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SIXTEEN MEN ENTER TRYOUT

Eight Debaters Chosen Who Will Enter Final Contest on Friday Evening, January 24.

Sixteen students—every one well prepared and capable of putting up a strong debate—appeared in Villard Hall on Saturday afternoon and presented themselves as candidates for the preliminary eight who will compete in two weeks for places on the Interstate debating teams which will meet the Universities of Washington and Idaho on March 27.

The judges, who were President P. L. Campbell, Prof. E. E. DeCou, and Dr. H. D. Sheldon, report that competition was never before so keen and that it was with great difficulty that they were able to select the eight debaters whom they deemed best fitted to represent the University in the coming forensic contests.

Sixteen men is the largest number of aspirants for debating honors who have ever offered themselves as university representatives. The good showing in quantity as well as the good showing in the quality of the men is something which deserves especial mention. Many of those who were unsuccessful in winning a position will be in college again next year and so the debating outlook for the University is splendid.

The subject of the debate was the Interstate debate question: "Resolved that the present laws with regard to Chinese immigration should be extended so as to include Japanese immigrants." The question is an exceedingly live one, and one which being practically a new issue, will demand a great deal of original work on the part of the men.

The list of those who were chosen as handed out without regard to rank by the judges was as follows: Thos. R. Townsend, '09; Jesse H. Bond, '09; Clarence L. Whealdon, '10; Earl F. Kilpatrick, '09; Walter M. Eaton, '09; E. Strong, '09; W. Nicholas, '10. The Junior class has the largest representation here, leading easily with five men, the Seniors have one and the Sophomores two.

Of those who made the preliminary, the first three are men who have previously represented the University in debate. Townsend and Bond were members of last year's negative team which won a unanimous decision over the University of Idaho trio at Moscow, and Whealdon was a member of the affirmative team which defeated the University of Washington team at Eugene. The remaining five are all debaters of merit. Earl F. Kilpatrick is a prominent society debater and is a member of the Philologian Joint Debating team. Walter M. Eaton is one of the most able debaters of the Laurican Society and in the spring of 1906 was a member of the Society freshman team which defeated the Philologian freshman trio in that year. Cecil K. Lyans is well known as a student and is a prominent debater. He is also a candidate for the Rhodes scholarship and will take the examination in the latter part of January. Earl F. Strong is, as his name would indicate, a strong man in forensics. In his freshman year he was a member of the freshman debating team which represented the Philologian Society. W. C. Nicholas is a member of the Philologian Society and is a good student as well as a coming debater. All the men will be able to give a good account of themselves when they meet in the final contest on Friday evening, January 24.

At this time the judges will select two teams, one—the affirmative—to represent the University at home in a contest with the University of Idaho's negative trio; the other—the negative—to represent the University in a contest with the affirmative team of the University of Washington at Seattle, Washington. Both debates will take place on Friday evening, March 27, as will also a debate between Washington's negative and Idaho's affirmative teams at Moscow, Idaho.

There are six candidates for University representative at the State Intercollegiate contest which will be held at Monmouth in March. They are Bert W. Prescott, '08; Mozelle Hair, '08; Jesse H. Bond, '09; Clarence L. Whealdon, '10; Harold Rounds, '10 and Henry Davis, '10.

STATE WELL REPRESENTED

Nearly Every County in Oregon is Represented at the University of Oregon

The present semester will close with four hundred students registered in the University, a record which is without precedent in her history. And while this is the largest enrollment it is also the most representative of the state, that is, it consists of a more even distribution among the counties. Lane still leads the list but it must be taken into consideration that a large number of the students registered from Lane county are in reality from other counties, but have moved to Eugene in order to avail themselves of higher education at a more economical expense. Multnomah is second, and Douglas, Baker, Umatilla, Marion, Linn and Clackamas are all well represented. There are but one or two counties that are not represented and they are the remoter, sparsely settled counties in the southeastern portion of the state. Besides the Oregon students there are eleven from the state of Washington, three from British Columbia, two from Alaska, three from California, and one each from Idaho, Nebraska, North Dakota, District of Columbia, Hawaii and Japan.

Reports from high schools throughout the state show that a much larger percentage of the graduates than in any previous year will continue their work in the University. This speaks well for the popularity of the institution considering the fact that the appropriation for maintenance has been held up by referendum petition, and with the creation of a loan fund of \$5,000 which will enable many needy students to avail themselves of a college training, the University can look forward to next year as a banner year in her history.

The opening of the second semester will bring a large number of new students. Registrar Tiffany has had a great many applications for freshman standing all ready and the outlook for a good number of new students is good.