

# COUÉ'S HEALING POWER DISCUSSED

Conklin Is Skeptical About Good Being Accomplished Through Method

"Coneism is but another of those waves of interest in non-medical forms of healing which have periodically swept over the civilized world," according to Dr. E. S. Conklin, who will broadcast a lecture on this subject from the Oregonian radio tower next Friday night. "It is not at all surprising that there should be such widespread belief in each of these methods of cure," says Dr. Conklin. "Human beings are by nature peculiarly responsive to the weird, the supernatural and the occult. Of the many cases which are helped, we hear much because it is in these we are most interested. Of those who fail to receive the blessing we hear little, and we readily forget."

"To make some deaf to hear," he continues, "to make some blind to see, to make some cripples to walk, to make some pains to vanish by other than medical means is an art long known to students of human behavior and to the medical profession. What there is about it all which does not seem to be generally known is the distinction between functional and organic disease. Functional diseases are responsive to kinds of treatment which would have little or no effect upon organic troubles." Dr. Conklin gives as an illustration of this, the case of a soldier who was blinded in action. He was removed to hospitals for care, but the physicians could find nothing wrong with his eyes. Still he quite evidently could not see. Some, of course, were inclined to think that he was a fraud, but careful observation removed the possibility of that. He was ordered home. On the way the transport was torpedoed. When the excitement of the rescue and the rescue were over the once blind man realized that somewhere during the disturbance his vision had returned and that he was as well as he had ever been.

"This case," says Dr. Conklin, "is but a sample of many, and all of these, if they had gone through the hands of some popular mental healer, would have been heralded abroad as demonstrations of his power to cure the ills to which flesh is heir. But as they have occurred in the hands of scientific men they are reported, if reported at all, merely as cases of functional disturbances."

"The danger in all of these healing fads," he continues, "is in taking them too seriously. There can be little harm I fancy in the mumbling 'day by day in every way I am getting better and better,' so long as it does not prevent the person who does the mumbling from making use of all the knowledge that experimental science has to offer. For myself I am not going to trust my welfare and my happiness to one little hobby and neglect all the rest of human knowledge."

## NEW SYSTEM DEvised FOR PAYMENT OF FEES

Plan Will Make Registration Easier and Simplify Withdrawal; Fees to Be Paid in One Sum

All fees will be paid at the same time next term, about two weeks after registration, according to a new plan developed in the registrar's office. This system was devised by L. H. Johnson, comptroller of the University, and will be given a tryout next term. If the plan proves satisfactory, it will be permanently inaugurated next fall.

When a student registers he will fill out three cards—two yellow study cards, one of which is filed with his major professor and one with the registrar. A third, a pink card, will be a duplicate of the yellow ones but will have to be signed by the various professors or have the lab fees listed. This pink card will be filed at the registrar's office.

Students will file these cards on registration day, but will not pay registration or lab fees for two weeks. Class dues and deposits will be paid at once.

The pink card will be checked over by assistants of the business office and all lab fees and registration fees, including non-resident fees, will be paid in a total sum after two weeks.

This system has a two-fold advantage. It will eliminate standing in line twice to pay fees, and gives new students a chance to withdraw after a week or two without going through the red tape of getting money refunded that has been paid in fees.

If the plan is satisfactory, the cards for next fall will have the fees for a year listed, in accordance with the new registration plan.

## CARPENTERS FIND TROUBLE

Superintendent of Grounds and Five Men Keep Busy Repairing Campus

Anyone seeking trouble need never worry about finding it, if he will notice the facts contained in this little tale. If, in the course of his search, he happens to wander down to the corner of the campus where the office of the superintendent of buildings and grounds is situated, he will soon find trouble.

For this is the "trouble bureau" of the school. Into this office tales of woe from all parts of the campus come

pouring in and it is all that Superintendent H. M. Fisher and his crew of five hard-working carpenters can do to keep trouble from piling up to the proportions of a mountain, and to preserve the University from going to rack and ruin.

At present the "trouble doctors" are busy in reviving the library, as a result of the investigation and recommendation of the state fire marshal on his recent visit to the campus.

Other small "chores" the carpenters have recently done are the construction of a new home for the rats, chickens and rabbits used by the medical students; the construction of additions to the Murray Warner art collection; and numerous other small jobs which are continually coming up and must be attended to at once. Taking all this into consideration, Mr. Fisher admitted that the life of a superintendent or a carpenter in the University was anything but an idle existence.

## BUTTER SCOTCH PIE IS ORATOR'S REWARD

Leith Abbott Munches Pastry While Writing Thesis

A new method of obtaining interest in the class room was found by Professor C. D. Thorpe in the written and spoken English department. Who knows—this may prove to be most helpful to worried faculty members during the coming restless days of the springtime?

Professor Thorpe's new discovery is this: He offered any student in his extemporaneous speaking class any kind of pie he might want for the best six minute argumentative speech to be given in class. This offer proved to be an incentive to all students in the class and much hard work and thought was put in on the subject each student was to talk about. After the speeches had been given, ballots were passed out among the class and the students voted upon the person who deserved the promised pie. Evidently each student did not cast the vote for himself in hopes of receiving the pie, because when all votes were in Leith Abbott, one of the wearers of the sombrero, proved to be the winner of the pie. Professor Thorpe asked Abbott what kind of pie he would prefer, and with a broad grin, he replied, "Butter-scotch."

That night Professor Thorpe decided it would be safer to deliver the pie in person—so he took it in hand and journeyed to the Fiji house. As Abbott was not in, Professor Thorpe asked for Paul Staley, who appeared eager to deliver the pie, and sign for its delivery. In this way Professor Thorpe felt he was insured against loss of the pie around the fraternity house.

When he returned home Abbott found the flaky crusted butterscotch pie awaiting him, and he said it spurred him on until 2 a. m. working on a term thesis.

## PING-PONG AND SHUFFLE BOARD ARE POPULAR

Oregon Students and Members of Eugene Bible University Use "Y" Hut Frequently

The shuffle boards and ping pong tables at the University Y. M. C. A. are the battle fields for many a lively contest between Oregon students and Bible University men during the evening hours. Within this building the sport holds sway and here the parlor athletes develop skill of the muscle and eye that is declared astonishing by the critics.

Between classes, at lunch, after dinner and at other times the E. B. U. students may be seen "shooting the weights." In fact they have developed the game into a science. Often as many as twelve or fifteen of the Bible collegians are on hand to cheer for their favorites. Their spirit and their skill is enough to make the on-looker's spinal column tingle.

Against this superior skill the U. of O. men pit their determination and old Oregon Fight. Many and thrills are the contests between the two schools and it is said that the determination of the state University men often brings victory over their more skilled opponents. No schedule has been arranged for these frays, but they are going on every night from six o'clock until bed time.

## SIGMA Upsilon INITIATES

Ed Miller Wears Tabard Around Campus and Rides Goat in Evening

Accoutered in the habiliments of a page of the Chaucerian period, a knight of the pen yesterday roamed the Oregon campus and last night was formally initiated into Ye Tabard Inn of Sigma Upsilon, honorary national literary fraternity. The neophyte was Edward Miller, a sophomore majoring in journalism.

Before he was allowed to tell his tales around the fire-place of Ye Tabard Inn, Miller yesterday evening was requested to stroll nonchalantly into the University library wearing a hat. All neophytes of the Inn wear the two-colored tabard around the campus to classes before being initiated.

## POWERS WILL LECTURE

Alfred Powers, of the extension division, will address the local teachers' institute at Florence, Oregon, April 7. His evening lecture will be illustrated showing the value of slides and films in regular school work.

## GYMNASIUM CLASSES WILL HOLD EXHIBITION

Affair to Be Demonstration of Work in Classes

A gymnasium demonstration in which all women enrolled in the physical education department will participate, will be staged in the Woman's building, Friday evening, March 23, at 8 o'clock. Although no definite step has been taken to make this affair an annual event it is expected that it will be held each year. The demonstration this year will be the second one held in the Woman's building, one having been given last year.

No special practice is held for the exhibition before it is given, each number on the program being a demonstration of some particular class work. Members of the faculty in the physical education department supervise the affair.

A grand march is the first number on the program, all girls who take gymnasium work participating in this march. Following this the sophomore women will stage a gymnastic drill, and the freshman women will put on a folk dance number.

The individual gymnasium classes will be represented for the first time, and as a feature of the exhibition will demonstrate the various types of work done in their particular branch of gymnastic work. A dumb-bell drill will be given by the senior majors of the department, and the junior majors will participate in a special gymnastic drill. Another interesting feature which is being given for the first time is the physical efficiency test in which 90 freshman women will participate. The final number of the program will be the interclass apparatus work, which will be given by teams selected from each class. The team winning in this event will be awarded an interclass track cup. Ten girls who show unusual efficiency in gymnastic work are chosen for each of the teams.

All students and townspeople interested are cordially invited by the department to attend the demonstration.

## UNIQUE SYSTEM USED IN PROTECTING PROPERTY

Four Watchmen and Two Women Guard All Rooms in Every Building While Others Sleep

What H. M. Fisher calls a fool-proof, unbeatable system is used by the buildings and grounds department to keep tabs on the campus night watchmen. The invention has been used here since 1908 and is considered a very valuable aid to the work of safeguarding University property.

Four watchmen are employed. Three men take care of all the buildings. One of the three does relief duty.

Each guard carries with him a clock-like device. The affair is securely locked and covered with a leather case, and is swung from the shoulder by a strap. On the back is a key hole. When the proper key is inserted and turned, a number and the time indicated by the clock is punched on a paper dial inside the device.

On each of the floors and in the principal rooms of all the buildings is a small cast iron box. The watchmen have a key which opens the box, and inside is another key, fastened to a chain, which fits the clock. When a guard comes in from his round, he is required to have his dial punched at every station. Every key is a little different, enough to cause a distinguishing number to be punched and thus Mr. Fisher is able to tell without a doubt just when the watchman visited every part of his beat.

The dial turns with the hands, giving new space for each punch. A clean dial is inserted every day, and the old one filed for reference. Besides checking on the men, it is a valuable aid to them, for it protects them when a question is raised about their beat. The watchmen are required to visit every room, no matter how insignificant, in every building on the campus. They look out for everything, from a window left open, to a night prowler.

## TALK ON PRICES PLANNED

Portland Speaker Will Address Majors in Commerce and Economics

D. E. Galbraith of the R. G. Dunn and company, mercantile agency of Portland, will address all commerce and economics majors and others who are interested, on financial problems, March 20.

The topics with which Mr. Galbraith will deal will be a study of prices, an analysis of the causes of the rise and fall of prices, the effect of the rise and fall of prices on credit, and the possibility of price control. Charts will be used by the speaker to illustrate his points. The meeting will be held at 7:30 March 20 in room 105, Commerce building.

## LIBRARY GETS NEW BOOKS

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## RELIGION MAY BE TAUGHT

New School Suggested to Provide Neglected Instruction

There has been some talk of establishing a school of religion on the edge of the campus. Students attending this school would be allowed University credit for their work, says M. H. Douglass, University librarian. Educators feel that an education is not complete if it ignores religion. The state, according to law cannot provide religious instruction.

In some states churches have gone together and established separate schools. The present Eugene Bible University, while teaching religion, denies the theory of evolution and many students in the University are not willing to discard the discoveries of science.

## WILLCOX TO VISIT W. S. C.

Plans for Future Layout and Grounds to Be Discussed by Architect

Prof. W. R. B. Willecox of the University architecture department, is leaving the campus during vacation, to go to the Washington State College at Pullman, Washington, in order to confer with the authorities there on plans for laying out the grounds of the institution.

"The buildings at Washington State have just been added one after another with no particular plan in view, says Professor Willecox, and it is uncertain what sort of a plan can be worked out in order to make the campus attractive."

Some such plan as has been formulated here for future building on the campus, will probably be used in the same way at Washington.

## CONCRETE STEPS ARE BUILT

Wooden Approach to North of Library on 13th Street Is Replaced

Concrete was poured yesterday for new steps on the north side of the library. The old wooden steps, rotted by excess moisture, collapsed Tuesday. The approaches to the north door of the library coincide in an interesting way to the growth of the University, according to H. M. Fisher, superintendent of grounds. When the building was first erected, a narrow six-foot flight of steps was sufficient to handle the traffic. Later it had to be replaced by the eleven-foot flight that recently caved in. And the new steps will stretch twenty-three feet along the bank.

## GOLFERS URGED TO TRYOUT

In order that the handicap committee of the University Golf club may get a line on the players for the quarter tournament to be held next quarter, all golfers are asked to turn in one or two score cards from the Eugene Country club course before the end of this quarter. A box has been placed on the course by Don Goodrich, president of the club, in which to deposit the cards.

## NOTICE TO THELMA

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