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### WHERE DO WE STAND?

Among the men of the University a spirit of unrest is rapidly growing in connection with the status which the department of military training is to take as a recognized military organization. There is a feeling that they, who are directly effected, are being kept in the dark regarding the steps which the University is taking towards gaining definite recognition by the War Department.

The arrival of Colonel Leader and the inauguration of his highly valuable work, coupled with the assurances that Oregon would secure a reserve officer's training corps rating in all probability, has stopped the rush of voluntary student enlistments. It has been an important factor in keeping the men in college, for they felt that the training received would fit them for more efficient service and that some method would be devised whereby they would be given the opportunity to put the knowledge of the military game thus learned into immediate use.

The men of the University, as is the case with men generally, cannot help but feel an aversion for the draft. It is not because they lack in patriotism, or that they are not anxious to serve their country. They fear that by waiting for it they are going to be lost in the shuffle, put into a branch of the service for which they have no liking and, thereby, injure their own effectiveness as fighters. Many of the men have foregone chances to enlist in the branch of the service to which they are particularly attracted. They have remained with their studies, feeling confi-

dent they would leave the University in June as members of duly recognized military organization.

Not a man in the University Battalion has lost anything by remaining in school, but they are becoming impatient. College men are not of the type that will sit idly by when the Nation faces a crisis such as it is facing today. Their first reaction is to get into the thick of the fighting and, while the matter of recognition of the military works on the campus is up in the air, the Marine and Aviation corps, the Navy and other branches of the service are making strong appeals to college students.

The University has faith in Colonel Leader and in the work he is doing, but the men want to know where they stand.

There is nothing to blush at in making that statement. Oregon men are loyal down to the last one—their past record demonstrates that. They will go to the front tomorrow if the Nation asks it. They will stay at their studies and the military training they are being given on the campus, if they can be shown that by so doing they are working toward a definite end that will enable them to do their part.

Has the time come when the student body, of its own accord, cannot be relied upon to conduct itself on state occasions without committing a blunder? We think not. And even though a little slip did occur now and then, it would, in all probability, be the cause of less criticism than to have University gatherings—which one might expect to be more or less academic in their atmosphere—conducted on the order of a preparatory school assembly. Though it may be conceit, we are of the opinion that the average University student knows enough to stand when the National Anthem is played.

## STANDARD OF STATE MUSIC TO BE RAISED

### University School to Reserve Right to Examine All Students Upon Entrance.

### Teachers' Association Will Help in Promoting Desired Quality.

Raising of the standards of musical instruction and, consequently, of musical ability and appreciation throughout the state, is the aim of Dr. John J. Landsbury, dean of the school of music, in new entrance requirements announced today. This action, it is explained, is made necessary by the absence of an examining board protecting the standards of teaching in the state.

Heretofore, Dr. Landsbury points out, courtesy has seemed to demand the acceptance of all music credits at their face value upon entrance in the school of music. The situation has become such, however, that from now on the school reserves the right to examine all applicants for admission.

"I have discussed the matter with city superintendents, who have told me that they would prefer not to be the deciding factor; they would prefer to have the matter handled by some central authority. This authority has been found in the State Music Teachers' association, which is working with the school of music in this effort to raise standards."

Dr. Landsbury is president of the association, as well as dean of the school of music.

**Poor Teachers to Be Pulled Out.**  
"The system we are abandoning," he said, "has been working to the lowering of musical standards throughout the state. The good teacher who has tried to keep up the standards of the art has been handicapped in competition with the instructor who is more easily satisfied. The tendency has been toward a lower and lower level of ability among those applying for admission to the school of music. Students have been applying who really cannot read music. This has been embarrassing both to us and to the applicants."

"There are two kinds of work for which credit has been given—that done under supervisors in the schools, and that done under private teachers outside. The trouble, of course, has been with the training given by the private teachers."

**Plan to Be Adopted in April.**  
"Properly trained students, instructed by competent teachers, need have nothing to fear from this ruling. In the case of others, it is to their advantage to be compelled to make proper preparation before seeking admittance to the University. Under the present system, credits are often allowed by school officials who are not qualified to pass on the quality of the instruction given their students by the private teachers. The examination system has been adopted at the suggestion of music teachers all over the state who seek protection against the cheap, poor teacher. It is a step toward standardizing in this line, just as is done in all other lines of University work."

"The operation of this new principle

will be delayed until the opening of the next term, in April."

**Raising Quality, Landsbury's Goal.**

Dr. Landsbury is head of a committee of the state association of music teachers, which will recommend to the organization at its next annual meeting a standard course of study. His ideas for the stiffening of requirements for entrance to the school of music have the endorsement of the leaders in the state association.

The raising of the standard of musical instruction throughout the state has been the goal of Dr. Landsbury ever since he came to the University, three and a half years ago. "In all that time," he said, "I have been working to that end. I feel that the result will be beneficial both to the school and to the musical interests of the state."

## ART WORK EXPLAINED

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feeling. "Mr. Barnes," said she, "won our life scholarship prize. He is now in France, as a member of a company of engineers who were among the first to reach the scene of real warfare."

Several drawings made by children were on exhibit. "These," said Miss Crocker, "show the progress made by the younger pupils. They are taught to get the complete figure and not simply a part when they begin their work."

The American posters now seen on billboards were deplored by the speaker, who believes that more feeling should be expressed. "Our war posters," she declared, "show no real depth. They portray the handsome men and pretty girls which we have been seeing for years on magazine covers. This war is a serious business, and in my opinion merits posters which will depict the real spirit of the day. While the commonplace poster may catch the eye at first, a really bold and spirited one would hold the attention longer."

Other instructors in the school are H. P. Wentz, instructor in life composition, painting and drawing; Miss Helen Putnam, instructor in arts and crafts and designing, and Miss Clara Stephens, instructor in applied art.

## RUTH ROCHE MAY BE AID

Application of Former U. Student to Do Reconstruction Work Considered.

Miss Ruth Roche, '17, of Eugene, who has been assistant physical director in the San Francisco State Normal school this year, has received word from Washington that her application as a reconstruction aid is being considered. Miss Roche has written to the physical education department here for a recommendation, as two recommendations and a physical examination are required before applications are accepted.

Miss Roche's work in the normal school has been very successful, according to Miss Mabel Cummings, head of the physical education department. Miss Roche is in charge of most of the practical work and supervises the work of the normal students with the children. She also holds conference with the normal students weekly in regard to their work.

Miss Roche had a similar offer for work at the Illinois Normal school but preferred the work in California, so that she might be nearer her home here.

Mrs. Fred Stickels, Mrs. Herbert Roome, Mrs. Rae Jenkins, and Mrs. Helen Washburn Martin, were dinner guests of Chi Omega, Saturday evening.

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Creamery Butter, pound	50c	Grape Nuts, 2 pkgs. for	25c
Soda Crackers, 35c pkgs.	25c	Cove Oysters, 5 oz. cans	13c
Graham Crackers, 35c pkgs.	25c	Barataria Shrimp, 4 1/2 oz. cans	13c
Apricots, Peaches, Pears, 2 cans for	25c	Minced Razor Clams, 10 1/2 oz. cans	15c
Pride of Eugene White Laundry Soap, 6 bars for	25c	Filberts, 2 lbs. for	35c
Lava Soap, large size, 3 bars for	25c	Oregon Walnuts, pound	17c