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## BASKETBALL FRIDAY

A Battle Royal is Expected on That Evening.

the game Friday night gives every promise of being a very iuteresting and also stubbornly fought coutest.

## the restoration age.

The basketball boys have been practicing hard for the game with O. A. O., nI now everything is in readiness for what promises to be one of the inost hotly contested games ever withessed in our gymnusium. Although we won from the State Normal School by a good mar. gin, yet the team did not dis. play the smap, endurance and necuracy which characterized the work of last year. With Parsons, the only jan lacking of last year's crack team, and with several good meu from which to select his successor, there is to reason why we should not put up even better ball than last pear. In the practice game with the city Y. M. C. A. lust Thursday night, a somewhat better showing was made, although the score should have been much larger on one side and smuller on the other.

Improvement was especially noticeable in Pollird, who made 14 of the 20 points seored for the Varsity: Victor Allen, a Uniuersity student who played with the Y.M. C. A., made 7 of their 8 points for them. Al. though the gane was rough, es. pecially or: the part of the Y. M. U. A., the listlessness which characterized the Monmouth game was entirely lacking. The ouly two baskets which the association made from the field, were made over Simpson, n new man who was put in in Whipple's place in the last hali just to see what he could do. With the exception of letting his man get away from hin:, those two fatal times, he played a good game, and, with practice, will make a strong player.
O. A. C. nlwnys put out a very strong team, and from reports this year's is even stronger than usual. For the first time in their history they met and defeated the Portland All Stars in Portland last Fridny night by a score of 26 to 16. The victory was ull the more remarkable considering the fact that it was won on the Portlander's own floor. Swan, who played forward for the farmers, is certainly a wonder, throwing 12 out of a possible 13 baskets in the All Stur game.
Taking into consideration the records of the two teams and the friendly rivalry which exists between the two schools,
stances beyond the imitation of art.

With Burns, however, we have some of the sweetest pictures of nature's work which have been produced. Nothing can surpass the beatuty of the description of the simple little daisy; the "wee modest, crimson-tipped flow'r," no other poet could tind so much poetry in 80 simple a subject. "The Banks o' Doon," "Highland Mary," "Mary in Heaven," and "To a Mouse" show the power of Burus in the portrayal of vature as well as his poems on her in her bleaker aspects, as in "Winter," "O Wert Thou in the Could Blast," and " $\Lambda$ Winter Night."

Thus from the stiff artistic form of the earlier poetry of the a e of Queen Anue, when nature was entirely disregurded the literature developed into the presentation of life in its humility and obscurity

Gibace McConnela.

## THE DOCTORS' DOINGS.

Mr. Hamilton decided to postpone the stady of medicine for unother vear.
Laboratory work is in progress by Prof Tuthill's statements of chemistry.

Mr. Mortenson of the Senior class is demonstrator.
The last cadaver for the year is being dissected now by members of the Sophomore and Freshmen classes.

All the male members of the Senior class, excepting HollandTodd, supports either a profes. sionnl mustache or symptoms of one.

The rough houses come in rythm, und the gcene of the hast one m ty be likened to "After the battle."-Griflith.

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## ffssociations.

Y. M. ©. A.

Last Sunday's meeting was led by Pollard, and participated in by many of the men present. It was a good meeting in spirit and in thought. The subject was "Uhristian living, is it worth the cost?" The atteudauce showed an increase over the Sunday before. We hone it will continue to increase till every man in school attends regularly. Bible study is progressing nice. ly. New classes will be formed at the beginning of next semester. We invite every man who reuds this to come.

## y, w. e. A.

The Thursday evening prayer meeting wiss led by Marie Whip. pleand the Sunday afternoon meeting was led by Prof. McCull. The talk he gave was thoroughly practical, and one from which every girl may make some upplication to herself.

## @aciaties. <br> Philobostas.

The meeting of Junuary 15 was the best attended of this year, all members being present except one. Another highly commendable thing was the carefal preparation of every member on the program. Two of our old members, Bess Stow. ell and Eva Marlatt, were admitted as members, and the names of Mary Soloman and Violet West were proposed for membership.
This program was rendered:
Paper on Great Musicinns Ethel Allen.
Paper on the coming 1905 fair to be held at Portland, Ore. Lily Hurdwick.

Five minute speech, "Gumes to be played by the girls' basket. bull team of IV. U.," Lottie Riandall.

Current events, Jennie Coyle.
Five minute speech on coming leap year party, Mabel Rob. ertson.

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We very maturally feel a hesitancy when it comes to criticis. ing our superiors, but there is one thing of which we are groing to take the liberty to speak. That is the Clapel attendance on the part of the faculty. Noth. ing is more disheartening to students or makes a worse impres. sion upon visitors than a row of empty chairs upon the Chapel platform. If 9 o'clock is too early to permit members of the faculty to get up and eat their breakfust and be on time for Chapel the time had better be changed to a few hours later. It is a deplorable fact that ia eight consecutive weeks of school, there was only one morning when the faculty chairs were all filled. Is this as it should be?

With a library well filled with reference books, and with two librurimas, it seems as though the student might have access to the library at other times than from 9:30 to 12 and from 1 to $3: 30$. It appears to us that the library should be open at least till 5 o'clock on sehool days and a part if not all of Suturday. This is not written because of an idle whim of the ed. itor, or simply to fill up space, but because of actual complaints which hase come to our ears, becuuse of the existing condition of affairs.

Literary society work is not what it should be at Willamette and something should be done to raise its standard. For three cr four years the two societies have eaked out a miserable ex-istence-at times springing up and flourishing for a few weeks only to die out and wither away again How many times in the
past three years have the following or similar words been recorded in the priges of the Collegian delative to the Philododrian society? "Many fitting orations were made over the corpse of the dead past, and then lifting the vei! which obscured the lustrous and brillant future atrong and earnest appeals were made emphasizing the fact that action was necessary nad that that netion must be in the liv. ing present." This sort of thing has occurred so often that it has come to mean uothing whatever.
This is really a serious matter. For three or four years we have had no gond society and what is the result? Where are our debuters? Where ure our orators? The literary society is one of the most if not the most important of our student enter. prises and the benefits to be derived from good society work may easily be compared with the benefits derived from our studies themselves, Why then this lethargy? We realize that it is much easier to pick out evilsthan it is to correct them or even suggest means for their correction, but in this case we think there is a way by which the present condition can be greatly improved. That is by the orgmization of a rival society. We believe that us "com. petition is the life of trude, "that competition would also be the means of permanently bringing back to life the dead corpse of the Philodorian society. At least let us try it. Let some one who is not already loaded down with leaderships, take hold of thisand confer a lasting benefit upon himself and upon his fellow students.

A FAREWELL TO MISS GRAY.

The class of '09 gave a fare. well party in honor of Miss Margaret Gray last Saturday evening, at the home of Miss Nellie Tucker, 415 Capital st.
"Flinch" and "Panic," the games of the evening, were played with much enthusiasm; at 10 o'clock games were closed and refreshments were served. Mr. Hewitt, the toastmuster,made merry the hearts of those present.
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The local oratorical contest will take place Jun. 29.
The greatest game of the senson next Friday. Do not miss it.

Do not forget the big game Fridny night. It will be hummen.
Miss Lucy Morcum has returned to school after a week's absence.
The Eugene Register is a live up-to-date daily. It has a Winlamette University correspond. eat.
Mr. C. A. Miller of Michigan and Miss Goodkneckt of Salem were Chapel visitors Thursday.
There are some queer stories going around about bicycles and snow. Most of them are rather slick affairs.
Prof. J. B. T. Tuthill has been obliged to be absent from his class room for several days on account of a severe cold.
The game between our girls and the Rocky Mountain In. dins will without doubt be interesting.
It will not be long before we can thank Senator Booth for good walking places. We are going to have new sidewalks.

The Philodorians have now changed their time of meeting from Friday to Saturday night. The change to last only during the basketball seuson.

It has beensaid that the campus is to be plowed and seed-
ed, making it as beautiful in ap. pearance! as the, state capitol grounds.

The game of basketball which was to have been played in Albony last Friday evening between our girls and the Albany girls was called off by the latter on sccount of the ball in which the game was to have been played being torn down and remodeld.

Profs. Phelps and McCall, accompanied by about twenty students witnessed the Chemawa. Albany game of basketball at Chemawa Saturday night. They report a very rough and onesided game which ended in a score of 20.0 in favor of the Chemawa girls.

## THE ORATORICAL CONTEST.

Th ugh somewhat tardy the interest now being taken in the coming local contest of January 29 is quite strong. There are excellent prospects of five contestants, Kinney Miller, Walter Winslow,Gruce MoConnell,Chas. Skidmore and Ray Andrews being the students who have desided to enter the contest. Mr. Skidmore, who had been elected us manager for the arrangements of the contest on deciding to enter it himself as an orator. resigned his place as manager, and Wallace Riddell was olected in his place. It was decided to offer prizes at the contest to those winning the first two places and to provide for these prizes an admission of 25 cents will be charged to the conte t75 per cent of the net receipts of the evening will be given to the winner of first place and 25 per cent to the winner of second place. The work of the Oratorical Association should be con-
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The following article from the Wesleyan Academy＂Garnet and Blue，＂for November，is a strong article treating of the social problem of our co－educational schools，and one which is worthy the considerntion of those in ath－ thority at Willamette

## A skbtous statement．

For some time the matter of making certain changes in the social system of out schools has been under consideration．There lus been a growing feeling among many of the teachers， students and friends of the school，that the fime has come when it uny be advisable to break with tradition and bring our social lifé into neareraceord with the conventions that govern good suciety everywhere at the present duy．Thines and eus－ toms chunge and we must also chunge with them；and ohserv． ances appropriate eunugh in the days of our ancest rs，more or less remote，though they may have for us still the charm of an－ tiquity，seem oceasionally out of keeping in this generution．

These gencralizations have reference，not to the social life of the school as a whole，but to What is known among us us the ＂couple systen＂－once the＂op－ posite system，＂we believe－a distustefal mume，but the only way to get rid of the name is to get rid of the thing．And some． thing of this sort is what is in－ tended in the way of social alter． ation．

It is not meant，we wish it to be clemrly understood，to restrict or forbic the association of boys and girls．It is easy to see that， to attempt that wonld be not on－ ly undesirable，but irrational，in a co－educational school．Critics would anturully ask，why are boys und girls brought together in the school，if they are to be kept entirely apart？Far from separating the students，we de－ sire that they shall have more， rather than less，social life．We wish our gociety to be so orgatr－ ized that all may take part in it －not a favored few－and to this end to doaway with the exclu－ sive association of one boy and one girl during a whole term，or a year，as is the case under the ＂couplesystem，＂is，we beliere， the first important step．

The abuses that have grown up under this arrangement are the reasons that all real friends of the school would see it abol－ ished．

In the first place，as we lave intimated above，it has led to the practical exclution of all ex． cept the＂couples＂from our so－ cial life．A girl who is half of a＂couple，＂so tradition insists， shall have no intercourse with another boy：she shall not walk with him to class，attend a re－ ception with him，receive a call from him，harilly speak with him on the campus．This sounds absurd，but every student
will testify to the fact that actu－ al or attempted violation of these traditional conventions has led to serious social difficul． ties．Boys and girls，therefore， Who，for various reasons－be cuase they honestly disapprove or because＂all the nice boys and girls are taken，＂or because they are bushful．or intimidated by others－do not belong to the ＂couples，＂find themselves to a degree that an outsider would not believe possible，shut out from society．

In the second place，the exclu－ sive association of one boy and one girl fosters or teaches bad social form．Nobody needs to betold that good society does not look with favor upon a young man and woman，who，on any social occasion separate themselves from others，u．d sit or stand ulone most of the time． Aud still，who that kuows our school has not seen this breach of good manners often？More． over，the two together at recep． tions，ice cream socials，little church affairs，are the same two that the wearied observer sees every day on the broad walk， suntering，lingering，presum－ ablyo．their way to class，but， apparently with inly one object， to consume as much time as possible in getting there．An－ other instance of the socinl form which the＂couple system＂has oaused to exist among us，is the impossibility of three people， two bogs and a girl，walking anywhere together，but especi－ ully to chapel or to class．Two girls come ont together，a boy joins them，one girl falls back， or goes on－oftener the latter，if she wishes to get to class on time －for she cannot remuill，so sars Wesleyan＂good form，＂to inter－ fere with the private conversa－ tion of the＂couple．＂Imagine this oceur ence on any town or city street！Many otber＂exam－ ples gross as earth，exhort us＂of the improprieties of condact that have grown out of our pe－ culiar social customs．We can． not but feel it undesirable that our students should leave us un－ der the impression that these are the habits of good society． Moreover，though we form a lit． tle community by ourselves， that does not seem a sufficient reason why we should be a so－ cial law unto ourselves，or coun－ tenance practices that will unfit us for society outside．
In the third place，we know that in many cases this exclu－ sive association has served to excite feelings which are a pre－ mature and crude form of the emations of later life．A boy and a girl thrown coustantly tó－ gether often begin，nfter a while， to think that a kind of senti－ mental relutionship exists be． tween them，greatly to the det． riment of the natural and healthy emotion which belongs to the association of boys and girls under normal conditions． No judicious parents allow their young sons and daugliters when
at home to receive or to pay ex－ clusive attentions，or to be con－ stantly in the society of one per－ son；those privileges belong to maturer years，and we believe that they should not be antici－ pated by young people at board－ ing school，away from the re－ straining influences of home． The exaggerated emotions thus excited often serve the very ob－ jectionable purpose of drawing time and attention away from the regular work of the school． So that，in the iourth place， we make the not umimportant point that the＂couple system＂ interfercs with study．And when all is said and done，boys and girls come here primarily to study．They have athletics and debating clubs and social life， but after all，the main thing is to learn their lessons．

For all these reasons，and many incidental ones growing out of them，the school adminis－ tration has decided and pablicly ancounced，that this year，and from this time on，there shall be no＂couples，＂that general asso－ ciation is to be encouraged，but no specialization－the prepara－ tory school is not the place to specialize in any line．
If it once becomes evident that the school is going to co－ operate heartily in this reform －und the strongly expressed opinious of many stadents of this and other years leads us to believe that it will do so－then we shall be able，as we suid to sturt with，to have more，rather than less，social life，and we shall find that it can be belpful and plea ant for all．to a degree not before this fully realized．

## HALL NOTES．

The initiations were postpon－ ed this week on account of the illness of Miss McDunald．
The first copy of the＂Spin－ ster＇s Gazette＂is to appear this week．

A can of oysters missing from the laill．

Miss Minnie Morden of Seat－ tle and Miss Anita Thurston of Eugene were visitors at the hall Monday evening．

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