

REINHART SEES VICTORY AHEAD FOR OREGON FIVE

Eugene, Or., Jan. 1.—With a squad of 13 men picked, very much of whom is of strong varsity caliber, Coach Reinhart of the University of Oregon is looking forward to a successful basketball season for his proteges. The coach is especially pleased with his squad, since every man ranks high in scholastic standing at the university.

"The good grades count for two things," he said today. "First, there is little danger of ineligibility, and, second, the players show more intelligence in grasping the coach's ideas on how the game should be played. Natural born athletes may be all right, but I'd take the man of ordinary ability who can think."

The thirteen men left on the squad this season include the pick of last year's strong freshman squad, and three of last year's varsity lettermen and three of last year's first string utility men.

The forwards include Russell Gowans and Howard Hobson, both stars with the team of the past season; Earle Childs, Harold Lewellyn and Lerley Stoddard. At the present time it looks as though Gowans and Hobson would again hold the forward berths, as both men are speedy and clever floor workers, as well as good shooters. They are being given a real run for their money by the other aspirants however.

Charles Jost, understudy center with last year's team, is out for the pivot position. His right side being disputed by Roy Oberborg and Clarence Carter, both of whom played with the '24 quintet last year and "Ich" Reynolds, former Multnomah club center.

Guard, Ted Gillenwaters is the only letterman remaining, but the keen competition being shown for the guard berths would indicate that even he might be crowded off the first team this season. Jerome Gunther, last year's utility man, and E. C. Hughes are sharing pre-season honors with Algot Westergren and James Reinhart in the race for the positions.

The schedule this year is well arranged for Coach Reinhart's team. Six good games with northwest conference and non-conference teams will be played before the first big test, the Pacific coast conference game with Montana on January 25. Then Washington, Oregon Aggies, Washington State and Idaho will be met, after the Oregon team has been well seasoned.

The work of the squad so far has been in fundamentals, with drill in the five-man defense and offense plays.

St. Paul, Minn.—Tommy Gibbons, St. Paul light heavyweight boxer, announced he had received an offer to fight Luis Angel Firpo, South American heavyweight, in London.

Police Dog Stars In Offering At Liberty

One of the most entertaining features of the present season will be seen at the Liberty Theatre Friday when "The Silent Accuser" will be on view.

It is the contention of the director, Chester M. Franklin, who

dog, who plays the part of "the silent accuser," has the most important role in the story, and outshined even the director by his intelligence.

The rest of the cast includes Eleanor Boardman, the girl who



Scene from Chester Franklin's "THE SILENT ACCUSER"

has also directed such successes as "Where the North Begins," and Norma Talmadge in "The Song of Love," that the primary purpose of the screen is entertainment. With this aim in view, Franklin and Frank O'Connor, director and assistant director, respectively, have adapted Jack Boyle's story, written especially for the screen in a way which has richly enhanced its entertainment value.

One of the features of the production is the introduction of the screen of Peter the Great, a giant German police dog who, according to all reports, does many thrilling stunts never before accomplished by an animal. The

has risen from extra work to stardom in two years through her work in "Souls for Sale," "Three Wise Fools," "Wine of Youth" and "Sinners in Silk"; Raymond McKee, known for his triumphs in such pictures as "Down to the Sea in Ships," one of last year's sensations; and Earl Metcalfe, one of the most famous villains on the screen.

The picture has been produced on a lavish scale, and no expense has been spared to make it one of the most interesting of the season. It is said the photography of Charles Dreyer is one of the most exquisite bits of camera work done in some time.

OREGON AND AGGIES TO DEBATE NEXT WEEK

University of Oregon, Eugene, Jan. 1.—(Special)—The University of Oregon will hold a "home and home" debate with the Oregon Agricultural college next Thursday night, January 8, on the question, "Resolved, That congress by a two-thirds vote should have power to overrule decisions of the supreme court declaring acts of congress unconstitutional."

Soi Abramson of Portland and Benoit McCroskey of Salem will represent the university on the affirmative side of the question in Eugene, while on the same evening at Corvallis the University of Oregon representatives, Herschel

Brown of San Pedro, Cal., and Curtis L. Erwin of Eugene will uphold the negative.

Abramson represented Oregon in the Pacific coast intercollegiate extemporary contest at Palo Alto recently. McCroskey is a freshman but was a brilliant debater while in Salem high. He and an associate won the state intercollegiate debating championship last winter. Brown debated against Stanford last year. This is the first year of intercollegiate debating for Erwin.

New York.—Mrs. Sarah T. Ryan obtained a divorce from Allan A. Ryan, son of Thomas Fortune Ryan, financier, July 19, 1923, her attorney announced.

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GRAM SEES YEAR OF PROSPERITY AHEAD IN STATE

Indications in the industrial life of Oregon point to a prosperous year for 1925, says a statement issued by State Labor Commissioner C. H. Gram. Farming and labor conditions as well as the factory industries are touched upon in the statement.

"An optimistic feeling pervades the industrial life of Oregon and employers generally are confident that 1925 will be a prosperous year," says the statement. "Indications are that there will be a greater demand for skilled labor in the next twelve months than was required this year."

"It is conservatively estimated that building construction will be greater by 15 per cent in 1925 in Portland than 1924 and it is safe to say this ratio of increase will prevail throughout the state. It is also expected that building craftsmen will have increased opportunities of employment but it is anticipated that there will be sufficient mechanics within the state to take care of the building program."

"There will be a slight decrease in state highway construction in 1925 compared with 1924. About five million dollars will be expended by the state in constructing roads in Oregon the coming year. The expense of construction of the state roads is defrayed by money heretofore appropriated. In addition new county roads are planned to be built next year, financed by local issues approximating in cost two million dollars; also two million of dollars to be expended for market roads is contemplated as a part of the county road building program."

"There seems to be a disposition on the part of the farmers of Oregon to depart from general farming and to undertake the cultivation of special crops for which there is already market and to which the soil and climate of the state is peculiarly adapted, such as walnuts, celery and other products. Fall wheat planting acreage increased 5 per cent over that of last year and it is figured that spring planting of wheat and most other crops will bear at least the same proportionate increase."

"Mining does not furnish any considerable amount of employment in Oregon. There has been some activity in southern Oregon

ACCIDENTS DUE TO FREEZE COST STATE \$25,000

Industrial accidents in Oregon resulting from the recent snow and cold weather, according to an estimate by the state industrial accident commission, will cost the commission between \$25,000 and \$30,000. An unusual thing about the month of December was that up to December 13 not a single fatal accident was reported to the commission, but after that date the fatalities piled up with unusual rapidity, several of them due to the weather.

"Of the fatal accidents," said a member of the commission yesterday, "one occurred to an auto truck driver when his machine skidded on the slippery pavement, while another worker was drowned while attempting to keep the spillway at a power plant free from ice."

"By far the greatest number of accidents caused by the cold weather resulted from falls. Included in this group were workmen who slipped from logs, from wood piles and boards and on floors covered with ice.

"One workman was incapacitated when a large icicle in falling struck his foot, and another employe was injured by a fall while breaking an ice jam in an irrigation canal. A number of cases of frozen fingers and toes were also reported, and in one instance a worker while disabled from a previous injury fell on the ice and fractured two ribs."

In the past season along the line of development work which is expected to continue at about the same rate in 1925.

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