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Y.M.C.A. MEETS AT CORVALLIS

The tenth annual convention of the Young Men's Christian Association for Oregon and Idaho was held in Corvallis, January 21-23. Willamette's delegation, thirty strong, left Salem on the morning of January 21. A brief stop was made in Albany, where we started the natives by producing a few college yells. Some of the boys, being familiar with the small toy engines used over this division of the Southern Pacific, were reluctant to make the trip from Albany to Corvallis behind the massive moguls which draw the palatial trains of the C. & E. But after many reassuring words, they finally consented, with great fear and trembling, to at least enter upon the trip.

Arrived safely in Corvallis, our party, which had been reinforced by the Portland delegation until it numbered near fifty, was met by members of the local Association, and escorted to the convention headquarters. Here we were assigned to our respective places of entertainment. Each fellow had a secret longing that it would be his happy lot to be assigned to Waldo Hall, but none were so fortunate.

Then began the real work of the convention. The sessions were filled with inspiring talks and addresses by the faculty members, but we will not attempt to here give a resume of all the good things that were said, for space will not permit. But just a few thoughts in passing.

Mr. H. J. McCoy, of San Francisco, familiarly known among Pacific Coast Y. M. C. A. men as the "Bishop of the work on the Pacific Coast," spoke of observations from over thirty years experience as a secretary in Association work in the city of San Francisco.

Mr. Fred B. Smith, international secretary of the Y. M. C. A., gave us many interesting facts concerning the Association work. He stated as an evidence of the work that this organization is doing, that on an average in North America alone a new Association building is dedicated every six days, and that \$1,000,000 is given every thirty days for current expenses and

buildings. The Association is not a small organization, but its work has branched out until its members now number almost 1,000,000 in thirty-one of the nations of the world.

Mr. E. M. Brown, general secretary of the University of Oregon Association, gave an account of the Student Volunteer convention held at Rochester, N. Y., during December. At this gathering there were nearly 4,000 registered delegates representing twenty-nine countries.

Among other speakers were Gale Seaman, Student Secretary for the Pacific Coast, Professor Bates of Pacific University, I. B. Rhodes, secretary for Oregon and Idaho, Dr. D. L. Rader, editor of the Pacific Christian Advocate, and Mr. H. W. Stone of the Portland Association, of whom it was said that he was never on the program but always spoke thirteen times during every convention.

The climax of the convention was the address on Sunday afternoon by Fred B. Smith on the subject "The Strong Man." Nearly 1200 men gathered in the Armory and listened with unabated attention for nearly an hour and a half to his masterful appeal.

Willamette was well represented at the convention, her delegation being twice as large as that of any other of the visiting colleges. We are also represented on the state cabinet, Prof. Von Eschen being elected second vice-president.

The members of the Corvallis Association proved to be excellent hosts, and equal to the task of providing for the 170 delegates and speakers who were in attendance, the largest convention that has ever been held in this state. The convention will long be remembered for its peculiar power and interest, as well as for its numbers.

THE GENTLE ART OF MAKING ENEMIES.

This art, unlike other fine arts, does not require a long arduous training, but strict attention given to a few simple principles will assure success. It

will be found of advantage, in pursuing this gentle art, to cultivate the habit of distinguishing at sight the minutest faults in your friends, and turning the blind spot of your eye upon their virtues.

Boasts or self-brags are ever-ready enemy-makers. To talk vain gloriously or in a bragging manner of one's accomplishments or possessions for the purpose of inviting applause, will cause enemies to swarm about you.

One of the most mild and effective ways of making enemies is the use of gossip. It is natural for one to take a harmless interest in what her neighbor is doing, but in many cases it does not end in a harmless interest. A busy person has no time for this idle relief of unpleasant report. The reason for gossip is the lack of sufficient mental activity; the gossiper generally has little else to do. Her own affairs are uninteresting, so she must look into the affairs of her neighbor. It is but a step from gossiping to meddling, and both lead to the same end, that of making enemies.

Sarcasm, satire and snubbing will bring no one friends. If you knock your acquaintance with keenly ironical, scornful or taunting expressions, what can you expect but enemies? In this way you may arouse their hatred by your cutting and reproachful language spoken with keenness of tone.

So if you wish to cultivate this gentle art of making enemies, you must practice the minor arts of criticising the faults in your friends, of overlooking their virtues, of boasting, of bragging, of gossiping, of meddling, of snubbing, and of being sarcastic.

—Frances Pohle.

MISS REES WINS CONTEST.

The local oratorical contest, in which three orators contested for the honor of representing Willamette in the state contest, took place in the chapel Friday evening. Probably there never has been a contest at Willamette where the contestants were awarded by the judges places so nearly equal, for the result was practically a tie, each one

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attaining the same number of points. Miss Ruth Rees on the oration, "Woman's place in Political and Social Life," was awarded first place, winning by a fraction of a per cent. over her competitors.

The first speaker, Miss Marie Schmidt, on "The Significance of Immigration," delivered well. She treated her subject logically and graphically and it was a carefully written oration.

Miss Rees came second, and she spoke with the composure and ease of a veteran with a good voice and presence throughout. Her oration was taking though not deep.

Perry Reigleman spoke on "The Call to Service." Though he faltered at one point in his delivery, he struck some deep chords which stirred the emotions.

The judges on composition were Hon. W. S. Duniway, Attorney C. L. McNary, Prof. J. H. Ackerman. Those on delivery were Mrs. Wm. Fleming, Prof. E. T. Moores and Hon. Wm. Kaiser.

SENIOR LAWS

Dan Cupid Allen has blossomed out with a pair of green socks. In the opinion of some of the boys he is ahead of time, as spring hasn't opened up.

Yates is the wit of the senior class, and his friends are matching him with Cy Smith of the juniors. The honors vary from day to day, but Yates is always on to his job.

Belknap says that he is a little bit anxious to get through so he can settle down and practice law. He has picked on Bend as the place to hang out his shingle.

Judge Bingham told the story of the young attorney that was retained along with a number of others to defend a criminal. As the work was apportioned out and the various lawyers went to work on the parts that were assigned

them, the young attorney noticed that he had been left out. He finally asked one of them what part he was going to play, and was somewhat surprised to hear that he was to steal the indictment.

John Lewis is once more with us after undergoing a seige of typhoid.

A plaintiff in an action against a railway was injured and sued for \$1000 damages. On cross examination he said that he could not raise his arm up to a level with his shoulder. On being asked how high he could raise it before the accident he shot up the arm half way to the ceiling.

PREPS VICTORIOUS.

Last week the academy aggregation of basketball artists demonstrated their ability in a manner highly disconcerting to the disciples of the revered Blackstone. The "Preps" team had the advantage of several months consistent practice as well as much natural ability and played a fast and accurate game. Although outclassed, the Law College rises triumphant in defeat and is busily engaged in talking about what it intends doing to College of Liberal Arts when the contest is pulled off, and have high hopes for the big end of the score. Reichen is in training and will be added to the regulars in a few days. Homan and Blackwell were the shining lights of the Academy team; on the law side, honors [?] were about evenly distributed. The final score was 19-10.

Immediately prior to the beginning of the game, sweet strains of music wafted down from the gallery, floating dreamily o'er the floor and twining round the posts; betrayed the presence of the "Varsity" band in all its glory. Many pieces were played which were appreciated by the large audience.

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"College Girl's Conversation" was the topic of the meeting of Sunday 23, of which the junior girls had charge. Miss Alma Haskins, the leader, gave many good thoughts. Miss Marie Schmidt spoke of "Need of association considering this question." She showed how necessary it was for college girls to guard their intercourse with each other because of their influence on others. Miss Theo Bennett in speaking on "College girls' relation to slang," said, the college girl should not allow herself to use slang, because truer refinement is looked for from her, and she should set the model. Miss Hattie Beckley talked on "Gossip" among college girls. She defined gossip as idle talk, and the best way to prevent idle talk would be to get busy. The vocal solo by Miss Shumway was much enjoyed by all.

The meeting of Sunday 30, was one of unusual interest, and in charge of the senior girls. The vocal solo by Miss Helen Smith was very much enjoyed. The topic, "College Girls Intemperance," was outlined by the leader, Miss Emmel, and developed by the senior girls. The two points which were made emphatic were self-control and thoughtfulness for others.

AT O. A. C.

The schedule for the Oregon Agricultural College debating teams has recently been announced. Two debates have been scheduled with the Washington State College, one to be held in Pullman and the other in Corvallis. The Pacific University has also accepted a challenge for a debate. The girls have shown exceptional activity and interest this year, and will debate in the Girls' State League composed of McMinnville College, Albany College and O. A. C. The large number of students who are trying for positions on the teams and the enthusiasm which has been aroused seems to promise a very successful year.

J. B. Arbuthnot who is now superintending the physical education extension work of the Portland Y. M. C. A. has been added to the faculty list of

the Oregon Agricultural College as assistant to Director Angell. Mr. Arbuthnot is a graduate of the Kansas State Agricultural College and has had several years of practical experience in teaching physical education. He is considered an authority in the arts of boxing and wrestling.

Fielder Jones, the well known White Sox star of the American League will coach the O. A. C. base ball team during the coming season. This announcement has caused great excitement among the students. It will mean a big year in base ball for O. A. C.

LAWS ISSUE CHALLENGE.

Undaunted by recent defeats, the Law College has hurled a challenge at the doughty Theologs to ascertain to whom basketball honors are due, and to settle once and for all the "Varsity" championship.

Scene: Chapel.

Time: 10:30.

Intense silence prevailed. Belknap arose with senatorial air and pierced the prevailing stillness with a hoarse whisper: "If it please the court the College of Law hereby challenges the College of Theology to a game of basketball to be played at some future date." Intense expectancy reigns on all sides when suddenly the tall, slender figure of McCain casts a shadow o'er the dashboard. "Mr. President, the College of Theology hereby accepts the challenge of the College of Law, for better or for worse, Liberty and Union, now and forever, one and inseparable!" When silence had been restored Professor Patterson moved to adjourn.

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Members of the Alumni, old students, new students, and others interested in the success of this paper are invited to contribute at any time. The interest you take will be appreciated. Address all communications to the Editor-in-Chief.

The University Senate which recently was in session at Baltimore, Ohio, has taken action which we, as students in a denominational school should be interested in, for there were gathered representatives from the schools of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the country, and it was the welfare of just such institutions as Willamette that their deliberations were about.

Mr. Elmer E. Brown, United States Commissioner of Education spoke to the senate on the great value of standardizing the systems of education, and it was along this line that action was taken by the senate which will no doubt result in changes in and benefits to many of the schools of this church.

The following are the standards as determined upon by the senate to which hereafter, all Methodist educational institutions will have to measure up in order that they may receive official recognition as a college or university.

There must be an entrance requirement of four years preparatory work, and four years above that must be required for a bachelor's degree.

The institution must employ at least six teachers, giving their time to collegiate instruction.

There must be an enrollment of at least fifty college students.

It must have an endowment of \$100,000. After 1916 an endowment of at least \$200,000 will be required to rank as a college.

These requirements will, no doubt awaken some of the friends of the smaller colleges to their needs and thereby lead them to help the institutions up to the standard set.

President Homan was in attendance at this senate, and we will no doubt, hear more of this from him upon his return.

Well we certainly got all that was coming to us last Friday morning in chapel. We are fortunate in having such sympathetic co-operation in issuing the Collegian.

ADELANTE SOCIETY.

The program for last Friday afternoon was given by the Junior and Sophomore girls of the society.

The opening number was a piano solo by Hattie Beckley. Nellie Casbere then gave one of her pleasing readings. A continued story, "The strange Adventures of Adolf Schonfeldt," which has been running for some time and in which a kidnapped child and a gypsy band played conspicuous parts was drawn to an end by Alma Haskin.

Clara Allen and Francis Newcomb then gave extensive extracts from that day's publication of the Boston Transcript.

The society was especially favored by having secured the services of the "College Band" for the afternoon, and while the members partook of the contents of the Adelante Ginger Can the aforesaid "Band" dispensed sweet music.

IN CHAPEL.

On Wednesday morning, Fred B. Smith, international secretary for the Y. M. C. A., spoke to the students in

chapel. The theme of his talk was the place of morality and Christianity in all phases of this life's activities, from the athletic field to the political arena. He was straightforward, convincing and inspiring, and his words were not easily forgotten when heard.

A PLEA FOR ONE WHO FAILED

They called him failure; all the busy throng
Of bold, successful men, and idlers told
Beneath their breath, the sorry tale and long,
Of futile losses. But one heart of gold
Remembered other days, his eager youth,
His charm, his promise, all his careless truth.

Remembered too, the hampered race he ran,
His handicap of race beyond his years,
A boy, slight, crude, with duties of a man;
A man, restrained from ranking with his peers.
His gift,—a touch of genius, Heaven-sent,
His tragedy—its undevelopment!

Ah, ye brave Sons of Fortunes favoring
Forget your splendid scorn of Un-success!
Not always does the finger fit the ring
Nor heart of hero beat 'neath kingly dress.
A failure granted—! But you in his place,
Clean Failure might have tarnished by disgrace!

THAT MISTAKE

That mistake concerning the oratorical tryout was but one of many for which we will have to pray your leniency before the year is out. However, this instance was absolutely unavoidable as may be observed from the following explanation: When we took

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the copy down to the printers Monday morning, it was discovered that the indignation of the dietical press failed utterly to respond to external digstigrade, so triangulation was applied as a dernier resort. In a short time turbinaceousness ensued, culminating in vowelish yahooism, and producing the result above noted.

A PRINCE OF HEAD WAITERS.

That the calling of head waiter is sometimes a highly lucrative one there can be no doubt. The head waiter of a certain quiet hotel not far from Regent street, patronized largely by the wealthier class of Americans, pays the management five thousand dollars a year to keep his place, while the *concierge* of a certain famous hostelry in Cairo pays half again that sum for the same privilege. But the shining light of them all, the *doyen* of the profession, as it were, is the *maitre d'hotel* of what is, perhaps, the most fashionable and the most expensive restaurant in Paris.

This personage, who is of very great importance indeed and must be treated accordingly, probably knows more of European society, its scandals, its intrigues, its secrets and its jealousies than any man in France. In such matters he is said to be consulted by the chief of the secret police himself.

This prince of head waiters has at his fingertips not only the name of every diplomat, politician, and aristocrat, every *grande dame* and actress in Continental society, but he knows their antecedents, their connections, their family skeletons, their likes and dislikes as well. It would be a calamity indeed if General M—, dropping in for *dejeuner*, should be seated next to Colonel P—, his deadliest enemy; if Madam la Duchess de N—, dining with some friends, should chance to see her father at the same table with Mademoiselle R—, the beautiful actress who is all the rage at the

Variete, or that the hot-headed editors of two rival journals, whose animosity is well known, should meet in the cafe and exchange words and blows and cards—and afterward bullets. It is just such contretemps as these that this remarkable *maitre d'hotel* is there to prevent, and he does it marvelously well by giving one fire-eating editor a table in the yellow room while the other is seated in the blue room; the duke and his actress are accommodated in one end of the restaurant and the duchess and her friends in the other; and for the tact and diplomacy and knowledge of the world which this *maitre d'hotel* combines the man-

agement pay him fifty thousand francs a year, and Heaven only knows how much more he gets from the patrons, for he takes nothing less than paper.—Ex.

PHILOSOPHIAN.

Work is going on in earnest since the holiday season. All we need is some outlet for our surplus enthusiasm.

Good programs have been rendered the last few weeks. The stone is in rolling motion and we hope to give it no chance to gather moss on its way.

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<i>First Year's.</i>	<i>Second Year's.</i>
Vogalan.	Belknap.
Grebe.	Chalcraft.
Booth.	Norton.
McAdams.	Doherty.
May.	Marsh.

COLLEGE LIFE

Snider in counting the number of his lady friends, said, "I have one hundred and forty-four, just one gross."

The day of prayer for colleges was observed Thursday by special chapel services. Rev. Selleck conducted services and made an address.

"You know the prisoner well?" asked the attorney.

"Never knew him ill," replied the witness.

"Did you ever see the prisoner at the bar?"

"Took many a drink with me," was the answer.

"How long have you known this man?"

"From two feet up to five feet ten."

"Stand down," yelled the lawyer in disgust.

"Can't do it, said he, "I'll sit down or stand up."

"Officer remove that man."

And he did.

Harold J. Rounds, a member of the senior class of the University of Oregon was selected to be Oregon's representative in the State Oratorical Contest to be held in Salem next month. The subject of the winning oration was, "The Spirit of Patriotism."

A. M. Weatherford, a senior, will represent O. A. C. in the State Oratorical contest. His oration is entitled, "Altruistic Statesmanship."

The editor was dying, says an exchange, but when the doctor leaned over, placed his ear to his breast and said, "Poor man, circulation almost gone." The dying editor sat up and shouted, "You're a liar! We have

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"Blub" Hewitt, A. B., L. L. B., Willamette, at present teaching in Marshfield High School, sends in \$1.25 to the Collegian manager.

THE SPEAKER WITH THE SERPENT'S TONGUE

Though still on deck he isn't young,
The Speaker with the serpent's Tongue;
Dispensating language picturesque,
He keeps his foot upon the desk
While those in peace who wish to swim
Have got to take the law from him
Or else—just judgment on their nerve—
On no Committee emay they serve.
Behold the Axe he long has swung.
The Speaker with the Serpent's Tongue!

Insurgents say each week or so,
"We guess we'll have to can poor Joe."
But into space each fortnight glides
And Joe still on his job resides.
Is it because the dear Old Heart
For younger wits is too darn smart,
That he has got a trick or two
That Boy Reformers never knew?
See how he smiles when they are stung,
That Speaker with the serpent's tongue.

To capture Uncle's scalp they urge;
They rise, they rally, they insurge;
But like Gibraltar's famous rock,
He's where he is—what use to knock?
Nor age shall wilt, nor custom stale
The tariff on a rising scale
In which thy gavil drove the bung,
O Speaker with the serpent's tongue.
—Ex.

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WAS I EVER?

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A little round hat on the back of his head
With it's ribbon of mauve or blue,
With his dear little self all decked with
rings
And pins from that dear prep school,
It strikes a chord and I say: Oh Lord!

Was I ever that big a fool?

When I see a youth with his gloves
turned down,
And a cigarette stuck in his face,
A horse cloth coat and a loud checked
vest,
And a two-inch wide shoe lace;
With a bunch of hair that covers his ears
And hear his line of senseless drool,
I paw the sward as I say: Oh Lord!
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