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Friends and neighbors of Mrs. W. F. Schultz are rejoicing to see her once more on the streets after her serious illness.

When Ottice Shearer gets through with his enlarged room, his confectionery will be one of the coziest places in town.

Nelson Frost, Jr., was operated on at the Advent hospital, Portland, yesterday and is reported recovering from the effect thereof.

Philip DeLongchamp of the state architect's office, Sacramento, Calif., spent Easter Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Miller have returned to Forest Grove to make their home. Mr. Miller is in the employ of the custom house, as traveling inspector.

While Councilman Johnson was leading a cow a few days since, the animal pulled the rope through Mr. Johnson's hands so rapidly that the councilman's right hand was severely burned.

The Forest Grove Planing Mill has on page five an advertisement, calling attention to the good qualities of Durable Roofing, an Oregon product handled by this concern.

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Next Wednesday evening, at I. O. O. F. hall, Mrs. Bernard's company of entertainers (sixteen in all) will put on the play, "Advertising for a Wife." All Odd Fellows and Rebekahs are invited. Admission free. Some good laughs are promised.

The burning of spilled gasoline around the coffee urn at the Forest Grove Restaurant at 6 o'clock yesterday morning caused the firemen to turn out, but the blaze was extinguished before the apparatus left the fire house, with but slight damage to the restaurant fixtures.

#### Austin Grubbs

The body of Austin Grubbs, a former resident of this city, was brought in from Portland Tuesday and buried at the Mountain View cemetery.

Deceased, who was 27 years of age, died at his home in Portland Sunday of chronic intestinal nephritis. He is survived by a widow and his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Grubbs. The family lived on Gales Creek for a number of years and moved to Portland about two years ago.

#### Amended Bylaws

At a meeting of the Forest Grove Fruit Growers' association, held Tuesday, April 18th, the bylaws were amended so that three directors only are necessary and J. A. Forbis, B. F. Purdy and H. C. Atwell were elected as such directors. The first-named is president, the second is vice president and Mr. Atwell is secretary and manager. Practically all the stock has been signed over to Mr. Forbis, who will finance the improvements to be made and the operation of the plant.

### Pacific University

#### Willamette Wins Debate

Last Friday evening the Inter-collegiate debate with Willamette University was a victory for the

Methodists. It has been several years since P. U. debated with her old rival. In times past P. U. won the majority of the debates with W. U., having won in '98, '00, '02, '09, hence unusual interest centered in this year's debate.

The contest here was closer than the judges' decision of two-to-one would indicate. It is significant that one of the Willamette debaters frankly remarked after the debate that they thought they had lost, and said the decision in their favor came as a happy surprise to them. The judges were: Rufus C. Holman, Multnomah county commissioner, Portland; A. M. Crawford, Portland, (former Attorney-general for Oregon) and Rex E. Parson, Orenco, Ore. It is interesting to note that the one vote for the P. U. team was by Mr. Crawford, the former attorney-general, a man who probably has but few equals in the state in experience in law debate, and a man eminently fitted to judge a debate. The team that went to Salem also lost the debate, thereby making the victory for W. U. complete. It is needless to say that this was a severe disappointment to P. U., yet it is something to be proud of to know that our debaters, both here and at Salem, made a very creditable showing, making the victory for Willamette not only close, but a real surprise to their own debaters.

The question debated was, "Resolved, That the United States should own and operate all railroads within the border of the states proper."

The teams that met here were: Affirmative, James Rasmussen and Glenn Jack, Pacific University; negative, Harry Savage and Walter Gleiser, Willamette University. Elbert Taylor and Lester Jones represented P. U. on the negative side of the question at Salem on the same evening.

The first speaker in the debate in this city was Glenn Jack of P. U. In the opening speech for the affirmative he outlined the points on which the affirmative would support their arguments as follows: (1st) Private ownership has proved inadequate and has resulted in many evils; (2nd) The Inter-state Commerce commission has shown defects; (3rd) Government ownership is practicable; (4th) Government ownership has been a success where tried.

Mr. Jack spoke rapidly and with earnestness, and showed that he had the subject matter well in hand.

Mr. Savage of W. U. made the opening speech for the negative. He spoke with a calm deliberation that appeared slow after hearing Mr. Jack, yet he spoke with a confidence that comes with a thorough mastery of the situation. He discussed the postoffice, showing how that public utility differed fundamentally from the railway industry, and pointed out the fact that the postoffice was being run on a losing basis, financially, every year. His argument was logical and sound.

Mr. Rasmussen of P. U. made the second speech for the affirmative. He came at his opponents with a strong rebuttal. His argument was more from the standpoint of the public welfare as opposed to the interests of the individual few. He gave much data to show that government ownership of the railroads has been not only a benefit to the common people (those bearing the burden of taxation,) but that government ownership was cheaper. He also pointed out that it was a proper "function of government to provide for the public welfare" by taking over the railroads. He said there were fifty-four countries that now had government ownership of railways; and that of the four countries that do not have government ownership the United States and Great Britain are placed along side of Spain and Turkey—two of the most backward nations of the world. Mr. Rasmussen became very earnest and showed more enthusiasm in his speech than any other speaker. Mr. Gleiser was the second

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speaker for the negative. Like his colleague, he spoke with careful deliberation. His was the reasoning of the conservative, practical lawyer, logical and clear, fundamental and convincing. He pointed out the stupendous size of the railroad industry as compared with the postoffice in relation to the financial investment. He became a little sarcastic in his rebuttal on the point made by the affirmative in regard to the government-owned railway line in Panama. He claimed, also, that the affirmative had not met the true issues involved fairly and honestly. He summarized the fundamental issues involved as the "economic" and the "political" phases of the question.

Mr. Savage made the closing speech for the negative. He spoke with a little more enthusiasm this time and his rebuttal was certainly hard to break down in a good many respects. His was a continuation of the discussion from the point of fundamental criteria by which we should judge the merits of private ownership and private initiative, as compared with the financial, political and economic phases of the proposed government ownership of railroads.

Mr. Rasmussen closed the debate for the affirmative. His rebuttal was both impressive and persuasive. He pointed out the difference between the old forms of government and the democratic, and gave statistics to show how government ownership has been a success in other democracies, like New Zealand, Australia and Canada. He manifested some show of wit in his rebuttal of the point made by the negative regarding the case of North Carolina, where government ownership has been tried with varying degrees of success. He closed his remarks by summarizing the argument of the affirmative in detail.

Following the debate an informal reception was held in honor of the visitors at Herrick Hall. A very interesting social hour was enjoyed under the direction of Mr. Frost of the entertainment committee. Refreshments were served and a most delightful time enjoyed by both visitors and hosts. After singing "Goodnight, Ladies," the students sang to the same tune, "Goodbye Willamette."

The P. U. baseball team beat the Pacific College team at Newberg 6 to 2 Saturday, adding another nice victory to P. U.'s credit. Webb pitched a nice game, holding the Quakers to three hits. Gully, Newberg's extremely tall man, and their famous pitcher, held the P. U. boys to four hits. Besides his excellent pitching, Webb fielded perfectly his position, shutting off several profitable hits. Bernards caught a good game behind the bat, holding Webb skilfully. In fact, the entire team was on its mettle and played creditably all the way. The team goes to Mount Angel for a game next Saturday. Mount Angel always has a good team and the game is not expected to be easily won.

Miss Marie Wells, a popular member of the Senior class, was elected May Queen by the largest plurality in the vote cast in a number of years. The final election took place last Thursday. The May Day exercises are scheduled for May 12th. Miss Wells has been prominent in school activities here. She has been secretary of the Student Body, vice president of the Kappa Delta society and president of her class. She is vice president of the house government association of Herrick Hall and will take one of the leading parts in the commencement play. Miss Wells has already chosen her attendants. They are: Margaret Keep, Freda Acker, Helen Brunner and Elida Loynes.

One of the nicest programs of the entire year was enjoyed last Thursday evening in Gamma hall, when the Kappa Delta girls were the guests of the Gamma Sigmas. After the delightful program refreshments were served by the Gamma boys. Verdie Bellinger, a prominent Gamma man of last year, rode in from his school near North Plains to attend the program.

Since the nicer weather has come, the baseball and track team boys have been working hard each afternoon. Coach Yakel is anxious that P. U. may even excel her past record of victories, and is doing everything in his power to accomplish the highest possible results. The boys are showing a better spirit of late, so the prospects are brightening for a most successful season.

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