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JEFFERSONIANS WIN.

Spirited College Debate on the Monroe Doctrine.

In one of the most spirited and stubbornly contested debates ever heard in the college chapel, the team representing the Jeffersonian society defeated the three speakers of the Philadelphians in the third debate of the series for the Gatch cup. Great interest was manifested throughout the contest. The efforts put forth by each representative team showed much study and careful preparation.

The question discussed was, "Resolved, That the Monroe Doctrine as it is at present construed should be abandoned by the U. S. Government." The Philadelphians upheld the affirmative and were represented by L. B. Ruesel, N. H. Gunderson and E. P. Rawson. The Jeffs in supporting the negative, were represented by J. G. Shroeder, H. Wilkins and R. R. Selleck.

Mr. Russel opened the discussion with a well delivered address in supporting the affirmative side. He suggested a few things that they would advocate and in a logical manner established their conception of the question by reviewing the history of the Monroe Doctrine, its former interpretation and its meaning as construed at the present time, augmented by numerous corollaries.

J. G. Shroeder delivered the first speech on the negative side. From the opening, after relating on habitual comical story, the speaker began to rebut the affirmative's argument and by well directed policy built the foundation upon which the negative proposed to stand. He showed clearly the point of divergence between the sides and closed leaving the impression that the first speaker's version of the question was by no means the strongest.

Mr. Gunderson supported the policy outlined by his colleague, but in so doing was unable to turn the tide of argument in favor of the affirmative.

H. Wilkins in a short rebuttal showed the fallacy of the argument advocated by the affirmative and in a forceful manner presented an array of facts that placed the negative far in the lead. He showed some of the things the Monroe Doctrine had done, and what it must do in the future. Although it was his first appearance, this speaker delivered probably the strongest argumentative speech of the evening.

The last speaker on the affirmative, E. P. Rawson, began by refuting some of his opponents speech, after which he brought out the climax of their argument. By supporting the two speeches of his colleagues and advancing much new material, he made an eloquent effort to save the day.

He was followed by R. R. Selleck who closed the main argument for the negative. The speaker showed elaborate preparation. In a short time he had shown gross inconsistencies in his opponents argument. He backed his objections with authority and after clearing the field of any established policy the affirmative could claim, he opened an argument which clenched the strong speeches of his colleagues. While probably tinged a trifle too much with sarcasm, Mr. Selleck's speech was unquestionably the strongest of the evening, if not the most able ever given in the chapel.

Shroeder and Rawson took five minutes for rebuttal.

The decision was unanimously in favor of the negative. Judges, Prof. Holmes, Prof. Nichols and T. T. Vincent.

Buying Plants.

The Willamette Valley company, of which A. Welch is

manager, is carrying on active operations in the Willamette valley and other portions of the state in the absorption of valuable electric light, water and power plants and merging them into one immense system, says last evening's Salem Journal. The latest acquisition is the purchase of the Cottage Grove Electric company plant from Thompson & Abrams, the transfer of which property has just been announced, but the consideration is not given out. The company is also engaged in installing a 200-horse power electric plant at Seaside. The Cottage Grove plant which is of 100-horse power, is being equipped with new machinery capable of developing 200 horse power.

It is understood that the Willamette Valley company, which is backed by Rhodes, Sinkler & Butcher of Philadelphia, I. W. Anderson, of Spokane, and A. Welch and others of this city, is negotiating for the purchase of plants in Eastern Oregon, and will extend in operations into that territory. Besides the Cottage Grove and Seattle plant the company has acquired possession of the Eugene-Springfield, Corvallis and Albany plants. Negotiations for the purchase of the Monmouth and Independence plants have been reported but their consummation has not been confirmed.

We understand that operations are soon to commence on the construction of the electric line from Albany to this city. The right of way is practically secured.

Inaccurate Figures

The claim is made that figures from 1905 will show a decrease in population in Oregon—less even than in 1900. Commencing on this matter, the Telegram says:

According to county assessors' returns already examined the total population of Oregon will be well less than that given by the Federal census of 1900.

In many instances the returns show on their faces that no attempt was made at accuracy, and this lack of care is of such a nature that Secretary of State Dunbar will hardly be able to compete the tabulation of the state census of 1905 until some time this Fall, possibly not before next Winter.

There was no appropriation made to provide extra help to do this work, consequently it must be done by the regular office force. The primary and general elections furnish all the work the employes of the office can handle for some time to come. It will be necessary to work over time to tabulate the returns of the primary election, and to get the official ballot out for the June election.

The census returns taken by the assessor in many instances were not properly extended. It will be necessary to go over all the papers and check them up, a slow and tedious process. With the present help, it will require weeks, and possibly months, to tabulate the returns properly.

Some Places Yet Unfilled.

Up to date there are a few county offices that no one is seeking nomination for on the republican ticket. For judge, as previously mentioned, there are several candidates, but at the hour of going to press no person has yet filed a petition praying nomination at the hands of republicans for the office of sheriff. The same is true of the treasurer's office, likewise county surveyor.

Among the other offices T. T. Vincent, as before stated, has filed his petition for county clerk, Capt. J. W. Crawford and Emory Newton for recorder, and William Jolly for re-election as county commissioner. There are other offices to be filled and it is to be hoped that good men will make an effort to file their petitions as the time is becoming short.

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BASKETBALL REVIEW.

Season Ends With Championship at OAC.

The closing of the second term of school marks the end of the basketball season and never before in the history of sports at OAC did a team close the season with such a splendid record behind them. By a system of clean honorable playing, Captain Cate's bunch have been able to bring the state championship to the college on the hill.

During the previous seasons there had been some doubt as to the real championship team, but this year there can be no misunderstanding. OAC has not only defeated every other team, but in the return games the orange were always victors. The Farmers won every game on the schedule which gives them the title of champions.

Besides winning from all the strong teams in Oregon, the boys defeated two of the best teams in the United States. The Red Men of Minnesota, who claimed a championship record, were taken into camp at a lively rate. A few weeks after this a tremendous crowd filled the Armory to witness the game between the Meteors from Chicago and the locals. This was one of the best games ever played at OAC. The visiting team played superb ball, but were unable to defeat the locals. In winning this game the OAC team demonstrated that they play winning ball.

By defeating the Chicago aggregation with ease they practically won the championship of the West. Although that team has been defeated, they probably were the strongest bunch of players west of the Mississippi.

It was not deemed necessary by the management to bind this star team in a written contract not to defeat OAC more than ten points; on the contrary, before the game closed it appeared that such action might have been in place had the other team made such restrictions on OAC.

The fact that every member of the team is a regular student, doing good work in school, and taking the regular number of hours prescribed and passing in them, makes their triumph unique. It is a season of victories which may be appreciated by the OAC students, and a season which will long be remembered in the annals of basketball history. The year '06 in basketball will be paralleled only by the days of "Pap Hayseed" on the gridiron.

There is some talk of taking this team on a tour next season. Whether this be carried out or not we may rest assured that the boys could play the game with any team in the United States and bring back the same trophy—victory.

With Swan and Reed, the heavy weights, as forwards, OAC had a couple of men that never met their equals. Captain Cate at center was always a star, and he handled his man with ease. The guards, Rooper and Bilyeu, received only compliments from every crowd they played before.

The following is a list of games with the scores:

OAC	Salem Y. M.	C. A.	O. S. N. S.	U. of N. O.	Dallas	W. U.	U. of O.	Red Men	Dallas	Meteors	Ashland
	33	7	23	16	17	15	18	17	21	7	6
	25	15	17	11	27	20	63	21			
	276	135									

Portland Market.

California butter is coming in quite plentifully, and as it retails for 10c a square less than the home product, it has a weakening effect on the price of the latter. City creamery operators

report, however, that they can dispose of their daily output at 30c a pound, although fresh cream is reaching them more plentifully as Spring advances.

Front-street merchants who have butter consigned them report some difficulty in getting rid of all that comes in, and think that prices must come down to meet the imported article within a few days. Fancy creamery butter has been high the past few months, and customers will welcome a decline.

Hams and lard have advanced 1/4c a pound. Prices are firm as a result of the high price of hogs, which are mostly shipped in from Nebraska. Dealers do not look for lower prices along these lines until Fall.

Sugar is considered firm and wholesalers are stocking up, expecting a further advance. They advise retailers also to buy at present figures, because they think scarcity of raws and a firm Eastern market may cause yet higher quotations.

Dressed calves are in heavy receipt, but prices do not decline. The scarcity of mutton and pork renders the consumption of veal heavier than it would otherwise be, and no slump in dressed veal is feared this season. Express receipts from adjacent dairies increase from day to day.

Three carloads of bananas reached the city from New Orleans this morning, five days behind time. The fruit had been housed on the Northern Pacific line to keep it from chilling during the recent cold snap. Most of it proved to be in good conditions.

New potatoes are in the market at 40c per pound. The retail markets have been supplied with small consignments of new potatoes from California for some time, but the tubers are now plentiful enough to appear among the wholesale consignments on Front street.

Fresh eggs are steady at 16c, and no change is looked for this week. Cold storage men who have been expecting a 14c market for some time are now wondering if that figure will be reached at all. Although no outside demand appears, stocks work off pretty well from day to day.

Price of Logs Advance.

Fir logs advanced another 50 cents a thousand feet in Portland last week. This makes the price \$8.50 a thousand or within 50 cents of the highest price reached, four years ago, when logs were extremely scarce.

"Logs are not likely to be cheap any more in Portland," said a well known timber man today. "It costs too much now to log off a track, as the timber is more remote from navigable streams each succeeding years."

"In order to conduct a logging enterprise now railroads have to be built into the woods and expensive railroading stock maintained. Men who are able to operate in the woods of the Northwest must have considerable capital to start with, and they must be able to hold their logs if prices do not suit them."

It is expected that the advance in logs will cause a corresponding rise in the price of lumber in the near future, should the demand for building material continue as strong as at present.

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