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HERE TO STAY

Military drill for undergraduates of the University who come under the R. O. T. C. as accepted from the government by the board of regents, is declared the most pressing problem before the student body.

The war has taught a realization of the value of military drill for discipline and physical fitness and brought to America a military spirit which for the present at least demands military drill. For this reason the board of regents were entirely justified in accepting for Oregon the offer made to the University by the government. Particularly to the freshmen entering next fall without the military drill which all students in the University received last quarter under the S. A. T. C., the reserve officers' training will be of real service.

The only objection to be found at this time, and that mostly among the undergraduates, is that the drill is not necessary as the men have all had at least three months under the S. A. T. C. The drill is coming back as a compulsory measure too soon after the men received their discharges from the army and believed themselves free of military regulations. Due to these conditions the undergraduates are not turning out as they should and taking little interest in their work while on the field.

Underclassmen undoubtedly have some ground for their attitude. They have had military drill. But it is unreasonable that they could have learned all about the duties of a soldier nor received all the advantages possible from the R. O. T. C. in the short period of three months.

Furthermore, it is a duty to Oregon, since the R. O. T. C. has accepted, to make a good showing here in comparison with other universities. Realizing this duty some twenty of the upperclassmen highest in military training, former officers or members of officers' training schools at the time of the signing of the armistice, have agreed for the good of the University in this important feature of the year's work to help direct the drill and military work until such time as the undergraduates are able to carry it along satisfactorily among their own number.

This attitude of the upperclassmen in itself is sufficient to show with what im-

portance the work is regarded by the older Oregon men. Oregon has never failed in anything. This is no time to begin.

As more men come to the University who have not had military drill, the benefits of the R. O. T. C. will mean more and more to the University and student body. The R. O. T. C. is here to stay. While it is here, Oregon may as well lead other R. O. T. C.'s as Oregon leads in other lines of college work. The R. O. T. C. will play, perhaps, as big a part in the future of the University as any other one line of student activity.

THE PHYSICAL TRAINING BILL.

The physical education bill now pending in the state legislature is of importance to and worthy of the support of every University student either as a citizen or as a resident of Oregon. The proposed legislation provides for an average of at least twenty minutes each day of properly supervised physical training, exclusive of any exercise given during the regular recess periods.

As evidence of the effects of systematic physical training on health and physical efficiency, the wonderful change made in the physiques of the soldiers of the American army, as well as the armies of the allies, is a present example. A properly supervised system of physical training in the public schools of Oregon could not with the allotted twenty minutes daily accomplish the same astonishing results evidenced in the much longer daily physical training given in the army. But such a system surely could do a very great deal toward keeping school children of Oregon in a much better physical condition than heretofore, and make future citizens more nearly prepared to meet any emergency.

Oregon students can aid the surety of the passage of the proposed law by any publicity they show in support of the measure, by writing any legislators they may happen to know as well as talking about the measure to their own friends.

DOUGHNUT DEBATE.

The plans for intra-mural debate on the campus are broad enough to enlist the interest and support of every Oregon student. If the plans are carried out according to expectation the work on the arguments and consequently the interest in the debate will be shared by each member of the organization being represented instead of devolving upon the teams.

Such a plan will greatly strengthen the teams as well as arouse general and intelligent interest. And we will at the same time be realizing the greatest aim of intramural participation in debate.

Another thing to be considered is that a large and genuine interest in debate among the students will be concrete evidence of Oregon's participation in purely intellectual pursuits, for the enlightenment of those who criticize the University on this score.

Because athletics and other forms of student activities receive greater publicity than debate, those who are not directly connected with the institution do not realize how important a place fencing holds.

And so aside from the real pleasure and valuable training the debaters will receive they will be serving their Alma Mater as well. Let us reserve one evening of February sixth exclusively for de-

bate and put over the first of the series in grand style.

H. B.

In less than a week, the period of thirty days grace for the payment of the premium for December on the U. S. insurance taken out by men in the S. A. T. C. will expire. The government is permitting men to maintain this cheapest form of insurance even after the soldier is discharged. As Professor W. F. G. Thacher, former lieutenant in the personnel office of the S. A. T. C., explains in another column, "The soldier who refuses to avail himself of the privilege is simply refusing a generous gift." If it is impossible for the student to keep up the full amount of his policy the amount can be cut, and the cheap rate maintained. Later it may be converted into old line policies.

KEEP UP WAR INSURANCE

To the Editor of The Emerald.

May I be permitted to use your columns for the purpose of bringing before the men recently discharged from the army the desirability of keeping up their war risk insurance. In less than a week, the period of the 30 days of grace for the payment of the premium for December will expire, and the privileges of the insurance will be forever lost.

It is not possible—nor should it be needful—in the space offered to discuss the advantages of insurance. In these days of general enlightenment on the subject, no intelligent man—whether he be an educated man or not—questions the fact that every man should carry as much insurance as he can afford. The government offers to its soldiers insurance at about half the commercial rate, and offers to continue that privilege after the soldier is discharged. The man who refuses to avail himself of this privilege is simply refusing a generous gift; he is shutting his eyes to his own future; he is denying the rights of those who, some day, will be dependent upon him.

The only possible reason why any man should not continue his insurance is his absolute inability to pay the premium. For the man with a \$10,000 policy, this means about \$6.00 a month—20 cents a day—the price of a visit to a movie, a "short thick," a package of cigarettes. There are men, I know, who cannot afford even this much—but there are not many.

If the \$6.00 a month is beyond your means, there is the possibility of reducing the policy to \$5,000 and the premium to \$3.00. As I understand it, you have this privilege. Simply write to the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, telling them what you want to do. But remember that your policy must be kept in force, or you automatically lose all rights of reduction or conversion into other types of insurance. The first thing for every man to remember is that he must pay his premium every month. Don't rely on the 30 days of grace. That is poor business. Do it promptly, regularly every month. In years to come, you will reckon the savings to you in the thousands of dollars.

W. F. G. THACHER.

CUP PUT UP FOR SWIMMING

Miss Cummings Offers Silver Trophy to Winning Class.

Miss Mabel Cummings, head of the physical training department, is offering a cup to the class winning the largest number of points in the coming interclass swimming meets. Miss Cummings feels that swimming is one of the major sports for women and that a cup should be offered for it as well as for basketball and other sports.

In three years, swimming has become recognized as a major sport among women in the University. The Women's Athletic association, in recognition of this fact, has given a personal trophy to the best swimmer. This trophy is awarded at the annual field meet of the association held in the spring. Three years ago, the tank in the men's gymnasium was open to women swimmers only one afternoon a week. Now, it is open two afternoons, and a large number of University girls are taking the opportunity to learn to swim.

The cup offered by Miss Cummings will not be given as a permanent trophy to any class, but the name of the swimming class each year will be engraved upon it.

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HURN IN HONOR GUARD OF WILSON IN LONDON

Letter to Karl Onthank Tells of Seeing Many Men from University.

"I have the pleasure of being a member of President Wilson's Guard of Honor tomorrow when he comes to give King George a visit," writes Sergeant Ralph E. Hurn, ex-'16, in a letter to Karl W. Onthank.

"I have been in the chief surgeon's office here in London since the first of December and I don't know how long it is going to continue," he writes. "I have a terrible longing to get back to God's Country in White Man's clothes again. We may go to Paris or Washington, D. C., from here but I am sure pulling for the latter!"

"All the boys who left school when I did have registered in the Paris branch of the American University Union. You see we have a duplicate register in our London Union here. They have a swell place here in the St. James hotel.

"Have seen quite a few U. of O. boys over here. Dean Seabrook, ex-'19, is in Winchester. He married an English girl in Southampton. A fellow named Nichol, a Phi Gamma Delta, is a sergeant in the Q. M. corps here with me. Jack Dolph passed through Southampton when I was there. He is a second lieutenant in the Q. M. I saw the following men on their way to France: Fred Kiddle, Bob Earle, Sandy Leonard, Mike Harris, Charlie Johns, Rodney Smith, Bob Kuykendall and Keith Kiggins.

"I have a nice place here and only wish I could have gotten it sooner. I go to the office at 9:30 and work until 6 p. m. with an hour off for dinner.

"I got a copy of the Nov. 9 Oregon Overseas Bulletin and say I sure did appreciate it. You can't imagine how much real news there was in it for me." Mr. Hurn is a member of Alpha Tau Omega.

OREGON MAN IN NAVY SICK

Dorward Pratt, Recovering From Operation, Appreciates Bulletin.

Another word of appreciation of the "Oregon Overseas" has been received on the campus from Dorward C. Pratt, a former member of the class of 1921, stationed at the Naval hospital at Chelsea, Mass.

Pratt left the campus to enlist in the navy about fourteen months ago and did radio work at Harvard University for a short time. Owing to an operation on the throat from which he has not yet recovered, he writes, he has not been to sea but has been in service at the naval hospital. He speaks very highly of the treatment of the men in the navy.

Pratt, whose home is in Veneta, Oregon, writes that he would be pleased to receive any other copies of the "Oregon Overseas" published.

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