

POSES AS CRITIC ON KANSAS CITY PAPER

Man Worms Into Limelight on Campus; Dean Allen Suspicious and Wires.

"May Have Seen Star Building but That Lets Him Out"

—Answer.

That the B. H. O'Neal, who last Tuesday introduced himself to members of the faculty as the dramatic-critic of Kansas City Star, has never been employed by that paper and that in addition he has been known by at least one other name since coming to Eugene, has just been brought to light.

The first person in Eugene to be taken into the confidence of O'Neal, was Wallace Eakin, former Oregon student and now employed on the Eugene Guard. Eakin felt that the journalism classes of the University would be interested in O'Neal, so arranged a meeting with Prof. E. W. Allen, dean of the school of journalism.

The criticism classes under Mrs. M. H. Parsons were visited by O'Neal and it was here that suspicion first was aroused. The general vagueness of his remarks and the lack of professionalism in his manner convinced some members of the classes that his connections with the Star had been humble, if there had been any at all.

A telegraphic inquiry to Kansas City

brought the reply that O'Neal was not employed on the Star, but that there had been a Hugh O'Neal on the staff some several years ago who had since gone to Denver.

Not satisfied with this explanation, Dean Allen sent the following telegram to the Star:

"B. H. O'Neal, possibly B. Hugh O'Neal, here says he is clerk in the registry division of the Kansas City post-office and incidentally dramatic and musical critic for the Star under the pseudonym K. W. Also brother-in-law of A. Humble, whom th says, is acting managing editor. Seems to know Star building and some men on staff. Doesn't seem to us kind of man to handle criticism for Star. Who is he. Rush answer day rate."

In response to Dean Allen's query, the Star sent the following:

"O'Neal may have seen Star building but that lets him out. A Humble equally unknown here. Karl Walter, known as K. W., former musical and dramatic critic now in London in British war office. O'Neal pulled same game at Seattle recently."

O'Neal told a number of conflicting stories during his brief stay on the campus, for he has not been seen at the University since Tuesday. He was entertained at several fraternity and sorority houses but so far as can be learned gave no hint of his motive in traveling under false pretenses.

SPEAKS AT VESPERS

Major W. S. Gilbert, Recently From Mexico, Addresses 400

Declares 52 per cent of Young Men Not Physically Able to Fight.

Major W. S. Gilbert, chaplain of the O. N. G. spoke to 400 people gathered at the University Vesper service conducted by the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. Sunday afternoon in Villard hall. Mr. Gilbert, who left his pastorate of the First Presbyterian church of Astoria to go to the Mexican border with the army, several denounced the attitude of the young men of America who refused to heed their country's call to arms in his address "Universal Service."

Fifty-two per cent of the young men of the country are not physically able to fight, according to the chaplain. He blames the parents partly for this condition.

He outlined the general situation of unpreparedness in the United States and declared that in Oregon not half of the physical examinations were given before the men went to the border and the rest had to be finished there. There was not a full regiment from Oregon and other states were even more poorly represented thinks Mr. Gilbert who said that from 25,000 who joined in a preparedness parade in Boston only three enlisted.

"The Mexican situation is as it is because we can't raise enough men to go down there," he said.

That the Americans have not enough reverence for their flag is shown plainly by the fact that while the funeral procession of one of America's generals was passing down the street of one of our large cities displaying many flags one man of all the thousands which lined the streets, raised his hat and that man was a Japanese, related the major.

"In the old days all was for the nation but today all is for the individual", he lamented.

Major Gilbert won a high reputation for courage and bravery in the Philippines by entering into active service with the men on the battlefield.

Dean John Straub presided over the Vesper services, Rev. W. M. Case, of the Presbyterian church, gave the invocation and prayer, and the glee clubs directed by R. H. Lyman, dean of the music school, had charge of the music.

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PLAY CAUSES DISPUTE

Raises Question of Onside-Kick in Saturday's Game.

Oregon May Have Been Entitled to Touchdown Is Belief of Hayward.

Not everyone realizes how close Oregon came to beating Washington last Saturday. As a matter of fact, Bill Hayward is certain that Oregon scored a touchdown. The play which so nearly broke Washington's record was an onside kick. Those who watched the play closely saw Johnny Parsons run behind Johnny Beckett just as the latter punted from Washington's 35 yard line and saw Parsons tear down the field in time to catch the twisting ball only a few yards from the goal.

The slippery ball eluded his hands, however, and rolled to the ground where first a Washington man and then Jake Risley fell on it. Parsons however was the only man on the team who could recover the ball and score the touchdown, for he alone was behind the ball at the time it was kicked. The Oregon rooters and even of the Oregon team thought that the score had been made, and for an instant were wild with joy.

Oregon maintains that after the Washington man had touched the ball, any Oregon man was eligible to make the touchdown, and according to Bill Hayward, the rules uphold the assertion. Johnny Beckett protested the game then and there when the point was decided against him, but it is not certain that his protest will be considered a formal one. If it is not considered as such, there is no hope of winning the game for it is now too late to file a formal protest.

The work of the Oregon ends was especially noticeable when it came to breaking up end runs and "getting down on punts." Mitchell and Togat showed their ability in this respect many times, for Oregon played a punting game. They were on the job every instant.

An old custom of Coach Bezdek's was broken Saturday when the Oregon team came on the field first. It has always been his custom to have his team the second to make its appearance. The mistake was due to the misunderstanding of a freshman's statement. The Washington men arrived in machines and the freshman said that they had come, by which Bezdek thought that they had gone on the field, and he sent his men out. However the Seattle team was in the Administration building and hence came on the field a few moments after the Oregon squad.

Nearly all bets which were made on the game were cancelled as a result of free though, for one downtown headquarters managed bets to the total of the tie score. The betting was not very

\$150. Of this sum only a few dollars changed hands.

The University of Washington does not have to petition the faculty for dances and so the special train which bore its rooters to and from Eugene was equipped with one car in which the chairs had been removed and in which the U. of W. students danced. A talking machine furnished the music and although the car was crowded, the dancers found enough room to enjoy themselves and relieve the monotony of the trip. Only one student missed the special train, and he slept peacefully while his fellow-Washingtonians were departing.

MAY SING IN EUGENE

Madame Schumann-Heink May Be Brought Here November 23.

The Philharmonic society expects Madame Ernestine Schumann-Heink to sing in Eugene on the night of November 23, according to R. H. Lyman, dean of the school of music. At the Philharmonic meeting last night some 300 subscribed tickets were reported, and a wire was sent to Miss Lois Steers, Mme. Schumann-Heink's manager in the northwest. A reply is expected today.

"I think Miss Steers will regard the outlook as very favorable," said Mr. Lyman. "The subscription is good, when you consider that we were only asking about the two dollar seats, and that our canvass was made just before election."

If Eugene gets the concert, it will be held in the Armory, says Mr. Lyman.

"That is the only place large enough to accommodate the crowd," he stated. "Beside that, Mme. Schumann-Heink's prices this year are so high that if we held the concert in a smaller building we would have to charge up to three dollars for seats. Tickets for the armory concert will cost \$1, \$1.50, and \$2.00."

DANCE COMMITTEE NAMED.

Under the direction of Lynn S. McCready, general chairman, plans are being made for the annual sophomore formal to be given in the Eugene Armory, Dec. 9. Those who will assist the chairman are: Wyville Sheehy, Ruth Trowbridge, Mary Murdock, Genevieve Dickey, Raymond Burns, Dolph Phipps, Frank Hunt, Roberta Schuebel, Marion Coffey, Harold Gray, Charles McDonald, Caroline Alexander, James Vance, Marion Greble, Dorothy Dunn, Warren Edwards, Harvey Madden, Dorothy Robertson, Helen Bracht and George Gates.

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The classes in aesthetic dancing are wearing specially designed costumes in their class work this year. The dresses are of hunter's green.

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