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With this issue the Emerald suspends publication until after the Christmas vacation. The next issue will be Tuesday, January 9, 1917. The Emerald wishes a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to one and all!

FRATERNALISM—CHRISTMAS CHEER.

Nothing is better illustrative of the socializing forces of the modern age than the fraternalism of the fraternities as they are dispensing Christmas cheer to the poor children of Eugene tonight.

Something like 300 of the little men and women of tomorrow have been picked up by auto and whirled to the gay festive rooms of the Eugene chamber of commerce. Here a Christmas tree, a jolly Santa Claus, candy, nuts and useful presents make real the idealized Christmas of the kiddies. To them it is "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

But to us humans who consider the world a selfish maelstrom of individuals this little party tonight is demonstrative of much that is far from selfishness. In those little hearts and minds are being inculcated ideas of love that only the snapping, snarling jaws of a selfish world can blight years later when they grow up to meet adversity uncloaked. But perhaps, who can tell, in this co-operative union of fraternities and Eugene business men, there is being awakened in all of us more fraternalistic and paternalistic instincts that little by little shall bear fruits until the spirit of selfish intolerance is no more.

At least fraternalism and Christmas cheer are synonymous.

THE ELECTION TOMORROW.

The Emerald cannot but believe the students will vote for the $10,000 bonds tomorrow. The question is—how big will the aye majority be.

There is no excuse for any student being ignorant of the question. It is a question involving the student body in high finance and the Emerald has been an ardent advocate of the floating of the bonds only because careful consideration showed that side the only sensible side to take. This paper has always been for the best interests of the student body and if ever a new field was for the best interests it is now when many bitter experiences with a poor field have taught the students.

The question really involved is to the advisability of floating the bonds, thereby involving the student body in a heavy debt. In this case mature financers, whose judgment in financial circles is of consequence and who would reap no benefits, advise the issue of the bonds. They are men advanced in years who have lost none of their love for their alma mater and are keenly aware of existing circumstances. Their judgement has not been based on the presentation of the matter to them by students but comes from their own intimate knowledge of affairs.

As a matter of fact the students wouldn't be building this field wholly for the student body. Its scope is much broader and the moment the proposition goes beyond the jurisdiction of the student body it becomes a University administrative matter, and as such the regents should stand shoulder to shoulder with the students. This it is understood the regents are willing to do when the finances are in such shape as to warrant them re-imbursing the students.

In other words the student body is taking the initiative in building a permanent athletic field, involving itself heavily in debt in order to provide the University with what is recognized as a vital need. This is provided the bonds are voted. And it is this way the Emerald says the issue of the bonds is advisable—because the scope is so wide that it enters the University administrative jurisdiction and by the silence of the administrative department acquiescence and backing is given the undertaking.

The issue is well defined. Now let the aye majority be overwhelming, for the larger it is the more credit is carried with it.

All Varsity basketball candidates meet in the gymnasium, Wednesday at 4:15.

COACH BEZDEK.

DEAN ALLEN HONORED

Receives Office at Meeting of Journalism Teachers.

Oregon School Plans Addition of "Morgue" as Part of Equipment.

Eric W. Allen, dean of the school of Journalism, returned early yesterday morning from Missoula, Montana where he attended the sessions of the Western Association of Teachers of Journalism.

In the elections held Saturday, A. L. Stone of the University Montana, was elected president; Mr. Allen, vice-president, and Lee A. White of the University of Washington, secretary-treasurer. Mr. White was elected with the understanding that when he leaves the University of Washington in February, Colin V. Dyment, who takes his place, will have the privilege of nominating for election a successor to Mr. White.

Mr. Allen made the trip by way of Seattle where he visited the new office of the Seattle Times which, Mr. Allen says, is now one of the most complete newspaper offices in the country. While in Seattle he also visited the University of Washington, and was shown through the journalism department by Fred G. Kennedy, who is in charge of the mechanical and business courses in journalism. Mr. Kennedy made the trip to Missoula with Mr. Allen.

"These conventions at Missoula, are held," said Mr. Allen to enable the different teachers of journalism through the country to exchange ideas.

Mr. Allen says that the journalism department at Oregon intends to install a "morgue," which is a place for filing information and pictures of persons, places and things. The department has contemplated this for some time and has aside a room in the extension building for its location.

UNIVERSI-TEE-HEES

By Milton Arthur Stoddard.

"Pigging"

Deep into the ancient sea
Of Grecian etymology
I lately dived.
I asked the Greek as he shined by shoes,
"There is a word that students use.
Is it derived
From hog or swine in any way,
This 'pigging' that we do each day?"
He made reply.
"It come from an old, silly phrase
Back in the olden, classic days:
The letters 'Pi
Iota Gamma' stand for this:
Pretty, intelligent girls.' A mis-
Conception has
Bestowed upon a term divine
A meaning wrong, suggesting swine.—
The word has jaz!"

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WOMEN'S EYES.

If I were blind to every sight
But women's eyes,
And if the senses' wild delight,
That all men prize,
I were denied; and if sweet sound
Of music fell
Unheard upon me; if the ground,
Impalpable,
Seemed 'neath my body not a-throb;
If flowers gave
No joy; if torpor mercilessly should rob
All feeling save
The sight of one great beauty—one
That's Paradise!—
I'd have content—Of joys there's none
Like women's eyes!

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SCOTTY JAMEY SPEAKS.

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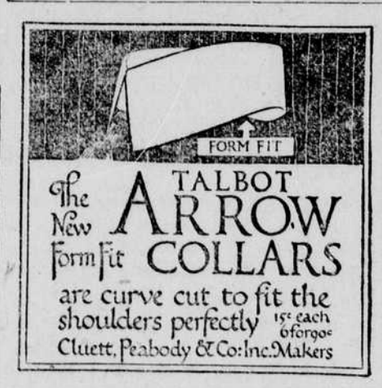

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