

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

Wins the Inter-Collegiate Debate at Forrest Grove.

THE PHILIPPINE QUESTION.

Forrest Grove, Or., Feb. 24.—Three hundred people in March hall auditorium tonight heard the University of Oregon debating team argue to Pacific University that it would not be for the best interests of the United States to hold outlying colonies. The affirmative won and their points were: First, departure from national unity; second, incompatibility with our system of government; third, enormous expense; fourth, no benefit to trade; fifth, the increase of taxation resulting would reduce us to the industrial level of Europe. The judges were Judge A. Leo F. Sears, Jr., Judge Habelah Smith, and Hon. W. D. Fenton, all of Portland. After the debate, judges, debaters and invited guests dined at Herrich hall.

The successful team was composed of W. L. Whittlesey, B. C. Jakway and C. V. Galloway. A. D. Schenk, R. S. McClelland and Lynn Lancelotti represented the negative or Pacific university side. The honors for Eugene were carried off by the entire team, while Mr. McClelland made the ablest argument for the home team. The audience was impartial and enthusiastic in its demonstrations of applause. The next event in the college world is the state oratorical contest, which will occur two weeks from tonight at McMinnville.

UNIVERSITY NOTES.

The various classes have elected delegates to represent the U. of O. at the oratorical contest at McMinnville as follows: class of '09, Mr. C. L. Templeton and Miss Clara Pengra; class of '00, Mr. H. D. Angell and Miss Mary Ficklin; class of '01, Mr. Luke L. Goodrich and Miss Grace Wolf; class of '02, Mr. C. M. Bishop and Miss Bertha Templeton.

Mr. C. V. Galloway '09 has been elected manager of the track team for the coming season. Mr. Galloway hopes to place a winning team in the intercollegiate games at Salem next June.

At the regular meeting of the Laurens society last evening, the question "Resolved, that a national income tax is a desirable part of a scheme of taxation" was up for discussion. After a spirited debate, chairman decided the question in favor of the affirmative. The regular election of officers for the ensuing term resulted as follows: President, C. N. McArthur '01; vice-pres., H. D. Angell '00; secy., C. R. Fountain '01; asst. secy., L. L. Goodrich '01; Treasurer, M. M. Scarborough '02; Censor, B. E. Spencer '01; Sgt. at arms, G. F. Thayer '02. The president appointed Mr. H. D. Angell as parliamentarian. H. W. Kelly '02 signed the constitution and became a member of the society.

It is very gratifying to note the unusual success that attends competition between students of the University of Oregon and the students of other schools of the state. This success is attained in every branch of competition, in debate, in oratory, in football, and in field meets. It indicates to the observer that the successful contestants are trained by persons who are thorough in their work, and conscientious in the performance of duty. To the young men and women of Oregon contemplating higher education this should have thoughtful consideration. The University of Oregon should open next fall with the brightest prospects in its history.

"Ike" Hyman Dead.

Oregonian: "Isaac Hyman, a merchant of San Francisco, who was found dead at his residence in San Francisco Monday morning, was well known in Portland and the Northwest. He was a member of the wholesale clothing firm of Stiner, Strauss & Hyman, and had made regular business trips through the Northwest for the past 20 years. There is much difference of opinion as to whether deceased committed suicide or met accidental death. The chandelier was entirely removed in his room, and he had inhaled the full strength of the gas. Relatives claim that he had an attack of pain during the night, and in his struggles accidentally knocked down the chandelier."

His many friends in Eugene will deeply deplore his death. At one time in early days he eked here, and conducted a store at Cottage Grove for a time.

Uncle Sam's harness off at Preston & Hale's.

NEW EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Bids Opened Last Night and Contract Awarded to L. N. Roney.

Daily Guard Feb. 24.—Dr. D. E. Loveridge, Prof. D. J. Hawthorne and H. W. Thompson, building committee of the Episcopal church, met last night and opened bids for the construction of the new building.

Four bids were presented, Messrs. Eddy, Alley & Summers, F. A. Brown, and L. N. Roney, the latter being awarded the contract at \$2880. The bid does not include the windows, pipes, carpets and other furnishings; and does not include a furnace if one is to be placed in the building.

A general description of the new temple was published a few weeks since. The site is the height of 7 feet will be of Plymouth stone; the remaining 7 feet will be shingled. The tower will be of stone for half its height, 12 feet, the other half being shingled. General dimensions of the main auditorium are 62x33, with 14 feet tower, staves and organ recess. Two main entrances will be had in the building, one from Olive street and the other through the tower from Seventh street. The design is entirely English; it will be picturesque and well suited to the wants of the parish. The interior will be a natural finish of California redwood. The roof will be very shingling, supported by trusses, giving a height of 30 feet.

Work on the building will not begin until spring opens. The new church will probably be occupied by the first of November.

The old church will be moved to the south portion of the church property and used as a store room. The annex built a few years since and now used as the main church will be moved so as to join the new building on the south, when it will be utilized as a Sunday school and parish room.

Dr. Loveridge is well pleased with the liberal donations made by citizens to assist in erecting the new building and states they contemplate no debt as a result of the effort.

FORRESTER ACQUITTED.

Jury Exonerated Him of the Murder of Brogan.

THE DALLES, Or., Feb. 22.—The Brogan murder trial was closed last night before the largest crowd ever assembled at the court rooms. The case went to the jury at midnight, and a verdict of acquittal of Forrester, the defendant, was returned in one hour. It was generally expected that a verdict of manslaughter would be found.

The testimony introduced at the trial tended to show that Brogan had called Forrester a vile name before the latter fired the fatal shot, and that the abuse was without provocation.

DON'T CUT DOWN THE TREE.

It May Not Be as Badly Damaged as Appearance Indicates.

A H. Buckman who is an experienced fruitgrower, of Portland, says that too much credence should not be placed in the reports from various parts of the valley of damage done to fruit trees by the recent cold snap. He says that it is yet too early in the season to form a correct opinion of the amount of damage done. The bark of fruit trees will often turn black from frost, and will even peel off from that cause, yet the tree will recover. Mr. Buckman advises people not to be in too big a hurry to cut down trees which they imagine damaged by frost.

Circuit Court Cases.

Euphany Condray vs Andrew P. Condray, suit for divorce. The complaint alleges that the couple were married in Lane county Sept. 29, 1885. The issue of said marriage is a son 11 years of age and a daughter 3 years; that he has been guilty of cruel and inhuman treatment; asks that one-third of the real property be awarded her, and that defendant be compelled to support the minor children.

Helm & Nathan vs Lena F. Finley and Laura M. Brunley; to recover money on a promissory note. Judgment is asked for \$126.25.

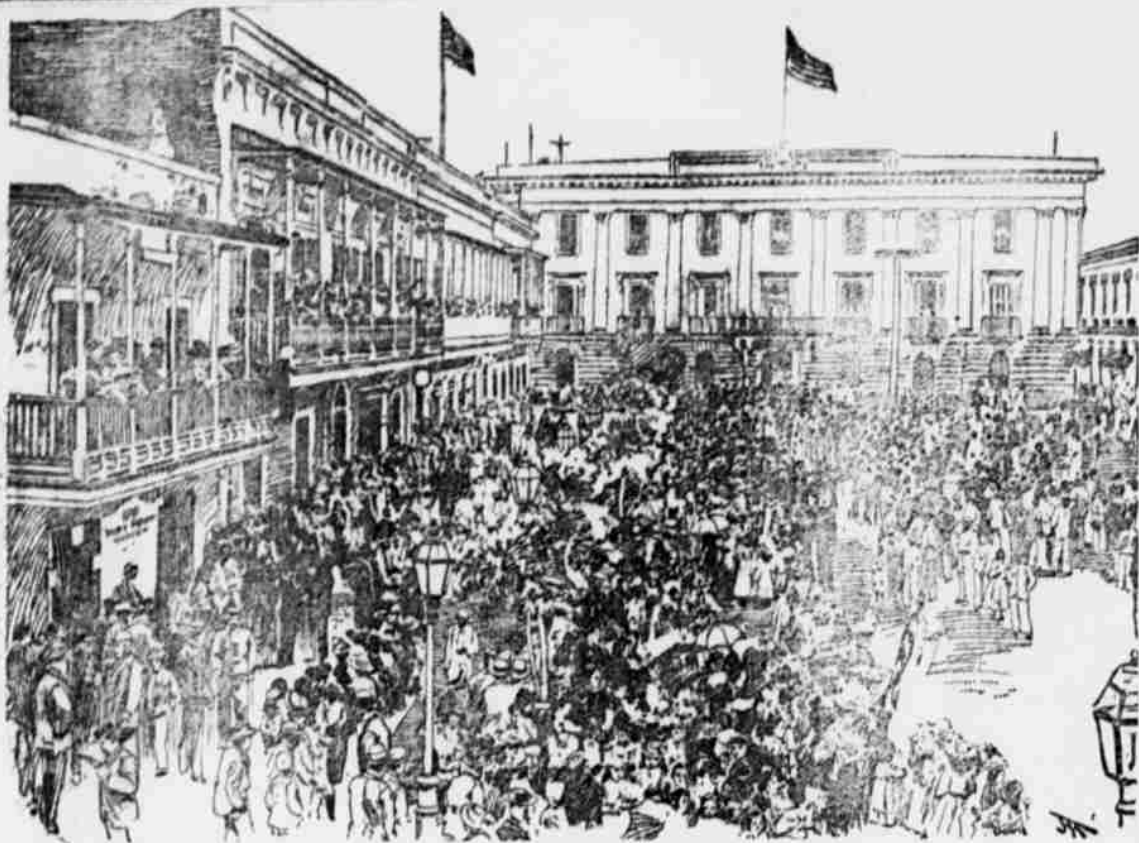
In the court A. C. Jennings vs John Branton, the defendant files a motion for plaintiff more definite and certain.

"Plant Winter Apples."

Oregonian: H. B. Miller, the well known politician of Southern Oregon, who has been spending a few days in Portland, congratulates himself on having twenty-five acres of seven-year-old winter apple trees on his Rogue river farm. He cleared \$100 an acre from his '98 crop, and his advice to all fruitgrowers is, "Plant winter apples." He has been an enthusiast in winter apples for the last ten years and thinks that time has borne him out all right in his good opinion of them.

Evolution.

He used to wear long, dark, curly hair, and collars lined with lace, and maidens used to stroke his head and say he had an angel's face. (TEN YEARS HAVE ELAPSED.) Today his hair is coarse and straight, his countenance is freckled, and tobacco stains mark on his lips. While he can swear to beat the band. —CLEVELAND LEADER.



PRESENTATION OF FLAGS TO SAN JUAN SCHOOLS.

The enthusiasm with which the Porto Ricans have sought to place themselves under the protecting folds of the stars and stripes augurs well for the future loyalty and good citizenship of the people of our new possession in the Antilles. This was strikingly illustrated recently when Lafayette post, G. A. R., of New York presented the first American flags to the schools of the various cities and towns of the island. Vice Commander Allan C. Bakewell was sent to Porto Rico by Lafayette post for this purpose, and his mission was entirely satisfactory. School officials, teachers and pupils gave him a hearty welcome and gladly accepted the emblem of American sovereignty. Something over 600 flags were distributed. Outline copies of the constitution of the United States, printed in English and Spanish, were also presented. An example of the enthusiasm with which the flags were received is shown in the picture given above, which represents the presentation at the principal school of San Juan. Officials, teachers and pupils assembled in the plaza facing the school building, which was crowded with spectators. The occasion was made a holiday. The ceremonies consisted of speechmaking and the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" and other patriotic airs, which the children had been taught prior to the visit of Lafayette post's representative.

IMPOSING STATE FUNERAL.

The Deceased French President Laid to Rest With Impressive Ceremonial.

UTMOST RESPECT OF POPULACE.

New York, Feb. 24.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Paris says: Perfect order, even reverence, marked the passage of Felix Faure's funeral procession along the Place de la Concorde and the fashionable thoroughfares. President Loubet in plain evening dress, wearing a silk hat, attended by the prime minister, the president of the chamber and the vice-president of the senate, walked behind the hearse from the Elysee palace to Notre Dame and thence to Pere la Chaise, a distance of five and a half miles. At no point in this long route was there a solitary derisive shout or jeer.

It was the most imposing sight seen in Paris in many years. The sun shown brightly from a cloudless blue sky upon the brilliant uniforms of the troops, upon the superb black and silver hearse drawn by six jet black horses, and caparisoned in silver and black and decked with jet black ostrich plumes. Each horse was led by a groom in black and silver.

The street lamps, burning beneath graceful festoons of crepe gauze, gave the city the appearance of a vast chapelet ardente. Wreaths from foreign sovereigns and heads of state were each borne upon silver and black chariots drawn by black horses led by silver-laced grooms. There were 12 of these wreaths, each six yards in diameter, the handsomest of all being that of the queen regent of Spain, consisting of parma violets and orchids. Emperor William's wreath of dark violets and orchids was already half faded. The wreath of the president of the United States, composed of white lilies and roses, was much admired. Floral wreaths from associations and from cities and towns throughout France, each borne by six firemen in brass helmets, were so numerous and profuse as to literally perfume the air as they passed along the Place de la Concorde. A prominent Parisian florist estimates that the cost of the flowers in the cortege exceeded 3,000,000 francs.

After the French tricolor, the flags which were the most numerous and conspicuous were those of Russia and the United States. Seldom have so many American flags been displayed in Paris, and seldom, indeed on such a public occasion, have so few British flags been seen.

The German emperor's special military envoys to represent him attracted marked attention, for they were veritable giants, one of them, Major Pleskow, of the first regiment of foot guards, being nearly seven feet tall. He is reputed to be the tallest officer in the German army. They marched abreast, and with the white-plumed helmets, threw all other officers into the shade, not excepting the Russian military envoys in scarlet and gold.

J. P. Rodgers has been fined at Salem for spitting on the sidewalk. Eugene has a spit ordinance but it is not enforced.

SEALED SOLDIER'S PAY.

Not Enough to Supply Shoes and Clothing.

John D. Newsome of Co. C writes a very interesting letter to his father at Prineville under date of Dec. 31. We take this extract:

"There is a good chance of getting relieved by the first regulars to come. I hope so. I am getting tired of soldiering, to say nothing of the princely income of \$15 per month. A man can't pay for the shoes and clothes he wears out, let alone dressing anywhere near respectable. Out of my \$15 about \$6 goes to the commissary, to get the food necessary to live in health. One would get the scurvy in six months, or less eating this—Army grub. The food we get is precisely that required by the system of the Esquimaux living at latitude 0.

"You cannot reasonably expect me to lay by my money. I will consider myself lucky if I am able to buy myself a fine pair of shoes and a nice suit of clothes, so that I would be attired properly to receive the ovations that are sure to meet me when soldier J. D. returns from war—the only representative of Prineville in the Hispano American war."

Odd Seattle Case.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 24.—Judge Moore has rendered a decision in the Van Alstine divorce case, in which he finds Mrs. Lou Van Alstine guilty of conspiracy and a divorce is granted to Van Alstine. The court finds Melvin G. Winstock, her attorney, and Emma Norton, her sister, associated with Mrs. Lou Van Alstine in the conspiracy to defraud Ben Van Alstine, a Klondiker, of \$31,000, and has ordered the money returned and the marriage annulled.

SENATE BILLS.—273 bills were introduced in the senate, of which 125 passed that body and 92 passed the house. Driver introduced two bills, one passing the senate and house; Kaykendall introduced 11 bills, 6 of which passed the senate and 3 the house. Fulton of Clatsop introduced 28 bills, of which 18 passed the senate and 15 the house.

COLD EAST.—A W. Haskell informs us that a letter just received from his sister at Minneapolis, Minnesota, states that for three weeks the thermometer had ranged from 20 to 45 degrees below zero, and that it was almost impossible to keep comfortable.

Daily Guard Feb. 25.

APPROVED.—Governor Geer yesterday approved the bill prohibiting nickel-in-the-slot machines and it immediately became a law on the Governor signing the same, as it contained an emergency clause.

The postoffice department has advertised for bids for carrying the mails from Junction City to Estrup, Or., nine miles and back, twice a week, from May 1, 1899, to June 30, 1902. The bids must be submitted by March 5, next.

Mrs. J. M. Cully, formerly of Irving but now of Skagway, Alaska, who came down a week ago, started on her return trip this morning accompanied by her son. Mr. Cully will soon start over the trail for Dawson.

WANTS THE OREGON.

Admiral Dewey Asks the Department for the Battle-Ship.

Needed for Political Reasons.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The following cablegram has been received at the navy department:

"Manila, Feb. 24.—For political reasons the Oregon should be sent here at once.

The Yorktown has arrived. The Charleston and Petrel are cruising around the Philippine Islands. Affairs are more quiet. DEWEY."

The cablegram was received with surprise by the officials here. No one knew, or at least would admit that he knew, the nature of the political reasons which the admiral says demand the immediate presence of the peerless battle ship. The cablegram was taken to the cabinet meeting and fully discussed there.

Grover Will Be There.

Princeton, N. J., Feb. 24.—It is learned that Ex-President Cleveland has signified his intention of attending the dinner to be given at Delmonico's on March 2 in honor of Carl Schurz. This will be Mr. Cleveland's first public appearance in New York politics since 1896.

WHEELER COUNTY OFFICERS.

Gov. Geer Appointed a Full Corps For the New County.

Gov. Geer yesterday appointed the following named officers to serve the new county of Wheeler until the next election:

- County Judge, W. W. Kennedy of Fossil.
- Sheriff, P. S. Keeten, of Caleb.
- Clerk, Geo. Butler, of Waldron.
- Treasurer, Geo. S. Carpenter of Fossil.
- Commissioners, Eugene Looney, of Mitchell; C. N. Wagner, of Wagner.
- School supt., O. B. Miles, of Fossil.
- Assessor, J. F. Shown, of Waldron.
- Surveyor, T. L. Stewart, of Fossil.
- Coroner, Dr. McCorkle, of Mitchell.

All the above are republicans, except Keeton and Looney, who are gold democrats. They will transact business at Fossil, the county seat.

Gov. Geer also appointed R. H. Scott as the additional member of the new board of county commissioners of Clackamas county.

Real Estate Transactions.

Emily Hovey to L. N. Roney, an undivided one-half of lots 2 and 3 in block 10 in Mulligan's donation to Eugene.

DIED.—At Creswell, Or., February 22, 1899, of dropsy, J. A. Hughes, aged 50 years. He was born in the state of Missouri. He leaves a wife and four children, two daughters and two sons. The remains were buried in the Howe cemetery, the services being conducted by Rev. M. L. Rose of this city.

ABSENT SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Decision in the Case of Chaplain Gilbert.

MIXED-UP AFFAIR.

Salem Statesman, Feb. 24.

"State Superintendent J. H. Ackerman yesterday decided a question raised by the board of directors of the Eugene city school district, as to whether or not a vacancy existed in the membership of the board. The question is the result of the absence, for some time past, of Rev. W. S. Gilbert, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Eugene, who, as chaplain of the Second Oregon U. S. Volunteers, is with the command at Manila. Rev. Gilbert was a member of the school board of the district when he left with his command at the outbreak of the war, and some little time ago, realizing that he would not soon return to attend to the duties of his office as such director, he forwarded his resignation to the board, asking that it be accepted and a successor elected. The resignation, received by the board was not accepted. Now, the annual school meeting coming on, the board, or the majority of the board, is in a quandary as to whether a vacancy exists, by reason of Rev. Gilbert's continued absence from the state, and if the present director's place should be filled by the election of a successor.

"The question being submitted to Superintendent J. H. Ackerman, he yesterday wrote the Eugene school board that, since the resignation of Director Gilbert had not been accepted by the directors acting as such board, there existed no vacancy, and the place could not be filled at the coming annual school meeting, nor until the expiration of the absent official's time, except upon the acceptance in due form, of a resignation of that officer, when an election must be held to fill the vacancy.

"As the absent director is not likely to return very soon, and his resignation, if made again upon his learning of the state of affairs existing in his district, will not be received for several months at the least, Eugene will have to worry along with two directors, the term of one of whom expires on the date of the coming annual school meeting, on March 13th.

"Superintendent Ackerman said to a representative of the Statesman that, under the existing school laws, the absence of a director from the district for an indefinite length of time did not vacate the office, there being no provision in the law for that contingency. He stated that an effort had been made at the recent session of the legislature to provide for just such cases, by prescribing the conditions upon which the office of school director would be vacant, but that it had not been enacted into law."

A PLETHORA OF MONEY.

San Francisco Banks Full to Overflowing.

Owing to the hoarding in savings banks of large amounts by people who have been timid about making business investments during the several years of depression, the dividend declared by the savings institutions in California the first of this year was only 3.75 per cent.

The San Francisco banks are in the midst of almost a plethora of well being, and find difficulty in placing their money, so great is the general welfare. The assets of the Hibernia bank, the great saving concern, are \$44,000,000; the German Savings comes next, with over \$30,000,000, and the Savings Union is only a comparatively slight amount behind, with \$25,000,000. All the banks are in a position to pay every liability and leave large surpluses.

Sharp Practice Failed.

Albany Democrat: "The Democrat has the facts in reference to nickle-in-the-slot bill, which some declare will not become a law because the original bill was taken away. While the bill was taken away an exact copy was passed as a substitute in the house and occurred in by the senate, which entirely does away with that objection. There were smarter men in the legislature than Mr. Curtis by a big majority, and Mr. Proebstel was one of them."

Blizzards in Nebraska and Kansas.

Omaha, Neb., Feb. 23.—A furious snow storm is raging throughout Nebraska. In Omaha a terrific wind accompanied the snow, but out in the state there was not so much wind, and the indications are that the fall will be quite beneficial to stock and winter wheat. Several inches of snow have fallen. Reports from various towns in Kansas show that a blizzard is raging in that state.