the state meet at Salem a few years ago, Mervyn Chastain has ably upheld his record since coming to Oregon. He played on the frosh team here, and then was unfortunately ineligible for the varsity during his sophomore year. Turning out this winter he easily made the first string.

Going out for basketball for the Mervyn Chastain first time during his sophomore year at Medford high school, Mervyn successfully made the team and played that year under the instruction of Eddie Durno, claimed to have been one of the greatest forwards ever produced at Oregon.

Coach Durno left Medford that spring, and the next two seasons



were under the now famous "Prink" Callison. Medford went to the state tournament at Salem in each of the three years that Chastain was on the team, and in his junior year, succeeded, largely due to Chastain's unceasing long shooting, in annexing the state title. They defeated Eugene High in the finals by a score of 21 to 15. Mervyn was high point man of his team that year, and also received the cup for the most points scored by any single player in the tournament. Not only in basketball did Chastain star in high school, but he played one season of football, and earned three letters each in baseball and track.

Mervyn is a junior in the school of economics, twenty-one years old, and a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He holds down one of the forward berths on the Lemou-Yellow quintet, and the steady increase in his ability and scoring since the first of the season, marks him as one of the stars of Oregon's 1928 basketball team.

Vodvil Plans Get Impetus; Staff Chosen

Directorate of Big Review Selected by Chairman Billy O'Bryant

Tentative Dates Set For April 27 and 28

Rehearsals To Be Held Three Times a Week

Plans for Junior Vodvil received their initial send-off yesterday with the appointment of a staff of assistants by Billy O'Bryant, chairman of the event for this year.

Arthur Anderson will act as assistant chairman and Olive Banks will be secretary of the staff. Other appointments are: Joe Roberts, business manager; Lawrence Ogle, advertising manager; Louise Clark costumes; Madge Normile and Boone Hendricks, music; Camille Burton and Leonard Thomson, dancing; Grace Gardner, make-up; DeVerl Hempy, stage manager; George Mason, scenery; Justin McDonald, lighting, and Perry Douglas, properties.

An advisory staff to help plan and arrange for the vodvil is composed of Constance Roth, Ronald Hubbs and Joe McKeown to represent the students, and Donald Erb and S. Stephenson Smith of the faculty.

Show To Be Different

"The show this year will be different from anything ever tried here before," according to the pre-season information given out by the chairman yesterday. "It will tend more towards the revue type of show rather than the musical comedy of last year."

Directing the Vodvil will be taken care of by the chairman, O'Bryant, who is twenty years old, has the distinction of being the youngest director ever to have charge of the event. However, his experience as a member of George McMurry's Kollege Knights and other orchestras and also his work in connection with the successful vodvil of last year were factors which proved his ability to handle the assignment.

Big Turnout Expected

Tentative dates for Junior Vodvil have been set for April 27 and 28. Throughout the rest of this term starting next week tryouts and rehearsals will be held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 4 to 6 in the afternoon. The place for holding these tryouts will be announced in the Emerald Saturday.

Due to the success of last year's show, it is thought that there will be a greater number than ever trying out. Those possessing the talents and desire to partake are urged to start coming out as soon as possible.

A meeting of the new staff is called by the chairman at 4 o'clock Friday in room 105 Journalism building.

President Hall To Talk In Portland Monday

President Hall is to speak at a dinner meeting of the Congressional Men's club, a church organization, next Monday evening in Portland.