

This Week

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One of the two big murder cases that have been occupying the attention of the newspaper reading public during the past week is ended in the verdict of guilty of second degree murder given against Clara Phillips, alleged hammer slayer of Mrs. Alberta Meadows in one of the country's most sensational killings. The Hall-Mills tragedy, or double murder as it is called, one of the most disgustingly immoral affairs on record, still hangs fire, with the prosecution unable to decide upon whom to affix the guilt.

It was to be expected that Bonar Law and the conservatives "would be voted into power in the English elections of this week. Law was given a big enough majority to enable him to completely control parliament. Two surprises occurred: the complete defeat of Lloyd George and the liberals, the defeat of many women candidates, and at the same time success of liquor and moral reform measures and candidates. Of interest to literary folk is the defeat of H. G. Wells by a 2400 majority.

Germany is again in chaos. Dr. Wirt has resigned and Wilhelm Cuno, general manager of the Hamburg-American Steamship company, is forming a new cabinet. Internal affairs are extremely unstable, and President Ebert is daily holding conferences trying to strengthen his hold upon the Reichstag.

A strange, unofficial mission is undertaken by Clemenceau, the Tiger of France, who arrived in New York yesterday. He has come to this country in an endeavor to America the rather cold attitude of America toward France. Lacking official sanction, but, it is thought, backed by French leaders, he has undertaken the most difficult task of his long, successful, yet eventful, political career.

The interstate commerce commission hearing in Washington Monday upon the merger of the Southern Pacific and Central Pacific railroads is tremendously interesting to this vicinity. One side claims that if the roads are unmerged, the Union Pacific will build the Natron which would bring two transcontinental roads to Eugene, making it a great center of industry and commerce; while the supporters of the Southern Pacific hold that it would ruin the one road that now runs through here if the unmerger were granted. Two delegations, with each side represented, have gone from here to Washington to be present.

Traffic judges all over the United States are in favor of a startling plan to curb carelessness among motorists. The plan is to follow the example of a Chicago judge and take the speeders to the hospital and show them the pitiful sights of children whose bodies have been maimed, crippled, and ruined by too fast driving.

The Turkish-Allied situation is deadlocked, and that's about all that can be said for it. The Allies have agreed upon a definite policy but it remains to be seen whether France will continue to back up Britain at the Lusanna meeting being held. The Kemalists contend that if they are confronting a solid Allied front they will withdraw. The first part of next week will tell the story.

Oregon's Track Begins Early

Kuykendall, Scott, Davis Star

By Ep Hoyt
The story of track and field athletics at Oregon is a long and glorious one. Operations on the cinder path commenced in 1895, and in that year, with barely six weeks training, the Webfooters captured the laurels in the first inter-collegiate meet held under the auspices of Willamette University at Salem. The Lemon-Yellow stars with a score of 33 points, Willamette University garnered 28 points, Portland University 28, Pacific College 19, and Monmouth Normal 9.
The best records made by the University of Oregon athletes at the first intercollegiate meet follow:
100 yard dash, Merritt Davis, 10.4
220 yard dash, C. W. Keene, 24.3
440 yard dash, C. W. Keene, 53.3
1 mile, R. H. Hawley, 5.563.
120 hurdles, D. V. Kuykendall, 19.3.

SLANG ALL RIGHT STATES SHELDON

Living Language Must Have Virile Words to Carry Its Duty of Clear Expression

DEAD WORDS SLOUGH OUT

Danger, However, Lies in Not Making Effort to Secure Right Phrase for Meaning

Slang! Well! Is it pernicious, and objectionable, and ought educated persons to try to keep it out of their vocabularies? Dean Henry D. Sheldon of the school of education doesn't think so. "I may have difficulties with the English department," he said laughing, when he was asked to tell his views on the subject. Then he proceeded to stand up for slang, taken at its best. "As society evolves," he said, "there are new situations, and while the old words can be made to express them, new words arise that have a sort of pungency, and can describe new things better than the old words. These new expressions usually originate as slang—words such as 'punch' and 'jazz.' But such words, as these, Dean Sheldon thinks, may come into recognized use even in rhetoric departments, in twenty years or so.

Not that the dean of the school of education means to stick up all the time for all the great body of slang as it is.

"The difficulty with slang is that some students and other persons, are habitually unable to talk anything else," he said. "They make a few slang terms cover a multitude of things. Clearness and accuracy is lost, in this way." Slang, Dean Sheldon thinks, is an attempt to give some new thought an accurate pungent, and expressive term. But if the speaker uses nothing but slang, it is a failure, as far as accuracy of expression goes.

Slang Adds to Language
"Some slang words are really an addition to the language, but if one habitually uses nothing but slang, one reduces one's powers of expression," was the way he put it. Once in a while a person moves in circles where slang won't pass muster, and then he is seriously hampered if he can't express ideas in conventional English. The objection most people have to slang is that many times it is used, with a mistaken idea of humor, where slang does not belong.

To develop a good vocabulary, men and women ought to read a lot and think about the expressions they see in books, Dean Sheldon believes, and those who use slang carelessly and, as it were, wastefully, don't do that, and consequently haven't enough good words at their command.

"Do students have to use a good of slang in order to express their thoughts when they're talking to fellow students?" Dean Sheldon was asked.

He answered that to work with a group, people have to fit in with its habits, and that like the rest of humanity, students are a good deal sheep. But this sort of conforming, he thinks, has its justification, in a way, as a civilizing agent.

Colloquialisms Adopted
Such expressions as "right up against it," "to put it over," are colloquialisms, the dean thinks, and may come to be adopted into good usage. "It would be an interesting study," said Dean Sheldon, "to list the slang expressions of former ages of society,"

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Peonpantz Don't Get Approval in Arizona's State

University of Arizona, Nov. 16.—(Exchange Service)—Three practically new pair of Valentino corduroys were seen flapping in the breeze at half mast on the newly erected flagpole Thursday of last week. In explanation of the situation there appeared the following sign:

"These are specimens of Rubboff Vaselino Pants. Found on the Campus. It's not being done in these parts." It seems they belong to a few of those on the campus who are devout admirers of the screen's "perfect lover" and are trying to win similar laurels by imitating this famous Italian. The wearers of cords of the old vintage with crude cuffs stood this as long as possible, but early Thursday morning three individuals went home in B. V. D.'s and not in Peon Pants.

Oregana pictures, at Tollman's this week:
Delta Gamma
Alpha Phi
Phi Gamma Delta
Phi Delta Theta

PROPORTION OF SPECIAL STUDENTS IS DECLINING

Only 250 Are Registered This Year; 250 in 1919-20

"The number of Special students of all kinds has been steadily decreasing in proportion to the total enrollment," stated professor E. E. DeCon, faculty member, when asked concerning the Specials of the University. He gave several reasons for this decline in numbers of which he especially emphasized two.

"For the first two or three years after the war ex-service men came to the University and concentrated in the different branches of study. These men have either finished their training, or they are now carrying a full course," the professor said. The decrease is shown by the following figures. For the school year 1919-20 there were 450 ex-service men registered. For year 1920-21, 375; 1921-22, 284; 1922-23, 250.

The second reason given is the increasing number of students coming from the different high schools. Professor DeCon pointed out that these students usually carry full courses and complete the university graduation requirements.

Professor DeCon divides the Specials in two main groups; Those from the Eugene Bible University and those who have taken former work in other universities and colleges. Forty-five or more students from the E. B. U. are carrying one or more studies in the University. These students are especially interested in oratory and debating and have been on the U. of O. teams for many years. The other group is composed of men and women of mature age who have had practical experience and outside training along lines of study in the university. "The scholastic standing of these students is higher than that of other students in the same school or department," the professor added. These Specials, of whom there are seventy, are usually high school graduates or have taken previous work in other universities.

BOILER IN McCLURE HAS ILLEGAL TAIN, B'GOSH

Concoction to be Produced Not Likely, However, to Interest Thirsty Persons

What is that mysterious-looking contraption down under the steps of McClure hall where one enters the basement? A curious spectacle presents itself. From all outward appearances the invention has all the earmarks of a hill-billy's still in the backwoods of Kentucky.

The coil, the hot-water boiler, the valves, the rubber tubing, and several other accessories, all seem to point to the conclusion that someone is preparing to manufacture some of the deadly drink.

Inquiry brought out the fact that the outfit is really a still. However, much to the disappointment of the curious one, the apparatus is to be used for distilling wood. About twenty-five pounds of perfectly dry Douglas fir will be vaporized to a high temperature. The water arising will be run through the coil and the different oils found in the wood will be extracted.

FOOTBALL RESULTS
Washington 12, Stanford 3.
Princeton 3, Yale 0.

CHANGE IN OREGON SPIRIT IS NOTICED

Phrase "Individual Purpose" Covers New Consciousness of Men and Women at Work

DATING NOT SO FREQUENT

Petty Depredations Decrease; Students Less Downtown in Afternoons, Say Merchants

By Art Rudd
Oregon is changing. Faculty members feel it, townspeople sense it and students, especially upperclassmen, recognize that Oregon is a different place from what it was even so short a time as a year ago.

Years ago Oregon was "a place to have a good time." Oregon admitted it, perhaps a little proudly, and parents decried it. Then came the war with its breaking down of customs and habits, its dissolution of activities and its general lowering of standards. The post-war flood of students to the millage campaign followed in quick succession. The millage victory did not solve the problem of overcrowding, and a radical rise in scholastic standards resulted. It is this movement that is behind the present campus flux, a condition that has set many Oregonians speculating.

"Individual purpose" seems to be the characterizing phrase of the thing that is happening. The disappearance of "floaters," those who come to the University only for a good time, is one of the main symptoms. "Pipe courses are no more," said one professor, when interviewed.

Stodiousness is Apparent
The apparent lack of interest in social events and the difficulty which many organizations are experiencing in obtaining quorums at meetings are also indicative of scholastic interest. The crowded condition of the library and the scarcity of "cuts" in class are rated as "hopeful signs" by faculty members.

From the point of view of Eugene people the "changing University" is hailed with a spirit nearly resembling gusto. Student depredations on orchards and ice chests have been very few this year, compared with past years. The very noticeable indication that Oregon is working hard is the scarcity of students on the downtown streets either in the afternoon or evening. Merchants have commented upon this condition, saying that students are buying more at a time and making fewer trips to town. Street car conductors say that they notice the scarcity of students on the cars.

Although the girls of the campus are involved in the change as much as the men it is thought that the masculine attitude is changing faster due to the fact that women students have maintained a somewhat higher scholastic standard heretofore and that at present the men are bringing their work up to the average set by the so-called "weaker sex."

Dates Grow Scarce
"Dates are scarcer this year and there is certainly less 'playing around' on week-ends and week nights than ever before," said the head of one house when questioned as to the girls' attitude on the question of harder work. "We don't know whether we like it or not yet," she added, "but of course we have more time to study too."

Dean Elizabeth Fox declared that the usual rush of houses to get dates for social functions did not occur this year with the same competitive spirit shown in the past. The Dean credits the Woman's league with much of the recent progress among the women.

Growth is Cause
Dean Colin V. Dymont, who is often called "father of the higher standards" is watching the working out of his plan with a keen sense of satisfaction and interest. That Oregon is passing from a small school stage to that of a great institution is the main factors in the present changing condition, he believes.

"We have passed the place where everyone can be interested in everything that happens on the campus," he said to the writer, in reviewing the situation. "We have come to the place where student activities must be divided among more workers and those activities should be carefully chosen."

Dean Dymont also advocates more individualism among students, and organizations must be permitted, saying that there must be less of the spirit of forcing people and houses into an activity just because the others are doing it.

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Molly Coddling Habit of Small School. Zasso?

Berkeley, Nov. 16.—"Small educational institutions tend to nurse their students," said Dr. L. A. Williams of the education department of California in speaking of the most noticeable difference between the large universities, and those of an enrollment of two or three thousand.

"California fosters the spirit of independence because of its immensity. It is a physical impossibility to consult and advise personally every individual who enters—he is given a knowledge of the regulations and is then left to his own devices.

"More molly coddling is done in the smaller colleges, on the other hand. Each student is aided and led along those lines which the instructor, after personal interviews, considers the best and thus there is less danger of barking up the wrong tree or going down blind alleys than there is in the former system."

In conclusion Dr. Williams stated that the matter is one of a question of values. Whether a development of personal responsibility coupled with the risk of a waste of time due to perplexity, is better than mere intellectual education is entirely up to the individual.

REALISM IS NOT AN ART; REVERSE FACET OF LIFE

Tide of Romanticism Sweeping High Here in America

Palo Alto, Nov. 19.—"Realism is not an art and never has been," said Pro. T. K. Whipple of Stanford University. "It is just as much a type of literature as romanticism. Its recent prominence has been gained through the fact that realism vividly reflects the new and awakening consciousness of the American people."

One is apt to forget that this much-talked-about realism occupies a very insignificant place in the literature of today as compared with romanticism, according to Professor Whipple. The world talks about it so much at present because the war brought out certain hidden potentialities, and because realism inevitably follows romanticism.

"In looking over last year's list of 'best-sellers,' one finds comparatively few realistic novels. The sordid novels which were so widely read proved exceptions to the rule. They are nothing more than a passing fancy. "The true test of the success of a modern book is not whether it has style, originality, or scope, but whether it is true to life as we now live it. This is the salient fact in the rapid rise of the so-called American realistic novel. As the people more fully understand the subject matter dealt with, they are more capable of judging its merits."

"FIANCEES" FORM CLUB

Girls Who Have Made Fatal Leap Meet to Discuss Calamity

University of Washington, Nov. 16.—Among the new ideas which the delegates of the Women's League brought back from the Utah convention was that of a "Trousseau Club." Women of a certain western university have organized such a club and it is said to be a success. Her formal engagement makes a woman eligible for membership. The young bride-to-be is then able to talk over her momentous problems with others who are in the same fix, and the benefits are mutual.

BEZDEK GETS BIG JOB

Philadelphia, Nov. 15.—Hugo Bezdek, state college football coach, has been offered a salary larger than any manager in the National League except John J. McGraw to manage the Phillies for the next three years, it was learned today. It is expected he will sign to lead the Quaker team.

MAY LIMIT FOOTBALL

Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 15.—Debate teams at Harvard will argue the question, "Resolved: That Harvard should limit intercollegiate football games to one annual contest with Yale, supplementing this with the Oxford system of intramural contest." Harvard students are serious about the proposition, it is said.

WARNER COLLECTION OPEN

The opening hours of the Warner Art Collection has been definitely announced by the curator of the museum. These are, from two to four p. m., on week days, and from three to five p. m., on Sundays.

AGGIES DROP GAME TO VARSITY, 10-0

Callison Again Puts Jinx on Corvallis Boys; Spear Gets Ball Behind Line for Down

RUD BROWN BADLY HURT

Clean Cut Victory Pleasing After the Deadlock Which Has Existed for Two Years

By Ed Frazer
Oregon won a smashing, clean-cut victory from their traditional enemy, the Oregon Aggies yesterday afternoon by scoring 10 points in the first quarter and then playing the rest of the game in the Aggie's territory.

Prink Callison certainly has the Indian sign on the Aggies, for it was Prink that blocked an Aggie punt which Bill Spear recovered behind the goal line for the only touchdown of the game. Chapman's place kick from the 25 yard line just three minutes after the opening of the game took the snap out of the Beaver's play, and it was plainly Oregon's game from that time on.

Rud Brown was put out of action early in the game with a wrenched knee, and was substituted for by Terry Johnson. At first examination it was thought that the injury was a sprain but a closer examination revealed that Rud's whole knee had been thrown out, tearing several ligaments. It will put him out for three weeks at least, and perhaps for the rest of the season. Brown's was the only serious injury suffered by the team.

The Lemon-Yellow eleven outplayed and outgeneraled the Aggie team in every department of the game, and practically the whole game was played in the Orange and Black territory.

The Aggies never threatened the Oregon goal line, and they were clearly out-manoeuvred throughout. Neither of the teams could penetrate the line for consistent yardage, but Oregon succeeded in this much better than O. A. C.

Aggies Try Passes

Toward the end of the game the Aggies tried pass after pass, only one of which was completed. Hank Latham got in front of one with a clear field ahead, but in his haste fumbled and lost his chance to boost the Oregon score by seven points.

The entire Oregon team played a stellar game, especially the linemen, who broke through the Aggie line on nearly every play, and time after time the Beaver backs were thrown for losses. Chapman, in the backfield for Oregon, played his usual heady game, and averaged high on his punts as the Aggies were afraid of fumbling and refused to receive them.

Several trick plays were pulled by the Beavers, but most of them were disastrous, the Sing Sing lockstep shift play especially being poor as they were penalized five yards for being off side the second time they attempted to spring it. An interesting fact in connection with this play is that Nigs Borleski used it while coaching Lincoln high school in 1915.

Chapman attempted two other place kicks during the fracas one from the 41 yard line which fell short, and one from the 25 yard line which failed because of a fumble when the ball was passed back.

Aggies Not Confident
The Aggies really seem to deserve the name of "Frightened Aggies" after

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DISTANCE MEN DROP RACE TO AGS BY THREE POINTS

Walkley Wins Last Race of College Career by Showing Magnificent Form and Endurance

The Oregon cross-country team lost the annual dual meet to the Aggies yesterday by the close score of 29 to 26, although Glenn Walkley, Oregon's veteran runner took first place while Guy Koepf placed third with Graves of the Aggies between them.

The other three Oregon men were unable to stand the fast pace set by the leaders and finished in sixth, ninth and tenth places respectively. The Aggies won the meet by their ability to take the intermediate places and Graves, who placed second, was a good 60 yards behind Walkley at the finish. The entire route, picked by the Aggies was very muddy, and the track on which the last two laps were run had puddles of water standing in it at many places.

The results were much closer than expected, as the Aggies took the Coast conference meet here last week by quite a majority, and were doped to win by a much larger score than they did.