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## WHAT IS THE COLLEGE MAN'S DUTY?

Thirty-three men, one-third of the men enrolled, have withdrawn from the University since Thanksgiving vacation to enlist in various branches of the Army and Navy. At this rate what is to become of the University, already depleted of men capable of leadership, by reason of experience and training, in student affairs? And, aside from this consideration, are the men doing the wise thing?

Oregon's patriotism is not to be questioned. Already nearly 500 young men who called the University Alma Mater have flocked to the colors—have given up their education, their business, or their homes, and have done so willingly, because they thought they were needed. Should the United States request the services of more college men Oregon would offer every man, but that is just what the officials in Washington do not want. Time and again President Wilson and Secretary Baker have admonished college men to stay with their work, advising them that by continuing their education they are doing a greater service than by enlisting. "Wait for the draft," is the advice of nine out of ten military men in the country to college men.

But "wait for the draft" is just what the majority of college men today do not want to do, judging from appearances. On the campus there is a feeling of unrest and, while all of the men admit that they can see no stigma attached to waiting to be drafted, most of them fear that in the draft army they will not be assigned to the service for which they are the best fitted. To these men the Emerald would say, "Get a copy of the complete draft regulations and read them carefully, especially the parts relative to the selection and assignment of men to the service for which they are best fitted." If, after studying thoroughly the draft regulations, a man feels that he is choosing the right path when he enlists, then he should by all means enlist. But let him first be sure that his reasons for doing so are patriotic and not selfish.

Not for a minute would the Emerald seek to dissuade a man from doing his full duty, but what is his duty? What is your duty? Are you doing a greater service to your country when you enlist, or when you heed the request of the President of the United States and continue your education as long as possible? When this war has passed there is going to be a demand for college trained men never before equalled, a demand fully as important from a patriotic standpoint as the present call to arms.

University men, consider all of these things carefully: then decide for yourself and let no man turn you from what you consider your duty to your nation—the consideration alone should influence you. Should you elect to go, remember that the University of Oregon stands behind you to the last. If you stay, the desire and sole aim of the University becomes that of preparing you to be of the greatest service to your country when you are called.

## WE'LL NEED YOU NEXT YEAR, COACH!

Tomorrow night Coach Hugo Bezdek leaves for California to direct the preparation of the Mare Island Marine team for the game with the Allentown Ambulance corps eleven at Pasadena on New Year's Day. He will not return to Eugene after the game but will continue on to Chicago, where he will spend the winter according to the provisions of the leave of absence granted by the University last year.

This year Coach Bezdek did what looked to be the impossible—from an aggregation of players that knew practically nothing of football he developed a team which was counted in the coast championship race until the last and, in so doing, gave impetus to the campus spirit that should carry the University through an abnormal year under nearly normal conditions. Without the stimulation of healthy interest in football, campus life to many would have been destructive of the very spirit which the University is expected to foster. A brand of football one might lower in standard than that developed by Coach Bezdek would have been as bad as none at all. That one center of interest tided the University over a period more critical than most students realize and started things right along a path made exceptionally difficult by war conditions. With the completion of the football season a slump in student interest is already being evidenced by the many who are withdrawing from the University to enlist. However, student body affairs are now sufficiently well advanced to insure a continuation of the usual activities throughout the year.

Next year the situation promises to be even more serious

than it has been since September. There will be fewer old students without doubt and far weaker ties binding the students together. Football must again carry the burden of awakening the Oregon Spirit and infuse into it the "old fight." It will take more than a mediocre team to do this and it will necessitate an A-1 coach and one who understands campus conditions and traditions.

Coach, you are the man. The students are back of you 900 strong; the alumni is back of you and the University is back of you. The question on every tongue when October 1 rolls around again will be, "Is 'Bez' Back?"

## BASKETBALL IS ON IN DOUGHNUT LEAGUE

### Teams to Be Divided Into Two Sections; Winners of Each Will Play Three Games.

### Dean Walker Plans Regular Practice Before Calling "Conference" Contests.

Inter-fraternity basketball is on! At a meeting of representatives from all the fraternities and clubs on the campus, in the gymnasium yesterday afternoon, a schedule for doughnut league practice games for next week, was worked out. As last year, teams will be divided into two sections, the winners of each to play three games for the championship.

The schedule for the games has not been arranged, but as soon as the second semester is started, a schedule will be drawn up.

Dean Walker, director of athletics, has thought it advisable to hold practice games between the two divisions, before calling the "conference" games onto the floor.

### Two Sections Chosen

The two sections which he selected follow: Section I.—Sigma Nu, Kappa Sigma, Oregon Club, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Gamma Delta, Section II.—Delta Tau Delta, Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Chi, Friendly Hall.

The teams of section one will play the teams of section two in regular practice games, on the gymnasium floor, at designated hours next week. They are as follows:

- Monday at 4 p. m.: Sigma Nu—Delta Tau, Kappa Sigma—Delta Tau Delta.
- Tuesday, at p. m.: Oregon Club—Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta—Sigma Chi.
- Wednesday, at 4 p. m.: Phi Gamma Delta—Dormitory, Sigma Nu—Alpha Tau Omega.
- Thursday, at 4 p. m.: Delta Tau Delta—Kappa Sigma, Oregon Club—Sigma Chi.
- Friday, at 4 p. m.: Beta Theta Pi—Phi Gamma Delta, Dormitory—Phi Delta Theta.

### Two Games Each Night

Two games will be run off each night, with six-minute quarters, and on minute between, the two teams of each section, taking alternate turns at the floor.

All Varsity men will be ruled out of the playing, as will also any men whom Bill Hayward may class as Varsity material.

## CAMPUS SERVICE THEME OF MRS. ERIC W. ALLEN

### Duty to One's Neighbor Emphasized in Address at Y. W. C. A. Bungalow.

Mrs. Eric W. Allen addressed the Y. W. C. A. on the subject of "Campus Service" at the Y. W. C. A. Bungalow Wednesday afternoon at four.

"Our duty to our neighbor is not to make him good but to make him happy—(Stevenson), is a motto that everybody should put into actual practice," said Mrs. Allen. "Connected with that is another motto that would fit in, 'If I am for myself whom am I for? If I am only for myself what good am I? If not now, when?'"

"And," continued Mrs. Allen, "the word service is one that is being used a great deal at present and that is often used in the wrong sense.

"To use the word 'service' correctly you must keep yourself fit as well as gain a deep and true understanding of your associates and neighbors."

Helen Watts gave a vocal solo, accompanied by Fern Murphy.

The Eugene Red Cross association has sent material for aprons and caps to the University auxiliary. These must be made and ready when the surgical dressing work is started after the holidays. All the girls are urged to turn out on Monday and Thursday from three to five and help make these caps and aprons. Tea was served after the lecture.

Don't forget Bob's Barber Shop—just around the corner, on 7th.

## SHEEHY TELLS OF STATE BOX SHOOK INDUSTRY

### Student Body President Speaks to Commerce Class on Promising Phase of Trade.

The importance of box shook manufacturing in the industrial development of Oregon, was explained to the class of the school of commerce on Wednesday afternoon by James S. Sheehy, a member of the class, who has made a special study of the subject.

Mr. Sheehy pointed out that Klamath Falls is the center of the box shook industry of the state, and that nearly all the boxes used in the California fruit districts are made there. He predicted a bright future for the industry in Oregon and contended that the foreign, as well as the domestic market will claim a large share of Oregon boxes in the future.

He also explained, in interesting fashion, the mechanical process of manufacturing boxes and shipping them.

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