

# Orchestra, Choir Hold First Assembled Messiah Rehearsal

**By DAVE WILSON**

The first joint rehearsal of the University polyphonic choir and the University symphony orchestra for their production of Handel's "Messiah," which is to take place at the music auditorium on the afternoon of Sunday, December 14, was held Wednesday evening.

The stage in the music auditorium was taxed to the full capacity of all its ramifications to accommodate the 135 singers in the choir and the 70 musicians who comprise the orchestra. Arthur Boardman's conductor's stand was set several feet out in the main aisle, so far did the massed group of the performers extend.

Handel's "Messiah" is eminently well suited to a Christmas-season concert, for it is an exultant, joyous cantata which has cheered the hearts of men for 200 years. And the youthful spirit of the 200 students who were rehearsing for it developed this aspect of the music most pleasingly. Under Boardman's spirited and vigorous conducting, the choir and orchestra gave the grand old chorales with

the precision of professionals and the enthusiasm of amateurs.

Rex Underwood, conductor of the orchestra independent of the choir, and they were prepared to join the singers under Boardman's baton.

"The Messiah" is to be the most ambitious production that Oregon's polyphonic choir, the only organization of its type and size in the state, has undertaken since its organization a little more than a year ago. No city in the state outside of Portland will be able to enjoy a Christmas cantata with such a large cast and such capable leadership. The Portland symphony orchestra and the Portland Choral society are now planning to repeat the production of the "Messiah" during Christmas week, for their presentation of it a year ago was the most successful concert of the symphony season.

## All Students Eligible For Magazine Contest

A new contest has been started by the Periodical Review for students all over the country, offering prizes to the individuals who write the best essay on the following questions:

"What are the five greatest dates in history and why?" "Who are the five greatest Americans and what have they achieved?" "Name the five greatest books and tell why you selected them." The prize winning papers will be printed in the Periodical Review and the prizes will also be announced then. The magazine is offering the libraries ten issues for the reference of the students in this contest. Aspirants may write to the Periodical Review at 85 Edward St., New York, for entrance or information.

# Library Will Get Club Constitution

## Monroe Doctrine To Be Discussed at Meeting

The constitution of the Congress club, ratified October 22, will be placed in the main library today. An index card, making a copy available over the circulation desk, will be placed in the general catalogue.

Charter members in order of their seniority are: Wallace Campbell, Roger Pfaff, Merlin Blais, Robert Jackson, Paul Laub, Tim Booth, Robert O'Leary, Jasper Bellinger, Donald Saunders, Lewis High, Charles Dolloff, John King, Robert Gamer, Ethan Newman, Raymond Goff, Dick Bolling, Emery Hyde, Kenneth McKenzie, Ken Campbell, Lawrence Opedal, Otto Vonderheit, Ralph Burrough, Blayne Brewer, John Doherty, and Howard Lee.

New members who have been admitted since the adoption of the constitution are: Claud C. Conder, Willard Arant, and Clifton Culp.

Robert O'Leary, chairman, Raymond Goff and Lawrence E. Opedal were named on the constitutional placement committee by Ethan Newman, president.

In the absence of Newman, John King, vice-president, took charge of the meeting last night. It was decided that the Monroe Doctrine and the part which the United States is taking in the present South American situation should be the subject for discussion.

## BANQUET SLATED AS EVENING'S CHIEF EVENT

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Westminster house honoring Mary Klemm. Miss Klemm, a graduate of the University, is a well-known Northwest peace worker. Dr. Akagi will also be at the forum and will help Miss Klemm lead the discussion. All students on the campus are invited to attend.

# Faculty's Favorite Sports Revealed by Questionnaire

Hiking and automobile are the two sports most preferred by the faculty as a means of recreation, tabulation of the final returns of the questionnaire sent out by Edgar E. DeCou, chairman of the Intramural sports committee, reveal.

Two weeks ago an inquiry was instituted among faculty members to discover what sports were given preference for the entire year. Twelve sports were listed and room was left for the insertion of others.

Over half the faculty replied and out of the 164 returns, hikers outnumbered the automobilists 96 to 86. Swimming follows with 72, and racket wielders are next with 69. Sixty-four disciples of Bobby Jones indicate their preference for the ancient Scottish game, and devotees of more strenuous form of exercise in the form of handball number 61.

The placid pastime of gardening has quite a following of 47, and volleyball attracts the attention of 34. The sport for which the Prince of Wales is most noted, horseback riding, comes next with 29. Basketball is liked by 23 and skiing is enjoyed by 20 while the most re-

cent of travel methods, aviation, is preferred by 5.

These are the figures on the listed forms of recreation. Among those not listed it was found that there are 12 Isaac Waltons on the University payroll along with 10 Terpsichoreans. Hunting with 4, baseball with 3, and boxing with 2 are next. Then (believe it or not) 2 preferred to chop wood. Camping has 2 votes and track, archery, boating, fencing, tumbling, tennis, and sketching conclude with one apiece. An ice-skater just from the East gave this sport a vote of one.

It is believed by Professor DeCou, who conducted the survey on his own initiative, that the University of Oregon is the only institution which encourages the various forms of physical recreation among its faculty members in an organized way.

The intramural sports committee appoints a faculty man at the beginning of the year to encourage participation in one of the more popular sports. In this way and through the organization of faculty tournaments, there is quite a bit of interest created, according to Professor DeCou.

# Seybolt Returns From Conference

## New Developments Shown In Field of Speech

Mrs. Otille Seybolt, director of the drama division, has recently returned from a convention of the Western Association of Teachers of Speech. It was attended by representatives in the field of speech and dramatics from all universities and colleges west of the Rockies.

"One of the most interesting new developments in the field of speech," said Mrs. Seybolt, "was a demonstration by the San Jose Normal college of the work of their Verse Speaking choir. Group interpretation of poetry has been developing lately as a mode of expression, especially in England where poetry reading contests are frequently held."

High schools in which speech work is well organized for credit were also included in the meeting. Mrs. Seybolt thinks that the California high schools have already made much progress in developing the various phases of the field of speech for their educational values. However, she considers that the University of Oregon has a drama department superior to the University of California.

# Change of Major Should Be Made Before Holiday

Students planning to change their majors next term are asked by the registrar's office to attend to the matter before the Christmas vacation in order to avoid loss of time and extra work next term. It is necessary to secure the signatures of the dean of the school in which the student is now majoring and the dean of the school which he intends to enter. The signatures of the present major professor and the proposed major professor are also required.

By calling at the registrar's office before the end of the term the matter can be handled promptly.

# NOBLE STATES NEED OF WORK FOR PEACE

to develop its technique. That it can stop wars is pointed out in its interference in the trouble between Greece and Bulgaria, and in the future it can do even more.

"Security and disarmament are our aims. Some believe we must have disarmament before we can have security, while others insist that we must establish security before disarmament is safe. The solution to this problem is coming terrifically slow but very deliberate. There is a hope at present for a general disarmament meeting next year.

"We don't often see the effects of our own actions in other countries. The unemployment caused by some of our new tariffs is startling. Someday we may get a 'tariff-truce' and get countries to stabilize their tariffs.

"The league works also for physical betterment within various countries. Its work is not disarmament alone. Reports come in every week of disease spread and tabulation and reports are made. Infant mortality in South America, maternal problems, and the ly some of the many problems sleeping sickness in Africa are on-worked on by the league in its program of universal betterment.

"It is short-sighted partisanship that has kept us out of the league, but now we find we are cooperating as much as we can. Organized

# WHAT SHOW TONIGHT?

Heilig — Galsworthy's "Escape," with Gerald Du Maurier. Drama.

McDonald — "The Big Trail," with Marguerite Churchill. Epic drama.

Colonial — Ruth Chatterton in "Anybody's Woman." Drama. State — Belle Baker in "Song of Love." Musical show.

**Drama at Heilig**

Galsworthy's great play, "Escape," is presented for the last time today at the Heilig in its cinematic form. It is an amazing drama of hunted men, tense, and well acted by a masterly cast, most of whom are recruited from the stage. The play is considered one of the best from the pen of John Galsworthy, foremost literary satellite in England.

**Chatterton and Brook Team Again**

Together again for the first time since "The Laughing Lady," Ruth Chatterton and Clive Brooks are closing their Colonial run today in "Anybody's Woman."

The plot of the film is rather weak, but, through fine acting of both stars, together with Paul Lucas, they make a very tense and moving drama of it. The story concerns the fortunes of a man of high social status who marries a burlesque girl, rather fond of the cup that cheers. Instead of his purpose of reforming her, she makes him the success that he has never been before. Almost too late he sees that she is a woman on an equal footing with himself.

**"Big Trail" Is Epic**

The McDonald is showing for the last time today, one of the best pictures they have had for some time. "The Big Trail," with a fine cast of character actors, is one of the great epics of stage and screen on the migration to the West. Directed by Raoul Walsh, and starring the youthful John Wayne and Marguerite Churchill, this film should be placed on this term's "must" list.

**Brevities**

Among coming attractions is the Pageant of the Nations, annual program given at Guild theatre the closing night of International week . . . "Holiday," filmed from that popular play seen on the Guild boards but a few weeks ago.

# Ordnance Repairs Made At R.O.T.C. Barracks

Minor repairs in the ordnance material at the R. O. T. C. barracks are being made by G. H. Matthies, ordnance repair man of the Ninth Corps area of the United States army, according to Lieutenant E. S. Prouty of the military department.

The local R. O. T. C. unit received a rating of excellent on the condition of the ordnance in the report sent into the corps area headquarters by Col. Edward P. O'Hern, ordnance officer of the Ninth Corps area. Colonel O'Hern inspected the University R. O. T. C. barracks two months ago.

# Colds Now Predominant Cause of Student Illness

Colds are still the predominant cause of confinement to the University infirmary, according to Miss Helen Fleming, infirmary nurse. This ailment has become quite widespread since the Thanksgiving holidays, and at the present time there are seven patients at the infirmary.

Those confined are: Helen Fisher, Helen Rankin, Leonard Hall, Vernon Arnett, Allen Spaulding, Raymond Force, and Virgil La-Claire.

# Educators Ask Sheldon To Read Paper at Meet

Dean H. D. Sheldon, of the school of education, has been asked to read a paper on "Content of Courses in History of Education" before the National Society of College Teachers of Education which will meet the latter part of February in Atlantic City.

is due at the McDonald Sunday. Ann Harding has the role created here by Nancy Thielsen . . . "Whoopie," United Artists—Eddie Cantor color riot, will be shown at a special midnight matinee at the Colonial Saturday evening at 11.

# Reed College Professor To Discuss Classical Age

A paper on "The Greek Gods" will be read by Lawrence E. Hartmus of Reed college in the women's lounge of the Women's building this evening at 7:30. Anyone interested in the life and culture of classical Greece is invited to attend, according to Dr. Clara M. Smertenko, head of the Greek department.

Mr. Hartmus is instructor in Greek and Latin at Reed.

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