

CHEMICAL INDUSTRY HIT BY GERMANS, IS CHARGE

Colleges Should Discourage Plan, Says Dr. Shinn

PERIL SEEN IN PROGRAM

American Patrons Alleged to be "Killing Goose"

German propaganda designed to undermine the chemical industry in the United States and other countries and to regain for Germany her former grip on the chemical trade, is seen by Dr. F. L. Shinn, head of the department of chemistry in the University of Oregon, in a letter received by him from a New York chemical importing company which claims a large importing business in this country.

Dr. Shinn, in a statement, emphasizes the importance of loyalty to American chemists. Any other course, he points out, must mean disaster to the American chemical industry, built up since the outbreak of the European war. The firm imports its goods under the duty-free import laws and solicits business with the laboratories of colleges and universities all over this country. The letter received by the University chemist, is evidently, he says, a form letter sent to educational institutions all over the country and offers to act as buying agent for scientific instruments, chemicals, etc., at dealer's prices, reserving for themselves a fixed commission of 10 per cent.

Special Prices Possible

It points out the saving that would be accomplished for the American institutions by such service, as a member of the concern is personally in Germany to keep track of the buying interests for the company, and claims that all orders trusted to their hands will have instant and continuous attention. However, says the letter, should one wish to have their requirements covered by domestic goods, the firm keeps a full line of laboratory supplies in stock and would welcome inquiries for special prices.

There is attached a copy of a letter sent their firm by a professor in the chemistry department in an eastern university which reads:

"It gives me great pleasure to inform you that the goods arrived in splendid condition, and the service was without comment which enables me to advise you that on all further orders you will receive the preference from my department."

Attempt to Regain Old Place

"This apparently legitimate attempt on the part of Germany to enlarge her trade is in reality nothing but propaganda," declared Dr. Shinn today.

"It is only one step in the German plan to undermine the chemical industry of this and other countries in an attempt to regain the place she held in that field before the war. Under the duty-free law Germany can import her goods and sell to educational institutions for a much lower price than dealers in this country. Also, the depreciation of the German mark enables her to buy and undersell in this country. Definite cases have been proved that show this to be the truth, and only another move on Germany's part to regain her lost ground in the chemical industry."

Activities in Italy Told

Dr. Shinn told of a case where the interception of a letter from a German agent in Italy to government authorities in Germany proved beyond a doubt that it is the policy of the German government to undermine industries in foreign countries. The letter, which appears in the January issue of The Journal of Industrial and Engineering Chemistry, relates the efforts of the German special agent to increase discontent among the workers and bring about a crisis in various Italian chemical and other industries in order to create a market for cheap German goods. It tells also of efforts of German agents to gain control of ownership of Italian industries in order to operate them under German management, but under Italian names.

Must "Strengthen Discontent"

Such expressions as the following occur in the letter: "It is necessary to strengthen this discontent in order to consolidate our situation through economic action. We must create such economic interests and bonds with Italy that whatever happens, Italy will have to follow our political lead."

One paragraph reads: "First of all it is necessary that a systematic supply of German goods be sent here, even below the cost price to a considerable extent. Inundating the Italian market with German goods we will not only have a place sympathetic with Ger-

many, because, as many of our agents and commercial representatives have verified, Italian consumers gladly accept cheap articles, but we will also create a situation for Italian industry which will render any continuation of activity impossible. This without doubt will create such an agitation that, besides keeping Italy in constant agitation, will enable us to become the sole masters of the Peninsula trade."

Could Misbrand Goods

The letter continues: ".....we could reduce Italian competition in the Balkans, where we could present our product as being Italian—But it is necessary for the German companies to understand the necessity of their branches in Italy remaining under the Italian name."

"It is a thing on which American industries must stand firm," said Dr. Shinn emphatically. "We must discourage the buying of German goods. And it is certainly the place of the educational institutions of America to take the stand if any one does."

Dr. Shinn has written a letter to the importing company in which he states that he is not in sympathy with the attitude of the eastern professor who so highly commends the service of the importing firm. The letter reads:

Patriotic Duty is Seen

"Until the domestic market fails us we have no intention of placing duty-free import orders for German goods. I firmly believe it to be the duty of all patriotic users of chemical products to refrain absolutely from any such practice. It seems elementary to me that any other course is detrimental to American industry and American chemists and therefore unpatriotic."

"To help in any way to destroy the American chemical industry which has undergone tremendous expansion during and since the war, or to cripple or curtail it by giving aid and comfort to the chemical industry of the unrepentant and defeated Germany, is an activity which loyal Americans, in my judgment, should leave to the diabolical ingenuity of the Germans, their agents, abettors and propagandists. Such activities on the part of Americans are simply the destined to kill the goose that lays the golden egg."

Americanism is Criticized

"I may also add that I have seen respect for the patriotism or type of Americanism possessed by a man, be he college professor or not, who can write you such a letter as you enclose, revealing as it does his cordial sympathy with the policy which you are obviously fostering, of training an American chemist and then betraying him by doing all in ones power to embarrass the industry in which he would be expected to secure employment, all for the price of a temporary saving of a few dollars. If I knew of a firm which refused to handle German chemical products it would be assured of our entire patronage."

E. B. U. PRESIDENT LAUDS COOPERATION OF OREGON

39 Students of Bible School On University's Roll

"We appreciate greatly the cultural advantages to our students that come from contact with a great state university like the University of Oregon," said Eugene C. Sanderson, president of the Eugene Bible University, while speaking of the large number of students taking work in both the Bible University and the state University. A large number of the E. B. U. students are taking work in the various departments of the University in completing their training for the ministry.

"The young people are better prepared to enter into their work as a result of the time they spend in the state institution, not only because of the class of work done, but also because of the contact with the student body of the larger school," he said. "The large number of students in the preparatory schools throughout the state are responsible for the growth of the institutions of higher learning during the past few years. I should not be surprised to see the enrollment of the University of Oregon jump to four or five thousand within the next four or five years."

"The relations between the two schools existing side by side for more than a quarter of a century have always been most cordial," President Sanderson pointed out that an exceedingly large percentage of the graduates of the Bible University had also graduated from Oregon.

Mr. Sanderson has held the position of president of the institution since its founding, twenty-seven years ago, in a dwelling house. The first building on the present campus was what is now Rehm hall, the women's dormitory.

Thirty-nine of the 190 students of the E. B. U. are taking work in the University of Oregon in addition to their other work, according to the records of the registrar of the University and the secretary of the Eugene Bible University. Of these thirty-nine, eighteen are classified as E. B. U. specials. The other eleven are regular candidates for a degree from Oregon.

The courses in which these students are registered take in practically every department of the University. The Bible University does not, as a matter of policy, give instruction in subject which are given in the state university, but recommends that students complete their education by taking regular University courses in the College of Literature, Science and the Arts.

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FRENCH COLLEGES OFFER COURSES TO AMERICANS

Travel and Study on Program for Tour of 10 Weeks

To offer an opportunity to American students and teachers to study in French universities and to travel in France at a minimum cost, nine French universities are offering special summer courses and organizing special tutorial classes for American students and teachers.

Each university group will be limited in number. Assignments to the various French universities will be made according to the choice of the applicant until the quota of the university group is filled. The applicant's second choice will then be honored.

The privilege of joining these groups is extended to American students, teachers and their friends. Courses will be offered in grammar, phonetics, diction, composition, history, literature, French civilization and many special courses. Each university group will be under the supervision of an American professor of romance language.

The trip will be of 10 weeks duration. Three weeks will be spent in travel, including the ocean voyage. Six weeks will be spent in study at a French university and one week will be spent in Paris by those who attend a university outside of Paris. The price of the trip will cover absolutely all expenses from sailing to the return date, (New York to New York), and will approximate \$625.

Further details and information can be obtained by addressing Comite des Voyages d'Etudes en France, 281 Fifth Avenue, New York. Mrs. Clara Fitch, secretary to Dean Colin V. Dymont has further information on the trips.

OUTDOOR FANS ARRANGE FOR HIKING TRIP TODAY

Condon Club and Recreation Committee Schedule Route Through Goshen; Dean Bovard, Director

Neither earthquake shocks nor rains, equal to or exceeding those of the last few days, will daunt the group of hikers who will assemble at 10 a. m. this morning on the steps of the administration building to participate in the second outdoor jaunt arranged by the joint committee of the Condon club and the recreation committee.

The course of the second hike leads to Lorraine valley and Goshen over the old Creswell road. Today's hike will total about 12 miles, slightly longer than the first one. The only expense will be five cents to cover the cost of hot coffee, sugar and cream which the committee supplies. Any surplus from this charge is to be used to help defray the cost of truck transportation on the longer two day hikes planned for spring, such as the ones to Mary's peak, Lucky Boy mine, and Triangle lake.

Partners are neither barred nor required. At the last hike many new acquaintances were made. Although no one will be compelled or even asked to listen to scientific explanations of any phase of natural science encountered, the person who desires such information will secure it first hand from recognized authorities on geology and biology. Hikers are urged to bring their cameras with them. A picture exchange is to be conducted by the Condon club where snary shots taken on the hike may be purchased at a small cost or exchanged.

Dr. John F. Bovard, dean of the department of physical education department will act as director of today's trip.

STUDENTS GO TO SALEM

Head of Psychology Department and Class Visit Insane Asylum

Dr. Edmund S. Conklin, head of the psychology department, and 15 members of his psychology class went to Salem yesterday morning to attend a clinic for the insane at the state asylum in connection with their class work in abnormal psychology. Miss Celia Hager, an assistant in the department, also went.

Dr. Griffith at the institution took them to see the chronic cases in the women's ward, and then to the sun parlor in the receiving ward where re-

covering patients were reading and sewing.

Examples of paresis, dementia precox, circulary insanity, involuntional melancholia, and senile insanity were studied. Dr. Griffith said that it was difficult to accurately classify the cases, since they change from day to day. There are now 1870 cases being treated.

Dr. Conklin and the students returned at 8:50 last night.

FROSH SQUAD INVADES SOUTH FOR TWO GAMES

Medford and Ashland Fives to Give Stiff Competition

The Freshman basketball squad of seven men, with Coach Durno, left yesterday for a two-game series in Southern Oregon. The men making the trip are King, Crandall, Poulson, Haynes, Jost and Jones. The teams which they are to meet are Medford and Ashland high schools. Both of these teams have good records to date and the yearlings expect two hard contests.

The Medford game is especially interesting for the reason that Hollis Huntington, the Oregon football star on the 1919 team which played Harvard, is coaching the high school team there.

The Ashland team, according to all dope which could be gained, is the strongest team in southern Oregon, and Eddie Durno, Frosh coach predicted that the game with this team would be one of the hardest that the frosh will have this season.

The yearling team this year has been making quite a record; to date they have not dropped a single game. The four games with O. A. C. were all won, for the first time in five or six years. This fact alone would give the first year men a good season, but besides this they have beaten several of the strongest high school teams in the state.

The southern Oregon trip may be the only chance the frosh will have to travel this year, for Coach Durno says that games are very hard to schedule with the Portland high schools this year.

"OLD OREGON" HAS NEWS PLAN

A novel plan for getting the news about old students for publication in "Old Oregon," the alumni magazine, was started when the last issue of the magazine was sent out. Pink form sheets to be filled with news of engagements, births, or marriages are being inserted in the book and sent to each subscriber.

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SENIOR WOMEN WANTED TO CHANGE TACTICS

SWELL SENIOR SUGGESTS SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE CONCERNING COMING FEMALE FROLICS

Leap week is now in the middle of a whirlwind finish. All those slow sisters who did not know about procrastination and what it does to time are now making a lot of extra work for the telephone operators.

of this place like to spend their time.

Like all new things this first Leap Week known on the American continent is not free from faults. It was a success but ye editor had a feeling that it could be made better. Picking to the best looking senior man, as he stood resting between phone calls, we put the question up to him. Here is what he had to say about the matter:

"If you dont know what to do here's a tip. Bust into OBAKS about seven thirty and start a game of pool. After you get beat the first game be good natured and go out front and buy a couple of cigars as tribute. When you see him running up a big score on the next game flag your self to the luncheonette and get a couple of ice cream bars. Interrupt him in the middle of a shot and feed him. He may get a chill and loose his eye.

"Yeah the leap week was purty good. But it could have been a whole lot better."

"After pool has lost its interest start a game of billiards. A couple of candy bars will serve to keep his attention off the game well enough to give you a good chance to beat him. You can even drop a piece in front of the cue ball if he gets too good.

"Course t'wuz the girls first chanst at leadership and I don't suppose that they should be criticised too much. But we all live to live and learn so I'd like to make a suggestion or two to the lassies of next years senior bunch.

"If a bunch of the sisters want to travel as a tribe bring your men along and start a smooker tournament. OBAK has enough cues for the whole house. If your man is hard to please present him with one of our new briar pipes. If he turns up his nose at that bring it back and get a bowl of clam chowder.

"Now take it from one who has gone through the fire of th' battle if you want to make it a real go for the man you chose you'll have to change your tactics. When we takes a girl out we take 'em where they want to go. Well, you do the same thing with the men, if you want to make it a good time was had all' party.

"The evening being spent gathering the crowd around the luncheonette and have a rousing good feed. You'll enjoy it and so will the rest."

"Dont drag your company to no pink tea because he'll feel about as much as home as you do in a barber shop: If he's a real man take him for a evening at OBAKS. That's where the men

"Take it from me, yo junior women, these are the goods. Treat your man like he likes to be treated if you want to make a hit. Be a model escort, and not a 1918 model at that."

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