

WRESTLING.

Chemawa wins one out of four wrestling bouts in our contest with Oregon Agricultural College.

Corvallis won three out of the four wrestling bouts last night in its amateur match with Chemawa which was the first exhibition of the kind ever held in Salem.

It was a clean show from start to finish and no other exhibition ever shown on a Salem stage elicited a suggestion of the interest and enthusiasm. The attendance was light, but it was the unanimous opinion that next time the house will not be large enough.

The wrestling was spirited and the exhibition of endurance wonderful. Each contestant worked like a Trojan and displayed grit that was simply marvelous.

As happens often, the contest made most conspicuous in the announcements was slowest in the performance. Harnden of Chemawa, a husky man of considerable renown, lost two straight bouts to Sitton of O. A. C., who was unanimously admitted a very clever wrestler.

The best contest of the entire exhibition was between Smoker of Chemawa and Gibson of Corvallis, the lightest class of the four, in which the Chemawa man won two straight bouts.

There were but two bouts in each match because the winnings in each case were two straights. In every bout the wrestling was fast and the interest intense.

Thompson of Corvallis in the 145 pound class was cool and level-headed to a degree though a very fast man. He is surely a comer on the mat.

The greatest exhibition of endurance happened in the second bout of the 158 pound class when Dillstrom of Chemawa held Leedy of O. A. C. for two and one-

half minutes in what appeared to be almost a death grip and when the spectators held their breath expecting every instant to see Leedy give up. Dillstrom repeatedly asked, "Will you give me the fall?" but Leedy staid with it and by a clever struggle broke his opponent's hold and won the bout in short order.

The Chemawa boys were shorter and more muscular in appearance, but seemed to lack skill and endurance, though there is admittedly very little ground upon which to base this judgement. In the first bout between Sitton and Harnden, the heaviest men, Referee King said it was very difficult to decide the winner, but after a consultation with the officials of both sides, gave the decision to Sitton, O. A. C. There was no fall, the bout lasting the full six minutes.

The rules took cognizance of pin falls only, of which there were five. Smoker threw his man in the second bout; Thompson got both falls, the first in 2:25 and second in 4:35; Leedy threw Dillstrom in the second bout and Sitton put Harnden down in four minutes in the second. In all the other bouts time was called and the decision rendered on points.

In the midst of the exhibition during an interim Referee King introduced to the audience Dan Sullivan whom he designated as the greatest amateur wrestler the world ever produced; out of thirty-two matches he had lost but one and then his opponent was much the heavier man; he would meet any man in the world in the 158 pound class. —Salem Statesman.

(Chemawa does not feel bad over the result as it was our first contest against wrestlers who have been in three or four contests and under the training of a professional wrestler, O'Connell, while our boys had been in training only six weeks without a trainer. It was Amos Smoker, not Henry Dillstrom who said, "will you give me the fall?")