

Washington Team Has Been Chosen to Meet Oregon in Forensic Battle Fifteenth Amendment to Constitution Subject - Other University Notes

The team which will represent Washington here in debate March 29 has been selected as follows: Leader, William Rasmussen, formerly of Pacific University; Charles Hall and Ed Hawes. The latter is manager of Washington's track team. The team which will represent Oregon is leader, J. C. Veatch, Cottage Grove; Clarence Wheelton, Albany, and J. R. Latourrette, Oregon City. The Oregon team has the affirmative on the fifteenth amendment question, supporting the side that is should not be repealed. Oregon's negative team goes to Moscow to debate Idaho, whose negative team goes to Seattle.

The team is working very hard. In the library apartments have been prepared especially for them. This year there will be no charts or maps allowed, each team having to depend upon their ability to talk alone without the aid of written diagrams or other similar schemes.

Exams and Other Notes.
Examinations began today at the university for the first semester and will last ten days. The second semester opens on February 18. The professors report that this semester, though the work has been more severe than ever before, that the scholarship has been exceptionally high and that they do not believe there will be any general flunking.

Professor Luella Clay Carson has been made an honorary member of the Portland Association of the University of Oregon. She is at the head of the English department.

The Euxasian Literary Society has elected the following officers: President, Miss Sarah Reed; vice president, Miss Mary Scott; secretary, Miss Maude Service; assistant secretary, Miss Adella White; treasurer, Miss Eva Winehart; censor, Miss Pashay. The society is composed entirely of girls.

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Another enthusiastic and largely attended meeting of the East Eugene Improvement Club was held in the Fairmount hall last night and various topics of general interest were discussed. The meeting opened with the report of a committee, headed by T. H. Garrett, recently appointed to interview the school board in regard to the erection of a school building in Fairmount. The committee reported progress.

Geo. M. Miller spoke on general improvements, urging a system of cutting weeds in the streets by machine and the removal of old and unsightly buildings.

Simon Kjovaldt spoke on the drainage system of Fairmount, and urged the necessity of grading the streets lower in order to give drainage to the adjacent property.

M. Svarverud addressed the meeting on the planting of shade trees on the streets with some degree of uniformity, thereby beautifying the general appearance of the suburb.

Professor Brindley, of the University of Oregon, spoke on the Harriman railroad merger and urged the

people to protest to congress through the legislature. He also advocated the necessity of a permanent state tax commission.

A resolution was adopted, bearing the sense of the meeting, that shade trees should be planted on East Fifteenth street in Fairmount, and a committee to look after the matter was appointed.

A committee was also appointed to attend to the matter of securing the removal of the old store and postoffice building next the old Marsh store building on East Eleventh street. This building leans out over the street and is really dangerous to passerby, as it might fall at any time.

SPRING WEATHER FOLLOWS THE FRESHET

Unlike the freshet in January, this one is ending with warm, sunshiny weather. This morning the sun, for the first time in several days, peered through the clouds, and later in the forenoon the sky cleared and the remainder of the day was like springtime. The rivers are going down slowly, the Willamette at the red bridge registering 18 feet and 5 inches early this morning, but fell to 17 feet at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

According to reports received at the Guard office today the damage to property along the rivers is not so extensive as at first thought. As far as can be learned about the only serious damage to county bridges is the washing away of an approach each at the Hayden bridge across the McKenzie and the Callison bridge across Fall Creek, besides the breaking down of the approach to the red bridge here.

Fall creek is said to have been higher than it had been known to be for 30 years, according to E. E. Hyland, who is down from Lowell. He also says the upper Willamette was two or three feet higher than it was during the January freshet.

Owing to the fact that the telephone service in the country districts was almost entirely demoralized by the storm, it is impossible to obtain a great amount of information as to the loss in some parts of the county, especially west of here. No stages from the Siuslaw country have been able to get through since last Saturday night, but word was received this morning that effort would be made to get the east bound stage through tonight. The Springfield stage came over this morning for the first time since the high water began, although the road was in a very bad condition.

EUGENE ODD FELLOWS GO TO COTTAGE GROVE

Quite a crowd of Eugene Odd Fellows—members of Winiawala encampment—went to Cottage Grove this afternoon to attend the meeting of the encampment there tonight at which time the new officers will be installed, the Eugene delegates to assist in the work. Work in all the degrees will also be put on and a banquet will be served. Among those from Eugene who will be in attendance are: Henry Denhart, C. S. Frank, W. J. Warnock, J. W. Cherry, W. Nichols, H. A. Barr, E. C. Lake, Geo. K. Moore, W. M. Green, M. Svarverud, E. R. Frank, W. W. Chessman, W. J. Bowman, L. N. Phelps, M. O. Fuller and G. W. Holland.

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WILL BUILD NEW BLOCK IN EUGENE

H. Gordon, of this city, who recently sold his large housefurnishing business to Campbell & Fellman, will probably erect a large business house where his residence now stands at Charleton and West Ninth streets. The building as planned will occupy a ground space of 40x100 feet, and will necessitate the removal of the residence to another part of the block. The building, in case satisfactory arrangements are made with the prospective tenants, will be started in a short time and be completed by July 1st. It would be occupied at once.

Will Build in Portland.

Mr. Gordon has definitely decided to remove to Portland and enter the retail furniture business in that city and will commence the erection of a fine five-story building on his property there, which will be constructed of pressed brick and stone, with 150 feet of glass frontage and modern in all respects. John Hunziker, of this city, is the architect, and Midgley's mill, of this city, will furnish the mill work on the building, which will be constructed by H. Snook, of Salem.

Mr. Gordon, who with Mr. Hunziker is now in Portland, has also just bought a residence site in that city.

FREE PASSES ON STATE RAILROADS FOR STATE OFFICIALS

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lege and of all other four of the State Normal Schools.

Board of inspectors of Child labor. The only apparent remedy is for the present legislature to draft new bills correcting the errors of former legislative assemblies. This will probably be done.

The bill introduced by Representative Dye, of Clackamas, by request, to create a State Board of Charities and Corrections, was knocked in the head in the house last week by Representative Chapin, of Multnomah, because it provided for a term of six years' service for the members of the board, and the bill presented by Vawter, of Douglas and Jackson, providing for one State Board of Regents to control all the State Normal Schools, which also provides that the six appointive members shall serve for six years, which the ways and means committee of the house has decided to recommend favorably, will suffer a like fate, as will the bill introduced by Wilson, of Multnomah, providing for a Board of State Osteopathic Examination and Registration, the proposed five members of which shall serve for a period of five years.

WOMEN OF WOODCRAFT

All members of Eugene circle No. 15 are requested to attend the regular meeting Friday evening, February 5, to meet the organizer, who will assist in making arrangements for the closing campaign calls to be held in the near future.

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COMPELLED TO STAY OUT OF SCHOOL

About two weeks ago over 25 pupils of the eighth grade of the public schools passed the mid-year examinations and were promoted to the high school, but they are yet unable to enter that institution because the board of education is unable to secure a teacher to handle the increase, the present teaching force being already crowded with work. The teachers' committee of the board has tried to get an additional teacher, but it seems almost impossible to do so right now. In the meantime those who were promoted are out of school and there is a good deal of complaint on the part of their parents on this account.

CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY

The Oregon Eastern Railway this afternoon commenced condemnation proceedings in the circuit court against Stephen Smeed and wife for right-of-way through their land in section 6, township 19, s. r. 1 w., for the railroad proposed to be built from Natron into Eastern Oregon. The company asks the court to assess the damages which will result by reason of taking the property, and upon the payment of the sum assessed a judgment be given appropriating the right-of-way. A similar suit was filed against Addie Gibson et al. for right-of-way through a piece of land in sec. 23, tp. 18, s. r. 2 w.

George Willoughby is in Portland on business.

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