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DEBATE THURSDAY NIGHT

Thursday evening the Northwest Interstate debates will be held. Oregon's affirmative team will meet Idaho at Eugene and Oregon's negative trio will contest with Washington at Seattle.

The debate at Eugene should be attended by all Varsity students. The cost of bringing the Idaho team to Eugene from Moscow is very heavy and the matter of meeting all expenses will be difficult. This week, until Thursday, Manager Smith and ten assistants, will have tickets on sale on the University campus. Five high school students will sell in the high school. Buy your tickets early and help put debate on a firmer footing than ever before.

ANOTHER GIFT.

The University received last week a plaster-cast of the big meteor which fell near Oregon City two or three years ago. Mr. A. S. Pattulo, of the Willamette Iron and Steel Company, of Portland, is the donator. The original, which is now in the Smithsonian Institute, weighs several tons and hit the earth with terrific force, burying itself twelve or fifteen feet in the ground. A farmer living nearby realizing its value, succeeded in hauling it off in the night time, and Mr. Pattulo, who owned the land on which it fell only regained it through a law suit.

During the Lewis and Clark Fair, it was exhibited and excited a great deal of wonder. The cast is a fine piece of workmanship and it makes a very valuable addition to the University museum. It has been placed in the geological room and takes up so much space that classes can no longer be held in there.

TWO EX-OREGON MEN

Augusto Hidalgo, ex-'10, is a sophomore at the University of Wisconsin in the department of Chemical Engineering. Raphael H. Aguilar is a freshman in the same institution. He was prepared last year in Eugene High School. Both of these gentlemen are full-blood Philipinos. Hidalgo is a Togalo, and Aguilar, a Pompagno. Their people are of some prominence and "Hi" and Aguilar are very well educated. Hidalgo is president of a Philippine club consisting of over a score of Philippine students at Madison. The boys have many friends in the University who are pleased to note their success.

TRIAL DEBATE.

The literary societies did not hold programs Saturday night but met in Laurean Hall to listen to a preliminary debate between the interstate teams. After the debate, Judge Harris, Senator Bingham and Attorney DeNeffe passed criticism upon the work done. They were followed by Allen Eaton and various members of the University faculty who offered suggestions.

BASEBALL OUTLOOK.

Baseball with all of its concomitants is here. The season for the University was ushered in Saturday with two games, one between the regulars and the Woodburn League team and the other between the "scrubs" and the Eugene High School. It was a very propitious opening for the first team men, and they are the center of our greatest hopes. They administered a very decisive defeat to a fast bunch of players, and that, too, with very little practice. We may hope for a season of success and that that the team will come forth from it crowned with the laurels of many victories.

But the severe drubbing which the High School boys gave to our lesser diamond lights arouses us to the fact that we are in need of a well-organized well-trained second team. Coach Leonard has been advocating the forming of a Freshman team, and while most of the men have looked upon this plan

with approval, no definite steps have been taken for such an organization.

There is plenty of good material among the first year men, and a team could be made up from them fast enough to defeat most preparatory school teams. Such a team would be a very effective means of perfecting the team work of the regulars, for keen competition carries with it a vim and zest which develops the finer points of the game. Active steps should be taken immediately toward such an organization.

HIGH SCHOOL DEBATES.

The Oregon High School Debating League will hold its inter-district debates next month. The district championships are all decided with the exception of Eastern Oregon where the final contest between Baker City and The Dalles has been postponed on account of the illness of one of the Baker City debaters. The champion in Southern Oregon is Grants Pass, whose strong team has won three unanimous decisions. Lebanon is a close winner in Central Oregon. The Astoria team, backed by strong local enthusiasm, leads the Columbia River district. The first inter-district debate will be between Grants Pass and Lebanon at Lebanon on April 17. Grants Pass will support the affirmative of the proportional representation question.

Prof. DeCou, who is in personal supervision of the entire work expresses himself as well satisfied with the quality of debating that the high schools are doing, and especially with the intense interest and school patriotism that is being manifested at the contests. The winners of the inter-district debates will hold the final contest in Villard hall as the guests of the University.

AN APOLOGY

The readers of the Weekly will pardon the class of editorial matter which appears in the Weekly this week. We will admit it is more on the news order than on the commentorial order; but rush of other duties this week which students are aware of, prevent and better material being written.

ISSUE NEW BULLETIN

The University office has just issued a bulletin containing a short historical sketch of the institution, the name of all the regents with their date of service, a similar chart of the officers of administration and instruction, and the names, residences and occupations of all the alumni of the college.